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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE DRAFT NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE PROPOSED

Canvinia Vineyard Estate LLC- Special Events
Case Nos. 25NGD-00005, 24CUP-00031

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Djamila Cabugos (applicant) proposes a Minor Conditional Use Permit to allow for 12 special events per calendar year, with each event accommodating up to 200 guests. Events are proposed on the premises around (but outside of) the main residence and guest residence.

PROJECT LOCATION: The project site is located 1.3 miles south of the Mission Dr. and N. Refugio Road intersection, at a property commonly known as Sunstone Winery (125 N. Refugio Road), APN 141-460-012, in the Santa Ynez Valley Community Plan area, Third Supervisorial District.

PUBLIC COMMENT: The County of Santa Barbara Planning and Development Department (P&D) is soliciting comments on the adequacy and completeness of 25NGD-00005. You may comment by submitting written or oral comments to the project planner identified below prior to the close of public comment on December 5, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. Due to the non-complex nature of the project, a separate environmental hearing will not be held.

PROJECT DETAILS: The proposed project is a request for a Minor Conditional Use Permit to allow for up to twelve (12) outdoor special events per calendar year, with each event accommodating up to 200 guests within the premises around (but outside of) the main residence and guest residence. The existing, permitted winery is not a part of the project. All facilities for special events will be temporary in nature and utilize the following areas: the exterior open lawn, the northern exterior outdoor area and pathway, the western exterior area for portable restrooms, the southwestern exterior motor court area for vendor preparation and use, and the surrounding adjacent parking areas for vendors, staff, and limited guest parking. All other areas and the property will be excluded from the special event use.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW FINDINGS: P&D has prepared a Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) (25NGD-00005) pursuant to Section 15073 of the State Guidelines for the Implementation of the

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California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the County of Santa Barbara Guidelines for the Implementation of CEQA. P&D's issuance of an MND affirms our opinion that any significant adverse impacts associated with the proposed project may be reduced to a less than significant level with the adoption of mitigation measures and that the project does not require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR). The MND prepared for the project identifies and discusses potential impacts, mitigation measures, residual impacts, and monitoring requirements for identified subject areas. Significant but mitigable effects on the environment are anticipated in the following areas: **Noise, Fire Protection, Transportation, and Aesthetic/Visual Resources**. If the project description changes, P&D will require a reevaluation to consider the changes. This reevaluation will be subject to all regular fees and conditions. If you challenge this environmental document in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues raised by you or others in written correspondence or in hearings on the proposed project.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY: If a copy of the draft MND is not attached, the draft MND may be obtained and all documents incorporated by reference in the MND may be reviewed at P&D offices located at 624 Foster Road, Suite C, Santa Maria and on the P&D website at EnvDocs | Powered by Box. Draft documents are also available for review at the Solvang Library at 1745 Mission Dr, Solvang, CA 93463.

HOW TO COMMENT: Please provide comments to the project planner, Francisco Vargas, at vargasf@countyofsb.org, prior to the close of public comment on December 5, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. Please limit comments to environmental issues such as traffic, biology, noise, etc. You will receive notice of the dates of future public hearings to consider project approval or denial.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in the hearing, please contact Hearing Support Staff (805) 568-2000. Notification at least 48 hours prior to the hearing will enable Hearing Support Staff to make reasonable arrangements.