

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

NAPA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING BUILDING & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
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To: Governor's Office of Land Use And Climate Innovation
Via CEQA Submit Portal

Napa County Clerk
900 Coombs St
Napa, CA 94559

PROJECT TITLE: Alluvium Estate Track I Vineyard

PERMIT(S): Agricultural Erosion Control Plan P25-00213

PROJECT LOCATION - SPECIFIC: Agricultural Erosion Control Plan #P25-00213-ECPA for earthmoving associated with 1.1 gross acres of vineyard (0.6 net planted acres), planted without the benefit of permit, consisting of trellis and irrigation systems and continued maintenance of erosion control measures. The project includes removal of existing vineyard planted and restoration of the approximate 0.1 acre area to oak woodland. The project area is located on mild to steeply sloping land (slopes ranging 9% to 29%) within the Agricultural Watershed zoning district and within the York Creek drainage of the Napa River watershed.

PROJECT LOCATION – CITY (NEAREST): ST. HELENA

PROJECT LOCATION - COUNTY: NAPA

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Grading and earthmoving activities associated with the construction of an agricultural road on slopes greater than 5% (typically 0% to 35%) within a ± 0.75 acre area of existing vineyard avenues and adjacent chaparral and foothill pine woodland.

NAME OF PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT: Napa County Planning Building & Environmental Services Department

NAME OF PERSON(S) OR AGENCY CARRYING OUT PROJECT: James Bushey, PPI Engineering (RPE #49931)

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EXEMPT STATUS (CHECK ONE): (Also, see Appendix B of the *Napa Co Local Procedures for Implementing the CEQA*)

- Ministerial [Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268];
- Declared Emergency [Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a)];
- Emergency Project [Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15268(b)(c)];
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: **Class (Type): 1 & 33 Section #: 15301 & 15333**
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number:
- General Rule: [Sec.15061(b)(3)]

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: The project proposes minor grading and earthmoving activities associated with the removal of 0.1 acres of planted vineyard from an existing 1.1 gross acres (0.6 net acres) vineyard. The remaining vineyard (0.8 gross acre, 0.5 net acres) would not require additional work beyond ongoing maintenance of existing erosion control measures. The 0.1 acres of vineyard was planted within the County required stream setback without a permit, which will be restored resulting in consistency with Napa County Conservation Regulations, and would restore native vegetation that would support local wildlife. The area to be disturbed is not situated on a recognized hazardous waste site or in a biologically sensitive area and would not exacerbate any known landslide. This replant of existing vineyard developed will not adversely affect cultural or scenic resources, or substantially interfere with the movement of wildlife. In addition, it will not contribute to increases in local off-site stream flows or sediment levels, reductions in groundwater recharge, groundwater levels, or available wildlife habitat, or changes in other environmental parameters. Finally, there are no unusual circumstances associated with the removal of vineyard and restoration that would cause it to have a significant effect on the environment (see project file in the office of the Napa County Planning Building & Environmental Services Department for the documentation supporting these conclusions).

LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON: Kelli Cahill, Planner III PHONE: (707) 265-2325

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- Signed by Lead Agency
- Signed by Applicant

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