



CMP Civil Engineering & Land Surveying
1607 Capell Valley Road
Napa, CA 94558
(707) 815-0988
Cameron@CMPengineering.com
CMPengineering.com



EXCEPTION REQUEST LETTER

To: Attn: Reviewing County Engineer
Napa County Planning, Building & Environmental Services
1195 Third Street, Suite 210
Napa, CA 94558
Date: 10/28/2016

From: CMP Civil Engineering & Land Surveying
Cameron Pridmore PE, PLS
1607 Capell Valley Road
Napa, CA 94558
(707) 815-0988

Subject: Driveway Exception Request Letter for The Caldwell Vineyard Winery Driveway located at 270 Kreuzer Lane, Napa, CA

Remarks: Thank you for taking the time to review the submitted driveway plans. With this letter we are officially requesting an exception to the Napa County Road and Street Standards. The specific exceptions and the associated reasons are listed below.

1. An exception to the 20' driveway width requirement for all the areas of the driveway that are currently under 20' wide as shown on the included plan and listed as follows: STA 30+55 to STA 37+35. Pullouts and wide spots are provided at the beginning, middle and end of this narrow section. The site lines between these pullouts and wide spots are excellent and the use of these areas provide the same overall practical level of safety as the full 20' width would.
2. An exception to the 16% slope limit for all the areas of the driveway that are currently over 16% as shown on the included plan and listed as follows: STA 1+50 to STA 5+00. Said area is currently sloped at 17.3% slope and paved with HMA which provides excellent traction and the same overall practical level of safety.

We ask that the above exceptions be granted based on the same reasoning they were originally granted when the driveway was originally approved. The reasoning then (and currently) being that the driveway is environmentally constrained due to the steep terrain that it traverses. Meeting the full 20' width would require blasting and very large cut slopes that would potentially lead to slope instability and excessive erosion issues. Thank you again for taking the time to review this request. Please let me know if you have any further questions or comments.

Regards,


Cameron Pridmore PE, PLS