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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PLANNING COMMISSION HEARING & NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

On Wednesday morning, the 3rd day of October 2018, at 9:00 a.m. at 1195 Third Street, Suite 305, Napa, California, a public hearing will be conducted by the Napa County Planning Commission regarding the project identified below. All interested persons are invited to attend the hearing and be heard.

ANTHEM WINERY – MAJOR MODIFICATION USE PERMIT #P14-00320-MOD, VARIANCE #P14-00321-VAR, VIEWSHED, EXCEPTION TO THE NAPA COUNTY ROADS & STREET STANDARDS, AND AGRICULTURAL EROSION CONTROL PLAN #P14-00322-ECPA

CEQA Status: Consideration and possible adoption of a Mitigated Negative Declaration. According to the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration, the proposed project would not have any potentially significant environmental impacts after implementation of mitigation measures (or MM's). MM's are proposed for the following area(s) Biological Resources, Geology and Soils, and Noise. The project site is not included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5.

Request: Approval of a Use Permit Major Modification for an existing winery permit to allow: an increase in annual permitted production capacity from 30,000 to 50,000 gallons; the construction of a new 10,388 sq.ft. Winery Facility including a 1,508 sq. ft. Tasting Room, a 1,724 sq. ft. Office, Catering and Conference Room, and outdoor marketing areas; the development of 29,053 sq.ft. caves including the on-site placement and storage of spoils; an increase in on-site parking; the development of support facilities (water tanks and septic system); an increase in the number of employees; a change in the in the winery's hours of operation; and, a marketing plan that includes daily tours and tastings by appointment, 36 annual marketing events, and on-site premises consumption of wines produced on-site. Reconfiguration of an existing access driveway including the construction of a clear span bridge and approximately 650 feet of new driveway to provide adequate access to the winery, which would require an Exception to the Napa County Road and Street Standards for reduced commercial driveway widths and for road grades exceeding 18% is proposed as part of the project. Approval of a Variance to allow construction of the proposed Winery Facility a minimum of 65 feet from a private access drive where a minimum 300-foot setback is required. Approval of a Viewshed request. Approval of an Agricultural Erosion Control Plan for the installation and maintenance of approximately 1.19 acres of new vineyard.

The project is located on an approximate 44.8 acre holding within the Agricultural Watershed (AW) zoning district that consists of two parcels: i) the 'Winery Parcel' (3454 Redwood Road, APN 035-470-046) an approximate 27.23 acre parcel located on the east side of Redwood Road approximately 1.5 miles north of its intersection with Browns Valley Road; and ii) the 'Access Parcel' (3123 Dry Creek Road, APN 035-460-038) an approximate 17.54 acre parcel located on the west side of Dry Creek Road approximately 1.7 miles north of its intersection with Redwood Road (or approximately 0.4 miles north of its intersection with Linda Vista Avenue). Access to the winery is proposed from Dry Creek Road.

The proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration is available for inspection, along with copies of all documents which relate to the above described project, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:45 p.m. Monday through Friday, at the office of the Napa County Planning, Building, & Environmental Services Department, 1195 Third Street, Suite 210, Napa, California, or <https://www.countyofnapa.org/670/Anthem-Winery>.

Written and verbal comments regarding the environmental effects of this project and the adequacy of the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration are solicited. Written comments must be presented during the public review period, which runs from August 31, 2018, through October 2, 2018. Comments should be directed to Donald Barrella, Planner III, Napa County Planning, Building & Environmental Services Department, 1195 Third Street, Suite 210, Napa, California; (707) 299-1338 or donald.barrella@countyofnapa.org and must be received before 4:45 p.m. on October 2nd 2018.

Appeals to decisions of the Planning Commission must be filed in writing with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, 1195 Third Street, Suite 305, Napa, California, in accordance with the time lines and submittal requirements set forth in Chapter 2.88 of the County Code.

If you challenge the particular proceeding in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Commission at, or prior to the public hearing.

DATED: August 30, 2018

David Morrison
Director of Planning, Building, & Environmental Services
