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From: **Ralph Petty** <ralpheapetty@gmail.com>
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Please include this letter in the record for the Oakstone Use Permit Revision. Thank you, Ralph Petty and Betsy Wolff

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September 7, 2018

Planning Commission Chair and Commissioners
El Dorado County Planning Commission
El Dorado County, California

Subject: Oakstone Winery Revision to an Existing Conditional Use Permit
Project File No. S04-0001-R-2

Planning Commission Chair and Commissioners:

We have lived directly across Irish Acres Road from Oakstone Winery for the past four years. When we moved here, we had the pleasure of making the acquaintance of Liz and Steve Ryan, the owners of Oakstone Winery. We have sustained this friendly relationship into the present.

The Ryans have operated Oakstone in a manner that justifies the County's General Plan Designation of Residential Rural, with the Zoning Designation of Limited Agriculture. We look down on the winery from our porch and living room windows, so we are able to see continuously how the winery is operating. The Ryans understand that they are running a business in a rural residential neighborhood, and are very sensitive to their neighbors' peace and quiet. They go out of their way to ensure the winery's impact to the neighborhood is limited and friendly. When they have wine releases and expect more than the usual number of visitors, they let us know in advance. They control their current parking carefully, often providing an attendant to ensure that there is no overflow impact to Irish Acres Road.

Oakstone Winery fits well into the community, and even acts as a de facto social center, into which all neighbors are welcomed.

It would be reasonable to grant Oakstone Winery the minor expansion of operations that the Ryans are requesting under this proposed revision to their existing Conditional Use Permit. We support their request for revision of the permit.

Sincerely,

Betsy Wolff and Ralph Petty
6489 Irish Acres Road