

Legislation Text

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Hearing to consider Giorgis Agricultural Preserve (Williamson Act Contract WAC21-0002) request to allow the establishment of a Williamson Act Contract (Agricultural Preserve) for a 41.86 acre parcel to plant grapevines on 5-6 acres. Project includes associated agricultural capital improvements including installation of two wells and an irrigation/drip system. Expected plant order is 3,200 vines in the Fall 2021-Spring 2022. Grapes would be sold after first eligible harvest in 2024 on property identified by Assessor's Parcel Number 078-280-016, consisting of 41.86 acres, is located on the south side of Pleasant Valley Road, approximately 500 feet east of the intersection with Bodega Way, in the Pleasant Valley area, submitted by Douglas B. Giorgis; staff recommends the Planning Commission take the following actions:

1) Find that the project is Categorically Exempt from the CEQA Guidelines pursuant to Section 15317 (Establishment of Agricultural Preserve); and

2) Approve Williamson Act Contract, WAC21-0002, establishing a new agricultural preserve of 41.86 acres in size, based on the Findings as presented herein. (Supervisorial District 3)

DISCUSSION / BACKGROUND

Williamson Act Contract WAC21-0002/Giorgis Agricultural Preserve submitted by Douglas B. Giorgis to allow the establishment of a Williamson Act Contract (Agricultural Preserve) for a 41.86 acre parcel to plant grapevines on 5-6 acres. Project includes associated agricultural capital improvements including installation of two wells and an irrigation/drip system. Expected plant order is 3,200 vines in the Fall 2021-Spring 2022. Grapes would be sold after first eligible harvest in 2024. The property, identified by Assessor's Parcel Number 078-280-016, consisting of 41.86 acres, is located on the south side of Pleasant Valley Road, approximately 500 feet east of the intersection with Bodega Way, in the Pleasant Valley area, Supervisorial District 3. (County Planner: Bianca Dinkler, 530-621-5875) (Categorical Exemption pursuant to Section 15317 of the CEQA Guidelines)

A Staff Report is attached.

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