

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION
CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT**

PROJECT: La Mesa 2021 Use Permit Amendment to UP-19;12-1

LEAD AGENCY: Amador County Planning Department

PROJECT LOCATION: 13200 Shenandoah Rd. Plymouth, CA 95669

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: REVISED request for an Amended Use Permit (UP-19;12-1) for La Mesa Vineyards. The request seeks to increase the limits on days of operation and special events. The project is currently limited to being open to the public four days per week, and a maximum of 6 special events per year with a maximum of 100 attendees, and live and/or amplified music until 5:00 p.m. The request seeks to expand those uses to: 1) Unlimited open-to-the-public hours (flexible hours of operation); 2) Participation in 6 special events which coincide with the Amador Vintners Association events; 3) 24 events annually with up to 125 attendees; 4) 12 additional events annually with up to 250 attendees; and 5) Amplified music until 10:00 p.m.

PROJECT FINDINGS: There is no substantial evidence that the approval of the Use Permit Amendment subject to implementation of the proposed Conditions of Approval and Mitigation measures, will have a significant adverse effect on the physical environment.

STATEMENT OF REASONS:

1. The Planning Commission's approval of this Use Permit is sanctioned by Amador County Code Section 19.56.040 and said approval is contingent on the permittee's adherence to County Code Chapter 19.56 Use Permits.
2. The proposed uses are consistent with the regulations 19.24.045 District Regulations within the R1A, Single-family Residential and Agriculture Zoning District, are consistent with the General Plan Designation of AG, Agriculture General of the project site.
3. There are no project-specific significant, unmitigated effects which are peculiar to the project or its site.
4. The establishment, maintenance or operation of the use or building applied for will not under the circumstances of the particular case be detrimental to the health, safety, peace, morals, comfort and general welfare of persons residing or working in the neighborhood of such proposed use or be detrimental or injurious to property and improvements in the neighborhood or to the general welfare of the County.
5. On the basis of the administrative record presented, the Planning Commission finds that there is no substantial evidence that the project will have a significant environment and that the Mitigated Negative Declaration included in the Staff Report reflects the Commission's independent judgement and analysis.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: The Amador County Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing on the matter on February 8, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Chambers of the County Administration Center, 810 Court Street, Jackson, CA, 95642. The Amador County Planning Commission will be conducting its meeting via teleconference. While this meeting will still be conducted in-person at the above address, we strongly encourage the public to participate from home by calling in using any of the following numbers: +1 669 900 6833 US +1 346 248 7799 US +1 301 715 8592 US Meeting ID: 537 512 8983. You may also contact the Planning Department with further questions, at (209)223-6380 or planning@amadorgov.org

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