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COUNTY OF NAPA  
DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING, BUILDING AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES  
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**Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration**

1. Project Title & Number: Forte Vineyard Conversion.  
Agricultural Erosion Control Plan (ECPA) #P20-00139-ECPA
2. Property Owner(s): Vincent and Amelia Forte
3. County contact person: Donald Barrella, Planner III, (707) 299-1338, [donald.barrella@countyofnapa.org](mailto:donald.barrella@countyofnapa.org)
4. Project location and APN: Off of Partrick Road, approximately 1.3 miles west of its intersection with Browns Valley Road (APN: 050-030-015), within the Browns Valley Creek Drainage and Agricultural Watershed(AW) Zoning District.
5. Project Sponsor: Vincent Forte, RARECAT Wines  
P.O. Box 801, Rutherford CA 94573
6. General Plan designation: Agriculture, Watershed & Open Space (AWOS)
7. Zoning: Agricultural Watershed (AW)
8. Brief Description of the Project: Agricultural Erosion Control Plan (#P20-00139-ECPA) for a proposed 20.23 acre vineyard (15.75 net vine acres) and subsequent vineyard operation and maintenance.
9. The project site is not located on the lists enumerated under Section 65962.5 of the Government Code, including, but not limited to lists of hazardous waste facilities.

**PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION:**

The Napa County Director of the Department of Planning, Building and Environmental Services has tentatively determined that the project analyzed in the attached initial study checklist would not have a significant effect on the environment provided mitigation measures are included, and the County intends to adopt a mitigated negative declaration. Copies of the proposed mitigated negative declaration and documents referenced are available for review at Napa County Department of Planning Building and Environmental Services, 1195 Third St., Suite 210, Napa, CA 94559 between the hours of 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM Monday through Friday (except holidays), or at: <https://pbes.cloud/index.php/s/SLZHgWgZWEY4obK>

June 28, 2023  
DATE OF THIS NOTICE

  
BY: Donald Barrella

**WRITTEN COMMENT PERIOD: June 28, 2023 – July 28, 2023**

*Please send written comments to the attention of Donald Barrella at 1195 Third St., Suite 210, Napa, CA. 94559 or via e-mail to [donald.barrella@countyofnapa.org](mailto:donald.barrella@countyofnapa.org)*