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## Doc No.49-12232021-538 NOTICE OF CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION

Sonoma County Permit and Resource Management Department

2550 Ventura Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA 95403 (707) 565-1900 Fax (707) 565-1103

Sonoma County proposes to carry out the following project. Pursuant to Section 23A of the Sonoma County Code, it has been determined that this project is categorically exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA):

Project Title: UPE20-0067, Ethic Ciders Use

**Permit** 

**Public Agency:** Sonoma County **Project Applicant:** Ned Lawton Applicant Address: 278 4th Avenue

San Francisco, CA 94118

Project Location: 8490 Occidental Rd.,

Sebastopol, CA 95472

Date of Approval: December 22, 2021

To:

County Clerk- Recorder Office Office of Planning and

County of Sonoma

585 Fiscal Drive, Room 103 Santa Rosa, CA 95403

Research

P.O. Box 3044, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

## DESCRIPTION OF NATURE, PURPOSE AND BENEFICIARIES OF THE PROJECT:

Use Permit to convert an existing small-scale apple juice processing facility permitted by File No. ZPE16-0262 (Ethic Ciders) to a hard cider processing facility; and to allow public tasting and agricultural promotional events. The cidery facility will operate seven days per week, from 9 am to 5 pm. The public tasting room will be open from 10 am to 5 pm Friday through Sunday, accommodating up to 23 guests per day. Eight agricultural promotional events, two industry wide events and four Wholesale and Industry Trade events are proposed. Event attendance is limited to 23 people per event; with agricultural promotional events concluding by 10 pm. Existing facility includes maximum annual production of 5,000 gallons (2,500 cases) of apple juice within a 962 square foot barn, one full-time employee and two seasonal employees. No changes to volume of production, employees or additional structures are proposed

## **EXEMPT STATUS:**

Categorical Exemption Section 15061, Common Sense Exemption

## **REASON WHY THIS PROJECT IS EXEMPT:**

It is the determination of the department that the project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to the Provisions of Title 14 of the California Administrative Code, Section 15061, Common Sense Exemption because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment. Specifically, the project does not incur new construction; the proposed agricultural promotional events will utilize an existing barn and will be accommodated by the existing parking lot, septic system and well; the noise generated by the proposed use will comply with General Plan Noise Standards; and the expected increase in traffic and vehicle miles travelled is negligible.

This Notice of Exemption is filed pursuant to the provisions of Section 15062 of the State CEQA Guidelines.

Lead Agency Contact Person:

Georgen McDaniel

Georgia McDaniel, Project Planner Permit and Resource Management Department Project Review Division (707) 565-1949

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CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:	
☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR) \$3,445.25 \$	
☐ Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND) \$2,480.25 \$	
☐ Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW \$1,171.25 \$	
<ul> <li>☑ Exempt from fee</li> <li>☑ Notice of Exemption (attach)</li> <li>☐ CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)</li> <li>☐ Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)</li> </ul>	
☐ Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only) \$850,00 \$ ☐ County documentary handling fee \$50	0.00
☐ Other \$	
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Carrie Anderson, Deputy County Clerk-Recorder	