

**TO: Board of Supervisors**

**FROM:** Planning and Building Services Choose an item.

**MEETING DATE:** October 3, 2017

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**ITEM TYPE:** Regular Agenda

**TIME ALLOCATED FOR ITEM:** 5 minutes

**AGENDA TITLE:**

Noticed Public Hearing – Discussion and Possible Adoption of Resolution Approving Agricultural Preserve No. A\_2017-0001 (Marietta Vineyards), and Approval of a Williamson Act Contract for Establishment of a Williamson Act Contract for Marietta Vineyards, LLC, in Hopland (APN: 047-370-11). It is currently assessed at 133.64± acres, and is zoned AG 40.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION/MOTION:**

Approve the creation of a new Williamson Act contract for (APN: 047-370-11) Marietta Vineyards, LLC, per the recommendation of the Planning Commission.

**PREVIOUS BOARD/BOARD COMMITTEE ACTIONS:**

Adoption of Mendocino County's Policies and Procedures for Agricultural Preserves and Williamson Act Contracts, Ordinance No. 4345, adopted October 6, 2015.

**SUMMARY OF REQUEST:**

Marietta Vineyards, LLC requests the creation and approval of a new Williamson Act contract on an existing 133± vineyard in Hopland along Old River Road. The parcel is located on the east side of Old River Road (CR201), 2.70 miles north of its intersection with State Highway 175 at 10501 Old River Road, Hopland (APN: 047-370-11). It is currently assessed at 133.64± acres, and is zoned AG 40. There has been a working vineyard on the site for 20+ years, and there is a history of ag related permits on the site (farm labor housing, etc.)

Marietta Vineyards, LLC last year provided two types of wine grapes to Fetzer Vineyards, and per the materials submitted, easily meets the financial threshold required for the creation of a Williamson Act contract.

The project was heard by the Planning Commission on July 6, 2017 and approved unanimously.

**ALTERNATIVE ACTION/MOTION:**

Deny the Agricultural Preserve, finding the project to be inconsistent with the goals and policies of the General Plan and/or the applicable sections of the Mendocino County Code, with respect to criteria necessary for inclusion into an Agricultural Preserve as found in Mendocino County's Policies and Procedures for Agricultural Preserves and Williamson Act Contracts.

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION AVAILABLE ONLINE AT:** N/A

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

**SOURCE OF FUNDING:** N/A

**BUDGETED IN CURRENT F/Y:** No

**CURRENT F/Y COST:** N/A

**ANNUAL RECURRING COST:** N/A

**SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT:** DISTRICT 5

**VOTE REQUIREMENT:** MAJORITY

**AGREEMENT/RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE APPROVED BY COUNTY COUNSEL:** Yes

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