



**County of Sonoma**  
**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES**

Rita Scardaci, PHN, MPH – Director

December 12, 2011

Sigrid Swedenborg  
County of Sonoma  
Permit and Resource Management Department  
2550 Ventura Ave  
Santa Rosa, CA 95403

**RE: Use Permit UPE11-0088, Rued Winery to add 24 special events to the existing use permit, 3850 Dry Creek Rd., Healdsburg**

Ms. Swedenborg,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this project. EHS has reviewed the above use permit to add 24 special events to the existing winery use permit.

Any special event or community event that is two or more days in length is required to submit for a retail food facility temporary or occasional event permit at least two weeks prior to the event.

Public events held in the unincorporated areas of Sonoma County are required to comply with Sonoma County Ordinance #5953 which prohibits smoking in public places. The ordinance allows for the establishment of a Designated Smoking Area that meets criteria outlined in the ordinance. Criteria can be found at [www.Sonoma-County.org/BreatheEasy](http://www.Sonoma-County.org/BreatheEasy) under Overview and Background – Major Provisions.

If you have any questions, please call Jennifer Sylvester, Environmental Health Specialist III at (707) 565-6547 or email at [jennifer.sylvester@sonoma-county.org](mailto:jennifer.sylvester@sonoma-county.org)

Sincerely,

Jennifer Sylvester, REHS,  
Environmental Health Specialist III

C: Mark Netherda, Sonoma County Interim Health Officer  
Christine Sosko, Environmental Health Program Manager  
James Tyler, Supervising Environmental Health Specialist  
Kelly Elder, Health Program Manager

October 27, 2011

Sonoma County Permit and Resource Management Department  
2550 Ventura Avenue  
Santa Rosa, CA 95403-2829

SUBJECT: Request for permit to host 24 special events annually

To Whom it May Concern,

We are the owners of Rued Winery, located at 3850 Dry Creek Road, Healdsburg, California in Dry Creek Valley. Our original use permit, UPE02-0010, is dated August 22, 2002. The winery construction was completed in November 2006. We do not want to make any changes to our current building use permit, except to request permission to host 24 special events annually. We would like to generate more winery customers through these events.

*asking for 100 person per event*

We are and want to continue to be good neighbors, and would like to have the option of music at these special events, which would be limited to background music to create the desired ambiance.

We have participated in trade events, allowed by our current use permit, such as Passport to Dry Creek Valley, Food & Wine Affair and Barrel Tasting Weekend. We can provide plenty of parking within the confines of the winery property for 500-700 individuals during a five-hour period. We have never had a problem with parking and would *never* allow parking on Dry Creek Road. The limited size of our proposed special events would have no impact on traffic within the area.

Thank you for your consideration.

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