



Sonoma County Department of Agriculture/Weights & Measures

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REGISTRATION APPLICATION FOR LOW IMPACT VINEYARD REPLANT PROJECT

Low impact vineyard replanting is an alternate pathway within VESCO allowing for the replanting of vineyards using low impact methods with the following parameters:

- No deep ripping may take place
- Vines may be pulled by hand or mechanical means with minimal soil disturbance
- End posts and trellising must remain in place
- Vineyard roads and avenues must not be altered
- Drainage infrastructure must not be altered

To qualify for this registration, vineyard blocks in question must have been previously permitted through VESCO. Permit history for vineyard project blocks on this application must be listed (page 2, *Permit History*) to be deemed complete. **Incomplete applications will not be processed.**

Fees for application review, processing, and inspection(s) will be assessed at the at-cost hourly fee per hour and billed by the ¼ hour. For current fees, please visit <https://sonomacounty.ca.gov/AWM/fees>. A \$50.00 fee will also be included for the filing of a CEQA Notice of Exemption with the County Clerk.

Registration applications may be submitted electronically via email to sonomaag@sonoma-county.org, submitted to our front desk, or placed in the drop box located outside our office.

OFFICE USE ONLY

Date Received: _____ / _____ / _____ Fee Paid: \$ _____ Application Acres: _____

Registration Issued: _____ / _____ / _____ Registration Number: _____

Issued By: _____ Level I Level II

Site Address: _____

City: _____ APN: _____

CONTACT INFORMATION

PROPERTY OWNER: _____ Check if **BILLING CONTACT**:

BUSINESS NAME: _____

BILLING ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ FAX: _____ CELL: _____

EMAIL: _____

APPLICANT/LEASEE/SITE MANAGER (if different): _____ Check if **BILLING CONTACT**:

BUSINESS NAME: _____

BILLING ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ FAX: _____ CELL: _____

EMAIL: _____

PROJECT DETAILS

SITE ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NUMBER(S): _____

ACRES TO BE REPLANTED: _____ HIGHEST SLOPE: _____

NRCS SOIL TYPES: _____ METHOD USED TO DETERMINE SLOPE (check one):

 USGS Topo Clinometer Field Survey
 LIDAR Other: _____

EXISTING DRAINAGE

Describe any existing drainage infrastructure at site:

TYPES OF DRAINAGE: Circular Pipe V-Ditch None Other: _____

IF YOU CHECKED CIRCULAR PIPE: ARE THERE SEDIMENT COLLARS AT INLET? Yes No

IS THERE OUTFALL PROTECTION? Yes No

PERMITTED: YES NO N/A

PERMIT HISTORY

Past permit(s) for planned replant blocks must be listed below for application to be deemed complete. Parcel permit history may be searched at www.sonomacounty.ca.gov/prmd/services/permit-history-search/.

ACO _____ - _____ ACO _____ - _____

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GRAPE VARIETAL(S):

FROM: _____ TO: _____ ACRES: _____

FROM: _____ TO: _____ ACRES: _____

FROM: _____ TO: _____ ACRES: _____

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TIMELINE

DATE PROJECT EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED (new vines in ground): _____ / _____ / _____

MAP REQUIREMENT

Include a map of your project area with a digital aerial photograph or satellite image (such as a Google Earth image) with blocks to be included in Low Impact Replant Registration clearly marked. Map must be included for application to be deemed complete.

A useful mapping tool can be located at www.sonomacounty.ca.gov/awm-map.

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REMINDERS

1. No deep-ripping may take place.
2. Vines may be pulled by hand or mechanical means with **“minimal” soil disturbance**.
3. End posts and trellising must remain in place.
4. Vineyard roads and avenues must not be altered.
5. Drainage infrastructure must not be altered.
6. Notify AWM within 30 days of project completion to schedule a site inspection by calling (707) 565-2371 or emailing sonomaag@sonoma-county.org. Please reference property address and registration number when doing so.

PROJECT AUTHORIZATION DECLARATION

I, _____, declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided in connection with this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that issuance of a registration does not relieve me of the obligation to comply with other federal, state, or local laws or regulations, or from liability for violations of those laws and regulations. I acknowledge that the County of Sonoma is not authorizing a take of any federal or state endangered species by issuance of this registration, and I further declare under penalty of perjury that I will take all steps necessary to comply with any applicable provisions of the state and federal endangered species acts, and all other applicable state and federal laws. I waive any claims of liability for damages against the County of Sonoma and its contractors, and agree to indemnify the County of Sonoma and its contractors from and against any claims, suits, or liabilities, arising out of activities I undertake based on the issuance of this registration. I further understand that if a registration is not issued within one year following the filing of a registration application, the registration application shall expire without any further action by the Department of Agriculture/Weights & Measures. I further understand that after the expiration of a registration application, a new registration application and associated fees must be submitted for the Department of Agriculture/Weights & Measures to further consider my registration application. I further understand that low-impact vineyard replanting registrations expire one year from the issue date.

Also, I understand that fees will apply for application review and site visit(s) required by Department staff. I further understand that they will be based on the at-cost hourly rates and billed by the ¼ hour. I further understand that I will be billed for the actual time spent to provide these services and payment will be due within 30 days of invoicing. I further understand and agree that I am responsible for paying these costs even if I withdraw the application. For current fees, please visit <https://sonomacounty.ca.gov/AWM/fees>.

I authorize entry by the Department of Agriculture/Weights & Measures and its contractors onto all areas where development is occurring under this application at all reasonable times or whenever an emergency exists to determine whether I am complying with registration terms.

APPLICANT/OWNER NAME (print): _____

APPLICANT/OWNER SIGNATURE*: _____

TITLE: _____ DATE: _____

*Application for registration must be authorized by the owner of the property. If not signed by the owner, written consent from the property owner must be included with the application packet.