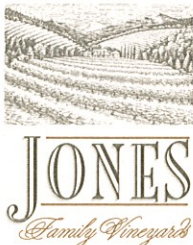


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Dear Mr. Lundquist:

I am writing to urge you, the Planning Commission and the City Council to reconsider the Brian Arden Winery application. As currently proposed, the winery appears to be inconsistent with the 2003 General Plan guidelines and the Entry Corridor overlays and completely out of proportion with its neighbors. I would urge that any approval of a winery at this location should be conditioned on a reduction in the scale of the project (size and height) to be more compatible with the small parcel size.

In addition, approval of a winery at this location should be contingent on meeting the newly adopted grape sourcing requirements for wineries in the rural residential areas of Calistoga.

Sincerely,

Rick Jones
Vintner and Calistoga supporter

