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Mr. Erik Lundquist
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 1232 Washington Street
 Calistoga, CA 94515

Dear Mr. Lundquist:

Brian Arden Winery – Mitigated Negative Declaration

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Department) in the environmental review process for the Brian Arden Winery project. The following comments are based on the Mitigated Negative Declaration. As the lead agency, the City of Calistoga is responsible for all project mitigation, including any needed improvements to state highways. The project's fair share contribution, financing, scheduling, implementation responsibilities and lead agency monitoring should be fully discussed for all proposed mitigation measures. This information should also be presented in the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan of the environmental document.

Traffic Analysis

Please provide an analysis of the project's impact to the intersection (I/S) of State Route (SR) 29/Silverado Trail. The analysis should also include a section of describing cumulative impacts to the SR 29/Silverado Trail I/S from this project and other planned and pending projects.

Please feel free to call or email Sandra Finegan at (510) 622-1644 or sandra_finegan@dot.ca.gov with any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

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