

**PROPOSED
FRIENDS OF MARK WEST WATERSHED
WATERSHED FRIENDLY WINERY & VINEYARD CRITERIA
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1. The vineyard and/or winery is constructed and operated so as to contain all eroded sediments on the site of the operation and to prevent them from entering into Mark West Creek and its tributaries, where they will cause loss of rare and endangered salmon spawning habitat.
2. The project is constructed and operated so as to maintain (not diminish) the existing base flow (summer) in Mark West Creek.
3. The vineyard does not require the removal or conversion of additional established oak woodland or Douglas fir habitats.
4. The winery processes only grapes grown in the watershed (i.e. no trucking in of grapes from outside the area)
5. The scale of the operation is limited to a level that will allow the operation to be compatible with surrounding land uses and the rights of neighboring property owners to reasonably enjoy the use of their properties.
6. The site is sufficiently known and investigated and the project is planned, engineered, constructed and operated so as to reasonably assure that:
 - a. The site is geologically stable, and grading or construction will not become a cause of sediment to the creek as the result of landslide, mass wasting, gullying, etc.
 - b. The project avoids disturbance of steep slopes and stream corridors.
 - c. Surface runoff is managed so as to avoid erosion and sedimentation.
 - d. Vineyards employ permanent cover crops to reduce erosion and sedimentation.
7. The vineyard and/or winery is designed and located so as to minimize the amount of wildlife habitat rendered inaccessible and to avoid and protect rare, endangered and threatened species, sensitive habitats, wetlands, water bodies and stream corridors, and to provide wildlife corridors to allow habitat connectivity.
8. The project obtains and complies with all required permits and environmental requirements.
9. The project adopts and follows the California Association of Wine Growers' and Wine Institute's Code of Sustainable Winegrowing. Ideally, grapes would be organically grown so that no pesticides enter the creek or neighboring environments.
10. The operation pays its fair share of the cost (commensurate with level of usage) of the upkeep and maintenance of any shared private access roads.