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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Based on the direction of HB 1500, Item 88 #1c (Appendix A), the Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry convened a stakeholder panel consisting of individuals from 19 organizations representing a broad range of stakeholder interests in the Virginia farm winery industry. These organizations are listed in Appendix B. With facilitation assistance from the UVA Institute for Environmental Negotiation (IEN), the stakeholder panel developed and refined a survey for distribution to their constituencies with the purpose of identifying key issues and concerns, as well as ideas for possible approaches to addressing these issues and concerns. Six previous studies were used as a foundation for this stakeholder panel and its work. In addition, IEN was asked to research and compile information on ordinances and other local approaches taken by localities where farm wineries are located. Results of both this research and the stakeholder survey were then considered by the stakeholder panel to identify key issues relating to events, noise, and traffic. Through a series of 10 meetings, the stakeholder panel agreed by consensus on the following six recommendations.

Summary of Recommendations:

The Office of the Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry supports the following recommendations of the stakeholder panel:

Events

- 1. The stakeholder panel recommends no additional statewide legislation is needed. The impacts of events are addressed through the existing authorities for regulating events, noise, and traffic.**
- 2. The stakeholder panel encourages localities and the farm winery industry to consider developing protocols or best practices for working collaboratively to support both farm wineries and local residents.**

Noise

- 3. The stakeholder panel recommends no additional statewide legislation is needed. Noise issues can be addressed by localities through the currently available authorities that enable the establishment of noise standards.**
- 4. The stakeholder panel recognizes it is important to provide information to localities, farm wineries and citizen groups about the current noise authorities, as well as examples of how different localities are addressing noise.**

Traffic

- 5. The stakeholder panel recommends no additional statewide legislation is needed. Traffic management issues may be addressed by localities through current authorities. The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) has current guidelines in place to address requirements for entrances and turning lanes.**

Viability

- 6. The stakeholder panel encourages farm wineries, in conjunction with localities, to evaluate and expand existing guidance on events, noise, and traffic for winery start-up and expansion. These resources may include, but not be limited to, information and education about working with localities and neighbors as well as VDOT's role.**

Relevance to other agricultural and agri-tourism activities: While the General Assembly requested that the study focus specifically on issues associated with farm wineries, the stakeholder panel believes it is important to note these same issues may have the potential to affect other agritourism, farm-based, craft beverage, or rural businesses that use events for marketing purposes. Future deliberations and actions may be applicable and/or have the potential to affect other agritourism and rural-based tourism businesses, not just farm wineries.

STAKEHOLDER PANEL APPROACH

This study and the work described below were undertaken as a result of the requirements of HB 1500, Item 88 #1c (HB 1500), as enacted by the 2017 session of the Virginia General Assembly. This item required the Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry to conduct a study of the Virginia Farm Winery industry, as described below, to foster the viability of the Virginia farm wineries. More specifically, the study charge follows:

"The Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry shall convene a panel of stakeholders within and outside government to: (i) review state and local noise and traffic regulations and the marketing of Virginia wines through events and activities; (ii) consider findings of previous relevant studies on Virginia farm wineries; and (iii) develop recommendations as appropriate for how the state can better foster the viability of Virginia farm wineries. The Secretary shall complete all meetings by November 15, 2017 and report such recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly no later than November 30, 2017."

For the purposes of this study, the phrase "marketing of Virginia wines through events and activities" reflects a primary interest in ascertaining the issues relating to events, not a primary interest in the marketing of wines. This part of the charge is therefore hereinafter referred to as "events."

Authority Directing this Study

The 2017 session of the Virginia General Assembly addressed the budget for Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 and FY 2018 through HB 1500 (Patron: Jones) and SB900 (Patrons: Norment and Hanger). Budget amendments were introduced by the following legislators, as Chief Patrons, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry (SAF) to undertake the Farm Winery study:

- Item 88 #1h: Landes
- Item 88 #2h: Hugo
- Item 88 #3h: O'Bannon
- Item 88 #1s: Obenshain

The final amendment language for Item 88 #1c, as contained in the Conference Report of February 22, 2017, is provided in Appendix A.

METHOD AND RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

The process for the Farm Winery Study focused on three key pieces: a) collection of information on concerns, issues and potential solutions through a broadly distributed online constituency survey; b) data compilation on locality ordinances relating to farm wineries for all Virginia localities having one or more farm wineries within their jurisdiction; c) deliberations on information gathered through both the constituency survey and the database on locality approaches, enabling the study panel to develop its recommendations.

In developing recommendations, the stakeholder panel considered a range of possible actions, including but not limited to:

- New state standards/ legislation
- New non-regulatory approaches by industry
- Refinements to the current approach
- Outreach and information approaches to addressing issues
- No changes to current law required

The study included two main research activities conducted by IEN:

- *Development of an online survey for constituents.* The IEN developed a draft survey that the stakeholder panel revised and refined and pre-tested online. Members also distributed a letter from the Secretariat of Agriculture and Forestry providing information about the study effort and inviting participation in the survey. The outreach letter is provided in Appendix E.

The survey was open to accept responses on August 1 and closed on August 18. Any partial responses were accepted and included in the survey results. The survey asked respondents to share their ideas and experiences regarding issues and potential solutions. Specific input was sought on the topics of events, noise, and traffic. A list of the survey questions is provided in Appendix F. An overview of constituency respondents is provided in Appendix G.

- *Compilation of local ordinances.* An online search was conducted for farm winery ordinances, in effect as of August 1, 2017, by Virginia localities having one or more farm wineries within their jurisdiction. There is a range of approaches, with some local jurisdictions applying consistent standards across any type of agricultural activity and other localities developing specific ordinances for farm wineries. Appendix D lists locality requirements (if any) that are specific to farm wineries, displayed according to different criteria.

A summary of different ways that localities are addressing events, noise, and traffic is provided in the respective sections for those topics. The examples are intended to illustrate the range of approaches, and are neither a comprehensive review nor an evaluation of what has proven effective. Every locality has developed an approach to farm wineries that is unique and specific to its circumstances, including that some have chosen to *not* adopt any ordinances specific to farm wineries.

STATUTORY FRAMEWORK

The Code of Virginia of Virginia provides a framework for agricultural activities and farm wineries in different Code sections, with examples included below. This framework provides regulatory protections for farm wineries to operate as well as regulatory powers for localities to protect the health, safety and welfare of citizens. Sections of the Code of Virginia governing farm winery activities include, but are not limited to:

Title 3.2. Agriculture, Animal Care and Food; Chapter 3: Right to Farm Act

§3.2-300. *Definitions*

§3.2-301. *Right to farm; restrictive ordinances*

§3.2-302. *When agricultural operations do not constitute nuisance*

Title 4.1. Alcohol Beverage Control Act; Chapter 2: Administration of Licenses

§4.1-100. *Definitions.* (specifically, the definition for “farm winery”)

§4.1-207 (5). *Wine licenses* (farm winery licenses)

§4.1-219. *Limitations on Class A and Class B farm wineries*

Title 15.2. Counties, Cities and Towns; Chapter 22: Planning. Subdivision of Land and Zoning

§15.2-1200 *General Powers of Counties*

§15.2-1220 *Regulation by certain counties of persons and vehicles.*

§15.2-2200 *Planning, Subdivision of Land and Zoning*

§15.2-2280 *Zoning Ordinances Generally*

§15.2-2283 *Purpose of Zoning Ordinances*

§15.2-2288.3 *Licensed farm wineries; local regulation of certain activities*

Title 19.2. Criminal Procedure

§ 19.2-270.7 *Determining decibel level of sound with proper equipment; certificate as to accuracy of equipment.*

Title 33.2. Highways and Other Surface Transportation Systems

§ 33.2-1224 *Signs or advertising on rocks, poles, etc., within the limits of highway constitutes a civil penalty.*

HISTORY

In Virginia, the cultivation and regulation of grape vines extends back to the earliest colonial settlements. The fruits of Virginia’s viticulture and winemaking endeavors were first developed in the 18th century. The Virginia legislature has actively encouraged growth in this sector. In 1975 when only three wineries were present, the Virginia Farm Winery Act (embedded in Virginia Code 4.1, Alcohol Beverage Control Act) established incentives for the nascent industry. A 1980 amendment allowed farm wineries to engage in wholesale and retail operations, and legislation in 1984 created the Virginia Wine Board. State support also came from Governor Warner’s 2004 Wine Study Work Group, producing *Vision 2015: A Strategic Direction for the Virginia Wine Industry*.

At the turn of the 21st century, the number of Virginia farm wineries was beginning to rise, reflecting a growing expertise in viticulture and soils. By 2005, Virginia was home to 85

wineries. Seeking to balance economic development with local community interests, the state legislature passed HB 1435 in 2006. The Act established §15.2-2288.2 (now largely contained in similar provisions to 15.2-2288.3) of Virginia Code, addressing local regulation of certain activities. The Act also called for a coordinated effort by agencies and organizations to examine and make recommendations on the economic viability of Virginia’s farm winery industry, including the “relationship between farm wineries and the communities in which they operate.” Part 1 of the resulting study, *The Relationship Between Counties and Farm Wineries (Part I)*, HD85, addressed this aspect of the HB1435 charge.

The report recommended language for legislation to succeed HB 1435. Amendments in 2007, 2009 and 2015 resulted in additional revisions to this Code section.

Since 2000, the number of farm wineries in Virginia has expanded to over 280 farm wineries in 2017, which has created a significant industry producing grapes, wines and wine tourism. The economic impacts of the Virginia farm winery industry have become a significant contributor to the state economy, estimated in 2015 at \$1.37 billion (Frank, Rimerman + Co., 2017).

REVIEW OF PREVIOUS STUDIES

Per guidance from HB 1500, Item 88 #1c, the stakeholder panel considered findings of previous relevant studies on Virginia farm wineries. Findings and strategies relating to local regulation and farm winery viability were obtained from these respective studies:

- *Vision 2015: A Strategic Direction for the Virginia Wine Industry*, by the Governor’s Wine Study Work Group, 2004.
- *A Report on the Relationship Between Counties and Farm Wineries (Part I)*, by Robert S. Bloxom, Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry, 2006.
- *Assessment of the Profitability and Variability of Virginia Wineries*, by MFK Research, 2007.
- *The Economic Impact of Wine and Wine Grapes on the State of Virginia - 2015*, by Frank, Rimerman + Co. LLP, updated January 2017.
- *The Economic Impact of Virginia’s Agriculture and Forest Industries*, by Weldon Cooper Center, 2017.
- *The Economic and Fiscal Impact of Agritourism in Virginia*, by Vincent P. Magnini, Ph.D., in consultation with: Esra Calvert, M.S., Director of Research, Virginia Tourism Corporation and Martha Walker, Ph.D., Extension Specialist, Virginia Cooperative Extension and Virginia Tech, 2017.

DISCUSSION

As stipulated in the Code of Virginia sections, listed above, the General Assembly has enabled localities to pass ordinances to address a variety of issues relating to farm wineries. A review of the statutory enabling powers, as well as actions taken by localities, indicates that localities are

currently enabled to address the three issues of events, noise, and traffic. This review also suggests that regulatory powers are appropriately delegated to localities, as circumstances in localities vary widely and therefore require different approaches.

The stakeholder panel found that localities have utilized a range of approaches, with some local jurisdictions applying consistent standards across any type of agricultural activity and other localities developing specific ordinances for farm wineries. (Appendix D lists locality requirements (if any) specific to farm wineries, displayed according to different criteria.) Some regional examples of regulatory approaches across the Commonwealth can be obtained by looking at the entries in Appendix D for the following jurisdictions:

- [Albemarle County](#);
- [Fauquier County](#);
- [Floyd County](#);
- [Loudoun County](#);
- [City of Virginia Beach](#).

A summary of different ways that localities are addressing events, noise, and traffic is provided in the respective sections for those topics below. The examples are intended to illustrate the range of approaches, and are neither a comprehensive review nor an evaluation of what has proven effective. Localities have developed approaches to farm wineries that are unique and specific to their circumstances, including that some have chosen to *not* adopt any ordinances specific to farm wineries.

The stakeholder panel was guided by the hope that its suggestions and recommendations would help foster and support partnerships between localities, farm wineries and neighbors in working together to establishing approaches consistent with local circumstances to meet the needs of farm wineries and the local community.

EVENTS

Issues and Interests

In the constituency survey, respondents were asked about these two issues: the nature of events (i.e., activities that are viewed as predominantly commercial and inconsistent with the rural character of agricultural areas), and the impacts associated with events (including visual impacts, litter and trespass). (See Appendix F for more detail.)

In the review of survey results, the interests of different stakeholders relating to noise on farm wineries includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- *Economic*: The ability to grow the farm winery industry through events, to increase the profitability of farm wineries, revenues, and employment. Economic impacts of farm wineries have been documented by several studies, listed above under “Review of Previous Studies.”
- *Community/neighbor relations*: The ability of farm wineries and nearby residents to co-exist with good relations and communication.

Statutory Framework Includes, But is Not Limited To:

§15.2-1200 *General Powers of Counties*

§15.2-2200 *Planning, Subdivision of Land and Zoning*
§15.2-2280 *Zoning Ordinances Generally*
§15.2-2283 *Purpose of Zoning Ordinances*
§15.2-2288.3 *Licensed farm wineries; local regulation of certain activities*

Approaches to Regulation (as of August 1, 2017)

Local jurisdictions may allow events by right or as a special use, or they may not address regulation of events at all. In the review of local regulations, approaches to addressing events include, but are not limited to, the following examples. Localities using a given approach are indicated in parentheses. Additional information can be obtained for the locality by referring to Appendix D.

- Using the size of events (number of attendees or number of vehicles) to determine whether an event requires a special use permit. (Albemarle, Amherst, Augusta, Clark, Fairfax, Fauquier, Goochland, Greene, Nelson, Prince William, Warren, Westmoreland)
- Limits on the number of consecutive days an event may occur, or the number of events allowed each year. (Augusta, Clark, Fauquier, Greene, Nelson)
- Acreage requirements of vineyards to be eligible to hold onsite events. (Clark, Fauquier, Frederick)
- Acreage requirement for agricultural product planted on-site to be used in beverage production. (Albemarle)
- On-site fermentation required for farm wineries to be eligible to hold onsite events. (Albemarle)
- Prohibitions for certain activities. (Fairfax, Fauquier, Greene)
- Prohibition against restaurants or food service requiring approvals by the health department. (Fairfax, Fauquier)
- Event zoning clearance required when the property is less than 21 acres (Albemarle)
- Event zoning clearance required when number of visitor vehicle trips/day exceeds 50 (Albemarle)

Recommendations

- 1. The stakeholder panel recommends no additional statewide legislation is needed. The impacts of events are addressed through the existing authorities for regulating noise and traffic.**
- 2. The stakeholder panel encourages localities and the farm winery industry to consider developing protocols or best practices for working collaboratively to support both farm wineries and local residents.**

Rationale

Farm wineries have a number of options for marketing their wines, which include wholesale, retail, and marketing through events activities. While many of the issues surrounding events are

associated with noise and traffic, some survey respondents' concerns relate to the nature of the events, specifically the strength of their connection to agricultural production or marketing of agricultural products.

The stakeholder panel was guided by the hope that its guidance and recommendations would help foster and support a situation where localities and farm wineries can work together in establishing guidance that meets the needs of farm winery operations and localities.

More specifically, the stakeholder panel encourages that the farm wine industry and localities may consider the following approaches:

- The farm wine industry may consider working collaboratively to develop best practices for the industry. These best practices could outline a common approach for working with the locality, and describe how farm wineries can take a collaborate approach with the locality. They could also include considerations to assist new farm wineries before they start up.
- Localities may consider working collaboratively to develop their own best practices for working with and supporting both farm wineries and residents. These best practices could outline a common approach for working with farm wineries and neighbors in finding effective and successful local regulatory frameworks.
- Community colleges and the Virginia Cooperative Extension may consider reviewing and updating their curricula. Improved curricula could include best practices information for new agri-tourism business owners using field trips, guest speakers, and other methods to foster understanding of the issues and challenges. Furthermore, it could include educating farm winery owners on collaborative approaches for growing their business in a way that is harmonious with the local community.

NOISE

Issues and Interests

In the constituency survey, respondents were asked about levels of noise (loudness), time of day that noise occurs, and the frequency/duration of noise (see Appendix F). Interests of the different stakeholders relating to noise on farm wineries include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Ability of farm wineries to engage in normal agricultural production practices, which involve use of tractors, machinery and helicopters, as addressed by the Right to Farm Act;
- Ability of residents to enjoy activities on private property near farm wineries;
- Ability of farm wineries to create an enjoyable experience for farm winery customers during normal operating hours;
- Ability of farm wineries and localities to manage or minimize impacts to neighbors.

Statutory Framework

Sections of the Code of Virginia that provide guidance on noise-related matters include, but are not limited to:

§15.2-1200 *General Powers of Counties*

§15.2-2200 *Planning, Subdivision of Land and Zoning*

§15.2-2283 *Purpose of Zoning Ordinances*

§19.2-270.7 *Determining decibel level of sound with proper equipment; certificate as to accuracy of equipment.*

§15.2-1220 *Regulation by certain counties of persons and vehicles.*

§15.2-2288.3 *Licensed farm wineries; local regulation of certain activities.*

Approaches to Local Regulation (as of August 1, 2017)

In the review of local noise regulations, localities were found to have adopted a number of approaches in establishing ordinances relating to noise including, but not limited to the following examples. Localities using a given approach are indicated in parentheses. Additional information can be obtained by looking at the entry for that locality in Appendix D.

- No specific requirements for noise (numerous localities)
- Setting decibel thresholds for sound allowed at the property line, which may include reduced thresholds at night (Albemarle, Culpeper, Goochland, Page, Warren)
- Prohibiting outdoor amplified music during certain hours (Albemarle, Amherst, Greene)
- Advance approval of a zoning certificate for sound generated by amplified outdoor music (Greene)
- Designation of farm wineries involving the regular use of outdoor amplified music or other customary farm winery activities and events that have a substantial impact on the health, safety, or welfare of the public as a “special impact,” which are allowed by-right in agricultural districts zoned A-10 and A-20. (Powhatan)

Recommendations

- 3. The stakeholder panel recommends no additional statewide legislation is needed. Noise issues may be addressed by localities through the currently available authorities that enable the establishment of standards for noise.**
- 4. The stakeholder panel recognizes it is important to provide information to localities, farm wineries and citizen groups about the current available authorities, as well as examples of how different localities are currently addressing noise concerns.**

Rationale

Noise associated with farm wineries includes operational sounds that, in many respects are not different from those associated with other agricultural production activities. One area where noise from farm wineries is different from agricultural production efforts is that associated with events, which may include amplified sound.

While the stakeholder panel is not able to provide legal interpretation of the current state statute, it believes that a fair reading of the statute is that it enables localities to manage noise through a noise ordinance, and this ordinance may place greater restrictions on outdoor amplified event music. The statute also provides localities with authority to regulate noise, or set noise

performance operational standards, through the establishment of conditions on special use permits.

To address gaps between regulatory authority and practice, the stakeholder panel recognizes it is important to provide information to localities and stakeholders about the current available authorities, as well as examples of how different localities are currently dealing with outdoor amplified music and events. It is important to note that part of this education should include an understanding that noise at all outdoor events should be addressed in a similar manner, without treating one type of outdoor activity differently from another. That is, noise ordinances should address outdoor noise as a whole without creating distinct categories. Equally important, effective complaint processes and enforcement mechanisms need to be in place to address noise concerns.

TRAFFIC

Issues and Interests

In the constituency survey, respondents were asked about congestion, impacts to rural road conditions, and public safety (see Appendix F). Interests of different constituencies relating to traffic associated with farm wineries includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Ability of farm wineries to have products and goods delivered and shipped to/from farm winery.
- Safe access and travel for visitors and customers to farm wineries.
- Safe access and travel for neighbors and others in the area, especially with the presence of trucks and tractor-trailers.
- Minimal traffic congestion and good traffic flow.

Statutory Framework

VDOT review includes, but is not limited to, items such as entrances and the need for acceleration and deceleration lanes. One of the critical VDOT evaluations in this review process is ensuring appropriate sight distances and width of the entrance.

VDOT also regulates the public right-of-way for state roads and highways. According to the Code of Virginia, §33.2-1224, signs or advertising on rocks, poles, etc., within the limits of highway constitutes a civil penalty. Also, signs may not be placed within the limits of any highway. VDOT also requires an outdoor advertising permit for any off-premise advertising sign adjacent to the right-of-way.

Approaches to Regulation (as of August 1, 2017)

In the review of local regulations, approaches for addressing aspects of traffic issues include, but are not limited to, the following examples. Localities using a given approach are indicated in parentheses. Additional information can be obtained by looking at the entry for that locality in Appendix D.

- No specific requirements for traffic (numerous localities).
- Parking requirements, such as number of parking spaces, setbacks, screening, surface materials (Albemarle, Charlotte, Fauquier, Greene, Powhatan, Rockingham).

- Handicap access must connect to hard surface travel ways (Warren).
- VDOT permit required for entrances/exits onto state roads (Albemarle).
- No more than two points of access to/from a public street are allowed (Powhatan).
- Direct access to state-maintained public road, with safe ingress and egress (Charlotte).
- Requirements for size such as maximum size, number of signs, compliance with other local ordinances, permanence, landscaping (Albemarle, Northampton, Spotsylvania).

Recommendations

- 5. The stakeholder panel recommends no additional statewide legislation is needed. Traffic management issues may be addressed by localities through current authorities. VDOT has current guidelines in place to address requirements for entrances and turning lanes.**

Rationale

For issues pertaining to traffic management, localities, VDOT and farm wineries may wish to develop stakeholder education around traffic relating to events. More specifically, they may wish to provide information about practices for: a) events and activities with a known number of attendees, where it is often easier for specific conditions to be determined, and b) public events with an unknown number of attendees. For hosting public events attracting large crowds, VDOT has the authority to require stricter standards for entrances. VDOT has authority to review the adequacy of an entrance if traffic is being impeded. The statute also provides adequate authority to localities to identify the size of events that will trigger the need for special use permits and different requirements for large events.

FARM WINERY VIABILITY

Overarching Topics

During its discussion of the three specific issues reviewed and studied in accordance with its charge, the stakeholder panel identified four overarching topics relating to the viability of farm wineries. These topics arose from either the panel members' various perspectives on the industry, or through survey results compiled during the study.

- Fair and Equitable Policy
 - Farmers should continue to be able to exercise their right-to-farm.
 - Industry participants should enjoy fair treatment as an agricultural business.
 - Industry participants are encouraged to avoid adverse impacts to other agricultural production practices.
 - Industry participants are encouraged to act as good neighbors to non-agricultural uses nearby.
- Enforcement
 - Objective standards for enforcement and compliance should be provided.

- Clarity is encouraged for industry participants as well as the impacted community as to when a violation is occurring.
- Clear communication is encouraged between the industry and the relevant governmental authorities.
- Environmental Stewardship
 - The industry is encouraged to work in concert with goals of community preservation and best practices for agricultural land.
 - The industry should be cognizant of and seek to minimize adverse environmental impacts.
- Economic
 - The industry provides economic development, additional businesses and jobs.
 - The industry and its governmental authorities are encouraged to continue to create and maintain a business-friendly regulatory environment for agricultural businesses.

Recommendations

- 6. The stakeholder panel encourages farm wineries, in conjunction with localities, evaluate and expand existing guidance on events, noise, and traffic for winery start-up and expansion. These resources may include, but not be limited to, information and education about working with localities and neighbors as well as VDOT's role.**

Rationale

The Stakeholder Panel believes that localities are currently enabled to address the three issues of events, noise, and traffic. This review also suggests that regulatory powers are appropriately delegated to localities, as circumstances in localities vary widely and therefore require different approaches.

Localities have taken individualized approaches to addressing farm winery considerations. Some localities have elected not to develop regulations specific to farm wineries, instead using the same standards used for other agricultural activity. Some localities have developed specific regulations for farm wineries, using a variety of strategies as identified for specific issues. Each locality has crafted an approach that is suited to its own circumstances. Some wine industry stakeholders have worked closely with localities in developing strategies that consider all parties' interests.

Additional informational and outreach efforts by the parties that could be considered helpful might include the following:

- Create or enhance efforts to provide documents and processes that explain local regulatory approaches and options for participation in local regulatory processes.
- Create or enhance resource guides for farm winery start-ups, or established businesses that want to expand, including information on the Right to Farm Act, describing local regulations, taxes, outreach and best practices for working with localities and neighbors.
- Develop case studies that highlight current strategies, lessons learned and approaches for addressing issues relating to events, noise, and traffic at farm wineries.

Worthy of Note: Relevance to Other agricultural and agri-tourism activities:

While the General Assembly requested that the study focus specifically on issues associated with farm wineries, the stakeholder panel believes it is important to note that these same issues may also be important to other agritourism, farm-based, craft beverage, or rural businesses that use events for marketing purposes. Future deliberations and actions may be applicable and/or have the potential to affect other agritourism and rural-based tourism businesses, not just farm wineries.

APPENDICES

Appendix A: Request for Farm Winery Study, HB 1500, Item 88 #1c

VIRGINIA STATE BUDGET

2017 Session

Budget Amendments - HB1500 (Conference Report)

Bill Order » Item 88 #1c

Farm Winery Regulatory Review (language only)

Item 88 #1c

Agriculture and Forestry

Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry

Language

Page 80, after line 6, insert:

"The Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry shall convene a panel of stakeholders within and outside government to: (i) review state and local noise and traffic regulations and the marketing of Virginia wines through events and activities; (ii) consider findings of previous relevant studies on Virginia farm wineries; and (iii) develop recommendations as appropriate for how the state can better foster the viability of Virginia farm wineries. The Secretary shall complete all meetings by November 15, 2017 and report such recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly no later than November 30, 2017."

Explanation

(This amendment directs the Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry to examine regulations related to noise, traffic, and the viability of the farm wine industry in Virginia.)

Appendix B: Membership of the Farm Winery Stakeholder Panel

Study Panel Membership

The stakeholder study panel consisted of representatives from the following 19 organizations:

- Albemarle County
- Monticello Wine Trail
- Piedmont Environmental Council
- Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission
- Virginia Agribusiness Council
- Virginia Agricultural Development Officers Group
- Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control
- Virginia Association of Chiefs of Police
- Virginia Association of Counties
- Virginia Chamber of Commerce
- Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
- Virginia Farm Bureau Federation
- Virginia Municipal League
- Virginia Sheriff's Association
- Virginia Tourism Council/Authority
- Virginia Vineyards Association
- Virginia Wine Board Marketing Office
- Virginia Wine Council
- Virginia Wineries Association

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We would like to thank the over 600 farm winery constituents who shared their time and perspectives in submitting responses to a comprehensive and extended survey.

Appendix C: Stakeholder Panel Method

Formation of Stakeholder Panel and Process

In fulfilling the responsibilities for the Farm Winery Study, the Office of the Secretary released a Request for Proposals for a public institution of higher learning to assist in conducting the study. The selected vendor was the Institute of Environmental Negotiation (IEN) at the University of Virginia and planning efforts were initiated in June of 2017. IEN worked closely with the Office of the Secretary to identify the broad range of stakeholder interests in Virginia's farm winery industry, and to develop a draft process for the study that would gather stakeholder input through regional listening sessions.

The Secretariat determined which organizations would be invited to participate as part of the study panel. With 19 participating organizations, the range of stakeholder interests represented on the study panel include localities, regional planning, tourism, law enforcement, agribusiness, environmental land conservation, and different aspects of the farm winery industry. The study panel held 10 meetings from June through October, with five meetings held via conference call webinar and five held in person.

Through discussions with the study panel, the process for the study evolved to focus on three key pieces: a) collection of information on concerns, issues and potential solutions through a broadly distributed online stakeholder survey; b) compilation of data on locality ordinances relating to farm wineries for all Virginia localities having one or more farm wineries within their jurisdiction; c) deliberations on information gathered through both stakeholder survey and the database on locality approaches, which enabled the study panel to develop its recommendations. In developing recommendations, members considered a range of possible action including but not limited to:

- New state standards/legislation;
- New non-regulatory approaches by industry;
- Refinements to the current approach;
- Outreach and information current approaches for addressing issues;
- No changes to current law required.

Stakeholder Panel Work

At the stakeholder panel's first webinar meeting on June 28, 2017, members recommended using an online survey – rather than regional listening sessions – to collect information on concerns, issues and potential solutions. During the month of July, IEN developed the first draft of the online survey instrument and language for an outreach email for panel members to send to their respective constituencies. The stakeholder panel met three times via webinar (July 6, 14 and 18) to revise and refine the survey instrument and outreach email that would invite constituencies to participate in the survey. Members sought to find a balance between asking questions that would elicit information to inform and assist deliberations and ensuring that questions were framed in a neutral manner. The stakeholder panel pre-tested the survey during the last week of July and, on August 1, distributed the invitation to their individual constituencies. Members were allowed to add a personal note in their distribution of the standardized outreach letter. All members asked their constituencies to respond to the survey only once.

The online survey was open from August 1 – 18 to receive responses. An initial analysis of survey responses was sent to stakeholder panel members on August 23.

The stakeholder panel met seven times between August 30 and October 16 during which they considered the results of the survey as they developed, refined, and agreed by consensus to recommendations. The last meeting occurred on October 16 to review the final draft of the study report.

**Appendix D: Compilation of Local Regulations Pertaining to Farm Wineries,
as of August 1, 2017**

Farm Winery Study: Code and Ordinance Requirements by Locality
Data as of August 1, 2017

County	Accomack	Albemarle	Augusta
Farm Winery Ordinance or Code	No reference found	County Code Ch. 18 (zoning), Section 5 (supplemental regulations), 5.1.25 Farm Wineries	25-72.1 accessory bldgs. & uses
Links to ordinance, zoning Code	https://co.accomack.va.us/departments/building-inspections-and-zoning/services/zoning-ordinance-administration	http://www.albemarle.org/upload/images/Forms_Center/Departments/County_Attorney/Forms/Albemarle_County_Code_Ch18_Zoning05_Supplement_Regulations.pdf	http://www.co.augusta.va.us/home/showdocument?id=185
Designated zoning districts		RA District	
Minimum lot size			
Regular business hours identified		9 am - 10 pm	
Siting prohibited in floodplain		Yes	
Siting prohibited within stream buffers		Yes	
Siting prohibitions: slope		> or = to 25%	
Permit required for new buildings		Yes	
Building design standards			
Setbacks		Yes	
Parking requirement		1 space (9' x 18') for every 2.5 customers ¹	
Entrances/exits onto State roads VDOT permit required		Yes	
Signs allowance		2 allowed, 32 sq. ft. total, less than 10 feet high	
Growing, harvesting and production relating to winemaking		A	A
Direct sale of wine, wine-related items & incidental gives (ex. Corkscrews, wine glasses, t-shirts, hats)		A	A ¹
Wine storage, wholesaling & shipping in accordance with ABC regulations		A	A
Wine tasting		A	A ¹
Private gatherings held by owner where no wine is sold or marketed		A	

County	Accomack	Albemarle	Augusta
Accommodations for guest winemakers and trade guests at owner's private residence at farm winery		A	
Educational programs relating to agriculture		A	
Educational program constraints		4/yr.	
Exhibits or museums related to wine or the farm winery		A	
Hayrides		A	
Tours		A	A
Picnics: self-provided		A	
Picnics: available for purchase at farm winery		A	
Kitchen and catering activities related to a use at the farm winery		A	
Providing finger foods, soups and appetizers for visitors		A	
Restaurants		X	SP
Food service permit needed		Yes	
Events: use by right		up to 200 people	See note 2
Events: permit required		> 200 people ²	See note 3
Weddings/wedding receptions: use by right		up to 200 people	See note 2
Weddings/wedding receptions: special permit		> 200 people ²	See note 3
Event/weddings eligibility: minimum farm size		5 acres	
Event eligibility: on-site fermentation		Yes	
Event zoning clearance required - traffic threshold		> 50 visitor vehicle trips/day	
Event zoning clearance required - neighboring parcel size threshold		< 21 acres	
Permissible sound threshold: daytime		60 dBA	
Permissible sound threshold: nighttime		55 dBA	
Outdoor Amplified music prohibited: hours		10 pm - 7 am (Su-Th) 11 pm - 7 am (Fr, Sa)	

County	Accomack	Albemarle	Augusta
Other Notes		<p>1 For special events and festivals, an additional parking space per employee (winery staff, caterers musicians, vendors. Additional parking for special events may be provided in a well-drained, suitably graded areas adjacent to the required parking area.</p> <p>2 Farm winery events, weddings, wedding receptions, and other events at which more than two hundred (200) persons will be in attendance require a special use permit, provided that they are related to agritourism or wine sales.</p>	<p>1 No more than one (1) location on each farm winery, brewery or distillery for the on-premise sale and consumption. An accessory gift shop is allowed.</p> <p>2 Use allowed by right is for Limited Special Events, including but not limited to: weddings, reunions, social events and auctions. Events must be: held by the farm owner or operator, limited to two (2) events per calendar year, each event not to exceed two (2) days, event hours to occur between 7 a.m. and midnight, all event parking occurs on-site and conforms to the following site standards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 2 to 6 acres: up to 50 people and 25 vehicles - 6 to 10 acres: up to 150 people and 75 vehicles - 10 to 20 acres: up to 200 people and 100 vehicles - 20 acres or more: up to 500 people and 250 vehicles <p>3 Events that do not meet the standards, in #2 above, may be allowed by a Special Use Permit.</p>
Usual and Customary activities (inclusions, prohibitions)		<p>"Other events" as determined by the the zoning administrator to be usual and customary at farm wineries throughout the Commonwealth and which do not create a substantial impact on the public health, safety, or welfare §5.1.25 (c)(5)</p> <p>Prohibited: Helicopters</p>	
<p>Legend for land use designations and activities:</p> <p>A - Allowed by right</p> <p>SP - Permit required (conditional use, special use, temporary use)</p> <p>X - Prohibited thresholds indicated where appropriate</p>		<p>Legend for Notes: (varies in other notes and usual and customary activities sections depending on superscript)</p> <p>E.g. Note or Superscript 1 - 2 - 3, etc.</p>	

Farm Winery Study: Code and Ordinance Requirements by Locality
Data as of August 1, 2017

County	Bedford	Botetourt	Campbell
Farm Winery Ordinance or Code	No reference found	No reference found	Sec. 22 - 3
Links to ordinance, zoning Code	http://www.bedfordcountyva.gov/home/showdocument?id=5706	- not online -	http://www.co.campbell.va.us/397/Campbell-County-Code
Designated zoning districts			
Minimum lot size			
Regular business hours identified			
Siting prohibited in floodplain			
Siting prohibited within stream buffers			
Siting prohibitions: slope			
Permit required for new buildings			
Building design standards			
Setbacks			
Parking requirement			
Entrances/exits onto State roads VDOT permit required			
Signs allowance			
Growing, harvesting and production relating to winemaking			
Direct sale of wine, wine-related items & incidental gives (ex. Corkscrews, wine glasses, t-shirts, hats)			
Wine storage, wholesaling & shipping in accordance with ABC regulations			
Wine tasting			
Private gatherings held by owner where no wine is sold or marketed			
Accommodations for guest winemakers and trade guests at owner's private residence at farm winery			
Educational programs relating to agriculture			
Educational program constraints			

County	Bedford	Botetourt	Campbell
Exhibits or museums related to wine or the farm winery			
Hayrides			
Tours			
Picnics: self-provided			
Picnics: available for purchase at farm winery			
Kitchen and catering activities related to a use at the farm winery			
Providing finger foods, soups and appetizers for visitors			
Restaurants			
Food service permit needed			
Events: use by right			
Events: permit required			
Weddings/wedding receptions: use by right			
Weddings/wedding receptions: special permit			
Event/weddings eligibility: minimum farm size			
Event eligibility: on-site fermentation			
Event zoning clearance required - traffic threshold			
Event zoning clearance required - neighboring parcel size threshold			
Permissible sound threshold: daytime			
Permissible sound threshold: nighttime			
Outdoor Amplified music prohibited: hours			
Other Notes			

County	Bedford	Botetourt	Campbell
Usual and Customary activities (inclusions, prohibitions)			Allowed by right: The usual and customary activities and events of farm wineries, limited breweries, or limited distilleries licensed in accordance with Title 4.1 of the Code of Virginia unless there is a substantial impact on the health, safety, or welfare of the public.

<p>Legend for land use designations and activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A - Allowed by right SP - Permit required (conditional use, special use, temporary use) X - Prohibited thresholds indicated where appropriate 	<p>Legend for Notes: (varies in other notes and usual and customary activities sections depending on superscript)</p> <p>E.g. Note or Superscript 1 - 2 - 3, etc.</p>
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Farm Winery Study: Code and Ordinance Requirements by Locality
Data as of August 1, 2017

County	Caroline	Carroll	Charles City
Farm Winery Ordinance or Code	gen. noise ord.; Ch. 49 festivals	No reference found	No reference found
Links to ordinance, zoning Code	http://ecode360.com/CA1335	- not online -	https://library.municode.com/va/charles_city_county/codes/code_of_ordinances
Designated zoning districts			
Minimum lot size			
Regular business hours identified			
Siting prohibited in floodplain			
Siting prohibited within stream buffers			
Siting prohibitions: slope			
Permit required for new buildings			
Building design standards			
Setbacks			
Parking requirement			
Entrances/exits onto State roads VDOT permit required			
Signs allowance			
Growing, harvesting and production relating to winemaking			
Direct sale of wine, wine-related items & incidental gives (ex. Corkscrews, wine glasses, t-shirts, hats)			
Wine storage, wholesaling & shipping in accordance with ABC regulations			
Wine tasting			
Private gatherings held by owner where no wine is sold or marketed			
Accommodations for guest winemakers and trade guests at owner's private residence at farm winery			
Educational programs relating to agriculture			
Educational program constraints			

County	Caroline	Carroll	Charles City
Exhibits or museums related to wine or the farm winery			
Hayrides			
Tours			
Picnics: self-provided			
Picnics: available for purchase at farm winery			
Kitchen and catering activities related to a use at the farm winery			
Providing finger foods, soups and appetizers for visitors			
Restaurants			
Food service permit needed			
Events: use by right			
Events: permit required			
Weddings/wedding receptions: use by right			
Weddings/wedding receptions: special permit			
Event/weddings eligibility: minimum farm size			
Event eligibility: on-site fermentation			
Event zoning clearance required - traffic threshold			
Event zoning clearance required - neighboring parcel size threshold			
Permissible sound threshold: daytime			
Permissible sound threshold: nighttime			
Outdoor Amplified music prohibited: hours			
Other Notes			
Usual and Customary activities (inclusions, prohibitions)			

County	Caroline	Carroll	Charles City
	<p>Legend for land use designations and activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A - Allowed by right SP - Permit required (conditional use, special use, temporary use) X - Prohibited thresholds indicated where appropriate 		<p>Legend for Notes: (varies in other notes and usual and customary activities sections depending on superscript) E.g. Note or Superscript 1 - 2 - 3, etc.</p>

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Data as of August 1, 2017

County	Charlotte	Chesterfield	Clarke
Farm Winery Ordinance or Code	Ch10-Sec.20		
Links to ordinance, zoning Code	http://www.charlotteva.com/pdfs/Zoning_ord.pdf		http://clarkecounty.gov/government/county-documents/planning-department/zoning-ordinance/3027-zo-ordinance-2017-1/file.html
Designated zoning districts			Zoning approval and business license required prior to start of operations
Minimum lot size			
Regular business hours identified			
Siting prohibited in floodplain			
Siting prohibited within stream buffers			
Siting prohibitions: slope			
Permit required for new buildings			
Building design standards			
Setbacks			
Parking requirement	Must be on-site and parking areas must be paved or have a dust-free surface		
Entrances/exits onto State roads VDOT permit required	Direct access to state-maintained public road, with safe ingress and egress.		
Signs allowance			
Growing, harvesting and production relating to winemaking	A		A
Direct sale of wine, wine-related items & incidental gives (ex. Corkscrews, wine glasses, t-shirts, hats)	A		A
Wine storage, wholesaling & shipping in accordance with ABC regulations	A		A
Wine tasting	A		A
Private gatherings held by owner where no wine is sold or marketed			
Accommodations for guest winemakers and trade guests at owner's private residence at farm winery			

County	Charlotte	Chesterfield	Clarke
Educational programs relating to agriculture			
Educational program constraints			
Exhibits or museums related to wine or the farm winery			
Hayrides			
Tours			
Picnics: self-provided			
Picnics: available for purchase at farm winery			
Kitchen and catering activities related to a use at the farm winery			
Providing finger foods, soups and appetizers for visitors			
Restaurants			
Food service permit needed			
Events: use by right			<150 people
Events: permit required			150 or more people ^{1,2,3}
Weddings/wedding receptions: use by right			
Weddings/wedding receptions: special permit			
Event/weddings eligibility: minimum farm size			6 acres
Event eligibility: on-site fermentation			
Event zoning clearance required - traffic threshold			
Event zoning clearance required - neighboring parcel size threshold			
Permissible sound threshold: daytime			
Permissible sound threshold: nighttime			
Outdoor Amplified music prohibited: hours			

County	Charlotte	Chesterfield	Clarke
<p>Other Notes</p>			<p>"1 Small Special Event: 150-499 people attending an event with no more than 5 event days in a calendar year. Medium Special Event: 150-499 people attending an event with six or more days per calendar year OR an event with 500-999 people. Large Special Event: 1,000 or more people.</p> <p>2 Scaled drawings required for permit applications for Medium or Large Special Events. All special events must address the following conditions (some of which may be waived for small events, based on circumstances): regulated admission, not to exceed attendance limits; water supply; sanitary facilities (toilets, trash); medical facilities; fire protection; traffic and parking control; security; food and beverage; lighting; temporary structures; sound; communications; liability insurance; setbacks; permission for entry; compliance with other laws and rules; and necessary safety services.</p> <p>3 Unless specifically approved by the reviewing entity, no stage presentation, music, dance, or other performance or activity shall take place between 12:00 am and 7:00 am."</p>
<p>Usual and Customary activities (inclusions, prohibitions)</p>			

<p>Legend for land use designations and activities: A - Allowed by right SP - Permit required (conditional use, special use, temporary use) X - Prohibited thresholds indicated where appropriate</p>	<p>Legend for Notes: (varies in other notes and usual and customary activities sections depending on superscript) E.g. Note or Superscript 1 - 2 - 3, etc.</p>
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Farm Winery Study: Code and Ordinance Requirements by Locality
Data as of August 1, 2017

County	Culpeper	Danville	Dickenson
Farm Winery Ordinance or Code	Noise ordinance	No reference found	No reference found
Links to ordinance, zoning Code	- not online -	https://library.municode.com/va/danville/codes/zoning	http://www.dickensonva.org/index.aspx?NID=350
Designated zoning districts			
Minimum lot size			
Regular business hours identified			
Siting prohibited in floodplain			
Siting prohibited within stream buffers			
Siting prohibitions: slope			
Permit required for new buildings			
Building design standards			
Setbacks			
Parking requirement			
Entrances/exits onto State roads VDOT permit required			
Signs allowance			
Growing, harvesting and production relating to winemaking			
Direct sale of wine, wine-related items & incidental gives (ex. Corkscrews, wine glasses, t-shirts, hats)			
Wine storage, wholesaling & shipping in accordance with ABC regulations			
Wine tasting			
Private gatherings held by owner where no wine is sold or marketed			
Accommodations for guest winemakers and trade guests at owner's private residence at farm winery			
Educational programs relating to agriculture			
Educational program constraints			

County	Culpeper	Danville	Dickenson
Exhibits or museums related to wine or the farm winery			
Hayrides			
Tours			
Picnics: self-provided			
Picnics: available for purchase at farm winery			
Kitchen and catering activities related to a use at the farm winery			
Providing finger foods, soups and appetizers for visitors			
Restaurants			
Food service permit needed			
Events: use by right			
Events: permit required			
Weddings/wedding receptions: use by right			
Weddings/wedding receptions: special permit			
Event/weddings eligibility: minimum farm size			
Event eligibility: on-site fermentation			
Event zoning clearance required - traffic threshold			
Event zoning clearance required - neighboring parcel size threshold			
Permissible sound threshold: daytime	75 dBA		
Permissible sound threshold: nighttime	65 dBA		
Outdoor Amplified music prohibited: hours			
Other Notes	Complaint required for issuance of warrant, including prior request by sheriff or zoning administrator for noise to abate, and that such noise continued in an unlawful level after such request		
Usual and Customary activities (inclusions, prohibitions)			

County	Culpeper	Danville	Dickenson
	<p>Legend for land use designations and activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A - Allowed by right SP - Permit required (conditional use, special use, temporary use) X - Prohibited thresholds indicated where appropriate 	<p>Legend for Notes: (varies in other notes and usual and customary activities sections depending on superscript) E.g. Note or Superscript 1 - 2 - 3, etc.</p>	

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County	Essex	Fairfax	Fauquier
Farm Winery Ordinance or Code	No reference found		County Code Section 13-500 of the Ordinance, Part 4 6-400 Farm Winery
Links to ordinance, zoning Code	- not online -	http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpz/zoningordinance/proposed/farmwineries.pdf	http://www.fauquiercounty.gov/government/departments-a-g/community-development/codes-ordinances/zoning-ordinance
Designated zoning districts		R-A, R-P, R-E and R-1 ¹	RC, RA
Minimum lot size		20 acres ²	
Regular business hours identified			10 am - 6 pm ¹
Siting prohibited in floodplain			
Siting prohibited within stream buffers			
Siting prohibitions: slope			
Permit required for new buildings			
Building design standards			
Setbacks			Yes
Parking requirement			100' setback, screened
Entrances/exits onto State roads			
VDOT permit required			
Signs allowance			
Growing, harvesting and production relating to winemaking			A
Direct sale of wine, wine-related items & incidental gives (ex. Corkscrews, wine glasses, t-shirts, hats)			A
Wine storage, wholesaling & shipping in accordance with ABC regulations			A
Wine tasting			A ⁶
Private gatherings held by owner where no wine is sold or marketed			A
Accommodations for guest winemakers and trade guests at owner's private residence at farm winery			
Educational programs relating to agriculture			
Educational program constraints			

County	Essex	Fairfax	Fauquier
Exhibits or museums related to wine or the farm winery			
Hayrides			
Tours			
Picnics: self-provided			
Picnics: available for purchase at farm winery			
Kitchen and catering activities related to a use at the farm winery			
Providing finger foods, soups and appetizers for visitors			A
Restaurants			X ⁵
Food service permit needed			
Events: use by right		Up to 300 attendees; once/month an event >300 people not to exceed 2 days ³	<150 people ^{2,3}
Events: permit required		300 or more attendees; events of >300 people more than one/month or exceeding 2 days ⁴	150 or more people ^{2,3}
Weddings/wedding receptions: use by right		Up to 300 attendees; once/month an event >300 people not to exceed 2 days ³	
Weddings/wedding receptions: special permit		300 or more attendees; events of >300 people more than one/month or exceeding 2 days ⁴	
Event/weddings eligibility: minimum farm size			
Event eligibility: on-site fermentation			
Event zoning clearance required - traffic threshold			
Event zoning clearance required - neighboring parcel size threshold			
Permissible sound threshold: daytime			
Permissible sound threshold: nighttime			Not audible or at property line ⁴
Outdoor Amplified music prohibited: hours			

County	Essex	Fairfax	Fauquier
Other Notes		<p>1 Revisions to Virginia Code preclude future farm wineries/breweries/distilleries from locating in the R-C district, unless an application is pending with ABC as of 7/1/16 and such license is ultimately approved. A Special Exception required for expansion of farm wineries already located (or approved) in the R-C district.</p> <p>2 Applications pending at time of amendment to the Ordinance allowed a minimum of 5 acres.</p> <p>3 By right in R-A, R-P, R-E and R-1 districts; in the R-C District, permitted without special exception approval.</p> <p>4 Special Exception approval is not required for continuation of uses in the R-C District already in existence on 7/1/16.</p>	<p>"1 Administrative Permit allows extended business hours: 8 pm from May - Aug; 7 pm Sept.; also allows one Special Event per month (not to exceed 150 attendees). Permit eligibility: 11 acres, direct access to a public road, not within 300' of private residence in existence when winery first licensed. Considerations listed for review of Administrative Permit application.</p> <p>2 A Special Event is defined as a farm winery activity or event if: a) catered food is served, including service from a food cart and/or b) number of attendees is 150 or greater and/or c) the activity occurs after regular business hours.</p> <p>Special event structures required 300' setback. Closing time for a Special Event is 9 pm (Mon-Thurs), 11 pm (Fri and Sat), 10 pm (Sun). Attendance cannot exceed septic capacity.</p> <p>Special events with 150+ attendees requires Special Exception (see column AU)</p> <p>3 By right: 2x/calendar month, events otherwise defined as a Special Event, but limited to 35 attendees, when Farm Winery is closed to the public and prior to closing time. In lieu of one such 35-person event, a farm winery may instead serve, once per calendar month, catered food to the general public in conjunction with wine tasting and consumption (but not with any ticketing or invitation event) during regular or (if approved) extended business hours.</p> <p>4 Consistent with county zoning ordinances."</p>

County	Essex	Fairfax	Fauquier
<p>Usual and Customary activities (inclusions, prohibitions)</p>		<p>"Prohibitions: Helicopter rides, fireworks displays, antique/flea markets, go-cart/all-terrain vehicle tracks, mechanized amusement rides, hot air balloons, lodging, spa services, the operation of a commercial restaurant and/or any other similar uses determined by the Zoning Administrator to have a substantial impact on the health, safety and welfare of the public. "</p>	<p>5 Prohibitions: 1) Restaurant/food service requiring a license from the Health Department as a Food Establishment or Temporary Food Establishment 2) Helicopter rides 3) Hot air balloons 4) Fireworks 5) Grocery, convenience or general stores 6) Go-kart, motorized bike or four-wheeler trails, tracks or rides 7) Amusement park rides 8) Flea markets 9) Farmers' markets 10) Bowling Alleys 11) Mini-golf 12) Personal Services, including beauty/spa type services 13) Lodging 14) Such other uses as are determined by the Zoning Administrator to be similar in nature or impact to those listed above. Employees serving wine to the general public must be trained through an approved program on addressing potentially intoxicated patrons.</p> <p>Special Exception required for events with 150+ attendees. Eligibility requirements: 25+ acres, frontage on a higher classification street, no substantial adverse impact on health, safety or welfare of the general public or neighbors. For wineries with 25 acres: no more than 18 Special Events/calendar year, with up to 200 attendees/Special Event. For wineries with 50 acres: up to 24 Special Events/calendar year, with up to 250 attendees/Special Event, as well as one additional Special Event/calendar year for up to 500 attendees. Maximum number of Special Events includes events authorized by Administrative Permit. No more than two Special Events in any one calendar month, approved by Administrative Permit or Special Exception. Each calendar day of a multi-day event counted as a separate Special Event.</p>

<p>Legend for land use designations and activities: A - Allowed by right SP - Permit required (conditional use, special use, temporary use) X - Prohibited thresholds indicated where appropriate</p>	<p>Legend for Notes: (varies in other notes and usual and customary activities sections depending on superscript) E.g. Note or Superscript 1 - 2 - 3, etc.</p>
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Data as of August 1, 2017

County	Floyd	Fluvanna	Franklin
Farm Winery Ordinance or Code	no reference found	Section 22-3 new section on FW	Sec. 25-134. - temporary <i>events</i> .
Links to ordinance, zoning Code	https://library.municode.com/va/floyd_county/codes/code_of_ordinances	https://www.fluvannacounty.org/sites/default/files/fileattachments/planning_commission/meeting/packets/11551/2015-02-25_pc_packet.pdf	https://library.municode.com/va/franklin_county/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=COCO_CH25ZO
Designated zoning districts			
Minimum lot size			
Regular business hours identified			
Siting prohibited in floodplain			
Siting prohibited within stream buffers			
Siting prohibitions: slope			
Permit required for new buildings			
Building design standards			
Setbacks			
Parking requirement			
Entrances/exits onto State roads VDOT permit required			
Signs allowance			
Growing, harvesting and production relating to winemaking			
Direct sale of wine, wine-related items & incidental gives (ex. Corkscrews, wine glasses, t-shirts, hats)		See note ¹	
Wine storage, wholesaling & shipping in accordance with ABC regulations			
Wine tasting			
Private gatherings held by owner where no wine is sold or marketed			
Accommodations for guest winemakers and trade guests at owner's private residence at farm winery			
Educational programs relating to agriculture		A ¹	

County	Floyd	Fluvanna	Franklin
Educational program constraints			
Exhibits or museums related to wine or the farm winery		A ¹	
Hayrides		A ¹	
Tours		A ¹	
Picnics: self-provided		A ¹	
Picnics: available for purchase at farm winery			
Kitchen and catering activities related to a use at the farm winery		A ¹	
Providing finger foods, soups and appetizers for visitors			
Restaurants			
Food service permit needed			
Events: use by right			
Events: permit required			
Weddings/wedding receptions: use by right			
Weddings/wedding receptions: special permit			
Event/weddings eligibility: minimum farm size			
Event eligibility: on-site fermentation			
Event zoning clearance required - traffic threshold			
Event zoning clearance required - neighboring parcel size threshold			
Permissible sound threshold: daytime			
Permissible sound threshold: nighttime			
Outdoor Amplified music prohibited: hours			

County	Floyd	Fluvanna	Franklin
Other Notes		<p>1 Ancillary uses allowed as long as (i) the general agricultural character of the agritourism activity is maintained and (ii) the aggregate gross receipts from the ancillary activity/activities does not exceed 50 percent of the gross receipts from the agritourism [e.g. farm winery] activity for three of the preceding five operating years.</p>	
Usual and Customary activities (inclusions, prohibitions)			

<p>Legend for land use designations and activities: A - Allowed by right SP - Permit required (conditional use, special use, temporary use) X - Prohibited thresholds indicated where appropriate</p>	<p>Legend for Notes: (varies in other notes and usual and customary activities sections depending on superscript) E.g. Note or Superscript 1 - 2 - 3, etc.</p>
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County	Frederick	Galax	Giles
Farm Winery Ordinance or Code	No reference found	No reference found	No reference found
Links to ordinance, zoning Code	http://ecode360.com/13804289#14002306	https://ecode360.com/GA1297	http://virginiasmtnplayground.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/Official-Zoning-Ordinance-Zoning-Administrators-Copy-562015-Special-Exception-Changed-to-Conditional-Use-throughout-document.pdf
Designated zoning districts	RA ¹		
Minimum lot size			
Regular business hours identified			
Siting prohibited in floodplain			
Siting prohibited within stream buffers			
Siting prohibitions: slope			
Permit required for new buildings			
Building design standards			
Setbacks			
Parking requirement			
Entrances/exits onto State roads VDOT permit required			
Signs allowance			
Growing, harvesting and production relating to winemaking	A		
Direct sale of wine, wine-related items & incidental gives (ex. Corkscrews, wine glasses, t-shirts, hats)	A		
Wine storage, wholesaling & shipping in accordance with ABC regulations	A		
Wine tasting	A		
Private gatherings held by owner where no wine is sold or marketed			
Accommodations for guest winemakers and trade guests at owner's private residence at farm winery			

County	Frederick	Galax	Giles
Educational programs relating to agriculture			
Educational program constraints			
Exhibits or museums related to wine or the farm winery			
Hayrides			
Tours	A		
Picnics: self-provided			
Picnics: available for purchase at farm winery			
Kitchen and catering activities related to a use at the farm winery	A		
Providing finger foods, soups and appetizers for visitors	A		
Restaurants	SP		
Food service permit needed			
Events: use by right	up to 100 people		
Events: permit required	> 100 people		
Weddings/wedding receptions: use by right			
Weddings/wedding receptions: special permit			
Event/weddings eligibility: minimum farm size	10 acres		
Event eligibility: on-site fermentation			
Event zoning clearance required - traffic threshold			
Event zoning clearance required - neighboring parcel size threshold			
Permissible sound threshold: daytime			
Permissible sound threshold: nighttime			
Outdoor Amplified music prohibited: hours			

County	Frederick	Galax	Giles
Other Notes	¹ Approval of establishment of farm winery requires an illustrative sketch plan.		
Usual and Customary activities (inclusions, prohibitions)			

Legend for land use designations and activities: A - Allowed by right SP - Permit required (conditional use, special use, temporary use) X - Prohibited thresholds indicated where appropriate	Legend for Notes: (varies in other notes and usual and customary activities sections depending on superscript) E.g. Note or Superscript 1 - 2 - 3, etc.
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County	Goochland	Grayson	Greene
Farm Winery Ordinance or Code	Special events ordinance	Land use designation	16-21 (Farm Wineries)
Links to ordinance, zoning Code	https://library.municode.com/va/goochland_county/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=COOR_CH8LIBURE_ARTVSPEV_S8-331GRDEPE	http://www.graysoncountyva.gov/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/Zoning-Ordinance-2-2016.pdf	http://www.greenecountyva.gov/government/depts/planning-zoning/ordinances
Designated zoning districts		RF, C	
Minimum lot size			
Regular business hours identified			
Siting prohibited in floodplain			
Siting prohibited within stream buffers			
Siting prohibitions: slope			
Permit required for new buildings			By right: structures up to 4,000 sq.ft. ¹
Building design standards			
Setbacks			Consistent with zoning district
Parking requirement			1 space/ every 400 ft. of retail area
Entrances/exits onto State roads VDOT permit required			
Signs allowance			
Growing, harvesting and production relating to winemaking			A
Direct sale of wine, wine-related items & incidental gives (ex. Corkscrews, wine glasses, t-shirts, hats)			A
Wine storage, wholesaling & shipping in accordance with ABC regulations			A
Wine tasting			A
Private gatherings held by owner where no wine is sold or marketed			A
Accommodations for guest winemakers and trade guests at owner's private residence at farm winery			A
Educational programs relating to agriculture			

County	Goochland	Grayson	Greene
Educational program constraints			
Exhibits or museums related to wine or the farm winery			A
Hayrides			A
Tours			A
Picnics: self-provided			A
Picnics: available for purchase at farm winery			A
Kitchen and catering activities related to a use at the farm winery			A
Providing finger foods, soups and appetizers for visitors			A
Restaurants			X
Food service permit needed			
Events: use by right			up to 400 people, up to 24 events/yr. ¹
Events: permit required			> 400 people OR up to 400 people >24 events a year ¹²
Weddings/wedding receptions: use by right			up to 400 people, up to 24 events/yr. ¹
Weddings/wedding receptions: special permit			> 400 people OR up to 400 people >24 events a year ¹²
Event/weddings eligibility: minimum farm size			
Event eligibility: on-site fermentation			
Event zoning clearance required - traffic threshold			
Event zoning clearance required - neighboring parcel size threshold			
Permissible sound threshold: daytime			
Permissible sound threshold: nighttime	65 decibels at property line		See note ³
Outdoor Amplified music prohibited: hours			10 pm - 10 am

County	Goochland	Grayson	Greene
<p>Other Notes</p>	<p>1 See: www.goochlandva.us/DocumentCenter/Home/View/13 1 2 Special event defines as: >500 people; >250 people if alcoholic beverages consumed; >250 if a musical or entertainment event 3 Special event permit application must include plan for: sanitation facilities; provision of food, potable water and lodging, as appropriate; medical facilities; fire protection; parking, traffic and crowd control; control of noise; liability and casualty insurance.</p>		<p>1 By right events or retail sales may not exceed 200 vehicles trips/day; zoning clearance required for events >200 vehicle trips/day OR sites <10 acres OR exceeding 24 events/year. Special use permit required for structures >4,000 sq. ft. OR events with >400 attendees. 2 Special use permit applications must include sketch plan. 3 Sound generated by outdoor amplified music requires advance approval of a zoning certificate.</p>
<p>Usual and Customary activities (inclusions, prohibitions)</p>			<p>Other uses not expressly authorized that are agritourism uses or are wine sales related uses, which are determined by the zoning administrator to be usual and customary uses at farm wineries throughout the Commonwealth, which do not create a substantial impact on the public health, safety, or welfare, and at which not more than four hundred (400) persons are in attendance at any time.</p> <p>Prohibited: Helicopters</p>

County	Goochland	Grayson	Greene
	<p>Legend for land use designations and activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A - Allowed by right SP - Permit required (conditional use, special use, temporary use) X - Prohibited thresholds indicated where appropriate 		<p>Legend for Notes: (varies in other notes and usual and customary activities sections depending on superscript) E.g. Note or Superscript 1 - 2 - 3, etc.</p>

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County	Halifax	Hanover	Henry
Farm Winery Ordinance or Code	No reference found	No reference found	No reference found
Links to ordinance, zoning Code	http://www.municode.com/resources/gateway.aspx?prductid=14120	https://library.municode.com/va/hanover_county/codes/code_of_ordinances	https://library.municode.com/va/henry_county/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=COOR_CH13OFIS_ARTIEXDISO_S13-200EXDISO
Designated zoning districts			
Minimum lot size			
Regular business hours identified			
Siting prohibited in floodplain			
Siting prohibited within stream buffers			
Siting prohibitions: slope			
Permit required for new buildings			
Building design standards			
Setbacks			
Parking requirement			
Entrances/exits onto State roads VDOT permit required			
Signs allowance			
Growing, harvesting and production relating to winemaking			
Direct sale of wine, wine-related items & incidental gives (ex. Corkscrews, wine glasses, t-shirts, hats)			
Wine storage, wholesaling & shipping in accordance with ABC regulations			
Wine tasting			
Private gatherings held by owner where no wine is sold or marketed			
Accommodations for guest winemakers and trade guests at owner's private residence at farm winery			
Educational programs relating to agriculture			

County	Halifax	Hanover	Henry
Educational program constraints			
Exhibits or museums related to wine or the farm winery			
Hayrides			
Tours			
Picnics: self-provided			
Picnics: available for purchase at farm winery			
Kitchen and catering activities related to a use at the farm winery			
Providing finger foods, soups and appetizers for visitors			
Restaurants			
Food service permit needed			
Events: use by right			
Events: permit required			
Weddings/wedding receptions: use by right			
Weddings/wedding receptions: special permit			
Event/weddings eligibility: minimum farm size			
Event eligibility: on-site fermentation			
Event zoning clearance required - traffic threshold			
Event zoning clearance required - neighboring parcel size threshold			
Permissible sound threshold: daytime			
Permissible sound threshold: nighttime			
Outdoor Amplified music prohibited: hours			
Other Notes			

County	Halifax	Hanover	Henry
Usual and Customary activities (inclusions, prohibitions)			

<p>Legend for land use designations and activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A - Allowed by right SP - Permit required (conditional use, special use, temporary use) X - Prohibited thresholds indicated where appropriate 	<p>Legend for Notes: (varies in other notes and usual and customary activities sections depending on superscript) E.g. Note or Superscript 1 - 2 - 3, etc.</p>
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County	Highland	Isle of Wight	James City
Farm Winery Ordinance or Code	See note ¹	§4-2A003. Agritourism activities, item 10	See note ¹
Links to ordinance, zoning Code	http://www.highlandcova.org/Zoneord/ZO_dex.htm	https://library.municode.com/va/isle_of_wight_county/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=APXBZO_ARTIVZODI_BO_PT2AAG_S4-2A003AGAC	https://library.municode.com/va/james_city_county/codes/code_of_ordinances
Designated zoning districts		RAC, see note ¹	A: B-1, M-1 SP: A-1
Minimum lot size			
Regular business hours identified			
Siting prohibited in floodplain			
Siting prohibited within stream buffers			
Siting prohibitions: slope			
Permit required for new buildings			
Building design standards			
Setbacks			
Parking requirement			
Entrances/exits onto State roads VDOT permit required			
Signs allowance			
Growing, harvesting and production relating to winemaking			
Direct sale of wine, wine-related items & incidental gives (ex. Corkscrews, wine glasses, t-shirts, hats)			
Wine storage, wholesaling & shipping in accordance with ABC regulations			
Wine tasting		See note ²	
Private gatherings held by owner where no wine is sold or marketed			
Accommodations for guest winemakers and trade guests at owner's private residence at farm winery			
Educational programs relating to agriculture			

County	Highland	Isle of Wight	James City
Educational program constraints			
Exhibits or museums related to wine or the farm winery			
Hayrides			
Tours			
Picnics: self-provided			
Picnics: available for purchase at farm winery		See note ²	
Kitchen and catering activities related to a use at the farm winery		See note ²	
Providing finger foods, soups and appetizers for visitors		See note ²	
Restaurants		See note ²	
Food service permit needed			
Events: use by right		See note ^{3,4}	
Events: permit required		See note ^{3,4}	
Weddings/wedding receptions: use by right		See note ^{3,4}	
Weddings/wedding receptions: special permit		See note ^{3,4}	
Event/weddings eligibility: minimum farm size			
Event eligibility: on-site fermentation			
Event zoning clearance required - traffic threshold			
Event zoning clearance required - neighboring parcel size threshold			
Permissible sound threshold: daytime			
Permissible sound threshold: nighttime			
Outdoor Amplified music prohibited: hours			

County	Highland	Isle of Wight	James City
<p>Other Notes</p>	<p>¹ No references for farm wineries; only related use listed is for agriculture generally.</p>	<p>"¹ Farm winery defined as where agricultural products of the winery are derived from crops grown primarily on site for at least three (3) of the immediately preceding five (5) years. ³ A special event is defined as a single-day event where attendance is allowed only by invitation or reservation. Allowed by right up to 200 people, up to 12 times/year. ⁴ A festival is defined as an event conducted at a farm winery for up to three (3) consecutive days which is open to the general public for the purpose of marketing wine, up to 4 times/year. "</p>	<p>¹ Small-scale alcohol production. Includes operations such as micro-breweries, micro-distilleries, and micro-wineries. Micro-breweries produce no more than 15,000 barrels a year. Micro-distilleries produce no more than 36,000 gallons of alcohol per year. Micro-wineries produce no more than 15,000 barrels a year. These uses are often accompanied by tap rooms, brew pubs, and retail sales.</p>
<p>Usual and Customary activities (inclusions, prohibitions)</p>		<p>² The area for wine tasting and accessory food sales does not exceed twenty-five percent (25%) of the area of the main structure.</p>	

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County	King George	Lancaster	Loudoun
Farm Winery Ordinance or Code	General noise ordinance	No reference found	No additional requirement for farm wineries
Links to ordinance, zoning Code	https://library.municode.com/va/king_george_county/ordinances/code_of_ordinances	https://library.municode.com/va/lancaster_county/code_s/code_of_ordinances	https://www.loudoun.gov/DocumentCenter/View/99645
Designated zoning districts			
Minimum lot size			
Regular business hours identified			
Siting prohibited in floodplain			
Siting prohibited within stream buffers			
Siting prohibitions: slope			
Permit required for new buildings			
Building design standards			
Setbacks			
Parking requirement			
Entrances/exits onto State roads VDOT permit required			
Signs allowance			
Growing, harvesting and production relating to winemaking			
Direct sale of wine, wine-related items & incidental gives (ex. Corkscrews, wine glasses, t-shirts, hats)			
Wine storage, wholesaling & shipping in accordance with ABC regulations			
Wine tasting			
Private gatherings held by owner where no wine is sold or marketed			
Accommodations for guest winemakers and trade guests at owner's private residence at farm winery			
Educational programs relating to agriculture			
Educational program constraints			

County	King George	Lancaster	Loudoun
Exhibits or museums related to wine or the farm winery			
Hayrides			
Tours			
Picnics: self-provided			
Picnics: available for purchase at farm winery			
Kitchen and catering activities related to a use at the farm winery			
Providing finger foods, soups and appetizers for visitors			A
Restaurants			
Food service permit needed			Yes
Events: use by right			
Events: permit required			
Weddings/wedding receptions: use by right			
Weddings/wedding receptions: special permit			
Event/weddings eligibility: minimum farm size			
Event eligibility: on-site fermentation			
Event zoning clearance required - traffic threshold			
Event zoning clearance required - neighboring parcel size threshold			
Permissible sound threshold: daytime			
Permissible sound threshold: nighttime			
Outdoor Amplified music prohibited: hours			
Other Notes			

County	King George	Lancaster	Loudoun
Usual and Customary activities (inclusions, prohibitions)			

<p>Legend for land use designations and activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A - Allowed by right SP - Permit required (conditional use, special use, temporary use) X - Prohibited thresholds indicated where appropriate 	<p>Legend for Notes: (varies in other notes and usual and customary activities sections depending on superscript) E.g. Note or Superscript 1 - 2 - 3, etc.</p>
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County	Louisa	Madison	Mecklenburg
Farm Winery Ordinance or Code	Sec. 86-48 wineries, land uses	Definition	No reference found
Links to ordinance, zoning Code	https://library.municode.com/va/louisa_county/codes/code_of_ordinances	http://www.lardnerklein.com/ithg_report/ithg_sign%20ordinances/Madison_article12_signs.pdf	http://www.mecklenburgva.com/mediaarchive/pdf/Zoning%20ordinance.pdf
Designated zoning districts			
Minimum lot size			
Regular business hours identified			
Siting prohibited in floodplain			
Siting prohibited within stream buffers			
Siting prohibitions: slope			
Permit required for new buildings			
Building design standards			
Setbacks			
Parking requirement			
Entrances/exits onto State roads VDOT permit required			
Signs allowance			
Growing, harvesting and production relating to winemaking	A		
Direct sale of wine, wine-related items & incidental gives (ex. Corkscrews, wine glasses, t-shirts, hats)	A		
Wine storage, wholesaling & shipping in accordance with ABC regulations	A		
Wine tasting	A		
Private gatherings held by owner where no wine is sold or marketed			
Accommodations for guest winemakers and trade guests at owner's private residence at farm winery			
Educational programs relating to agriculture			
Educational program constraints			

County	Louisa	Madison	Mecklenburg
Exhibits or museums related to wine or the farm winery			
Hayrides			
Tours			
Picnics: self-provided			
Picnics: available for purchase at farm winery			
Kitchen and catering activities related to a use at the farm winery			
Providing finger foods, soups and appetizers for visitors			
Restaurants			
Food service permit needed			
Events: use by right	See note ¹		
Events: permit required	See note ¹		
Weddings/wedding receptions: use by right			
Weddings/wedding receptions: special permit			
Event/weddings eligibility: minimum farm size			
Event eligibility: on-site fermentation			
Event zoning clearance required - traffic threshold			
Event zoning clearance required - neighboring parcel size threshold			
Permissible sound threshold: daytime			
Permissible sound threshold: nighttime			
Outdoor Amplified music prohibited: hours			

County	Louisa	Madison	Mecklenburg
Other Notes			
Usual and Customary activities (inclusions, prohibitions)	1 Granting, denying or imposing conditions on any conditional use permits for farm winery uses or activities will take into account: 1) the economic nature of such restriction on the farm winery; 2) the agricultural nature of such event; and 3) whether such uses are usual and customary for such farm winery.		
Legend for land use designations and activities: A - Allowed by right SP - Permit required (conditional use, special use, temporary use) X - Prohibited thresholds indicated where appropriate		Legend for Notes: (varies in other notes and usual and customary activities sections depending on superscript) E.g. Note or Superscript 1 - 2 - 3, etc.	

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County	Montgomery	Nelson	New Kent
Farm Winery Ordinance or Code	No reference found		No reference found
Links to ordinance, zoning Code	https://library.municode.com/va/montgomery_county/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeld=CO_CH10ZO	http://www.nelsoncounty-va.gov/wp-content/uploads/Current-Nelson-Co.-Zoning-Ord.-Eff-060107-Amend-01-10-2017-EDITORIAL.pdf	not online
Designated zoning districts			
Minimum lot size			
Regular business hours identified			
Siting prohibited in floodplain			
Siting prohibited within stream buffers			
Siting prohibitions: slope			
Permit required for new buildings			
Building design standards			
Setbacks			
Parking requirement			
Entrances/exits onto State roads			
VDOT permit required			
Signs allowance			
Growing, harvesting and production relating to winemaking			
Direct sale of wine, wine-related items & incidental gives (ex. Corkscrews, wine glasses, t-shirts, hats)		A	
Wine storage, wholesaling & shipping in accordance with ABC regulations			
Wine tasting			
Private gatherings held by owner where no wine is sold or marketed			
Accommodations for guest winemakers and trade guests at owner's private residence at farm winery			
Educational programs relating to agriculture			

County	Montgomery	Nelson	New Kent
Educational program constraints			
Exhibits or museums related to wine or the farm winery			
Hayrides			
Tours			
Picnics: self-provided			
Picnics: available for purchase at farm winery			
Kitchen and catering activities related to a use at the farm winery			
Providing finger foods, soups and appetizers for visitors			
Restaurants			
Food service permit needed		See note ¹	
Events: use by right		See note ²	
Events: permit required		See note ²	
Weddings/wedding receptions: use by right			
Weddings/wedding receptions: special permit			
Event/weddings eligibility: minimum farm size			
Event eligibility: on-site fermentation			
Event zoning clearance required - traffic threshold			
Event zoning clearance required - neighboring parcel size threshold			
Permissible sound threshold: daytime			
Permissible sound threshold: nighttime			
Outdoor Amplified music prohibited: hours			

County	Montgomery	Nelson	New Kent
Other Notes		<p>¹ The serving of light snacks (cheese, crackers, peanuts, etc.) is permitted without regulation. Other food prepared on-site shall be prepared in a facility meeting State Building Code and licensed by the Virginia Department of Health.</p>	
Usual and Customary activities (inclusions, prohibitions)		<p>2 Farm winery activities - that do not cause any substantial impact(s) on the health, safety, or general welfare of the public - are exempt from Temporary Event Permit requirements.</p> <p>Category 1 farm winery events (those with substantial impacts and having or anticipating less than 1000 attendees at any time) may not exceed 4 consecutive days. Amplified sound prohibited after 11 p.m., or 11:59 p.m. on Thursday night or 1 a.m. on Saturday or Sunday morning. Permit required.</p> <p>Category 2 farm winery events (with significant impacts and between 1,000 - 10,000 attendees), may not exceed 6 consecutive days. (Sound requirements the same.) Permit required.</p> <p>Category 3 farm winery events (with significant impacts and more than 10,000 attendees), may not exceed 6 consecutive days. (Sound requirements the same.) Permit required.</p>	

County	Montgomery	Nelson	New Kent
	<p>Legend for land use designations and activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A - Allowed by right SP - Permit required (conditional use, special use, temporary use) X - Prohibited thresholds indicated where appropriate 		<p>Legend for Notes: (varies in other notes and usual and customary activities sections depending on superscript) E.g. Note or Superscript 1 - 2 - 3, etc.</p>

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County	Norfolk	Northampton	Northumberland
Farm Winery Ordinance or Code	No reference found	Chapter 98 - Noise	Land use designations
Links to ordinance, zoning Code	https://library.municode.com/va/norfolk/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=COCI_APXAZOOR#TOPTITLE	http://library.amlegal.com/nxt/gateway.dll/Virginia/northampton_co_va/northamptoncountyvirginiacodeofordinance?f=templates\$fn=default.htm\$3.0\$vid=amlegal:northamptonco_va	http://ecode360.com/7760336
Designated zoning districts			
Minimum lot size			
Regular business hours identified			
Siting prohibited in floodplain			
Siting prohibited within stream buffers			
Siting prohibitions: slope			
Permit required for new buildings			
Building design standards			
Setbacks			
Parking requirement		Yes ¹	
Entrances/exits onto State roads VDOT permit required			
Signs allowance		Yes 2	
Growing, harvesting and production relating to winemaking		A	
Direct sale of wine, wine-related items & incidental gives (ex. Corkscrews, wine glasses, t-shirts, hats)		A	A
Wine storage, wholesaling & shipping in accordance with ABC regulations		A	
Wine tasting		A	A
Private gatherings held by owner where no wine is sold or marketed			
Accommodations for guest winemakers and trade guests at owner's private residence at farm winery			
Educational programs relating to agriculture		A	

County	Norfolk	Northampton	Northumberland
Educational program constraints			
Exhibits or museums related to wine or the farm winery		A	
Hayrides		A	
Tours		A	
Picnics: self-provided			
Picnics: available for purchase at farm winery			
Kitchen and catering activities related to a use at the farm winery			
Providing finger foods, soups and appetizers for visitors			
Restaurants			
Food service permit needed			
Events: use by right		See note ³	
Events: permit required		See note ³	
Weddings/wedding receptions: use by right			
Weddings/wedding receptions: special permit			
Event/weddings eligibility: minimum farm size			
Event eligibility: on-site fermentation			
Event zoning clearance required - traffic threshold			
Event zoning clearance required - neighboring parcel size threshold			
Permissible sound threshold: daytime			
Permissible sound threshold: nighttime			
Outdoor Amplified music prohibited: hours			

County	Norfolk	Northampton	Northumberland
Other Notes		<p>1 Vehicular parking for agritourism activities not allowed on any public streets or within 100' of any residence, except for a residence located on the property of the agritourism activities.</p> <p>Traffic generated by agritourism activities shall comply with VDOT standards and regulations.</p> <p>2 Signage associated with agritourism activities shall comply with §154.190 et seq.</p> <p>3 Agritourism activities must comply with Chapter 98: Noise of the NCC</p>	
Usual and Customary activities (inclusions, prohibitions)			

<p>Legend for land use designations and activities:</p> <p>A - Allowed by right</p> <p>SP - Permit required (conditional use, special use, temporary use)</p> <p>X - Prohibited thresholds indicated where appropriate</p>	<p>Legend for Notes: (varies in other notes and usual and customary activities sections depending on superscript)</p> <p>E.g. Note or Superscript 1 - 2 - 3, etc.</p>
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County	Orange	Page	Patrick
Farm Winery Ordinance or Code	Temporary use permit waiver	Sec.81-5 Noise Ord. exemptions	No reference found
Links to ordinance, zoning Code	http://orangecode.us/index.php/ch-70-zoning	http://ecode360.com/9199466	- not online -
Designated zoning districts			
Minimum lot size			
Regular business hours identified			
Siting prohibited in floodplain			
Siting prohibited within stream buffers			
Siting prohibitions: slope			
Permit required for new buildings			
Building design standards			
Setbacks			
Parking requirement			
Entrances/exits onto State roads VDOT permit required			
Signs allowance			
Growing, harvesting and production relating to winemaking			
Direct sale of wine, wine-related items & incidental gives (ex. Corkscrews, wine glasses, t-shirts, hats)			
Wine storage, wholesaling & shipping in accordance with ABC regulations			
Wine tasting			
Private gatherings held by owner where no wine is sold or marketed			
Accommodations for guest winemakers and trade guests at owner's private residence at farm winery			
Educational programs relating to agriculture			
Educational program constraints			

County	Orange	Page	Patrick
Exhibits or museums related to wine or the farm winery			
Hayrides			
Tours			
Picnics: self-provided			
Picnics: available for purchase at farm winery			
Kitchen and catering activities related to a use at the farm winery			
Providing finger foods, soups and appetizers for visitors			
Restaurants			
Food service permit needed			
Events: use by right	See note ¹		
Events: permit required	See note ¹		
Weddings/wedding receptions: use by right			
Weddings/wedding receptions: special permit			
Event/weddings eligibility: minimum farm size			
Event eligibility: on-site fermentation			
Event zoning clearance required - traffic threshold			
Event zoning clearance required - neighboring parcel size threshold			
Permissible sound threshold: daytime			
Permissible sound threshold: nighttime		57 dBA ¹	
Outdoor Amplified music prohibited: hours			

County	Orange	Page	Patrick
Other Notes			
Usual and Customary activities (inclusions, prohibitions)	¹ No special temporary use permits are not required for wine tasting and wine tasting dinners at wineries whose facilities are designed for such events.	Chapter 81 (Noise) does not apply to bona fide activities and events of farm wineries and/or breweries licensed in accordance with Title 4.1 of the Code of Virginia, as amended, from time to time, to market and sell their products, as long as such activities and events are usual and customary for farm wineries and licensed breweries throughout the commonwealth. However, this exemption shall not be applicable to use of outdoor amplified music arising from activities and events at such farm wineries or licensed breweries.	
Legend for land use designations and activities: A - Allowed by right SP - Permit required (conditional use, special use, temporary use) X - Prohibited thresholds indicated where appropriate		Legend for Notes: (varies in other notes and usual and customary activities sections depending on superscript) E.g. Note or Superscript 1 - 2 - 3, etc.	

Farm Winery Study: Code and Ordinance Requirements by Locality
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County	Pittsylvania	Powhatan	Prince William
Farm Winery Ordinance or Code	General noise ordinance	Distinction between farm winery and farm winery, special impact ¹	
Links to ordinance, zoning Code	https://www.pittsylvaniacountyva.gov/DocumentCenter/Home/View/134	http://www.powhatanva.gov/DocumentCenter/Home/View/311	https://library.municode.com/va/prince_william_county/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=CH32ZO
Designated zoning districts		"A: A-10, A-20, A-C, RR SP: RR-5 Farm winery, special impact SP: A-10, A-20"	A: A-1 SP: Open Space
Minimum lot size			2 acres
Regular business hours identified			
Siting prohibited in floodplain			
Siting prohibited within stream buffers			
Siting prohibitions: slope			
Permit required for new buildings			
Building design standards			
Setbacks			
Parking requirement		Yes ²	
Entrances/exits onto State roads VDOT permit required		See note ³	
Signs allowance			
Growing, harvesting and production relating to winemaking		A	A ¹
Direct sale of wine, wine-related items & incidental gives (ex. Corkscrews, wine glasses, t-shirts, hats)		A	A
Wine storage, wholesaling & shipping in accordance with ABC regulations			A
Wine tasting		A	A
Private gatherings held by owner where no wine is sold or marketed			

County	Pittsylvania	Powhatan	Prince William
Accommodations for guest winemakers and trade guests at owner's private residence at farm winery			
Educational programs relating to agriculture			
Educational program constraints			
Exhibits or museums related to wine or the farm winery			
Hayrides			
Tours			A
Picnics: self-provided			
Picnics: available for purchase at farm winery			
Kitchen and catering activities related to a use at the farm winery			
Providing finger foods, soups and appetizers for visitors			
Restaurants			A ²
Food service permit needed			
Events: use by right			Up to 150 people
Events: permit required			> 150 people
Weddings/wedding receptions: use by right			Up to 150 people
Weddings/wedding receptions: special permit			> 150 people
Event/weddings eligibility: minimum farm size			10 acres
Event eligibility: on-site fermentation			
Event zoning clearance required - traffic threshold			
Event zoning clearance required - neighboring parcel size threshold			
Permissible sound threshold: daytime			
Permissible sound threshold: nighttime			
Outdoor Amplified music prohibited: hours			

County	Pittsylvania	Powhatan	Prince William
Other Notes		<p>1 Farm Winery, Special Impact is a farm winery that involves the regular use of outdoor amplified music or other customary farm winery activities and events that have a substantial impact on the health, safety, or welfare of the public.</p> <p>2 Parking spaces required: 1 per employee + 1 per 100 sq. ' of tasting room</p> <p>3 No more than two points of access to/from a public street are allowed</p>	<p>¹ Up to 15,000/calendar year.</p> <p>2 Farm wineries of 10 or more acres allowed to have a restaurant and/or commercial kitchen.</p>
Usual and Customary activities (inclusions, prohibitions)		<p>Accessory uses at a farm winery can include: wine tasting, rooms at which wine tasting occurs, accessory food sales related to wine tasting, and retail areas where wines produced on-site are sold.</p>	<p>Special events include, but are not limited to, meetings, conferences, banquets, dinners, wedding receptions, private parties and other events conducted for the purpose of marketing wine, mead, cider and similar beverages and/or beer, produced on the premises.</p>
<p>Legend for land use designations and activities:</p> <p>A - Allowed by right</p> <p>SP - Permit required (conditional use, special use, temporary use)</p> <p>X - Prohibited thresholds indicated where appropriate</p>		<p>Legend for Notes: (varies in other notes and usual and customary activities sections depending on superscript)</p> <p>E.g. Note or Superscript 1 - 2 - 3, etc.</p>	

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County	Pulaski	Rappahannock	Richmond
Farm Winery Ordinance or Code		170-68 Category 7, c.	No reference found
Links to ordinance, zoning Code	http://www.pulaskicounty.org/Zoning/zoning_ordinance.pdf	http://ecode360.com/8807695	http://www.richmondgov.com/planninganddevelopmentreview/documents/ZoningOrdinance.pdf
Designated zoning districts	SP: C, A, RR, RC	A: A, C, RR-5 SP: R2, RV	
Minimum lot size			
Regular business hours identified			
Siting prohibited in floodplain			
Siting prohibited within stream buffers			
Siting prohibitions: slope			
Permit required for new buildings			
Building design standards			
Setbacks			
Parking requirement			
Entrances/exits onto State roads VDOT permit required			
Signs allowance			
Growing, harvesting and production relating to winemaking			
Direct sale of wine, wine-related items & incidental gives (ex. Corkscrews, wine glasses, t-shirts, hats)			
Wine storage, wholesaling & shipping in accordance with ABC regulations			
Wine tasting			
Private gatherings held by owner where no wine is sold or marketed			
Accommodations for guest winemakers and trade guests at owner's private residence at farm winery			
Educational programs relating to agriculture			

County	Pulaski	Rappahannock	Richmond
Educational program constraints			
Exhibits or museums related to wine or the farm winery			
Hayrides			
Tours		See other notes	
Picnics: self-provided			
Picnics: available for purchase at farm winery			
Kitchen and catering activities related to a use at the farm winery			
Providing finger foods, soups and appetizers for visitors			
Restaurants	See note 1		
Food service permit needed			
Events: use by right			
Events: permit required		yes - see other note	
Weddings/wedding receptions: use by right			
Weddings/wedding receptions: special permit			
Event/weddings eligibility: minimum farm size			
Event eligibility: on-site fermentation			
Event zoning clearance required - traffic threshold			
Event zoning clearance required - neighboring parcel size threshold			
Permissible sound threshold: daytime			
Permissible sound threshold: nighttime			
Outdoor Amplified music prohibited: hours			

County	Pulaski	Rappahannock	Richmond
Other Notes	¹ A restaurant that does not exceed 5,000 square feet, excluding the kitchen area may be permitted.	<p>"In zoning districts A and C, festivals (any outdoor activity open to the public) require a special exception use permit.</p> <p>One bus tour per month (of no more than 2 buses) allowed by right. Above this, a special permit required. The permit may regulate size, frequency, time of year, duration, route of travel, # of passengers and parking. One permit may cover multiple bus tours with varying conditions."</p>	
Usual and Customary activities (inclusions, prohibitions)			

Legend for land use designations and activities: A - Allowed by right SP - Permit required (conditional use, special use, temporary use) X - Prohibited thresholds indicated where appropriate	Legend for Notes: (varies in other notes and usual and customary activities sections depending on superscript) E.g. Note or Superscript 1 - 2 - 3, etc.
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Farm Winery Study: Code and Ordinance Requirements by Locality
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County	Roanoke	Rockbridge	Rockingham
Farm Winery Ordinance or Code	No reference found	No reference found	Definitions, land use designations
Links to ordinance, zoning Code	https://library.municode.com/va/roanoke_county/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=PTICOCO_APXAZOOR	http://www.co.rockbridge.va.us/DocumentCenter/View/240	http://www.rockinghamcountyva.gov/DocumentCenter/View/314
Designated zoning districts			By-right with supplemental standards in A-1, A-2
Minimum lot size			
Regular business hours identified			
Siting prohibited in floodplain			
Siting prohibited within stream buffers			
Siting prohibitions: slope			
Permit required for new buildings			
Building design standards			See note
Setbacks			
Parking requirement			TBD at site plan level
Entrances/exits onto State roads VDOT permit required			
Signs allowance			
Growing, harvesting and production relating to winemaking			
Direct sale of wine, wine-related items & incidental gives (ex. Corkscrews, wine glasses, t-shirts, hats)			
Wine storage, wholesaling & shipping in accordance with ABC regulations			
Wine tasting			
Private gatherings held by owner where no wine is sold or marketed			
Accommodations for guest winemakers and trade guests at owner's private residence at farm winery			
Educational programs relating to agriculture			

County	Roanoke	Rockbridge	Rockingham
Educational program constraints			
Exhibits or museums related to wine or the farm winery			
Hayrides			
Tours			
Picnics: self-provided			
Picnics: available for purchase at farm winery			
Kitchen and catering activities related to a use at the farm winery			
Providing finger foods, soups and appetizers for visitors			
Restaurants			
Food service permit needed			
Events: use by right			
Events: permit required			
Weddings/wedding receptions: use by right			
Weddings/wedding receptions: special permit			
Event/weddings eligibility: minimum farm size			
Event eligibility: on-site fermentation			
Event zoning clearance required - traffic threshold			
Event zoning clearance required - neighboring parcel size threshold			
Permissible sound threshold: daytime			
Permissible sound threshold: nighttime			
Outdoor Amplified music prohibited: hours			

County	Roanoke	Rockbridge	Rockingham
Other Notes			<p>Rockingham County passed a resolution that "buildings and structures built or modified to accommodate 50 or more occupants and that otherwise are consistent with Building Code descriptions of Assembly Group A-2 buildings shall be designed, built and inspected as required the Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code and the Virginia Statewide Fire Prevention Code.</p>
Usual and Customary activities (inclusions, prohibitions)			

<p>Legend for land use designations and activities: A - Allowed by right SP - Permit required (conditional use, special use, temporary use) X - Prohibited thresholds indicated where appropriate</p>	<p>Legend for Notes: (varies in other notes and usual and customary activities sections depending on superscript) E.g. Note or Superscript 1 - 2 - 3, etc.</p>
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County	Russell	Shenandoah	Smyth
Farm Winery Ordinance or Code	No reference found	Permitted by right: C-1, A-1	Definition, taxation
Links to ordinance, zoning Code	- not online -	http://ecode360.com/9741466	https://library.municode.com/va/smyth_county/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=APXAZOOR
Designated zoning districts		A: C-1, A-1	
Minimum lot size			
Regular business hours identified			
Siting prohibited in floodplain			
Siting prohibited within stream buffers			
Siting prohibitions: slope			
Permit required for new buildings			
Building design standards			
Setbacks			
Parking requirement			
Entrances/exits onto State roads VDOT permit required			
Signs allowance			
Growing, harvesting and production relating to winemaking			
Direct sale of wine, wine-related items & incidental gives (ex. Corkscrews, wine glasses, t-shirts, hats)			
Wine storage, wholesaling & shipping in accordance with ABC regulations			
Wine tasting			
Private gatherings held by owner where no wine is sold or marketed			
Accommodations for guest winemakers and trade guests at owner's private residence at farm winery			
Educational programs relating to agriculture			
Educational program constraints			

County	Russell	Shenandoah	Smyth
Exhibits or museums related to wine or the farm winery			
Hayrides			
Tours			
Picnics: self-provided			
Picnics: available for purchase at farm winery			
Kitchen and catering activities related to a use at the farm winery			
Providing finger foods, soups and appetizers for visitors			
Restaurants			
Food service permit needed			
Events: use by right			
Events: permit required			
Weddings/wedding receptions: use by right			
Weddings/wedding receptions: special permit			
Event/weddings eligibility: minimum farm size			
Event eligibility: on-site fermentation			
Event zoning clearance required - traffic threshold			
Event zoning clearance required - neighboring parcel size threshold			
Permissible sound threshold: daytime			
Permissible sound threshold: nighttime			
Outdoor Amplified music prohibited: hours			

County	Russell	Shenandoah	Smyth
Other Notes			
Usual and Customary activities (inclusions, prohibitions)			

<p>Legend for land use designations and activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A - Allowed by right SP - Permit required (conditional use, special use, temporary use) X - Prohibited thresholds indicated where appropriate 	<p>Legend for Notes: (varies in other notes and usual and customary activities sections depending on superscript) E.g. Note or Superscript 1 - 2 - 3, etc.</p>
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County	Spotsylvania	Stafford	Staunton
Farm Winery Ordinance or Code	Land use designations	No reference found	No reference found
Links to ordinance, zoning Code	https://library.municode.com/va/spotsylvania_county/codes/code_of_ordinances	https://library.municode.com/va/stafford_county/codes/code_of_ordinances	http://www.codepublishing.com/VA/Staunton/#!/Staunton18/Staunton18.html
Designated zoning districts	Wineries allowed in A1, A2, A3 and RU districts		
Minimum lot size			
Regular business hours identified			
Siting prohibited in floodplain			
Siting prohibited within stream buffers			
Siting prohibitions: slope			
Permit required for new buildings			
Building design standards	Yes		
Setbacks			
Parking requirement			
Entrances/exits onto State roads VDOT permit required			
Signs allowance	1 ground sign, up to 6' high or 24 sq.' and landscaped, permanent text		
Growing, harvesting and production relating to winemaking			
Direct sale of wine, wine-related items & incidental gives (ex. Corkscrews, wine glasses, t-shirts, hats)			
Wine storage, wholesaling & shipping in accordance with ABC regulations			
Wine tasting			
Private gatherings held by owner where no wine is sold or marketed			
Accommodations for guest winemakers and trade guests at owner's private residence at farm winery			
Educational programs relating to agriculture			

County	Spotsylvania	Stafford	Staunton
Educational program constraints			
Exhibits or museums related to wine or the farm winery			
Hayrides			
Tours			
Picnics: self-provided			
Picnics: available for purchase at farm winery			
Kitchen and catering activities related to a use at the farm winery			
Providing finger foods, soups and appetizers for visitors			
Restaurants			
Food service permit needed			
Events: use by right			
Events: permit required			
Weddings/wedding receptions: use by right			
Weddings/wedding receptions: special permit			
Event/weddings eligibility: minimum farm size			
Event eligibility: on-site fermentation			
Event zoning clearance required - traffic threshold			
Event zoning clearance required - neighboring parcel size threshold			
Permissible sound threshold: daytime			
Permissible sound threshold: nighttime			
Outdoor Amplified music prohibited: hours			

County	Spotsylvania	Stafford	Staunton
Other Notes	Food service to the public shall be incidental to the primary <i>winery</i> production use		
Usual and Customary activities (inclusions, prohibitions)			

<p>Legend for land use designations and activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A - Allowed by right SP - Permit required (conditional use, special use, temporary use) X - Prohibited thresholds indicated where appropriate 	<p>Legend for Notes: (varies in other notes and usual and customary activities sections depending on superscript) E.g. Note or Superscript 1 - 2 - 3, etc.</p>
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Farm Winery Study: Code and Ordinance Requirements by Locality
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County	Surry	Tazewell (Eastern District)	Virginia Beach
Farm Winery Ordinance or Code	Considered an agricultural use		
Links to ordinance, zoning Code	http://www.surrycountyva.gov/uploads/docs/SZO%2010-2-12%20PC%20Hearing%20DRAFT.pdf	http://tazewellcountyva.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/Eastern-District-Zoning-Ordinance-Draft.pdf	https://library.municode.com/va/virginia_beach/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=CO_APXAZOOR
Designated zoning districts			
Minimum lot size			
Regular business hours identified			
Siting prohibited in floodplain			
Siting prohibited within stream buffers			
Siting prohibitions: slope			
Permit required for new buildings			
Building design standards			
Setbacks			
Parking requirement			
Entrances/exits onto State roads VDOT permit required			
Signs allowance			
Growing, harvesting and production relating to winemaking	A		
Direct sale of wine, wine-related items & incidental gives (ex. Corkscrews, wine glasses, t-shirts, hats)	A		
Wine storage, wholesaling & shipping in accordance with ABC regulations			
Wine tasting	A		
Private gatherings held by owner where no wine is sold or marketed			
Accommodations for guest winemakers and trade guests at owner's private residence at farm winery			
Educational programs relating to agriculture			

County	Surry	Tazewell (Eastern District)	Virginia Beach
Educational program constraints			
Exhibits or museums related to wine or the farm winery			
Hayrides			
Tours			
Picnics: self-provided			
Picnics: available for purchase at farm winery			
Kitchen and catering activities related to a use at the farm winery			
Providing finger foods, soups and appetizers for visitors			
Restaurants			
Food service permit needed			
Events: use by right			
Events: permit required			
Weddings/wedding receptions: use by right			
Weddings/wedding receptions: special permit			
Event/weddings eligibility: minimum farm size			
Event eligibility: on-site fermentation			
Event zoning clearance required - traffic threshold			
Event zoning clearance required - neighboring parcel size threshold			
Permissible sound threshold: daytime			
Permissible sound threshold: nighttime			
Outdoor Amplified music prohibited: hours			

County	Surry	Tazewell (Eastern District)	Virginia Beach
Other Notes	Farm wineries considered an agricultural use.		
Usual and Customary activities (inclusions, prohibitions)			

<p>Legend for land use designations and activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A - Allowed by right SP - Permit required (conditional use, special use, temporary use) X - Prohibited thresholds indicated where appropriate 	<p>Legend for Notes: (varies in other notes and usual and customary activities sections depending on superscript) E.g. Note or Superscript 1 - 2 - 3, etc.</p>
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County	Warren	Washington	Westmoreland
Farm Winery Ordinance or Code		No reference found	
Links to ordinance, zoning Code	http://ecode360.com/9745479	https://library.municode.com/va/washington_county/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=PTICO_CH66ZO	https://www.westmoreland-county.org/sites/default/files/sites/default/files/zoning_ordinance.pdf
Designated zoning districts			
Minimum lot size			
Regular business hours identified			
Siting prohibited in floodplain			
Siting prohibited within stream buffers			
Siting prohibitions: slope			
Permit required for new buildings			
Building design standards			
Setbacks			
Parking requirement	Handicap access must connect to hard surface travel ways		
Entrances/exits onto State roads VDOT permit required			
Signs allowance			
Growing, harvesting and production relating to winemaking	A		
Direct sale of wine, wine-related items & incidental gives (ex. Corkscrews, wine glasses, t-shirts, hats)	A		
Wine storage, wholesaling & shipping in accordance with ABC regulations	A		
Wine tasting	A		
Private gatherings held by owner where no wine is sold or marketed	A		
Accommodations for guest winemakers and trade guests at owner's private residence at farm winery	A		A
Educational programs relating to agriculture	A		

County	Warren	Washington	Westmoreland
Educational program constraints			
Exhibits or museums related to wine or the farm winery			
Hayrides			
Tours			
Picnics: self-provided			
Picnics: available for purchase at farm winery			
Kitchen and catering activities related to a use at the farm winery			
Providing finger foods, soups and appetizers for visitors			
Restaurants	X		
Food service permit needed			
Events: use by right	up to 100		up to 100
Events: permit required	>100		>100 **
Weddings/wedding receptions: use by right			
Weddings/wedding receptions: special permit			
Event/weddings eligibility: minimum farm size			
Event eligibility: on-site fermentation			
Event zoning clearance required - traffic threshold			
Event zoning clearance required - neighboring parcel size threshold			
Permissible sound threshold: daytime			
Permissible sound threshold: nighttime			
Outdoor Amplified music prohibited: hours			

County	Warren	Washington	Westmoreland
<p>Other Notes</p>	<p>Accessory gift shop permitted, must be a permanent bone fide retail store.</p> <p>Catering permitted as a de minimus use as part of the winery operation. Prepackaged foods such as cheese, meat, and crackers may be offered.</p>		<p>** Temporary zoning permits are not required for wine tastings or wine tasting dinners at wineries with facilities designed for such events</p>
<p>Usual and Customary activities (inclusions, prohibitions)</p>	<p>Usual and customary activities, include, but are not limited to, group tours/tastings, private parties, owners' private events, charter tours (i.e., buses, limousines), business meetings, educational seminars, wedding receptions, wedding ceremonies, class/family reunions, showers (i.e., baby, bridal), similar events and activities for nonprofit organizations; and similar events and activities as determined by the Zoning Administrator; provided, however, that a conditional use permit shall be required when more than 100 persons are in attendance at any organized farm winery event</p>		

<p>Legend for land use designations and activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A - Allowed by right SP - Permit required (conditional use, special use, temporary use) X - Prohibited thresholds indicated where appropriate 	<p>Legend for Notes: (varies in other notes and usual and customary activities sections depending on superscript) E.g. Note or Superscript 1 - 2 - 3, etc.</p>
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Data as of August 1, 2017

County	Wise	Wythe	York
Farm Winery Ordinance or Code	See note 1	No reference found	See note 1
Links to ordinance, zoning Code	https://library.municode.com/va/wise_county/codes/code_of_ordinances	http://www.wytheco.org/index.php/departments/planning-commission.html	https://www.yorkcounty.gov/DocumentCenter/View/2073#page=500
Designated zoning districts			A: GB, EO, IL, IG (commercial & industrial districts)
Minimum lot size			
Regular business hours identified			
Siting prohibited in floodplain			
Siting prohibited within stream buffers			
Siting prohibitions: slope			
Permit required for new buildings			
Building design standards			
Setbacks			
Parking requirement			Yes
Entrances/exits onto State roads VDOT permit required			
Signs allowance			
Growing, harvesting and production relating to winemaking			
Direct sale of wine, wine-related items & incidental gives (ex. Corkscrews, wine glasses, t-shirts, hats)			
Wine storage, wholesaling & shipping in accordance with ABC regulations			
Wine tasting			
Private gatherings held by owner where no wine is sold or marketed			
Accommodations for guest winemakers and trade guests at owner's private residence at farm winery			
Educational programs relating to agriculture			

County	Wise	Wythe	York
Educational program constraints			
Exhibits or museums related to wine or the farm winery			
Hayrides			
Tours			
Picnics: self-provided			
Picnics: available for purchase at farm winery			
Kitchen and catering activities related to a use at the farm winery			
Providing finger foods, soups and appetizers for visitors			
Restaurants			
Food service permit needed			
Events: use by right			
Events: permit required			
Weddings/wedding receptions: use by right			
Weddings/wedding receptions: special permit			
Event/weddings eligibility: minimum farm size			
Event eligibility: on-site fermentation			
Event zoning clearance required - traffic threshold			
Event zoning clearance required - neighboring parcel size threshold			
Permissible sound threshold: daytime			
Permissible sound threshold: nighttime			
Outdoor Amplified music prohibited: hours			

County	Wise	Wythe	York
Other Notes	<p>1 Sales of beer or wine perform 12 prohibited from 12:00 midnight of each Saturday to 6:00 a.m. of each Monday in any part of Wise County that is not within the limits of any incorporated town in the County.</p>		<p>1 Microbrewery/micro-distillery/micro-winery/micro-cidery. A facility for the small-scale production and packaging of alcoholic beverages/spirits of the following types and quantities for distribution, retail or wholesale, on or off the premises: beer (not more than 15,000 barrels per year), distilled spirits, wine, or alcoholic cider (not more than 20,000 gallons per year). Permitted accessory uses shall include retail sales, tasting rooms beverages produced on-site, restaurants, reception halls, and live entertainment as otherwise permitted in the zoning district.</p>
Usual and Customary activities (inclusions, prohibitions)			

<p>Legend for land use designations and activities: A - Allowed by right SP - Permit required (conditional use, special use, temporary use) X - Prohibited thresholds indicated where appropriate</p>	<p>Legend for Notes: (varies in other notes and usual and customary activities sections depending on superscript) E.g. Note or Superscript 1 - 2 - 3, etc.</p>
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Appendix E: Constituency Outreach Letter

The following is the standardized outreach letter that members of the stakeholder panel sent to their constituencies. Members may have added a cover note to this letter in their outreach to constituencies.



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA
Office of Governor

Megan Seibel
Deputy Secretary of Agriculture and
Forestry

Date: August 1, 2017
To: All interested parties
Subject: Farm Winery Study 2017 – Information and request for input

We are reaching out to you regarding a new Virginia farm winery study, to ask if you would give 20 minutes of your time to share your experience and perspective on specific issues and possible solutions. We provide background information and instructions (below) for how you may share your thoughts and perspectives. Survey responses must be submitted by **Friday, August 18, 2017**. Depending on your industry affiliation, you may receive this request from different organizations. Please complete it only once.

Overview

A Farm Winery Study was requested by the Virginia Legislature through the following budget language in HB 1500 (2017) at item 88 #1c:

"The Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry shall convene a panel of stakeholders within and outside government to: (i) review state and local noise and traffic regulations and the marketing of Virginia wines through events and activities; (ii) consider findings of previous relevant studies on Virginia farm wineries; and (iii) develop recommendations as appropriate for how the state can better foster the viability of Virginia farm wineries. The Secretary shall complete all meetings by November 15, 2017 and report such recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly no later than November 30, 2017."

Consistent with the legislature's guidance, the SAF has convened a panel of stakeholders with representatives of the following organizations to assist in developing a report and recommendations:

- Center for Rural Virginia
- Monticello Wine Trail
- New Kent Sheriff's Office
- The Piedmont Environmental Council
- Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission
- Virginia Agribusiness Council
- Virginia Agricultural Development Officers Group
- Virginia Association of Chiefs of Police
- Virginia Association of Counties
- Virginia Chamber of Commerce
- Virginia Farm Bureau Federation
- Virginia Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control
- Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
- Virginia Municipal League
- Virginia Tourism Corporation / Authority
- Virginia Vineyards Association
- Virginia Wine Board Marketing Office
- Virginia Wine Council
- Virginia Wineries Association

Context

Virginia's Farm Wineries are agri-business enterprises licensed by the Virginia Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control for the manufacture of wine made from agricultural products grown in the Commonwealth (no more than 25% of the agricultural inputs can be from outside of Virginia).

A 2015 report, by Frank, Rimerman and Company completed in 2017, details the economic impacts of the Commonwealth's wine industry. As of 2017, a total of \$1.37 billion is contributed annually by the wine industry to Virginia's economy, including the following aspects:

- Employment: Approximately 8,200 jobs representing \$291 million in wages
- State and Local Taxes: \$94 million paid in taxes to state and local jurisdictions
- Wine-related Tourism Expenditures: \$188 million

The continued viability of Virginia's vineyards and wineries is contingent on a variety of factors that influence grape production, the manufacture of wine and wine sales. These factors include weather, crop prices, marketing and the quality of the final product. In the area of marketing, Virginia's licensed farm wineries are allowed to sponsor events and activities that support sales and marketing of wine products. The attraction of visitors to on-site farm winery events can generate additional traffic and noise that can impact the adjacent community. Different jurisdictions have adopted zoning ordinances or regulations, consistent with existing state law, in seeking to balance the interests of farm wineries and local residents.

Input Sought

Through the Farm Winery Study, the General Assembly is seeking recommendations on how to best balance the range of issues, interests and concerns related to Farm Wineries and marketing events and activities to better foster the viability of Virginia Farm Wineries. In preparing to develop a report and recommendations, the Farm Winery Study will look at an array of available information: previous studies and reports, current ordinances and stakeholder input.

As part of the Study's outreach efforts, your insights and suggestions are being sought on issues and solutions related to noise, traffic and marketing through farm winery events and activities.

Please take a few minutes to complete the online survey at:
https://virginia.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_71cj64yKhks4i9.

The study and survey will be supported with assistance from University of Virginia's Institute for Environmental Negotiation (IEN) and Virginia Tech's Center for Geospatial Information Technology (CGIT).

- If you need assistance with the online survey, please contact Judie Talbot, IEN Senior Associate, at jat5yc@virginia.edu or at 775.720.0214 (cell).
- If you are seeking additional details about the Wine Study, please contact Megan Seibel, Deputy Secretary, at Megan.Seibel@governor.virginia.gov or 804.692.2513 (office), 804.298.4161 (cell).

On behalf of the SAF Farm Winery stakeholder panel, we thank you in advance for sharing your experiences and perspectives on these important issues.

Sincere Regards,



Megan M. Seibel, PhD, RN
Deputy Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry

Appendix F: Online Constituency Survey Questions

1. Welcome to the online survey for the Virginia Farm Winery Study

Below, and on the following pages, you will find a description of the Farm Winery study - as well as the survey itself. We appreciate your time in taking the survey, which does not need to be completed all at once. Please note that all responses are anonymous and must be submitted by August 18, 2017.

What is the Virginia Farm Winery Study?

Throughout the Commonwealth, farm wineries make significant contributions to local, regional and statewide economies. Marketing through events and activities is essential for selling wine and allowing farm wineries to stay in business. With the increasing popularity of farm winery events, there are potential impacts to neighbors and communities where farm wineries are located.

Through budget language, the 2017 Virginia General Assembly has directed that "The Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry [SAF] shall convene a panel of stakeholders within and outside government to: (i) review state and local noise and traffic regulations and the marketing of Virginia wines through events and activities; (ii) consider findings of previous relevant studies of Virginia farm wineries; and (iii) develop recommendations as appropriate for how the state can better foster the viability of Virginia farm wineries."

In addition to convening a stakeholder panel and reviewing state and local regulations and previous studies, the SAF study is seeking additional input from other interested parties and stakeholders through this online survey.

Our request

Please take the time to provide your ideas and insights by taking this survey. For the average participant, it should take between ***10 - 20 minutes*** to answer the questions. Your responses will assist the SAF and stakeholder panel in developing recommendations that better foster the viability of Virginia farm wineries - by addressing issues and impacts associated with traffic, noise and the marketing of Virginia wines through events and activities.

NOTE: If you need to close the survey and complete it at a later time, you may do so if you return to the survey using the same computer (or mobile device) and web browser used to initiate the survey.

All survey responses will remain anonymous, with results being compiled and analyzed as a collective package.

All surveys must be completed by ***August 18, 2017***.

Contact Information

If you encounter technical difficulties in completing the survey, or if you would like additional information on the Farm Winery Study, please contact:

Judie Talbot, Senior Associate
University of Virginia, Institute for Environmental Negotiation
Cell: 775-720-0214

If you would like to be updated on the Farm Winery Study, please provide your email address at the conclusions of the survey.

Thank you for your time.

Megan Seibel, Deputy Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry

Megan.Seibel@governor.virginia.gov

Office: 804-692-2513

Cell: 804-298-4161

2. Tell us a bit about yourself: which of the following interests do you most closely identify with?
 - Local government
 - Farm winery owner
 - Neighbor of a farm winery
 - State government
 - Other wine industry interest
 - Member of a community where a farm winery is located
 - Tourism
 - Law enforcement
 - Events planner
 - Other

3. Different issues have been raised regarding farm winery events, such as:
 - Noise
 - Traffic
 - Marketing through events and activities

Issues

For each issue, you are asked to list specific examples of aspects or impacts associated with that issue. Please be as specific as possible. For each example you list, indicate if this is based on your own direct experience OR if it is based on something you heard or read about.

Solutions

For each issue, also provide ideas and solutions that: 1) address the specific issue relating to Farm Winery events and activities, and 2) better foster the viability of Virginia Farm Wineries. If these ideas or solutions have already been implemented in some locality, please indicate where the solutions are in place. Lastly, rate how effective you think the solutions are in addressing issues.

If you have other issues that are not listed, they can be added in the box marked "other."

4. Issues and Solutions: Noise
Issue: Noise

Please describe specific aspects or impacts associated with **noise** from Farm Winery events and activities. (For example, level of sound that can be heard on neighboring properties.)

Specific aspect/impact #1 [text box provided for response]

Specific aspect/impact #2 [text box provided for response]

Specific aspect/impact #3 [text box provided for response]

Other specific aspects/impacts [text box provided for response]

5. Are details about **noise** aspects/impacts based on your direct experience OR having heard or read about them?

	Based on direct experience	Heard or read about it
Aspect/impact #1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Aspect/impact #2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Aspect/impact #3	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other aspects/impacts	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

6. Solutions and Strategies to Address **Noise** Aspects/Impacts

How have, or how might, aspects/impacts associated with **noise** be addressed or handled? Please provide specific examples of solutions that can reduce impacts while supporting the viability of Farm Wineries. (For example: Designated the maximum decibel level (dBA) that can be heard on properties directly adjoining the Farm Winery.)

(Solution for) specific aspect/impact #1 [text box provided for response]

(Solution for) specific aspect/impact #2 [text box provided for response]

(Solution for) specific aspect/impact #3 [text box provided for response]

(Solution for) other specific aspects/impacts [text box provided for response]

7. Where have these strategies for **noise** already been tried or implemented (if known)? How effective are these strategies in addressing impacts from noise?

	Where has this been done?	How effective?			
		Very	Somewhat	Minimal	Not Sure
Solutions to aspect/impact #1	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Solutions to aspect/impact #2	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Solutions to aspect/impact #3	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Solutions to other aspects/impacts	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

8. Issues and Solutions: Traffic

Issue: Traffic

Please describe specific aspects or impacts associated regarding **traffic** from Farm Winery events and activities. (Example: Delays of up to “x” minutes as a result of additional traffic; “y” number of time a year.)

Specific aspect/impact #1 [text box provided for response]

Specific aspect/impact #2 [text box provided for response]

Specific aspect/impact #3 [text box provided for response]

Other specific aspects/impacts [text box provided for response]

9. Are details about **traffic** aspects/impacts based on your direct experience OR having heard or read about them?

	Based on direct experience	Heard or read about it
Aspect/impact #1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Aspect/impact #2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Aspect/impact #3	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other aspects/impacts	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

10. Solutions and Strategies to Address **Traffic** Aspects/Impacts

How have, or how might, aspects/impacts associated with **traffic** be addressed or handled? Please provide specific examples of solutions that can reduce impacts while supporting the viability of Farm Wineries. (For example: For events where more than "z" number of vehicles are anticipated, coordinate with local and/or state law enforcement agencies for traffic control.)

(Solution for) specific aspect/impact #1 [text box provided for response]

(Solution for) specific aspect/impact #2 [text box provided for response]

(Solution for) specific aspect/impact #3 [text box provided for response]

(Solution for) other specific aspects/impacts [text box provided for response]

11. Where have these strategies for **traffic** already been tried or implemented (if known)? How effective are these strategies in addressing impacts from traffic?

	Where has this been done?	How effective?			
		Very	Somewhat	Minimal	Not Sure
Solutions to aspect/impact #1	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Solutions to aspect/impact #2	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Solutions to aspect/impact #3	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Solutions to other aspects/impacts	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

12. Issues and Solutions: Marketing through Events and Activities

Issue: Marketing through Events and Activities

Please describe specific aspects or impacts associated regarding Farm Winery **marketing through events and activities**. (These would be in addition to, or beyond, the noise and traffic issues contained in the previous sections.)

Specific aspect/impact #1 [text box provided for response]

Specific aspect/impact #2 [text box provided for response]

Specific aspect/impact #3 [text box provided for response]

Other specific aspects/impacts [text box provided for response]

13. Are details about aspects/impacts of **marketing through events and activities** based on your direct experience OR having heard or read about them?

	Based on direct experience	Heard or read about it
Aspect/impact #1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Aspect/impact #2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Aspect/impact #3	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other aspects/impacts	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

14. Solutions and strategies to address aspects/impacts related to marketing through events and activities

How have, or how might, aspects/impacts associated with **marketing through events and activities** be addressed or handled? Please provide specific examples of solutions that can reduce impacts while supporting the viability of Farm Wineries.

(Solution for) specific aspect/impact #1 [text box provided for response]

(Solution for) specific aspect/impact #2 [text box provided for response]

(Solution for) specific aspect/impact #3 [text box provided for response]

(Solution for) other specific aspects/impacts [text box provided for response]

15. Where have these strategies for addressing **marketing events and activities** already been tried or implemented (if known)? How effective are these strategies in resolving impacts?

	Where has this been done?	How effective?			
		Very	Somewhat	Minimal	Not Sure
Solutions to aspect/impact #1	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Solutions to aspect/impact #2	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Solutions to aspect/impact #3	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Solutions to other aspects/impacts	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

16. Issues and Solutions: Other

Other issues regarding Farm Wineries

Please describe any other issues, along with a description of specific aspects or impacts, regarding Farm Wineries. (This section is for any other issues beyond the topics of: noise, traffic, or marketing through events and activities.)

Issue A: Issues and specific aspects or impacts [text box provided for response]

Issue B: Issues and specific aspects or impacts [text box provided for response]

Issue C: Issues and specific aspects or impacts [text box provided for response]

Other issues with specific details of aspects or impacts [text box provided for response]

17. Are the details about **other issues** based on your direct experience OR having heard or read about them?

	Based on direct experience	Heard or read about it
Aspect/impact #1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Aspect/impact #2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Aspect/impact #3	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other aspects/impacts	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

18. Solutions and strategies to address other issues regarding Farm Wineries

How have, or how might, aspects/impacts associated with these **other issues** be addressed or handled? Please provide specific examples of solutions that can reduce impacts while supporting the viability of Farm Wineries.

(Solution for) specific aspect/impact #1 [text box provided for response]

(Solution for) specific aspect/impact #2 [text box provided for response]

(Solution for) specific aspect/impact #3 [text box provided for response]

(Solution for) other specific aspects/impacts [text box provided for response]

19. Where have these strategies for addressing **other issues** already been tried or implemented (if known)? How effective are these strategies in resolving impacts?

	Where has this been done?	How effective?			
		Very	Somewhat	Minimal	Not Sure
Solutions to aspect/impact #1	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Solutions to aspect/impact #2	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Solutions to aspect/impact #3	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Solutions to other aspects/impacts	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

20. Please provide any other ideas, comments or suggestions you have about possible solutions or recommendations to address issues relating to noise, traffic and marketing through farm winery events and activities.

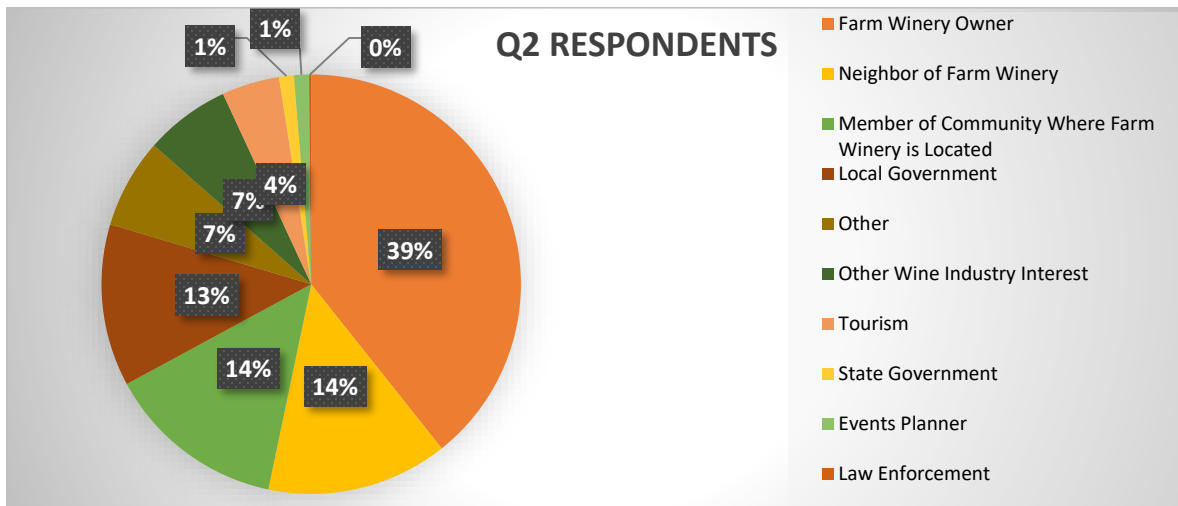
[Text box provided for response.]

21. If you would like to be updated on the Farm Winery Study, please provide your email address. NOTE: Email addresses will only be used to develop a listserv. Email addresses will not be shared with others and survey responses will remain anonymous.

[Text box provided for response.]

Appendix G: Overview of Online Survey Constituency Respondents

Members of the stakeholder panel emailed their constituents with a letter from the Secretariat of Agriculture and Forestry on Tuesday, August 1, 2017. The letter, provided in Appendix E, described the study effort and invited responses to an online survey. The letter also provided a link to the survey and requested that responses be submitted by Friday, August 18, 2017. Access to the survey was closed on Sunday, August 20 and responses compiled. In response to Question #2, 608 respondents went to the website, opened the survey and self-identified as indicated in the graphic below.



Respondents were able to determine which questions they wanted to answer and were only required to submit a response to Question #2. Of these, a total of 418 responded to additional questions in the survey. The breakout of these respondents follows.

