

## ATTACHMENT D

### History of the Definition of Agriculture in General Plan Policy

The 1983 General Plan included Policy 3.11, as follows:

PROCESSING AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS – Agriculture includes the production and processing of food and fiber, the growing of crops, produce and feed as well as the raising of livestock and animals. In the case of wineries, processing includes tours and tasting, retail sales of wine produced by or for the winery partially or totally from Napa County grapes, activities for the education and development of consumers and members of the wine trade with respect to wine produced by or at the winery, and limited non-commercial food service, provided any such activities are clearly accessory to the principal use of the facility as an agricultural processing facility. No other use or development of a parcel located in an agricultural area shall be permitted unless it is needed for the agricultural use of the parcel, except as provided in Policies 3.7 and 3.7(a) above. [Farm Labor Housing] The processing of agricultural products often takes on an industrial character which will be subject, in general, to the same kinds of regulation as other industrial uses.

Even prior to the Winery Definition Ordinance, the General Plan defined agriculture as including the processing of agricultural products, and specifically indicated that winery processing included tours and tasting, retail sales, marketing activities, and limited food service. All such uses were considered agricultural so long as they were accessory to the principal agricultural processing facility.

The first draft of the current General Plan, dated August 15, 2006, included a definition of agriculture, which has language that is very close to what was adopted in 2008:

Policy Ag/LU 2: The County defines "Agriculture" as the raising of crops, trees or livestock; the production and processing of agricultural products; and related marketing, sales and other accessory uses. Agriculture also includes related and necessary support services such as farm management businesses, agricultural employee housing and similar uses.

The adopted 2008 Napa County General Plan includes Policy AG/LU-2, which states:

"Agriculture" is defined as the raising of crops, trees, and livestock; the production and processing of agricultural products; and related marketing, sales and other accessory uses. Agriculture also includes farm management businesses and farm worker housing."

This policy is implemented by Agricultural Preservation Action Item AG/LU-2.1, which states:

"Amend County Code to reflect the definition of "agriculture" as set forth within this plan, ensuring that wineries and other production facilities remain as conditional uses except as provided for in Policy AG/LU-16, and that marketing activities and other accessory uses remain incidental and subordinate to the main use."

To date, the County Code has not yet been amended to incorporate the change directed in Action Item AG/LU-2.1.