



Winery permit-Muller Road, Plymouth

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I am vehemently opposed to allowing this winery to open using sleepy Muller Road in Willow Creek Ranch Estates. It is NOT a county road and is maintained by the homeowners here. The road is barely passable by two cars going in different directions. There are no turn outs. It does not conform to state standards, has deep ditches in many areas and no shoulders. People will be entering our driveways and property to turn around or when they get lost. Two fire engines would have no ability to pass one another in event of a fire. There are several areas where vehicles already have difficulty seeing oncoming traffic due to the existing terrain. Add intoxicants to this situation and accidents and perhaps deaths will occur. Why should our homeowners association have to maintain a road for this winery when we can barely repair the road now? This is not Shenandoah Road. It is a small country road. We have children who play near it and they will be at risk. They walk the road and ride bikes here. Children do not play near Shenandoah Road. They would risk being killed. In addition, we are an equestrian community and many of us ride our horses on Muller Road. We moved here because we are able to do that safely here.

We have been county residents for 26 years. We have spent time visiting the existing wineries and have no objection to them in the right place, though we have often observed intoxicated visitors allowed to continue drinking and put others at risk. This has no place in a small, private area.

The persons requesting this permit want to avoid the expense of entrance on Willow Creek Road and instead make this a problem for Willow Creek Ranch Estates. It will lower our property value as we will have to disclose this debacle to potential buyers.

We request that this permit is denied.

Stefanie Hogan

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