NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR MICROBREWERY ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS

Notice is hereby given that Alameda County is proposing to adopt amendments to the County General Code to allow microbrewery and microbrewery related uses. Proposed amendments to the County's Zoning Ordinance would provide definitions for microbreweries and microbrewery related uses; and would allow for the development of microbreweries and microbrewery related uses on lands that are zoned A (Agriculture), consistent with the County's General Plan. Also, the proposed amendments define agri-tourism; and add a definition for tasting room (on-site) that would apply to tasting rooms for wineries, olive oil mills, and microbreweries.

The affected area is unincorporated Alameda County.

A Mitigated Negative Declaration is proposed to be adopted pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and State and County CEQA Guidelines. The draft Mitigated Negative Declaration has found that the proposed ordinances as written will not have a significant effect upon the environment.

COMMENT DEADLINE: Comments should be addressed to Sharon Grewal, AICP, Alameda County Planning Department, 224 West Winton Avenue, Room 111, Hayward, CA 94544; or sent by FAX to (510) 785-8793; or by e-mail to sharon.grewal@acgov.org. The Comment period will be from **August 29, 2017 to September 28, 2017**, a period of 30 days pursuant to Section 15105(b) of the CEQA Guidelines. Comments must be received no later than **5:00 PM on September 28, 2017**.

If you challenge the Initial Study and draft Mitigated Negative Declaration in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised in any subsequent public hearing by any County hearing body, or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Department or hearing body prior to a final public hearing.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY: Copies of the proposed ordinances and the Initial Study and draft Mitigated Negative Declaration are available for public review from 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM, at the Alameda County CDA-Planning Department Offices (224 West Winton Avenue, Room 111, Hayward). These documents also are on the Alameda County website at http://www.acgov.org/cda/planning/landuseprojects/. Paper copies of all documents may be purchased for a price equal to the cost of reproduction. In addition, copies of all documents are available for public review at the following libraries and County offices:

- Castro Valley Library, 3600 Norbridge Ave, Castro Valley
- San Lorenzo Library, 395 Paseo Grande, San Lorenzo
- Dublin Library, 200 Civic Plaza, Dublin
- Alameda County Community Development Agency, Martinelli Center, 3585 Greenville Rd, Livermore

PUBLIC MEETINGS: A public meeting will be held before the Alameda County Planning Commission on: Monday, October 2, 2017 at 3:00 PM, at 224 West Winton Avenue, Hayward, CA 94544 in the Public Hearing Room.