

## General Permit for Vineyard Properties in the Napa River and Sonoma Creek Watersheds

Our staff includes a California Sustainable Winegrowing Alliance (CSWA) Qualified Professional (QP) available to prepare and/or verify Farm Plans (FP). Contact us for more information.

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**Notes:**

A Vineyard Property subject to the general permit includes

- An existing vineyard property (including a replant) where  $\geq 5$  acres are planted in grapevines
- A new vineyard property where  $\geq 5$  acres are planted in grapevines on a slope  $\leq 30\%$
- Any parcel  $< 5$  acres of planted grapevines may be subject if it discharges waste

- (1) Approved 3<sup>rd</sup> parties are the Napa and Sonoma RCD, California Sustainable Winegrowing Alliance (CSWA), and the California Land Stewardship Institute (Fish Friendly Farming Program)
- (2) Verified refers to when an approved 3rd-Party Program has coordinated a technical review of the FP by a QP who has given written approval indicating that upon full implementation, the FP would achieve all applicable standards for sediment and storm runoff control
- (3) Stream and Riparian standards only apply to properties where an unconfined alluvial channel traverses or defines a property boundary

**General Permit Requirements:**

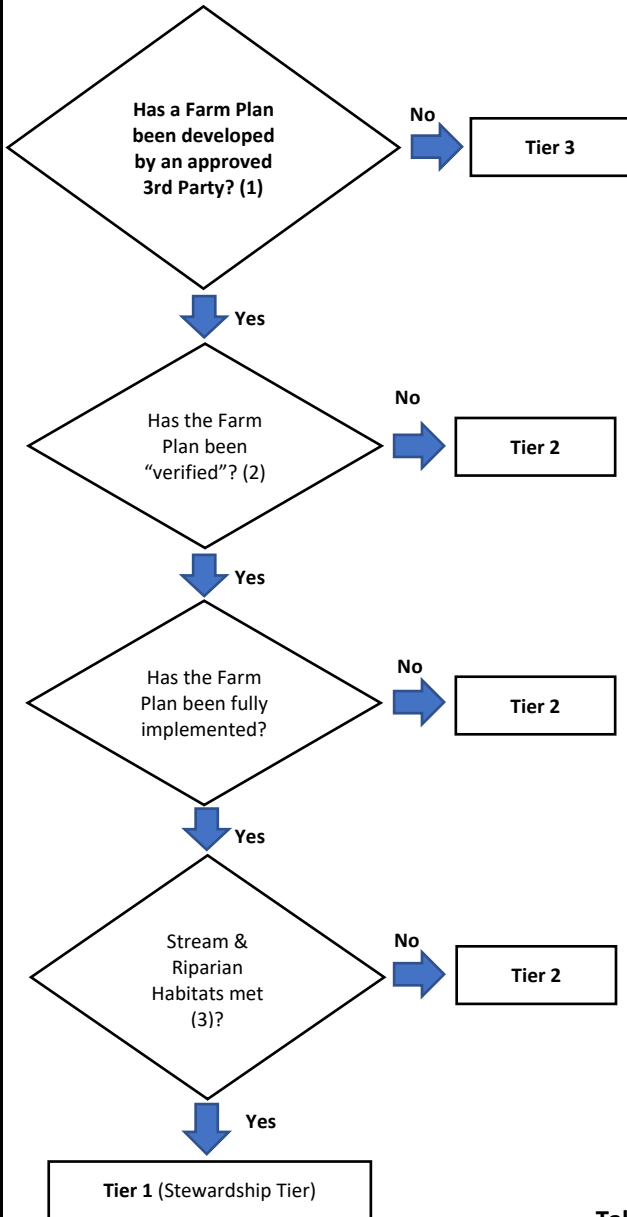
Tier 1 (Stewardship Tier)

- Verification Letter
- BMP Implementation Monitoring

Tier 2 and Tier 3

- Verified and implemented Farm Plan
- BMP Implementation Monitoring
- Stream Monitoring
- BMP Effectiveness
- Annual Compliance Report
- Monitoring Plan
- Monitoring Results Report

For more information about the Napa River and Sonoma Creek Vineyard Program visit the RWQCB [web page](#) or visit us at <https://www.h2osci.com/wineries.html>



**Table 1. Important Deadlines**

General Permit Requirement	Compliance Deadline (existing Vineyard not in wildfire perimeter)	Compliance Deadline (existing Vineyard within wildfire perimeter)
Enrollment	July 31, 2018	July 31, 2019
First Annual Compliance Form (Tier 2 and Tier 3 Only)	December 15, 2018	December 15, 2019
Verified Farm Plan	July 31, 2020	July 31, 2021
Performance standards for soil erosion in the farm area, nutrients, and pesticides	July 31, 2020	July 31, 2021
Performance standards for storm runoff/no change in peak**	Not applicable	Not applicable
Performance standards for existing unpaved roads**	July 31, 2027	July 31, 2028
Performance standards for all new roads**	By completion of road construction	By completion of road construction

\*\*Applicable to parcels where the average slope of the planted area  $> 5\%$