

WATER EFFICIENCY & SAVINGS



RISE MENTORSHIP RESULTS: Transitioning to Dry Farming



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Gustavo Aviña
Josh Widaman

Dominus Estate
Pine Ridge Vineyards
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PINE RIDGE VINEYARDS and DOMINUS ESTATE

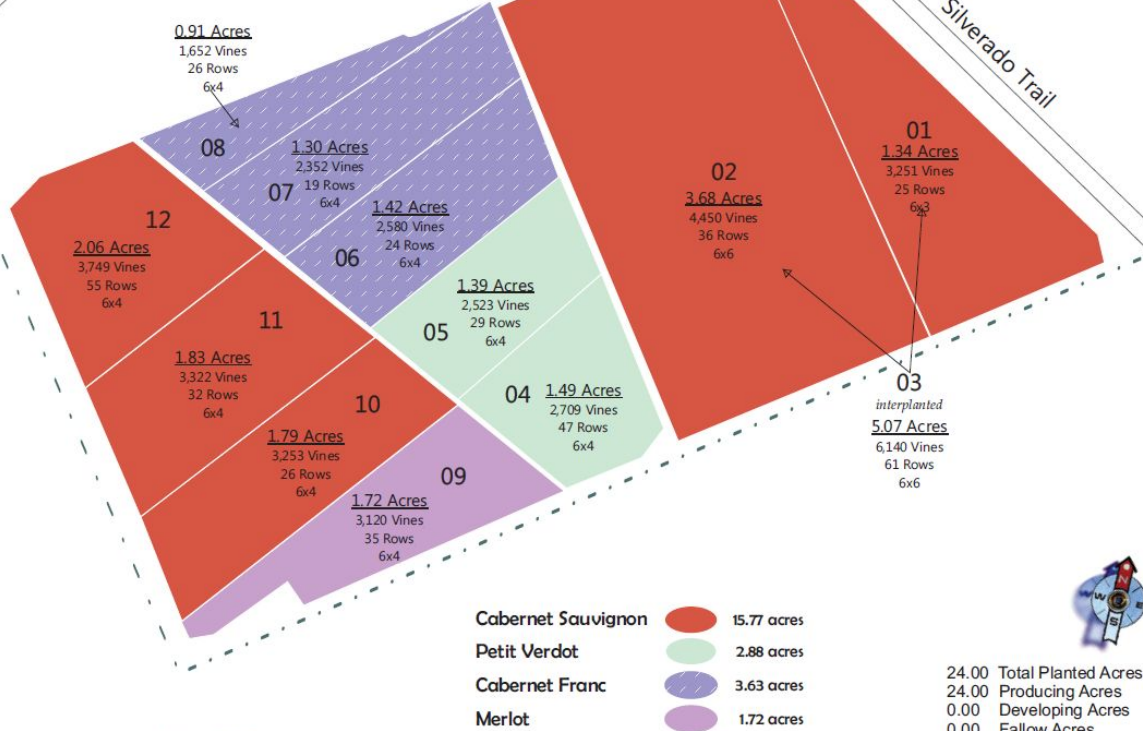
BEFORE MENTORSHIP

- Dos Olivos Vineyard
- Gustavo Aviña and Josh Widaman
- Tod Mostero

2021

Skellenger Lane

Silverado Trail



7210 - Dos Olivos
7991 Silverado Trail

24.00 Total Planted Acres
24.00 Producing Acres
0.00 Developing Acres
0.00 Fallow Acres
27.76 Gross Acres





THE PROCESS OF MENTORSHIP

- YEAR ONE
- YEAR TWO
- YEAR THREE



DRY FARMED ROOTSTOCKS

- 101-14
- 3309
- 110R
- Rupestris – St. George
- Riparia
- 1103P
- 1616C
- Others?

PINE RIDGE VINEYARDS

Oakville Vineyard

Subsurface Drainage Map

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Silverado Trail, CA
January 2023

Legend

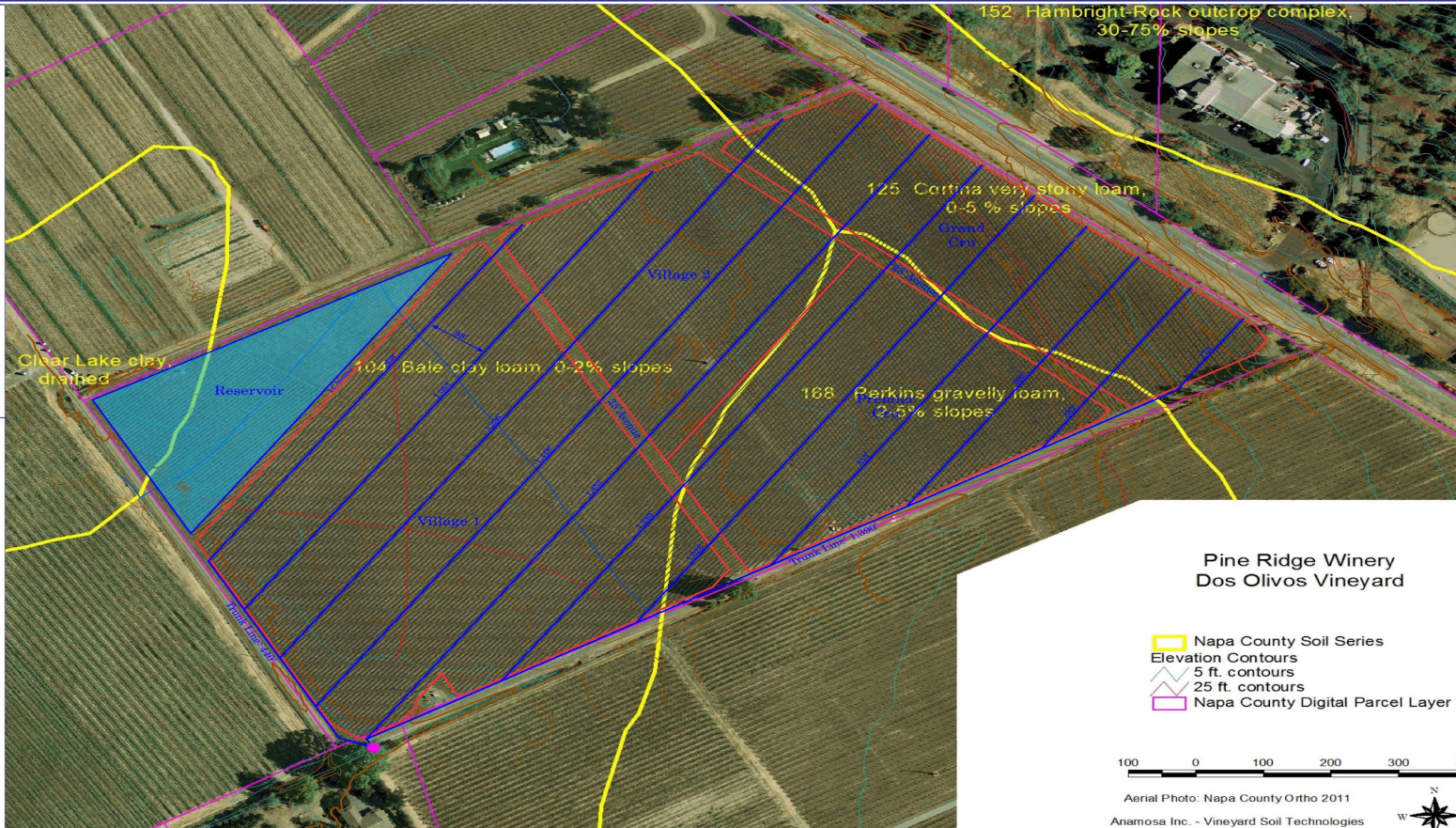
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- Vine Row
- Block Boundary
- Contour Line Major (5')
- Contour Line Minor (1')
- Bump



SCALE 1" = 70'

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VINEYARD
LAYOUT
SERVICES
Geyserville, CA



Pine Ridge Winery
Dos Olivos Vineyard

- Napa County Soil Series
- Elevation Contours
- 5 ft. contours
- 25 ft. contours
- Napa County Digital Parcel Layer

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Aerial Photo: Napa County Ortho 2011

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- TRIM
SUPERFICIAL
ROOTS
- 1-3 DEEP
IRRIGATIONS (10
GAL/VINE)
- GRAFT
(only after









PINE RIDGE VINEYARDS

Dos Olivos
Vineyard


Vineyard
Development
Map

Silverado Trail, CA
October 2024

Legend	
Grand Cru	
Premier Cru	
Village 1	
Village 2	
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- HOW DEEP ARE
THE ROOTS?

- WHAT'S THE
GOAL?













AFTER MENTORSHIP

- FUTURE YEARS

OPPORTUNITIES IN OTHER LOCATIONS

- RUTHERFORD RIDGE
- BUHMAN
- LOCKED HORNS
- STAGS CROWN

PINE RIDGE VINEYARDS

Rutherford Ridge Vineyard

Vineyard Development Map

Total Acres: 31.37

Whitehall Ln, CA
April 2024

Legend

Block Boundary
Vine Row
Contour Line Major
Contour Line Minor



SCALE 1" = 80'
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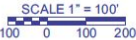
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VINEYARDS

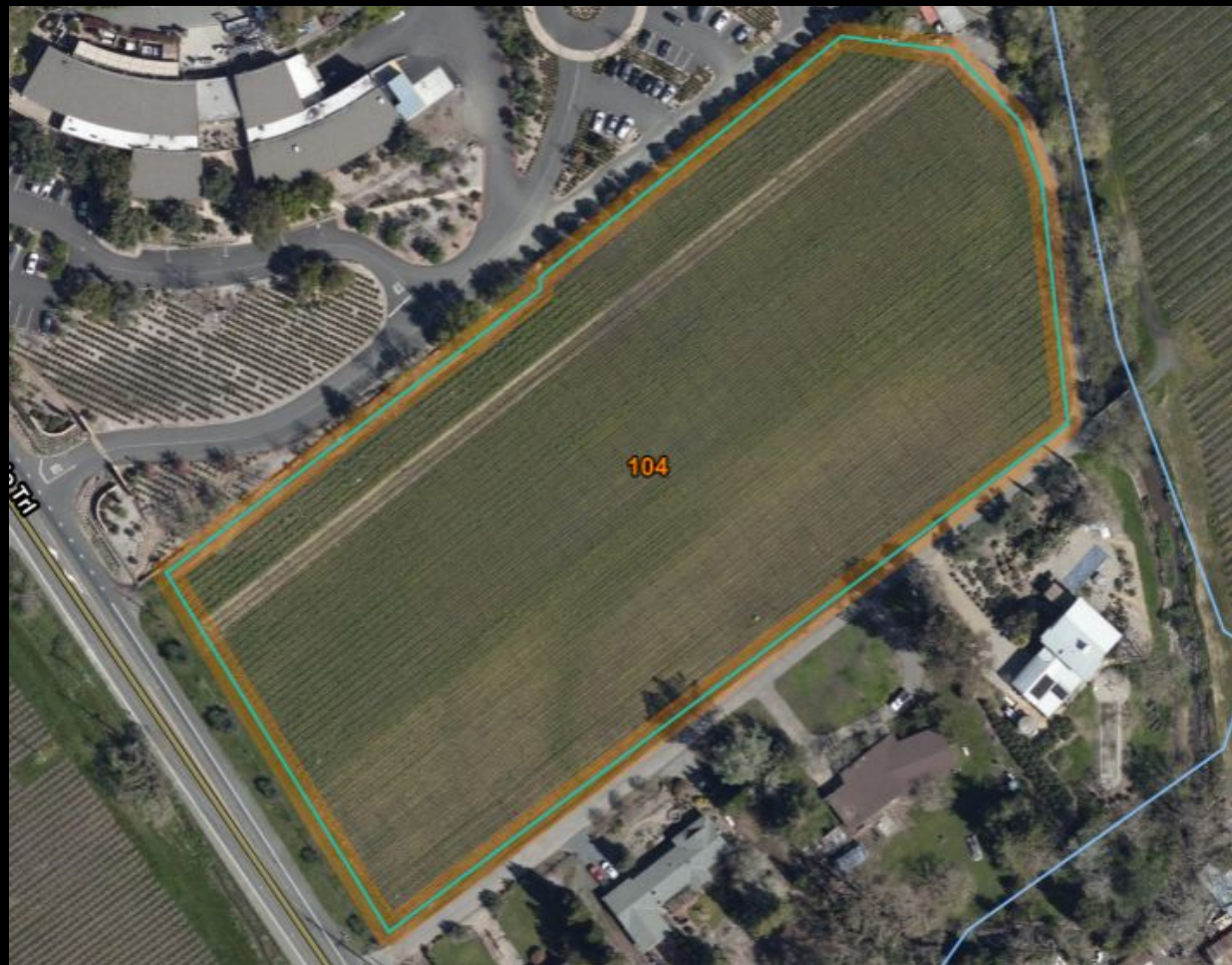
Buhman
Vineyard

Vineyard
Development Map

Total Area: 37.86 Ac

Buhman Ave, CA
April 2024







may not be valid at this scale.

A black and white photograph of a vineyard. In the foreground and middle ground, numerous rows of grapevines are planted in neat, parallel lines, receding into the distance. A narrow path or road runs alongside the vines on the left. The background is a steep, densely forested hillside. The sky is overcast and misty, with soft light filtering through the trees. The overall mood is serene and quiet.

QUESTIONS and ANSWERS

APPENDIX

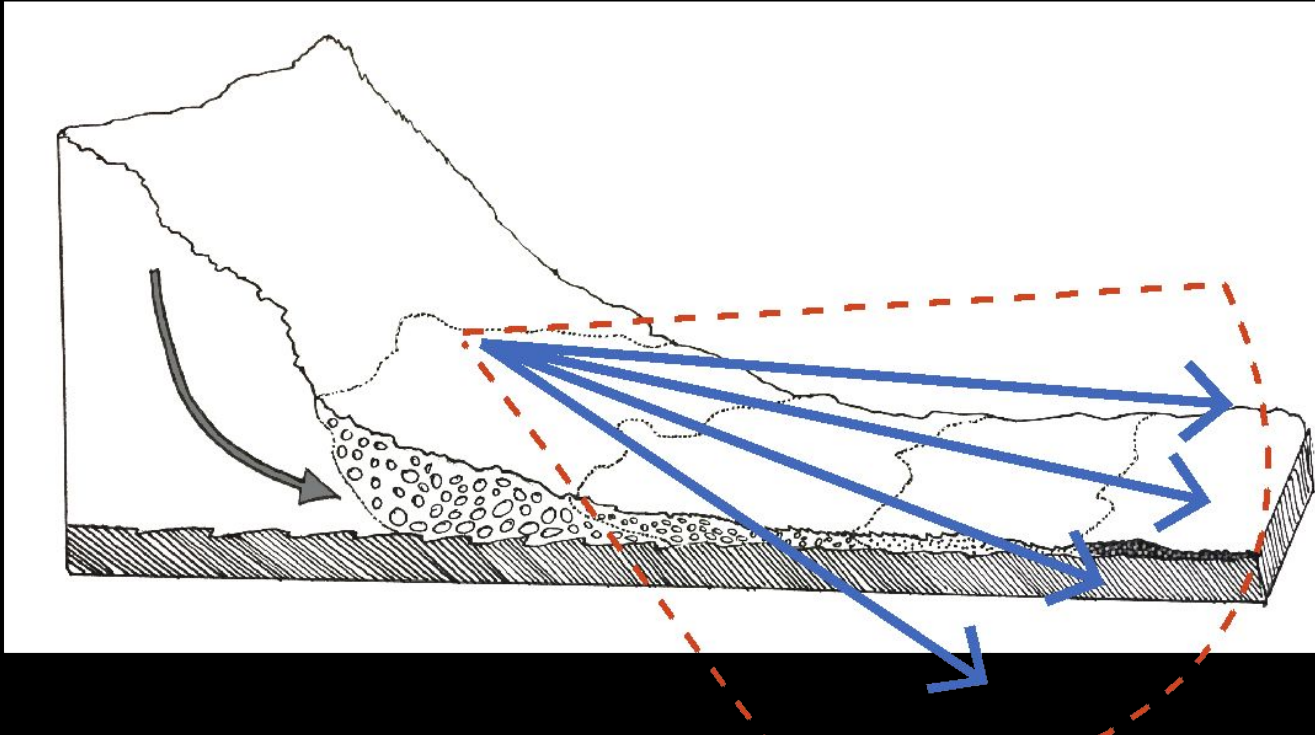
A black and white photograph of a vineyard. In the foreground, there are several long, straight rows of grapevines, each supported by a wooden stake. The vines are trained in a way that creates a rhythmic pattern of light and dark. A narrow, light-colored path or road runs alongside the vines on the left. In the background, a steep hillside is covered in a dense, dark forest of trees. The sky is overcast and hazy, with some light filtering through the clouds. The overall mood is serene and quiet.

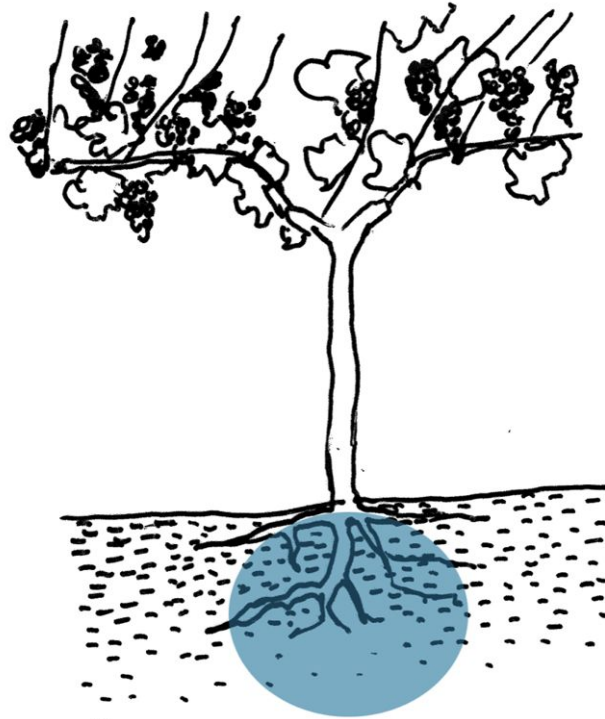


ALLUVIAL FANS :

- DEEP ROCKY SOILS AT THE FOOT OF THE MOUNTAINS
- SHALLOWER SILT AND CLAY SOILS at the APRON of the FAN
- UNDERNEATH the FAN LIES a HARD PAN OF IMPERVIOUS CLAY

WATER PERCOLATES through the MOUNTAINS = SPRINGS FLOW UNDERGROUND in a FAN FORMATION

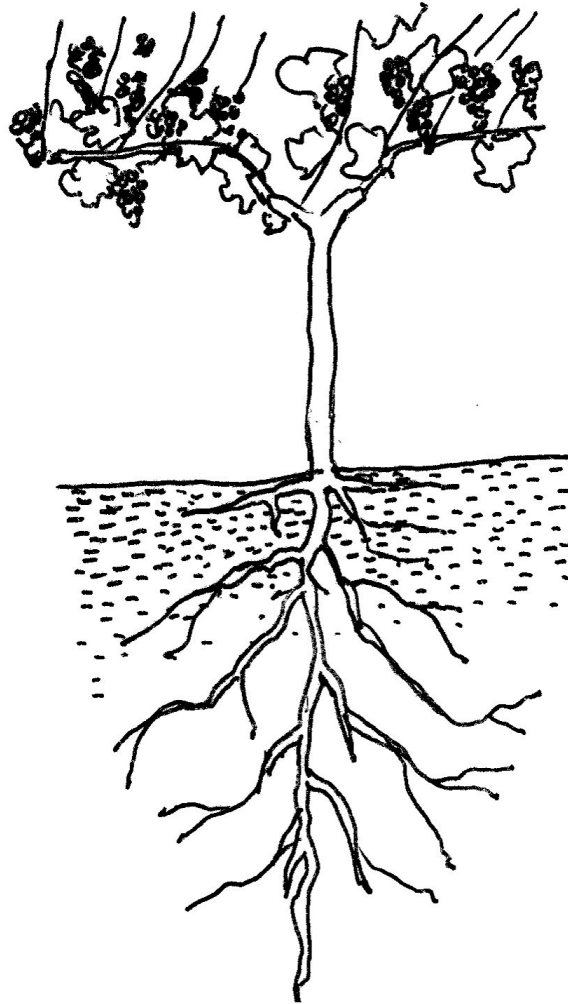


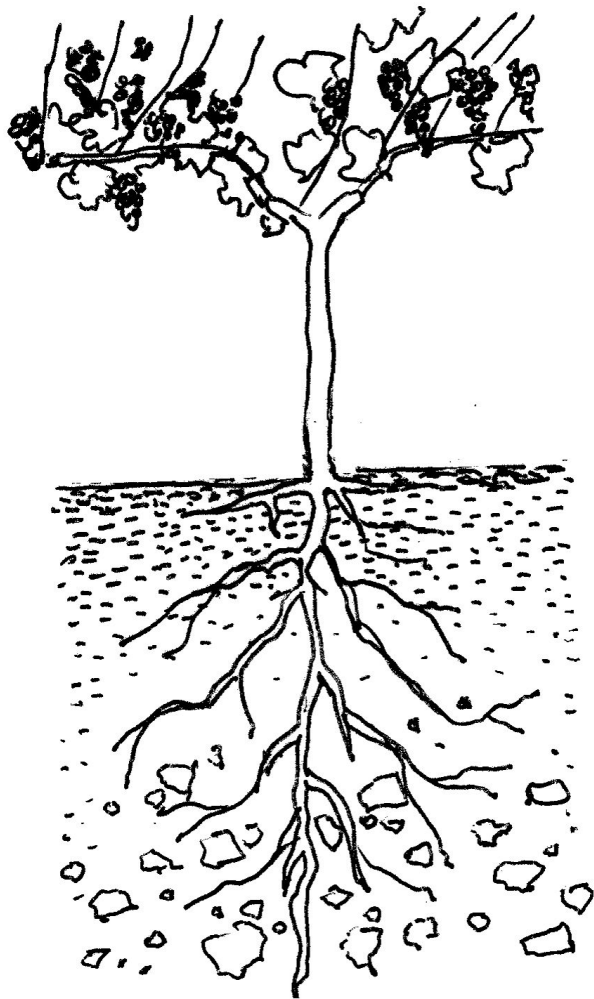


SUPERFICIAL ROOTS DEVELOP in FREQUENT
IRRIGATED VINEYARDS

IRRIGATED VINES HAVE ROOT SYSTEMS THAT STAY
IN THE TOP 18+ INCHES OF SOIL.

DRY-FARMED VINES
DIVE DEEP INTO THE
GROUND in SEARCH
OF WATER





DRY-FARMED VINES EXPLORE
DEEP HORIZONS TO ACCESS
WATER & MINERALS.

YEARS 1-3

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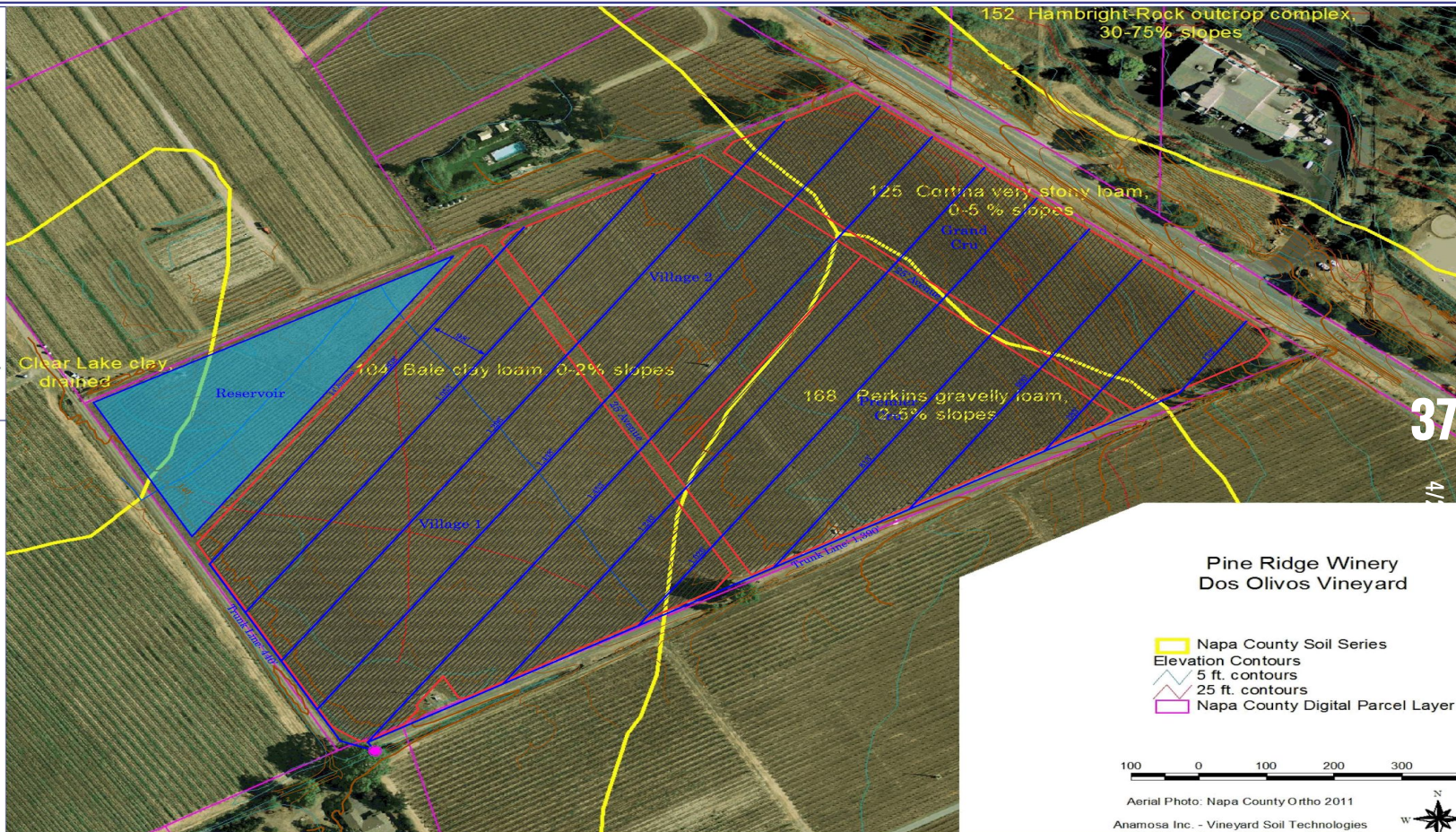
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The world is a living being—one nature, one soul.
Everything feeds into that single experience,
moves with a single motion.
Everything helps produce everything else.
Spun and woven together.

Marcus Aurelius



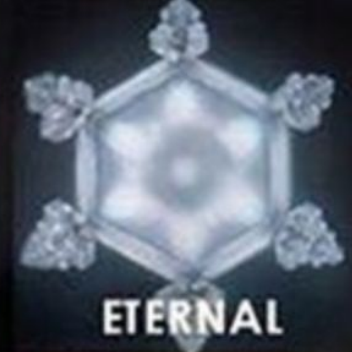
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WISDOM



TRUTH



ETERNAL



ANGEL



I LOVE YOU



PEACE



YOU FOOL



YOU MAKE ME SICK



EVIL



POLLUTED WATER
BEFORE PRAYER



POLLUTED WATER
AFTER PRAYER



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LALLEMAND PLANT CARE

SAMPLE OF RISE RESULTS

- ★ CREATION OF WATERSHED RESTORATION COLLECTIVE
-AND- ZERO WASTE COLLECTIVE
- ★ NO-TILL PILOT BY DOMINUS
- ★ TRANSITION BY PINE RIDGE TO DRY FARMING
- ★ MATERRA | CUNAT'S ACTIVE TRANSITION TO ORGANIC
- ★ SPOTTSWOODE'S EV CHARGER REBATES
- ★ QUINTESSA LIGHTENING BOTTLE WEIGHT
- ★ BLUE MORPH UV TANK SANITATION AT OPUS ONE
- ★ TRES SABORES'S USE OF LOW-EMISSIONS KILN TO CREATE BIOCHAR
- ★ SIX MATCHING IMPLEMENTATION GRANTS FOR OVER \$35,000
- ★ JOURNALIST JIM GORDAN'S COMMITMENT TO MORE CLIMATE COVERAGE



It's easy to be a critic,
but being a doer
requires effort, risk
& **CHANGE.**

Wayne Dyer

RISE LEADERSHIP AWARD

Water Efficiency & Savings



Pine Ridge Vineyards

The image shows a field of vibrant orange poppies in the foreground, growing in green grass. In the background, a border fence with wooden posts and multiple strands of barbed wire stretches across the frame. Beyond the fence, there are rolling hills or mountains under a clear blue sky with a few wispy clouds. The overall scene suggests a natural landscape adjacent to a controlled border area.

MARQUEE KEYNOTE

California's Water Story - Past, Present, and Future

Marx Arax - The Dreamt Land



ASKING THE CRITICAL QUESTIONS FORUM: Is Water the Solution to Heat Stress?

Expert Speakers:

Jay Famiglietti

Rob Whyte

Dr. Beth Forrestel

Philippe Coderey

Arizona State University

Renteria Vineyard Management

UC Davis

Traditional & Biodynamic Vineyard Consulting

Is Water the Solution to Heat Stress?

Changing Water Availability: The View From Above

Jay Famiglietti
Global Futures Professor
Arizona State University

OUTLINE

Zooming in: California, the
Central Valley, and Napa 04



California Drying

Cumulative water storage changes from NASA GRACE (2002-2014)

June 2002

June 2008

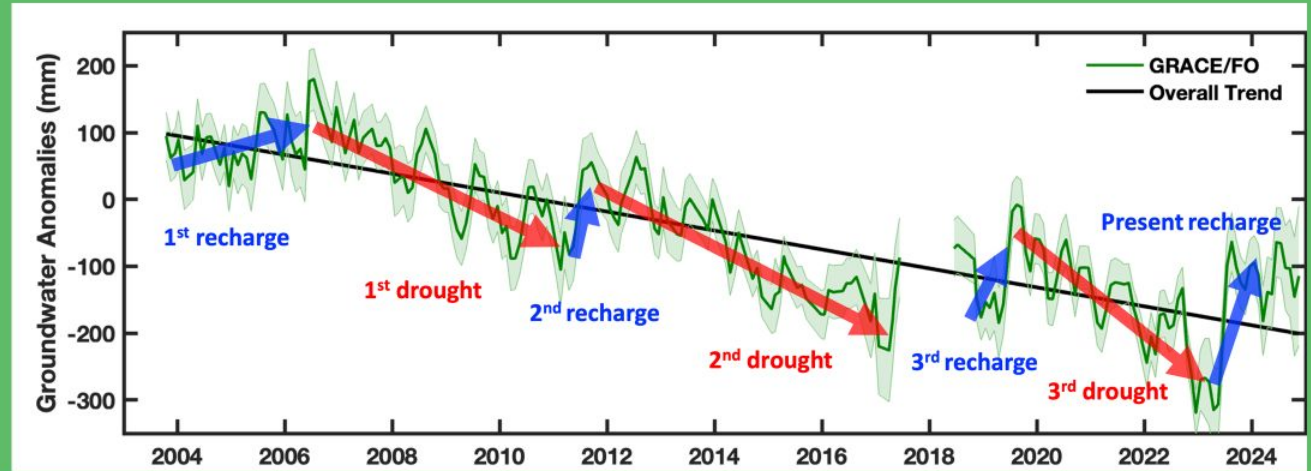
June 2014

Cumulative Water Loss



Groundwater depletion in California's Central Valley

Estimated from NASA GRACE/FO and observations (2002-2024)

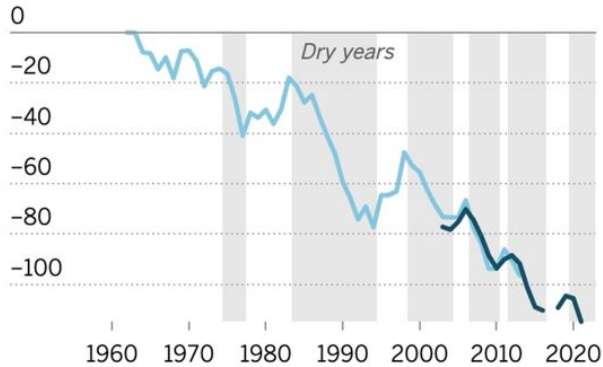


Updated from Liu et al., 2022 by Peng-Wei Liu, NASA GSFC

Groundwater depletion is worsening in the Central Valley

Cumulative groundwater loss (cubic kilometers)

— Computer model — Satellite measurements



Groundwater loss calculated using data from the USGS Central Valley Hydrological Model and NASA's GRACE and GRACE-FO satellite missions.

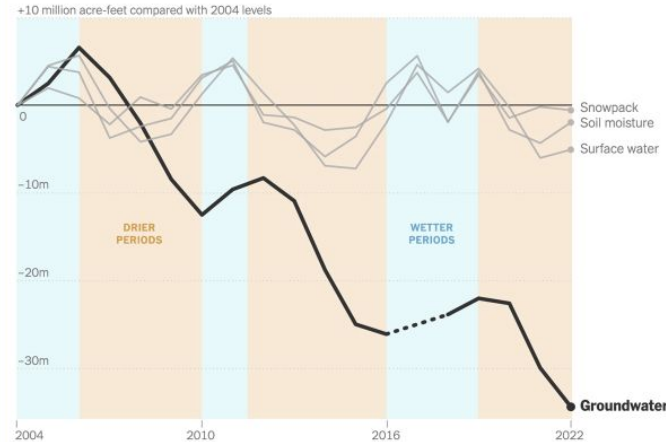
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Sean Greene LOS ANGELES TIMES

01 Long-term view of groundwater depletion in the Central Valley

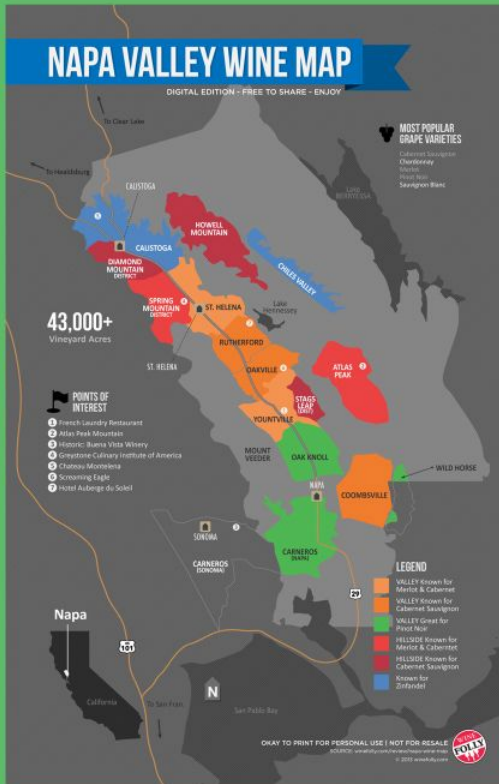
California's Groundwater Problem

Supplies of surface water in the Central Valley fluctuate with cycles of deluge and drought, but groundwater stocks have been in long-term decline despite occasional periods of recharge.



Note: The groundwater trend is based on data from the GRACE and GRACE Follow-On satellite missions. A gap in readings from August 2017 through September 2018 occurred between missions and is indicated by a dashed line. - Source: Pang-Wei Liu and Jay Famiglietti - By Nadja Popovich/The New York Times

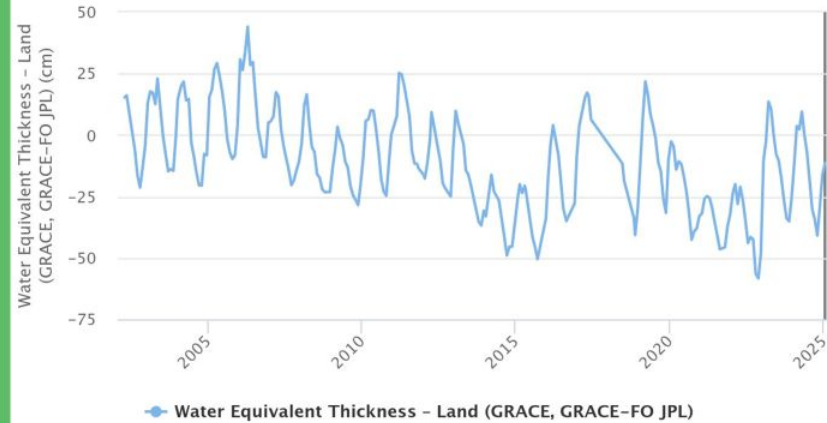
02 Most water losses coming from groundwater



01 Napa Valley Wine Map, Wine Folly

Water Equivalent Thickness - Land (GRACE, GRACE-FO JPL)

Source: GRACE, GRACE-FO
38.0000N, 123.0000W - 39.0000N, 122.0000W
Apr 2002 - Jan 2025



02 Changes in total water storage for the region surrounding Napa Valley, 2002-2025

California has been losing water for decades, and most of it is groundwater

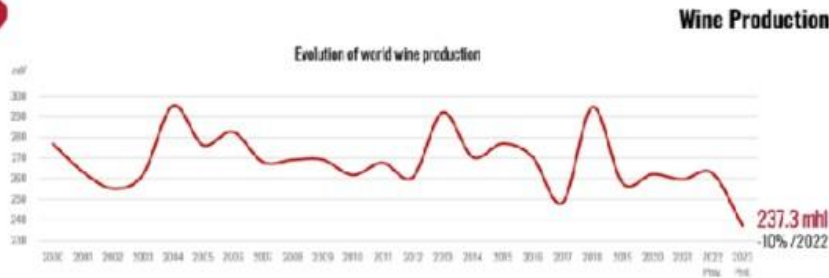
It is not clear how effective California's Sustainable Groundwater Management Plan will be.

Nor is it clear that other regions in the US or around the world are any better off.

WISE WATER INNOVATIONS FOR
A SUSTAINABLE EARTH

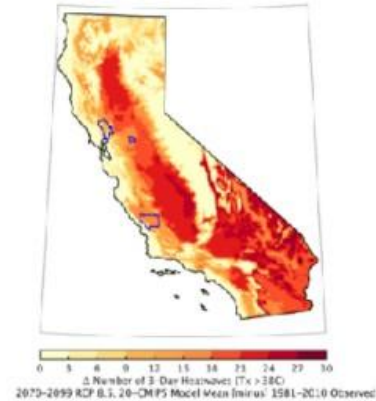
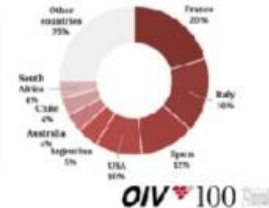
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Heat Waves, Wine & Water Demand

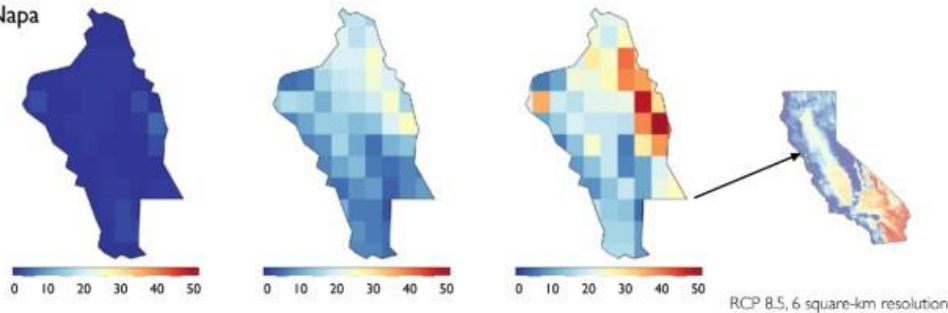


Extreme climatic conditions and widespread fungal diseases severely impacted many vineyards worldwide, culminating in a **historically low global wine production of 237 million hectolitres**. This marked a **10% drop from 2021** and represented the **lowest output since 1961**.

Very low production volumes were recorded in both the EU (145 mhl, -11%/2022) and the Southern Hemisphere (47 mhl, -15%/2022).

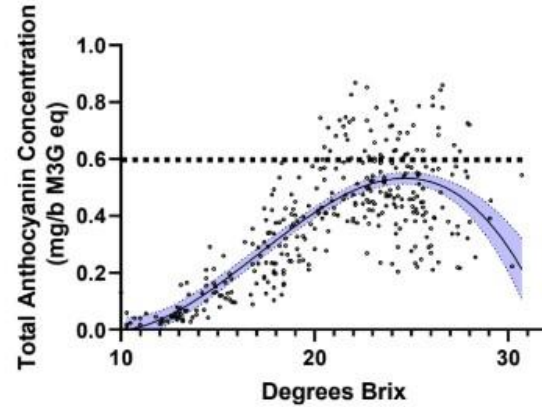
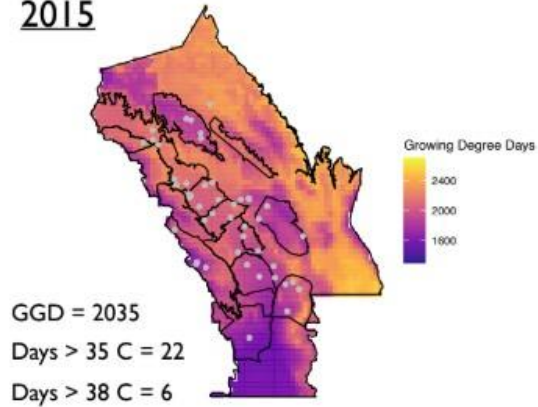


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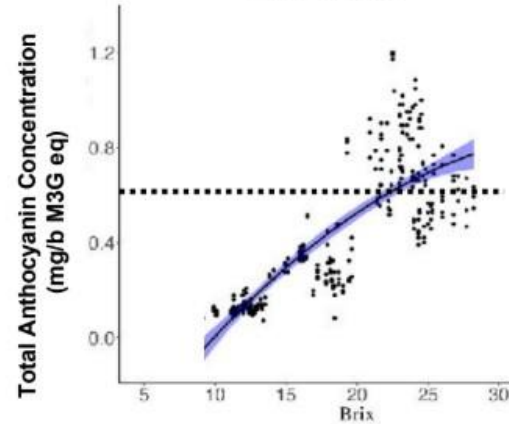
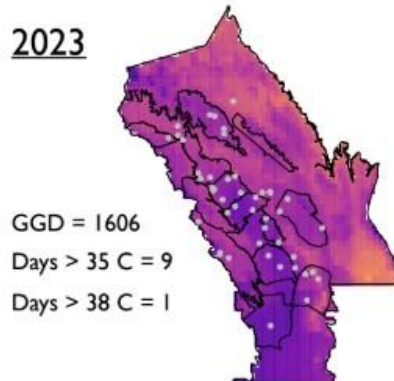


Living in an Era of Extremes

2015



2023



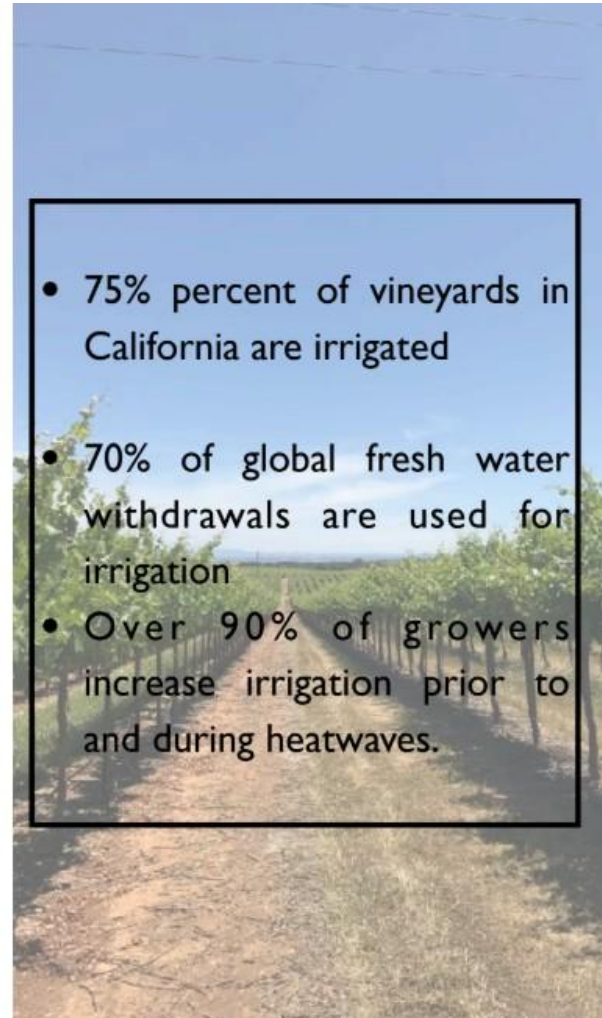
Heatwave Mitigation Techniques

● **Irrigation Management**

- Mistlers & sprinklers
- Shade cloth
- Shifting row orientation, vine height & training (providing shade)
- Vineyard floor management — cover crop choice & management, maintaining cover throughout season, short & longterm impacts
- Considering phenology & timing of harvest
- Cultivar choice

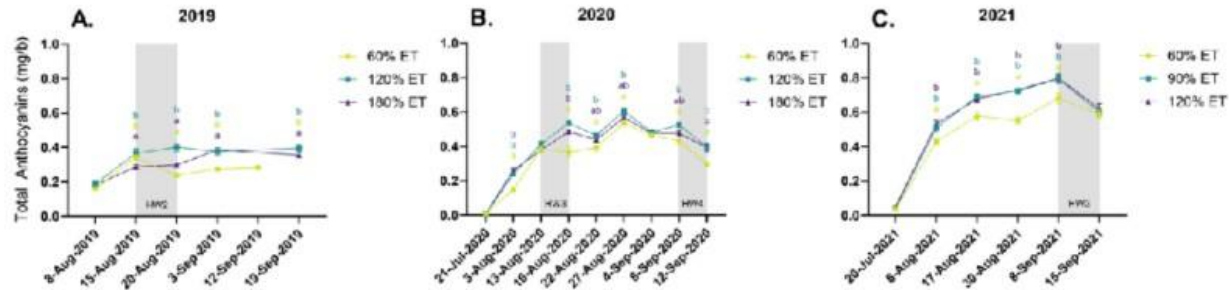


- 75% percent of vineyards in California are irrigated
- 70% of global fresh water withdrawals are used for irrigation
- Over 90% of growers increase irrigation prior to and during heatwaves.



Quality Impacts: Anthocyanins

Without supplemental irrigation, there is a consistent loss of anthocyanins; signatures of late season degradation with heatwaves regardless of watering regime.



How can we increase sustainability (reduce inputs), while maximizing quality & yield?


















OUR COMMUNITY DARES GREATLY

That is what our industry,
at the peak of the agricultural
pyramid, is called to do.



If not here,
WHERE?
If not now,
WHEN?