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Dear Supervisors,

Preserve Rural Sonoma County (PRSC) has worked with the County regarding events since 2014. PRSC respectfully requests that the Board remand the proposed zoning amendment back to the Permit Sonoma to develop a more nuanced and detailed threshold for various sized events. This should include additional tiers of event sizes with increasing review for larger events.

The proposed "one size fits all" approach across, all zoning districts, with a 2500-person size threshold for ministerial permits, does not address the wide range of parcel sizes, residential densities, the necessary access for first responders and other issues associated with larger events.

Based on the County's own analysis, the majority of events are around 300 or less in size. Unfortunately, it appears that the 2500-person threshold may be driven by a relatively few large events.

The Boards should direct Staff to create a tiered structure for various event sizes based on existing data for requested size, parcel size, zoning district and other relevant parameters.

Employing a set of ranges of sizes for events will help ensure that smaller events are not restricted and larger event receive the level of scrutiny to minimize conflicts.

Thank you for your consideration of the matter.

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