§ 9.119 Middle Rio Grande Valley.

(a) Name. The name of the viticultural area described in this section is “Middle Rio Grande Valley.”

(b) Approved maps. The approved maps for determining the boundaries of the “Middle Rio Grande Valley” viticultural area are 24 U.S.G.S. Quadrangle (7.5 Minute Series) maps and 1 (15 Minute Series) U.S.G.S. map. They are titled:


(c) Boundary description. The boundary of the proposed Middle Rio Grande Valley viticultural area is as follows:

1. The beginning point is at the transmission line tower in the middle of Section 34, T14N, R4E of the Santa Ana Pueblo, N. Mex. U.S.G.S. map;
2. The boundary follows the power transmission line east for 2.5 miles until it converges with New Mexico State Route 25/Interstate 85 (now known as Interstate 25) at Sec. 1, T13N, R4E on the San Felipe Pueblo, N. Mex. U.S.G.S. map;
3. It follows I–25 southwest for 1.2 miles until it arrives at an unimproved dirt road approx. .2 mile east of Algodones Cemetery, at Sec. 11, T13N, R4E on the Placitas, N. Mex. U.S.G.S. map;
4. The boundary follows the unimproved dirt road southeast for 5.5 miles until it meets another unimproved dirt road at Tecolote, NM, south of Sec. 27 and 28, T13N, R3E on the San Felipe Pueblo, N. Mex. U.S.G.S. map;
5. It travels southwest on the unimproved dirt road .7 mile until it meets NM–44 approx. 100 feet northwest of BM 6,075 in Placitas, NM, at T13N, R5E;
6. It then goes southeast on NM–44 for approx. 250 feet until it intersects the 6,100 foot elevation contour line approx. 250 feet southeast of BM 6,075, at T13N, R5E;
7. It then travels west for 3.5 miles on the 6,100 feet elevation contour line until it reaches a light-duty road on the Huertas Grant/Cibola National Forest Boundary at Sec. 6, T12N, R5E;
The boundary runs north to north-west on the light-duty road for approx. .9 mile until it meets NM-44 next to BM 5,876 in Sec. 31, T13N, R5E;

It travels west 5.2 miles on NM-44 until it arrives at I-25 (southbound interchange) near the Bernallillo Cemetery at T13N, R4E on the Bernallillo, N. Mex. U.S.G.S. map;

It proceeds south on I-25 for approx. 8.6 miles until it intersects with NM-556 at the east bound interchange at Sec. 1, T11N, R3E on the Alameda, N. Mex. U.S.G.S. map;

The boundary goes east approx. 5 miles on NM-556 until it intersects the 106°30' longitude meridian, T11N, R4E;

Then it goes south on the 106°30' longitude meridian for approx. 4.5 miles until it reaches the 34°30' latitude parallel on the Isleta, N. Mex. U.S.G.S. map;

It heads south on NM-47 for approx. 3.2 miles until it converges with the 4,900 foot elevation contour line at Isleta Pueblo, NM, in Sec. 24, T8N, R2E;

The boundary follows the 4,900 foot elevation contour line south for approx. 25 miles until it arrives at a point north on Madron, NM, at the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad (AT&SF RR) tracks, approx. 350 feet east of elevation mark 4,889 feet on the Turn, N. Mex. U.S.G.S. map;

It then travels north on the AT&SF RR tracks for approx. 350 feet until it intersects NM-47 approx. 350 feet north of elevation mark 4,889 feet;

The boundary goes southwest on NM-47 (through Turn, N. M.) for approx. 2.4 miles until it reaches the 106°45' longitude meridian between the Turn, N. Mex. & Veguita, N. Mex. U.S.G.S. maps;

Then it travels south on the 106°45' longitude meridian for approx. 4.7 miles until it meets the 34°30' latitude parallel on the Veguita, N. Mex. U.S.G.S. map;

It then proceeds west on the 34°30' latitude parallel for approx. 1 mile until it arrives at NM-47 approx. .75 mile south of San Juan Church;

Then it moves south on NM-47 for approx. 13.2 miles until it reaches an improved light-duty road at La Joya, NM, approx. 500 feet west of La Joya Cemetery on the La Joya, N. Mex. U.S.G.S. map;

It then travels south on the improved light-duty road for approx. 450 feet until it intersects another improved light-duty road;

Then it goes 500 feet west on the improved light-duty road until it reaches a north-south unimproved road at a point approx. .9 mile east of the AT&SF RR tracks;

The boundary heads south on the unimproved road for approx. 7.9 miles until it reaches the 34°15' latitude parallel on the La Joya, N. Mex. U.S.G.S. map;

It travels west on the 34°15' latitude parallel for approx. .9 mile until it intersects the 106°52'30" longitude meridian on the Mesa Del Yeso, N. Mex. U.S.G.S. map;

It then goes south on the 106°52'30" longitude meridian for approx. 3.3 miles until it intersects the south section line of Sec. 19, T1S, R1E;

It then runs east for approx. 1.25 miles until it reaches the east section line (marked altitude 5,058 feet) of Sec. 20, T18S, R1E;

It travels south on the section line for approx. 7.1 miles, until it meets the Grant Boundary at altitude mark 4,734 feet at Sec. 32/33, T2S, R1E on the Loma De Las Canas, N. Mex. U.S.G.S. map;

It proceeds east on the Grant Boundary for 25 miles until it arrives at the section line (Grant Boundary at Sec. 32/33, T2S, R1E);

The boundary moves south on the Grant Boundary for approx. 5.2 miles until it meets the (Grant Boundary) section line near altitude spot 4,702 feet at Sec. 28/29, T3S, R1E;

Then it moves south on the section line (Grant Boundary) for approx. 5.7 miles until it meets an unimproved dirt road at
§ 9.120 Sierra Foothills.

(a) Name. The name of the viticultural area described in this section is "Sierra Foothills."

(b) Approved maps. The appropriate maps for determining the boundary of the Sierra Foothills viticultural area are four U.S.G.S. topographical maps of the 1:250,000 scale:


(2) "Sacramento" (NJ 10–6), edition of 1957 revised 1970.

(3) "San Jose" (NJ 10–9), edition of 1962, revised 1969.


(c) Boundary. The Sierra Foothills viticultural area is located in portions of the counties of Yuba, Nevada, Placer, El Dorado, Amador, Calaveras, Tuolumne and Mariposa, in the State of California. The boundary is as follows:

(1) Beginning on the "Chico" map at the point of intersection of the north border of Township 18 North, Range 6 East, with S. Honcut Creek the boundary proceeds approximately 3.5 miles, in a generally south and southwesterly direction, along the eastern bank of S. Honcut Creek to the point where S. Honcut Creek meets the western border of Township 18 North, Range 6 East.

(2) Then south, approximately 15 miles, along the western borders of Township 18 North, Township 17 North, and Township 16 North in Range 6 East, to the point where the western border of Township 16 North, Range 6 East meets the northernmost perimeter of Beale Air Force Base along the eastern bank of S. Honcut Creek to the point where the western border of Township 16 North, Range 6 East meets the southernmost perimeter of Beale Air Force Base near the southwestern corner of Township 16 North, Range 6 East.

(3) Then east, south and west along the perimeter of Beale Air Force Base to the point where the perimeter of Beale Air Force Base intersects the southwestern corner of Township 16 North, Range 6 East.

(4) At this point it heads east for approximately 1.2 miles along the 35°07’30” latitude parallel until it reaches the power transmission line towers at Section 3/4, Township 10 North, Range 2 East of the Los Griegos Quadrangle map, and finally

(5) From there it follows the power transmission line towers (and for 1 mile along a connecting unimproved road) north and northeast for a total of approximately 24.4 miles to the point of beginning at Section 34, Township 14 North, Range 4 East of the Santa Ana Pueblo Quadrangle map.