



To all Mornington Peninsula grapegrowers and winemakers

Phylloxera Exclusion Zone Survey of the Mornington Peninsula we need your vote!

With recent outbreaks of Phylloxera in nearby Victorian Regions the Mornington Peninsula Vignerons Association Executive Committee has unanimously resolved that our association vote upon the necessary surveys and protocols required to become a Phylloxera Exclusion Zone (PEZ). Following considerable discussion the MPVA Executive Committee resolved to seek full industry support for the surveys to be initiated as soon as possible.

The compelling reasons for this are:

- All Mornington Peninsula Vineyards will be surveyed to considerably strengthen our belief that there is no phylloxera on the Mornington Peninsula.
- A basis for legal controls over all grape & vine material, cuttings, equipment & machinery entering our proposed PEZ
- Market access to all other PEZs, for example, cuttings could be sent to Mildura for propagation without the current legal & costly restrictions. This is an important trading implication as more PEZ's are zoned – note the most recent rezoning of the Grampians/Pyrenees declared a PEZ on 20 June 2008.
- The Department of Primary Industries have received a budget allocation that is highly likely to be used to fund the surveys leaving us with no costs. There are no guarantees of this funding but swift action will optimize chances of a fully funded survey. The industry must understand that there is a possibility of only partial funding of the \$220 per hectare cost over the life of the 3 year project but full funding will be sought vigorously by our association.
- If we have phylloxera in our region we need to know now as finding out in 3 years when it manifests may be too late for your business.

PEZ rezoning is strongly endorsed by the MPVA Executive Committee and we must have your vote on the motion by fill in the following form and return to the MPVA as soon as possible and before 31 August 2008 so we may ascertain the position of all vignerons on the Mornington Peninsula – **this includes all MPVA members and non members**

Feel free to contact any of the Phylloxera Sub Committee should you wish further information or wish to discuss any implications further:

Phylloxera Sub Committee:

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For further information please email your request to mpva@mpva.com.au or call into the MPVA office.

Mornington Peninsula
Phylloxera Exclusion Zone

Survey Motion Vote by Mornington Peninsula grapegrowers and winemakers

To be returned to the MPVA by Friday 15 August 2008

Either mail to: MPVA PO Box 282, Red Hill South 3937
or Fax to: 5989 2387

1. Vineyard Owner name:
2. Contact: Phone:
3. Email:

Tick one box only and include any comments.

YES, I endorse the motion to apply to the Department of Primary Industries to commence surveys with the intention of becoming a phylloxera exclusion zone.

NO, I do not endorse the motion to apply to the Department of Primary Industries to commence surveys with the intention of becoming a phylloxera exclusion zone.

Comments: