

## ACTION PLAN

---

Now that the workbook is completed, your evaluation sheets will show which areas of your vineyard and/or winery operations that may need some changes to maximize performance or prevent environmental problems. Pay special attention to all criteria that have a one or a two rating. These are areas of potential concern.

The next step is to develop an action plan to take care of these potential concerns. You will have to analyze the situation, and decide what you want to do, and when it can be done. You decide what actions to take over the next five years. Remember that this is your action plan—it must suit you and your operations.

### Steps in developing your action plan:

1. Determine whether the potential concerns can be addressed. Although some things such as soil type cannot be changed, you may be able to manage the situation in a better way.
2. If the potential concerns *can* be addressed, decide *which* concerns are most important to you, *what* actions you can take to improve the situation, and *when* you can act.
3. Consider how each concern affects the environment, your family's safety, or the safety of the community. For each of the potential concerns identified in the worksheets, answer the following questions:
  - ? Will this situation cause any danger to your family's health or safety? How about other people? How many?
  - ? Does the current situation violate any current federal, state, or local regulations?
  - ? Will any surface water or ground water be affected?
  - ? Will fish or wildlife be harmed?
  - ? Can the situation be improved easily or with difficulty?
  - ? How much will it cost to make the improvement?
  - ? How long will it take to make the improvement?
  - ? How will it affect yield and wine quality?
  - ? How will it affect other farm operations if this situation is changed?
4. Fill out action plans for the criteria you feel can be accomplished within your farm budget and work schedule. The following example is a guide for filling out the action plan forms.

## Example Action Plan

The example below illustrates what an action plan for two criteria might look like. The first column should list the workbook chapter in which the area of concern appears. The second column should list the criteria number from the workbook. It may be useful to list the page number on which this criteria appears in case you want to refer back to that page. The third column should list the criteria and corresponding category on which the concern is based. The fourth column should list the specific plan of action you have decided to use in addressing the criteria and concern listed in the third column. The last column should list the timetable you plan to use in carrying out this action.

ACTION PLAN				
Workbook Chapter	Criteria Number	Criteria and Area of Concern	Plan of Action	Timetable for Action
Pest Management	Criteria 6-1 Page	<u>Vineyard Monitoring for Insect and Mite Pests</u>  Category 1: My vineyard is rarely if ever monitored.	Monitor every two weeks.	Next growing season
Pest Management	Criteria 6-37 Page 6-68	<u>Pesticide Emergency Response Plan</u>  Category 1: I maintain minimum legal requirements or less for a pesticide emergency response plan.	Contact Ag Commissioner's office; a typical emergency response plan looks like this; how to make it work on my ranch; train both tractor drivers; post plan by the sprayer fill-up.	Immediately

**1. Decide what issues you can address.**

**2. Specify the issue and your area of concern**

**3. Determine an appropriate plan of action.**

**4. Create a realistic timetable for carrying out the action.**

**ACTION PLAN**

<b>Workbook Chapter</b>	<b>Criteria Number</b>	<b>Criteria and Area of Concern</b>	<b>Plan of Action</b>	<b>Timetable for Action</b>

**ACTION PLAN**

<b>Workbook Chapter</b>	<b>Criteria Number</b>	<b>Criteria and Area of Concern</b>	<b>Plan of Action</b>	<b>Timetable for Action</b>

**ACTION PLAN**

<b>Workbook Chapter</b>	<b>Criteria Number</b>	<b>Criteria and Area of Concern</b>	<b>Plan of Action</b>	<b>Timetable for Action</b>

**ACTION PLAN**

<b>Workbook Chapter</b>	<b>Criteria Number</b>	<b>Criteria and Area of Concern</b>	<b>Plan of Action</b>	<b>Timetable for Action</b>

**ACTION PLAN**

<b>Workbook Chapter</b>	<b>Criteria Number</b>	<b>Criteria and Area of Concern</b>	<b>Plan of Action</b>	<b>Timetable for Action</b>