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## Four Feathers Wine Services promotes Frederique Vion to head winemaker, adds additional staff to winery and vineyard teams

**PROSSER, Wash. (June 22, 2022)** – Four Feathers Wine Services, one of the West Coast's leading bulk wine producers, today announced that Frederique Vion has been promoted to head winemaker.

The company also announced that Casey Cobble, Gabriel Crowell and Carly Faulk have joined its winemaking and viticulture teams. Cobble and Crowell will lead the red and white winemaking programs, respectively, while Faulk joins the viticulture team to lead the company's new Grape Marketplace sales program and manage several of its estate vineyards.

"Frederique has been with us since the beginning and has been instrumental in building our wine programs," said Rebecca De Kleine, general manager and director of winemaking at Four Feathers Wine Services. "She has a very clear vision as to where she wants to lead our winemaking initiatives."

Vion joined the Four Feathers team in 2012. Prior to that, she spent 16 years as winemaker, assistant winemaker, and cellar master for Sagelands Vineyards in eastern Washington. She also has worked at wineries in Australia and the Haut-Médoc region of France near Bordeaux.

A native of France, Vion grew up in Provence. She graduated from Perpignan University with a degree in agronomy and achieved a master's degree in winemaking and viticulture at Toulouse University in the southwest of France.

Cobble spent four years as a winemaker for Goose Ridge Winery before joining Four Feathers Wine Services. At Goose Ridge, she focused on premium wine production for the Goose Ridge, g3, and Cascadian Outfitters brands.

Cobble began her winemaking career in 2010 with Betz Family Winery in Woodinville as cellar assistant and customer service manager. She joined another Woodinville winery, Robert Ramsey Cellars, in 2014 as winemaker.

Cobble is active in wine industry associations and helped found the Alliance of Women in Washington Wine, a non-profit organization dedicated to supporting and promoting women in the state's wine industry.

"Casey is lively and energetic in addition to being a terrific winemaker," De Kleine said. "She has a very collaborative approach to our business, which is a great attribute for our clients."

Crowell joined Four Feathers Wine Services in 2018. Since then, he has worked in various departments at the company, including technical services, research and development, and sales and marketing. He has a degree in viticulture and enology from Washington State University.

"Gabe has worked in nearly every department at Four Feathers," De Kleine said. "He loves white wines and is excited to take on the program."

Faulk has deep roots in Washington State agriculture. She grew up on a cherry and apple farm in the Yakima Valley and started her viticulture career in 2011 as a viticulture technician for Ste. Michelle Wine Estates.She left Ste. Michelle to work for Shaw Vineyards on Red Mountain and in 2018, she took over vineyard management and grape sales for Alder Ridge Vineyard.

## **About Four Feathers Wine Services**

Four Feathers Wine Services provides best-in-class custom winemaking, alcoholic beverage production and packaging services to support our clients in creating and building brands.

Four Feathers Wine Services is a vertically integrated, family-owned winemaking company that farms 3,500 acres of wine grapes and makes and packages custom premium wines for nearly 300 clients nationwide at its state-of-the-art facilities in Prosser, Washington.

The company manages the process of custom winemaking from vine to bottle depending on the needs of each client. In addition to turn-key winemaking, Four Feathers offers a full range of services, all within its own state-of-the-art facilities.

For information about Four Feathers Wine Services, please see www.fourfeathers.com.

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