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10-10-14**ABC Suspends the License of El Popo Restaurant in Watsonville**
Restaurant Sold Alcohol to Minors

(Watsonville)- On October 10, 2014, Agents of the California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) posted a 40-day notice of suspension at the El Popo Restaurant located at 1047 Freedom Boulevard in Watsonville. The suspension prohibits the restaurant from selling any alcohol for the next 40 days.

ABC posted the suspension based on two separate investigations that involved minors consuming alcohol on the premises. ABC and Watsonville Police conducted an inspection on October 18, 2013. During the inspection they found two 17 years-old minors, consuming alcoholic beverages. Further investigation revealed unlawful possession of distilled spirits, a violation of Section 25607 of the California Business and Professions Code. Watsonville Police and ABC conducted another inspection on March 14, 2014. During that inspection they found a 20 year-old minor who had been served and was consuming an alcoholic beverage. The two investigations resulted in today's posting of a 40 day notice of suspension; the business was disciplined 15 days for the 2013 violations and an additional 25 day suspension for the second violation in March, 2014.

ABC is a Department of the Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency.

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