DEPARTMENT: Administration  BY: Rick Benson
PHONE: 966-3222

RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Approve the use of $5,000 of Title III funding from the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (HR 2389) for the purchase of supplies for the County’s Fire Safety Trailer. During the Fiscal Year 2006-07 Final Budget Hearings, the Board directed staff to use Title III money to fund the purchase of supplies for the County’s Fire Safety Trailer. Before the Board may formally approve the use of Title III money, there must first be a 45-day public comment period and this has been accomplished with no public comment being received as of the date this board item was prepared. Supplies for the Fire Safety Trailer meet the criteria to use Title III funds.

The Forest Reserve Fund (#345) has an unencumbered balance of $227,203 available for allowable Title III projects. These projects include: (1) Search and rescue and other emergency services performed on Federal lands and paid for by the County; (2) Community service work camps (inmate community service on Federal lands); (3) Easement purchases; (4) Forest related educational opportunities; (5) Fire prevention and county planning; (6) Community forestry.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
Marietta County received approximately $95,000 a year from 2000 – 2006 for use on eligible Title III projects. The Federal Government has to date not approved the continuance of HR 2389. Please see the attached spreadsheet for a list of previously approved Title III projects.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
Do not approve the use of Title III money for the purchase of supplies for the County’s Fire Safety Trailer. Direct staff to identify another source of funding for the supplies.

Financial Impact? (X) Yes () No  Current FY Cost: $5,000
Budgeted In Current FY? (X) Yes () No  () Partially Funded
Amount in Budget: $227,203
Additional Funding Needed: $0

Source:
   Internal Transfer
   Unanticipated Revenue
   Transfer Between Funds
   Contingency
   () General  () Other

   List Attachments, number pages consecutively
   Spreadsheet of previously approved Title III projects

   Annual Recurring Cost: $

   COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER:
   Requested Action Recommended  
   No Opinion
   Comments:

Res. No.: 584  Ord. No. ____
Vote – Ayes: 5  Noes: ____
Absent: ____

Approved
( ) Minute Order Attached  ( ) No Action Necessary

The foregoing instrument is a correct copy of the original on file in this office.
Date: ___
Attest: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board
County of Mariposa, State of California
By: Deputy

CAO: ___

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<td>Planning phase for the construction of the Jordan Creek Bridge.</td>
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<td>County-wide chipping education/demonstration project.</td>
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<td>Southwest Interface Project (SWIFT).</td>
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