RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Tentatively approve the use of Title III funding from the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (HR 2389) for a Yosemite Sequoia Resource Conservation & Development Council project. The Yosemite Sequoia Resource Conservation & Development Council in coordination with the Mariposa County Resource Conservation District and the Mariposa County Fire Safe Council are requesting $12,000 in Title III funding to develop a booklet similar to the “Welcome to the Foothills” booklet for Eastern Madera County. The booklet would be made available at local real estate offices, the County’s Development Services departments, our Visitors’ Centers, and at resource conservation and agricultural offices.

Before the Board may formally approve the project, there must first be a 45-day public comment period. If the Board tentatively approves the project, then staff will notice the project. At the completion of the 45-day public comment period, the Board will be asked to review the comments (if any) and to formally approve the use of Title III funds for the project in addition to any agreement if necessary.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
Beginning in 2001 and ending in 2006, Mariposa County receives funding from HR 2389. The Board has opted to use this funding for Title III projects, which include (1) Search and rescue and other emergency services performed on Federal lands and paid for by the County; (2) Community service work camps; (3) Easement purchases; (4) Forest related education opportunities; (5) Fire prevention and county planning; (6) Community forestry. The project meets these guidelines.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
Do not tentatively approve the project. The Yosemite Sequoia Resource Conservation & Development Council will need to seek funding from other sources if they wish to develop the booklet.

Financial Impact? ( ) Yes (X) No  Current FY Cost: $
Budgeted In Current FY? ( ) Yes ( ) No ( ) Partially Funded
Amount in Budget: $  
Additional Funding Needed: $  
Source: 
Internal Transfer 
Unanticipated Revenue 4/5’s vote
Transfer Between Funds 4/5’s vote
Contingency 4/5’s vote
( ) General ( ) Other

List Attachments, number pages consecutively
Madera Booklet

CLERK’S USE ONLY:
Res. No.: 391  Ord. No. ______
Vote – Ayes: ______  Noes: ______
Absent: ______  Approved
Minutes 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

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER:
Requested Action Recommended ______
No Opinion ______
Comments: ______
CAO: ______

Revised Dec. 2002
TO: BOB PICKARD, Supervisor District V
FROM: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board

SUBJECT: Tentatively Approve the use of Title III Funding from the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (HR 2389) for a Yosemite Sequoia Resource Conservation & Development Council Project

RESOLUTION 06-301

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPOSA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

ADOPTED THIS Order on June 27, 2006

ACTION AND VOTE:

Tentatively Approve the use of Title III Funding from the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (HR 2389) for a Yosemite Sequoia Resource Conservation & Development Council Project (Supervisor Pickard)

BOARD ACTION: Discussion was held with Robyn Smith, Coordinator for Yosemite Sequoia Resource Conservation & Development Council, relative to the request to develop a booklet for Mariposa County that is similar to the “Welcome to the Foothills” booklet that was developed for Eastern Madera County. Supervisor Pickard advised of interest from other entities in participating in this project.

Input from the public was provided by the following:
   Ruth Catalan, member of the Board of Directors for the Resource Conservation District, advised of their support for this project.

(M)Turpin, (S)Fritz, Res. 06-301 was adopted tentatively approving the use of the Title III funding as requested; and direction was given to staff to initiate the 45-day comment period and to bring this back for final action. Supervisor Bibby suggested that participation be sought from other departments for the booklet, and that the Farm Advisor be listed as a resource. Ayes: Unanimous.

Cc: Yosemite Sequoia Resource Conservation & Development Council
    Mariposa Resource Conservation District
    Mariposa County Fire Safe Council
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