RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Authorize the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to sign a letter regarding the Proposed California Bonds. Both the Governor and the State Legislature are proposing several bonds for the upcoming election which could have an impact on the availability of funding for Mariposa County with regards to road maintenance and infrastructure needs.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
The Board has authorized the Chairman to sign letters regarding issues that may impact the well being of the citizens of Mariposa County.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
Make modifications to the letter and authorize the Chairman to sign the modified letter.

Do not authorize the Chairman to sign the letter. Individual Board members may send letters of their own regarding this issue.

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CLERK'S USE ONLY:

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: AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO SIGN A LETTER REGARDING THE PROPOSED CALIFORNIA BONDS RESOLUTION 06-94

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPOSA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

ADOPTED THIS Order on March 14, 2006

ACTION AND VOTE:

Authorize the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to Sign a Letter Regarding the Proposed California Bonds (Supervisors Pickard)

BOARD ACTION: Supervisor Pickard initiated discussion and he advised of the status of the proposed bond measure. Dana Hertfelder, Public Works Director, provided input relative to the list of pending road projects. (M)Fritz, (S)Turpin, Res. 06-94 was adopted approving the letter with the addition of distribution to the following: CalTrans, RCRC and CSAC/Ayes: Unanimous.

Cc: File
March 14, 2006

The Honorable Dave Cogdill
California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 4117
Sacramento, California 95814

Re: PENDING BOND PROPOSALS

Dear Assembly Member Cogdill:

The Mariposa County Board of Supervisors was recently informed of several pending Bond Proposals by both the Governor and State Legislature. Mariposa like so many counties, has many infrastructure needs particularly in maintenance and rehabilitation of county maintained roads, juvenile and adult detention facilities, water and waste-water treatment facilities, affordable housing, and a new Superior Court building to name a few.

Mariposa County has seen very little in State funding for road maintenance and rehabilitation. In over 4 years the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) has provided no funding for projects other than those already approved by the California Transportation Commission (CTC). Proposition 40 has only in this current fiscal year provided some road maintenance funding, however it is uncertain if this funding will continue in future years. Mariposa County maintains over 560 miles of roads ranging in elevation from a low of 300 feet to over 7,000 feet. With the seasonal elements and a growing population, road maintenance will continue to spiral making it crucial that the State at a minimum restores traditional funding through the STIP and Proposition 40.

Additionally, with a growing population Mariposa County is finding it increasingly difficult to identify funding for a wide range of infrastructure projects such as wastewater treatment facilities, parks, adult and juvenile detention facilities, and fire and sheriff stations. The County is currently evaluating a Capital Improvement Plan designed to look at our short and long range service needs which will be funded through an Impact Fee on new construction. However, we are still uncertain of what the needs will be or if the fees will be sufficient to accomplish our goals. If these Proposed Bonds change the traditional funding sources Mariposa County may fall even further behind in our infrastructure needs.
Another category which has been identified is Court House Construction. In early 2005 Mariposa County was informed by the State that we were no longer a priority for a new court facility. The need for a new court facility has not diminished and will continue to be an issue especially regarding safety, access, and security. The Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) along with the Mariposa County Superior Court and the County of Mariposa has completed much of the work necessary for the construction of a new court facility including collaboratively selecting an architect. As a result of all the planning and by the tremendous need for a new court house, the Board of Supervisors requests your assistance in identifying funding within a proposed Court House Construction Bond.

We believe there should be a great deal of public input and discussion before a Bond is placed on the ballot. If this Bond lessens California’s Bond capacity for several years it is critical that we think this through and keep the well-being of all Californians in mind.

Attached is a list of identified projects and estimated costs. Please contact Rich Inman, County Administrative Officer if you have any questions regarding the list or matters pertaining to this issue.

Thank you for your time and thoughtful consideration of these requests.

Sincerely,

LEE STETSON
Chairman

BP/LS/mbh
Attachment

cc: Senator, Chuck Poochigian
    Wes Lujan, Avocation