RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2014-132

MEETING: April 1, 2014

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Rick Benson, County Administrative Officer

RE: Mariposa Butterfly Festival

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Designate the 2014 Mariposa Butterfly Festival as a County Sponsored Event, Approve the Activities Associated With the Festival, Approve Closure of Areas During the Festival (See Attached), Approve the Use of the County Transit Bus, Approve the Attached Letter to Caltrans Regarding Traffic Detours, and Authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair to Sign the Letter.

By designating the Mariposa Butterfly Festival to be a County sponsored event the County accepts a degree of responsibility for activities during the Festival, because the event will be covered by the County’s liability insurance. Although there is no additional cost, if there is a claim it is possible that the County’s insurance premium may be increased.

The Butterfly Festival has proven to be a boost for local businesses as it attracts visitors to Mariposa.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
The Butterfly Festival has been designated by your Board as a County sponsored event for several years without incident.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
Without the County’s participation the cost of operating the Butterfly Festival would increase for its sponsors perhaps limiting their ability to conduct the annual event.

ATTACHMENTS:
Letter regarding Butterfly Festival to BOS  (PDF)
Butterfly Festival Attachments (PDF)
CAO RECOMMENDATION
Requested Action Recommended

Rick Benson, County Administrator

RESULT: ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Merlin Jones, District II Supervisor
SECONDER: Lee Stetson, District I Supervisor
AYES: Stetson, Jones, Bibby, Cann, Carrier
April 1, 2014

Permit Engineer  
Department of Transportation  
Post Office Box 3558  
Merced, CA 95344

Dear Sir or Madam:

On April 1, 2014, the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors adopted a Resolution, approving the Encroachment Permit applications for the detour of traffic from state routes to Mariposa County roadways on Saturday, May 3, 2014, for the duration of the “Mariposa Butterfly Festival Parade”, and for the “Mariposa Butterfly Festival” banners.

Mariposa County agrees to hold CalTrans and the State of California harmless for any damages to county roadways as a result of this detour.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Kevin Cann,  
Board of Supervisor Chair

KC:tg

Cc: Board of Supervisors  
Peter Rei, Public Works Director  
File
February 18, 2014

Mariposa County Board of Supervisors
PO Box 784
Mariposa CA 95338

Dear Board of Supervisors;

The Mariposa County Chamber of Commerce would like to request the County Board of Supervisors grants permission to allow the Mariposa Butterfly Festival and Mariposa Butterfly Event including a Parade to take place again this year on May 2nd, 3rd, and 4th. The parade would be held Saturday May 3rd at 11 am.

Encroachment and assemblage permits are in the process of being signed off on and you should have them very shortly.

Thank you for your consideration,

[Signature]
Kathy McCorry
Mariposa County Chamber of Commerce

cc: Cal Trans
Mariposa Public Works
Highway Patrol