Recommended resolution authorizing Chairman to send letter to CalEPA regarding Mariposa County’s intent to apply to become a CUPA. See attached memo.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

There have been multiple discussions with the Board on this issue over the past 3 1/2 years:


Memos to the Board on 12/1/98 and 4/5/99.

LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

1. Do not indicate intent and do no apply to become a CUPA, and allow the State to administer the CUPA Program (not desired by the State, not desired by local business, not recommended).

2. Apply to become a CUPA, but do not accept State funding, abolish current fees for underground tanks, and fund the program entirely from the General Fund.

COSTS:

- (X) Not Applicable
- A. Budgeted current FY
- B. Total anticipated costs
- C. Required additional funding
- D. Internal transfers

SOURCE:

- ( ) 4/9ths Vote Required
- A. Unanticipated revenues
- B. Reserve for contingencies
- C. Source description:
- Balance in Reserve for Contingencies, if approved:

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

List the attachments and number the pages consecutively:

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER’S RECOMMENDATION:

This item on agenda as:

- Recommended
- Not Recommended
- For Policy Determination
- Submitted with Comment
- Returned for Further Action

Comment:

A.O. Initials: 

The foregoing instrument is a correct copy of the original on file in this office.

Res. No.: 01-94

Vote - Ayes: 
Absend: 

( ) Approved 
( ) Denied

( ) Minute Order Attached 
( ) No Action Necessary

By:

Deputy

MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board
County of Mariposa, State of California

Action Form Revised 5/92
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MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTE ORDER

TO: DR. MOSHER, Public Health Director
FROM: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board

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July 10, 2001

Ms. Kathy Fletcher, Deputy Secretary for External Affairs  
California Environmental Protection Agency  
1001 “I” Street  
Sacramento, CA

RE: Implementation of a Local Certified Unified Program Agency (CUPA)

Dear Ms. Fletcher:

Please be advised that the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors has acted to direct the County Health Department to submit an application to the California Environmental Protection Agency to become a local Certified Unified Program Agency (CUPA). Our intentions in this regard are predicated on the assumption that FY 2001/02 funding for the Rural CUPA Reimbursement Account will be made available to Mariposa County in advance of start-up and to help offset ongoing costs of CUPA implementation in accordance with the provisions of Sections 25404 – 25404.8 of the Health and Safety Code. Furthermore, please be advised that continued State funding in subsequent years and setting of State surcharge fees at reasonable levels is considered essential for this County to continue implementation of local CUPA programs.

We further understand that the California Environmental Protection Agency and other State agencies may provide technical and administrative assistance to our County staff on request, to help prepare the required CUPA Application package and to assist with program development and implementation following certification. With this understanding, Mariposa County intends to submit an application package and/or work plan to you for review no later than December 1, 2001.
Should you have any questions, please contact Charles B. Mosher, MD, MPH, Health Officer, at 209-966-2220.

Sincerely,

Doug Balmain

Doug Balmain, Chair
Mariposa County Board of Supervisors

Encl (Resolution)

Cc: Charles B. Mosher, MD, MPH, Mariposa County Health Officer
    David L. Conway, REHS, Mariposa County Environmental Health Department
    Don Johnson, California Environmental Protection Agency