MARIPOSA COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

AGENDA
ACTION FORM

DATE: 11-27-01
AGENDA ITEM NO.: #9

DEPARTMENT: MARIPOSA PLANNING
BY: Eric Jay Toll
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RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION: (Policy Item: Yes ___ No ___)

APPROVE COUNTY PARTICIPATION IN A CALTRANS GRANT AND AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE MERCED COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS TO PREPARE THE GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM BASE MAP. AUTHORIZE THE ASSESSOR, INFORMATION SYSTEMS, AND PLANNING DEPARTMENTS TO SATISFY COUNTY MATCH WITH IN-KIND SERVICES

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

The Board has held several meetings and a steering committee meeting to discuss the County's move into a Geographic Information System. The heart of the GIS is the parcel base map. The awarded grant allows the County to have MCAG prepare the basemap for a future GIS at no hard costs to the County.

LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Failure to approve this grant would require additional funds to be expended when the County initiates its GIS program.

COSTS:
A. Budgeted current FY
   $___________
B. Total anticipated costs
   $___________
C. Required additional funding
   $___________
D. Internal transfers
   $___________

SOURCE:
A. Unanticipated revenues
   ( ) 4/5th Vote Required
   $___________
B. Reserve for contingencies
   $___________
C. Source description:
   ____________________________
   Balance in Reserve for Contingencies, if approved:
   $___________

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:
List the attachments and number the pages consecutively:

CLERK'S USE ONLY:
Res. No.: 01-29
Ord. No: __________
Vote - Ayes: ______  Noes: ______
Absent: ______
( ) Approved ( ) Denied ( ) Not Recommended
( ) 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

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:
This item on agenda as:

______ Recommended

______ For Policy Determination

______ Submitted with Comment

______ Returned for Further Action

Comment: ______________

A.O. Initials: __________

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MEMORANDUM

Date: November 27, 2001
To: Board of Supervisors
From: Eric Jay Toll, Director

Topic: Approval to enter into agreement for a grant with Merced County Association of Governments for preparation of Geographic Information System Base Map (CalTrans grant)

Two years ago, the Merced County Association of Governments (MCAG) applied for a grant with Caltrans to prepare the geographic information system base parcel map for Mariposa County. The grant was declined by Caltrans in 2000. This summer, Caltrans notified MCAG that the grant was awarded. The $56,250 grant will cover all costs associated with the compilation of data preparing the basemap for the County’s Arc/Info Geographic Information System (GIS). This is one of the most expensive components.

The Board of Supervisors has recognized the need for the County to have a GIS system, however, the full program has not been funded. Through other grants or possible future budgets, the County is likely to ultimately move into a GIS system. Having the base map in place would be a significant starting point.

Authorizing MCAG to prepare the basemap does not commit the County to any hardware or software until the Board is ready to approve a geographic information system program. If the County moves towards that effort over the next few years, we would save significant dollars with the basemap in place.

The grant requires the County to match $11,250 in in-kind services. The remaining $45,000 would go to MCAG for map preparation. Our match would be providing a clean set of Assessor Parcel Maps, data output from the AS400, and conducting two public meetings.

One meeting is required at the beginning of the process to assess the potential needs of GIS users. The second meeting is at the end of the process to report on the completion of the project and determine additional client needs. No hard dollars are required.

Our Mission is to provide our clients with professional service and accurate information in a respectful, courteous, and enthusiastic manner resulting in a well-planned rural environment.
The public meetings would be generally open to any interested person, but would focus on inviting anticipated internal and external GIS clients.


External: CDF, Caltrans, USFS, NPS, Mountain Family Crisis, Title companies, Board of Realtors, news media, Chamber of Commerce, telecommunications, PG&E.

In-kind services:

- Clean set of APN maps
- Data transfer from AS400 to GIS database
- County base maps

Staff believes that this is a crucial opportunity for us, and should be approved.