RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2015-136

MEETING: March 24, 2015

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Mary Hodson, CAO

RE: Fish & Game Funding for Barn Owl Pellet Dissection Project

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Approve the Use of Funding in the Fish & Game Budget for a Barn Owl Pellet Dissection Project Sponsored by the Mariposa County Fish & Game Protective Association in the Amount of $2,995. The Project will be done in cooperation with the local 4-H, Boy & Girl Scouts, various schools and Future Farmers of America (FFA) groups to receive Barn Owl pellets to dissect, research and study in a classroom setting.

Please see the attached proposal for additional information on the project.

The County’s Fish & Game budget receives revenue from fines relating to violations of the California Fish & Game Code and any other law relating to the protection and preservation of birds, mammals, fish, reptiles, or amphibians. Section 13103 of the California Fish & Game Code (attached) lists approved expenses and this project meets that criteria.

Currently there is approximately $12,423 available in the Fish & Game budget, which is sufficient for this project. Annually this budget collects a little over $1,500 on average. If this project is approved, County Administrative staff will process invoices for payments when properly submitted for approved purchases.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
On March 4, 2014, the Board adopted Resolution 14-93 approving the use of Fish & Game funds for the Barn Owl Box project in the amount of $6,500.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
Approve the request, but for a reduced number of owl pellets and students.

Do not approve the request. Funding will need to be identified from another source.

ATTACHMENTS:
2015 Fish and Game Grant Proposal for Barn Owl Pellets (PDF)
CAO RECOMMENDATION
Requested Action Recommended

Mary Hodeson
Mary Hodeson, CAO 3/18/2015

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Rosemarie Smallcombe, District I Supervisor
SECONDER: Marshall Long, District III Supervisor
AYES: Rosemarie Smallcombe, Merlin Jones, Marshall Long, Kevin Cann
EXCUSED: John Carrier