DEPARTMENT: Planning  BY: Sarah Williams  PHONE: 966-5151

RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION: (Policy Item: Yes__ No__XX__)

Resolution directing the Rural Community Assistance Corporation (RCAC) (consultant) to prepare the Final Coulterville Water and Wastewater Facilities Cost Analysis/Rate Study, which shall include the modifications recommended by staff and the consultant’s responses to questions and comments raised in the review process and public meeting.

Recommended action is based upon provisions of contract executed between RCAC and County of Mariposa. It is staff’s determination that draft study complies with requirements of contract.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

See attached memorandum to Board of Supervisors for background and history of Board actions.

LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

1) Revise recommended modifications to Study.

2) Accept draft study as presented.

NEGATIVE ACTION to the recommended action would result in Final Study not being prepared. County would have to pursue termination of the contract in accordance with specific contract provisions.

COSTS: (X) Not Applicable

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

SOURCE:

A. Unanticipated revenues $________
B. Reserve for contingencies $________

Balance in Reserve for Contingencies, if approved: $________

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

List the attachments and number the pages consecutively:

Memo to Board including Attachments

1. Draft Cost Analysis/Rate Study
   with recommended modifications
2. Executed Contract for Services

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:________
TO: ED JOHNSON, Planning and Building Director
FROM: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board

SUBJECT: PUBLIC HEARING for Presentation of Draft Coulterville Water and Wastewater Facilities Cost Analysis/Rate Study by RCAC

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPOSA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA,

ADOPTED THIS Order on March 14, 1995

ACTION AND VOTE:

7:05 p.m. Ed Johnson, Planning and Building Director;
PUBLIC HEARING for Presentation of Draft Coulterville Water and Wastewater Facilities Cost Analysis/Rate Study by the Rural Community Assistance Corporation (RCAC) (Consultant) and to Provide Further Direction

BOARD ACTION: Ed Johnson and Sarah Williams/Senior Planner, presented staff report. Mark Richardson/Rural Community Assistance Corporation (RCAC), reviewed the report. Mike Edwards/Public Works Director, responded to questions from the Board relative to schedule for reading the meters. Forrest Barriger asked about the meaning of "per capita". Ethel Henderson asked about usage data. Mark Richardson continued with his review of the report and alternatives. Mike Edwards advised of staff recommendation to approve the draft report with corrections; and of meeting with the Advisory Board and its recommendation to reject the draft report and request the consultant to meet with the Advisory Board and the community to take further input; and also advised of input received from Karen Fielding of the Jeffery Hotel. Public portion of the hearing was opened. Input was provided by the following: Ann Stewart/Advisory Board member, commented on the issue of having a licensed operator to operate the facilities; commented on the contract requirements and scope of services with the consultant; and expressed concern with the proposed rate structure. Joan Tune/Advisory Board member, asked about the requirements for a licensed contract individual to operate the facilities; stated the Advisory Board has not been able to review the report in detail; feels there are many inaccuracies in the report; commented on the contract provisions relative to a second visit to the community for additional input to be provided; and stated she felt the rate structure will not work for the community.
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Staff and consultant responded to questions from the Board relative to scheduling a meeting with the Advisory Board and the community. Forrest Barriger/Advisory Board member, stated he was speaking as an individual, referred to his written comments. Walt McClary/Advisory Board member, asked about staff’s recommendation to approve the draft report. Ethel Henderson/Yosemite Americana Inn, asked about water usage over the 36,000 gallons per year and who those users are. Joan Tune advised that the Advisory Committee has that information. Joyce McSharry/local business owner, asked about the consultant’s experience with studies for similar areas. Carl Harla commented on the labor costs for County personnel to the District. Public portion of the hearing was closed and Board commenced with deliberations. (M)Balmain, (S)Taber, Res. 95-99 adopted rejecting the draft report due to numerous mistakes and finding the consultant has not met the contractual obligation; and requesting that the consultant meet with the Advisory Board and bring a revised draft report that fits the needs of the community to the Board for further consideration/Ayes: Balmain, Stewart, Parker, Taber; Excused: Reilly. Hearing was closed.

cc: Mike Edwards, Public Works Director  
Doug Balmain, District II Supervisor