RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION: (Policy Item: Yes  No X)

Public Works has completed formal negotiations with a private party to achieve use of a viable potable water supply for Midpines Park and Fire Station from their neighboring well. County Counsel has drafted an agreement which is currently in the hands of the property owners and their legal counsel. By the time today's Board item on this matter is reviewed, an answer is expected from the property owners.

Should the status of this alternative to resolve the Midpines County Park water supply be negative, it is recommended that the Board select one of the other alternatives previously submitted to the Board by Public Works for approval.

Should the status of this alternative be positive, then an agreement will be presented as soon as possible to the Board for possible approval.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

An informational item was presented to the Board on May 2, 1995, which informed the Board of the status of the Midpines County Park's failed potable water supply well. On May 16, 1995, Resolution No. 95-223, a detailed list of six (6) alternative solutions were presented to the Board for recommendation. Funding was approved and the current alternative was selected.

The State Department of Health Services (DOHS) was contacted by Public Works to determine what would be required to put the existing well back into operation as recent test results have shown the water quality to be potable. Their response was (because of the history of the water in the well) the County would have to test the well for a full year at higher frequency and prove that this well was not a ground water supply under the influence of surface water prior to use. It is the opinion of staff and the DOHS that the results of such testing would be negative.

LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

See above.

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

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

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

CLERK'S USE ONLY
Vote: Ayes: Noes: Absent:
() Approved  () Denied  () No Action Necessary
Minute Order Attached

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

ATTEST: MARIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board
County of Mariposa, State of California
By: Deputy

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: Mc / Aug 1995

Action Form Revised 5/92
TO: MIKE EDWARDS, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

FROM: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board

SUBJECT: Status Report on Midpines Park Community Hall and Fire Station Water Supply; Res. 95-395

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ADOPTED THIS Order on September 5, 1995

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