August 24, 1994

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: James F. Evans, Director

SUBJECT: US FOREST SERVICE ECONOMIC RECOVERY PROGRAM: CALIFORNIA TRADITIONAL NATIVE CRAFTS MANUFACTURING PROJECT

On February 15, 1994, the Board of Supervisors authorized (by Resolution 94-51) submittal of a California Traditional Native Crafts Manufacturing Project proposal on behalf of the American Indian Council of Mariposa County.

The Project is designed to investigate the feasibility of an American Indian Council-owned and operated business to provide traditional Indian crafts to Yosemite National Park. If feasible, the Project also includes the preparation of business funding applications to appropriate entities. Please see the attached Abstract for more information.

I am requesting that you authorize acceptance of the attached $16,000 Federal Financial Assistance Award.

Thank you very much for your consideration of my request.
RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION: (Policy Item: Yes__ No_x)

Recommend resolution authorizing temporary increase in office space rent for Environmental Health at Italian Acres due to increase in water bill. Ken Mari, owner of Italian Acres, is requesting an $8.00 increase per month, starting September 1, 1994.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

During the FY 1994-1995 budget preparations in mid-May, we asked the owner if an increase in rent was planned for FY 1994-1995. The response was "No changes in rent are anticipated." Additional cost can be absorbed within the Health Department budget. Original contract signed June 15, 1992, Resolution #92-251. Contract was amended on March 9, 1993, Resolution #93-133.

LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Possible negative action against contract by building owner.