RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2017-38

MEETING: January 24, 2017

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Eric Sergienko, Health Officer

RE: Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems Local Area Management Plan

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
PUBLIC HEARING to Consider Authorizing the Environmental Health Manager to Submit the Revised Local Area Management Plan for Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems for Mariposa County to the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board for Final Approval.

The attached LAMP document describes how Mariposa County handles on-site sewage disposal using existing County Codes, Rules and Regulations pursuant to County Code and Health Department Policies that have been developed over the past 25 years.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS: Item 5842 In May 2016 the Board authorized the Environmental Health Manager to submit a draft LAMP to the Water Board. The Water Board staff requested minor changes to the LAMP prior to final approval.
In 1990 AB885 was passed by the State Legislature requiring statewide sewage disposal regulations to be adopted. In 2013 the State Water Board adopted a Water Board Policy in place of regulations that is far more restrictive than Mariposa Counties Sewage Disposal Rules and Regulations. The policy allows Counties to submit a Local Area Management Program (LAMP) that describes how sewage disposal will be handled differently than the prescriptive standards in tier 1 of the policy but still be protective of the State’s Waters.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
Do not approve submittal of the LAMP and The County will have to begin following the prescriptive standards in tier 1 of the policy starting May 13, 2018.

ATTACHMENTS:
LAMP Final REDLINE version   (PDF)

CAO RECOMMENDATION
Requested Action Recommended
RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Kevin Cann, District IV Supervisor
SECONDER: Merlin Jones, District II Supervisor
AYES: Menetrey, Smallcombe, Jones, Long, Cann