RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION: (Policy Item: Yes___ No_x___) Resolution in Opposition to AB 3092, attached.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
The attached resolution is in opposition to AB 3092, which proposes to impose a parcel tax for funding of the State Department of Forestry. The bill would require that collection be made by the counties and would authorize the counties to impose an additional charge to pay for the costs of collection. Under this bill, counties become the collection agent for this State revenue.

LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
1. Do not approve the resolution. Mariposa County will not have voiced an opinion on AB 3092.
RESOLUTION NO. 92-334

RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION
TO AB 3092

WHEREAS, AB 3092 would impose a parcel fee to finance a State Agency, the California Department of Forestry; and

WHEREAS, AB 3092 would require counties to collect the parcel fee imposed and thereby insulate the State from the taxpayer's ire by misleading them into believing that the fee is locally imposed; and

WHEREAS, the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors strongly objects to the State's use of county government as a collection agency for taxes and fees imposed by the State;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mariposa that the Board hereby declares its ardent opposition to AB 3092;

AND LET IT FURTHER BE RESOLVED that the Board declares its opposition to any other revenue measures to support State Government which utilizes local agencies as collection agencies to shield the State from the thankless task of the imposition of fees and taxes.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors this 16th day of June, 1992 by the following vote:

AYES: BAGGETT, PUNTE, ERICKSON, RADANOVICH, TABER
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: NONE
ABSTAINED: NONE

SALLY S. PUNTE, Chair
Mariposa County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:
MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

JEFFREY G. GREEN, County Counsel