RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION: (Policy Item: Yes___ No XX)
Adoption of a resolution approving the road name "Elizabeth Lane". The road name is consistent with the road naming requirements of County Resolution No. 85-304. The applicant states that the name "Elizabeth" is of historical significance in that Elizabeth Beasley owned a ranch in the area since the mid 1850's.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
The Board adopted Resolution No. 85-304 in 1985 establishing criteria for naming non-county roads.

LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
1. Continue matter.
2. Deny road name request (negative action would deny requested road name).

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:
List the attachments and number the pages consecutively:
1. Map
   2. Applicant's letter re historical significance.

CLERK'S USE ONLY:
Res. No.: 1/21/92
Ord. No.:
Vote - Ayes: ______ Noes: ______
Absent: ______ Abstained: ______
Approved: ______ Denied: ______
Minute Order Attached: ______
No Action Necessary

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

ATTEST: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board
          County of Mariposa, State of California
          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:

Action Form Revised 5/92
MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTE ORDER

TO: TONY LASHBROOK, PLANNING DIRECTOR
FROM: MARGIE WILLIAMS, CLERK OF THE BOARD
RE: ROAD NAMING PROCESS

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPOSA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

ADOPTED THIS Order on July 28, 1992

ACTION AND VOTE:

Approval of Consent Agenda (See End of Minutes)
BOARD ACTION: Administrative Officer removed item 1. Supervisor Erickson pulled item 3. (M)Erickson, (S)Baggett, balance of items were approved/Ayes: Unanimous. Supervisor Erickson requested that the Planning Commission not approve the use of first names in the road naming procedures. (M)Erickson, (S)Radanovich, item 3 was approved/Ayes: Unanimous.

cc: File
Pursuant to Mariposa County Resolution No. 85-304, Section B.1., the above name was chosen for its historical significance to the immediate area of the subject property.

Mr. and Mrs. Beasley operated a ranch in this vicinity in the mid 1850's as evidenced by a Deed whereby they sold their ranch, the "Beasley Ranch", to a William Evans. This deed bears the date December 23, 1862 and was recorded in book M, page 435 of the Mariposa County Records. Prior to this date, no deed was found whereby the Beasley's acquired this ranch.

Mr. Evans did not hold this land long and by a Deed dated March 25, 1862 and recorded in Book R, Page 118, he conveyed the ranch back to ELIZABETH BEASLEY. Along with the ranch, Elizabeth received two mares and a colt, one two year old filly and 10 head of cattle. It would appear that she lived on this land and operated her ranch, but never made an application for a homestead to receive title from the government which homestead act became effective 2 months later in May of 1862.

Some 22 years later, the land now owned by Bjarne Kjaer and his wife was patented through the Homestead Act by a Charles Holden.

Though the description of Elizabeth's ranch is vague, it was described as follows:

West of the Guadalupe Mountains situated Southeasterly about 8 miles from the town of Hornitos.

This area would be in or near the subject property as shown on the attached map.

The official records of Mariposa County never disclosed a deed whereby ELIZABETH sold her ranch or applied for a patent for the same, however in her memory, the present owners shall imprint her name on their subdivision map and in consideration of her efforts to tame the lands of Mariposa in the 1800's, the name "ELIZABETH" shall be made visible for all to see on the road name sign planted on the site of the subject property.