DEPARTMENT: PLANNING  
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RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION: (Policy Item: Yes___ No_x)  
Adoption of a resolution initiating scenic highway designation for Highway 49 South from the southern Mariposa TPA boundary to the Mariposa/Madera County line. The attachments provide an overview of the designation process, define the benefits of the program, illustrate the approximate boundaries of the scenic highway, and propose a schedule for the designation process.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS: In August, 1991, following Board action to adopt a protection program in accordance with state guidelines, the state officially designated Highway 140 from the northern boundary of the Mariposa TPA to the western boundary of the El Portal TPA as a scenic highway. In May, 1992 the Board directed the Planning Department to investigate expansion of the Scenic Highway program to include Highway 49.

LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:  
1. Take no action - Scenic Highway process would not be initiated.  
2. Initiate action on a different length of highway.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: List the attachments and number the pages consecutively:  
1. Memorandum  
2. Proposed Schedule  
3. Map  
4. Resolution of Intent  
5. Scenic Highway Study

ADMINSISTRATIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION: 
This item on agenda as:  
\( \checkmark \) Recommended  
\( \) Not Recommended  
\( \) For Policy Determination  
\( \) Submitted with Comment  
\( \) Returned for Further Action  
Comment:  
A.O. Initials:

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MARIPOSA COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 92-553

A RESOLUTION OF INTENTION TO INITIATE THE DESIGNATION PROCESS FOR OFFICIAL STATE DESIGNATION OF HIGHWAY 49 SOUTH AS A SCENIC HIGHWAY FROM THE SOUTHERN MARIPOSA TPA BOUNDARY TO THE MARIPOSA COUNTY LINE

WHEREAS, the California State Legislature established the California Scenic Highway Program through Senate Bill 1467; and

WHEREAS, Highway 49 South from the southern Mariposa TPA boundary to the Mariposa County line (hereafter referred to as the Scenic Route) is included in The Master Plan of State Highways Eligible for Official Scenic Highway Designation; and

WHEREAS, official designation of the Scenic Route as a Scenic Highway is consistent with the Scenic Highways Element of the Mariposa County General Plan; and

WHEREAS, the local effects of official designation have been identified as the protection of the recreational, social and economic values derived from the protection of the recreational, social and economic values derived from the protection and enhancement of the scenic qualities of the County, for the benefit of residents and visitors; the promotion of the overall economic vitality of the district; the enhancement of tourism; and the stabilization and increase of property values in the district; and
WHEREAS, the County must provide the Caltrans District Director of Transportation with a Resolution of Intention to initiate the designation process.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors does hereby adopt this Resolution of Intention to establish an Official Scenic Highway along the route shown in the attached exhibit, and that the Mariposa County Planning Department is hereby directed to submit this Resolution of Intent to the Caltrans District Director of Transportation with the required accompaniments, and that the Mariposa County Planning Department is hereby directed to initiate proceedings to amend the County Zoning Map to protect and enhance the Scenic Route in accordance with Chapter 17.65 of County Code upon receipt of the Caltrans Departmental Transportation Advisory Committee's approval to proceed.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors on this 20th day of October, 1992 by the following vote:

AYES: BAGGETT, PUNTE, ERICKSON, RADANOVICH, TABER

NOES: NONE

ABSTAINED: NONE

SALLY S. PUNTE, CHAIRPERSON
Mariposa County Board of Supervisors
ATTEST:

MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

JEFFREY G. GREEN, County Counsel