

MARIPOSA COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 91-499

A RESOLUTION SHOWING THE NEED TO MAINTAIN THE USDA SOIL CONSERVATION OFFICE IN THE COUNTY OF MARIPOSA

WHEREAS, the USDA Soil Conservation Service has maintained an office in Mariposa County for over 40 years; and

WHEREAS, the Soil Conservation Service continues to provide a multitude of important and worthwhile services to a diverse cross section of the community, some of which are:

- Assisted Mariposa County with development and implementation of the County Grading Ordinance;

- Formed a steering committee for the proposed outdoor classroom at Mariposa Junior High School to provide conservation education to the youth of the community;

- Maintains a public information booth at the County Fair, provides speakers for resource conservation education to classrooms and civic groups, and sponsors students at annual range management camps throughout the state;

- Performed a study of the Bean Creek Watershed in Greeley Hill and directed the necessary stream channel stabilization to improve water quality;

- Performs erosion control practices on new construction sites throughout the County. As recently as October 1991, 18 areas have benefitted from being seeded and mulched to prevent accelerated erosion, thereby maintaining water quality;

- Provides on-going assistance to the growing wine industry in Mariposa County and continues with assistance to ranchers for livestock water development and grazing management. Seventeen ranches have been assisted just since September of this year;

- Completed a soil survey of Yosemite Valley at the request of the National Park Service;

- Provided informational workshops for contractors and realtors on procedures to minimize environmental impact;

- Assisted with three hydrologic analyses of recent gas spills in Mariposa Creek;

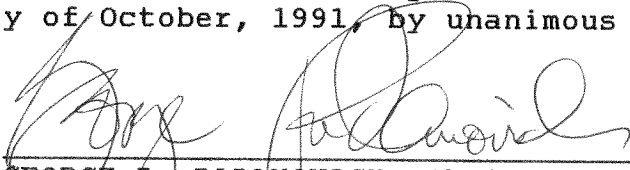
- Provided over 250,000 tree seedlings to county residents for reforestation over the past twenty years; and

WHEREAS, Mariposa County, because of its wide variation of topography, has enormous erosion and resource problems and would thus suffer greatly without the expertise of the Soil Conservation Service; and

WHEREAS, the County is experiencing a tremendous growth in population, including residential, commercial and ranching, thus increasing the need for the valuable services heretofore provided by the Soil Conservation Service;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors, a political subdivision of the State of California, that the USDA Soil Conservation Service office be made cognizant of the dire consequences the County would suffer in the closure of their office and that all efforts be expended to insure the maintenance of their office in the County of Mariposa.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors this 22nd day of October, 1991, by unanimous vote.



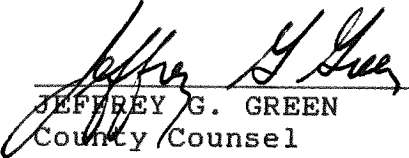
GEORGE P. RADANOVICH, Chairman
Mariposa County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:



MARGIE WILLIAMS
Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM
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