BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COUNTY OF MARIPOSA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTABLISHMENT
OF AN EMERGENCY SEPTIC TANK SYSTEM
BUILDING MORATORIUM FOR THE
COMMUNITY OF HORNITOS

RESOLUTION NO. 87-235

WHEREAS, the Division of Clean Water Grants of the State Water Resources Control Board has determined that the community of Hornitos, has significant pollution and public health problems pertaining to septic tank systems and wells.

WHEREAS, the Division of Clean Water Grants will recommend placement of the community of Hornitos on the Fiscal Year 1988 Priority List for a Priority "A" project for the receipt of a Clean Water Grant contingent upon acceptance by the Regional Water Quality Control Board of a locally-imposed emergency septic tank system building moratorium on the above area; and

WHEREAS, the Pollution Study completed by Questa Engineering in April 1987, and the staffs of the State and Regional Boards have concluded that, among other things, poor soil conditions affect the aforementioned area, which is one of the causes of septic tank system failures, and that well contamination has occurred in the above community; and

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WHEREAS, the County Health Department has determined that serious health hazards exist; and

WHEREAS, the County Health Department has recommended that the boundary of the septic tank system moratorium area be as specified in the attached map hereto: and

WHEREAS, on June 16, 1987, a public hearing was held in the chambers of the Board of Supervisors concerning the imposition of the septic tank system building moratorium in the affected area.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mariposa, State of California, as follows:

1. The facts recited above are all found to be correct.

2. Notice of the public hearing on this matter has been duly given by publication in the local newspaper servicing the affected area and a public hearing was held on June 16, 1987 in the chambers of the Board of Supervisors.

3. No new septic tank systems shall be permitted in the community of Hornitos without prior approval from the Regional Water Quality Control Board. The Standards of the Regional Water Quality Control Board shall not exceed the standards of Mariposa County re: installation of new septic tank systems. Permits shall be granted if the standards for installation of a new septic system are met.
4. Existing septic tank systems in the above-referenced community will be required to connect to a public sewage system designed to remedy the problems when it becomes available.

5. Repair to existing systems will be allowed provided permits are approved by the Health Department.

6. The affected community is more fully depicted on the map attached hereto, labeled Exhibit "B" and incorporated herein by this reference.

8. The County Health Department shall collect all necessary data and file a semi-annual report and recommendations with this Board addressing the need for further restrictions or modifications of this policy. This policy shall continue until such time as the Health Department is able to recommend its termination based on improvements to the area sufficient to produce conditions under which private septic tank systems may safely be permitted.

9. The Clerk of this Board is directed to send a certified copy of this resolution to the following:

   Health Department
   Community Development Department
   County Counsel
   Regional Water Quality Control Board
   Water Resources Control Board
PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors this 16th day of June, 1987, by the following vote:

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

ATTEST

LEROY RADANOVICH, Chairman
Board of Supervisors

Margie Williams, Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

JEFFREY G. GREEN, County Counsel