MARIPOSA COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 83-137

ESTABLISHING POLICY FOR WORKERS' COMPENSATION
COVERAGE FOR VOLUNTEERS IN TRANSIT

WHEREAS, the County of Mariposa is self-insured for primary
coverage of Workers' Compensation, including coverage of autho-
rized volunteers in various programs; and

WHEREAS, said volunteers perform a valuable service to the
County and its residents, particularly in the areas of emergency
response;

NOW THEREFORE it is resolved by the Board of Supervisors of
Mariposa County that the following statement of policy shall
govern Workers' Compensation coverage under the self-insurance
program for authorized emergency response volunteers in transit
while responding to emergency calls:

POLICY STATEMENT

Mariposa County self-insurance for Workers' Compensation
shall provide coverage for authorized emergency response volun-
teers while in transit in response to emergency calls under the
following circumstances and conditions:

1. PERSONS COVERED: This coverage extends to authorized
emergency volunteers whose names appear on an official roster on
file with the County of Mariposa prior to the date of any occur-
rence upon which a claim is based. Coverage is also extended to
such other individuals as may be temporarily deputized or autho-
rized by the County Official in command of the emergency call
situation, but only for the duration of the emergency.

2. COMMENCEMENT OF COVERAGE: Workers' Compensation cover-
age, to the extent of self-insurance retention by the County,
shall commence at the place and time that the authorized volunteer receives the call to immediately respond to an emergency situation, provided that such volunteer does in fact respond immediately and directly to the scene of the emergency or to such other location, or pre-assigned station, as directed by the call dispatcher or person in command of the emergency.

3. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE: It shall be the responsibility of each volunteer to be certain that his or her response to any emergency call is recorded on the log of the official in charge of the emergency prior to leaving the scene, or within 24 hours of any call terminated prior to arrival, or within 24 hours of any incident or occurrence which prevents arrival.

4. TERMINATION OF COVERAGE: The coverage described herein, terminates with the conclusion of the emergency or the dismissal of the volunteer by the official in command of the emergency situation, provided however that coverage shall continue:

   a) Where the volunteer proceeds directly home from the emergency, to his or her home or place of residence;

   b) Where the volunteer returns to work directly from the emergency, to his or her place of employment;

   c) Where the volunteer returns directly to a pre-assigned station or firehouse, until his or her departure from that station or firehouse;

   d) Where the volunteer returns directly to the place where the call was received, until his or her arrival at that specific location.

Coverage shall also terminate for the duration of any personal diversion from a direct response to, or a direct return
from, the emergency location.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that notification of this policy resolution shall be disseminated to all affected emergency volunteer organizations and communicated to the rostered volunteers therein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Mariposa County this 3rd day of May, 1983, by the following vote:

AYES: Taber, Barrick, Dalton, Erickson, Moffitt

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None

ERIC J. ERICKSON, Chairman
Board of Supervisors

ATTEST

ELLEN BRONSON
ELLEN BRONSON, County Clerk and Ex Officio Clerk of the Board

BY: PATRICIA E. ALBERTA
Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

RICHARD K. DENHALTER, County Counsel