MARIPOSA COUNTY RESOLUTION 78-116

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mariposa, State
of California, recognize the importance of insuring that development in the
County take place in a fashion to insure the public health, safety, and wel-

Whereas, review of development proposals and environmental documents
by County, State, and Community professionals should take place prior to the
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Whereas, such professionals should be selected from fields to
include fire and public safety, health, roads and transportation, engineering,
fish and game, agriculture and business, conservation, community planning,
forestry, and other natural resources, building standards, as well as other
areas of concern; and

Whereas, the Board of Supervisors wish to receive comments from such
professionals prior to action being taken on major development proposals and
environmental documents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mariposa County Board of Super-
visors that an Environmental Review - Technical Advisory Committee be esta-
blished and herein after be referred to as ER-TAC.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that an ER-TAC be established under the
following guidelines:

Membership

A. The ER-TAC shall consist of 7 members as follows:

1. One member of the Board of Supervisors of Mariposa County and duly
   appointed by that Board.

2. One member of the Mariposa County Engineer Department.

3. The Mariposa County Sanitarian.
4. The Mariposa County Supervising Building Inspector.
5. One member of the Mariposa County Planning Commission as duly appointed by that Commission.
6. One representative of the California Division of Forestry.
7. One member of the community at large and appointed by the Board of Supervisors.

B. Special Advisory members to the Committee shall include, but are not limited to the following:
   1. Representative of the USDA Soil Conservation Service.
   2. The University of California Cooperative Extension County Director and Farm Advisor.
   3. Representative of the Department of Fish and Game.

C. Special advisory members to the Committee shall participate in review and discussion but shall not have voting privileges with respect to Committee actions.

Meeting and Quorum

A. Meetings shall be held once a month at a time, date, and place to be determined by ER-TAC members.
B. Special meetings may be called by the Chairman of the ER-TAC.
C. Business may not be transacted at a regular or special meeting of ER-TAC without a quorum of four (4) members.
D. Meetings shall be open to the general public.

Staff Support

A. Clerical/Secretarial support shall be provided to ER-TAC by the Planning Office and such support shall include the taking and transcribing of meeting minutes, preparation of agenda materials and forwarding to Committee members prior to meeting dates, and the preparation of such correspondence, maintenance of files and other clerical assistance as may be necessary and can be reasonably provided.
B. Technical support to ER-TAC shall be provided by the Planning Office to include the preparation of environmental documents, and such other reports or documentation as may be required and can be reasonably provided by the Staff of the Planning Office.

C. All agendas, information, or other documentation shall be mailed to Committee members by the Planning Office one week prior to any regularly scheduled meeting.

Committee Duties and Responsibilities

A. The Environmental Review - Technical Advisory Committee shall be responsible for offering technical advice on proposed development or projects and reviewing major development proposals and environmental documents as requested by the Planning Commission of Mariposa County. Review by the Committee shall cover the following areas:

1. Building, construction, and site plans with respect to:
   a. Water quality or potential availability for use,
   b. Drainage and water courses,
   c. Sanitation facilities and requirements,
   d. Building and construction standards,
   e. Fire hazard, and public safety,
   f. Public services such as schools,
   g. Roads, streets, and highways.

2. Recommendations with respect to minimum standards that might be required with respect to any major development proposals.

3. Review of environmental areas such as flora, fauna, geologic hazard, flood danger, soil stability, and such other areas as identified in State CEQA Guidelines.

4. Review of environmental documents and comments with respect to adequacy of document, identification of significant environmental impacts
and adequacy of such mitigating measures that might be proposed. This
review should include any additional project alternatives that might be
developed

5. Recommendations as to whether or not environmental documents should
be accepted by the Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors.

B. Procedures for reviewing major development proposals.

1. The Environmental Review - Technical Advisory Committee shall re-
view major development proposals at the request of the Planning Commiss-
ion, to include planned developments, major subdivisions or commercial
development and such other development proposals as the Commissio
feels requires the input of ER-TAC prior to their taking action.

C. Procedures for Environmental Documents.

The Environmental Review - Technical Advisory Committee shall review envir-
onmental documents in the following manner:

1. Negative Declarations.

   a. Copies of Negative Declarations and such initial studies that,
are developed in accordance with County Ordinance and State guide-
lines, be sent to and reviewed by ER-TAC members as part of the nor-
mal sixty (60) day review preceding the acceptance and filing of
notice of determination.

   b. Any Negative Declaration that individual Committee members feel
warrant further review shall be placed on the regular agenda of
ER-TAC meeting and a recommendation made that the Negative Declara-
tion not be accepted and an EIR be required in the event the
Committee feels that circumstances warrant such action.

   c. In the event that the Committee determines that an EIR be
developed, such recommendation shall include the justification for
such action and significant environmental impact be identified.
2. Environmental Impact Reports.
   a. The Environmental Review - Technical Advisory Committee shall
      review all Environmental Impact Reports or such initial drafts of
      EIR's as may be developed
   b. Comments shall be directed to the Planning Commission and Board
      of Supervisors and incorporated in any official comments as pre-
      pared by these bodies.

D. Special review procedures.

1. The Environmental Review - Technical Advisory Committee shall re-
   quest that other County review and comments be obtained on matters of
   specific concern. These matters will be referred to specific agencies
   or study committees to include, but not limited to, the Long-Range Water
   Study Committee, Historic Sites Committee, Airport Committee, as approp-
   riate.

2. Comments and reports prepared by other County agency or committee
   review procedures shall be incorporated into such findings or recommen-
   dations of ER-TAC to the Planning Commission.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors this
21st day of June, 1978, by the following vote:

AYES: Clark, Long, Owings, Dalton, Weber
NOES: None
NOT VOTING: None
ABSENT: None

CARROLL N. CLARK, Chairman
Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

ELLEN BRONSON, County Clerk &
ex officio Clerk of the Board