The Mariposa County Health & Human Services Agency, Environmental Health Unit is charged with the responsibility for enforcement of laws and regulations relating to the construction, operation and maintenance of Restricted Food Service Transient Occupancy Establishments (Bed & Breakfasts & Ag Homestays). The three main areas of concerns as follows:

I. FOOD SERVICE

A. B&B’s serving only “continental–type” breakfasts (pre-packaged breakfast rolls, toast, coffee, juices, etc.) and using only single-use eating and drinking utensils will be required to have a food facility permit and be subject to annual inspections.

B. B&B’s serving a full breakfast involving food preparation must have a food facility permit. Inspection frequency shall be at least twice annually. Additionally, those B&B’s serving a full breakfast must have at least one person certified in food safety.

Existing utensil washing equipment (sinks, dishwashing machines) may be continued in use until replace, however, utensil sanitization must be accomplished in accordance with the Health and Safety Code.

II. SEWAGE DISPOSAL

Applicant must demonstrate that the sewage disposal system can adequately serve the propose project by:

A. Having the septic tank pumped by a septic tank pumper holding a valid Mariposa County Septic Pumpers Permit, and certified to be in good working condition at the time of pumping. Verification of adequacy of sewage system for maximum flows may be required;

Or

B. Provide documentation that the sewage disposal system was installed within the past three years and meets current standards, or at least have had the septic tank pumped within the past three years.

III. WATER SUPPLY

Applicant must provide results of current water analyses to demonstrate compliance with standards set for transient non-community water systems. A monitoring schedule is attached.

PLEASE CONTACT THE ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH UNIT AT (209) 966-2220 IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.