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RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2013-110

MEETING: April 2, 2013

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Rick Benson, County Administrative Officer

RE: Response to 2012-13 Grand Jury Midterm Report on YWWWTP

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Approve the Response of the Board of Supervisors to the 2012-13 Mariposa County Grand Jury Midterm Report on the Yosemite West Waste Water Treatment Facility. The Board of Supervisors was included as a respondent to the Grand Jury's investigation of the Yosemite West Waste Water Treatment Facility and is required by Government Code Section 933 to respond to the findings and recommendations (if any).

Attached is a draft of the Board of Supervisors response and the section of the 2012-13 Mariposa County Grand Jury Midterm Report that pertains to the Yosemite West Waste Water Treatment Facility.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

When named as respondent in a Grand Jury report, the Board of Supervisors has formulated a response to the findings and recommendations.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

ATTACHMENTS:

GJ YWWWTF Section 12-13 (PDF)
bos response 12-13 midterm (DOC)

CAO RECOMMENDATION

Requested Action Recommended


Rick Benson, County Administrator/Office

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Janet Bibby, District III Supervisor
SECONDER: Merlin Jones, District II Supervisor
AYES: Janet Bibby, Kevin Cann, John Carrier, Merlin Jones
EXCUSED: Lee Stetson

**Mariposa County Board of Supervisors
Response to 2012-2013 Mariposa County Grand Jury Midterm Report**

Yosemite West Waste Water Treatment Facility.

Findings:

- #1
Staff agrees with this finding.
- #2
Staff agrees with this finding.
- #3
Staff agrees with this finding with clarifications. In April 2002, the amount contributed towards the Yosemite West Waste Water Treatment Plant fund was \$983,000 of which \$368,000 had come from the Water Agency. During Final Budget Hearings in September 2002 an additional \$25,000 was contributed by the Water Agency for a total of \$1.008 million.
- #4
Staff agrees with this finding.
- #5
Staff agrees with this finding.
- #6
Staff agrees with this finding.
- #7
Staff agrees with this finding.
- #8
Staff agrees with this finding.
- #9
Staff agrees with this finding.
- #10
Staff agrees with this finding.

Recommendations:

1. The Board of Supervisors agrees that this project is a priority and needs to be completed in a timely matter. It will be considered along with other priority issues currently facing the County. It should be noted that a workshop was recently held and an ad-hoc committee was established which consists of members from the Yosemite West Maintenance District Advisory Committee,

members from the Board of Supervisors, and Public Works staff. Additionally on March 19, 2013, the Board of Supervisors approved an item presented by Public Works to design improvements to the Yosemite West Treatment Facility. Establishing a timeline and a schedule is not possible at this moment, but as solutions and funding sources are identified, the Board will consider requesting staff to create a timeline. It is anticipated that it will take at least 6 months to complete and review the design improvements and to bring recommendations to the Board of Supervisors for consideration.

2. The Board of Supervisors does not agree with this recommendation. Determining a share of responsibility is subjective and something of this magnitude should be quantitative. As possible solutions and costs are identified, the Board of Supervisors will work to identify funding source(s), which may come from the General Fund dependent on budgetary constraints and other competing service demands.
3. This recommendation requires further analysis. As additional research is done to identify solutions and the costs are determined, the Board of Supervisors will begin to work on funding sources. A determination on a funding source(s) should be made within the year.