TO: RICK BENSON, CAO
THOMAS P. GUARINO, County Counsel
FROM: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board
SUBJECT: Discussion and Possible Further Action Regarding Continuation of the Local Emergency Due to Landslides on Highway 140 Enroute to Yosemite National Park (County Counsel/County Administrative Officer)

RESOLUTION 07-97

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPOSA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA
ADOPTED THIS Order on March 20, 2007

ACTION AND VOTE:

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**BOARD ACTION:** Rick Benson, County Administrative Officer, advised that the conference call was cancelled for last Friday due to a conflict with CalTrans’ staff. He advised that he spoke with Kevin Cann of Yosemite National Park relative to coordinating the socio-economic study with them. He is still receiving information from individuals and businesses relative to the impacts of the Ferguson rockslide; and he recommended that the emergency be continued. Chair Bibby advised of her phone conversation with District 10 CalTrans Director Kome Ajise on Monday. She noted that it is important that everyone recognize that CalTrans continues to work as fast as they can – they are going through the process to achieve a permanent fix and they are in contact with the State Department of Transportation and the Federal Highways Administration; and the Governor’s office and the legislators are involved. Kome Ajise will come back before the Board in May or earlier as soon as they have recommendations for moving forward with the project. She noted that Kome Ajise commented on Julie Dunning’s report from the workshop, and he advised that ten years is not a CalTrans estimate to complete the permanent fix. There have been some rocks coming down, but no unusual incidences. CalTrans is looking for solutions that will not detract from the visual experience of the River Canyon. Chair Bibby also noted that she has asked the Fire Chief to review whether there is any statute of limitations on how long the emergency can be continued. There was no public input. (M)Fritz, (S)Aborn, Res. 07-97 was adopted finding the local emergency due to the landslides on Highway 140 enroute to Yosemite National Park continues to exist, and continuing the local emergency based on the findings/Ayes: Unanimous.

Cc: Dana Hertfelder, Public Works Director
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