RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Authorize the Chairman to sign the Cooperative Agreement for the Old Highway Fire Emergency Watershed Project and Assurances Relating to Real Property Acquisition; Authorize the County Administrative Officer to sign the grant application. Due to the recent fires in the vicinity the Mariposa Reservoir, the watershed lands are in need of rehabilitation – seeding and erosion control. The scope of the project will include aerial seeding of approximately 140 acres, hand seeding and mulching of 6 acres, and placement of water bars to divert concentrated runoff from a newly disturbed fire line. The County successfully applied for technical and financial assistance for this project through the National Resources Conservation Services. The total agreement is for $36,000 with $30,600 in federal funding, $5,400 (fifteen-percent) required as cash contribution, and ten-percent for in-kind services ($3,600).

The County will conduct this project by working in coordination with our local National Resources Conservation District, the Mariposa Public Utilities District, and the California Department of Forestry.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

On September 21, 2004, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution 04-421 authorizing the Chairman to sign a letter requesting Federal assistance under provisions of Section 403, Agricultural Credit Act of 1978, to provide technical and financial assistance in an effort to rehabilitate the watershed lands impacted by the recent wildfires surrounding the town of Mariposa.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

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CLERK'S USE ONLY:

Res. No. 04-421
Vote – Ayes: 5
Absent: 0
Approved
Minute Order Attached

The foregoing instrument is a correct copy of the original on file in this office.

DATE: __________

Attest: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board
County of Mariposa, State of California
By: ________________
Deputy

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER:

Requested Action Recommended
No Opinion
Comments:

CAO: __________

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MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTE ORDER

TO: RICH INMAN, County Administrative Officer
FROM: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board

SUBJECT: COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT FOR THE OLD HIGHWAY FIRE EMERGENCY WATERSHED PROJECT AND ASSURANCES RELATING TO REAL PROPERTY ACQUISITION

Resolution No. 04-517

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPOSA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA,

ADOPTED THIS Order on December 7, 2004

ACTION AND VOTE:

Rich Inman, County Administrative Officer;

A) Authorize the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to Sign the Cooperative Agreement for the Old Highway Fire Emergency Watershed Project and Assurances Relating to Real Property Acquisition and Authorize the County Administrative Officer to Sign the Grant Application

BOARD ACTION: Discussion was held. Supervisor Bibby asked that information be obtained on the amount of restitution being requested in the criminal prosecution against the defendant alleged to have started the fires. Supervisor Stetson asked for clarification of the source of the cash contribution. Jerry Progner, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, provided input relative to the request, and he advised that fifteen percent will be required as a cash match. Rich Inman advised that funding can be identified for this project. (M)Pickard, (S)Bibby, Res. 04-517 was adopted/Ayes: Unanimous.

cc: Mary Hodson, Deputy County Administrative Officer
Ken Hawkins, Auditor
Tom Guarino, County Counsel
Jerry Progner, Natural Resources Conservation Service
Mark Rowney, Mariposa Public Utility District
Roscoe Rowney, California Department of Forestry
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