

RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

(Policy Item: Yes \_\_\_ No X)

Adopt a Resolution supporting the efforts of the National Forest Counties and School Coalition by joining them in supporting the Joint Principles dated March 8, 1999. The continued loss of timber harvest receipts has been devastating to Mariposa County and our school system. The Coalition was formed to work for the passage of legislation that will protect local government operations and school funding for rural communities impacted by reduced management of federal lands.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

The Board has supported other organizations that work towards protecting the economic security of Mariposa County.

LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Do not adopt a resolution supporting the efforts of the National Forest Counties and School Coalition.

<b>COSTS:</b> ( X ) Not Applicable A. Budgeted Current FY \$ B. Total Anticipated Costs \$ C. Required Additional Funding \$ Internal Transfers \$ <b>SOURCE:</b> ( ) 4/5ths Vote Required \$ A. Unanticipated Revenues \$ B. Reserve for Contingencies \$ C. Source Description: _____ Balance in Reserve for Contingencies ,if approved: _____		<b>SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:</b> List the attachments and number the pages consecutively: Letter from Mariposa County School District. National Forest Counties and School Coalition Joint Principles.
<b>CLERKS USE ONLY:</b> Res. No. <u>99-360</u> Ord. No. _____ Vote - Ayes: <u>4</u> Noes: <u>Reilly</u> Absent: _____ Abstained: _____ Approved ( ) Denied ( ) Minute Order Attached ( ) No Action Necessary 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		<b>ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:</b> This item on agenda as: _____ Recommended _____ Not Recommended _____ For Policy Determination _____ Submitted with Comment _____ Returned for Further Action Comment: _____ _____ CAO's Initials: <u>Jh</u>

**Statement of Organizational Support for the  
National Forest Counties and Schools Coalition (NFCSC) Principles**

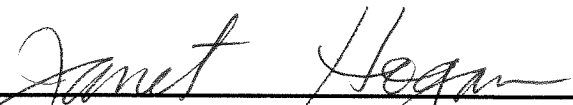
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We have reviewed the Joint Principles of the National Forest Counties and Schools Coalition (NFCSC). The interests set forth in the Joint Principles are ones which we as an organization, concerned about rural America, share and support.

We agree that the federal compact with rural counties and schools developed when our federal forests were created, is being systematically eroded and that our rural heritage is being threatened. The legislative and regulatory gridlock at the federal level must be terminated on a short-term basis and the foundation laid for an appropriate long-term solution.

We strongly support the NFCSC Joint Principles and likewise support the passage of appropriate enabling legislation during this session of Congress.

Sincerely,

  
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Signature Janet Hogan, County Administrative Officer  
Agency Chief Administrative Officer

12/17/99  
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Date

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