

DEPARTMENT: Board

BY: Supervisor Balmain

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RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION: (Policy Item: Yes \_\_\_ No X)

Discussion and request for direction to County Counsel to notify the Park Service of a possible violation in the Ambulance Transfer Service Contract between the Park Service and Doctors Medical Center (DMC). Paragraph "D" entitled "Ground Ambulance Services" of the Agreement, states in part: "Mercy Ambulance (or their successor under contract with Mariposa County) will be integrated into the ground ambulance services so as to avoid unnecessary negative impacts on their business as it exists at the beginning of this Concession Contract".

This language was placed in the Agreement to protect Mariposa County's subsidy by requiring the operator of the clinic to continue to use either Mercy Ambulance or Mercy[s successor under contract with Mariposa County to perform the transfers from Yosemite National Park. This would enable Mercy to continue to operate within Mariposa County at the present subsidy level.

According to Rich Roesch in a letter addressed to Supervisors Balmain and Parker which is included in this package, there has been a reduction in transfers out of the Park which appears to be in violation of the Agreement signed by DMC.

**BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:**

The County and Mercy Ambulance originally entered into an Agreement commencing January 1, 1994, which included Mercy's payment of a subsidy to the County. On September 24, 1996, the Board approved an amendment to the Agreement that allowed the County to reduce its subsidy by the profits from the Mercy/Yosemite Agreement.

**LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:**

<b>COSTS:</b> (x) Not Applicable A. Budgeted current FY \$ _____ B. Total anticipated costs \$ _____ C. Required additional funding \$ _____ D. Internal transfers \$ _____		<b>SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:</b> List the attachments and number the pages consecutively: _____ _____ _____
<b>SOURCE:</b> ( ) 4/5ths Vote Required A. Unanticipated revenues \$ _____ B. Reserve for contingencies \$ _____ C. Source description: _____ Balance in Reserve for Contingencies, if approved: \$ _____		

**CLERK'S USE ONLY:**  
 Res. No.: 98-322 Ord. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Vote - Ayes: \_\_\_\_\_ Noes: \_\_\_\_\_  
 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

**ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:**  
 This item on agenda as:  
 Recommended  
 Not Recommended  
 For Policy Determination  
 Submitted with Comment  
 Returned for Further Action  
 Comment: \_\_\_\_\_  
 C.A.O. Initials: JM

MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTE ORDER

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TO: DOUG BALMAIN, District II Supervisor  
FROM: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board *MW*  
SUBJECT: Ambulance Transfer Service Contract with Doctors Medical Center;  
Res. 98-327

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THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPOSA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA,

ADOPTED THIS Order on August 18, 1998

ACTION AND VOTE:

**6:49 p.m.** Doug Balmain, District II Supervisor;  
Discussion and Request for Direction to County Counsel to Notify the Park Service of a  
Possible Violation in the Ambulance Transfer Service Contract with Doctors Medical  
Center

**BOARD ACTION:** (M)Parker, (S)Balmain, Res. 98-327 adopted. Motion was  
amended, agreeable with maker and second, directing that the committee notify the Park  
Service/Ayes: Unanimous.

cc: Mercy Medical Transportation, Inc.  
Jeffrey G. Green, County Counsel  
Agreement File