

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

Adopt a resolution opposing the funding level in the Administration's request for Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) and direct that it be forwarded to Congressman Radanovich, Senators Feinstein and Boxer and CSAC.

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BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

Historically the Board has supported PILT funding .

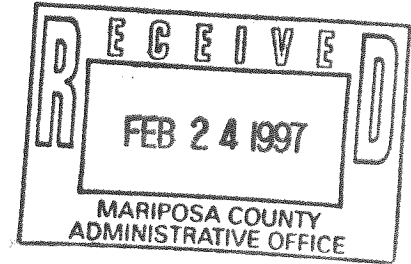
LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

- a) Adopt resolution opposing the Administration's request for PILT; or
- b) Take no action.

<p><b>COSTS:</b> ( x ) Not Applicable</p> <p>A. Budgeted Current FY \$</p> <p>B. Total Anticipated Costs \$</p> <p>C. Required Additional Funding \$</p> <p>D. Internal Transfers \$</p> <p><b>SOURCE:</b> ( ) 4/5ths Vote Required \$</p> <p>A. Unanticipated Revenues \$</p> <p>B. Reserve for Contingencies \$</p> <p>C. Source Description: _____</p> <p>Balance in Reserve for Contingencies ,if approved: _____</p>	<p><b>SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:</b>          List the attachments and number the pages consecutively:</p> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
<p><b>CLERKS USE ONLY:</b></p> <p>Res. No. <u>97-97</u> Ord. No. _____</p> <p>Vote - Ayes: <u>4</u> Noes: _____</p> <p>Absent: <u>Reilly</u> Abstained: _____</p> <p><u>hws</u> Approved ( ) Denied</p> <p>( ) Minute Order Attached ( ) No Action Necessary</p> <p>The foregoing instrument is a correct copy of the original on file in this office</p> <p>Date: _____</p> <p>ATTEST: _____</p> <p>MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board          County of Mariposa, State of California</p> <p>BY: _____</p> <p>Deputy</p>	<p><b>ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:</b>          This item on agenda as:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recommended</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Not Recommended</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> For Policy Determination</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Submitted with Comment</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Returned for Further Action</p> <p>Comment: _____</p> <p>CAO's Initials: <u>JH</u></p>



February 20, 1997



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TO: County Administrative Officers  
FROM: Steven C. Szalay, Executive Director  
SUBJECT: Proposed Reduction in President's Budget for PILT

The following information was obtained from Jeff Arnold, associate legislative director for NACo.

The Administration's request for the Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) represents a decrease of \$12 million from last year's enacted level, reversing NACo's success in obtaining the first increase for the program in over 20 years. The reduction was made to offset funding for the Department's *highest priority on-the-ground* programs, such as management and planning for the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument, improvement to facilitates and management at Bureau of Land Management (BLM) recreation facilities and resources protection improvements. Significant funding was found for two new initiatives in the Interior budget -- \$79 million for the Everglades cleanup effort and \$146 million for California Bay Delta project.

If Congress agrees, this could result in an approximate 10% reduction in county PILT payments, in addition to a dilution of the overall pool of money caused by the inclusion of Alaska's unincorporated boroughs in an amendment by Senator Stevens. This additional reduction could mean an additional 5% reduction.

Besides contacting your congressional delegation about these proposed significant reductions to the program, you may also want to contact the following individuals:

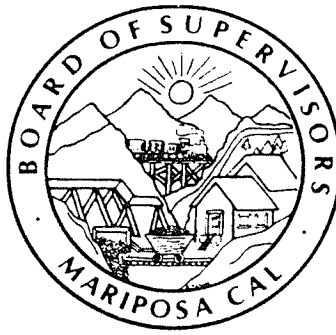
Rep Ralph Regula                      and/or  
Chairman  
Subcommittee on Interior  
B308 Rayburn House Office Bldg.  
Washington, D.C. 20515  
202.225.3081

Senator Slade Gorton  
Chairman  
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For further questions, please contact Jeff Arnold, NACo, 202.942.4286

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April 4, 1997

The Honorable George Radanovich  
313 Cannon House Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Radanovich:

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Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT C. STEWART  
Chairman of the Board of Supervisors

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cc: California State Association of Counties  
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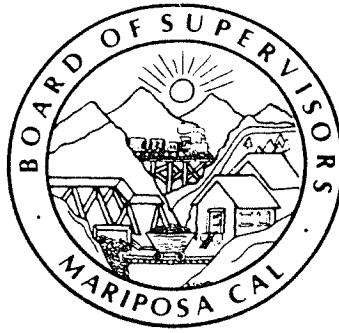
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