Mariposa County
Board of Supervisors

DEPARTMENT: Public Works
By: Michael Edwards
Phone: 966-5356

RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Resolution supporting the Merced County Association of Governments' (MCAG) request to have funding provided as part of the ISTEA reauthorization for the University of California Merced Campus Parkway Loop System.

Refer to Attachment #1 which is a letter from the Merced County Board of Supervisors requesting support of their project. Attachment #2 is a sample letter for the Board's consideration that would be forwarded to our federal legislative delegation supporting this transportation project.

MCAG is requesting this funding as a demonstration project within the ISTEA reauthorization legislation now being debated in Washington. The project total is approximately $90 million of which approximately $55 million is being requested as part of ISTEA. The remaining $35 million would come from state and local sources. Also attached is an article and map from the April, 1997 MCAG Journal describing the project in further detail. Staff will provide a larger-scale drawing during the Board meeting and address any questions the Board may have.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

N/A

LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

1. Do not support this request; no letter of support from Mariposa County would be sent to our federal delegation.

2. Adopt a different position and direct staff accordingly.

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Res. No.: 97-150  Ord. No.: __________
Vote - Ayes: 4  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

By: __________________________
Deputy

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:
This item on agenda as:

☑ Recommended
☐ Not Recommended
☐ For Policy Determination
☐ Submitted for Comment
☐ Returned for Further Action

Comment: __________________________

A.O. Initials: ________________________
MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTE ORDER

TO: MIKE EDWARDS, Public Works Director
FROM: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board
SUBJECT: MERCED COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENT REQUEST; RES. 97-150

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPOSA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA,

ADOPTED THIS Order on May 6, 1997

ACTION AND VOTE:

10:25 a.m. Mike Edwards, Public Works Director;
   A) Resolution Supporting the Merced County Association of Governments Request to
      Have Funding Provided as Part of the ISTEA Reauthorization for the U.C. Merced
      Campus Parkway Loop System

      BOARD ACTION: Discussion was held concerning the request. (M)Parker, (S)Pickard,
      Res. 97-150 adopted supporting Merced County Association of Government’s request in
      addition to sending a second letter to address concerns relative to making La Paloma
      Road a suitable road, with further direction to the Chairperson of the Local Transportation
      Commission (LTC) and Yosemite Area Regional Transportation Strategy (YARTS) to
      coordinate with Merced with respect to transportation and circulation/Ayes: Reilly,
      Stewart, Parker, Pickard; Excused: Balmain.

cc: Ed Johnson, Planning & Building Director
    Supervisor Reilly
    File
May 28, 1997

The Honorable Bud Shuster
2188 Rayburn H.O.B.
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Shuster:

I am writing to share with you an exciting project underway in the San Joaquin Valley of California. After many years of effort on the part of citizens, students, legislators, and local officials, the University of California Regents have chosen Lake Yosemite in Merced, California as the site of the tenth campus for the University system. This project will provide tremendous educational and economic benefits for an area which heretofore has been under-served by the University of California system.

Plans for the tenth campus are well underway and are set to culminate with the arrival of students in the year 2005. The Merced County Association of Governments, the metropolitan planning organization for Merced County, has formulated a system of highway and road projects to serve the campus. The “UC Campus Parkway Loop System” will provide the initial highway interchanges and road network to serve the campus during its construction and early years of operation. The UC Campus Parkway Loop system was developed through the Major Investment Study process following U.S. Department of Transportation regulations and in cooperation with federal, state and local governments, the University of California and private interests including the Building Industry Association, Merced County Farm Bureau and the California Trucking Association. In addition, the proposal has the full support of the University of California, local officials and area legislators.

I am joining with other local elected officials throughout the San Joaquin Valley to enlist support for this project by requesting that you give the UC Campus Parkway Loop System your highest consideration during re-authorization of ISTEA.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
ROBERT C. STEWART, Chairman
Mariposa County Board of Supervisors

cc: Congressman Gary Condit
Mr. Joe Rivero, Chairman
Merced County Board of Supervisors
2222 "M" Street
Merced, CA  95340

RE:  La Paloma Road and Its Eventual Connection to the
UC Merced Campus Roadway System

Dear Chairman Rivero:

As you are aware, the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors took action on the appeal by the
Merced County Association of Governments to support your request for ISTEA reauthorization
funds for the UC Campus Parkway Loop System.

In a related action, the Board directed me to seek MCAG's assistance in making sure La Paloma
Road is programmed for eventual improvement as part of the campus-related transportation
system. I am sure you are aware that our Board has previously requested that the Merced County
Board of Supervisors leave La Paloma Road open on a year-round basis. With the development
of the campus, La Paloma Road becomes an obvious connection for Mariposa County residents to
the campus, if it is improved to a serviceable standard. The Board therefor felt that this road
should not be forgotten in the transportation planning process.

The Board also directed that the chair of our Local Transportation Commission, Patti Reilly, meet
with you to coordinate these issues, including adjustments to both of our traffic models to reflect
the campus development. We look forward to working with you in this regard.

Sincerely,

Robert C. Stewart
Chairman

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cc:  Patti Reilly, LTC Chair
     Ed Johnson, LTC Executive Director
     Michael Edwards, Public Works Director
     Jess Brown, MCAG