RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Adopt resolutions (ATTACHMENT 1 & 2) approving application for Environmental Enhancement & Mitigation Program (EEMP) funds and authorize the Public Works Director to execute applications and assurances for the following projects:

1. Mariposa Town Tree Planting (ATTACHMENT 3)
2. Mariposa Creek Parkway Acquisition: 8th Street to Highway 49 North (ATTACHMENT 4)

The applications are for urban forestry and roadside recreational projects that mitigate the effects of the Highway 49 North continuous left turn lane project. No match is required, but some community involvement and County staff oversight of the projects are included in these applications.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

On October 8, 1996, the Board approved giving direction to Public Works to prepare these applications. The County previously applied and was awarded EEMP funds (approximately $260,000) for the Roadside Rest at Coakley Circle. That project was a mitigation for the Highway 140 continuous left turn lane by adding parking and trees to mitigate effects of extra pavement and parking loss along Highway 140.

LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If the resolutions are not adopted, the applications will not be valid.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:
List the attachments and number the pages consecutively:

1. Resolution for Mariposa Tree Planting
2. Resolution for Mariposa Creek Parkway
3. Application for EEMP funds for Trees
4. Application for EEMP funds for Creek Parkway
5. * There will be ongoing costs for maintenance beyond the life of the grant

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:

Action Form Revised 8/20/94
A RESOLUTION APPROVING APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL ENHANCEMENT AND MITIGATION PROGRAM UNDER THE SECTION 164.56 OF THE STREETS AND HIGHWAYS CODE FOR THE MARIPosa TOWN TREE PLANTING PROJECT.

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of California has enacted AB 471 (Chapter 106 of the Statutes of 1989), which is intended to provide $10 million annually for a period of 10 years for grant funds to local, state, and federal agencies and nonprofit entities for projects to enhance and mitigate the environmental impacts of modified or new public transportation facilities; and,

WHEREAS, the Resources Agency has established the procedures and criteria for reviewing grant proposals and is required to submit to the California Transportation Commission a list of recommended projects from which the grant recipients will be selected; and,

WHEREAS, said procedures and criteria established by the Resources Agency require a resolution certifying the approval of application by the applicant's governing body before submission of said application to the State; and

WHEREAS, the application contains assurances that the applicant must comply with; and,

WHEREAS, the applicant, if selected, will enter into an agreement with the State of California to carry out the environmental enhancement and mitigation project;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors:

1. Approves the filing of an application for the Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Program for grant assistance.

2. Certifies that said applicant will make adequate provisions for operation and maintenance of the project.
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3. Appoints Michael D. Edwards, Public Works Director, as agent of Mariposa County to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents, including, but not limited to applications, agreements, amendments, payment requests and so on, which may be necessary for the completion of the aforementioned project.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors this 26th day of November 1996, by the following vote:

AYES: Reilly, Balmain, Stewart, Parker, and Pickard
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAINED: None

[Signature]
DOUG BALMAIN, Chairman
Mariposa County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:
[Signature]
MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY
[Signature]
JEFFREY G. GREEN, County Counsel