MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

AGENDA ACTION FORM AGENDA DATE:8-8-95 AGENDA ITEM NO.: 5-7

**DEPARTMENT: Public Works** 

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RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

(Policy Item: Yes

No X

Resolution authorizing Public Works to advertise for bids for roadside herbicide spraying and for the Public Works Director to execute a contract with the lowest responsible bidder.

This recommendation represents a \$10,000 reduction in the roadside spraying program from semi-annual (\$30,000 estimated) to a one-time application (\$20,000 estimated) in the fall on 250 miles (500 lane miles) of County-maintained roads and rights-of-way. This will allow the program to continue and enable the Roads Division to treat the destructive weeds that encroach on the paved road surfaces.

This action will also help offset a small portion of the growing road maintenance deficiency caused by increased costs and declining Road Fund revenues.

The most recent contract was completed by June 30, 1995.

## BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

On December 13, 1994, the Board authorized the extension of the annual roadside herbicide spraying contract through FY 94/95.

On October 5, 1993, the Board awarded the annual contract for roadside spraying to Custom Weed Control, who was the only participating bidder.

On September 7, 1993, the Board authorized Public Works to advertise for formal bids for an annual roadside spraying contract for 200 miles (400 lane miles) of County-maintained roads and rights-of-way with application in the fall and spring.

## LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

- 1. Extend the recently completed contract and negotiate a rate with that contractor. This may result in a higher rate for spraying.
- 2. Eliminate the roadside herbicide spraying altogether. This would allow the harmful weeds to proliferate, causing considerable damage to the existing road system, eventually necessitating a greater expense to mitigate.

COSTS: () Not Applicable A. Budgeted current FY B. Total anticipated costs C. Required additional funding D. Internal transfers	\$ 30,000 \$ 20,000 \$	SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: List the attachments and number the pages consecutively:  1. Bid Specifications
SOURCE: () 4/5th Vote Required A. Unanticipated revenues B. Reserve for contingencies C. Source description:	\$ \$	2. Sample Agreement
Balance in Reserve Contingencies, if approved: \$		

CLERK'S USE ONLY Res. No.: 15-3 Ord. No. This item on agenda as: Vote - Ayes: Absent: Abstained: ( ) 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: Denuty	ADMINISTRAT OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:  Recommended Not Recommended For Policy Determination Submitted with Comment Returned for Further Action  Comment:  A.O. Initials:
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