

DEPARTMENT:
Public Health

BY:
C. B. Mosher, MD, Health Officer

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RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION: (Policy Item: Yes___ No_x__)

Information regarding recent Health Department activities. Resolution authorizing Health Officer to order examination of animal brains for rabies on an as-needed basis.

See attached memo.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

N/A

LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

N/A

COSTS: () Not Applicable

A. Budgeted current FY \$ _____

B. Total anticipated costs \$ _____

C. Required additional funding \$ _____

D. Internal transfers \$ _____

SOURCE: () 4/5ths Vote Required

A. Unanticipated revenues \$ _____

B. Reserve for contingencies \$ _____

C. Source description: _____

Balance in Reserve for Contingencies, if approved: \$ _____

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

CLERK'S USE ONLY:

Res. No.: 94-425 Ord. No. _____

Vote - Ayes: 5 Noes: _____

Approved: _____ Abstained: _____

Minute Order Attached () Denied () 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: _____

A.O. Initials: CB

MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTE ORDER

TO: DR. MOSHER, County Health Officer
FROM: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board *MW*
SUBJECT: Health Department Activities and
Examination for Rabies on an As-Needed Basis
Resolution Number 94-425

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPOSA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA,
ADOPTED THIS Order on October 4, 1994

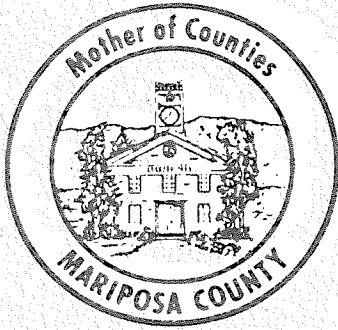
ACTION AND VOTE:

9:47 a.m. Dr. Charles Mosher, County Health Officer;

A) Information Regarding Recent Health Department
Activities and Resolution Authorizing Health Officer to
Order Examination of Animal Brains for Rabies on an As-
Needed Basis

BOARD ACTION: Dr. Mosher presented report on rabies
prevention, dentist program for children and on the
alternative cover program for the landfill. (M)Erickson,
(S)Parker, Res. 94-425 adopted authorizing Health Officer to
order examinations as requested/Ayes: Unanimous.

cc: Ken Hawkins, Auditor
Roger Matlock, Sheriff
Bill Hibpshman, Constable
File



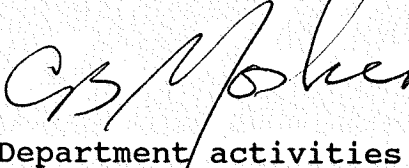
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September 28, 1994

TO : Board of Supervisors
FROM : C. B. Mosher, MD, Health Officer 
SUBJECT: Information about recent Health Department activities

1. Rabies prevention:

This past month was unusual in that three people who were bitten by animals were started on rabies vaccination. We usually have just two to three a year.

A European tourist in Yosemite was taking pictures when a coyote ran up to him, bit him, and ran away.

A seven year old boy was bitten by a stray kitten. By the time Animal Control found the kitten, it was dead -- too late to quarantine it, and too late to do a brain exam on it.

A woman, walking through a parking lot, was bitten by a dog owned by someone from out of town. Accurate information regarding the dog's vaccine status could not be obtained.

These three cases are good examples of different risk levels for rabies exposure, and of the kinds of decisions with which the Health Department help people and their physicians.

Additionally, last week a County resident found a skunk in her house. The animal was exhibiting unusual behavior and appeared to be very ill. We were asked by the trapper if we wanted to test the animal's brain. The Health Officer decided to order the exam as surveillance and as back-up in case human contact with the animal is discovered at a later date.

The Health Officer would recommend that the Board authorize him to order such examinations periodically, even though the budget has been transferred.

2. The local dentists who have agreed to "Help the Children" referred from the CHDP Clinics have been busy. To facilitate, the Health Department staff assist the dentists with some of the paperwork. See attached memo for numbers.
3. The Alternative Cover Program at the landfill is scheduled to begin October 1st. Brian Hodge, REHS, has been in training to perform the additional L.E.A. functions and has met with State inspectors who will oversee our activities in this regard. It may turn out to be more time consuming than originally anticipated.

September 12, 1994

TO: C. B. Mosher, MD, Health Officer
FROM: Lisa Rhudy, PHN
SUBJECT: Update, Help the Children's Program

Since its beginning, in March of 1993, to now, the CHDP Program has referred a total of sixty-four children to the Help the Children Program. The age of the children has included three year-olds through twenty year-olds. The following is a list of the dentists and the numbers of children scheduled with each:

Dr. Weig	-	26 children
Dr. Browder	-	25 children
Dr. Soria	-	13 children

These figures refer only to initial referrals. Each dentist has continued treatment as needed for the children, scheduling return visits.

The compliance rate for the CHDP families has been high, with only a total of four or five "no shows".