

RES

DEPARTMENT: Board of Supervisors BY: Doug Balmain PHONE: 966-4744
Supervisor District 2

RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION: (Policy Item: Yes ___ No x)
Resolution Requesting Continuation of Road Easements by the U.S. Forest Service Across Forest Service Land for residents Caldwell, Johnson and Lovelace on Dogtown Road

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

Residents Caldwell, Johnson, and Lovelace have in the past had special permit easements granted by the U.S. Forest Service to access their private property across the Forest Service land. These easements expired in December 1992 and the Forest Service is denying renewal of the permits in accordance with the contract. In one case, the road has been used for access for over twenty five years. The easements range from 200 feet to approximately 1200 feet of Forest Service land.

Denial of extension of the easements for these residents creates a financial hardship to the landowners and the creation of new roads to the properties would be more environmentally destructive than continuing to use the existing roads across the Forest Service land.

This action would bring to the attention of the Forest Service that the Board of Supervisors supports the continued use of the easements for the residents of Dogtown Road and that the Board requests extension of these special permits. A letter from the Chairman of the Board is attached for consideration.

LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

1. Adopt this resolution and communicate the Board's support to the U.S. Forest Service.
2. Do not support the extension of easements and the U.S. Forest Service will deny the access to these residents, creating financial hardship to them and environment destruction in the creation of the new roads.

COSTS: (x) 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:

Correspondence from residents _____

CLERK'S USE ONLY:

Res. No.: 93-167 Ord. No. _____

Vote - Ayes: 5 Noes: _____

Absent: _____ Abstained: _____

Approved _____ Denied _____

() Minute Order Attached () No Action Necessary

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: _____

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

Mariposa County Board of Supervisors



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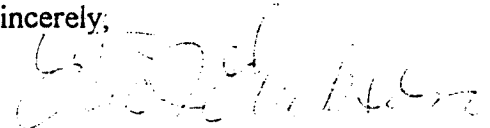
Dear Foresters:

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Mariposa appeals for the benefit of residents of Dogtown Road and for the benefit of the environment to extend the special use permits for ingress and egress to the private properties of landowners Caldwell, Johnson and Lovelace. These property owners have been denied an extension of their special use permits by the U. S. Forest Service. The denial not only results in a financial hardship to the individual landowners, but it also could not be an environmentally responsible action for each landowner to build a road when there are already existing roads across the Forest Service Land.

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Mariposa requests that these special use permits be extended.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,


Eric J. Erickson
Chairman

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enclosure: Resolution of the Board of Supervisors in Support of Extension of Easements

cc: Secretary, U. S. Department of Agriculture