

1 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS - COUNTY OF MARIPOSA

2 RESOLUTION NO. 76-46

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4 WHEREAS, The "Monongahela Decision" (Isaak Walton League vs.
5 Butz) in the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals, and a related
6 decision in the Alaska District Court may soon be extended
7 nationwide causing a severe limitation of timber harvesting
8 from National Forests, and

9 WHEREAS, The sustained yield management concepts now being
10 practiced will be affected and result in a 70% reduction in
11 timber harvest nationally and more than 50% on California's Nation-
12 al Forests, and

13 WHEREAS, This would cause serious shortages in meeting our
14 nation's needs for lumber, plywood, paper, pulp and thousands of
15 other products in everyday use and also cause a substantial price
16 increase, and

17 WHEREAS, Implementation of the Monongahela Decision in the
18 Sierra and Stanislaus Forests and nationally would mandate under-
19 utilization of our National Forest resources requiring practices
20 netting far less productivity at a time when sustained yield
21 management for maximum production is becoming increasingly
22 important, and

23 WHEREAS, A severe negative impact concerning jobs, schools,
24 roads and tax structures would be felt by Mariposa County, and

25 WHEREAS, Congress has before it several proposals, some of
26 which would legislate the Monongahela Decision into law, and also
27 others which permit experience and knowledge to prevail in
28 forest management, and

