

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS - COUNTY OF MARIPOSA

RESOLUTION NO. 73-108

1
2 WHEREAS, the Federal Clean Air Act emphasizes the concept of
3 local control of efforts to improve air quality; and

4 WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mariposa
5 acting as the Mariposa County Air Pollution Control District Board
6 was organized under State Law for the purpose of developing an air
7 quality implementation plan for the Air District while retaining
8 local control in the preservation of air quality; and

9 WHEREAS, this Board has considered the proposals of the
10 Environmental Protection Agency for the control of photochemical
11 oxidants and carbon monoxide, review of complex sources and
12 policies on air quality deterioration; and

13 WHEREAS, this Board has concluded that some of the control
14 strategies and implementation dates proposed by the Environmental
15 Protection Agency are unrealistic, unworkable, and unnecessary;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, it must be recognized that on-going programs exist
18 at both State and local levels which deal with many of the control
19 strategies proposed by the Environmental Protection Agency; and

20 WHEREAS, it is apparent that the Environmental Protection
21 Agency has failed in meeting objectives to control vehicular
22 emissions which contribute the greatest pollutant burden to
23 deteriorated air quality; and

24 WHEREAS, this failure has resulted in attempts to improve
25 ambient air quality with proposals by the Environmental Protection
26 Agency which have a more severe affect on stationary sources; and

27 WHEREAS, the Mariposa County Air Pollution Control District
28 Board and the State of California have developed an effective imple-
mentation plan for air pollution control in the Mariposa County Air

1 Pollution Control District; and

2 WHEREAS, this Board is advised that the _____
3 proposed by the Environmental Protection Agen_____e
4 modifying the Clean Air Act in order to make _____
5 workable can result only by act of Congress.

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the _____
7 requested to take appropriate action, relativ_____e
8 Act and the strategy of the Environmental Prot_____e
9 is necessary to alleviate the pending socioec_____o
10 sulting from the emplementation of said propos_____t

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Congress _____
12 action to redirect the efforts of the Environn_____t
13 Agency toward assisting local Government agenc_____y
14 local programs rather than imposing mandatory
15 the Federal level;

16 The foregoing resolution was passed and a _____
17 of Supervisors of the County of Mariposa actin_____g
18 County Air Pollution Control District Board me_____t
19 of October, 1973, by the following vote:

- 20 AYES: Davis, Long, Hurlbert, Moffitt, Ri
21 NOES: None
22 ABSENT: None
23 NOT VOTING: None

24 _____
25 Tom R. Richard
26 Chairman of th_____e

26 ATTEST:
27 Ellen P. Ritter
28 County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk
of the Board of Supervisors

1 Pollution Control District; and

2 WHEREAS, this Board is advised that the control strategies
3 proposed by the Environmental Protection Agency and efforts toward
4 modifying the Clean Air Act in order to make it more practical and
5 workable can result only by act of Congress.

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Congress is hereby
7 requested to take appropriate action, relative to the Clean Air
8 Act and the strategy of the Environmental Protection Agency, which
9 is necessary to alleviate the pending socioeconomic effects re-
10 sulting from the emplementation of said proposals; and

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Congress take the necessary
12 action to redirect the efforts of the Environmental Protection
13 Agency toward assisting local Government agencies in carrying out
14 local programs rather than imposing mandatory requirements from
15 the Federal level;

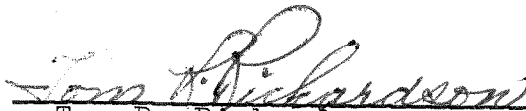
16 The foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the Board
17 of Supervisors of the County of Mariposa acting as the Mariposa
18 County Air Pollution Control District Board meeting this 30th day
19 of October, 1973, by the following vote:

20 AYES: Davis, Long, Hurlbert, Moffitt, Richardson

21 NOES: None


22 ABSENT: None

23 NOT VOTING: None

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25 Tom R. Richardson
Chairman of the Board

26 ATTEST:

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28 County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk
of the Board of Supervisors

B. F. SISK
16TH DISTRICT, CALIFORNIA

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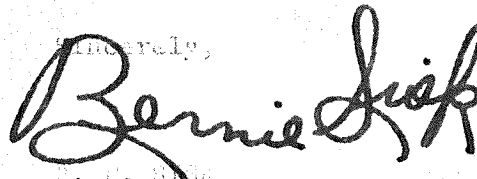
Dear Dr. Sturm:

Congress is reviewing the recent plans ordered by the Environmental Protection Agency in an effort to assure that final plans are workable and reasonable. The Senate Subcommittee on air and Water Pollution, chaired by Senator Edmund Muskie, currently is holding open hearings on the EPA regulations and some legislation is likely to emerge from those hearings.

It is too soon to tell what action, if any, Congress will take toward the EPA plans, but there are aspects of the plans which trouble many members of Congress, including myself.

If state and local plans can be effectively implemented I think a large percentage of Congressmen would support pleas to keep as many decisions at that level, rather than having the federal government mandate certain programs. As you know, however, some states have delayed drawing up plans, forcing EPA to step in.

Dr. Sturm, I have always thought the federal government should become involved in most matters only as a last resort, and I certainly believe there are many aspects of problems dealing with environment that can best be left to local governments. However, there is no question that the federal government must involve itself in assuring that we have a quality environment and assure future generations of a better life, but that involvement should be in harmony with local agencies.

Sincerely,


B. F. SISK
MEMBER OF CONGRESS

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