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

Recommend resolution authorizing Chair to sign Memorandum of Understanding with Yosemite National Park Service for provision of emergency medical service in the El Portal corridor.

For many years now, since the John C. Fremont Hospital District discontinued the provision of ambulance service in the County, the Park Service has provided ambulance service on a first responder basis in the El Portal corridor. The service has been dependable and, in the opinion of the Health Officer, cost effective. For the price of the contract, the Park Service has provided on-going training of staff (to replace transferred staff), an ambulance vehicle equipped at the ALS level, an integrated 911 response service, backup medical control from the Park clinic, and cooperative assistance with County services during disasters and multiple casualty incidents.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

County and the Park Service negotiated a five year contract for this service which expired at the end of Fiscal Year 1999-2000 (see Resolution 95-216). The Health Officer has been working with the Park on the new MOU and changes in the wording of the MOU are as noted in the attached memo.

LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

This first response emergency medical service may cease to be available in the El Portal corridor.

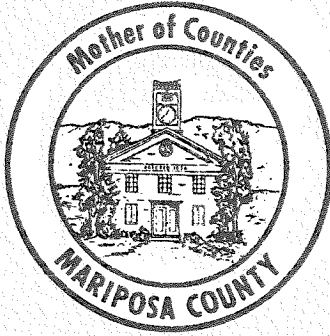
COSTS: (x) Not Applicable
A. Budgeted current FY \$
B. Total anticipated costs \$
C. Required additional funding \$
D. Internal transfers \$
SOURCE: () 4/5ths Vote Required
A. Unanticipated revenues \$
B. Reserve for contingencies \$
C. Source description:
Balance in Reserve for Contingencies, if approved: \$

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

CLERK'S USE ONLY:
Res. No.: 01-14
Vote - Ayes: 5
Absent:
Approved
Minute Order Attached () Denied () 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: [Signature]

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 Health Department

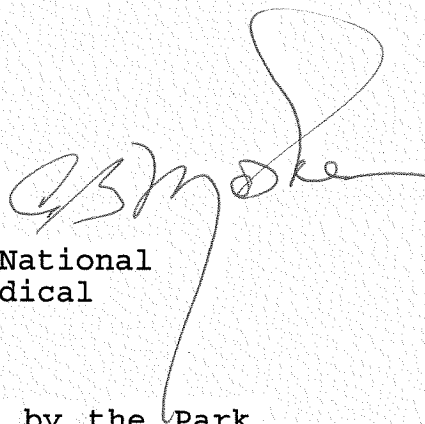
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TO : Members, Board of Supervisors

FROM : Charles B. Mosher, MD, MPH, Health Officer 

SUBJECT: Proposed five year MOU between County and National
Park Service for provision of emergency medical
services in the El Portal corridor

Attached is a copy of the revised MOU as proposed by the Park Service after discussions with myself and review by County Counsel. A similar MOU has been in place for five years and expired at the end of last fiscal year. The attached MOU has been reviewed and approved by the Park Service's solicitor. Changes from the recently expired MOU are as follows:

1. Section 3,a,v, "When a particular situation warrants, at the direction of NPS medical control, the El Portal ambulance may transport a patient directly to a **the nearest appropriate** medical facility in lieu of the County ambulance."
2. Section B.1. Verbiage has been changed from "The County has primary responsibility for providing EMS care and patient transport...(etc.)" at County Counsel recommendation.

The amount to be paid by the County has not changed.