

RESOLUTION NO. 90-448
RECYCLING RESOLUTION

- WHEREAS, the volume of material disposed of at the County landfill has been increasing annually, and
- WHEREAS, sanitary landfill space is at a premium and it is becoming increasingly difficult and expensive to site and develop new landfills, and
- WHEREAS, much of the material that enters the waste stream can be recycled, reused or incorporated in the manufacture of new products, and
- WHEREAS, County participation in and promotion of source reduction and recycling programs can significantly reduce the volume of material entering the waste stream thereby extending county landfill life expectancy, reducing expenses, reduce primary resource depletion, and help alleviate a wide array of serious environmental problems, from the county to the global level, and
- WHEREAS, the State Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 mandates counties to reduce their waste stream to sanitary landfills by 25% by 1995 and 50% by the year 2000, and
- WHEREAS, the local government of the County produces a significant volume of paper waste in its several offices, and
- WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of local government to take a leadership role, and to set an example for its citizens.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mariposa as follows:

A. PURPOSE AND INTENT

Because of the many benefits which can be derived from an effective recycling program, it is important that a strong "recycling ethic" be developed and supported by the Board of Supervisors, staff and citizens of Mariposa County. The purpose of this policy is to not only establish a County Office Paper Recycling Program, but to be an example expressing the County's commitment to recycling as an integral part of its comprehensive solid waste management strategy, and to be a significant step in the development and implementation of a Countywide recycling program.

B. POLICY

1. All County offices, departments and agencies shall participate in an office paper recycling program to be developed by staff.

2. The paper products and grades to be separated, collected and recycled shall include:

- a. computer paper
- b. white ledger paper
- c. all other paper products (excluding carbon paper, waxed or plastic coated paper, post-its, windowed envelopes, etc.)

3. The County Building and Grounds supervisor is hereby designated as the County Office Paper Recycling Program Coordinator.

4. Each Department Head shall designate an individual from each office or working group as a representative to the County Office Recycling Committee.

5. The County Office Paper Recycling Program Coordinator and the County Office Paper Recycling Program Committee shall design and present a plan for implementing this program to the County Administrative Officer by October 1, 1990.

5. All County employees are encouraged to establish local office groups to recycle aluminum cans and glass bottles used at work. If there is sufficient interest and volume, the County may incorporate aluminum into its countywide office recycling program.

Adopted:
September 18, 1990
Approved (MWS)
Ayes: Unanimous