THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS ACTION AGENDA SUMMARY

DEPT:	<u>E</u>	BOARD AGENDA # <u>*B-4</u>			
Urgent Routin	e <u>X</u>	AGENDA DATE October 30, 2001			
CEO Concurs with Recommendation	YES NONO(Information Attached)	4/5 Vote Required YESNO			

SUBJECT:

APPROVE THE EXPENDITURE OF PUBLIC FACILITY FEES FOR STANISLAUS COUNTY FIRE WARDEN/OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES TO COMPLETE THE NEW EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER

STAFF RECOMMEN-DATIONS:

- 1. AUTHORIZE THE EXPENDITURE OF PUBLIC FACILITY FEES FOR COMPUTER EQUIPMENT, OFFICE FURNISHINGS, IMPROVED POWER CONNECTIVITY, LIGHTING AND ADDITIONAL RADIO EQUIPMENT.
- 2. DIRECT THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER TO TRANSFER PUBLIC FACILITY FEE FUNDS AND INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS IN THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES/FIRE WARDEN BUDGET UNIT CONSISTENT WITH THE ATTACHED BUDGET JOURNAL.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Public Facility Fees (PFF) are collected from new development within the County. These fees are expended based on a plan that was adopted by the Board of Supervisors. PFF cannot be expended for items other than those identified by the Plan. The County Fire Warden is requesting authorization to expend approximately \$112,000 for necessary equipment to complete the new Emergency Operations Center.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:	No. 2001-818
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1) X Approved as recommended	
2) Denied	
3) Approved as amended MOTION:	

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DISCUSSION: Public Facility Fees (PFF) are collected from new development to assist in the funding of equipment and facility needs resulting from growth. All PFF funds are expended based on a plan adopted by the Board of Supervisors in 1990. This plan defines how the funds in each account can be used.

The Office of Emergency Services/Fire Warden provides countywide support through the Emergency Operations Center (EOC). Activation of the EOC has been necessary over the years during the past floods, the power outages and most recently as a result of the September 11th tragedy. The City /County purchase of the Emergency Services facility located at 3705 Oakdale, gave the County the opportunity to establish a new, permanent EOC. The new EOC was partially completed and although it has been activated several times, there continues to be a need to complete the Center. This includes the purchase of computer equipment, office furnishings to include FAX machines, wall boards, maps, radio equipment, equipment backup power improvements, lighting upgrades and a telephone based community alerting system. The anticipated cost for these improvements is \$112,000.

Considering the current trends associated with terrorist activities, it is critical our community be prepared. As a means to do this it is critical that Stanislaus County have a fully equipped Emergency Operations Center to handle potential issues should they arise. Community preparedness is essential. In anticipation of the Board's support for this approach, purchase of some of the essential equipment to support staff that have been reassigned to the emergency preparedness efforts has been funded from existing appropriations. This recommendation is being made to replace the existing funding through this very appropriate use of available PFF funds and is consistent with the Plan for use of these funds.

POLICY ISSUE:

Approval of these expenditures by the Board of Supervisors will enhance the Board's priority of a safe and healthy community through the establishment of a permanent Emergency Operations Center.

STAFFING IMPACT:

There is no staffing impact associated with these recommendations.

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