

Conservationists Act

Civic Groups Agree To Form Environmental Council

After months of groundwork, local conservation and civic groups last night agreed to form an Environmental Council of Sacramento.

The purpose, as laid out in its by-laws "is to provide a vehicle whereby groups and individuals concerned with environmental problems, may more effectively study and jointly communicate their recommendations to the general public and its elected representatives in government for action."

Initial members of ECOS are likely to be the Sierra Club, Sacramento Audubon Society, Ecology Information

Center, Save the American River Association, Sacramento County Medical Society, the Medical Society Auxiliary, the American Association of University Women, League of Women Voters, the Junior League of Sacramento and the Sacramento Tuberculosis and Health Association.

Some of the groups need final approval from individual boards to join.

Mrs. Kris Corn, chairman of the organizing committee and a TB Association staff member, said there has been growing realization that groups interested in environmental protection needed better communication

and coordination to, among other things, lend support to specific projects of individual organizations.

Thus one of the council's first projects will be to help the Ecology Center arrange events for the second Earth Week in mid-April.

Mrs. Susan Anderson of the center is coordinating the events.

Last night she also suggested that ECOS and its member organizations stop use of plastic cups for coffee at meetings, noting that they do not decompose and when burned emit harmful gases. She recommended use of ceramic mugs. Other organizing committee members agreed.

Minor Girl

\$70,000 Auto Injury Award Is Upheld

The 3rd District Court of Appeal has upheld the 1968 verdict of a Siskiyou County Superior Court jury, which awarded a Los Angeles girl and her mother nearly \$70,000 after the

In appealing the Superior Court decision, Meredith contended Miss Chabot had willingly accepted the ride — without the consent of her mother, who thought she was taking the bus

or death to a guest in a motor vehicle resulting from the driver's negligence, and permits recovery only when the driver is drunk or guilty of "willful misconduct.")

