

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 71

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Providing for the establishment  
of a Minnesota Water Resources  
Council.

I, Wendell R. Anderson, Governor of the State of Minnesota, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and applicable statutes, hereby issue this Executive Order:

WHEREAS, there are several state agencies with duties and responsibilities concerning management and planning for water and related land resources; and,

WHEREAS, coordination of these programs and activities is necessary for proper water and related land resources planning and elimination of duplication of efforts; and,

WHEREAS, coordination of these programs is required under provisions of the Water and Related Land Resources Planning Act (P.L. 89-90).

NOW, THEREFORE, I order that a Minnesota Water Resources Council comprised of nine members be created as follows:

- I. Membership of the Water Resources Council shall consist of the following:
  1. The Assistant Commissioner of Planning, Research and Development, Department of Natural Resources, who shall serve as Chairman of the Water Resources Council.
  2. The Director of Comprehensive Planning, Bureau of Environmental Planning and Protection, Department of Natural Resources, who shall serve as Executive Secretary of the Water Resources Council in a non-voting capacity.
  3. The Director of the Environmental Health Division, Department of Health.
  4. The Director of the Water Quality Division, Pollution Control Agency.
  5. The Administrative Management Director, Office of the Commissioner, Department of Agriculture.

6. The Assistant Commissioner for Transportation and Transit Planning and Programming, Department of Highways.
7. The Director of the Environmental Planning Division, State Planning Agency, who shall serve as Vice-Chairman.
8. The Director of the Research Division, Department of Economic Development.
9. The Governor's Representative to the Federal-State River Basin Commissions.

II. Duties and Responsibilities of the Water Resources Council:

1. Encourage state, federal, local and private organizations to cooperate in the definition and solution of the state's water and related land resources planning problems;
2. Maintain liaison with all organizations concerned with water and related land resources planning in the state;
3. Participate in federal, federal-state and inter-state comprehensive water and related land resource planning by assisting in the work of Title II River Basin Commissions;
4. Prepare a framework water and related land resources plan for the state in harmony with the planning for other state resources and local, regional, national and international water and related land resource plans;
5. Assist the Regional Development Commissions, Metropolitan Council and other regional and local agencies in the preparation of water and related land resources plans; and
6. Prepare and distribute informational brochures, press releases, booklets and other similar items designed to acquaint those concerned with water and related land resources planning with the concerns and activities of the Council. The Council may utilize other communications media as necessary to encourage, stimulate and develop water and related land resources planning efforts.

- III. The Water Resources Council shall meet quarterly. Additional meetings as necessary may be held at the call of the Chairman. There shall be three standing advisory committees formed as follows:
1. The River Basin Commissions Advisory Committee
  2. The Statewide Water Resources Comprehensive Planning Advisory Committee.
  3. The Regional Water Resources Planning Advisory Committee.

The River Basin Commission Advisory Committee shall be chaired by the Governor's representative to the Title II River Basin Commissions. The remaining two committees shall be chaired by the Director of Comprehensive Planning, Bureau of Environmental Planning and Protection, Department of Natural Resources.

The memberships of the River Basin Commissions Advisory Committee and the Statewide Water Resources Comprehensive Planning Advisory Committee shall be drawn from the technical staffs of the Minnesota Water Resources Council member agencies and such other water-related agencies as may be appropriate and they shall serve at the pleasure of the Committee chairman. The membership of the Regional Water Resources Planning Advisory Committee shall be designated by the chairman of the Metropolitan Council and the Executive Directors of the several Regional Development Commissions.

There shall be seven standing technical subcommittees under the statewide Water Resources Comprehensive Planning Committee. Each subcommittee shall be the responsibility of the designated lead agency. The lead agency shall be responsible for providing sufficient staff to respond to the needs of the Minnesota Water Resources Council and its standing committees. The subcommittees shall meet as needed to discharge their duties, or at the call of either the chairman of the Minnesota Water Resources Council or the chairman of the Statewide Water Resources Comprehensive Planning Committee.

Following are the seven technical subcommittees and the lead agency for each:

<u>Subcommittee</u>	<u>Lead Agency</u>
Information Systems	State Planning Agency
Economy, Population and Demand Projections	State Planning Agency
Water Quality	Pollution Control Agency

Water Supply  
Recreation, Fish and Wildlife  
Land Treatment, Drainage and  
Irrigation  
Flood Control, Navigation and Power

Department of Health  
Department of Natural Resources  
Department of Natural Resources  
Department of Natural Resources

The chairman of the Minnesota Water Resources Council is empowered to form such other subcommittees on an ad hoc basis as deemed necessary to discharge the duties and responsibilities of the Minnesota Water Resources Council.

This Order shall be effective November 13, 1973.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand on this thirteenth day of November, 1973.



Wendell R. Anderson  
Governor

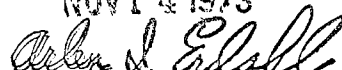
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