

STATE OF MINNESOTA
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

COMMISSIONER'S DELEGATION ORDER NO. 201;
AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING COMMISSIONER'S ORDER NO. 178 (PERSONNEL)

By virtue of authority conferred upon me by law,
I, Robert L. Herbst, Commissioner of Natural Resources,
hereby create and establish the following described Natural
Resource Regions for the purpose of coordinating, integrating,
and improving the efficiency and effectiveness of field
operations of the Department. These regions are adjuncts to
the office of the Commissioner. Each region has as its
administrative head a person who has the title of Regional
Administrator and who has, within his region and within areas
subject to his supervision pursuant to work agreement, the
powers and duties specified below.

Region One is composed of the area included within
the boundaries of the following listed counties: Kittson,
Roseau, Lake of the Woods, Marshall, Beltrami, Pennington,
Red Lake, Polk, Clearwater, Norman, Mahnomen, Hubbard, Clay,
Becker, Wilkin, Ottertail, and Wadena.

Region Two is composed of the area included within
the boundaries of the following listed counties: Koochiching,
Itasca, St. Louis, Lake, Cook, and Carlton.

Region Three is composed of the area included within
the boundaries of the following listed counties: Cass, Crow
Wing, Aitkin, Todd, Morrison, Benton, Mille Lacs, Grant,
Douglas, Stevens, Pope, Stearns, and Traverse.

Region Four is composed of the areas included within
the boundaries of the following listed counties: Big Stone,
Swift, Lac Qui Parle, Chippewa, Kandiyohi, Meeker, Yellow Medicine,

Renville, McLeod, Sibley, Lincoln, Lyon, Redwood, Brown, Nicollet, LeSueur, Pipestone, Murray, Cottonwood, Watonwan, Blue Earth, Waseca, Rock, Nobles, Jackson, Martin, and Faribault.

Region Five is composed of the areas included within the boundaries of the following listed counties: Kanabec, Pine, Isanti, Chisago, Sherburne, Anoka, Wright, Hennepin, Ramsey, Washington, Carver, Scott, Dakota, Rice, Goodhue, Wabasha, Steele, Dodge, Olmsted, Winona, Freeborn, Mower, Fillmore, and Houston.

The Commissioner may direct or approve, between or among regions, work agreements pursuant to which work in one or more regions is performed or supervised, or both, by another region.

Subject to the limitations described below, within his region and within areas subject to his supervision pursuant to work agreement, the regional administrator is responsible for administering, coordinating, and integrating, in an effective and efficient manner, the field operations of all divisions, bureaus, and other subdivisions of the department. In carrying out these responsibilities the regional administrator has the following powers, duties and responsibilities:

1. The powers, duties, and responsibilities vested in and imposed upon the Commissioner of Natural Resources by law pertaining to the Division of Enforcement and Field Service, except as follows;
 - (a) the planning, developing, monitoring, and evaluating of policies, programs, and priorities of the Division of

- Enforcement and Field Service,
- (b) planning and coordinating the firearm and snowmobile safety programs
 - (c) planning and coordinating the public access program,
 - (d) planning and coordinating the wild rice program;
2. The powers, duties, and responsibilities vested in and imposed upon the Commissioner of Natural Resources by law pertaining to the Division of Lands and Forestry, except as follows;
- (a) the planning, developing, monitoring, and evaluating of policies, programs, and priorities of the Division of Lands and Forestry,
 - (b) the final approving of sales and scaling of state timber sold at auctions or informal sale, and the coordination of scaling, unless otherwise delegated by commissioner's order,
 - (c) the inventorying of timber resources, including but not limited to contracting for aerial photography for forestry purposes,
 - (d) the approving of timber value for tax-forfeited land proposed for sale, and the approving of county scalers,

- (e) processing and approving applications for purchases of nursery stock,
 - (f) the executing of auxiliary forest contracts, supplementary agreements, and withdrawals,
 - (g) the issuing of forest fire protection orders,
 - (h) the accepting of tax-forfeited lands for state forest purposes, and the withdrawal of lands from state forests,
 - (i) the approving of establishment and maintenance of school forests,
 - (j) the approving of selections and withdrawals of land from memorial and municipal forests;
3. The powers, duties, and responsibilities vested in and imposed upon the Commissioner of Natural Resources by law pertaining to the Division of Game and Fish, except as follows;
- (a) the planning, developing, monitoring, and evaluating of policies, programs, and priorities of the Division of Game and Fish,
 - (b) the fixing of seasons and limits,
 - (c) the promulgating of Commissioner's orders,
 - (d) the issuing of permits, unless otherwise delegated by Commissioner's order,
 - (e) the contracting for the removal of rough fish;

4. The powers, duties and responsibilities vested in and imposed upon the Commissioner of Natural Resources by law pertaining to the Division of Parks and Recreation, except as follows;
 - (a) the planning, developing, monitoring, and evaluating of policies, programs, and priorities of the Division of Parks and Recreation,
 - (b) procuring and distributing merchandise for state park visitor service centers;
5. The powers, duties, and responsibilities vested in and imposed upon the Commissioner of Natural Resources by law pertaining to the Division of Waters, Soils, and Minerals, except as follows;
 - (a) the planning, developing, monitoring, and evaluating of policies, programs, and priorities of the Division of Waters, Soils, and Minerals,
 - (b) the issuing of permits, unless otherwise delegated by Commissioner's order,
 - (c) the issuing of Commissioner's orders,
 - (d) any matters relating to minerals,
 - (e) the issuing of Commissioner's reports required by Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 106,
 - (f) the issuing of Director's reports required by Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 112,
 - (g) the administrating of water resource grant-in-aid programs for dam repair and reconstruction, stream channel improvement, lake improvement, and ground water irrigation studies.
6. Recommending regional budgets and operational priorities to the Commissioner;
7. Employing the classes and numbers of personnel approved as complement for the region by the Commissioner pursuant to procedures detailed

by Commissioner's Operational Orders.

8. Obtaining by requisition or purchase necessary supplies and equipment consistent with budget limitations, priorities, and procedural requirements established by the Commissioner;
9. Allocating the control and use of buildings, equipment, vehicles, and supplies;
10. Exercising responsibility for the maintenance and repair of departmental property;
11. Performing such other duties as may be delegated or assigned by the Commissioner from time to time;
12. Signing purchase requisitions, deposit slips, personnel forms, abstracts, Minnesota State Retirement System forms, contracts, and miscellaneous forms, which are within the scope of his powers, duties, and authority. Commissioner's Order No. 178, as amended, is hereby amended and supplemented to accomplish this purpose. Commissioner's Order No. 178, as amended, is hereby confirmed and continued in all other respects.


The authority described above does not include any power, duty, or responsibility to promulgate rules and regulations or hold any public hearing which may be required by law unless directed to do so by the Commissioner.

The authority described above does not eliminate or limit the law enforcement authority or power of an officer or employee of the Department of Natural Resources who is not a regional officer or employee.


In the event a dispute arises in regard to field operations within a region, the regional administrator, assistant commissioner, division director, or bureau administrator may submit the matter to the Commissioner for his review and determination.

This order is not intended to amend or repeal other Commissioner's orders, such as those relating to the Bureau of Land or to Business Management, except as expressly provided in this order. This order also is not intended to prevent or limit the further delineation of responsibility and authority pursuant to Policy Directive or Operational Order issued from time to time by the Commissioner.

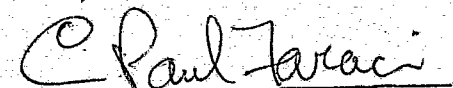
Dated at Saint Paul, Minnesota, this 19 day of December, 1973.


ROBERT L. HERBST
Commissioner of Natural Resources

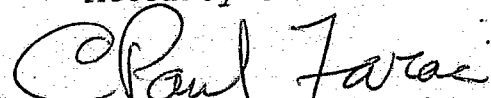
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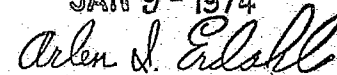
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STATE OF MINNESOTA
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COMMISSIONER'S DELEGATION ORDER NO. 223
AMENDING COMMISSIONER'S ORDER NO. 201

By virtue of authority conferred upon me by law, I,
Robert L. Herbst, Commissioner of Natural Resources, hereby amend
Commissioner's Delegation Order Number 201, to read as stated below,
for the purposes of revising and altering the boundaries of Natural
Resource Regions One, Two, Three and Five, and creating Natural
Resource Region Six:

Region One is composed of the area included within the
boundaries of the following listed counties: Kittson, Roseau, Lake
of the Woods, Marshall, Beltrami, Pennington, Red Lake, Polk, Clear-
water, Norman, Mahnomen, Hubbard, Clay, Becker, Wilkin, Ottertail,
Traverse, Grant, Douglas, Stevens, and Pope.

Region Two is composed of the area included within the
boundaries of the following listed counties: Koochiching, Itasca,
St. Louis, Lake, Cook, Aitkin, and Carlton.

Region Three is composed of the area included within the
boundaries of the following listed counties: Wadena, Cass, Crow Wing,
Todd, Morrison, Mille Lacs, Kanabec, Pine, Chisago, Isanti, Sherburne,
Benton, Stearns, and Wright.

(Region Four; no change.)

Region Five is composed of the areas included within the
boundaries of the following listed counties: Rice, Goodhue, Wabasha,
Steele, Dodge, Olmsted, Winona, Freeborn, Mower, Fillmore, and
Houston.

Region Six is composed of the areas included within the
boundaries of the following listed counties: Anoka, Washington,
Hennepin, Ramsey, Carver, Scott, and Dakota.

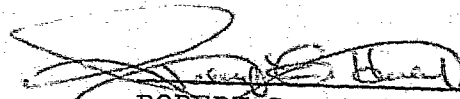
Commissioner's Delegation Order Number 201, as amended,

is hereby confirmed and continued in all other respects.

This order is effective July 1, 1974.

Dated at Saint Paul, Minnesota, this 19th day of

February, 1975.



ROBERT L. HERBST
Commissioner of Natural Resources

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND EXECUTION

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