



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 71A

Re-establishes a Water Resources Council by totally amending Executive Order No. 71, of November 13, 1973.

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, Executive Order Number 71 established a Water Resources Council on November 13, 1973; and

WHEREAS, significant organizational changes of that Council are in order without interrupting the continuity of its work; and

WHEREAS, coordination of planning and management of water-related land resources is required under federal law (PL 89-80), but is the jurisdiction of a number of state agencies;

NOW, THEREFORE, I order:

1. The Water Resources Council, originally created by Executive Order Number 71, to reconstitute itself to consist of the following members:

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- a. One appointee of the Commissioner of Natural Resources;
- b. One appointee of the Commissioner of Health;
- c. One appointee of the Director of the Pollution Control Agency;
- d. One appointee of the Commissioner of Agriculture;
- e. One appointee of the Commissioner of Transportation;
- f. One appointee of the Director of the Planning Agency;
- g. One appointee of the Commissioner of Economic Development;
- h. One appointee of the Director of Energy;
- i. One appointee of the Soil and Water Conservation Board;
- j. One appointee of the Water Resources Board; and
- k. The Governor's Basin Commissioner who shall be the Chairperson of the Council.

The head of the Agency shall select the designated employee who shall serve at the pleasure of the head of the Agency.

2. The Commissioner of Natural Resources shall furnish staff, including an executive secretary to the Council as mutually agreed upon by the Commissioner and the Chairperson of the Council.
3. The Council shall perform the following duties:

- a. To encourage federal, state, local and private organizations to cooperate in the definition and solution of problems concerning water-related land resources planning;
  - b. To participate in the work of the Missouri River Commission, the Upper Mississippi River Commission, and the Great Lakes Basin Commission (Title II River Commissions) by considering resource planning on a federal-state, interstate and regional basis;
  - c. To coordinate the preparation of a State Water Related Land Resource Plan in harmony with other Resource Plans and plans of local, regional, or federal plans on similar subjects;
  - d. To assist the Metropolitan Planning Council, regional development commissions and other public agencies in the development of water and land related resource Plans;
  - e. To the extent authorized by law, to prepare and distribute informational brochures, press releases and other educational information to familiarize those concerned with the activities of the Council and to encourage water and land related resource planning; and
  - f. To solicit the participation of the public in the work of the Council, particularly the participation of the Association of Minnesota Counties, the League of Minnesota Municipalities, Watershed Districts, and local officials.
4. The Chairperson of the Council is empowered to seek the assistance of any public agency and to appoint subcommittees as he deems necessary to properly discharge the functions of the Council.

5. The Council shall meet at least quarterly or otherwise at the request of six of its members.
6. This Executive Order supercedes all items of Executive Order Number 71 except for the creation of the Water Resources Council.

THIS ORDER SHALL BE EFFECTIVE on the date of signature and shall be in force until December 31, 1978.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand on this thirteenth day of May, 1976.

Wendell R. Anderson  
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