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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Executive Office

Columbia

Executive Order

WHEREAS, the State has deemed it appropriate to create agencies having distinct and separate functional responsibilities, and

WHEREAS, it is considered to be in the best interests of the State to encourage joint ventures among and between State and other agencies in the pursuit of comprehensive development programs and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to provide for cooperative undertakings by two or more State agencies and other local agencies through the creation of Multi-Agency associations and to provide for the conditions under which such Multi-Agency associations may be formed and to define their powers and duties:

NOW, THEREFORE, it is ordered as follows:

That when a State agency pursues an undertaking and this undertaking affects the activities and purpose of one or more other State or local agencies, the formation of a multi-agency association is encouraged. When a State agency determines that a multi-agency association should be established, each affected State or local agency will be given the opportunity to participate in the association. When so established, multi-agency association may, to the extent permitted by law, perform the following functions:

- (1) Perform joint planning and development.
- (2) Provide centralized coordination and management.

- (3) Pool their resources and funding capacities in pursuit of their common objectives.
- (4) Expend such funds as may be available to meet cooperative commitments and to discharge cooperative obligations, such expenditures to be approved in a manner established by common agreement among the participating agencies.
- (5) Utilize the services of the employees of any participating member agency on a part or full-time basis to perform staff assignments for the multi-agency association.

Such agreements herein provided for shall be reduced to writing and filed with the Secretary of State and shall describe therein the programs, projects and developments to be administered, the organization, provisions for representation, financing and other matters relating to the multi-agency association thus organized by said agreement.


Each State agency and local agency executing the agreement creating the multi-agency association shall be a member. Representation of members on the policy-making body of the multi-agency association shall be prescribed in the agreement creating the said multi-agency association. The agreement shall specify the procedures for the appointment of representatives of the member agencies. The multi-agency association shall adopt by-laws designating the officers and their method of selection and providing for the conduct of its business.

The agreement establishing the multi-agency association shall describe the purposes and objectives of the association and the activities to be undertaken provided, however, no action involving construction of physical facilities or other such undertakings shall be done in the name of the association. It is envisioned by this order that such actions if any will be undertaken by a member of the association who has authority to take such action.


Upon the completion of the purpose and objectives of a multi-agency association, it shall be dissolved by a joint resolution to that effect adopted by the participating agencies.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina at Columbia, South Carolina, this 31st day of July, 1973.



  
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John C. West  
Governor of South Carolina

ATTEST:

  
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O. Frank Thornton  
Secretary of State