STATE OF MONTANA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 1-92

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EXECUTIVE ORDER PROVIDING STATE AGENCIES' ASSISTANCE TO THE FLATHEAD BASIN COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the 1983 Montana Legislature established the Flathead Basin Commission to monitor the water quality and existing condition of the natural resources of the Flathead basin and coordinate development of an annual monitoring plan; and

WHEREAS, the intent of the legislation is to encourage close cooperation and coordination between federal, state, provincial, tribal and local resource managers for establishing compatible resource development activities throughout the Flathead River drainage; and

WHEREAS, subsequent legislatures have increased the membership of the commission by creating ex-officio commission members including the directors of the Departments of Health and Environmental Sciences and Fish, Wildlife and Parks or their designees; and

WHEREAS, recent commission deliberations have concluded that additional resources of expertise and advise from other state departments and agencies will further the success of the commission's deliberations and responsibilities under state law.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, STAN STEPHENS, Governor of the State of Montana, by virtue of the authority vested in me pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State of Montana do hereby direct the following:

- 1. That the Flathead Basin Commission may call upon personnel of other state agencies not specifically mentioned within the legislation for advice, expertise and information regarding maintenance and enhancement of the quality of the natural resources of the Flathead Basin.
- 2. That the Departments of Natural Resources and Conservation,

Transportation, and the Disaster and Emergency Services Division of the Department of Military Affairs, upon the request of the executive committee of the commission, and in consultation with the executive director and the department director, shall provide such necessary information and expertise to the commission so as to fulfill the statutory responsibilities of the commission.

This Order is effective immediately.

MIKE COONEY, Secretary of State

GIVEN under my hand and the GREAT SEAL of the State of Montana this 3rd day of January in the year of our LORD, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-two.

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STAN STEPHENS

Governor

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