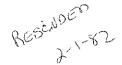
STATE OF MONTANA

Office of the Governor



Executive Order No. 8-74

Executive Order Recognizing the Central Montana District Council, and Rescinding Executive Order No. 6-74.

It is the policy of the State of Montana to encourage its units of local government to establish voluntary associations in order to discuss challenges of mutual interest and concern, develop policy and action recommendations for joint implementation by member local governments, engage in areawide comprehensive planning, coordinate areawide functional planning and development activities, and administer certain Federal and State grant-in-aid programs.

Guidelines have been developed to enable the State to recognize such associations of local government or District Councils within the multicounty districts established by Executive Order 2-71 and subsequent amendments.

By joint interlocal agreement, the necessary elected officials in District No. 6 have agreed to establish such a District Council.

THEREFORE, I, THOMAS L. JUDGE, Governor of the State of Montana, by virtue of the authority vested in me do hereby recognize the Central Montana District Council.

As a recognized District Council, the Central Montana District Council shall be delegated the following authority:

- 1. Review of certain federally-assisted projects. The Central Montana District Council shall, consistent with State Clearinghouse procedures, review all applications submitted by units of general local government, special districts, and private organizations within District No. 6 for a loan or grant from a federal department or agency for programs and purposes as required by Federal law or regulation. The Council shall have 30 days after receiving any applications to conduct its review, to make comments and recommendations, and to attempt to resolve any inconsistencies with its officially adopted comprehensive district development plan. This review procedure shall be completed prior to submission of the application to the pertinent Federal department or agency for funding consideration.
- 2. Review of state plans and projects. (a) Each state agency shall submit to the Central Montana District Council for review, comment, and recommendation all comprehensive plans and annual work programs that will have an effect within District No. 6. The Council shall have 30 days after receiving any plans and programs to conduct its review, to make comments and recommendations, and to attempt to resolve any inconsistencies with its officially adopted comprehensive district development plan. During this review period, the state agency shall take no action to implement the plans and programs.
- (b) The Central Montana District Council shall review any proposed state major capital facilities project to be located within District

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- No. 6. The Council shall have 30 days after receiving the proposed project to conduct its review, to make comments and recommendations, and to attempt to resolve any inconsistencies with its officially adopted comprehensive district development plan. During this review period, the state shall take no action to begin the project.
- 3. Federal and State agency use of Central Montana District Council.
- (a) The Central Montana District Council shall be the authorized agency in District No. 6 to receive federal grants-in-aid for district-wide general purpose planning, coordination and development purposes.
- (b) All state agencies and federal grant recipients shall use the Central Montana District Council comprehensive district development plan as a basis for any districtwide functional planning, and districting activities which will have an effect within District No. 6.
- (c) To avoid duplication of the staff efforts of various district planning bodies assisted by state and federal agencies, the Central Montana District Council Comprehensive District Development Plan shall provide a consistent data base and assessment of needs for district plans. When possible, the Council should provide administrative and research services for district planning bodies in District No. 6.
- 4. Executive Order No. 6-74 is hereby rescinded.

This Executive Order shall be effective July 17, 1974.

GIVEN under my hand and the GREAT SEAL of the State of Montana this Seventeenth day of July, in the year of our LORD, One Thousand, Nine Hundred Seventy-four.

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THOMAS L. JUDGE, Governor

ATTEST:

Secretary of State
By, fail Mr. Defoath,
Chief Deputy