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entitled to the cooperation of every department, agency, and office of the State of New Jersey.

6. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Given, under my hand and seal this 20th day of
[SEAL] December, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine
hundred and seventy-two, and of the Independence of
the United States, the one hundred and ninety-seventh.

/s/ WILLIAM T. CAHILL,
Governor.

Attest:

/s/ JEAN E. MULFORD,
Acting Secretary to the Governor.

STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 40

WHEREAS, Planning for the protection of the environment, to assure that the development of the State and its resources is realized in an orderly manner and for the proper location of State facilities to encourage these goals will be fostered by the preparation of a comprehensive State plan; and

WHEREAS, Natural constraints on the growth of the State must be considered in planning for the future, particularly the constraints of water supply, achievement of high air quality standards, assurance that the waters of the State will meet quality standards, and the environmental effects of major installations, such as power generation facilities, which may be required by future growth; and

WHEREAS, The municipalities, counties and regions of New Jersey seek guidance and assistance in the preparation of plans for their jurisdiction and such guidance may be provided through a State planning procedure; and

WHEREAS, The protection of the environment and the realization of orderly development of the State requires the evaluation and coordination of long-range capital programs among the various State departments; and

WHEREAS, The Congress of the United States is seeking to assist the State and local governments to improve upon their present land use planning and management efforts with respect to areas of critical environmental concern, key facilities, and developments and land uses of regional benefit;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, William T. Cahill, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and by the statutes of this State, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. There is hereby established a State Planning Task Force. Such Task Force shall be appointed by the Governor and serve at his pleasure. Its duties shall be:

(a) To coordinate the programs and activities of State departments which affect the environment and growth of New Jersey, by the preparation and continued maintenance of a comprehensive State physical development plan, and to advise the Governor with regard to the impact of land use programs and planning activities of each Department;

(b) To prepare recommendations to the Governor on the environmental, social and economic impact of major proposed developments within or affecting the State;

(c) To review the State's capital program as prepared by the Department of Treasury, Division of Budget and Accounting, as it relates to the State's physical development program;

(d) To coordinate Federal planning reviews within State departments in accordance with Federal Office of Management and Budget procedures and requirements;

(e) To assure that State planning policies are integrated into the plans of interstate planning agencies and in such planning committees, councils, and commissions as are or have been established to prepare plans affecting New Jersey;

(f) To assure coordination among and provision of adequate staff services to interdepartmental councils, study groups or committees, and commissions relating to matters of State physical development and in all interdepartmental activities and programs which affect State-wide planning.

2. The State Planning Task Force shall consist of:

(a) The Secretary of Agriculture, the Commissioner of Community Affairs, the Commissioner of Environmental Protection, the Commissioner of Labor and Industry, the Chancellor of Higher

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Education, the Commissioner of Institutions and Agencies, the Commissioner of Education, the Commissioner of Health, the Commissioner of Transportation and the State Treasurer;

(b) Three citizens of the State who shall be appointed by the Governor, one of whom shall be designated as chairman.

3. The Assistant Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs (Planning) shall serve as Executive Secretary of the Task Force. The Division of State and Regional Planning shall provide all staff services to the Task Force.

4. The Task Force shall establish such committees as it shall find appropriate. Included among such committees shall be an environmental review committee responsible for assessing the probable environmental impact of plans and recommendations and of informing the Task Force of the likely environmental consequences of plans and recommendations. The environmental review committee shall be chaired by the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection or his designee. The chairman of the environmental review committee shall appoint the members of the committee.

5. The Task Force is authorized to call upon any department, office, division, or agency of the State to supply such available statistical data, program reports, and other information and materials as it deems necessary to discharge its responsibilities under this Order.

6. Each department, office, division, or agency of the State is authorized and directed, to the extent not inconsistent with law, to cooperate with the Task Force and to furnish it such information and assistance as it may find necessary in the discharge of its responsibilities under this Order.

7. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Given, under my hand and seal this 22nd day of
 [SEAL] December, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine
 hundred and seventy-two, and of the Independence of
 the United States, the one hundred and ninety-seventh.

/s/ WILLIAM T. CAHILL,
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