

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT DOVER

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER FORTY-TWO

TO: HEADS OF ALL STATE DEPARTMENTS, AGENCIES AND AUTHORITIES

RE: CONTINUED DESIGNATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL TO RECEIVE AND

ADMINISTER SECTION 306 GRANTS PURSUANT TO THE FEDERAL COASTAL

ZONE MANAGEMENT ACT

WHEREAS, the federal Coastal Zone Management Act (16 U.S.C. § 1451 et. seq.) requires as a precondition to allocating federal monies to states under Section 306 of the Coastal Zone Management Act that the Governor to designate a single state agency to receive and administer Section 306 grants; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control ("DNREC") has been implementing the majority of Delaware laws addressing its coastal resource management and has been the designated state agency under Section 306 since 1981; and

WHEREAS, DNREC has a legislative mandate to coordinate other state and local programs, plans, and policies within the coastal zone; and

WHEREAS, DNREC has the fiscal, legal, and administrative capability to administer Section 306 funds effectively.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, THOMAS R. CARPER, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Delaware, do hereby declare and order the following:

- 1. DNREC is designated as the single agency to receive and administer Section 306 grants pursuant to the federal Coastal Zone Management Act.
- 2. DNREC may, in administering said grants, make contracts or similar arrangements (such as pass-through grants) with participating agencies for the purpose of carrying out specific management tasks, and shall account for the expenditure of implementation funds by any recipient of such funds.
- 3. DNREC shall monitor and evaluate the management of the State's coastal resources by the various agencies and local governments, if any, with specified responsibilities under the Coastal Management Program (irrespective of whether such entities receive Section 306 funds).
- 4. DNREC shall make periodic reports to the federal Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, the Governor, and the General Assembly, as appropriate, regarding the performance of all agencies involved in the Program.
- DNREC may, if and when appropriate, request approval from the Associate
 Administrator of the federal Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management for amendments or refinements to the Coastal Management Program.
- 6. All state departments and agencies shall cooperate to the fullest extent possible to assist DNREC in carrying out the duties and responsibilities of this Order.
 - 7. Executive Order Number 60 of Governor DuPont is hereby repealed.

APPROVED this 15th day of August, 1996.

Governor

ATTEST:

Secretary of State