

STATE OF DELAWARE



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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
DOVER

EXECUTIVE ORDER
NUMBER SIXTY-EIGHT

TO: Heads of All State Departments and Agencies

RE: Delaware Transportation Activities

WHEREAS, great emphasis is being directed, both in the State of Delaware and nationwide, toward the provision of adequate and efficient public transportation services; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 268, Volume 56, Laws of Delaware, authorized the creation of Local Transportation Authorities, such as the Delaware Authority for Regional Transit (DART); and

WHEREAS, Chapter 306, Volume 59, Laws of Delaware, authorized the creation of a Specialized Transportation Authority, to wit, the Delaware Authority for Specialized Transportation (DAST); and

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 52, July 19, 1974, created the Governor's Task Force for Aviation; and

WHEREAS, there was created in March 1972, the Governor's Transit Task Force for Northern Delaware, as was mandated by the Urban Mass Transportation Administration of the United States Department of Transportation, as a provision of the Delaware Transit Technical Study Grant DE-09-0002; and

WHEREAS, numerous Federal laws, regulations, and policies, such as the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1962, the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, the Airport and Airway Development Act of 1970, the Regional Rail Reorganization Act of 1973, the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973, and the National Transportation Assistance Act of 1974, require certain actions at the State government level, with respect to transportation activities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SHERMAN W. TRIBBITT, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Delaware, do hereby declare and order as follows:


1. The Secretary of Highways and Transportation or his designee is authorized to act for the Governor and the State of Delaware in transportation and aviation matters affecting the State of Delaware.
2. The Secretary of Highways and Transportation or his designee shall assure that maximum coordination, and cooperation is maintained with the Wilmington Metropolitan Area Planning Coordinating Council (WILMAPCO), the State Planning Office, and the various Federal Transportation and Aviation activities.

3. The Secretary of Highways and Transportation or his designee shall exercise overall policy, management, and administrative supervision over all statewide transportation and aviation matters. In this capacity, the Department of Highways and Transportation will:
- a. Coordinate all transportation policies and procedures for the State of Delaware with the objective of providing a balanced transportation system at optimum efficiency and cost;
 - b. Perform all planning of transportation activities for the State of Delaware and conduct such continuing, comprehensive, and coordinated transportation planning activities as shall be necessary to satisfy the requirements of the various Federal laws and regulations;
 - c. Coordinate all transportation budgets and grants for the State of Delaware;
 - d. Coordinate the activities of Transportation Authorities created by the State to avoid competition, overlap and duplication of service;
 - e. Monitor transportation management actions to assure the optimum utilization of transportation services within the State at a minimum total transportation cost to the State of Delaware; and
 - f. Act as the technical supervisor of all State transportation functions;
 - g. Prepare for the Governor, certification as to the social, economic, and environmental impacts of transportation projects within the State of Delaware as may be required to satisfy all applicable State and/or Federal laws;
 - h. Hold public hearings, for any transportation activities as may be required to satisfy the various State and Federal laws;
 - i. Conduct or contract for studies, plans or designs as may be required to satisfy the various Federal regulations and laws;
 - j. Assure the optimum utilization of all available Federal funds for transportation.

APPROVED this ^{28th} day of February, 1975


Governor

ATTEST:


Secretary of State

