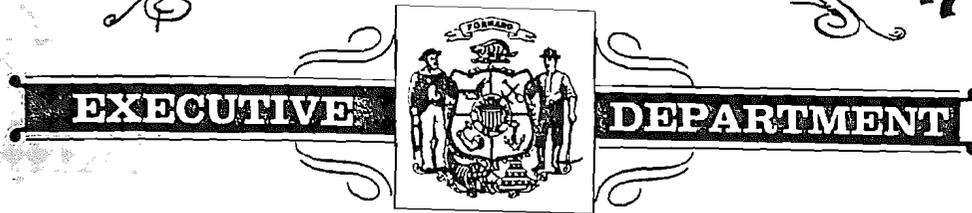


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WHEREAS, achieving and maintaining water quality while maintaining a sound agricultural economy is an important goal of the state; and

WHEREAS, environmental quality and the implementation of good agricultural practices are necessary components of Wisconsin's quality of life; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) and the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) have closely related responsibilities for achieving these goals; and

WHEREAS, DNR is the central unit of state government to protect, maintain and improve the quality and management of the waters of the state [§ 144.025(1), Wis. Stats.] and Chapter 147, Stats., assigns responsibility to the DNR for establishing, administering and maintaining the Wisconsin Pollutant Discharge Elimination System; and

WHEREAS, DATCP is the "...central agency of this state for setting and implementing statewide soil and water conservation policies and administering the state's soil and water conservation programs..." [§ 92.05, Stats.] and DATCP also has broad powers and duties related to agriculture, including the promotion, inspection, marketing and distribution of agricultural products and through these activities, DATCP has developed strong working relationships with farm groups and interest; and

WHEREAS, DATCP and DNR in recognition of the need to coordinate the administration of their programs, entered into a memorandum of understanding on January 19, 1984; and

WHEREAS, DATCP, the Land Conservation Board and the county Land Conservation committees are uniquely qualified to identify alternative agricultural practices designed to achieve the State's water quality goals; and

WHEREAS, it is essential that agricultural concerns be recognized by DNR in the administration of the state's animal waste program;

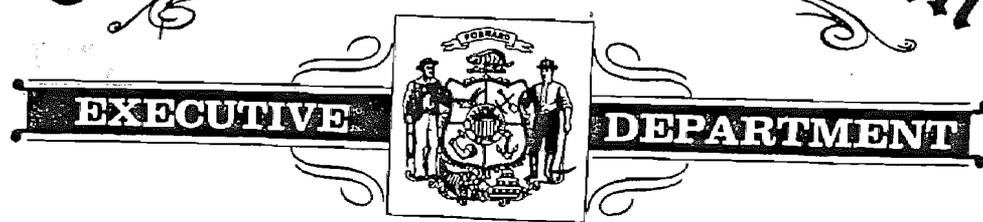
NOW, THEREFORE, I Anthony S. Earl, Governor of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution of Wisconsin, do:

1. Direct the Secretary of DATCP in consultation with the Secretary of DNR to develop procedures to insure that a member of DATCP staff; the county land conservation committee established under § 92.06, Stats., or their designee be available for initial site inspections pursuant to NR 243.22 Wis. Admin. Code;

2. Direct that after the Land Conservation Committee has recommended corrective measures and those measures are installed if the DNR and LCC do not agree the measures are adequate after the period specified in the Administrative Code has ended, the Secretary of DNR shall seek the advice of the Land Conservation Board.

3. Direct the Land Conservation Board to prepare a report on implementation of the animal waste program and this executive order with 30 days of the end of Fiscal Year 1984-85.

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4. Direct the secretaries of the DATCP, DNR and Land Conservation Board by July 1, 1984 to develop procedures to implement this executive order.



In testimony whereof I have set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed at the Capitol in Madison this day, May 23, 1984

Anthony S. Earl
Anthony S. Earl, Governor

By the Governor

Douglas La Follette
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Secretary of State