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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 94

WHEREAS, federal funding and support for the continued operation and maintenance of the lock facilities along the Fox River may not be available after October 1, 1982; and

WHEREAS, the locks provide critically important assistance to both commercial and recreational navigation along the Fox River; and

WHEREAS, it is important for the State of Wisconsin to review the benefits accruing to Wisconsin residents directly attributable to the continued operation of these facilities and to review the costs of maintaining operations;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LEE SHERMAN DREYFUS, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, pursuant to the authority vested in me by Sections 14.019 and 16.54, Wisconsin Statutes, do hereby order the creation of a Fox River Lock Task Force, and do hereby charge the Fox River Task Force with the responsibility to:

1. Study the future of the locks and navigation facilities along the Fox River;
2. Advise the Governor on the current and projected levels of demand for these facilities by both commercial and recreational users of the Fox River, and on the economic benefits continued operation holds for the people of Wisconsin;
3. Examine the potential for adverse impact to the aquatic environment which could reasonably be expected from the closing of these facilities, if any;
4. Examine the long-term costs required for continued operation and maintenance of the facilities and any procedures which would result in reduced cost or in more efficient operation of these facilities;
5. Review the current level of federal funding and the level of federal financial support which would be available after October 1, 1982;



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6. Examine the feasibility of user fee support for continued operation and maintenance; and
7. Report to the Governor on or before December 1, 1982.

FURTHER, I hereby direct the Departments of Administration, Development, Natural Resources, Transportation and all state agencies, to cooperate with, and to develop a close working relationship with, the Fox River Lock Task Force, and instruct the Secretary of the Department of Administration to provide the Task Force with such sums of money as are necessary to legitimate operating and travel expenses, as provided by the Joint Committee on Finance under Section 20.505(5)(a), Wisconsin Statutes.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 16<sup>th</sup> day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred eighty-two.

  
LEE SHERMAN DREYFUS

By the Governor:

  
VEL PHILLIPS  
Secretary of State