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Subject: Mesa County Sanitation System and your letter of February 27, 1974.

Dear Mr. Anderson:

In response to your letter to Phil Schmuck, dated February 27, 1974, I feel it my duty to describe to you the authority and background for procedures under which this Division has agreed to administer the Four Corners Technical Assistance grant to which you referred in your letter.

In December, 1973, this Division entered into a binding agreement with the Four Corners Regional Commission to the effect that,

WHEREAS there exists a need for professional review and monitoring of planning grants; and

WHEREAS the Colorado Division of Planning possesses the professional qualifications for review and monitoring and is the designated state agency to work with the sub-state planning and management districts designated by executive order of the Governor of Colorado; and

WHEREAS the districts have organizations capable of administering planning programs at regional and local levels;

THEREFORE IT IS PROPOSED that the State Planning Office be funded by the Four Corners Regional Commission in the amount of One Hundred Five Thousand Dollars (\$105,000.00) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1974, for the purpose of funding eligible project planning programs in the state planning and management districts with the understanding that specific planning projects will be submitted to the office of the Alternate of the Governor of Colorado and to the staff of the Four Corners Regional Commission for review and approval prior to the execution of sub-contracts between the Division of Planning and the sub-state planning districts.

This agreement complements the policies of this Division in three respects:

1. The Four Corners funds would be passed to the Division (CRS106-3) to assist with regional planning efforts by regionwide groups of elected officials acting under CRS 106-2-4;

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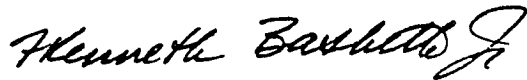
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2. These regional organizations would themselves set priorities among proposed projects;
3. Local plans conducted with the funds could serve as "building blocks" of regional plans.

The resulting procedure was that each grant would be administered through the regionwide group of elected officials, in each region. Where funds were allocated for a project by a specific local government such as Mesa County, it is understood that all project funds would be used for the project itself (not for administrative expenses), and that the local government itself would conduct the work or hire a consultant to conduct the work.

I would hope that this information provides the answer to your query as to the relevant administrative and legislative authority for our procedures in administering this grant program. I have conveyed similar information to Mr. Jack Wadlow, by telephone and in a subsequent letter, since it is the desire of this agency to make the grant money available for Mesa County as soon as possible.

Sincerely,



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