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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Support

SUBJECT : Metropolitan Washington Council of Government Reports

(1) Water and Sewerage Plan and Program - 1971-1972

(2) Housing Policies and Programs for Metropolitan Washington - 1971

REFERENCE : Letter dated 14 June 1972 to Federal Agencies in the National Capital Region from Charles H. Conrad, Executive Director, National Capital Planning Commission


1. This memorandum contains a recommendation for your approval. Such recommendation is contained in paragraph 4.
2. The referenced Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) report (1) identifies existing problems and concerns related to metropolitan water and wastewater management; identifies objectives and policies regarding water and sewerage facilities; and relates functional planning and programming of water and sewerage facilities to areawide land use policies. This study also outlines the elements of a regional water and sewerage plan and a short-range program for the 1972-1977 period. Report (2) updates the housing policies and programs for Metropolitan Washington: 1970. The report identifies the priority housing problems in the region and the obstacles to solving them. Current efforts to solve the regions housing problems and an action program to overcome the obstacles to balanced housing opportunities are also described.

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3. These reports, while being interesting, are not timely for any current Agency action. Updated and revised reports for 1971 COG accomplishments and activity will be published in 1972 and should contain plans for programs for future years. Reports such as these are used as reference and planning guides where applicable but they seldom if ever contain any binding rules which the Agency must follow. The overall value of the reports should be assessed as proposals for the consideration of the National Capital Planning Commission and other Metropolitan Council of Government member units. The information they contain is most informative and does aid our planning.

4. It is recommended that the attached letter be sent to the National Capital Planning Commission in reply to their referenced correspondence.

  
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