

ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF
POLLUTION CONTROL AND ECOLOGY

SUBJECT: _____

APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS

MINUTE ORDER NO. 80-39

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This is to authorize the Department to enter into contracts with the University of Arkansas at Little Rock to accomplish specific outputs related to the Underground Injection Control program:

- (1) To prepare maps and accompanying narrative in order to identify aquifers either currently in use or with potential for use as drinking water sources. All available data will be researched and original research will be performed on aquifers in the State. Amount of contract: \$50,000.
- (2) Perform an inventory on existing well Classes I, II and III. This inventory will be updated periodically as new injection wells are permitted. Amount of contract: \$50,000.

COMMISSIONERS

did not pass



Chairman

Submitted by H.J. Parr Date Passed 5/23/80

Parr presented Minute Order 80-33 requesting authorization for the Department to enter into contracts with the University of Arkansas at Little Rock to accomplish specific outputs related to the Underground Injection Control Program.

Williams said that he was strongly opposed to these contracts stating that this information is already available from various state agencies. He said that he would help the Department find the people or employ temporary personnel or hire professional service contractors. Kirsch said that if the Department would write a memo to him he would make sure that the Department gets all the information they have.

Southall said that the Dpartment has to have something submitted to EPA by September but would not object to the Commission giving the Department the authority to work within the state agency system including the University if they could get the lowest price possible for the product required by EPA.

Free moved to designate the Soil and Water Conservation Commission, Health Department, Geology and the Oil and Gas Commission to provide whatever information they have available and authorize the Director to make whatever financial arrangements that are necessary to meet the September deadline.

Williams seconded and the vote for approval was unanimous.

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~~Free moved to approve Minute Order 80-33 and Dumas seconded.~~

Williams said that he strongly opposed. He said that this information is already available. The injection wells are available at the Oil and Gas Commission. He said that he would help the Department find the people or employ temporary personnel or hire professional service contractors. He said that you can get one for up to a month through the DF&A. He said that there are people ~~that who~~ are qualified and available for doing these types of research.

Bruno Kirsch said that if the Department would write a memo to him he would make sure that the Department gets all the wells that they have inventory on.

Southall said that the Department will have to have something submitted to EPA sometime in September, ~~and the reason that we were suggesting the University is that no other state agency would be available during the summer months. He said that he was trying to get something within the state agency system and not an outside contractor.~~ He would not object at all if the Commission would give us the authority to work within the state agency system including the University if we can get the lowest price possible for the product required by EPA.

Williams said that ^{all} the information is available.

~~Free said that he withdrew ^{his} this motion and Dumas withdrew his second.~~

Brook said that there ^{are} four agencies ~~here~~ who are willing to cooperate with the Department and ~~save the state some money~~ (Saxton, Soil and Water Conservation; Dumas, Oil and Gas Commission; Kirsch, Health Department; and Williams, Geology Commission).

Free

~~Williams~~ moved to ¹ authorize the Director to make whatever financial arrangements that are necessary.

^{Williams}

Dumas Seconded and the vote for approval was unanimous.

*designate the Soil & Water Conservation
Com., oil & gas com, Health Dept and the Geology
com to cooperate & provide
the necessary information and
authorizing the director to provide financial
arrangements & necessary for the product
required by EPA.*