

ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF POLLUTION CONTROL & ECOLOGY

LOCATION - SUBJECT Mason's Motion to request temporary funding and legislative assistance

MINUTE ORDER NO. 92-108

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Mason made a motion from a proposal:

Mercury contamination in South Arkansas

Part 1: (Temporary Funding)

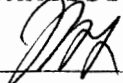

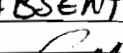



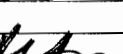

To petition the Governor's Emergency Fund for sufficient money to test additional fish and other wildlife samples for mercury contamination. In addition, funds would be used to adequately inform the public by posting signage in the affected area. It is envisioned the sampling would include isolated ponds, lakes, smaller streams and the Red River.

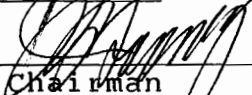
Part 2: (Legislative Assistance)

To petition the Governor to include the issue of mercury contamination in the December special session of the legislature. It is envisioned during the legislative session sufficient funds would be appropriated with certain enabling legislation which would fund, identify, and solve the mercury contamination problem in South Arkansas. Legislation would fund and create a special task force to be charged with identifying and recommending solutions to the problem.

Discussion followed. Watkins seconded the motion and the motion carried.

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 SUBMITTED BY: Mason

DATE PASSED: DECEMBER 4, 1992