

Establishment of the Office of Phosphorus

By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, and in order to advance responsible management of our environmental resources, it is hereby ordered as follows:

Section 1: Establishment of the Office of Phosphorus

(a) An office to be known as the "Office of Phosphorus" (hereinafter referred to as "The Office") is hereby established within the Executive Branch of the United States government.

(b) The Office shall be headed by a Director of Phosphorus, who shall be appointed by the President and shall serve at the pleasure of the President.

(c) There shall be ten regional offices of the Office (hereinafter referred to as "Regional Offices"), which shall have regional boundaries and headquarters locations prescribed by the Director. The Regional Offices shall be responsible to a Regional Director within the boundaries of the region for the execution of the regional programs of the Office. The Regional Offices will administer on a decentralized basis those programs and activities of the Office which are now or will be decentralized for regional office administration. These activities do not include those field-based scientific and laboratory facilities carrying out national-level programs.

Section 2: Purpose and Responsibilities

(a) The Office of Phosphorus shall be responsible for coordinating, managing, and advancing efforts related to the research, development, and sustainable utilization of phosphorus resources in the United States.

(b) The Office shall collaborate with Regional Offices, relevant federal agencies, state and local governments, industry, academia, and other stakeholders to promote the responsible and efficient use of phosphorus, ensuring its availability for agriculture, industry, and other critical purposes, while minimizing environmental and economic risks associated with phosphorus depletion and pollution.

Section 3: Powers and Authorities

The Office of Phosphorus is hereby granted the following powers and authorities:

(a) To conduct and support research and development initiatives aimed at improving phosphorus utilization and management.

(b) To work with federal agencies and state governments to develop and implement regulations, policies, and best practices for phosphorus management, with an emphasis on sustainability and environmental protection.

(c) To establish partnerships with industry, academia, and non-governmental organizations to promote innovation and the adoption of technologies and practices that enhance phosphorus sustainability.

(d) To assess and report on the state of phosphorus resources in the United States and provide recommendations for mitigating risks associated with phosphorus scarcity and pollution.

Section 4: Coordination with Other Agencies

The Office of Phosphorus shall collaborate with relevant federal agencies, including but not limited to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the Department of Agriculture, the Department of the Interior, and the Department of Energy, to ensure that phosphorus-related efforts are consistent with broader environmental and economic objectives.

Section 5: Resources and Funding

The Office of Phosphorus shall receive funding and resources as appropriated by Congress and as directed by the President to fulfill its mission and responsibilities.

Section 6: Reporting

The Director of Phosphorus shall submit regular reports to the President on the progress, achievements, and challenges related to phosphorus management and sustainability in the United States.

Section 7: Implementation

This Executive Order shall be implemented consistent with applicable law and subject to the availability of appropriations.

Section 8: Effective Date

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon issuance.

Section 9: Revocation

Any previous Executive Orders or portions thereof that conflict with the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby revoked.

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The White House