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RICHARD D. LAMM
Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER

THE LOWRY LANDFILL ASSESSMENT TASK FORCE

- WHEREAS, The area generally known as the Lowry Bombing Range, hereinafter called Lowry, has been used for the disposal of refuse, sewage sludge, and variety of industrial wastes for over ten years; and
- WHEREAS, the geology of the Lowry site is believed to be unsuitable for the land disposal of hazardous wastes; and
- WHEREAS, the January 1980 Report to the Legislature Concerning Hazardous Waste Generation and Disposal in the State of Colorado indicates that over 12 million gallons of liquid industrial waste are disposed at Lowry annually; and
- WHEREAS, a large portion of the industrial waste disposed at Lowry is believed to be hazardous to the public health and safety or detrimental to the environment; and
- WHEREAS, several studies have disclosed existing and potential groundwater quality degradation as well as inadequate site engineering and operational practices.

NOW, THEREFORE, I Richard D. Lamm, Governor of the State of Colorado, by virtue of the authority vested in me under the Laws of the State of Colorado, do hereby order and direct that:

1. There is hereby created the Governor's Lowry Landfill Assessment Task Force, hereinafter called the Task Force. The Task Force is charged with the following responsibilities:
 - a. Assessment of the following issues concerning the disposal of hazardous and toxic wastes at the Lowry Landfill:
 - i. the nature and magnitude of hazardous and/or toxic wastes disposal activities;
 - ii. the threats to public health and safety and to environmental quality presented by such hazardous and toxic wastes disposal activities;
 - iii. realistic means to minimize, mitigate or otherwise control potential threats to public health and safety and to environmental quality due to such hazardous and toxic waste disposal activities.
 - b. Preparation of a final report, to be submitted to the Governor, which details the Task Force's findings, conclusions and recommendations, and preparation of such interim reports as the Task Force may deem useful or necessary.
2. The Task Force shall consist of the following members:
 - a. Frank A. Traylor, Jr., M.D.
Executive Director
Colorado Department of Health
 - b. The Honorable Thomas Eggert
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- r. Chair. Dr. Frank A. Traylor, Jr., the Executive Director of the
Colorado Department of Health, shall be the Chairman of the
Task Force.

3. A Scientific Assessment Subcommittee shall be established from among the membership of the Task Force, and shall be responsible for assessing available scientific information and data relevant to the overall charge of the Task Force, and to provide advice on all scientific and technical aspects of the disposal of hazardous and toxic wastes at the Lowry Landfill. The Subcommittee shall report directly to the Chairman of the Task Force, and shall provide an interim assessment report to the Governor by April 15, 1980, on the available scientific information concerning threats associated with hazardous and toxic waste disposal. The Subcommittee shall consist of the following members:
 - a. Robert M. Lawrence, Ph.D.
 - b. Ronald W. Klusman, Ph.D.
 - c. Donald D. Runnells, Ph.D.
 - d. Stanley G. Robson, Ph.D.
 - e. John W. Rold, Ph.D.
 - f. Chair. Robert M. Lawrence shall be the Chairman of the Scientific Assessment Subcommittee.
4. The Colorado Departments of Health and Natural Resources shall provide the Task Force with such assistance and support as is necessary for the Task Force to satisfactorily fulfill its responsibilities.
5. The Task Force shall submit its final report to the Governor by September 1, 1980. Upon submission of the final report, the Task Force shall be dissolved.

GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of Colorado, this twenty-first day of February, A.D., 1980.



Richard D. Lamm
Governor