

**METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
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**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO RECEIVE A GRANT FROM THE  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, URBAN AREA SECURITY  
INITIATIVE TO IMPLEMENT A PROGRAM TO MAINTAIN A NETWORK OF EXISTING WATER  
SECURITY MONITORS IN THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION**

**WHEREAS**, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) understands that reliable and safe drinking water supplies are essential for the health, safety, and welfare of the region; and

**WHEREAS**, COG has a significant interest in regional water supplies and as such plays a key coordination role in enhancing the reliability, security and protection of the National Capital Region's water supplies; and

**WHEREAS**, COG considers homeland security and regional water security and reliability as priorities and has resolved to act as a coordinator and key partner along with area water and wastewater utilities to address those priorities; and

**WHEREAS**, COG, working together with area drinking water utilities, has established a water security monitoring network in the National Capital Region; and

**WHEREAS**, COG has received Urban Area Security Initiative grant funds to maintain and operate this water security monitoring network.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:**

The Executive Director, or his designee, is authorized to receive a grant to maintain and operate a network of existing biological and chemical water security monitors in the national Capital Region. The grant will not exceed \$400,000. The funding is to be provided by the United States Department of Homeland Security through an Urban Area Security Initiative grant. No local matching funds are required. The project duration is two years.