

**METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
777 NORTH CAPITOL STREET, NE
WASHINGTON, DC 20002**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COG TO RECEIVE A GRANT TO MONITOR TRASH IN DISTRICT WATERS

WHEREAS, the Anacostia watershed has been listed under section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act as being impaired by high trash levels, and the District of Columbia has developed a trash total maximum daily load (TMDL) for its portion of the watershed; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) helped develop the Anacostia trash TMDL, has regularly surveyed major portions of the Anacostia tributary system, employed the geographic information system technology to both record and present survey results, and has worked with its many partners and the citizen communities to increase participation in the restoration effort; and

WHEREAS, COG has a continuing interest in the restoration, management, and protection of the Anacostia River and its tributaries; and

WHEREAS, COG has been awarded a grant by the District of Columbia Department of Energy and Environment in the amount of \$95,000; and

WHEREAS, with said grant, COG can proceed with monitoring trash in District waters; and

WHEREAS, COG will be required to provide a match of \$15,045 which is available in the budget of the Department of Environmental Programs.

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 and expend grant funds from the District of Columbia Department of Energy and Environment in the amount of \$95,000 to conduct monitoring for trash along 15 linear transects twice per year in waterbodies in the District. COG staff will collect data on trash counts from all 15 sites and trash weights from 5 of those sites over the course of each survey period. COG will be required to provide a match of \$15,045 which is available in the budget of the Department of Environmental Programs.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT the foregoing resolution was adopted by the COG Board of Directors Executive Committee on July 15, 2016.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT the foregoing resolution was adopted by the COG Board of Directors on September 14, 2016.

**Laura Ambrosio
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