

**METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
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Washington, D.C. 20002-4239**

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A MARKET SURVEY OF ALTERNATIVE LAND APPLICATION
SITES FOR BIOSOLIDS AND OTHER ORGANIC NUTRIENT SOURCES IN THE WASHINGTON
METROPOLITAN AREA (WMA)**

WHEREAS, the WMA has a continuing need to manage the growing volume of biosolids from the wastewater plants that service its 4.5 million residents; and

WHEREAS, identifying alternative markets for future application of biosolids is an important step for continuing to manage this important byproduct of the region's wastewater plants; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments has provided assistance to wastewater officials in managing their biosolids; and

WHEREAS, the Maryland Center for Agro-Ecology is a coalition of agricultural, environmental, forestry, business, educational, government and other leaders dedicated to enhancing Maryland's farms, forests and other "working lands" through research, education and policy 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 enter into a cooperative agreement to work with the Maryland Center for Agro-Ecology to perform an organic nutrients survey and market evaluation for the Washington Metropolitan Area in conjunction with all COG member jurisdictions. The funding amount for this agreement will be \$38,222 with funding provided by the Maryland Center for Agro-Ecology and a \$14,373 local match required. This agreement is for a period of one year beginning in spring 2007.
