



EXECUTIVE ORDER

NUMBER 9 (2001)

AMENDMENT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 7 (2000) WHICH CREATED
THE
GREEN ILLINOIS COMMUNITIES DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Executive Order Number 7 (2000) established the Green Illinois Communities Demonstration Program; and

WHEREAS, as part of the Green Illinois Communities Demonstration Program, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency is directed and authorized to enter into partnership agreements with three communities; and

WHEREAS, the Green Illinois Communities Demonstration Program will better benefit the State of Illinois by allowing the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency to enter into partnership agreements with a greater number of communities; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, George Ryan, by virtue of the power vested in me as Governor, do hereby amend Executive Order Number 7 (2000) as follows:

1. Paragraph number one of the Order is amended to read as follows:

1. The Illinois EPA, in cooperation with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Illinois Department of Agriculture, Illinois Department of Commerce and Community Affairs and the Illinois Waste Management and Research Center, is directed and authorized to enter into partnership agreements with communities in the state that wish to build their capacity to protect the environment while enhancing community well-being.

2. Paragraph number two of the Order is amended to read as follows:

2. In selecting communities to participate in this demonstration program, the Illinois EPA shall ensure participation by communities of different sizes and characteristics. The program shall, to the greatest extent practicable, advance the following broad principles of sustainability: restoring critical ecosystems; achieving a cleaner, healthier environment; protecting and enhancing wildlife habitat and natural areas; using energy, water and other resources efficiently; reducing reliance on non-renewable resources, expanding environmental awareness and creating quality, prosperous communities. For the purposes of this program, the term "community" can mean one or more local governments, a neighborhood within a large city, an appropriately-scaled watershed or some other specific geographic area with which people identify or share common interests.

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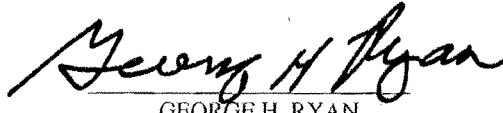
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3. Paragraph number four of the Order is amended to read as follows:
 4. Upon selection for participation in the Green Illinois Communities Demonstration Program, the community shall receive the following benefits: financial support to facilitate planning and outreach-related programs, technical support in identifying and assessing community environmental conditions; timely notice, priority consideration and expedited review for state funding initiatives; technical, networking and peer-to-peer informational assistance; and assistance in seeking and leveraging federal and private sector funding sources. The Illinois EPA shall administer the Green Illinois Communities Demonstration Program, including but not limited to any financial support provided to communities under the program.
4. All other provisions of the Order remain in full force and effect.

EFFECTIVE DATE

This Executive Order Number 9 (2001) shall be effective upon filing with the Secretary of State.


GEORGE H. RYAN
Governor

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