and begins to function, it is expected that a large number of qualified people will apply for state registration.

This is the Arkansas story. We feel fortunate to have this type of record with our bill.

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SOIL INFORMATION USED IN PLANNING

The leadership in forming an eight-county regional planning commission was taken by the Hoosier Heartland Association of SWCD's in Indiana. The association of districts, representing the area in and surrounding Indianapolis, worked with the State Division of Planning and local county governments in establishing the Commission.

The organizational format of the Commission enables one of three delegates from each county to be a district supervisor, and four supervisors have been appointed—including one by Indianapolis Mayor Richard Lugar. One of the supervisors serving in this capacity is Tom Everhart, Chairman of the Hoosier Heartland Association.

The Association, one of the nation's growing number of metropolitan district associations, continues to demonstrate the value of joint district action in dealing with regional problems. Among recent accomplishments was a seminar for builders and developers in the eight-county area, formation of an environmental education council in Marion County, and preparation of an application for a Resource Conservation and Development Project.

Of particular interest are the planning principles which the Association seeks to have implemented throughout the eight districts:

1. Soils with severe limitations for septic tank filter fields should not be used for residential development unless a central sewage system is available.
2. Soils subject to flooding should not be used for residential development.
3. Prime agricultural land should be reserved for food and fiber production.
4. Desirable landscape features and existing woody plants should be maintained for a quality environment.
5. Soils subject to erosion should have land treatment measures planned and installed to control erosion and sedimentation.
6. Soils subject to wetness should have water management measures (such as surface and subsurface drainage, water retention, and safe disposal) planned and installed in a manner compatible with good land use.

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