


Alexander Heads COG Regional Plan Council

R.J. Alexander, superintendent of the Oakland County Department of Public Works, has been named chairman of the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG) Advisory Council on Regional Planning.

SEMCOG Chairman Mel Ravitz announced that Alexander also will serve as chairman of an eight-member Operations Committee that will closely monitor progress of the Planning Division of SEMCOG.

Wilson D. Tyler, vice-president of the Detroit Bank and Trust Co., will serve as vice chairman of both the council and the Operations Committee.

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tors of the regional community," Ravitz said. "The Advisory Council on Regional Planning is one of several means by which this will be accomplished."

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OTHER OAKLAND COUNTY members of the Advisory Council are: Thomas J. Dillon, of Bloomfield Hills, chairman of the Oakland County Planning Commission; Sol D. Lomerson, of Pontiac, chairman of the Oakland County Road Commission; Paul McGovern, of Pontiac, member of the Oakland County Road Commission and chairman of the Inter-County Highway Commission; and William L. Mainland, of Milford, member of the Oakland County Board of Commissioners and former chairman of SEMCOG.

Mainland also will serve on the Operations Committee.

Others appointed are:

Wayne County: Clyde Palmer, of Detroit, chairman of the Wayne County Planning Commission; William Kreger, of Wyandotte, chairman of the Wayne County Road Commission; George Bingham, director, Dept. of Public Works of the Wayne County Road Commission; Gerald Remus, general manager, Detroit Metropolitan Water Services; Alfred Berarducci,

commissioner, Dept. of Public Works, City of Detroit.

Palmer and Berarducci will serve on the Operations Committee.

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THE FOLLOWING REPRESENT the private sector or other governmental services:

Robert Whan, associate for municipal governments, Ford Motor Co.; James McCormick, vice president of educational affairs for Detroit Edison Co.; Eugene Ellison, of St. Clair Shores, vice chairman of the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority;

Also Wilbur Thompson, chairman, Southeast Michigan Transportation Authority; Wilson D. Tyler, vice-president, Detroit Bank and Trust Co.; Howard Sims, Howard Sims and Associates; Lloyd Simpson, Council 77, American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees; Tibor Payz, chairman of the department of political science, University of Detroit;

Also Frederick Yates, member, Wayne County Board of Commissioners; Gerald J. McCarthy, deputy director, Michigan Dept. of State Highways.

McCormick and Thompson also are Operations Committee members.

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Road Projects To Face Delay

LANSING

Michigan's share of federal-aid highway funds will be approximately \$9 million less than anticipated in the first quarter of the fiscal year that began July 1, according to State Highway Director Henrik E. Stafseth.

The allocation for the full year probably will be \$36 million (or 20 per cent) under the expected \$180 million allotment, Stafseth said.

The allocations to the 50 states were announced by the U.S. Department of Transportation. It distributes money from the Highway Trust Fund, supported chiefly by the four-cent-a-gallon federal tax on motor vehicle fuels.

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STAFSETH SAID the Department still plans to carry out the State Highway Commission's \$230 million construction program for calendar 1970, because controversy over the route is delaying ac-

Top Honor For Dr. Fox

BLOOMFIELD HILLS

Dr. Denis L. Fox of the Scripps Institution of Oceanography, University of California, has been appointed to the Cranbrook Institute of Science distinguished scholar chair.

The Distinguished Scholar program, begun in 1966, brings outstanding scientists to the institute. Recipients follow their own programs while taking an active interest in institute affairs.

Dr. Fox is professor emeritus of marine biochemistry at Scripps, where he began teaching in 1931. His special fields of research are the biochemistry of animal biochromes, the growth and metabolism of marine animals, organic matter in marine waters and sediments and biochemical fossils.

Dr. Fox has served for many years as a consulting marine biologist for national and state agencies and for industrial organizations concerned with marine fouling of undersea surfaces and conduits.

He is a fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and is a past Research Fellow of the Rockefeller and Guggenheim foundations.

Dr. and Mrs. Fox are living in the institute's Thomas Alva Edison house on the Cranbrook grounds.

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Metro Airport Receives Grant

The first grant under the recent federal airport development aid program has been awarded to Metropolitan Airport for the reconstruction of its main instrument runway.

The 10,500 foot runway, built 25 years ago, will be rebuilt in two phases. The first step is estimated to cost \$4,470,000. The federal grant provided \$2,235,000 of this amount with the remainder divided between the airport and the Michigan Aeronautics Commission.

William E. Kreger, chairman of the Board of Wayne County Road Commissioners which operates the airport, said that construction will begin immediately and take about 60 days. He said the new runway will provide new center-line lighting and all the modern navigational aids.

With the closing of the main, northeast, southwest runway, commercial carriers and general aviation will use the 8,700 foot east-west instrument runway and the 8,500 three-right runway. Some long-term non-stop flight schedules may be affected.

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