

APPROPRIATE TO MEET FLOOD CONDITIONS AS THEY MAY ARISE.

6.2. REGULATIONS. --

(A) THE COMMISSION MAY STUDY AND DETERMINE THE NATURE AND EXTENT OF THE FLOOD PLAINS OF THE SUSQUEHANNA RIVER AND ITS TRIBUTARIES. UPON THE BASIS OF THE STUDIES, IT MAY DELINEATE AREAS SUBJECT TO FLOODING, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO A CLASSIFICATION OF LANDS WITH REFERENCE TO RELATIVE RISK OF FLOODING AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF STANDARDS FOR FLOOD PLAIN USE WHICH WILL PROMOTE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND SAFEGUARD THE PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE, SAFETY, AND PROPERTY. PRIOR TO THE ADOPTION OF ANY STANDARDS DELINEATING THE AREA OR DEFINING THE USE, THE COMMISSION SHALL HOLD PUBLIC HEARINGS WITH RESPECT TO THE SUBSTANCE OF THE STANDARDS IN THE MANNER PROVIDED BY ARTICLE 15. THE PROPOSED STANDARDS SHALL BE AVAILABLE FROM THE COMMISSION AT THE TIME NOTICE IS GIVEN, AND INTERESTED PERSONS SHALL BE GIVEN AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD THEREON AT THE HEARINGS.

(B) THE COMMISSION SHALL HAVE POWER TO PROMULGATE, ADOPT, AMEND, AND REPEAL FROM TIME TO TIME AS NECESSARY, STANDARDS RELATING TO THE NATURE AND EXTENT OF THE USES OF LAND IN AREAS SUBJECT TO FLOODING.

(C) IN TAKING ACTION PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION AND AS A PREREQUISITE THERETO, THE COMMISSION SHALL CONSIDER THE EFFECT OF PARTICULAR USES OF THE FLOOD PLAIN IN QUESTION ON THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY IN THE BASIN, THE ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL FEASIBILITY OF MEASURES AVAILABLE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND PROTECTION OF THE FLOOD PLAIN, AND THE RESPONSIBILITIES, IF ANY, OF LOCAL, STATE, AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENTS CONNECTED WITH THE USE OR PROPOSED USE OF THE FLOOD PLAIN IN QUESTION. THE COMMISSION SHALL REGULATE THE USE OF PARTICULAR FLOOD PLAINS IN THE MANNER AND DEGREE IT FINDS NECESSARY FOR THE FACTORS ENUMERATED IN THIS SUBSECTION, BUT ONLY WITH THE CONSENT OF THE AFFECTED SIGNATORY STATE, AND SHALL SUSPEND SUCH REGULATION WHEN AND SO LONG AS THE SIGNATORY PARTY OR PARTIES OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION POSSESSING JURISDICTION HAVE IN FORCE APPLICABLE LAWS WHICH THE COMMISSION FINDS GIVE ADEQUATE PROTECTION FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION.

(D) IN ORDER TO CONSERVE, PROTECT, AND UTILIZE THE SUSQUEHANNA RIVER AND ITS TRIBUTARIES IN