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# 42 U.S. Code § 1962d-16

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## Comprehensive plans for development, utilization, and conservation of water and related resources

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### **(a) Federal State cooperation**

#### **(1) Comprehensive plans**

The Secretary of the Army, acting through the Chief of Engineers, is authorized to cooperate with any State, group of States, non-Federal interest working with a State or group of States, local government, or regional coalition of governmental entities in the preparation of comprehensive plans for the development, utilization, and conservation of the water and related resources of drainage basins, watersheds, or ecosystems located within the boundaries of such State, interest, local government, or entity, including plans to comprehensively address water resources challenges, and to submit to Congress reports and recommendations with respect to appropriate Federal participation in carrying out such plans.

#### **(2) Technical assistance**

##### **(A) In general**

At the request of a governmental agency or non-Federal interest, the Secretary may provide technical assistance to such agency or non-Federal interest in managing water resources.

##### **(B) Types of assistance**

Technical assistance under this paragraph may include provision and integration of hydrologic, economic, and environmental data and analyses.

#### **(3) Institution of higher education**

Notwithstanding section 4141 of title 10, in carrying out this subsection, the Secretary may work with an institution of higher education, as determined appropriate by the Secretary.

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