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Marshall Islands are well aware of the inadequacies in transportation which exist in the Marshalls and are attempting to work out a more suitable pattern of transportation to the outer islands in this district as well as in other districts. Improvement of field trip service and administrative transportation facilities needs and will receive high priority attention. Plans call for the acquisition of special administrative field trip ships, designed for public health, community services, and administrative purposes, separate and distinct from the commercial field trip operation. It is hoped that this procedure will enable a commercial schedule to be maintained by the logistic vessels while at the same time affording the Administration facilities to make emergency mercy runs as well as establishing regular administrative service to the outer islands.

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