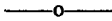


Swallow Falls, and New Germany, on the Savage River, have received intensive public use.

In like manner, the Department is charged with the administration and development of seven State Parks, with a total area of 4,110 acres. In normal times, these are visited by a total of some 465,000 persons annually.

Still another responsibility of the Department is the protection of approximately 3,000,000 trees along Maryland's public highways. To this end, it employs a force of highly trained wardens to supervise tree trimming operations by public utility companies along their pole-line rights-of-way.



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Commission:

Name	Term Expires	Postoffice
Arthur B. Stewart.....	1947.....	Baltimore
Holmes D. Baker.....	1946.....	Frederick
Harry R. Hall.....	1945.....	Hyattsville
Mervin A. Pentz.....	1948.....	Denton
Joseph C. Lore, Jr.....	1949.....	Solomon's Island

The Department of Geology, Mines and Water Resources is hereby created, to supersede the present State Geological and Economic Survey Advisory Commission, the Bureau of Mines, the Water Front Commission, and the Water Resources Commission, and take over all the personnel powers and duties exercised by those agencies. The Department shall be under the direction of a Commission which shall consist of five members appointed by the Governor from among the citizens of the State, with character and ability and active interest in the proper development, use and conservation of such resources. The members shall select their own Chairman. Their term of office shall be five years from June 1, 1941, but of those first appointed one shall serve for one year, one for two years, one for three years, one for four years, and one for five years. The members shall receive no compensation for their services.

The present State Geologist shall become Director of the Department, but upon his death, removal or resignation the Director shall be appointed by the Commission in accordance with the Merit System.

The Commission shall exercise general supervision over all matters pertaining to:

The conduct of topographic, peologic, hydrographic, and magnetic surveys.

The preparation of topographic, geologic and other types of maps to meet specific needs.

The preparation of reports on the extent and character of the State's mineral and water resources.