

**District 2—Laurel**

(Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Howard, Montgomery, Prince George's, St. Mary's Counties)

A. J. Pickall, District Forester  
 Raymond Luedtke, Asst. District Forester  
 Carl Stravinsky, Asst. District Forester  
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 Percy Miller, Supt. Cedarville Forest  
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**District 3—Salisbury**

(Caroline, Dorchester, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico, Worcester Counties)

John J. Mohr, District Forester  
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 Lawrence Parsons, Acting Supt. Pocomoke Forest

**District 4—Bel Air**

(Baltimore, Cecil, Harford, Kent, Queen Anne's Counties)

William H. Johnson, District Forester  
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The Commission of State Forests and Parks consists of five members appointed by the Governor, one recommended by the Maryland Farm Bureau, one by the Maryland State Grange; a third member shall have had practical experience in the lumbering business, while the remaining two shall have an interest in the advancement of forestry. The members serve for a term of five years with overlapping tenure of office. They select their chairman and appoint the State Forester who serves as director of the Department of State Forests and Parks (Code 1943 Supp. Art. 39A, secs. 1-2).

A forestry department was first organized in 1906 under the Board of Regents of the University of Maryland. The present Department, associated with the Board of Natural Resources was organized in 1941, and is the successor of the first department (Code 1943 Supp. Art. 39A, secs. 1-2). The Department of State Forests and Parks administers the tree marketing program under which woodland owners who plan to dispose of their timber may secure a free marking service to yield maximum return in saw timber and other forest products, with due provision made for a sustained yield of successive timber crops. The Department also administers the Forest Conservancy Districts Act designed to ensure the practice of forestry on privately owned woodlands throughout the State (Code 1943 Supp. Art. 39A, secs. 52-64). The district foresters of the Department serve as executive officers and secretaries of local forestry boards set up under the Act. Another responsibility of the department is the protection from fire of 2,700,000 acres of public and private woodland. To carry out this assignment, the department maintains a specially trained fire control force, which is supplemented by 600-700 forest wardens commissioned by the Governor. The protection of approximately 3,000,000 trees along the state highways is also a re-