

DEPARTMENT OF RESEARCH AND EDUCATION

The Commission

Chairman: Earle T. Hawkins, 1958

Secretary: Franklin Tresselt, 1961

W. Theodore Boston, 1957; B. H. Willier, 1959; E. N. Cory, 1960.

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The Department of Research and Education was created in 1941 to study and promote conservation work in Maryland and to carry on the work of the State Weather Service. Supervision of the Department is vested in a Commission of Research and Education, consisting of five members appointed by the Governor from among the citizens of the State, each of whom must have either special training in, or experience with, natural resources. The members are appointed for five-year terms with overlapping tenure of office. They select their Chairman and appoint the Director of the Department and his staff (Code 1951, Art. 66C, secs. 18-21).

The Department conducts three major programs. These respond to the needs of other departments of the Board of Natural Resources and usually require their cooperation. At the Chesapeake Biological Laboratory at Solomons Island, the Department studies the Bay and the organisms in it, particularly fish and shellfish of economic importance. The Inland Resources Division studies game, mammals and birds, fresh water fish, and forests of the State. The Conservation Education Division helps to educate the public, especially school teachers, about the natural resources of Maryland and their effective conservation. It issues a periodical—the *Maryland Tidewater News*—research reports, educational pamphlets, and other printed materials.

A training program at the Chesapeake Biological Laboratory provides summer apprentice training for biology students and courses and participation in workshops for graduate students, teachers, and conservation law enforcement officers. In addition, the Department supports the Maryland Weather Service, a joint Federal-State project, at the Friendship International Airport, and the Chesapeake Bay Institute of The Johns Hopkins University, which conducts special investigations on behalf of the State.

Appropriations	1957	1958
General Funds	\$168,247	\$190,621
Special Funds	24,364	26,342
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	\$192,611	\$216,963
Staff: 24		

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL COMMISSION

Chairman: Levi Phillips, Jr., 1959

Ex officio Members: A. L. Penniman, Jr., State Board of Health; John P. Tawes, Chairman, Board of Natural Resources; L. Eugene Cronin, Director, Department of Research and Education; Ernest A. Vaughn, Director, Department of Game and Inland Fish.

Appointed Members: George F. Hazelwood, 1961; F. C. Hettinger, 1963.