

with particular species of fish or bodies of water common to two or more states. These programs may result in uniform laws or varying but coordinated measures as the circumstances require. The Commission meets annually and in four regional groups as follows: (1) the North Atlantic States, (2) the Middle Atlantic States, (3) the Chesapeake Bay Area, and (4) the South Atlantic States. In place of special committees which in the past dealt with particular species, the 15th Annual Meeting created an overall scientific committee to digest scientific material and present condensed reports to the Commission. A similar committee was established to report on legal matters. The technical advice and research facilities of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service are available to the Commission and its member states. Each participating state contributes to the support of the Commission in proportion to the value of its Marine Fisheries catch as compared with the total Atlantic catch. The Commission issues mimeographed minutes of Annual, Section, and Committee meetings. The Annual Meeting minutes contain scientific appendices. The Commission also issues printed Annual Reports. All are on file in the office of the Department of Chesapeake Bay Affairs (Code 1957, 1964 Repl. Vol., Art. 66C, secs. 256-61). The Commission also publishes and distributes the Marine Resources Leaflet series, including introductory leaflet, Atlantic Menhaden, Soft-Shell Clam, Southern Shrimp, American Lobster, Summer Flounder, American Shad, and Striped Bass.

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Staff: 2.		

POTOMAC RIVER BASIN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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The Potomac River Basin Advisory Committee, originally known as the Interstate Advisory Committee on the Potomac River Basin, was created as a result of a conference attended by the Governors of Pennsylvania, Virginia, and Maryland and the President of the Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia in Washington, D. C., on April 19, 1965. The Committee, which comprises three representatives of each of the five jurisdictions, is charged with the coordination of the development of the Potomac River Basin, to consult with and to advise the various Federal agencies dealing with the Basin, and to recommend the best possible kind of permanent interstate organization to pursue these tasks.

The Committee is preparing a draft of an intergovernmental compact for a permanent agency to guide the future development of the Potomac River Basin. When it is completed, the Committee will submit the compact draft to each legislative body for its consideration.

The Committee maintains an office in Washington, D. C., with a small administrative staff which services the activities of the Committee, accommodates Committee and sub-committee meetings, and provides a focal point for the coordination of the efforts between the interstate and Federal groups involved in the planning and development of the Potomac River Basin. The Committee and its staff operate with an annual budget of \$60,000, of which Maryland's share is \$15,000.