

TIDAL FISHERIES ADVISORY COMMISSION

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Appointed by the Governor (Code Natural Resources Article, secs. 1-102, 4-204).

WATER RESOURCES ADMINISTRATION

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The Water Resources Administration, formerly the Department of Water Resources, was created by Chapter 348, Acts of 1972. The agency is concerned with the protection, management, and development of the water resources of the State.

The Water Resources Administration conducts ten programs. Watershed Permits manages watersheds by regulating activities in non-tidal streams and floodplains. Wetland Permits protects tidal wetlands through permit and license requirements. Surface and Groundwater Appropriations manages water supply through a permit program. Water Supply Planning plans for the development of future water supplies. Sediment Control manages a Statewide program including training of construction industry and local government personnel. Surface Mine Reclamation manages through permits and licenses areas affected by the mining of minerals other than coal. Oil Control strives to prevent oil spills through a permit and licensing program that supports an emergency oil spill response capability. Flood Management funds and develops flood management studies and capital projects for local jurisdictions. Dam Safety assures safe dams through a field inspection program.

Chapter 682, Acts of 1982, established a Statewide Stormwater Management Program as of July 1, 1982. The law requires that the Administration adopt and implement regulations establishing criteria and procedures for stormwater management in Maryland. This law also requires local governments to adopt ordinances and implement stormwater management programs consistent with the Statewide criteria and procedures.

By inspection and monitoring, the Administration enforces all permits and licenses issued by

the other Water Resources Divisions. The Water Resources Administration operates a twenty-four hour a day oil spill emergency number. For assistance weekdays call (301) 269-3551; on weekends, evenings, and holidays, call (301) 269-3181.

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Dr. R. Lamar Green, *Chairperson*

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Appointed by the Governor, the Commission serves as an advisory board to the Director of the Water Resources Administration (Code Natural Resources Article, sec. 1-102).

STATE WATER QUALITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Committee advises both the Water Resources Administration and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene's Office of Environmental Programs on programs and activities designed to improve and protect water quality in Maryland (Federal regulations 40CFR, Part 25).

WILDLIFE ADMINISTRATION

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The Wildlife Administration, created by Chapter 348, Acts of 1972, is responsible for the maintenance, management, and protection of freshwater fish, marine mammals, birds, land-based reptiles and amphibians, and mammals. This includes game species, non-game species, and threatened and endangered wildlife.

In the course of discharging its assigned duties, the Administration engages in field surveys and research projects to evaluate public demands on wildlife resources, fish and wildlife populations, harvesting parameters, and relevant environmental factors.

The Administration applies modern professional wildlife management techniques to both control and assure continuing wildlife production while affording a maximum of public recreational opportunities compatible with the welfare of those resources.

Among the Administration's projects and programs is the development and management of 32 state-owned Wildlife Management Areas (Public