

OFFICE OF PLANNING DATA

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The Office of Planning Data provides a comprehensive data base for use by other State agencies, the Executive Department, the General Assembly, local government, and the general public. The Office collects, analyzes, and publishes social, economic, and geographic information for planning purposes.

Research staff prepares projections of population, housing, and employment for the City of Baltimore and each county in the State for a twenty-year planning horizon. These projections are updated on a three-year cycle. Ten-year projections of public school enrollment are prepared annually. These projections are used by other State and local agencies as well as the private sector.

The *State Data Center* maintains statistical data from the U. S. Bureau of the Census and other information sources. The data covered include such areas as: population, housing, employment, income, and education.

The Office of Planning Data operates the Maryland Automated Geographic Information (MAGI) System, a computerized system that has geographically grid-referenced data on the physical and cultural attributes of the State. The Geographic Districting Information System, a computer-based interactive system for the analysis and map display of socio-economic and client specific data, is maintained for the State.

The *Department of State Planning Library* serves as the central depository for all government general, area, and functional plans. The Library has the most complete collection of Maryland plans and an extensive collection of books and periodicals.

PATUXENT RIVER COMMISSION

Chairperson: Constance Lieder, *Secretary of State Planning*

James E. Gutman, *Anne Arundel County*; Bernie Fowler, *Calvert County*; Gary V. Hodge, *Charles County*; Ruth U. Keeton, *Howard County*; Alexander J. Greene, *Montgomery County*; W. C. Dutton, Jr., *Prince George's County*; Rodney Thompson, *St. Mary's County*. *Terms expire 1988.*

Ex officio: John R. Griffin, *Deputy Secretary of Natural Resources*; Vacancy, *Secretary of the Environment*; Rosemary Roswell, *Administrator, Soil Conservation Administration, Department of Agriculture.*

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Created in 1980, the Patuxent River Commission reviews the operation of State and local agencies in regard to the Patuxent River (Chapter 746, Acts of 1980). It provides a clearinghouse for watershed information and reviews plans and comments on reports and development projects impacting the river. The Commission assisted in the preparation of the Patuxent River Policy Plan and is instrumental in carrying out the Plan's policies and recommendations.

The Commission is composed of eleven members, one from each of the seven counties within the watershed and four ex officio members (or their designees). The Commission reports annually to the General Assembly (Code State Finance and Procurement Article, secs. 5-901 through 5-916).