SCENIC AND WILD RIVERS REVIEW BOARD

Chairperson:

Torrey C. Brown, Secretary of Natural Resources

Ex officio: Wayne A. Cawley, Jr., Secretary of Agriculture; Martin W. Walsh, Jr., Secretary of the Environment; Vacancy, Director of Planning; Elwood L. Groves II, Garrett County Commissioner.

Secretary: Derek Earl Richerson, Chief, Scenic & Wild Rivers Program

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The Scenic and Wild Rivers Review Board was created in 1968 (Chapter 85, Acts of 1968). The Board reviews all inventories, studies, plans, rules, and regulations concerning the Scenic and Wild Rivers Program. The Program includes the following rivers and their tributaries: the Anacostia; Deer Creek; Monocacy; Patuxent; Pocomoke; Potomac (in Montgomery and Frederick counties); Severn; Wicomico (in Charles County); and Youghiogheny. During review, the recommendations of the Secretary of Natural Resources, local governing bodies, and local advisory boards are considered. The Board recommends to the General Assembly resource management plans for rivers, shorelines, and related lands included in the Program, and recommends additional rivers and tributaries for the Program.

With the advice and consent of the local governing body, the Review Board appoints a local scenic and wild river advisory board for each river in the Scenic and Wild River Program.

The Board consists of the Secretary of Agriculture; the Secretary of the Environment; the Secretary of Natural Resources; the Director of Planning; and a Garrett County Commissioner who votes only on matters pertaining to the wild portion of the Youghiogheny River (Code Natural Resources Article, secs. 8-401 through 8-411).

MONOCACY RIVER LOCAL ADVISORY BOARD

Chairperson: Dr. James Gilford 663-3966

YOUGHIOGHENY RIVER LOCAL ADVISORY BOARD

Chairperson: Elwood L. Groves II 334-8970

ASSISTANT SECRETARY, CHESAPEAKE BAY PROGRAMS

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The position of Assistant Secretary for Chesapeake Bay Programs was created in 1988. The Assistant Secretary is responsible for the Department's relations with citizens groups and the Governor's staff concerning the Chesapeake Bay Program. The Assistant Secretary also is responsible for budgetary matters related to the Program.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY, FOREST, PARK AND WILDLIFE

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In 1988, the position of Assistant Secretary for Forest, Park and Wildlife was established. The Assistant Secretary is responsible for the Forest, Park and Wildlife Service.

FOREST, PARK AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

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The Forest, Park and Wildlife Service originated in 1906 as the Board of Forestry (Chapter 294, Acts of 1906). The Board was replaced by the Department of Forests and Parks in 1941 (Chapter 508, Acts of 1941). In 1969, the Department of Forests and Parks became part of the Department of Natural Resources (Chapter 154, Acts of 1969). The Department of Forests and Parks divided into two units in 1972: the Park Service and the Forest Service (Chapter 348, Acts of 1972). These Services were recombined in 1982 as the Forest and Park Service (Chapter 184, Acts of 1982). In 1984, the Forest and Park Service merged with the Wildlife Administration to form the Forest, Park and Wildlife Service (Chapter 136, Acts of 1984).

The Forest, Park and Wildlife Service works to serve the forest management and recreational needs of the people of Maryland. It also manages and protects birds, land-based reptiles and amphibians, and mammals. Under its protection are game species, nongame species, and threatened and endangered wildlife. The Service maintains the State's natural, cultural, historical, and recreational resources through five programs: State Forest and Park Operations; Cooperative Forestry; Wildlife; Administration; and Planning and Program Development.