

BOATING ADMINISTRATION

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974-5604

The Boating Administration was formed by the Department in 1988. Within the Administration are three Programs: Planning and Policy; Waterway Improvement; and Operations.

PLANNING AND POLICY PROGRAM

Bess Crandall, *Director*

974-5609

The Planning and Policy Program plans for the use of Maryland's waterways and the location of marine-related facilities. The Program also serves as liaison with the boating industry. From the Boat Dealer Advisory Council and the Boat Act Advisory Committee, the Program solicits advice on policies and regulations to protect public safety, welfare, and recreational interests in Maryland waters.

BOAT DEALER ADVISORY COUNCIL

Chairperson: Louis Phipps, Jr.
Contact: Bess Crandall

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Appointed by Secretary of Natural Resources.

BOAT ACT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Chairperson: T. Marvin Stang
Contact: Robert Lunsford

974-2784

Appointed by the Secretary of Natural Resources, the Council advises the Secretary on legislation that affects the boating industry in Maryland (Code Natural Resources Article, sec. 1-102(d)).

WATERWAY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Vacancy, *Director*

841-5607

The Waterway Improvement Program was created in 1972 to serve the boating public (Chapter 348, Acts of 1972). The Program places and maintains navigational aids, clears debris and obstructions from waters of the State, and removes derelict vessels. The Program also undertakes ice breaking and dredging, and constructs regional boating facilities and local small-boat launching ramps, piers, and ancillary facilities.

OPERATIONS PROGRAM

Gregory Cunningham, *Director*

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The Operations Program is responsible for State-owned marinas and vessels.

The State maintains two public marinas. At Crisfield, Somers Cove Marina is the home of the Annual Crab Derby. Ft. Washington Marina is located at Piscataway Bay off the Potomac River.

The Program maintains three State-owned vessels and schedules their use. They include the Governor's yacht *Independence*; a management work boat *Declaration*, used to assist Chesapeake Bay projects and scientific research; and the *Anna McGarvey*, the State Skipjack designed for educational purposes to promote the heritage and restoration of Chesapeake Bay.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY, NATURAL RESOURCES

Herbert M. Sachs, *Assistant Secretary for Natural Resources*

974-3547

The Assistant Secretary for Natural Resources oversees four agencies: Water Resources Administration, Maryland Environmental Service, Maryland Geological Survey, and Hazardous Waste Facilities Siting Board.

WATER RESOURCES ADMINISTRATION

Catherine P. Stevenson, *Director*

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974-3846

The Water Resources Administration, formerly the Department of Water Resources, was created in 1972 (Chapter 348, Acts of 1972). The Administration protects, manages, and develops the water resources of the State. Served by two advisory boards, the Administration conducts three programs: Water Management, Resource Protection, and Watershed Protection. The Administration also is responsible for the Bureau of Mines.

WATER RESOURCES ADVISORY COMMISSION

Chairperson: Nicholas Pelagatti

535-0362

Appointed by Governor: Roger R. Blunt; Russell B. Brinsfield, Ph.D.; Raymond P. Morgan, Ph.D.; Benjamin F. Trump, Ph.D.

The Commission advises the Director of the Water Resources Administration (Code Natural Resources Article, secs. 1-102, 8-202).

STATE WATER QUALITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Chairperson: James E. Gutman

647-8965

Contact: Ruth Mathes

333-1060

The Committee advises the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of the Environment on ways to improve and protect water quality in Maryland (Federal Regulations 40 CFR, Part 25).