GREENWAYS & RESOURCES PLANNING

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Greenways and Resources Planning originated as Land Planning Services and received its present name in 1991. The unit provides planning, mapping, environmental review, and capital budget services to help the Department acquire, develop, and manage public lands and scenic rivers. These services are offered through the Resources Planning Section and Regional Support Services.

The Resources Planning Section develops master plans for new State parks or for recreational use and modification of existing State parks. The Section also conducts detailed property reviews for proposed new Department areas and environmental reviews for many Department projects and lands. In addition, the Section develops master facilities plans for areas without approved master plans.

The Resources Planning Section prepares resource management plans for the nine rivers of the scenic and wild rivers system to promote the wise use of the rivers' land and water resources, and improve resource conservation measures. Planners work with local citizen advisory boards developing recommendations for local governments on resource use.

Regional Support Services contains the Mapping and Property Research Section, Environmental Review, Special Projects/GIS, and the Greenways Commission Coordinator.

The Mapping and Property Research Section researches property records (deeds, surveys, land patents) and prepares project boundary maps for all Department lands. These maps show properties in the acquisition program, as well as properties owned by the Department or not yet acquired. The Project also reviews and updates the maps.

SCENIC & WILD RIVERS REVIEW BOARD Chairperson:

Torrey C. Brown, Secretary of Natural Resources

Ex officio: Wayne A. Cawley, Jr., Secretary of Agriculture; Robert Perciasepe, Secretary of the Environment; Ronald M. Kreitner, Director of Planning; Vacancy, Garrett County Commissioner.

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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).

ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION SERVICES

Robert B. Dannecker, Director

974-7741

Formerly the Capital Development Program, Engineering and Construction Services provides design and construction services to other Department agencies, evaluates facilities for capital budget planning purposes, and helps preserve historic properties owned by the Department.

ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT

Jodi R. O'Day, Director

974-7250

Started in 1988, Enterprise Development is a program through which State lands are developed by private interests in an enterprise that generates benefits and revenues for both public and private sectors. These enterprises are established to preserve the integrity of natural resources, while enhancing their recreational potential and fiscal productivity.

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