

Arundel County Code (1967 Edition and Supplements), Title 13, "Planning and Zoning", Subtitle 3, "Zoning", to follow immediately after Section 13-317.6 thereof (as enacted by Bill No. 20-70), to be under the new Article VI, "Special Districts", heading "OS-Open Space Districts", and to read as follows:

Article VI—Special Districts  
OS—Open Space Districts

Section 13-318—In General

(a) Open space districts shall preserve open areas for recreational uses, protect persons and property against hazards of floods and water pollution, and protect the County against the costs which may be incurred resulting when development which is not compatible with the natural environment occurs. Such districts shall guide, define and protect development, communities and land uses through proper location of open space areas.

(b) Open Space Districts shall include:

(1) All lands within the Natural Drainage System (including wetlands, marshlands, swamplands, and all lands within the fifty (50) year floodplain).

(2) All private and public lands used or proposed to be used for passive and active recreation at a community or regional level.

(3) All lands designated as structural open space in the Anne Arundel County General Development Plan.

(c) For purposes of this heading:

(1) "Coastal floodplain" means coastal wetlands, tidal marshes and contiguous uplands which are inundated regularly or intermittently from normal tidal cycles and/or peak—lunar and storm tides. The upland limit of peak storm tide (and the limit of the coastal floodplain) shall be established at the upland United States Coastal Geodetic Survey contour representing the local maximum flood of record of maximum historical flood.

(2) "Community Recreation" shall include recreation facilities used primarily by people living in large geographical areas of the County.

(3) "Floodplain" means that area which would be inundated by storm water runoff, equivalent to that which would occur from a rainfall of fifty (50) year frequency after total development of the watershed; said area defined by an elevation plus one foot (1') below which no development may take place.

(4) "Natural Drainage System" shall consist of upland, floodplain lands, and water courses, including coastal wetlands. Such lands and waters may include but not be limited to all uplands exhibiting fifteen percent (15%) or greater slopes, all fresh, salt or brackish water, swamps, bogs, marshes, streams, vernal ponds, ponds, lakes, and all lands within the coastal floodplain.

(5) "Regional Recreation" shall include recreational facilities used to a great extent by people living in all parts of the ~~Baltimore-Washington Region~~ ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY.

(d) The below listed uses shall be approved by the Office of Planning and Zoning, in addition to the agencies indicated below: