

(c) "Director" shall mean the Director of the [Department of] Water Resources Administration;

(d) ["Commission"] "Administration" shall mean the Water Resources [Commission] Administration;

(e) "Waters of the State" shall include both surface and underground waters within the boundaries of the State or subject to its jurisdiction, including that portion of the Atlantic Ocean within the boundaries of the State, the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries, and all ponds, lakes, rivers, streams, public ditches, tax ditches and public drainage systems within the State, other than those designed and used for the purpose of collection, conveyance, or disposal of sanitary sewage. The flood plain of free-flowing waters is determined by the Department on the basis of the 50-year flood frequency shall be included as waters of the State;

(f) "Person" shall include, in addition to any other meaning it may have under this article, the State, any municipal corporation, any county or any public or private corporation, copartnership, firm or any other entity whatsoever;

(g) "Pollution" shall mean the discharge or deposit into any of the waters of the State of any liquid, gaseous or solid substance or substances which may create a nuisance therein or render such waters unclean or noxious so as to be detrimental to the propagation, cultivation or conservation of animals, fish or aquatic life, or unsuitable with reasonable treatment, for use as present or possible future source of public water supply or unsuitable for commercial, industrial, agricultural, recreational or other reasonable uses. It shall also include the discharge or deposit of any substance which, because of its temperature, is detrimental to or unsuitable for any of the described uses of waters of the State.

(h) "Principal department" shall mean the Department of Natural Resources;

"Secretary" shall mean the secretary of the Department of Natural Resources;

(j) "Board of Review" shall mean the Board of Review of the Department of Natural Resources.

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(a) [The head of the Department shall be the Director, who shall be appointed by the Governor, upon recommendation of the Secretary of Natural Resources. The Director is subject to removal as provided in Section 234 (c) of Article 41 of this Code. The Director shall be a person with executive ability and experience and with knowledge of the general principles involved in the planning, management, conservation and administration of water resources.] *The Secretary shall appoint a person with executive ability, experience, and knowledge of the principles of water resource planning, management, conservation, and administration to be director of an agency within the Department adequately staffed and organized to carry out the provisions of this article, which shall be known as the Water Resources Administration. The Director shall receive the salary provided in the annual State budget and shall serve at the pleasure of the Secretary.*