

8-402. CREATION, CONTINUATION, AND ADMINISTRATION OF SCENIC RIVERS PROGRAM.

(A) CREATION AND CONTINUATION OF PROGRAM; RIVERS INCLUDED. - A SCENIC RIVERS PROGRAM IS CREATED AND CONTINUED. THE FOLLOWING RIVERS, INCLUDING THEIR TRIBUTARIES, ARE THE INITIAL COMPONENTS OF THE STATE SCENIC RIVERS SYSTEM: DEER CREEK (HARFORD COUNTY), THE PATUXENT, POCOMOKE, SEVERN, WICOMICO IN CHARLES COUNTY, AND YOUGHIOGHENY.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection presently appears as Article 66C, section 763(a) of the Code, as amended by Chapter 62, S.B. 273, Acts of 1973. The only changes made are in style.

(B) ADMINISTRATION OF PROGRAM.—THE SECRETARY SHALL ADMINISTER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE. HE ~~[[CARRIES]]~~ SHALL FORMULATE AND IMPLEMENT A PROGRAM TO CARRY OUT THE PURPOSES OF THE SCENIC RIVERS PROGRAM FOR EACH DESIGNATED RIVER INCLUDING ANY OTHER RIVER DESIGNATED SUBSEQUENTLY AS PART OF THE SYSTEM. THE PROGRAM SHALL PROVIDE FOR WISE MANAGEMENT OF RESOURCES ON THE LAND AND PRESERVATION OF THEIR SCENIC QUALITIES. DEVELOPMENT IS LIMITED TO ACTIVITIES SUCH AS FISHING, HUNTING, HIKING, HORSEBACK RIDING, NATURAL AND GEOLOGICAL INTERPRETATION, SCENIC APPRECIATION, AND OTHER PROGRAMS BY WHICH THE GENERAL PUBLIC CAN APPRECIATE AND ENJOY THE VALUE OF THESE AREAS AS SCENIC RIVERS IN A SETTING OF NATURAL SCITITUDE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection is new language derived from Article 66C, sections 762 and 764. This new subsection attempts to harmonize the inconsistencies of sections 762 and 764 caused by executive reorganization, and to effectuate nomenclatural changes as set forth in Chapter 348, Acts of 1972.

(C) STUDY OF DEER CREEK. - THE DEPARTMENT, BY JULY 1, 1974, SHALL PREPARE A STUDY AND PLAN FOR THE USE AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE WATER AND RELATED LAND RESOURCES OF DEER CREEK IN HARFORD COUNTY. THE STUDY AND PLAN SHALL EVALUATE DEER CREEK AS A WATER AND SCENIC RESOURCE, AND EVALUATE ITS SHORELINE AND RELATED LAND IN TERMS OF ZONING, PARKS AND RECREATIONAL AREAS, PUBLIC AND PRIVATE USE. THE STUDY AND PLAN SHALL BE MADE IN CONSULTATION AND COOPERATION WITH EVERY AFFECTED UNIT OF HARFORD COUNTY. UPON COMPLETION, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL FILE THE STUDY AND