

Code. The last sentence is proposed for deletion because it is set forth as section 8-1304. The only other changes made are in style.

(C) "WATERSHED" MEANS THE PATUXENT RIVER WATERSHED.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection is new language to avoid the repetitive use of the phrase "Patuxent River Watershed".

8-1302. LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY DECLARES THAT FLOOD PREVENTION, CONSERVATION, SEDIMENT OR EROSION PROTECTION, AND PREVENTION OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT ~~[[WITH]]~~ WITHIN THE WATERSHED IS A PUBLIC BENEFIT AND CONDUCTIVE TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived from the last clause of Article 66C, section 411A(a) of the Code and set forth here for organizational purposes.

8-1303. APPROPRIATE COUNTY GOVERNING BODY MAY CREATE PATUXENT RIVER WATERSHED.

THE APPROPRIATE COUNTY GOVERNING BODY OF HOWARD, MONTGOMERY, PRINCE GEORGE'S, ANNE ARUNDEL, CALVERT, CHARLES AND ST. MARY'S COUNTIES OR THE DULY DESIGNATED AGENCIES OF THE APPROPRIATE COUNTY GOVERNING BODY HAVING THE JURISDICTION, POWER, AND AUTHORITY TO DEFINE AND CREATE THE PATUXENT RIVER WATERSHED IN THEIR RESPECTIVE COUNTIES. EACH SHALL ACT COOPERATIVELY WITH THE DEPARTMENT AND LOCAL, COUNTY, STATE, AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENTS TO PROTECT AREAS SUBJECT TO SEDIMENT OR EROSION DAMAGE AND PREVENT ENCROACHMENT BY RAPID GROWTH AND SPREAD OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT BY CREATING A PROGRAM OF FLOOD PREVENTION AND CONSERVATION.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section presently appears as Article 66C, section 411A(a) of the Code. The reference to "Department of Forests and Parks" is proposed for deletion and "department" substituted therefor in light of the nomenclatural changes of Chapter 348, Acts of 1972. The last clause is proposed for deletion because its substance appears in section 8-1302. The only other