

invite to serve in an ex officio capacity members of the public at large who, in its judgment, demonstrate a continuing interest in environmental matters.

The Council will coordinate the policies and practices of State government to insure that the quality of the environment is protected or improved wherever possible in the conduct of State business. When requested by the Chairman, the Council will study proposals for major installations which may have profound impact on the environmental quality of the State and will offer its recommendations to the appropriate regulatory agencies. On a continuing basis, the Council will review the conditions of Maryland's environment and recommend the development of new programs and policies whenever appropriate.

The Council will assist in coordinating the wide array of Federal and State activities so that within the State of Maryland there is an overall unified Federal and State program to develop natural resources and protect the environment.

It shall be the duty of all agency heads and employees of the State to cooperate fully with the Council in matters dealing with the restoration, preservation and maintenance of the quality of Maryland's environment and her natural resources. To that end, the Directors of the agencies shall promptly conduct studies, prepare reports, present testimony or do any other lawful and reasonable act requested by the Council.

Administrative, clerical and other supporting services or facilities to aid the Council in the execution of its duties will be provided through arrangements with the Governor's Office.

[The initial membership of the said Council shall consist of the following persons:

Marvin Mandel, Governor

Blair Lee III, Secretary of State

Neil Solomon, M.D., Ph.D., Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene

J. Millard Tawes, Secretary of Natural Resources

Vladimir A. Wahbe, Secretary of State Planning.]

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