

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article - Natural Resources

5-214.

(A) THERE IS A DEEP CREEK LAKE RECREATION MAINTENANCE AND MANAGEMENT FUND IN THE DEPARTMENT FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND MANAGEMENT OF RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AND SERVICES THAT ARE RELATED TO DEEP CREEK LAKE IN GARRETT COUNTY.

(B) EXCEPT AT DEEP CREEK LAKE STATE PARK, THE DEPARTMENT MAY CHARGE FEES FOR THE ISSUANCE AND PROCESSING OF LAKE USE PERMITS, BUFFER AREA LICENSES AND PERMITS, AND FACILITY ADMISSION PERMITS FOR THE USE OF THE RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AT DEEP CREEK LAKE. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PAY ALL FUNDS COLLECTED FROM LAKE AND BUFFER USE PERMITS, CONTRACTS, GRANTS, AND GIFTS AS A RESULT OF THE DEEP CREEK LAKE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM INTO THE DEEP CREEK LAKE RECREATION MAINTENANCE AND MANAGEMENT FUND.

(C) (1) BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT MAY ESTABLISH OR INCREASE ANY FEES FOR THE ISSUANCE AND PROCESSING OF ANY LICENSE OR PERMIT SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, THE SECRETARY SHALL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING IN GARRETT COUNTY.

(2) NOTICE OF THE PUBLIC HEARING SHALL BE PUBLISHED IN TWO NEWSPAPERS IN THE COUNTY AT LEAST 30 DAYS BEFORE THE HEARING.

(3) THE NOTICE SHALL INCLUDE THE PROPOSED FEE OR INCREASE IN THE FEE AND THE REASON FOR THE FEE.

5-215.

(A) (1) THERE IS A DEEP CREEK LAKE ADVISORY AND REVIEW COMMITTEE.

(2) THE COMMITTEE CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

(I) AS EX OFFICIO MEMBERS:

1. THE DELEGATE OF THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY FROM SUBDISTRICT 1A OF LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 1;

2. THE PRESIDENT OF THE DEEP CREEK LAKE PROPERTY OWNER'S ASSOCIATION OR HIS DESIGNEE;

3. THE PRESIDENT OF THE DEEP CREEK LAKE BUSINESS ASSOCIATION OR HIS DESIGNEE;

4. THE PRESIDENT CHAIRMAN OF THE GARRETT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OR HIS DESIGNEE; AND