

(I) COORDINATE THE DEVELOPMENT OF STATEWIDE AQUACULTURE POLICY AND, TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT FEASIBLE, THE STREAMLINING OF THE APPLICATION PROCESS;

(II) TRACK EACH APPLICATION AS IT PROGRESSES THROUGH EACH DEPARTMENT; AND

(III) ENSURE FULL AND MEANINGFUL DEPARTMENTAL COMMUNICATION WITH AN APPLICANT DURING EACH STAGE OF THE APPLICATION PROCESS.

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(a) There is an Aquaculture [Advisory Committee] COORDINATING COUNCIL.

(b) The [Advisory Committee] COORDINATING COUNCIL shall consist of [21] THE FOLLOWING ~~16~~ 17 members:

(1) 1 member of the Maryland Senate designated by the President of the Senate;

(2) 1 member of the Maryland House of Delegates designated by the Speaker of the House;

(3) 1 representative of the Department of Agriculture designated by the Secretary of Agriculture;

(4) 1 representative of the Department of Natural Resources Police designated by the Secretary of Natural Resources;

(5) 1 representative of the Department of Natural Resources, [Tidewater Administration] FISHERIES SERVICE, designated by the Secretary of Natural Resources;

(6) [1 representative] 2 REPRESENTATIVES of the [College of Agriculture at the] University of Maryland designated by the President of the University of Maryland, College Park:

(I) 1 WITH EXPERTISE IN AQUACULTURE RESEARCH; AND

(II) 1 REPRESENTING THE MARYLAND COOPERATIVE EXTENSION;

(7) 1 representative of the Department of Business and Economic Development designated by the Secretary of Business and Economic Development[, who shall be a nonvoting member];

(8) 1 representative of the Department of the Environment designated by the Secretary of the Environment[, who shall be a nonvoting member];

(9) 1 representative of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene designated by the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene[, who shall be a nonvoting member; and];

(10) [12 members appointed by the Governor: