

THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PRESENT THE PLAN TO THE GOVERNOR, TO THE MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, AND TO ANNE ARUNDEL, CALVERT, CHARLES, HOWARD, MONTGOMERY, PRINCE GEORGE'S, AND ST. MARY'S COUNTIES.

REVISOR'S NOTE: Subsection (a) of this section formerly appeared as Art. 88C, § 2(c)(9)(ii).

Subsection (b) of this section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 88C, § 2(c)(9)(iii).

In subsection (b) of this section, the names of the 7 enumerated counties are substituted for the former words "the appropriate local jurisdictions", for clarity. This revision is called to the attention of the General Assembly.

The only other changes are in style.

The Commission to Revise the Annotated Code points out to the General Assembly that it is unclear whether this section should be decodified as obsolete. If the presentation requirements of this section apply only to the Plan itself, then the General Assembly may wish to decodify this section as obsolete in light of the Department having fulfilled the presentation requirements. However, if the presentation requirements apply not only to the Plan, but also to updates and revisions of the Plan under § 5-913 of this subtitle, then this section should be retained and possibly clarified.

Defined terms: "Commission" § 5-901
"Department" § 5-101 "Plan" § 5-901

5-912. APPROVAL BY GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

(A) PRESENTATION TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR APPROVAL.

ON APPROVAL BY RESOLUTION OF AT LEAST 5 OF THE 7 COUNTIES LISTED IN § 5-911(B) OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PRESENT THE PLAN, ALONG WITH ANY APPROPRIATE COMMENTS FROM THE COUNTIES, TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR APPROVAL AS THE PATUXENT RIVER WATERSHED MASTER PLAN.

(B) EFFECT OF APPROVAL.

THE PLAN, ONCE APPROVED, SHALL SERVE AS A POLICY GUIDE TO BE USED BY UNITS OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN CARRYING OUT THEIR ACTION AND REGULATORY PROGRAMS IN THE PATUXENT RIVER WATERSHED.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 88C, § 2(c)(10) and (11).