Annotated Code of Maryland (1989 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Natural Resources

Section 5-1203(h), (k), and (m)

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BY adding to

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Section 5-1203(cc) through (ee)

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SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Natural Resources

5-1203.

- (a) In order to assure that an increasing population, accompanied by expanding settlement and growing mechanization, does not occupy and modify all areas within the State, leaving no lands designated for preservation and protection in their natural condition, it is the policy of the General Assembly to secure for the people of present and future generations the benefits of an enduring resource of State wildlands. For this purpose there is established a State wildlands preservation system composed of areas in the State designated by the General Assembly as "wildland areas". The wildland areas shall be administered for the use and enjoyment of the people of Maryland in a manner that will leave them unimpaired for the future use and enjoyment as wildlands, to provide for their protection, preservation of their wildland character, and for gathering and dissemination of information regarding their use and enjoyment as wildlands. A State land may not be designated as "wildland areas" except as provided for in this section or by a subsequent act.
- (h) [(1)] Pursuant to the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, that property in Howard and Montgomery Counties containing approximately [824] 1579 acres and described as follows is a Type 2 State wildland and shall be named the "Patuxent River Wildland":

PARCEL 1:

Beginning at a point on the south shore of the Patuxent River at the eastern margin of the right-of-way of the Hipsley Mill Road, and proceeding counterclockwise about the boundary of the wildland area, southwesterly with said right-of-way margin approximately, 3,050 feet to the southern boundary of Patuxent River State Park (hereafter the Park). Thence leaving Hipsley Mill Road and following said Park boundary southeasterly approximately 1,700 feet; thence leaving the Park boundary and with the forest bounding a field, on the right hand, easterly approximately 1,400 feet. Still with the