

Article - Environment

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(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

(1) ["Spoil" means earth, rock, soil, waste matter, muck, or other material excavated or dredged from Baltimore Harbor and approach channels.] "DREDGED MATERIAL" MEANS EARTH, SAND, SILT, SEDIMENT, SHELL, ROCK, SOIL, WASTE MATTER, OR OTHER MATERIAL EXCAVATED OR DREDGED FROM THE CHESAPEAKE BAY AND ITS TRIBUTARY WATERS.

(2) "Baltimore County tributary [spoil] DREDGED MATERIAL" means earth, rock, soil, waste matter, muck, or other materials excavated or dredged from an approved dredging project in any of the Baltimore County tributaries of the Chesapeake Bay.

(3) "Redeposit" means to dump, scatter, pour, or otherwise deposit [spoil] DREDGED MATERIAL [or, if made applicable by the provisions of this subtitle or Title 5 of the Natural Resources Article, Baltimore County tributary spoil in a confined manner].

(4) "Baltimore Harbor" means the waterway which consists of the tidal portions of Patapsco River and its tributaries lying westward of a line extending from Rock Point in Anne Arundel County to North Point in Baltimore County.

(5) (i) "Sewage sludge" means the accumulated semiliquid suspension of settled solids, or dried residue of these solids, that is deposited from sewage in wastewater treatment plant tanks or basins.

(ii) "Sewage sludge" includes raw untreated sewage disposed from the Back River Sewage Treatment Plant.

(6) "Deep trough" means any region that:

(i) Is south of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge and north of a line extending westerly from Bloody Point; and

(ii) Has a depth that exceeds 60 feet.

(7) "BENEFICIAL USE OF DREDGED MATERIAL" MEANS ANY OF THE FOLLOWING USES OF DREDGED MATERIAL FROM THE CHESAPEAKE BAY AND ITS TRIBUTARY WATERS PLACED INTO, WATERS OR ONTO BOTTOMLAND OF THE CHESAPEAKE BAY OR ITS TIDAL TRIBUTARIES, INCLUDING BALTIMORE HARBOR:

(I) THE RESTORATION OF UNDERWATER GRASSES;

(II) THE RESTORATION OF ISLANDS;

(III) THE STABILIZATION OF ERODING SHORELINES;

(IV) THE CREATION OR RESTORATION OF WETLANDS; AND