

BY adding to

Article - Environment

Section 5-1104.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1996 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

Preamble

WHEREAS, The Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries are a precious resource to all Marylanders; and

WHEREAS, The Port of Baltimore is a major economic component to the State of Maryland providing employment and livelihood to Marylanders; and

WHEREAS, The Port of Baltimore requires maintaining and improving shipping channels and berths to serve the international shipping industry; and

WHEREAS, The State of Maryland should have a long-range dredged material management plan that is effective and environmentally sound; now, therefore,

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

Article - Environment

5-1101.

(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.