

STATE REVENUES FROM THE FEE ARE NOT SUBJECT TO § 7-302 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE. Any property to be acquired or designated for off-road vehicle use shall be subject to a public hearing held in the county or counties wherein the property is situated. However, no off-road vehicle may be permitted where its operation will damage the wildland character of the property or where the noise from its operation will be audible at or interfere with the use of a picnic or camping area open to public use.

5-212.

(A) IN THIS SECTION, "FUND" MEANS THE FOREST OR PARK RESERVE FUND.

(B) There is a Forest or Park Reserve Fund in the Department.

(C) THE PURPOSE OF THE FUND IS TO ENABLE THE DEPARTMENT TO PURCHASE AND MANAGE IN THE NAME OF THE STATE LANDS SUITABLE FOR FOREST CULTURE, RESERVES, WATERSHED PROTECTION, STATE PARKS, SCENIC PRESERVES, HISTORIC MONUMENTS, PARKWAYS, AND STATE RECREATIONAL RESERVES.

(D) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADMINISTER THE FUND.

(E) ~~(1) THE FUND IS A SPECIAL, NONLAPSING FUND THAT IS NOT SUBJECT TO § 7-302 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE.~~

~~(2) (1) THE TREASURER SHALL HOLD THE FUND SEPARATELY AND THE COMPTROLLER SHALL ACCOUNT FOR THE FUND.~~

(2) THE FUND IS A SPECIAL, NONLAPSING FUND THAT IS NOT SUBJECT TO § 7-302 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE.

(F) THE FUND CONSISTS OF:

(1) Any money obtained from the State forest reserves, State parks, scenic reserves, parkways, historic monuments, and recreation areas[, together with any fine];

(2) REVENUE DISTRIBUTED TO THE FUND FROM FINES collected under § 5-1302 of this title[, shall be paid into the Fund]; AND

(3) REVENUE RECEIVED BY THE FUND UNDER § 5-207(B) OF THIS SUBTITLE; AND

~~(4) ANY INVESTMENT EARNINGS OF THE FUND.~~

(G) [Each county in which any State forest or park reserve is located shall be paid annually out of the Fund 15 percent of the revenue derived from the State forest or park reserve located in that county. Each county in which the forest or park reserve comprises 10 percent or more of the total land area of that county shall be paid annually out of the Fund a sum equal to 25 percent of the revenues derived from the State forest or park reserve located in that county.] THE FUND MAY BE USED ONLY FOR: