

(l) If the Authority disapproves a management plan, the Authority shall advise the local jurisdictions in writing of the reason for the disapproval and provide recommendations for a revision of the plan.

(m) The Authority shall approve or disapprove any revisions to an existing management plan in the same manner as specified in subsections (j) through (l) of this section.

(n) Approval of a management plan by the Authority AND FINAL APPROVAL OF THE PLAN BY ALL LOCAL JURISDICTIONS WITHIN A RECOGNIZED HERITAGE AREA shall:

(1) Establish the designation of a recognized heritage area as a certified heritage area;

(2) Establish eligibility for the receipt of acquisition, development, and programming assistance from the State within the certified heritage area boundaries;

(3) Establish eligibility for qualifying properties and persons for certain tax incentives for activities within the defined heritage area boundaries; and

(4) For continuance of the certified heritage area, require appropriate local action to protect and safeguard the significant resources in the certified heritage area.

(o) The Canal Place Historic Preservation District established under Subtitle 10 of this title is the initial certified heritage area designated under this subtitle.

(p) After holding a public hearing in the certified heritage area that is the subject of the Authority's review, the Authority may withdraw its approval of a management plan if the Authority finds that a local jurisdiction responsible for the certified heritage area:

(1) Has taken actions which have had a significant adverse impact upon significant certified heritage area resources; or

(2) Has failed to implement its role under a management plan.

(q) If the Authority withdraws its approval of a management plan:

(1) The heritage area shall no longer be designated as a certified heritage area; and

(2) The Authority shall report its withdrawal of approval to the Governor and the General Assembly stating the reasons for the action of the Authority.

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(a) There is a Maryland Heritage Areas Authority Financing Fund.

(b) (1) The Authority shall use the Fund as a continuing, nonlapsing, revolving fund for carrying out the purposes of this subtitle.