

~~16 of the Environment Article~~ THE RESOURCES IDENTIFIED UNDER PARAGRAPHS (1) AND (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the process of transition from reliance on the State wetlands maps to the Statewide Base Map for determination of the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays Critical Area, as enacted under Section 2 of this Act, shall proceed as follows:

~~(1) The Department of Natural Resources shall prepare a State Base Map that includes a State determined shoreline and edge of tidal wetlands and a digitally generated 1,000-foot Critical Area Boundary overlaid on aerial imagery obtained in 2007 and 2008 as part of the "MD iMap" State Base Map project. Within 30 days of the date of official completion of the "MD iMap" State Base Map project, which shall include distribution of the Base Map by the Department of Natural Resources to each local jurisdiction with an approved Critical Area program, the Department shall notify the Critical Area Commission for the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays in writing regarding the applicable date of project completion.~~

~~(2) Following receipt of notice from the Department, and where practical as part of the required 6-year comprehensive review process, the Commission shall notify each local jurisdiction with an approved Critical Area program in writing regarding the effective date of project completion and the requirement to adopt an amended Critical Area Map based on the "MD iMap" State Base Map project within 24 months.~~

~~(3) In accordance with notification from the Commission, each local jurisdiction, with assistance from the Critical Area Commission and the Department of Natural Resources as appropriate, shall review and refine the "MD iMap" State Base Maps prepared by the Department of Natural Resources. This process will be used to:~~

~~(i) verify the boundaries of the existing Critical Area designations;~~

~~(ii) appropriately designate unclassified areas that were not within the original Critical Area boundary in accordance with the mapping standards set forth in COMAR 27.01.02.03 through 27.01.02.05 and as further determined through regulations developed by the Commission; and~~

~~(iii) identify areas where there appear to be inconsistencies between the "MD iMap" State Base Maps and local Critical Area Maps.~~

~~(4) Following resolution of any inconsistencies and as appropriate to its form of government and in conformance with all applicable requirements, each jurisdiction with an approved Critical Area program shall formally amend its program~~