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The Department of Tidewater Fisheries was established in 1941 as an affiliated department of the Board of Natural Resources. The Department succeeded to the tidewater fisheries functions of the former Conservation Department. The Department is headed by a commission consisting of a Chairman and two associate members appointed by the Governor for six-year terms with overlapping tenure of office. The Commission formulates basic Department policy, makes regulations governing the crab fisheries and enters into compact with the State of Virginia to enforce these regulations, subject to review and approval by the Board of Natural Resources. The Department is administering a three-part program for the conservation of the fisheries. First, it undertakes and encourages "farming" for the purpose of conserving and increasing the oyster. Second, it limits the number of commercial licenses issued each year for the taking of fin-fish. Third, it cooperates with Virginia in a program to conserve crabs. In addition, each of these industries—crabbing, fin-fishing, and oystering—is subject to certain regulatory restrictions. To enforce these regulations, the Department maintains a fleet of thirty-six patrol boats and one patrol plane (Code 1951, Art. 66C, secs. 6, 12).

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