

*Land Planning Services* provides the planning services for all land management units of the Department of Natural Resources, such as the Park Service, State forests, and Wildlife Administration. Master plans for the future development of State parks are produced and the Wild and Scenic Rivers Program is administered by Land Planning Services. Acquisition maps are prepared for Department of Natural Resources land holdings and environmental reviews of proposed projects are conducted by this section of the Capital Programs Administration.

*Shore Erosion Control Program* provides technical assistance to property owners, communities, and counties experiencing shore erosion problems; administers the Shore Erosion Control Revolving Loan Fund which provides interest-free loans for project construction to qualified applicants; designs and provides construction supervision, at no cost, for State financed projects; evaluates the effectiveness of new materials and methods developed to control erosion; provides public education on the causes and prevention of shore and bank erosion; and makes assessments and recommendations on the overall erosion problem in the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries.

*Program Open Space* administers the funds made available to local communities for open and recreational space under the provisions of the Outdoor Recreation Land Loan of 1969 and from the Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service, Land and Water Conservation Fund, U. S. Department of the Interior. Program Open Space coordinates the acquisition and development of land for the use of all departmental agencies.

The *Land and Property Management Program* was created within the Capital Programs Administration effective July 1, 1979. This Program consists of six projects: 1. General Director; 2. Real Property Control and Maintenance; 3. Fair Hill Natural Resources Management; 4. Wye Island Resources Management Area; 5. Monocacy Natural Resources Management Area; and 6. Deep Creek Lake Natural Resources Management.

*General Direction* is responsible for the overall coordination of the Land and Property Management Program, which includes the budget preparation and administration as well as the planning aspects.

The *Real Property Control and Maintenance Project* is responsible for all record keeping associated with lands owned by the Department of Natural Resources, including deeds, leases, easements, rights-of-way, etc. Effective July 1, 1979,

DNR agencies that manage land and improvements prepare maintenance schedules that are monitored by this section. This project also administers Camp Echo Lake, the Historic Survey, the Department's position on the C&O Canal National Historical Park Advisory Commission, and the Tawes Garden. This program is also responsible for the management and administration of four areas: Fair Hill, Wye Island, Monocacy, and Deep Creek Lake.

## SCENIC AND WILD RIVERS REVIEW BOARD

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The Scenic and Wild Rivers Review Board was created by Chapter 85, Acts of 1968, to review the inventories, studies, and recommendations of the Department of Natural Resources. The Board consists of the Secretary of the Department of Natural Resources, the Secretary of State Planning, and the Secretary of Agriculture. The Board selects its own chairperson. By Chapter 612, Acts of 1975, the Board adopted its present name and had its membership altered. The board appoints, with the advice and consent of the local governing body, a local Scenic and Wild Rivers Advisory Board for each river included within the scenic and wild rivers system. Each local board consists of seven members of whom at least two must be residents owning land contiguous to the scenic or wild river, two must be residents of the county where the river flows and who do not own land contiguous to it, one represents the local governing body, and two represent the appropriate soil conservation district. Each local board selects its own chairperson. By Chapter 869, Acts of 1978, provision was made for local advisory boards for scenic or wild rivers that flow through more than one county. The local advisory board helps develop and review the studies and proposed management plans prepared by the Department of Natural Resources.

After completion of an approved management plan, local jurisdictions, if they so desire, may establish local scenic river advisory boards to help local government implement the plan (Chapter 962, Acts of 1978).

The Secretary of Natural Resources administers the provisions of the Scenic and Wild Rivers Act.