

**PERSONNEL SERVICES**

Carolyn Tyson, Director 974-2897

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**LICENSING AND CONSUMER SERVICES**

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Licensing and Consumer Services issues State hunting, fishing and boating licenses and collects certain excise taxes. The office is responsible for regional service centers throughout the State.

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**ASSISTANT SECRETARY,  
CAPITAL PROGRAMS**

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The Assistant Secretary for Capital Programs oversees five programs: Land Planning Services; Shore Erosion Control; Program Open Space; Land Management and Recreation Services; and Capital Development. The Assistant Secretary also is responsible for the Maryland Environmental Trust and the Scenic and Wild Rivers Review Board.

**LAND PLANNING SERVICES**

Robert L. Beckett, *Director* 974-7656

Land Planning Services provides planning, mapping, environmental review, and capital budget services to help the Department acquire, develop, and manage public lands and scenic rivers. These services are offered through four primary projects: Resource Planning, Wild and Scenic Rivers, Acquisition Graphics and Research, and Capital Budget Planning.

The Resource Planning Project develops master plans for new State parks or for recreational use and modification of existing State parks. The Project also conducts detailed property reviews for proposed new Department areas and environmental reviews for many Department projects and lands. In addition, the Project develops master facilities plans for areas without approved master plans.

The Scenic and Wild Rivers Project prepares resource management plans for the nine rivers of the scenic and wild rivers system. The Project promotes the wise use of the rivers' land and water resources, and improves resource conservation measures. Planners work with local citizen advisory boards developing recommendations for local governments on resource use.

The Acquisition Graphics and Research Project researches property records (deeds, surveys, land patents) and prepares project boundary maps for all Department lands. These maps show properties in the acquisition program, as well as properties owned by the Department or not yet acquired. The Project also reviews and updates the maps.

The Capital Budget Planning Project prepares the Department's annual Capital Budget request. The Project coordinates development project proposals submitted to the Assistant Secretary for Capital Programs by Department agencies. Projects are evaluated and placed into the Five-Year Capital Improvements Program according to priority and category. Supporting data is collected, including cost data and justification, and meetings and budget hearings are required throughout the process.

**SHORE EROSION CONTROL PROGRAM**

Leonard M. Larese-Casanova, *Director* 974-7853

The Shore Erosion Control Program provides technical assistance to property owners, communities, and counties experiencing shore erosion. The Program administers the Shore Erosion Control Revolving Loan Fund, which provides interest-free loans for project construction to qualified applicants. It designs and provides construction supervision for State-financed projects. The Program also evaluates new materials and methods for erosion control, and informs the public about causes and prevention of shore and bank erosion. The Program makes assessments and recommendations on erosion in the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries.

**PROGRAM OPEN SPACE**

William A. Krebs, *Director* 974-7231

Program Open Space acquires outdoor recreation and open space areas for public use. The Program administers funds made available to local communities for open and recreational space by the Outdoor Recreation Land Loan of 1969 and from the National Park Service, Land and Water Conservation Fund, U.S. Department of the Interior. The Program coordinates the acquisition of Department lands for the use of all departmental agencies.

**ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT**

Vacancy, *Director* 974-7250

Started in 1988, Enterprise Development is a program through which State lands are developed by private interests in an enterprise that generates benefits and revenues for both public and private sectors. These enterprises are established to preserve the integrity of natural resources, while enhancing their recreational potential and fiscal productivity.