

411-O. *The Department of Forests and Parks shall cooperate with the County Commissioners, or their duly designated agencies, in the formulation, adoption, amendment, extensions or additions to the Patuxent River Watershed Plan in each of the counties affected thereby. The approval of the Director of the Department of Forests and Parks shall be placed on all maps, plans or descriptive matter which form a part of the Plan.*

411P. *The Director of The Department of Forests and Parks shall have the authority to enter into agreements, with the respective counties affected hereby, and/or their duly designated agencies, for the acquisition of land or other property to accomplish the purposes of this sub-title. The Director may obligate the Department to pay fifty per centum (50%) of the cost of the land or other properties, plus fifty per centum (50%) of the normal costs of acquisition thereof; provided, however, that funds have been appropriated, and are on hand, which are sufficient to meet the obligation of the Department under such agreements.*

411Q. *The County Commissioners, or their duly designated agencies, shall prepare an annual program for the acquisition of land and other properties within the areas affected by the Patuxent River Watershed Plan, showing the total acreage proposed to be purchased during the coming fiscal year, for the purposes of this sub-title, together with the estimated costs of the annual program.*

411R. *The County Commissioners of the counties affected hereby are authorized to levy an annual special tax for the benefit of and on behalf of the Patuxent River Watershed acquisition program, upon all of the property within the respective counties now, or in the future, assessed for county taxation purposes. The County Commissioners are authorized to allocate the aggregate amount collected by said tax to their own Patuxent River Watershed acquisition program, or to pay the aggregate amount collected by said tax to their duly designated agency under the provisions of this sub-title for the agency's Patuxent River Watershed acquisition program. The proceeds of the tax shall be expended by the County Commissioners, or their duly designated agencies, only within the counties wherein the tax was collected, for the acquisition of lands and other property shown on the Patuxent River Watershed Plan as recommended to be purchased for the protection of the watershed. The proceeds of the tax shall be expended on a 50-50 matching basis with the Department of Forests and Parks, fifty per centum (50%) of the cost of the land and other property plus fifty per centum (50%) of the normal costs of acquisition to be paid by the Department of Forests and Parks as provided for in this sub-title.*

411S. *The County Commissioners, or their duly designated agencies, are authorized and empowered to acquire land and other property for the purposes enumerated in this sub-title in anticipation of the matching money of the Department of Forests and Parks, as provided for in this sub-title, when, in the sole discretion of the County Commissioners, or their duly designated agencies, the acquisition of said land is deemed immediately essential to the safeguarding and preservation of the Patuxent River Watershed Plan.*

411T. *All laws or parts of laws inconsistent with or contrary to*