

Securing a Sustainable Future and Protecting Maryland's Natural Resources

Statewide Reach

From Mountain Maryland to the Atlantic Ocean, the Maryland Department of Natural Resources manages 75 state parks on 141,000 acres of land, with access to hundreds of miles of land and water trails, hosting more than 14 million annual visitors.

Local Impact

The department provides grants and loans to local jurisdictions and organizations to assist with preservation of open space, community parks and other projects that benefit Maryland's environment.





Variety of Stakeholders

Maryland Department of Natural Resources works with a variety of stakeholders including citizens, visitors, industry, the environmental community, nonprofits and government partners.

Variety of Responsibilities

With a dedicated staff of 1,300 people statewide, the department manages the state's public lands and waterways, including its forests, fisheries, parks, critical areas and wildlife.

Economic Impact

Outdoor recreation in Maryland accounts for...

- \$14 billion in consumer spending,
- \$4.4 billion in wages and salaries,
- 109,000 direct jobs and
- \$951 million in state and local tax revenue annually.

