
VIRGINIA STATE BUDGET

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Marine Resources Commission

Item 442 (Not set out)	First Year - FY1999	Second Year - FY2000
Marine Life Management (50500)	\$9,658,531	\$10,543,364
Marine Life Information Services (50501)	\$685,962	\$687,931
Marine Life Regulation Enforcement (50503)	\$3,928,959	\$4,106,886
Marine Resources Surveying and Mapping (50505)	\$383,779	\$386,357
Artificial Reef Construction (50506)	\$140,877	\$140,877
Chesapeake Bay Fisheries Management (50507)	\$3,419,820	\$3,572,179
Oyster Propagation and Habitat Improvement (50508)	\$1,099,134	\$1,649,134
Fund Sources:		
General	\$5,675,726	\$6,410,559
Special	\$2,225,387	\$2,225,387
Commonwealth Transportation	\$251,661	\$251,661
Federal Trust	\$1,505,757	\$1,655,757

Authority: Title 28.2, Chapters 1 through 10; Title 62.1, Chapters 18 and 20; Title 29.1, Chapter 7; Title 18.2, Chapters 1 and 5; Title 19.2, Chapters 2, 5 and 7; Title 32.1, Chapter 6; Title 33.1, Chapter 1; and § 58.1-2146, Code of Virginia.

A. The appropriation includes annual membership dues to the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission, \$23,000 the first year and \$23,000 the second year from the general fund.

B. This appropriation includes annual membership dues to the Potomac River Fisheries Commission, \$165,558 the first year and \$165,558 the second year from the general fund.

C. Out of the amounts for Marine Life Regulation Enforcement shall be paid into the Marine Patrols Fund, \$110,784 the first year and \$110,784 the second year, pursuant to § 28.2-108, Code of Virginia. For this purpose, cash shall be transferred from the Commonwealth Transportation Fund.

D. Pursuant to § 58.1-2146, Code of Virginia, \$140,877 the first year and \$140,877 the second year shall be transferred to Artificial Reef Construction from the Commonwealth Transportation Fund from unrefunded motor fuel taxes for boats.

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F.1. The Commission shall report to the Chairmen of the Senate Finance and House Appropriations Committees by

November 4, 1998, concerning the status of efforts to improve the habitat and increase the numbers of oysters in the Commonwealth's waters. The report shall include cost information as well as data collected and analysis conducted for the resource's fishery management plan.

2. Any unexpended general fund balances designated by the agency for oyster repletion activities remaining in the Marine Life Management Program on June 30, 1999, and June 30, 2000, shall be reappropriated.

3. The amounts for Oyster Propagation and Habitat Improvement include \$50,000 the second year from the general fund for the Commission to develop a matching fund grant program for private industry efforts to restore oyster reefs in areas close to the Commission's reef-building efforts.

G. This Item includes \$150,000 the second year from the general fund to research and assess the blue crab stock in the Chesapeake Bay and to determine replenishment targets. These funds shall be matched by the state of Maryland.

H. The Commission shall deposit proceeds from the sale of oyster shells, oyster seed, and other subaqueous materials pursuant to § 28.2-550, Code of Virginia, to the Public Oyster Rock Replenishment Fund established by § 28.2-542, Code of Virginia. The proceeds from such sale shall be used for the same purposes specified in § 28.2-542

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