

Administration Changes in Maryland Resource and Environmental Departments

Department of Natural Resources

Secretary Ron Franks
Former state delegate, dentist, sporting goods store owner
Deputy Secretary Pete Jensen
Former Director of Fisheries at DNR
Assistant Secretary Mike Slattery
Former Director of Wildlife
Most recently with the US Fish and Wildlife Service
Several other Assistant Secretaries being replaced

Department of Agriculture

Secretary Lewis Reilly
Former State Senator
Former MDA Secretary

Department of the Environment

Acting Secretary Lynn Buhl – until May 12th
Deputy Secretary Ken Philbrick – to Acting Secretary on May 12th
Business and legal background
Two Assistant Secretary positions being formed
Stuart Wilkins, Administration – Personnel, budget, IT, finance, etc.
TBA – Operations - Air, Water, Waste, and Technical Services
Director of Air and Radiation Management – Ann Marie DiBiase (retirement pending)
Director of Waste Management Administration – Jonas Jacobsen replaces Rick Collins
Director of Water Management Administration – Bob Summers (continuing)
Director of Technical and Regulatory Services Admin – Rich Eskin, Acting
(Information Technology and Emergency Response to Office of the Secretary)
Director of Special Operations – Bernie Penner
Strategic Planning and Program Coordination – Susan Scotto

Rumors

Possible Department or Administration mergers and/or realignments

State Budget

\$1 billion deficit over two years
Overall cuts of up to 15% over two years are projected
General hiring freeze with some exceptions