

Chesapeake Bay Watershed Statutes and Regulations Affecting Submerged Aquatic Vegetation



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CLA's goal is to effect systematic and permanent improvement in Chesapeake Bay watershed health through improved compliance and enforcement of existing laws, and the development of more effective laws, regulations, and policies.

We advocate for and we empower communities with innovative, informed, and creative legal tools and resources to ultimately protect water quality and ensure a healthy future.



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What were we asked to do?

- Find what's out there
- Create a Searchable Database
- Draft a Comprehensive Narrative



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What does it look like?

Existing Chesapeake Bay Watershed
Statutes and Regulations Affecting
Submerged Aquatic Vegetation



Photo by Will Parson/Chesapeake Bay Program



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Some Things to Note

- Statute v. Regulation v. Policy
- Federal Preemption
- WOTUS Rule



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Who Worked on This?

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- Those with substantive knowledge
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What's Next?

- Living Document
- Contact CLA
- Questions



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