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Christina Lyerly has served as the Chesapeake Bay Restoration Section Head in the Water and Science Administration of the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) since 2023. In that role, Ms. Lyerly engages in statewide planning to achieve water quality goals, manages annual best management practice progress reporting for nutrient and sediment reductions, oversees Maryland's water quality trading program, and serves as a lead for the Conowingo Watershed Implementation Plan interstate collaboration. Ms. Lyerly has been Maryland's primary representative at the Watershed Technical Workgroup since June 2024 and was Maryland's voting member on the Urban Stormwater Workgroup from 2019 to 2024.

For nine years prior to this position, Ms. Lyerly was a Natural Resources Planner in the Stormwater, Dam Safety, and Flood Management Program at MDE. During that time, Ms. Lyerly administered Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System permits and provided oversight of local stormwater management programs and the delegation of erosion and sediment control inspection and enforcement authority. Additional experience includes research and written communications at the University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science and administrative support at the Annie E. Casey Foundation. Ms. Lyerly earned a Master of Public Policy and a Master of Science in Sustainable Development and Conservation Biology from the University of Maryland, College Park, and a Bachelor of Science in Psychology from the University of Mary Washington. Ms. Lyerly recently completed the Maryland Certified Public Managers Program with the University of Baltimore.