

Travis A. Voyles, Secretary of Natural and Historic Resources
Commonwealth of Virginia



Travis Voyles joined the Youngkin Administration in February 2022 and has served as the Secretary of Natural and Historic Resources since March 2023. In the role of Secretary, Travis advises the Governor on natural resources issues and works to advance the Governor's top environmental priorities, overseeing five agencies that protect and restore the Commonwealth's natural and historic resources.

Travis most recently served as Oversight Counsel for the U.S. Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works under Senator Shelley Moore Capito of West Virginia. In his role, he served as the lead coordinator of the Committee's efforts for environmental, energy, economic development, and infrastructure issues, including primary oversight over a wide range of federal agencies programs and funding (DOT, EPA, Army Corps, DOE, FWS, NRC, EDA). He also provided cross-cutting technical and legal input on legislative efforts, including the recent Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and budget reconciliation efforts.

Prior to working in the Senate, he served in multiple appointed roles at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, including Acting Associate Administrator for the Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations and Director of Oversight. In these roles he managed all congressional interactions and investigations on issues pertaining to EPA rulemakings, policies, ethics, appropriations, and the Senate confirmation process for nominees. He also served as the chief liaison between the Agency, the EPA Administrator, and other national, state, and local officials.

Travis has also worked for the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. With this role, he was responsible for managing oversight

issues and policy matters relating to scientific research and development, environmental and energy regulations, and emerging cybersecurity developments.

Travis received his law degree from Florida State University with a focus on environmental, energy, and land use law. While at Florida State, he was the Editor-in-Chief of the *Journal of Land Use and Environmental Law* and clerked for the Florida House of Representatives, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The Atlanta BeltLine, and a private law firm. Travis also received his Master in City and Regional Planning from Georgia Tech, with a focus in economic development and environmental planning, and his Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science from the University of Georgia.