

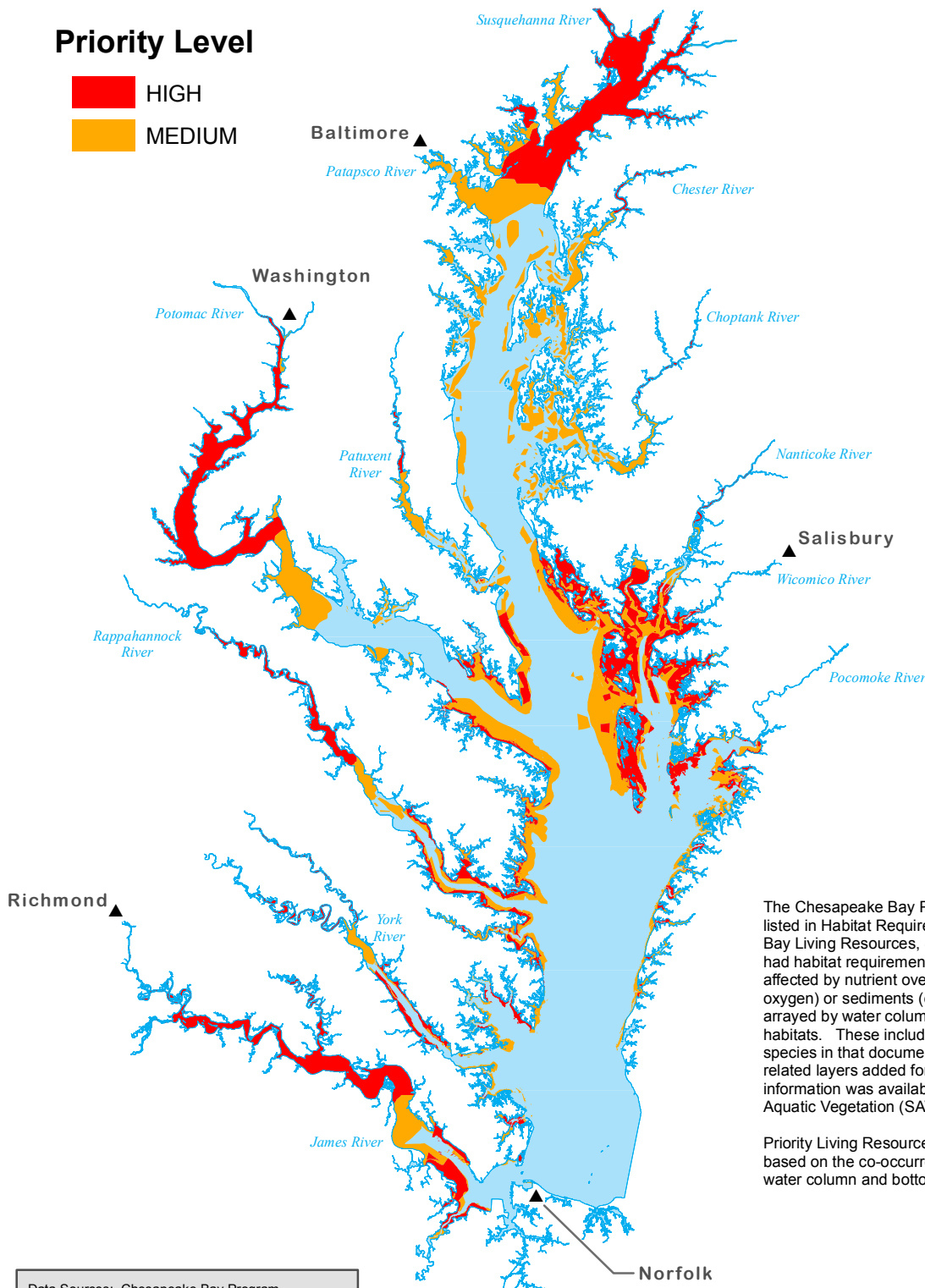
Priority Living Resource Areas

Chesapeake Bay



Priority Level

- HIGH
- MEDIUM



Species Included

Menhaden	Blue Crab
Striped Bass	Oyster
Anchovy	Soft Shell Clam
Alewife	Hard Shell Clam
Hickory Shad	Spot
American Shad	Speckled Sea Trout
Yellow Perch	Postlarval Blue Crab
White Perch	Catfish
Blueback Herring	Summer Flounder
Largemouth Bass	Atlantic Sturgeon
Chain Pickerel	Croaker
	Submerged Aquatic Vegetation

The Chesapeake Bay Program's target species listed in *Habitat Requirements for Chesapeake Bay Living Resources, Second Edition (1991)* which had habitat requirements that could be directly affected by nutrient overenrichment (e.g., dissolved oxygen) or sediments (e.g., light penetration) were arrayed by water column and bottom as their principal habitats. These included all the fish and shellfish species in that document, with several fish species and related layers added for newer potential habitat information was available. Priority areas for Submerged Aquatic Vegetation (SAV) were considered separately.

Priority Living Resource Areas were identified based on the co-occurrence of habitats for multiple water column and bottom species.

Data Sources: Chesapeake Bay Program
Habitat Requirements for Chesapeake Bay Living Resources (Second Edition) (1991)
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