



Maryland
Department of Agriculture

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In Touch With...

Maryland's
Agricultural
Inspection and
Enforcement
Agencies

*Where to call with
agricultural and
pollution complaints*



Maryland has specific procedures for addressing cases of water pollution caused by agriculture. The procedures call for the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE)—which has authority and expertise to identify and take action against water polluters—and the Maryland Department of Agriculture (MDA)—which has the technical expertise to assess farm management practices and address water quality concerns—to jointly handle agricultural pollution complaints.

A progressive approach to individual pollution cases based upon the severity of the situation is used.

Conditions that are likely to pollute or have resulted in inadvertent water pollution from an agricultural activity call for timely, corrective action. Chronic or willful mismanagement of agricultural resources or activities that place wastes, soils or agricultural fertilizers in waters of the state are subject to formal enforcement actions.

Maryland's procedures place the maximum possible emphasis on voluntary, corrective actions by farmers or landowners with assistance by the local soil conservation district or University of Maryland Extension. Following are the departmental contacts for addressing agricultural pollution complaints.

Contact the Maryland Department of Agriculture when conditions exist that are likely to pollute or have resulted in inadvertent water pollution. Examples include erosion problems or questionable manure management practices.

Southern and Central Maryland 50 Harry S. Truman Pkwy. Annapolis, MD 21401 410-841-5893	Eastern Shore 27722 Nanticoke Road Unit 2 Salisbury, MD 21801 410-677-0802, ext. 1	Western Maryland 92 Thomas Johnson Dr. Suite 110 Frederick, MD 21702 301-695-2803, ext.142
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Contact the Maryland Department of the Environment's Water Management Administration when chronic or willful mismanagement of agricultural resources or activities places wastes, soils, or agricultural fertilizers into waters of the state. The failure of a waste storage system falls into this category.

Central Division 1800 Washington Blvd. Baltimore, MD 21230 410-537-3510	Western Division Frostburg Office 160 South Water Street Frostburg, MD 21532 301-689-1480
Eastern Division 407 Race Street Cambridge, MD 21613 410-901-4020	Hagerstown Office 91 Eastern Blvd. Hagerstown, MD 21740 301-665-2850

Contact the Maryland Department of the Environment's Land Management Administration to report pollution problems with feedlots/animal feeding operations including Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations (CAFOs) and Maryland Animal Feeding Operations (MAFOs).

Central Office
1800 Washington Blvd., Suite 610
Baltimore, MD 21230
410-537-4423

Contact Maryland's soil conservation districts for general information on soil erosion and water quality issues.

<u>Allegany</u>	<u>301-777-1747, ext. 3</u>	<u>Harford</u>	<u>410-838-6181, ext. 3</u>
<u>Anne Arundel</u>	<u>410-571-6757</u>	<u>Howard</u>	<u>410-313-0680</u>
<u>Baltimore County</u>	<u>410-527-5920, ext. 3</u>	<u>Kent</u>	<u>410-778-5150, ext. 3</u>
<u>Calvert</u>	<u>410-535-1521, ext. 3</u>	<u>Montgomery</u>	<u>301-590-2855</u>
<u>Caroline</u>	<u>410-479-1202, ext. 3</u>	<u>Prince George's</u>	<u>301-574-5162, ext. 3</u>
<u>Carroll</u>	<u>410-848-8200, ext. 3</u>	<u>Queen Anne's</u>	<u>410-758-3136, ext. 3</u>
<u>Catoctin</u>	<u>301-695-2803, ext. 3</u>	<u>St. Mary's</u>	<u>301-475-8402, ext. 3</u>
<u>Cecil</u>	<u>410-398-4411, ext. 3</u>	<u>Somerset</u>	<u>410-651-0370, ext. 3</u>
<u>Charles</u>	<u>301-934-9588, ext. 3</u>	<u>Talbot</u>	<u>410-822-1577, ext. 3</u>
<u>Dorchester</u>	<u>410-228-3733, ext. 3</u>	<u>Washington County</u>	<u>301-797-6821, ext. 3</u>
<u>Frederick</u>	<u>301-695-2803, ext. 3</u>	<u>Wicomico</u>	<u>410-546-4777, ext. 3</u>
<u>Garrett</u>	<u>301-334-6950, ext. 3</u>	<u>Worcester</u>	<u>410-632-5439, ext. 3</u>