

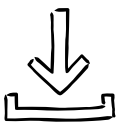
The Maryland Department of Natural Resources Environmental Justice Strategic Plan

The Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR) drafted its first Environmental Justice Strategic Plan to strengthen and advance environmental justice across the agency's programs, policies, and initiatives. Consistent with the Governor's Executive Order 01.01.2025.17 Valuing Opportunity, Inclusion, and Community Equity (VOICE), DNR's Environmental Justice Strategic Plan includes goals, outcomes, actions, and metrics to track the agency's progress in advancing environmental justice.

The Department wants to hear from you!

DNR is accepting comments on the draft Environmental Justice Strategic Plan until July 13, 2026. Additional information about the plan and how to provide feedback can be found on [DNR's website](#). Additionally, DNR will be hosting two virtual workshops to provide feedback and answer questions. The first workshop will be on July 7th at 12:30pm and the second will be held on July 8th at 6pm. To RSVP to one of these workshops please [use this link](#).

How to provide feedback



To view the Environmental Justice Strategic Plan click [here](#).



To submit feedback click [here](#) or use the QR code to the right.



Email us at ej.dnr@maryland.gov with any questions.



Contents of DNR's Environmental Justice Strategic Plan

DNR's Environmental Justice Strategic Plan defines the agency's vision for environmental justice and three goals describing how DNR will advance the vision. The plan includes objectives, actions and metrics for each goal.

DNR's Vision for Environmental Justice

The Department of Natural Resources advances environmental justice by stewarding and providing equitable access to Maryland's natural resources for all people regardless of their individual circumstances. The agency strives to ensure the fair treatment and meaningful involvement of all communities through its implementation of laws, regulations, policies, grants, programs and initiatives.

DNR's Environmental Justice Goals

1. Build knowledge and capacity to identify and address environmental justice issues through DNR's work and interagency partnerships.
2. Steward and provide equitable access to Maryland's natural resources, lands, and waters for all communities.
3. Engage meaningfully with communities and Tribes by increasing partnerships, reducing barriers to participation, and providing accessible information.

If you need assistance or accommodations, please email us at ej.dnr@maryland.gov.