



## Coastal Zone Management Program – Oil & Natural Gas Facilities Policies Checklist

**Name of Project:**

### 5.3 COASTAL USES

#### 5.3.4 Oil and Natural Gas Facilities

**Oil and Natural Gas Facilities Policy 1 – CFRA and Its Regulations Are An Overarching Policy for Oil and Gas Facilities.** The Coastal Facilities Review Act (CFRA) and its implementing regulations, as approved by NOAA, serve as an overarching enforceable policy for oil and natural gas facilities.

**Select appropriate response:**

Project will be consistent with the CFRA and Its Regulations Are An Overarching Policy for Oil and Gas Facilities policy.

Not Applicable.

**Describe situation and/or actions to make project or activity consistent with the above policy:**

**Oil and Natural Gas Facilities Policy 2 – Detection & Control of Oil Spills.** To detect and control oil spills, releases, and discharges, all private tank vessels transporting oil in the State must either be equipped with a cargo level monitoring system, have double hulls, have a plan for inspecting load lines approved by the Department of the Environment, or be accompanied by an all-weather escort vessel for the purpose of continuously checking for evidence of an oil discharge from the escorted tank vessel. MDE (A2) Md. Code Ann., Envir. § 4-405 (b)(1); COMAR 26.10.01.22B.

**Select appropriate response:**

Project will be consistent with the Detection & Control of Oil Spills policy.

Not Applicable.

**Describe situation and/or actions to make project or activity consistent with the above policy:**

**Oil and Natural Gas Facilities Policy 3 – Financial Capacity to Cover Potential Oil Spill Cleanup and Recovery.** Through bond or other form of security, the owner and operator of a private tank vessel transporting more than 25 barrels of oil as cargo must be able to prove the financial ability to cover the cost of oil spill cleanup and recovery before entering waters of the State. MDE (A2) COMAR 26.10.01.23B-C.

**Select appropriate response:**

Project will be consistent with the Financial Capacity to Cover Potential Oil Spill Cleanup and Recovery policy.

Not Applicable.

**Describe situation and/or actions to make project or activity consistent with the above policy:**



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**Oil and Natural Gas Facilities Policy 4 – No Spills, Releases, or Discharges of Oil in Areas That May Enter State Waters.** No person may pump, spill, release, discharge, throw, drain, deposit, or cause to be deposited oil, other matter containing oil, bilge or ballast water, or water from any receptacle containing oil in a manner by which oil may escape into, near, or in an area likely to pollute waters of the State. MDE (A2) Md. Code Ann., Envir. § 4-410(a); COMAR 26.10.01.04D(2).

**Select appropriate response:**

Project will be consistent with the No Spills, Releases, or Discharges of Oil in Areas That May Enter State Waters policy.

Not Applicable.

**Describe situation and/or actions to make project or activity consistent with the above policy:**

**Oil and Natural Gas Facilities Policy 5 – Aboveground Storage Sites Shall Prevent Oil from Polluting State Waters.**

Aboveground oil storage sites shall prevent movement of oil into the waters of the State. MDE (D1)COMAR 26.10.01.04D, 26.10.17.07D, 26.10.18.06C.

**Select appropriate response:**

Project will be consistent with the Aboveground Storage Sites Shall Prevent Oil from Polluting State Waters policy.

Not Applicable.

**Describe situation and/or actions to make project or activity consistent with the above policy:**

**Oil and Natural Gas Facilities 6 – Oil Shall Not Be Stored within Tidal Waters or Within 100-Year Floodplain Unless**

**Permitted.** The installation, construction, or extension of a storage tank, storage tank system, oil storage facility, oil handling facility, or regulated substance storage facility within a special flood hazard area, a tidal or nontidal wetland, a nontidal wetland buffer, or a 100-year floodplain of free-flowing waters is prohibited without first obtaining a wetlands permit or providing an equivalent level of environmental protection. MDE (D1) COMAR 26.10.01.04E, 26.10.17.03E, 26.10.18.03E.

**Select appropriate response:**

Project will be consistent with the Oil Shall Not Be Stored within Tidal Waters or Within 100-Year Floodplain Unless Permitted policy.

Not Applicable.

**Describe situation and/or actions to make project or activity consistent with the above policy:**