

**FY05 Allocation of MDOT Funds by DNR – \$1,689,598.30**

Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)      \$1,598,244.71

An EIS to evaluate oyster restoration alternatives for the Chesapeake Bay, including native and nonnative oysters, is being jointly prepared by the State of Maryland, Commonwealth of Virginia and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers through a 50/50 Cost Sharing Agreement. This EIS is the most comprehensive evaluation of native oyster restoration alternatives ever performed in the Chesapeake Bay region, and of a potential nonnative species introduction worldwide. MDOT funds have supported project planning and management, research, modeling, assessments, document preparation and public outreach. The funding was allocated to those listed below:

- Maryland Environmental Service - \$965,000.00
- University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science, Horn Point Laboratory - \$45,652.00
- University of Maryland, College Park - \$307,605.00
- University of Maryland Center for Biotechnology - \$192,258.00
- Virginia Institute of Marine Sciences - \$84,560.00
- DNR Cooperative Oxford Laboratory - \$3,171.71

Mapping of Maryland Oyster Bars      \$56,136.00

MDOT funds were provided to Maryland Geological Survey to delineate and assess the condition of oyster bars to facilitate native oyster restoration projects.

Other (Travel, Postage, Office Supplies, Scientific Publications, Staff, and Research Studies) - \$35,217.59

## **FY06 Allocation of MDOT Funds by DNR - \$1,500,137.20**

Hatchery Oyster Seed Production      \$715,000.00

MDOT funds were used to support a significant portion of the required operational costs of the University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science's Oyster Hatchery Facility located at the Horn Point Laboratory in Cambridge, Maryland. The hatchery produced a record 360 million hatchery oyster seed in 2006. These hatchery seed were planted on oyster bars that support the oyster industry as well as oyster bar sanctuaries that are closed for harvest and are designed to provide ecological benefits (i.e. reef habitat, water filtration, broodstock). Without these funds the hatchery would not be able to operate at its full capacity.

Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)      \$734,637.00

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- University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science, Horn Point Laboratory - \$10,000.00
- University of Maryland, College Park - \$626,321.00
- Virginia Institute of Marine Sciences - \$98,316.00

Other (Travel, Postage, Office Supplies, Scientific Publications, Staff, and Research Studies) - \$50,500.20