



**Maryland Department of Transportation**  
The Secretary's Office

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**MDOT Environmental Policy Statement**

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Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT), comprised of the Transportation Secretary's Office, Maryland Aviation Administration, Maryland Port Administration, Maryland Transit Administration, Motor Vehicle Administration, State Highway Administration, and the Maryland Transportation Authority, believes that the protection of human health and natural resources and implementation of environmentally sustainable business practices are essential elements of its mission. MDOT is committed to environmental compliance, continuous improvement in environmental performance, and effective interaction with its employees, other government agencies, and the community.

**Management Commitment**

MDOT is committed to providing the leadership, systems, and resources necessary, through The Secretary's Office of Environment's delegated authority, to ensure that the objectives of this policy are achieved. MDOT is committed to promoting a culture where environmental protection and compliance are an integral part of our management practices.

**Employee Commitment**

All MDOT employees are responsible and accountable for meeting their assigned roles and achieving objectives regarding environmental performance.

**Compliance**

MDOT will maintain compliance with applicable environmental laws, regulations, and other requirements to which they are subscribed.

**Sustainable Practices**

MDOT will responsibly manage environmental resources and minimize impacts of its activities on the environment through effective planning, project development, operations, and maintenance procedures.

**Planning**

MDOT will incorporate environmental performance goals into planning processes to ensure that regulatory requirements, pollution prevention, and opportunities to minimize life cycle impacts are addressed in program and project management.

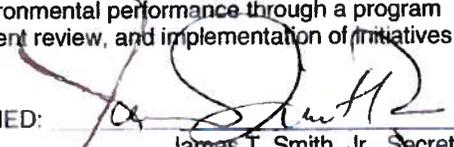
**Communication**

MDOT will communicate its environmental policy and performance goals to employees and stakeholders, ensure interdepartmental coordination, and maintain open lines of communication about its environmental activities with the public.

**Continuous Improvement**

MDOT will strive for continuous improvement of its environmental performance through a program that includes training, periodic assessments, management review, and implementation of initiatives.

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_

  
James T. Smith, Jr., Secretary

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

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