

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
Office of National Marine Sanctuaries
Eastern Region
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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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To Potential Sanctuary Advisory Council Applicants,

NOAA's Office of National Marine Sanctuaries is establishing a Sanctuary Advisory Council for the Mallows Bay-Potomac River National Marine Sanctuary. We are looking to fill the following seats:

- Maritime Archaeology and History (2 members, 2 alternates)
- Cultural Heritage (1 member, 1 alternate)
- Recreation (2 members, 2 alternates)
- Recreational Fishing (1 member, 1 alternate)
- Business and Economic Development (2 members, 2 alternates)
- Tourism and Marketing (1 member, 1 alternate)
- Education (2 members, 2 alternates)
- Research, Science and Technology (1 member, 1 alternate)
- Commercial Fishing (1 member, 1 alternate)
- Citizen At-Large (2 members, 2 alternates)
- Youth (non-voting) (1 member, 1 alternate)

NOAA will provide one non-voting representative to the Council. In addition, there are three categories of seats for which non-voting members are appointed or selected. NOAA will contact each of these directly regarding their interest to designate one non-voting member and one non-voting alternate to the Council:

1. The following joint managers of the sanctuary:
 - State of Maryland (Maryland Department of Planning and Maryland Department of Natural Resources)
 - Charles County, Maryland
2. The following government agencies adjacent to the sanctuary boundary:
 - Department of Navy / Department of Defense
 - US Coast Guard
 - State of Virginia
3. The following state-recognized Tribes:
 - Piscataway Conoy Tribe (Maryland)
 - Piscataway Indian Nation (Maryland)
 - Patawomeck Indian Tribe of Virginia

Applications are accepted through **July 1, 2020**. The Mallows Bay-Potomac River National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council was established pursuant to Federal Law to ensure public

input to help sanctuary management.

Per the charter, voting members and alternates are appointed for a term of three years, and may compete for reappointment. If necessary, terms of appointment may be changed to provide for staggered expiration dates or member resignation during the middle of their term..

Please note that if you have been a federally registered lobbyist in the two-year period before your potential appointment date to the council, you will not be eligible to serve as a member of a sanctuary advisory council.

Send completed applications that are postmarked by July 1, 2020 to: Sammy Orlando, Chesapeake Bay Regional Coordinator, NOAA Office of National Marine Sanctuaries, 200 Harry S Truman Parkway, Room 460 Annapolis MD 21401 or fax by July 1, 2020 to 302-200-7182.

All applicants will be notified once decisions have been made regarding appointments for the positions to be filled. If at any point you have a change in circumstance that will prevent you from serving on the council, please notify Sammy Orlando at paul.orlando@noaa.gov or 240-460-1978.

Sincerely,

Matt Brookhart, Eastern Region Director