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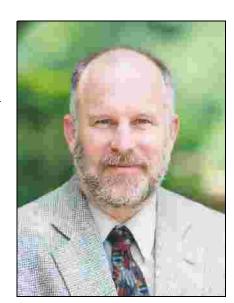
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## Governor Appoints Lewis to Interstate Commission on Potomac River Basin

Last month, Governor Martin O'Malley chose local advocate Bob Lewis to serve a two-year term as alternate member of the Interstate Commission on the Potomac River Basin.

Lewis, who serves as the executive director of St. Mary's River Watershed Association, spear-headed many successful projects this year, including building a two-acre oyster reef in front of St. Mary's College, launching a certification program for river-friendly neighborhoods and working with the county on its watershed implementation plan.

Last June, the Governor bestowed on Bob the title of Chesapeake Bay Ambassador. Through his "unparalleled commitment to restoring our waterways, Lewis's creativity, focus, and leadership have yield great results, as the St.



Mary's River Watershed Association stands as one of the most effective and influential organizations in the Chesapeake Bay region," O'Malley wrote in a statement for the occasion.

Founded in 1940, the Interstate Commission's mission is to enhance, protect, and conserve the water and associated land resources of the Potomac River and its tributaries through regional and interstate cooperation. Considered the "Nation's River," for more than five million basin residents, the river plays an important role in the lives of all. Through regional cooperation and partnerships, the Commission is protecting the river and improving the quality of life in the watershed.

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