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## **Atlantic Coastal Bays Critical Area Program** Map Sheet 15

## Legend

IDA - Intensely Developed Areas

LDA - Limited Development Areas

RCA - Resource Conservation Areas

Initial Development Exempt From Program (Color under cross hatching indicates the land classification)

Out of Program

Tidally Influenced Areas
(Open Water and Tidal Marsh)

OThe Worcester County Critical Area Boundary was established by Worcester County in compliance with the Atlantic Coastal Bays Protection Act. This data set was reviewed, updated and converted to digital format by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources and the Worcester Regional GIS Program.

The tidal wetland boundary lines depicted on this map are for guidance purposes only. The State of Maryland does not recognize these boundaries as its official Tidal Wetlands boundaries in Worcester County. Maps depicting the State's regulatory jurisdictions may be viewed by contacting the Worcester County Department of Development Review and Permitting.

The first 100' landward measured from mean high water line to tidal waters, tidal wetlands and tributary streams is called "THE BUFFER". No alterations, vegetation removal, grading, paving or building can take the place within "THE BUFFER", without additional approvals. The line 100' landward is not mapped hereon. A field survey may be required to accurately establish this line. See program for additional information.

These maps are designed for use as a planning tool and not a primary regulatory tool. The information shown is a compilation from various information sources and maps. Field verification will



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