

**CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCY
ASSESSMENT FORM**

Title of Activity/Program: EEE : "Maryland's 2025 Environmental Policy and Regulatory Shifts"

Date(s) Taken: February 5, 2026 PDH(s): 1

Category A X or Category B _____ (select one)

Provider: Maryland Quality Initiative (MdQI) Annual Conference

Location (City & State) Baltimore, Maryland

Presenter/Instructor(s) (if known) Daniel O'Leary, Sarah Falcone

Format of Course (i.e. workshop, seminar, internet, etc.) Professional Workshop or Technical Presentation
Self Directed _____ Yes X No _____

Start Date: February 5, 2026 Completion Date: February 5, 2026

Start Time: 3:00 PM Completion Time: 4:00 PM

Provide a general synopsis of what the course/activity covered/contained.

Maryland is taking bold steps toward environmental justice and stronger ecological protections. This session will provide an overview of major policy and regulatory changes introduced in 2025:

Executive Order (EO) on Environmental Justice (July 2025):

Governor Moore's EO, "Valuing Opportunity, Inclusion, and Community Equity," establishes a unified approach to advancing environmental justice statewide. Learn about new requirements for agencies, including the appointment of Environmental Justice Officers, biennial strategic plans with measurable goals, and the creation of the Interagency Environmental Justice and Equity Advisory Council.

Proposed Updates to COMAR Wetland Mitigation Rules (October 2025):

Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) is proposing updates to strengthen nontidal wetland mitigation regulations. These changes aim to align state rules with federal standards, expand mitigation options, improve wetland replacement, and ensure equity for overburdened and underserved communities.

New MDE Stormwater Management Regulations, Overview and Timeline (September 2025):

Maryland Department of Environment (MDE) posted an Advanced Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in September announcing proposed updates to Maryland's Stormwater Management regulations. The updates propose to update the 2009 regulations and design manual, to consider climate factors, equity, and consistency.

Why Attend?

- Receive an overview of the regulatory changes and how they may impact agencies, local governments, and stakeholders.
- Learn what's next for environmental justice and wetland protection in Maryland

Attach any documentation of participation: i.e. Certificate of Attendance/Completion, transcripts, handouts, tests, programs, outline, reports and other demonstrative evidence of attendance.

Signature _____ License No.: _____ Date _____

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