

The Environmental Protection Division: Working to Protect the Environment and Public Health.

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The Environmental Protection Division (EPD) is one of several divisions of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources. EPD's primary mission is to provide Georgia citizens with clean air, clean water, and productive land, ensuring all citizens and native species are protected from environmental harm. EPD achieves this mission by assuring compliance with environmental laws, and assisting others to do their part for a better environment. During the past 30 years, changes in values and political priorities have resulted in changes in environmental laws and EPD's program areas. Recent significant changes in EPD's drinking water, air quality, and solid and hazardous waste programs Designed to protect the environment and public health by minimizing risk, will be highlighted.