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Georgia EPD Director Announces Her Resignation

The Director of the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD), Carol A. Couch, has announced her resignation and said she has accepted a faculty position in the College of Environment and Design at the University of Georgia.

“In our rapidly growing state, the important work of protecting, conserving, and restoring our environment always remains before us,” said Director Couch in a letter to Governor Sonny Perdue. “However, after six years of hard effort, the time is right for a change in my personal goals, and for fresh leadership and energy in the position of EPD Director.”

Director Couch submitted her resignation letter to Board of Natural Resources Chairman Bill Carruth and requested that the resignation become effective at midnight on October 26, 2009.

“On behalf of the Board of Natural Resources, I want to thank Dr. Couch for her service. Her technical expertise, professionalism and dedication to environmental stewardship have been an asset to the Department of Natural Resources,” said Chairman Carruth.

Under Georgia law, the EPD Director is appointed by the Board of Natural Resources with the approval of the Governor. EPD is a division within the Georgia Department of Natural Resources.

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