

THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY FY 2007-2012 APPROVED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

government. The State contribution to County construction projects is in addition to the amount that the State spends on its own construction projects in the County, such as improvements to State numbered highways.

4. Agency Bonds

Agencies of the County government that were created by State legislation are empowered to issue their own bonds. The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC) issues its own bonds to finance park acquisition and development. The full faith and credit of the County government back these bonds. A separate tax rate is levied by the County for the M-NCPPC, part of which is utilized to pay the interest and principal on its outstanding bonds.

5. Revenue Bonds

Revenue bonds are obligations issued to finance a revenue-producing enterprise, with principal and interest payable exclusively from the earnings of the enterprise. Stormwater Management activities rely on revenue bonds as one source of construction financing.

6. Stormwater Management Bonds

The responsibility for stormwater programs and services was transferred to the County government from the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission on July 1, 1987. The County is authorized to issue bonds to provide funds for stormwater management facilities and these bonds are not subject to referendum requirements. A Stormwater Management District has been established which includes all the land in the County except for the land within the City of Bowie. A Stormwater Management Enterprise Fund is used to pay for stormwater management operations and activities within the District and to pay for the annual debt service on stormwater bonds issued by the County. The Stormwater Fund is supported by a stormwater management ad valorem tax on all property assessed for tax purposes within the District which receives stormwater management services.

7. Solid Waste Bonds

The County is authorized to issue solid waste revenue bonds to provide funds for solid waste management facilities and these bonds are not subject to referendum requirements. The Solid Waste Management Enterprise Fund was established to account for all revenue and expenditures related to the County's solid waste management activities. This fund provides for activities associated with the County's landfill, including the operations of the bulky trash pick-up

service; environmental-related programs, including the recycling and clean-up programs; and the abandoned vehicle program. Also accounted for here are the activities associated with the County's contract refuse collection operations.

The Fund derives its revenues from base tipping fees assessed on a tonnage basis for accepting refuse at the Brown Station Road Landfill; environmental surcharges on waste accepted at the Brown Station Road facility; recycling, bulky trash and systems benefit fees, and pass through charges from homeowners receiving contract refuse collections.