

Overview of Enterprise Funds CIP

Enterprise Funds are used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises. Carroll County has five enterprise funds: Carroll County Regional Airport, Firearms Facility, Solid Waste, Septage, and Utilities (Water and Sewer). There are no new projects in Firearms or Septage Enterprise Funds.

Airport

The County and the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) developed a five-year plan for the continued development of the Carroll County Regional Airport. Funding sources for airport projects include FAA, Maryland Aviation Administration (MAA) and County Airport Enterprise Fund revenues. Significant projects are planned for the Airport and include: completion of an obstruction study of all airport property, upgrading the storage capacity for Jet A fuel and an expansion of the terminal building for offices and storage space. FAA funding increased for FY 04-FY 08 from 90% to 95% on eligible projects, reducing the County's and the State's share to 2.5% each.

Solid Waste

The Solid Waste Enterprise Fund includes the County's landfill and recycling programs. The current CIP includes the replacement of the maintenance building located at the Northern Landfill.

Utilities

The Bureau of Utilities operates the Freedom Sewer, Freedom Water, the Hampstead Sewer and several other small systems. Projects can generally be divided into those intended to improve the existing system, for example the several looping projects to improve flows and equalize pressure, and those intended to provide for increases in demand. Area Connection Charges and Maintenance Fees primarily fund these projects. Included in the Recommended FY 06-11 CIP is nearly \$2.5 million for the renovation of the Piney Run Wastewater Pumping Station and \$1.4 million to upgrade the Freedom Sewer Plant.

For additional information on these or other Enterprise Fund projects please refer to the individual project pages.