

Quick Guide to the Enterprise Funds

The Carroll County Enterprise Funds are used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises, where the intent of the governing body is that the cost of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges. The County currently has five enterprise funds: Solid Waste; Utilities; Airport; Firearms; and Septage.

Solid Waste Enterprise Fund

- Solid Waste Enterprise Fund Operations increases \$1.4 million or 13.7% primarily due to an expected increase in transfer fees of \$17 per ton. Approximately 91% of the municipal waste received at Northern Landfill is transferred to a landfill in Virginia for disposal by Waste Management, Inc. The new contract will be effective December 1, 2008. In order to cover the increased cost of transfer, the tipping fee charge was raised from \$61/ton to \$76/per ton effective July 1, 2008. To view the notice, please click on the following link: <http://ccgovernment.carr.org/ccg/pubworks/070108-fee-adj.pdf>
- Entrance – Northern Landfill – \$3.1 million is planned in FY 09–11 for a new entrance to the landfill from Route 140 to improve safety for all in-bound and out-bound vehicles. The project also includes an improved internal road system, additional scales and the replacement of landfill office/crew space and recycling facilities. The improved internal road system and new scales would further enhance the safe operation of the landfill by separating large commercial truck traffic from residential drop-off operations.
- Replacement Scales at Northern Landfill - This project provides \$0.3 million in planned funding in FY 12 to replace the scales at Northern Landfill. The original scales were put into operation in 1996. Scales are needed to accurately record the weight of waste for billing and to track the amount and types of waste for planning purposes.
- Site New Landfill – This project provides \$1.4 million in FY 11–14. The planned funding includes an analysis process for selecting properties for feasibility such as soil borings, test wells, and monitoring. After a site is selected, general overall design of the property would include placement of cells, depth and grading. This project does not include funding for land acquisition or the development of a new landfill.
- The ten-year Solid Waste Management Plan can be viewed at the following link: <http://ccgovernment.carr.org/ccg/pubworks/swmp/default.asp>

Water and Sewer Enterprise Fund

- Water and Sewer Enterprise Fund increases \$0.5 million or 5.9% primarily due to a 9% increase in the price of water purchased from the City of Baltimore, and an increase in operating costs related to the new Freedom Water Treatment Plant that opens in the

Spring of 2009. Adopted utility rates for FY 09 can be viewed at the following link:
<http://ccgovernment.carr.org/ccg/util/rate-info.pdf>

- Gaither Road 8” Sewer Line - This project provides \$3.0 million in funding for approximately 3.6 miles of eight-inch sewer line along Obrecht Road and down Gaither Road to the County line then to the existing pumping station. Approximately 275 parcels will be connected to this sewer line along Obrecht and Gaither Roads, and connecting side streets, including Gaither Manor Apartments.
- Gaither Road 8” Water Main - This project provides \$4.2 million in planned funding for approximately 3.6 miles of eight-inch water line to serve existing and planned development along Gaither Road and all side streets. This line would extend from Obrecht Road to the ends of Gaither Road and Patapsco Drive. Approximately 275 parcels will be connected to this water line, including Gaither Manor Apartments.
- Hampstead Waste Activated Sludge Tank Renovation - This project provides \$0.8 million in funding to renovate tank components for sludge storage and thickening units last upgraded in 1984. The existing concrete tank structures are suitable for continued service but the majority of the tank sludge piping and valves require replacement. Upgrading this process will reduce wear on other process components.
- Replace Force and Gravity Sewer Mains at North Station - This project provides \$0.8 million in funding for a replacement force main (built in 1970) and construction of a new gravity main to meet existing demand and allow for future development near the North Station facility located close to the intersection of Maryland Routes 30 and 482. This project replaces the existing six-inch force main installed in 1969 with a new eight-inch force main. The new gravity main will be designed to meet the existing main near Panther Drive.
- Sykesville Interceptor–Upgrade/Repair Sewer Main - This project provides \$4.7 million in planned funding for the upgrade and repair of the twelve-inch sewer main that runs parallel to the railroad tracks and the South Branch Patapsco River, from the Schoolhouse Road area to Main Street in the Town of Sykesville. This project will be coordinated with the Gaither Road sewer line project. Included in the funding in FY 13 is a new pumping station.
- The Water and Sewer Master Plan can be viewed at the following link:
<http://ccgovernment.carr.org/ccg/plan/w-splan/2006%20update/default.asp>.

Airport Enterprise Fund

- The 20.02% increase in Airport Operations, or \$0.5 million, is primarily due to an increase in the price of fuel. This is offset by an increase in fuel sales.

- Corporate Hangars – Funding of \$8.0 million, solely from private funding, is planned in FY 09 to build additional corporate hangars. A decision to proceed with this project will be tied to decisions on the Airport Master Plan.
- Fuel Farm – Additional Jet A Fuel Storage – This project provides \$0.6 million in planned funding in FY 12 for the addition of 24,000 gallons of additional storage of Jet A fuel at the airport fuel site. The project includes the integration of piping, metering, and electrical controls into the existing fuel farm. If constructed, the project would be 97.5% funded by the FAA and MAA. A decision to proceed with this project will be tied to decisions on the Airport Master Plan.
- Runway Expansion – Approximately \$69.0 million is included in FY 09-FY 14 for moving the runway and extending it to 6,500 feet. If constructed, the project would be 97.5% funded by the FAA and MAA. A decision to proceed with this project will be tied to decisions on the Airport Master Plan.
- The Airport Master Plan document can be viewed at the following link:
<http://ccgovernment.carr.org/ccg/airport/default.asp>.

Firearms Enterprise Fund

- The 87.75% increase in the Firearms Facility is primarily due to the reopening of the rifle range after closing following a fire at the facility. The FY 08 budget included only the pistol range.
- To view information on the Hap Baker Firearms Facility, please click on the following link: <http://ccgovernment.carr.org/ccg/recpark/hapbaker.pdf>

Septage Enterprise Fund

- The 10.38% increase in Septage Facility is primarily due to a decrease in sludge removal due to a FY 07 capital project improving the Septage Facility, an increase in depreciation for those improvements to the facility, and an increase in the contingency (generally the contingency is estimated revenues less estimated expenditures).