

FY27-32 Preliminary Recommended CIP and FY27 Bond Authorization

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Preliminary Recommended FY27-32 Community Investment Plan (CIP)

What is the Preliminary Recommended CIP?

- A first look
- Fiscally feasible
- Consistent with Commissioner goals
- A continuation of existing plans
- A starting point for Commissioner discussion and decisions

What the Preliminary Recommended CIP is NOT

- The final CIP
- The end of analysis
- A commitment to project funding, timing or revenue mix

Three Big Ideas

- The CIP is largely dedicated to maintenance of existing infrastructure
- We must be very careful about adding projects that increase ongoing costs.
- If we want to decrease capital spending, there aren't a lot of options.

What's In the Preliminary Recommended CIP?

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- Maintaining infrastructure
- Adding to infrastructure
 - Freedom ES Addition
 - Sykesville MS Addition
 - Pre-Kindergarten Additions
 - Cape Horn Field Lighting
 - Hashawha Raptor Mews Replacement and Improvement

Maintaining Infrastructure

- Technology
- Roads and bridges
- HVAC, roofs, paving
- Parks
- Stormwater ponds
- Water and Sewer

Maintaining Infrastructure

- Schools
 - Modernizations/replacements
 - HVAC and Roof Replacements
 - Paving
 - Parking
 - Bus loops
 - Driveways
 - Technology Replacements/Upgrades

Maintaining Infrastructure

- County Building Systemic Renovations
- Generator Replacements
- Piney Run Park Pavilion 3 Replacement
- Piney Run Boathouse Replacement
- Sports Complex Field Improvements

Maintaining Effort

- Agricultural land preservation
- Water quality

New Projects FY27-32

- Cape Horn Park Field Lighting
- Hashawha Raptor Mews Replacement and Improvement
- Piney Run Outdoor Programming Area Improvements
- Emergency Management and Communications Radio Management
- Emergency Management and Communications Dispatch Console Hardware Upgrade

Changes from the Adopted CIP

- Notable timing and cost changes:
 - Public Schools
 - Cost decreases:
 - PreK Additions
 - Cost increases:
 - Freedom ES Addition
 - Sykesville ES Addition
 - Timing:
 - Freedom ES Addition
 - Sykesville MS Addition
 - PreK Additions
 - Systemics

Changes from the Adopted CIP

- Notable changes:
 - Rec & Parks
 - Program Open Space
 - More flexibility
 - Cost increases:
 - Playground Equipment Replacement
 - Sports Complex Field Improvements

Changes from the Adopted CIP

- Notable timing, scope, and cost changes:
 - General Government
 - Cost increases:
 - County Building Systemic Renovations
 - Elections Pollbooks/Printers
 - Fire/EMS – Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus Replacement
 - Timing:
 - HR and Payroll System Replacement
 - Scope:
 - Detention Center Access System Replacement

What's Not In the Preliminary Recommended CIP?

Not In

- Schools
 - BEST Program Renovation - Robert Moton Elementary
 - Liberty High Modernization
 - Security Improvements
 - William Winchester Elementary Modernization

Not In

- Roads
 - Arrington Road Extension
 - Hampstead Salt Storage Facility
 - Maint. Center Salt Storage Replacement
 - Material Storage Facilities – Bark Hill, Hodges, Winfield
 - Monroe Avenue Connection
 - Prothero Road Extension
 - Ridenour Way Extension
 - Slacks Road Improvements

Not In

- Rec and Parks
 - Freedom Park Field Light Replacement
- General Government
 - Carroll Community College
 - Trades, Technology, and Training Complex
 - Courts
 - Courthouse Annex Building Renovation
 - Courtroom #6 Renovation
 - Parking Garage
 - Visitation Center Replacement

Not In

- General Government
 - CCWD ADA Unisex Bathroom
 - CCWD – Elevator
 - Emergency Mgmt and Comm. Building Improvements
 - Emergency Mgmt and Comm. Headquarters
 - Facilities Maintenance Building

Not In

- General Government
 - Fire and EMS - Apparatus Building Bathroom Renovation
 - Transportation Building and Parking Lot Expansion
 - Public Library:
 - Eldersburg Library Replacement
 - North Carroll Library - Basement Renovation
 - Westminster Library - Staff Office Space Renovation

Not In

- General Government
 - Senior Centers:
 - Mt. Airy Senior Center/Library Addition
 - Mt. Airy Senior Center - Renovations
 - Taneytown Senior Center Restrooms
 - Westminster Senior Center Porch Enclosure

Not In

- General Government
 - Sheriff's Office:
 - Detention Center Replacement
 - Detention Center Recreation Yard Roof
 - Detention Center Sally Port Roof

Not In

- Enterprise Funds
 - Solid Waste
 - Northern Landfill Western Perimeter Access Road Paving

Capital Fund

In Millions	FY26	FY27	Change	FY26-31	FY27-32	Change
Total	\$128.2	\$90.6	(\$37.8)	\$569.8	\$580.6	\$10.8
Local	103.7	59.7	(44.1)	432.5	441.3	8.8
State/Fed/ Other	24.5	30.9	6.3	137.3	139.3	2.0

Enterprise Funds

New EF Projects FY27-32

- Edgewood Pump Station Rehabilitation
- FSK Pump Station Rehabilitation
- Hampstead WWTP Equipment Replacement
- PFAS Sewer & PFAS Water Remediation
- Pump Station Rehabilitations

Changes from the Adopted CIP

- Notable timing and cost changes:
 - Utilities
 - Cost increases:
 - Shiloh Pump Station Expansion
 - Sykesville Pump Station Expansion
 - Septage
 - Cost increases:
 - Septage Facility Upgrades

EF Projects FY27-32

- Airport
 - Grounds Maintenance Equipment
- Fiber Network
 - Equipment Replacement
- Septage
 - Septage Facility Improvements

EF Projects FY27-32

- Utilities
 - Freedom Water Treatment Plan Membrane Replacement
 - PFAS Sewer and PFAS Water Remediation
 - Snowdens Run Pump Station Wet Well
 - Shiloh Pump Station Expansion
 - Sykesville Pump Station Expansion

Enterprise Funds

In Millions	FY26	FY27	Change	FY26-31	FY27-32	Change
Total	\$3.1	\$6.0	\$2.9	\$28.4	\$44.8	\$16.4

Things to Think About

Other Projects

- PFAs Remediation
- Additional funding for Northern Landfill development
- Detention Center replacement
- Emergency Mgmt. and Comm. Headquarters
- Public Safety Training Center
- Courtroom #6 Renovation
- Courthouse Annex Building Renovation

Things To Think About

- BOE
 - State Funding
 - Modernizations
 - Blueprint Impacts and Implications

Things To Think About

- State Funding
- Infrastructure
- Cost increases and supply chain issues

Bond Authorization

Developing the Bond Authorization Request

- The Capital Budget drives the bond authorization request.
- Difficult timing:
 - Interdependence of the Capital Budget and the authorization request
 - General Assembly schedule
 - Our budget schedule

Definitions

- Appropriated – revenues and expenditures adopted in a budget
- Authorized – potential bonding that has been approved by the General Assembly
- Issued – actual bond sales
- Planned – revenues and expenditures included in the CIP, but not yet appropriated

FY27

Authorization Request

- The Preliminary Recommended CIP has \$27.0 million of new bond authorization.
- Other considerations:
 - Changes during the budget process
 - Changes in estimated project costs
 - Bonds for fire companies

FY27

Authorization Request

- FY27 Preliminary Recommended new bond appropriation is \$27.0M
- Recommendation – \$27.0M
- Bond authorization is enabling.
- Bond authorization does not obligate the County to spend money or issue bonds.

The Rest of the Process

- March – Overview and Recommended Budget
- March – Commissioner/Agency Hearings
- April – End of General Assembly Session
- April – Proposed Budget
- May – Public Hearing on the Budget
- May – Budget Adoption