

Board of Public Works

MISSION

In order to protect and enhance the State's fiscal integrity, the Board of Public Works ensures that significant State expenditures are necessary, appropriate, fiscally responsible, fair, and lawful. In reviewing and approving capital projects, procurement contracts, impacts to the State's tidal wetlands, and the acquisition, use and transfer of State assets, the Board assures Maryland citizens, legislators, government contractors, bond-rating houses, and Federal funding partners that executive decisions are made responsibly and responsively.

VISION

A State in which Maryland citizens are confident that government actions concerning the stewardship of State assets and State's tidal wetlands, and the expenditure of General, Special, Federal, and General Obligation Bond funds are taken in a prudent, open, and fiscally responsible manner.

KEY GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Goal 1. Ensure that procurement expenditures are necessary and appropriate, fiscally responsible, fair, and lawful.

- Obj. 1.1** Ensure all contract actions brought to the Board comply with procurement laws and policies.
- Obj. 1.2** Strive to ensure that control agencies provide members with timely and accurate information on contracts before the Board.
- Obj. 1.3** Ensure that control agencies are using appropriate procurement methods to achieve broad-based competition and fair and equitable treatment of all persons who deal with the State procurement system.

Performance Measures	2017 Act.	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Est.	2023 Est.
Procurement contracts submitted for approval	662	776	689	660	786	750	750
Contract modifications submitted for approval	261	179	194	160	203	200	200
Procurement contracts approved	620	718	662	631	764	670	670
Contract modifications approved	247	171	182	147	195	190	190
Procurement contracts disapproved or deferred	6	5	2	29	5	5	5
Contract modifications disapproved or deferred	14	0	0	13	1	1	1
Total dollar value of approved contracts (billions)	\$4.64	\$3.46	\$4.44	\$4.36	\$4.40	\$4.40	\$4.40
Total dollar value of approved contract modifications (billions)	\$1.36	\$0.79	\$0.80	\$1.42	\$1.20	\$1.00	\$1.00
Total dollar value of approved contract renewals (options)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$0.37	\$0.40	\$0.40
Contracts approved by procurement method:							
Competitive sealed bid	217	221	218	197	151	220	220
Competitive sealed proposals	92	107	105	78	73	110	110
Single bid/proposal received	41	25	13	30	48	40	40
Sole source	66	113	122	95	126	140	140
Emergency or expedited	63	84	63	78	210	100	100
Other	133	86	114	183	204	100	100

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Goal 2. Ensure that procurement agencies comply with Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) laws and procedures.

Performance Measures	2017 Act.	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Est.	2023 Est.
Approved contracts with zero percent MBE participation	375	468	411	443	464	450	450
Approved contracts with MBE participation between 1 and 10 percent	51	64	70	73	47	60	60
Approved contracts with MBE participation from 10 to 29 percent	123	108	107	150	113	120	120
Approved contracts with MBE participation greater than 29 percent	91	90	86	70	79	80	80

Goal 3. Provide efficient recommendations to the Board of Public Works on applications for wetlands licenses and promptly issue licenses as approved by the Board.

Obj. 3.1 Annually meet the Board’s processing time of 30 days for wetlands licenses for at least 90 percent of the cases heard.

Performance Measures	2017 Act.	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Est.	2023 Est.
License applications submitted to the Board of Public Works	109	109	119	142	126	126	126
Wetlands licenses approved	109	107	119	142	126	126	126
Percent licenses processed (Board of Public Works) within 30 days	89%	80%	74%	90%	90%	90%	90%

Goal 4. Provide administratively and environmentally sound recommendations to the Board of Public Works on applications for wetlands licenses.

Obj. 4.1 Annually strive to achieve the Board’s concurrence on 95 percent of wetlands license recommendations presented.

Obj. 4.2 In cooperation with the Maryland Department of the Environment, annually create at least 15 additional acres, enhance at least 4 acres, and restore at least 0.5 acres of vegetated tidal wetlands (living shorelines) through the regulatory permitting process.

Performance Measures	2017 Act.	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Est.	2023 Est.
Percent of recommendations upheld	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Acreage of tidal wetlands created	16.7	6.3	4.3	7.1	12.4	15.0	20.0
Acreage of tidal wetlands enhanced	4.2	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.3
Acreage of tidal wetlands restored	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	2.0

Goal 5. Provide monetary compensation for the utilization of the State’s submerged lands.

Obj. 5.1 Collect and forward license fees to the Wetlands and Waterways Program Fund, which is managed by the Maryland Department of the Environment.

Performance Measures	2017 Act.	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Est.	2023 Est.
¹ Fees collected for Wetlands & Waterways Program Fund	\$60,700	\$56,500	\$22,307	\$68,950	\$65,150	N/A	N/A

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Goal 6. Provide public outreach on issues and trends related to Maryland tidal wetlands.

Obj. 6.1 Publish a monthly wetlands blog on the Board of Public Works Wetlands website.

Obj. 6.2 Participate in wetland-related working groups.

Performance Measures	2017 Act.	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Est.	2023 Est.
Board of Public Works Wetlands blog site visits	674	716	574	357	298	500	600
Number of wetland-related working groups	N/A	N/A	3	2	2	3	3

NOTES

¹ License fees were eliminated at the end of fiscal year 2021 due to regulation changes that went into effect June 28, 2021.