

# 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	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Est.	2026 Est.
Procurement contracts submitted for approval	660	786	758	685	737	730	730
Contract modifications submitted for approval	160	203	212	193	190	200	200
Renewal options submitted for approval	0	0	0	75	72	75	75
Procurement contracts approved	631	764	732	661	705	680	680
Contract modifications approved	147	195	201	183	185	190	190
Renewal options approved	0	0	0	72	66	70	70
Procurement contracts disapproved or deferred	29	5	1	23	32	30	30
Contract modifications disapproved or deferred	13	1	1	10	5	10	10
Renewal options disapproved or deferred	0	0	0	3	6	5	5
Total dollar value of approved contracts (billions)	\$4.36	\$4.40	\$4.87	\$3.98	\$6.91	\$6.00	\$6.00
Total dollar value of approved contract modifications (billions)	\$1.42	\$1.20	\$1.92	\$1.53	\$0.89	\$1.00	\$1.00
Total dollar value of approved contract renewals (options) (billions)	N/A	\$0.37	\$4.86	\$0.59	\$0.47	\$0.50	\$0.50
Contracts approved by procurement method:							
Competitive sealed bid	197	151	191	189	193	190	190
Competitive sealed proposals	78	73	97	90	92	90	90
Single bid/proposal received	30	48	57	74	88	80	80
Sole source	95	126	179	105	168	150	150
Emergency or expedited	78	210	104	55	38	50	50
Other	183	204	161	222	214	200	200

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

Performance Measures	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Est.	2026 Est.
Approved contracts with zero percent MBE participation	443	464	457	390	378	380	380
Approved contracts with MBE participation between 1 and 10 percent	73	47	48	40	41	50	50
Approved contracts with MBE participation from 10 to 29 percent	150	113	139	152	127	150	150
Approved contracts with MBE participation greater than 29 percent	70	79	83	78	76	85	85

**Goal 3. Ensure that procurement agencies comply with Veteran-owned Small Business Enterprise (VSBE) laws and procedures.**

Performance Measures	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Est.	2026 Est.
Approved contracts with zero percent VSBE participation	N/A	N/A	N/A	144	483	500	500
Approved contracts with VSBE participation up to 1 percent	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	8	10	10
Approved contracts with VSBE participation greater than 1 percent	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	10	10	10

**Goal 4. Provide efficient recommendations to the Board of Public Works on applications for wetlands licenses and promptly issue licenses as approved by the Board.**

**Obj. 4.1** Annually meet the Board's processing time of 45 days for wetlands licenses for at least 90 percent of the cases heard.

Performance Measures	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Est.	2026 Est.
License applications submitted to the Board of Public Works	142	126	97	139	107	120	120
Wetlands licenses approved	142	126	96	137	105	120	120
Percent licenses processed (Board of Public Works) within 45 days	90%	90%	29%	89%	92%	90%	90%

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**Goal 5. Provide administratively and ecologically sound recommendations to the Board of Public Works on applications for wetlands licenses.**

**Obj. 5.1** Annually strive to achieve the Board’s concurrence on 95 percent of wetlands license recommendations presented.

**Obj. 5.2** 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	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Est.	2026 Est.
Percent of recommendations upheld	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Acreage of tidal wetlands created	7.1	12.4	5.8	95.9	13.7	15.0	15.0
Acreage of tidal wetlands enhanced	0.0	0.3	4.8	15.9	6.0	7.0	7.0
Acreage of tidal wetlands restored	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

**Goal 6. Provide monetary compensation for the utilization of the State’s submerged lands.**

**Obj. 6.1** Collect and forward license fees to the Wetlands and Waterways Program Fund, which is managed by the Maryland Department of the Environment.

Performance Measures	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Est.	2026 Est.
<sup>1</sup> Fees collected for Wetlands & Waterways Program Fund	\$68,950	\$65,150	\$24,395	\$83,767	\$133,150	\$100,000	\$100,000

**Goal 7. Provide public outreach on issues and trends related to Maryland tidal wetlands.**

**Obj. 7.1** Publish a monthly wetlands blog on the Board of Public Works Wetlands website.

**Obj. 7.2** Participate in wetland-related working groups.

Performance Measures	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Est.	2026 Est.
Board of Public Works Wetlands blog site visits	454	263	341	617	699	725	750
<sup>2</sup> Number of wetland-related working groups	2	2	3	2	3	3	3

## NOTES

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

<sup>2</sup> Data was corrected for FY 2026's report due to misinterpretation of data from FY 2020, 2021 & 2022's Analytics Report.