

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

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Secretary's Agenda

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT:

Recommendation: That the Board of Public Works approve up to \$8,943,000 in grant funding for the Applicants listed below, to upgrade On-site Disposal (Septic) Systems (OSDS) with best available technology (BAT) for nitrogen removal, using the Bay Restoration (Septic) Fund during FY 2012.

<u>Applicant/County</u>	<u>Grant Request (\$)</u>	<u>Applicant/County</u>	<u>Grant Request (\$)</u>
Allegany County	\$ 50,000	Harford County	\$ 100,000
Anne Arundel County	\$1,901,000	Canaan Valley Inst. (How. Co)	\$ 100,000
Baltimore County	\$ 250,000	Kent County	\$ 273,000
Calvert County	\$ 866,000	Canaan Valley Inst (Mont. Co)	\$ 105,000
Caroline County	\$ 230,000	Queen Anne's County	\$ 851,000
Carroll County	\$ 100,000	Worcester Co (Somerset Co)	\$ 339,000
Cecil County	\$ 487,000	St. Mary's County	\$ 907,000
Charles County	\$ 200,000	Talbot County	\$ 557,000
Dorchester County	\$ 687,000	Canaan Valley Inst. (Wash. Co)	\$ 144,000
Canaan Valley Inst. (Fred. Co)	\$ 100,000	Wicomico County	\$ 355,000
Garrett County	\$ 100,000	Worcester County	\$ 241,000

Program Description: The above grant recipients will implement the OSDS-BAT program locally, consistent with MDE program guidance and prioritize application for funding as follows:

1. Failing OSDS or holding tanks in the Critical Areas
2. Failing OSDS or holding tanks not in the Critical Areas
3. Non-failing OSDS in the Critical Areas including new BAT installation
4. Non-failing OSDS outside the Critical Areas

Owners of Failing OSDS in critical areas are eligible for 100% reimbursement of BAT cost as grant. Homeowners with OSDS not in critical areas will be eligible to be reimbursed from 25% to 100% of BAT cost as grant, based on income, while businesses, non-residential or rental property owners with OSDS not in critical areas are eligible for 25% reimbursement of BAT cost as grant.

Authority: Sections 9-1601 through 9-1622 of the Environment Article, Maryland Code, known as the Maryland Water Quality Financing Administration Act.

The project is consistent with State Clearinghouse comments and recommendations.

Board of Public Works Action

The above referenced item was:

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