

BRF Fact Sheet/Talking Points  
For BRFAC Meeting, July 9,2007

1. HB 893 (Now Chapter 257 of the Laws of Maryland) requires:

- MDE and MDP to report on the impact that an ENR upgraded wastewater treatment plant has on growth in the jurisdiction it serves. Note that the language appears to require reporting on permit activity even where only portions of the upgrade is funded by BRF.
- This report is to be done in consultation with the BRFAC and local jurisdictions.
- The report is to go to the general assembly and the Governor.
- The first report is due January 1, 2009 for those plants that were upgraded in calendar year 2007, and each year thereafter, i.e. January 1, 2010 for plants upgraded from 2007 forward.

2. The report must include:

- The number of residential and commercial permits issued that are served by each ENR upgraded WWTP.
- Any other appropriate information.

3. Staffing and Procedure

- Information in the report must be determined in consultation with **BRFAC** and local governments.
- MDE and MDP staff will prepare a methodology for review by the **BRFAC** before the end of 2007 and a draft report will provided for review by the **BRFAC** before it is due in January 2009.
- MDP submitted a fiscal note on this bill stating that a new State/local building permit reporting system would have to be created to provide the data needed to properly fulfill this mandate, with a new staff position needed to set up and administer the system. It is not known if this position would be funded for FY '09.

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