



To: Jon Laria, Chair, Maryland Sustainable Growth Commission
Maryland Sustainable Growth Commissioners

From: Frank Hertsch, Chair, APFO Workgroup

Subject: Workgroup Review of 2014 Local Jurisdiction APFO Reports

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The APFO Workgroup is charged with reviewing the reports of local jurisdictions on adequate public facilities development restrictions required by Land Use Article § 7-104 and assessing whether and to what extent adequate public facilities ordinances affect the achievement of the goals of the State economic growth, resource protection, and planning policy. There are 14 Counties and 25 municipalities that have adopted an APFO and are therefore required to submit a report every two years. APFO reports are not due in year 2015 but 6 Counties and 1 municipality included the APFO status for year calendar year 2014 as part of their local jurisdiction annual report. Therefore, a summary of this information is submitted in this report.

Baltimore County

Baltimore County reports overcrowding, over 115% of the State Rated Capacity, at 30 of its 105 elementary schools. No middle or high schools were reported as being over 115% of State Rated Capacity.

Charles County

One sewer pump station was identified in 2012 as a limited factor for growth. A CIP improvement was approved in 2013 but a timetable for completion was not provided.

Frederick County

Frederick County reports fifteen elementary schools and three middle schools at or over 100% of the State Rated Capacity. If capacity is between 100% and 120%, then projects in these districts may choose the optional School Construction Fee Option in addition to the normal school impact fee. Three elementary school districts are over 120% of the State Rated Capacity. Five of the affected elementary schools and two middle charter schools are in the City of Frederick. Seven elementary school renovations are included in the 2014 Educational Facilities Master Plan, with an estimated increase of over 3,200 seats. Two middle school renovations and a high school replacement are also planned. Six elementary school, one middle school, and one high school additions are programmed in the 2015-2020 CIP.

Harford County

Harford County reports that due to a deficit of supply from Winters Run, the Maryland Department of the Environment and the Harford County Health Department has stopped approving building permits within MAWC's service area. Harford County may provide an additional 40,000 gallons per day (GPD) to MAWC through the existing West MacPhail Road metering station, which could allow for up to 114 equivalent dwelling units (EDUs) to be developed within MAWC's service area. This amendment is in effect until 2018. It is only meant to provide MAWC time to construct the ultimate solution of an impoundment to provide a safe and reliable water supply, sufficient for the entire approved service area.

Harford County also reports that four sewage pumping stations that do not have any additional reserve capacity and that may impact future development in the vicinity of these pumping stations. These pumping stations include, Brentwood Park Sewage Pumping Station (S.P.S.), Dembytowne/Hanson Road Petition S.P.S. (2), Forest Greens S.P.S., and Harford Square S.P.S.

Montgomery County

Montgomery County does not report any school districts to be in moratorium, over 120% of the State Rated Capacity. However, sixteen schools are reported to be within the 105% - 120% School Facility Payment range restriction. The County reports that five of its thirty Transportation Policy Area Review districts are inadequate to meet the road test. This is up from the two areas, Fairland/White Oak and Gaithersburg City that were reported last year and continue to remain on the inadequate list). Eighteen Transportation Policy Area Review districts for transit are inadequate; this is up from sixteen in 2013.

Prince George's County

No restrictions reported.

City of Rockville

The City of Rockville reports that a school restriction for the Avalon Twinbrook Station has been in place since 2009. A new high school is planned to be constructed in 2018-2019 but may not resolve the capacity issues in that cluster. The City also report thirteen sewer restrictions due to inadequate sewer capacity.