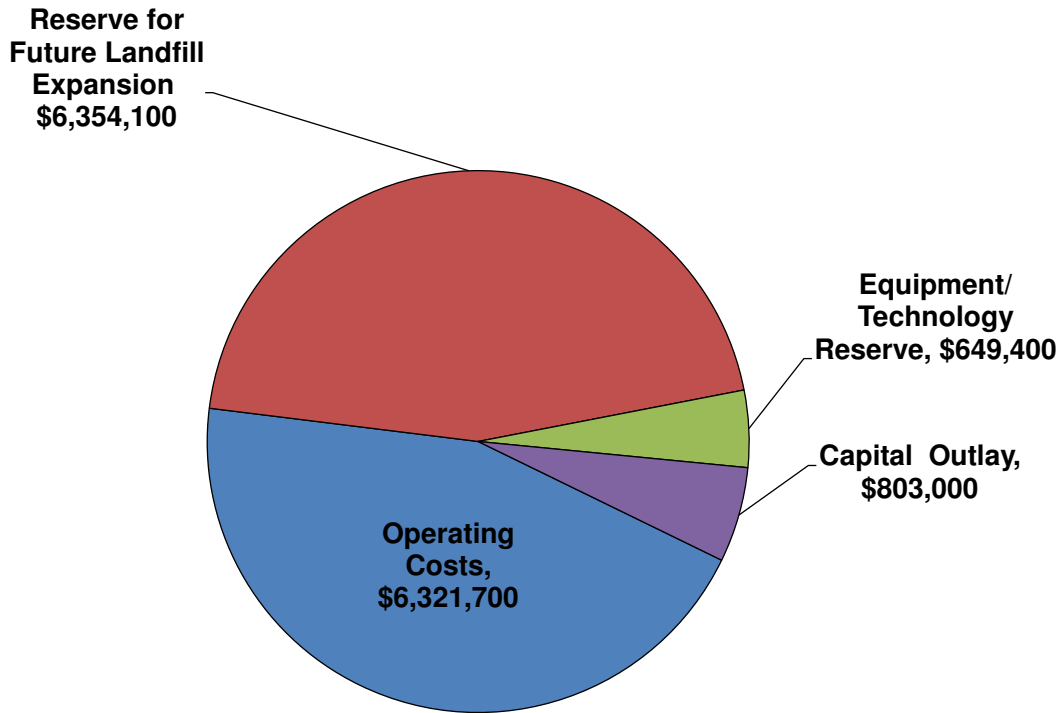


# FISCAL YEAR 2026

## Landfill Operations

### Total Budget: \$14,128,200

The landfill operation was established as an enterprise fund for the purpose of charging user fees to the customers of the landfill in order to recover 100% of the operating cost. The fund pays for all related operating costs and provides a reserve for future landfill expansion and closing costs. The FY2026 proposed budget includes funding for 43.23 full-time equivalent positions.



	FY2025 Adopted	FY2026 Proposed	Variance	% Change
Revenues	\$12,178,200	\$10,977,700	(\$1,200,500)	-9.9%
Expenditures	14,145,800	13,653,200	(492,600)	-3.5%
<b>Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>(\$1,967,600)</b>	<b>(\$2,675,500)</b>	<b>(\$707,900)</b>	
Use of Fund Balance - to support lower tons	1,515,800	1,815,800	300,000	
Use of Fund Balance - one time items	731,800	43,000	(688,800)	
<b>Total Surplus / (Deficit)</b>	<b>\$280,000</b>	<b>(\$816,700)</b>	<b>(\$1,096,700)</b>	
Equipment/Tech. Reserve/Fund Balance	\$280,000	\$475,000	\$195,000	
Capital New & Replacement	(280,000)	(475,000)	(195,000)	
<b>Surplus / (Deficit)</b>	<b>\$280,000</b>	<b>(\$816,700)</b>	<b>(\$1,096,700)</b>	

\$1.00 increase on the Tipping Fee adjusts revenues by \$116,671.

<b>Changes from FY2025:</b>	<b>Change</b>
<b>Fund Balance</b>	
Net increase due to increased Fund Balance needed due to lower tonnage anticipated and a decrease to one time funding	86,200
<b>Decrease in Operating Revenues</b>	
Based on current activity; tonnage received at the Landfill has been declining on average 12% compared to last year.	(1,200,500)
<b>Total Revenues Change</b>	<b>(\$1,114,300)</b>
<b>Landfill Gas and Pretreatment Operator</b>	(59,100)
<i>The Landfill Leachate Pretreatment Station will be coming online in FY 26. Two additional positions are needed to be the industrial wastewater operators of this new plant. The position will also monitor the Landfill Active Gas System.</i>	
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<b>Environmental Resources Technician</b>	(43,300)
<i>The landfill requesting an additional ER tech position to support routing weekend work. The landfill's current structure only has three laborers. The ER Tech will help improved customer service, site maintenance, and safety protocols.</i>	
<b>New Positions Proposed</b>	<b>(\$161,500)</b>
<b>Mini Excavator</b>	(225,000)
<i>Mini excavator is needed for loading of materials and ground maintenance work at the landfill.</i>	
<b>Portable Oil/Fuel Trailer</b>	(85,000)
<i>The trailer will be used to service equipment at various locations. Reducing downtime by eliminating transportation between the landfill and service location.</i>	
<b>GPS Base and Rover</b>	(49,000)
<i>GPS handheld equipment to determine elevations and check grades for proper waste placement.</i>	
<b>Portable Litter Fences</b>	(37,000)
<i>Portable litter fences to improve coverage and prevent blown litter.</i>	
<b>Vehicle</b>	(29,000)
<i>Vehicle is needed for the Scale House to transport mail, picking up supplies, and attend classes.</i>	
<b>72" Zero Turn Mower</b>	(25,000)
<i>Additional mower is needed to maintain open and closed landfill sites.</i>	
<b>New Operating Equipment</b>	<b>(\$450,000)</b>
<b>Credit Card Processing</b>	25,000
<i>Decreased based on prior year activity and anticipated costs for FY2026.</i>	
<b>Debt Services</b>	33,400
<i>Decrease based on payment schedule</i>	
<b>Capital Outlay</b>	256,800
<i>Decrease due to one time FY2025 cost, includes FY 2026 cost for a Track loader.</i>	
<b>Sinking Fund Reserve</b>	663,700
<i>Decrease based on lower tonnage</i>	
<b>Increased Adjustments in other accounts</b>	(69,800)
<b>Total Other Adjustments</b>	<b>(\$909,100)</b>

#### **New FTES for FY2026:**

##### **For DPW Landfill**

- (1.0) Landfill Gas and Pretreatment Operator
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- (1.0) Environmental Resource Technician

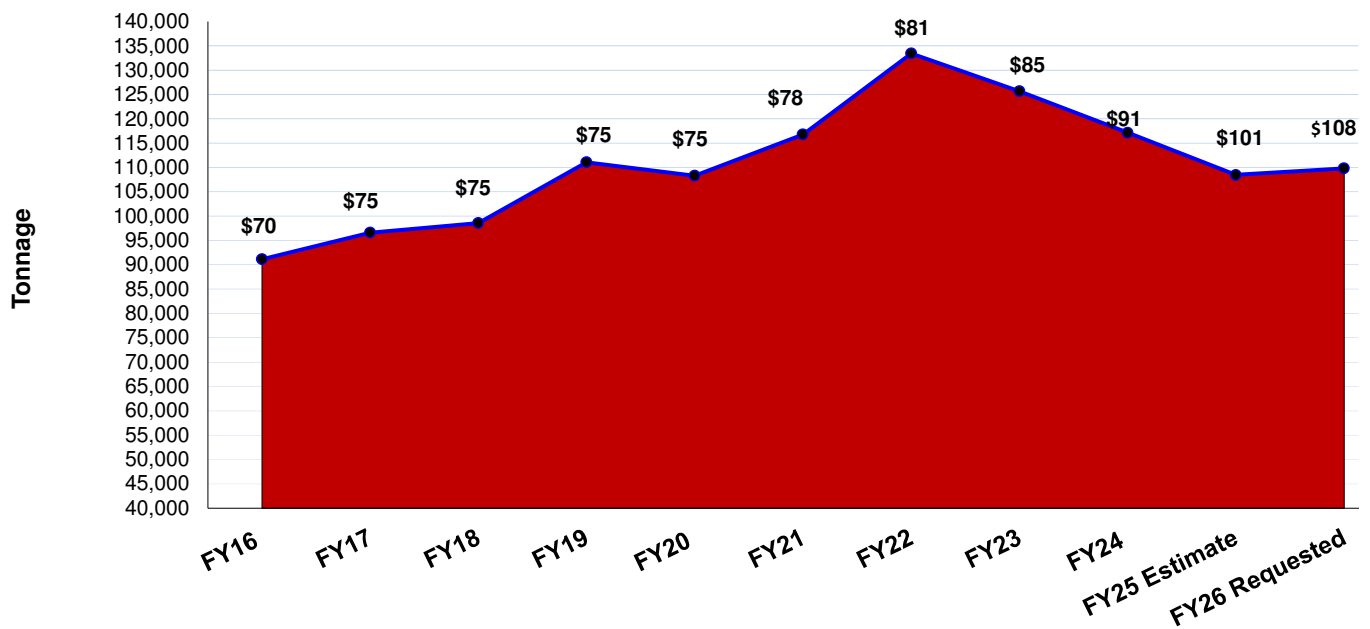
**Total Surplus/(Deficit) (\$816,700)**

<b>Landfill Tipping Fee Change:</b>	
FY2025 Tipping Fee (per ton)	\$101
Change needed to balance the FY2026 Budget	\$7
<b><u>FY2026 Proposed Tipping Fee (per ton)</u></b>	<b><u>\$108</u></b>
<b><u>% increase</u></b>	<b><u>6.93%</u></b>

## Landfill Fees:

	<b>FY2025</b>	<b>FY2026</b>
<b>Tipping Fee</b>	\$101 per ton / \$15 min fee	\$108 per ton / \$15 min fee
<b>Tag-A-Bag</b>	\$2.25 per tag	\$2.25 per tag
<b>Car/Van/SUV</b>	\$5 per load	\$5 per load
<b>Car/Van/SUV mixed loads</b>	\$10 per load	\$10 per load
<b>Pick Up Truck without trailer</b>	\$15 per load	\$15 per load
<b>Pick Up Truck without trailer mixed loads</b>	\$20 per load	\$20 per load
<b>Vehicles with trailer Weigh In</b>	\$101 per ton / \$15 min fee	\$108 per ton / \$15 min fee
<b>Vehicles with trailer Weigh In - Mixed Loads</b>	\$125 per ton / \$15 min fee	\$132 per ton / \$15 min fee
<b>Loads without separated recyclables and loads of recyclables</b>	\$125 per ton / \$15 min fee	\$132 per ton / \$15 min fee
<b>Recycling Center Bulk Rate</b>	\$15 per load	\$15 per load
<b>Contaminated Soil for Commercial Generators</b>	\$125 per ton / \$15 min fee	\$132 per ton / \$15 min fee
<b>Loads of shingles and roofing materials</b>	<b>\$125 per ton / \$15 min fee</b>	<b>\$132 per ton / \$15 min fee</b>
<b>Open Top Roll-Off Container*</b>	\$125 per ton / \$15 min fee	\$132 per ton / \$15 min fee
<b>Close Top Roll-Off Container*</b>	\$101 per ton / \$15 min fee	\$108 per ton / \$15 min fee

## Tons of Refuse



# LANDFILL FUND

	FY2025 Adopted	FY2026 Proposed	Variance	% Change
<b><u>Revenue</u></b>				
Tipping Fees	\$11,973,200	\$10,702,700	(\$1,270,500)	-3.2%
Tag-a-bag Fees @ \$2.25 per bag	200,000	250,000	\$50,000	0.0%
Permits & Miscellaneous	5,000	25,000	\$20,000	400.0%
Total Operating Revenues	\$12,178,200	\$10,977,700	(\$1,200,500)	-3.0%
Use of Fund Balance - Revenue Loss	1,515,800	1,815,800	300,000	0.0%
Fund Balance - One Time Items	451,800	43,000	(408,800)	-90.5%
Total Revenues	\$14,145,800	\$12,836,500	(\$1,309,300)	-5.5%

## **Expenditures**

Salary & Fringe	\$3,520,500	\$3,591,712	\$71,212	13.0%
Operating Costs	2,279,900	2,325,200	45,300	-5.4%
Debt Service	248,400	215,000	(33,400)	-13.4%
Operating Contingency	0	189,788	189,788	NEW
Capital Outlay	451,800	328,000	(123,800)	12.1%
Landfill Expansion/Closure Reserve	7,017,800	6,354,100	(663,700)	-2.3%
Equipment/Technology Reserve	627,400	649,400	22,000	3.5%
Total Expenditures	\$14,145,800	\$13,653,200	(\$492,600)	2.0%
Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	\$0	(\$816,700)	(\$1,801,900)	

## **Equipment/Technology Reserve**

Equipment/Technology Reserve/Fund Balance	280,000	475,000	195,000	85.0%
Use of Reserve	(280,000)	(475,000)	(195,000)	69.6%
Total Other Uses	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Total Surplus/(Deficit)	\$0	(\$816,700)	(\$816,700)	

## **FY2026 Replacement Vehicles and Equipment**

### **Cost**

<b>Track Loader</b>	475,000
<i>A replacement is needed to reduce downtime and ensure continuity of operations.</i>	
<b>Radios</b>	43,000
<i>Motorola portable radios and vehicle mounted radios for operations.</i>	
	<u>\$518,000</u>

**LANDFILL****FUND**

(\$ in thousands)

**FY2026-FY2030 OPERATING PLAN**

	<u>FY 2026</u>	<u>FY 2027</u>	<u>FY 2028</u>	<u>FY 2029</u>	<u>FY 2030</u>
<b>Revenues</b>					
Operating Revenues	\$10,977.7	\$11,114.2	\$11,250.6	\$11,387.0	\$11,523.5
Fund Balance/ Capital Reserve	2,333.8	915.8	1,025.9	915.8	698.7
<b>Revenues</b>	<b>\$13,311.5</b>	<b>\$12,030.0</b>	<b>\$12,276.5</b>	<b>\$12,302.8</b>	<b>\$12,222.2</b>
<b>Expenses</b>					
Operating Expenses	\$13,438.2	\$13,870.7	\$14,298.3	\$14,652.0	\$15,014.7
Capital Outlay	475.0	0.0	110.1	0.0	698.7
Debt Service	215.0	165.1	135.1	135.6	136.0
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>\$14,128.2</b>	<b>\$14,035.8</b>	<b>\$14,543.5</b>	<b>\$14,787.6</b>	<b>\$15,849.4</b>
<b>Surplus\Deficit:</b>	<b>(\$816.7)</b>	<b>(\$2,005.8)</b>	<b>(\$2,267.0)</b>	<b>(\$2,484.8)</b>	<b>(\$3,627.2)</b>
Estimated Annual Tipping					
Fee Adjustment:	<b>\$7</b>	<b>\$11</b>	<b>\$2</b>	<b>\$2</b>	<b>\$9</b>
Tipping Fee	<b>\$108</b>	<b>\$119</b>	<b>\$121</b>	<b>\$123</b>	<b>\$132</b>
% rate change	18.7%	10.2%	1.7%	1.7%	7.3%

**FY2026-FY2030 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN**

	<u>FY 2026</u>	<u>FY 2027</u>	<u>FY 2028</u>	<u>FY 2029</u>	<u>FY 2030</u>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Capital Costs:</b>						<b>'26-'30</b>
Landfill Gas to Energy*	406	806	0	0	0	1,212
Landfill Cell 4C*	0	8,505	0	0	0	8,505
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$406</b>	<b>\$9,311</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$9,717</b>
<b>Finance Sources</b>						
Capital Budget Reserve*	\$406	\$9,311	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$9,717
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$406</b>	<b>\$9,311</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$9,717</b>

\*Indicates projects to be funded by the Capital Budget Reserve.

# Solid Waste Management Fund

FISCAL YEAR 2026 BUDGET

## Fund Description

The Charles County Sanitary Landfill is a modern composite lined landfill opened in July 1994. Located on Billingsley Road East, it features a citizen's recycling disposal center, a vehicle/equipment maintenance facility, and leachate collection center. The Landfill was designed to accommodate 800 lbs. of refuse per cubic yard, with a 12-year, 8 month life. Due to the higher goal of a compaction rate of at least 1,200 lbs. per cubic yard, and the use of alternative daily cover material, the landfill is currently estimated to last until 2035 due to the utilization of a transfer facility which will allow for disposal options outside of the County's jurisdiction.

## Expenditures

	ACTUALS	PRIOR ADOPTED	REQUESTED	PROPOSED	\$ Change from FY2025	% Change from FY2025
	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2026		
<b>Expenditures</b>						
Personal Services	\$2,310,493	\$2,663,400	\$2,770,985	\$2,770,985	\$107,585	4%
Fringe Benefits	\$703,391	\$857,100	\$820,727	\$820,727	-\$36,373	-4%
Supplies	\$344,961	\$445,500	\$608,800	\$608,800	\$163,300	37%
Other Services & Chrgs	\$1,511,898	\$1,710,200	\$1,551,900	\$1,551,900	-\$158,300	-9%
Agency Funding	\$111,100	\$124,200	\$164,500	\$164,500	\$40,300	32%
Operating Contingency	\$0	\$0	\$68,800	\$189,788	\$189,788	—
Transfers Out	\$0	\$7,017,800	\$6,354,100	\$6,354,100	-\$663,700	-9%
Capital Outlay	\$17,716	\$731,800	\$803,000	\$803,000	\$71,200	10%
Depreciation Expense	\$2,860,011	\$627,400	\$649,400	\$649,400	\$22,000	4%
Capital Projects	-\$1,548,140	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	—
Debt Service	-\$4,444	\$248,400	\$215,000	\$215,000	-\$33,400	-13%
<b>EXPENDITURES TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,306,984</b>	<b>\$14,425,800</b>	<b>\$14,007,212</b>	<b>\$14,128,200</b>	<b>-\$297,600</b>	<b>-2%</b>

## Revenues and Funding Sources

	ACTUALS	PRIOR ADOPTED	REQUESTED	PROPOSED	\$ Change from FY2025	% Change from FY2025
	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2026		
<b>Operating Revenues</b>	\$13,004,612	\$12,178,200	\$10,977,700	\$10,977,700	-\$1,200,500	-10%
<b>Other Funding Sources</b>						
Transfers	\$0	\$2,247,600	\$2,333,800	\$2,333,800	\$86,200	4%
<b>OTHER FUNDING SOURCES TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$2,247,600</b>	<b>\$2,333,800</b>	<b>\$2,333,800</b>	<b>\$86,200</b>	<b>4%</b>
<b>Total Revenues and Funding Sources</b>	<b>\$13,004,612</b>	<b>\$14,425,800</b>	<b>\$13,311,500</b>	<b>\$13,311,500</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>

## Positions by Department

Department	FY2022	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026
Public Works	39.9	39.9	40.1	40.23	43.23
	<b>39.9</b>	<b>39.9</b>	<b>40.1</b>	<b>40.23</b>	<b>43.23</b>

# Landfill Gas to Energy

FISCAL YEAR 2026 BUDGET

## Project Description

The Charles County Landfill #2 was designed with a capacity to accept 4,374,700 cubic yards of refuse. The landfill currently has a passive landfill gas (LFG) system that flares off LFG. While the current system is within regulation, it is the least effective system for capturing methane. LFG to energy projects help curtail global climate change by reducing methane emissions, a greenhouse gas more potent than CO2. This CIP will evaluate possible landfill gas extraction, assess projects' feasibilities, and prepare cost analyses during Phase 1. During Phase 2, this project will design, permit, and install a landfill gas to energy system.

Requested By: DPW

Planning Commission Comments:

Location: Charles County Landfill, Waldorf

Commissioner District: 4

## Goals and Objectives

## Expenditures

	EXPENSE BUDGET					5-YEAR TOTAL FY26-FY30	APPROP. THRU
	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030		FY2025
Expense Budget							
Inspections	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$40,000
A&E	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$500,000
Construction	\$400,000	\$800,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,200,000	\$2,000,000
FAS Administration	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$12,000	\$21,000
<b>EXPENSE BUDGET TOTAL</b>	<b>\$406,000</b>	<b>\$806,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,212,000</b>	<b>\$2,561,000</b>
Financing Sources	\$406,000	\$806,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,212,000	\$2,561,000

	BEYOND	TOTAL PROJECT
	FY2031	
Expense Budget		
Inspections	\$0	\$40,000
A&E	\$0	\$500,000
Construction	\$0	\$3,200,000
FAS Administration	\$0	\$33,000
<b>EXPENSE BUDGET TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$3,773,000</b>
Financing Sources	\$0	\$3,773,000

## Revenues and Funding Sources

	REVENUE BUDGET					5-YEAR TOTAL FY26-FY30	APPROP. THRU FY25
	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030		FY2025
<b>Revenues</b>							
Other	\$406,000	\$806,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,212,000	\$606,000
Transfers	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,955,000
<b>REVENUES TOTAL</b>	<b>\$406,000</b>	<b>\$806,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,212,000</b>	<b>\$2,561,000</b>

	BEYOND	TOTAL PROJECT
	FY2031	
<b>Revenues</b>		
Other	\$0	\$1,818,000
Transfers	\$0	\$1,955,000
<b>REVENUES TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$3,773,000</b>



# Landfill Cell 4C

FISCAL YEAR 2026 BUDGET

## Project Description

Construction of Landfill Sub-Cell 4B, which will provide an additional 5.7 acres of capacity.

**Requested By:** DPW

**Planning Commission Comments:** Project is consistent with Comprehensive Plan (Rating #1)

**Location:** Charles County Landfill, Waldorf

**Commissioner District:** 4

## Goals and Objectives

## Expenditures

	EXPENSE BUDGET					5-YEAR TOTAL FY26-FY30	APPROP. THRU
	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030		FY2025
<b>Expense Budget</b>							
Contingency	\$0	\$750,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$750,000	—
Inspections	\$0	\$100,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$100,000	—
Administration	\$0	\$50,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$50,000	—
A&E	\$0	\$100,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$100,000	—
Construction	\$0	\$7,500,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$7,500,000	—
FAS Administration	\$0	\$5,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,000	—
<b>EXPENSE BUDGET TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$8,505,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$8,505,000</b>	—
<b>Financing Sources</b>	\$0	\$8,505,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$8,505,000	—

	BEYOND	TOTAL PROJECT
	FY2031	
<b>Expense Budget</b>		
Contingency	\$0	\$750,000
Inspections	\$0	\$100,000
Administration	\$0	\$50,000
A&E	\$0	\$100,000
Construction	\$0	\$7,500,000
FAS Administration	\$0	\$5,000
<b>EXPENSE BUDGET TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$8,505,000</b>
<b>Financing Sources</b>	\$0	\$8,505,000

## Revenues and Funding Sources

REVENUE BUDGET						5-YEAR TOTAL FY26-FY30	APPROP. THRU FY25
	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030		FY2025
Revenues							
Other	\$0	\$8,505,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$8,505,000	—
REVENUES TOTAL	\$0	\$8,505,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$8,505,000	—

	BEYOND	TOTAL PROJECT
	FY2031	
Revenues		
Other	\$0	\$8,505,000
REVENUES TOTAL	\$0	\$8,505,000