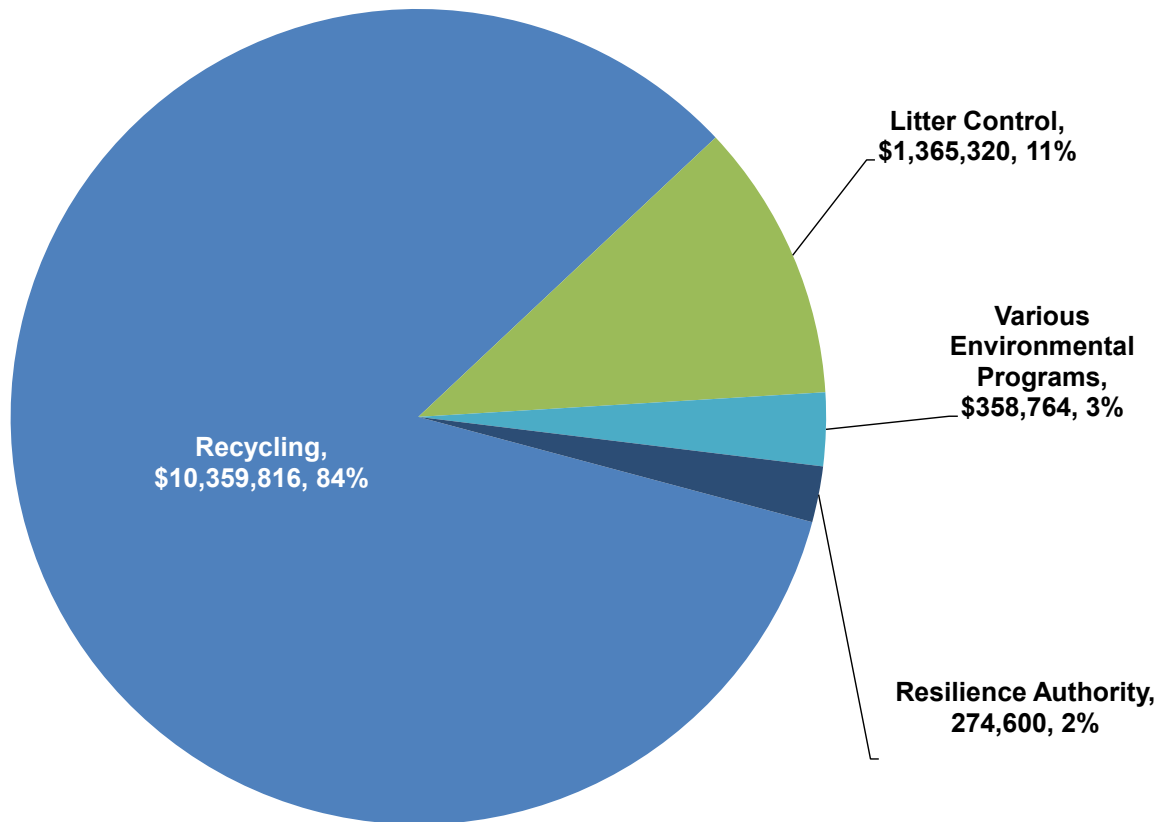


FISCAL YEAR 2027
Environmental Service Fund
Total Proposed Budget: \$12,358,500

The Environmental Service Fund was established as an Enterprise Fund to account for environmental programs such as Recycling, Litter Control, Hazardous Waste, and other related environmental programs. The fund is supported 100% by fees and charges, the most prominent being the Environmental Service Fee. The FY2027 proposed budget includes funding for 39.1 full-time equivalent employees.



	FY2026 Adopted	FY2027 Proposed	Variance	% Change
Revenues	\$11,509,100	\$11,515,600	\$6,500	0.1%
Expenditures	11,509,100	12,221,145	712,045	6.2%
Surplus/Deficit	\$0	(\$705,545)	(\$705,545)	
New Requests	0	(137,355)	(137,355)	
Subtotal	\$0	(\$842,900)	(\$842,900)	
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$0	(\$842,900)	(\$842,900)	
Equipment Tech. Reserve/Fund Balance	\$218,700	\$0	(\$218,700)	
Capital Outlay (funded by reserves)	(218,700)	0	218,700	
Total Surplus/(Deficit)	\$0	(\$842,900)	(\$842,900)	

FISCAL YEAR 2027

Environmental Service Fund

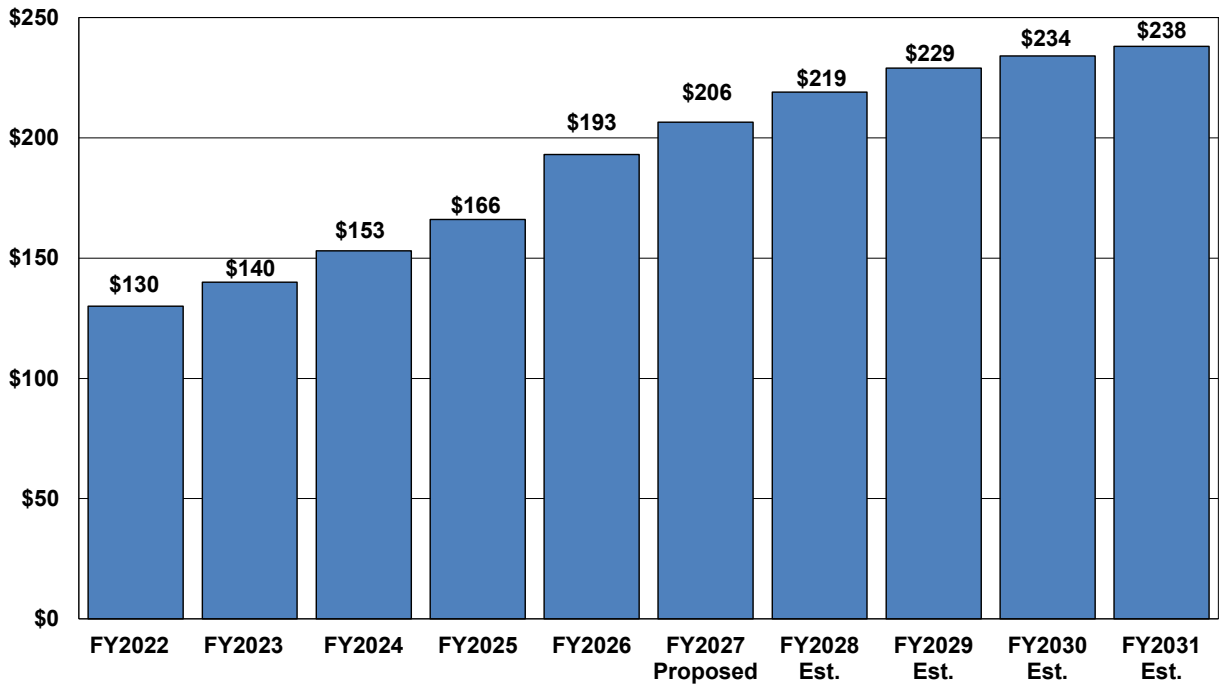
<u>Changes From FY2026:</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Fee Impact</u>
Increase in Operating Revenues <i>Slight increase in revenues due to prior year activity.</i>	\$6,500	(\$0.10)
Contract Services - Recycling and Litter Control <i>Increase is anticipated due to higher costs in recycling contract services and increases that resulted from rebidding services.</i>	(\$180,700)	\$2.89
Salary and Fringe <i>Salary and Fringe accounts include the impact of the approved FY2026 salary increases and a potential merit increase for FY2027.</i>	(\$113,299)	\$1.81
Resilience Authority <i>Funding to support their operating budget.</i>	(\$106,800)	\$1.71
Contingency <i>To cover potential revenue shortfalls and/or expenditure overruns.</i>	(\$81,746)	\$1.31
Curbside Collection <i>Based on an increase in the number of houses served and an anticipated increase in curbside collection costs.</i>	(\$65,000)	\$1.04
OPEB Trust Transfer and Equipment Reserve <i>Based on anticipated cost for FY2027.</i>	(\$43,800)	\$0.70
Capital Outlay <i>Increasing for one-time recycling cart purchases in FY2027.</i>	(\$39,400)	\$0.63
Tire Disposal Program <i>To support increased volume for the Tire Disposal Program.</i>	(\$16,800)	\$0.27
Indirect Cost <i>Increased 3% based on current trends.</i>	(\$12,370)	\$0.20
Debt Service <i>Increased to cover interest on FY2026 bonds.</i>	(\$9,000)	\$0.14
Minor adjustment in other expenditures costs.	(\$43,130)	\$0.69
Total Baseline Deficit	(\$705,545)	\$11

<u>New Requests</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Fee Impact</u>
<u>DPW</u>		
Recycling Equipment Operator III FTE 1.00 November <i>Recycling requests the addition of an Equipment Operator at skill level II or III to enhance our operational efficiency. Adding this position is crucial for ensuring we meet the needs of our community effectively and maintain our commitment to excellent service.</i>	(\$42,155)	\$0.67
Excavator (\$575,000) <i>Recycling Operations requires a second excavator to support operations at the citizen disposal area and at the Piney Church mulch facility.</i>	(\$64,400)	\$1.03
Grapple Truck (\$275,000) <i>Recycling Operations requires a non-CDL grapple truck that can be utilized by Recycling Equipment Operator I's to support recycling efforts at multiple sites.</i>	(\$30,800)	\$0.49
New Requests	(\$137,355)	\$2
Total Deficit	(\$842,900)	\$13

\$1.00 increase to the Environmental Service Fee adjusts revenues by \$62,600

FISCAL YEAR 2027 Environmental Service Fund

Environmental Service Fee (ESF) History



ESF Change:
 FY2026 rate per improved property account \$193
 Change needed to balance the FY2027 budget \$13

FY2027 Proposed Rate **\$206**

NOTE: At FY2026 Adoption, FAS was forecasting a \$13 rate increase would be needed for FY2027.

FISCAL YEAR 2027 Environmental Service Fund

Other Environmental Service Fees:	FY2026 Adopted	FY2027 Proposed
Commercial Yard Waste Tipping Fee (Per Ton)	\$50/\$15 minimum fee	\$50/\$15 minimum fee
Flat Rate Commercial Yard Waste Trucks and Trailers	\$50	\$50
Flat Rate Commercial Yard Waste Stake Body Trucks	\$100	\$100
Per Mattress or Box Spring	\$25	\$20
ESF (Town of Indian Head, Town of La Plata)*	\$31	\$36
Yard Waste Cart Refundable Deposit (Upon Request)	\$50	\$50
Recycling or Yard Waste Cart Cleaning Service (Upon Request)	\$15	\$15
<i>* Assessed on the property tax bill per improved lot</i>		

Tire Disposal Fees:	FY2026 Adopted	FY2027 Proposed
Car/Pick-Up Truck (per tire)		
On/Off Rim	\$2 per tire	\$2 per tire
On/Off Rim (10+ tires in load)*	\$225 per ton/ \$15 minimum fee	\$250 per ton/ \$15 minimum fee
Truck (Dump/Tractor Trailer) Bias (per tire)		
On/Off Rim	\$25 per tire	\$25 per tire
Equipment Tire and Rubber Tracks (per tire)		
Per Track		\$50 per tire
Truck (Dump/Tractor Trailer) Radial (per tire)		
On/Off Rim	\$25 per tire	\$25 per tire
Farm Tractor and Off-Road (per ton)- Equipment Tire and Rubber Tracks (per ton)		
On/Off Rim	\$250 per ton/ \$15 minimum fee	\$275 per ton/ \$15 minimum fee
Tire Recovery Charge	\$40 per tire	\$40 per tire

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE FUND

	FY2026 Adopted	FY2027 Proposed	Variance to FY26 Adopted	% Change from FY26 Adopted
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RECYCLING/LITTER CONTROL

Revenue

Environmental Service Fee	\$10,810,700	\$10,760,836	(\$49,864)	-0.5%
Sale from Recyclable Materials	165,000	175,000	10,000	6.1%
Compost Tipping Fee	60,000	65,000	5,000	8.3%
Tire Disposal	30,000	40,000	10,000	33.3%
Mattress Disposal	93,000	93,000	0	0.0%
Miscellaneous	12,000	23,000	11,000	91.7%
Total Operating Revenues	\$11,170,700	\$11,156,836	(\$13,864)	-0.1%
Fund Balance: Equipment Reserve	218,700	0	(218,700)	-100.0%
Total Revenues	\$11,389,400	\$11,156,836	(\$232,564)	-2.0%

Expenditures

Salary & Fringe	\$2,931,393	\$3,032,194	\$100,801	3.4%
Operating	7,738,900	8,066,700	327,800	4.2%
Operating Contingency	43,107	117,387	74,280	172.3%
Debt Service	52,500	61,500	9,000	17.1%
Capital	296,700	145,400	(151,300)	-51.0%
Equipment Reserve	159,000	164,600	5,600	3.5%
Transfers Out	167,800	274,600	106,800	63.6%
Total Baseline Request	\$11,389,400	\$11,862,381	\$472,981	4.2%
New Requests		137,355	137,355	N/A
Total Expenditures	\$11,389,400	\$11,999,736	\$610,336	5.4%

Surplus / (Deficit)	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$842,900)</u>	<u>(\$842,900)</u>
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VARIOUS ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS

Revenue

Environmental Service Fee	\$338,400	\$358,764	\$20,364	6.0%
Total Revenues	\$338,400	\$358,764	\$20,364	6.0%

Expenditures

Salary & Fringe	\$181,421	\$193,919	\$12,498	6.9%
Operating	153,400	153,800	400	0.3%
Operating Contingency	3,579	11,045	7,466	208.6%
Total Expenditures	\$338,400	\$358,764	\$20,364	6.0%

Surplus / (Deficit)	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
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**ESF
FUND**
(\$ in thousands)

FY2027-FY2031 OPERATING PLAN

	<u>FY 2027</u>	<u>FY 2028</u>	<u>FY 2029</u>	<u>FY 2030</u>	<u>FY 2031</u>
Revenues					
Operating Revenues	\$11,515.6	\$11,676.0	\$11,836.5	\$11,997.0	\$12,157.5
Fund Balance Reserves	0.0	0.0	780.0	605.2	290.9
Revenues	\$11,515.6	\$11,676.0	\$12,616.5	\$12,602.2	\$12,448.4
Expenses					
Operating Expenses	\$12,056.4	\$12,419.2	\$12,833.5	\$13,309.4	\$13,779.7
Capital Outlay	145.4	155.8	941.3	772.1	463.6
Debt Service	156.7	762.8	1,191.3	1,186.9	1,186.9
Expenses	\$12,358.5	\$13,337.8	\$14,966.1	\$15,268.4	\$15,430.2
Surplus/Deficit:	(\$842.9)	(\$1,661.8)	(\$2,349.6)	(\$2,666.2)	(\$2,981.8)
Estimated Annual Fee Adjustment:					
Environmental Services Fee	\$13	\$13	\$10	\$5	\$4
% rate change	6.7%	6.3%	4.6%	2.2%	1.7%

*At FY2026 adoption, a \$13 rate increase was being forecasted for FY2027.

FY2027-FY2031 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN						Total
<i>(\$ in thousands)</i>						
	<u>FY 2027</u>	<u>FY 2028</u>	<u>FY 2029</u>	<u>FY 2030</u>	<u>FY 2031</u>	<u>27-'31</u>
Capital Costs:						
County Mulching Facility Relocation & Composting Facility	325	4,349	0	0	0	4,674
Pisgah Recycling Center Renovation	1,384	803	0	0	0	2,187
Total without inflation	\$1,709	\$5,152	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,861
Contingency - inflation	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	\$1,709	\$5,152	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,861
Finance Sources						
Bonds	\$1,709	\$5,152	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,861
Total	\$1,709	\$5,152	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,861

County Mulching Facility Relocation and Composting Facility

FY2027 PROPOSED CAPITAL PROJECT BUDGET

Project Description

The mulching operation is currently located on a County own parcel that is slated for future animal shelter and bus transit station. To ensure that the mulching operation continues without disruption, a new mulching facility at a different location is preferred. The new facility be designed to include composting and food composting operations in compliance with HB Bill 264 Organics Recycling and Waste Diversion.

Requested By: DPW - Facilities

Planning Commission Comments: Maintenance or upgrade of existing facilities (Rating #2)

Location: Countywide

Commissioner District: 4

Justification: Property has been acquired to fulfill future composting and citizen convenience center needs and the requested additional funding reflects the unique characteristics of this newly acquired property.

Expenditures: 5-Year Plan

EXPENDITURE BUDGET						FY2027-FY2031
	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030	FY2031	Aggregated Total
Expenditures						
Contingency	\$0	\$750,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$750,000
Prevailing Wage Miscellaneous	\$0	\$11,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$11,000
Inspections	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$150,000
A&E	\$250,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$250,000
Construction	\$0	\$2,500,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,500,000
Equipment	\$0	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,000,000
FAS Administration	\$0	\$13,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$13,000
EXPENDITURES TOTAL	\$325,000	\$4,349,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,674,000

Revenues: 5-Year Plan

REVENUE BUDGET						FY2027-FY2031
	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030	FY2031	Aggregated Total
Revenues						
Bonds	\$325,000	\$4,349,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,674,000
REVENUES TOTAL	\$325,000	\$4,349,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,674,000

Expenditures: Total Project

	APPROP. THRU	FY2027-FY2031	BEYOND FY2031	Total Project
	FY2026	Aggregated Total	Aggregated Total	
Expenditures				
Contingency	\$157,000	\$750,000	\$0	\$907,000
Prevailing Wage Miscellaneous	–	\$11,000	\$0	\$11,000
Land and ROW - Property Acquisition	\$996,180	\$0	\$0	\$996,180
Inspections	\$100,000	\$150,000	\$0	\$250,000
Administration	\$120,280	\$0	\$0	\$120,280
A&E	\$274,000	\$250,000	\$0	\$524,000
Construction	\$1,609,000	\$2,500,000	\$0	\$4,109,000
Equipment	\$500,000	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$1,500,000
Miscellaneous	\$46,000	\$0	\$0	\$46,000
FAS Administration	\$28,000	\$13,000	\$0	\$41,000
Land and ROW	\$5,540	\$0	\$0	\$5,540
Personnel	\$135,920	\$0	\$0	\$135,920
Fringe	\$64,080	\$0	\$0	\$64,080
EXPENDITURES TOTAL	\$4,036,000	\$4,674,000	\$0	\$8,710,000

Revenues: Total Project

	APPROP. THRU	FY2027-FY2031	BEYOND FY2031	Total Project
	FY2026	Aggregated Total	Aggregated Total	
Revenues				
Bonds	\$4,036,000	\$4,674,000	\$0	\$8,710,000
REVENUES TOTAL	\$4,036,000	\$4,674,000	\$0	\$8,710,000

Operating Budget Impact

	OPERATING IMPACT					APPROP. THRU	BEYOND
	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030	FY2031	FY2026	FY2031
TOTAL PERSONNEL	0.0	0.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	0.0	3.0
Operating Costs							
Personnel Costs	\$0	\$0	\$96,083	\$98,965	\$101,934	\$0	\$104,992
Operating	\$0	\$0	\$38,800	\$39,000	\$40,000	\$0	\$42,000
TOTAL OPERATING COSTS	\$0	\$0	\$134,883	\$137,965	\$141,934	\$0	\$146,992
Debt Service: Bonds	\$382,300	\$411,500	\$795,900	\$795,900	\$795,900	\$795,900	\$795,900
Vehicle and Equipment Lease	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL IMPACT	\$382,300	\$411,500	\$930,783	\$933,865	\$937,834	\$795,900	\$942,892
Increase to Environmental Service Fee	\$6.11	\$6.48	\$12.36	\$12.19	\$12.03	\$6.11	\$12.03

Pisgah Recycling Center Renovation

FY2027 PROPOSED CAPITAL PROJECT BUDGET

Project Description

The Pisgah Recycling Center requires repairs and enhancements to support its operations and facilitate bulk waste drop-off. Upgrades will offer more effective solid waste disposal and recycling options for residents on the western side of the county.

Requested By: DPW - Facilities

Planning Commission Comments: Maintenance or upgrade of existing facilities (Rating #2)

Location: Pisgah Recycling Center

Commissioner District: 2

Justification: Property has been acquired to fulfill future composting and citizen convenience center needs and the requested additional funding reflects the unique characteristics of this newly acquired property.

Revenues: 5-Year Plan

REVENUE BUDGET						FY2027-FY2031
	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030	FY2031	Aggregated Total
Revenues						
Bonds	\$1,384,000	\$803,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,187,000
REVENUES TOTAL	\$1,384,000	\$803,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,187,000

Expenditures: 5-Year Plan

EXPENDITURE BUDGET						FY2027-FY2031
	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030	FY2031	Aggregated Total
Expenditures						
Prevailing Wage Miscellaneous	\$4,000	\$3,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$7,000
Inspections	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$100,000
A&E	\$125,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$125,000
Construction	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,500,000
Equipment	\$425,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$425,000
FAS Administration	\$30,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$30,000
EXPENDITURES TOTAL	\$1,384,000	\$803,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,187,000

Revenues: Total Project

	APPROP. THRU	FY2027-FY2031	BEYOND FY2031	
	FY2026	Aggregated Total	Aggregated Total	Total Project
Revenues				
Bonds	\$1,055,000	\$2,187,000	\$0	\$3,242,000
REVENUES TOTAL	\$1,055,000	\$2,187,000	\$0	\$3,242,000

Expenditures: Total Project

	APPROP. THRU	FY2027-FY2031	BEYOND FY2031	
	FY2026	Aggregated Total	Aggregated Total	Total Project
Expenditures				
Prevailing Wage Miscellaneous	–	\$7,000	\$0	\$7,000
Inspections	\$75,000	\$100,000	\$0	\$175,000
A&E	\$75,000	\$125,000	\$0	\$200,000
Construction	\$750,000	\$1,500,000	\$0	\$2,250,000
Equipment	\$75,000	\$425,000	\$0	\$500,000
Miscellaneous	\$75,000	\$0	\$0	\$75,000
FAS Administration	\$5,000	\$30,000	\$0	\$35,000
EXPENDITURES TOTAL	\$1,055,000	\$2,187,000	\$0	\$3,242,000

Operating Budget Impact

	OPERATING IMPACT					APPROP. THRU	BEYOND
	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030	FY2031	FY2026	FY2031
TOTAL PERSONNEL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Operating Costs							
Personnel Costs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Operating	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL OPERATING COSTS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Debt Service: Bonds	\$61,011	\$141,048	\$187,485	\$187,485	\$187,485	\$61,011	\$187,485
Vehicle and Equipment Lease	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL IMPACT	\$61,011	\$141,048	\$187,485	\$187,485	\$187,485	\$61,011	\$187,485
Increase to Environmental Service Fee	\$0.97	\$2.25	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$0.97	\$3.00

Environmental Services Fund

FISCAL YEAR 2027 PROPOSED BUDGET

Fund Description

The **Environmental Service Fund** was established as an Enterprise Fund to account for environmental programs such as Recycling, Litter Control, Hazardous Waste, and other related environmental programs. The fund is supported 100% by fees and charges, the most prominent being the Environmental Service Fee. The FY2027 requested budget includes funding for 42.1 full-time equivalent employees.

Fund Summary

	ADOPTED	PROPOSED		
	FY2026	FY2027	\$ Change from FY2026	% Change from FY2026
Revenues				
Service Charges	\$11,497,100	\$11,492,600	-\$4,500	0%
Other	\$12,000	\$23,000	\$11,000	92%
Transfers				
490000 - FundBalanceApprop	\$218,700	\$0	-\$218,700	-100%
TRANSFERS TOTAL	\$218,700	\$0	-\$218,700	-100%
REVENUES TOTAL	\$11,727,800	\$11,515,600	-\$212,200	-2%
Expenses				
Personal Services	\$2,415,077	\$2,466,994	\$51,917	2%
Fringe Benefits	\$697,737	\$759,119	\$61,382	9%
Supplies	\$321,900	\$280,930	-\$40,970	-13%
OtherServices&Chrgs	\$7,465,200	\$7,796,170	\$330,970	4%
Agency Funding	\$105,200	\$143,400	\$38,200	36%
OperatingContingency	\$46,686	\$128,432	\$81,746	175%
Transfers Out	\$167,800	\$274,600	\$106,800	64%
Capital Outlay	\$296,700	\$145,400	-\$151,300	-51%
Depreciation Expense	\$159,000	\$164,600	\$5,600	4%
Debt Service	\$52,500	\$61,500	\$9,000	17%
EXPENSES TOTAL	\$11,727,800	\$12,221,145	\$493,345	4%
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$0	-\$705,545	-	-
New Requests				
505999 - New Positions	-	\$42,155	\$42,155	-
539999 - New Operating	-	\$95,200	\$95,200	-
NEW REQUESTS TOTAL	-	\$137,355	\$137,355	-
Surplus/(Deficit) with New Requests	\$0	-\$842,900	-	-

Revenues

	PRIOR ADOPTED	PROPOSED		
	FY2026	FY2027	\$ Change from FY2026	% Change from FY2026
Revenues				
Service Charges	\$11,497,100	\$11,492,600	-\$4,500	0%
Other	\$12,000	\$23,000	\$11,000	92%
REVENUES TOTAL	\$11,509,100	\$11,515,600	\$6,500	0%
Other Financing Sources				
Transfers	\$218,700	\$0	-\$218,700	-100%
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES TOTAL	\$218,700	\$0	-\$218,700	-100%
Total Revenues	\$11,727,800	\$11,515,600	-	-

Expenditures

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EXPENDITURES TOTAL	\$11,727,800	\$12,221,145	\$493,345	4%
Requests Greater than Baseline				
505999 - New Positions	-	\$42,155	\$42,155	-
539999 - New Operating	-	\$95,200	\$95,200	-
REQUESTS GREATER THAN BASELINE TOTAL	-	\$137,355	\$137,355	-
Total Expenditures	\$11,727,800	\$12,358,500	-	-

New Positions

Title	Quantity	Grade	Total Request	Salary	Fringe	Operating
Recycling Equipment Operator III	1	A108	\$42,154	\$30,826	\$9,568	\$1,760
	1		\$42,154	\$30,826	\$9,568	\$1,760

Vehicles and Equipment List

New Request

Item Description	Justification	Asset Value of Request	Direct Purchase	Annual Lease	1/2 Year Payment
Excavator	Recycling operations require a second excavator to support operations at the landfill and at the Piney Church mulch facility.	\$575,000	0	128,700	64,400
Grapple Truck	Recycling operations require a Non-CDL grapple truck that can be utilized by Recycling Equipment Operator I's to support recycling efforts at multiple sites.	\$275,000	0	61,600	30,800
		\$850,000	0	190,300	95,200

Full-Time Equivalents

Department	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
Public Works	33.4	34.2	40.5	40.5	40.5
Planning & Growth Management	0.9	1.4	1.6	1.6	1.6
	34.3	35.6	42.1	42.1	42.1

Public Works- Facilities

FISCAL YEAR 2027 PROPOSED BUDGET

Description

The Recycling Division provides comprehensive recycling services to the residents of Charles County and has achieved a 38.33% recycling rate and a 5% source reduction credit equaling a total waste diversion rate of 43.33% for calendar year 2023. By the end of FY2026, approximately 52,500 households will receive weekly curbside collection of recycling. Additional recyclable materials may be brought to one of the four permanent recycling centers located at Gilbert Run Park in Charlotte Hall, Breeze Farm in Cobb Island, the Landfill in Waldorf, and Pisgah Park in Pisgah. There are also three unmanned used motor oil and antifreeze drop off locations.

The division markets and transports most of the materials collected. The Recycling Division also administers: a mulching facility, the Household Hazardous Waste Program, Litter Control, and Environmental Workshops. The Household Hazardous Waste Program, held at the Department of Public Works - La Plata office, allows residents to properly dispose of poisons, gas, paint, and chemicals. The Litter Control Program assists in keeping County roads litter free and also helps in cleaning up illegal dump sites. Litter Control also consists of volunteer-based programs such as Adopt-a-Road, Adopt-a-Spot, and community cleanup events such as the Charles County Community Cleanup and the Potomac River Watershed Cleanup. Environmental Workshops provide residents the opportunity to learn more about composting and rain barrels.

Expenditures

	PRIOR ADOPTED		PROPOSED	
	FY2026	FY2027	\$ Change from FY2026	% Change from FY2026
Expenditures				
Personal Services	\$2,280,461	\$2,326,664	\$46,203	2%
Fringe Benefits	\$650,932	\$705,530	\$54,598	8%
Supplies	\$321,700	\$280,730	-\$40,970	-13%
Other Services & Chrgs	\$7,312,000	\$7,642,570	\$330,570	5%
Agency Funding	\$105,200	\$143,400	\$38,200	36%
Operating Contingency	\$43,107	\$117,387	\$74,280	172%
Transfers Out	-	\$274,600	\$274,600	-
Capital Outlay	\$296,700	\$145,400	-\$151,300	-51%
Depreciation Expense	\$159,000	\$164,600	\$5,600	4%
Debt Service	\$52,500	\$61,500	\$9,000	17%
EXPENDITURES TOTAL	\$11,221,600	\$11,862,381	\$640,781	6%
Requests Greater than Baseline				
505999 - New Positions	-	\$42,155	\$42,155	-
539999 - New Operating	-	\$95,200	\$95,200	-
REQUESTS GREATER THAN BASELINE TOTAL	-	\$137,355	\$137,355	-
Total Expenditures	\$11,221,600	\$11,999,736	-	-

Public Works- Facilities- Environmental Resources- Recycling

	PRIOR ADOPTED		PROPOSED	
	FY2026	FY2027	\$ Change from FY2026	% Change from FY2026
Expenditures				
Personal Services	\$1,659,526	\$1,645,036	-\$14,490	-1%
Fringe Benefits	\$422,918	\$459,171	\$36,253	9%
Supplies	\$284,900	\$243,930	-\$40,970	-14%
Other Services & Chrgs	\$6,858,700	\$7,065,970	\$207,270	3%
Operating Contingency	\$24,756	\$73,254	\$48,498	196%
Capital Outlay	\$296,700	\$145,400	-\$151,300	-51%
Depreciation Expense	\$159,000	\$164,600	\$5,600	4%
Debt Service	\$42,000	\$56,300	\$14,300	34%
EXPENDITURES TOTAL	\$9,748,500	\$9,853,661	\$105,161	1%
Requests Greater than Baseline				
New Positions	\$0	\$42,155	\$42,155	-
New Operating	\$0	\$95,200	\$95,200	-
REQUESTS GREATER THAN BASELINE TOTAL	\$0	\$137,355	\$137,355	-
Total Expenditures	\$9,748,500	\$9,716,306	-	-

New Positions

Title	Quantity	Grade	Total Request	Salary	Fringe	Operating
Recycling Equipment Operator III	1	A108	\$42,154	\$30,826	\$9,568	\$1,760
	1		\$42,154	\$30,826	\$9,568	\$1,760

Vehicles and Equipment List

New Request

Item Description	Justification	Asset Value of Request	Direct Purchase	Annual Lease	1/2 Year Payment
Excavator	Recycling operations require a second excavator to support operations at the landfill and at the Piney Church mulch facility.	\$575,000	0	128,700	64,400
Grapple Truck	Recycling operations require a Non-CDL grapple truck that can be utilized by Recycling Equipment Operator I's to support recycling efforts at multiple sites.	\$275,000	0	61,600	30,800
		\$850,000	0	190,300	95,200

Changes and Useful Information

- **Personal Services and Fringe Benefits** include approved FY2026 salary increases and a potential merit increase for FY2027. The decrease in Personal Services is due to turnover.
- **Operating Expenses** variances are due to the following:
 - (\$40,970) - Supplies
 - Decreasing due to reduction of expenses and last year's one-time costs.
 - \$207,270 - Other Services & Charges
 - Increasing to accommodate higher than anticipated costs for the rebidding of the curbside yard waste contract. Also includes an increase to cover the full-year cost of service plus expansion of 1,000 homes for nine (9) months.
 - \$48,498 - Operating Contingency
 - Increased to cover potential revenue shortfalls and/or expenditure overruns.
 - (\$151,300) - Capital Outlay
 - Decreased one-time equipment purchases in FY2026.
 - \$5,600 - Equipment Reserve (Depreciation Expense)
 - Increasing based on anticipated costs.
 - \$14,300 - Debt Service
 - Includes payments associated with bank financing certain vehicles and equipment.

Public Works- Facilities- Environmental Resources- Litter Control

	PRIOR ADOPTED		PROPOSED	
	FY2026	FY2027	\$ Change from FY2026	% Change from FY2026
Expenditures				
Personal Services	\$620,935	\$681,628	\$60,693	10%
Fringe Benefits	\$191,414	\$207,959	\$16,545	9%
Supplies	\$36,800	\$36,800	\$0	0%
Other Services & Chrgs	\$272,100	\$389,600	\$117,500	43%
Operating Contingency	\$18,351	\$44,133	\$25,782	140%
Debt Service	\$10,500	\$5,200	-\$5,300	-50%
EXPENDITURES TOTAL	\$1,150,100	\$1,365,320	\$215,220	19%
Total Expenditures	\$1,150,100	\$1,365,320	–	–

Changes and Useful Information

- **Personal Services and Fringe Benefits** include approved FY2026 salary increases and a potential merit increase for FY2027.
- **Operating Expense** variances are due to the following:
 - \$117,500 - Other Services & Charges
 - Increasing to accommodate higher than anticipated costs of recycling contracted services and to account for inflation and aging litter control equipment.
 - \$25,782 - Operating Contingency
 - Increasing to cover potential revenue shortfalls and/or expenditure overruns.
 - (\$5,300) - Debt Service
 - Includes payments associated with bank financing certain vehicles and equipment.

Public Works- Facilities- Environmental Resources- Pisgah

	PRIOR ADOPTED	PROPOSED		% Change from FY2026
	FY2026	FY2027	\$ Change from FY2026	
Expenditures				
Other Services & Chrgs	\$181,200	\$187,000	\$5,800	3%
EXPENDITURES TOTAL	\$181,200	\$187,000	\$5,800	3%
Total Expenditures	\$181,200	\$187,000	-	-

Changes and Useful Information

- **Other Services and Charges** increased to accommodate higher than anticipated contract costs from rebid of services and to account for inflation.

Full-Time Equivalents

Position Title	Grade	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	variance
Director of Public Works	A123	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0
Deputy Director of Public Works Facilities	A122	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0
Chief of Environmental Resources	A120	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0
Assistant Chief of Environmental Resources	A118	0	0	0.3	0.3	0.3	0
Inventory Program Manager	A118	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0
Department of Public Works Project and Program Manager	A117	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0
Recycling Operations Superintendent	A116	1	1	1	1	1	0
Recycling/Litter Control Superintendent	A116	1	1	1	1	1	0
Strategic Operations Officer	A116	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0
Administrative and Financial Manager	A116	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0
Human Resources Liaison	A115	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0
Administrative and Financial Specialist	A114	1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0
Litter Control Manager	A114	1	1	1	1	1	0
Litter Control Supervisor	A113	3	3	3	3	3	0
Inventory Specialist	A112	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0
Recycling Citizen Response Coordinator	A112	0	0	1	1	1	0
Recycling Collections Specialist	A112	1	1	1	1	1	0
Recycling Contract Specialist	A112	1	1	1	1	1	0
Environmental Resources Specialist	A111	0	0	1	1	1	0
Recycling Operations Supervisor	A111	1	1	1	1	1	0
Recycling Equipment Operator IV	A109	2	2	2	2	2	0
Landfill Equip Operator I	A106	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	0
Recycling Equipment Operator I	A106	2	2	2	2	2	0
Environmental Resources Technician	A105	2	2	2	2	2	0
Litter Control Technician	A102	4	4	4	4	4	0
Recycling Site Attendant	A102	1.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	0
Part Time	-	10.4	10.4	10.4	10.4	10.4	0
		34.5	35.8	38.1	38.1	38.1	0

Planning and Growth Management

FISCAL YEAR 2027 PROPOSED BUDGET

Description

The **ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE** fund was established as an Enterprise Fund to account for environmental programs such as Recycling, Litter Control, Hazardous Waste, and other related environmental programs. The fund is supported 100% by fees and charges, the most prominent being the Environmental Service Fee (ESF). The ESF is charged annually to each improved property within the County. Improved property is land with one or more structures on it. Through the years, the County has raised the ESF fee to expand coverage as needed and to cover other expenditure increases.

Expenditures

	PRIOR ADOPTED	PROPOSED		% Change from FY2026
	FY2026	FY2027	\$ Change from FY2026	
Expenditures				
Personal Services	\$134,616	\$140,330	\$5,714	4%
Fringe Benefits	\$46,805	\$53,589	\$6,784	14%
Supplies	\$200	\$200	\$0	0%
OtherServices&Chrgs	\$153,200	\$153,600	\$400	0%
OperatingContingency	\$3,579	\$11,045	\$7,466	209%
EXPENDITURES TOTAL	\$338,400	\$358,764	\$20,364	6%
Total Expenditures	\$338,400	\$358,764	-	-

Planning

	PRIOR ADOPTED	REQUEST		% Change from FY2026
	FY2026	FY2027	\$ Change from FY2026	
Expenditures				
Personal Services	\$106,684	\$110,052	\$3,368	3%
Fringe Benefits	\$35,863	\$41,739	\$5,876	16%
Supplies	\$200	\$200	\$0	0%
OtherServices&Chrgs	\$3,200	\$3,600	\$400	13%
OperatingContingency	\$169	\$10,400	\$10,231	6,054%
EXPENDITURES TOTAL	\$146,116	\$165,991	\$19,875	14%

Changes and Useful Information:

- **Personal Services** and **Fringe Benefits** include approved FY2026 salary increases and a potential merit increase for FY2027.
- **Other Services and Charges** increased \$400 to accommodate higher than anticipated costs.
- **Operating Contingency** is to cover potential revenue shortfalls and/or expenditure overruns.

Septic Pump-Out Reimbursement Program

	PRIOR ADOPTED		REQUEST	
	FY2026	FY2027	\$ Change from FY2026	% Change from FY2026
Expenditures				
Personal Services	\$27,932	\$28,246	\$314	1%
Fringe Benefits	\$10,942	\$11,837	\$895	8%
OtherServices&Chrgs	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$0	0%
OperatingContingency	\$3,410	\$2,700	-\$710	-21%
EXPENDITURES TOTAL	\$192,284	\$192,783	\$499	0%

Changes and Useful Information

- **Personal Services** and **Fringe Benefits** include approved FY2026 salary increases and a potential merit increase for FY2027.
- **Operating Contingency** is to cover potential revenue shortfalls and/or expenditure overruns.

Full-Time Equivalents

Position Title	Grade	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	variance
Climate Resilience and Sustainability Officer	A117	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0
Planner III	A115	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0
Planner I	A113	0	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0
Planning Technician	A112	0	0	0.2	0.2	0.2	0
Planning and Growth Management Support Specialist	A106	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0
		0.9	1.4	1.6	1.6	1.6	0