COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND 2016 Legislative Session

Resolution No.	CR-64-2016
Proposed by	The Chairman (by request – County Executive)
Introduced by	Council Members Davis, Turner and Taveras
Co-Sponsors	
Date of Introduc	September 13, 2016
	RESOLUTION
A RESOLUTION	N concerning
Prince George's	County's Watershed Protection and Restoration Financial Assurance Plan (FAP)
For the purpose of	of approving the Prince George's County Financial Assurance Plan

WHEREAS, the Prince George's County's FAP is a plan required by the State of Maryland (State) to indicate how stormwater runoff will be treated and paid for over the next five (5) years and will provide the financial roadmap for complying with the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) total maximum daily load (TMDL) requirements, also known as the "pollution diet" for Chesapeake Bay; and

WHEREAS, in May 2015, pursuant to Senate Bill 863 there were revisions to the storm water management program, which eliminated the mandatory stormwater remediation fees and required the development of the financial assurance plans from the State's ten (10) largest urban jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, FAP ensures that each National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Phase I Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) jurisdictions will have adequate funding to meet their Phase I MS4 permit requirement for impervious surfaces restoration; and

WHEREAS, Section 4-202.1 of the Environment Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland provides every two (2) years thereafter on the anniversary of the date of issuance of its National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Phase I Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit, a county shall file with the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) a financial assurance plan; and

WHEREAS, FAP must detail the following: (1) all actions required to meet MS4 permit

requirements; (2) annual and projected 5-year costs necessary to meet the "impervious surface restoration plan" (ISRP) requirement, more commonly known as the 20% restoration requirement in current permits; (3) annual and projected 5-year revenues that will be used toward meeting the 20% restoration requirement; (4) any and all sources of funds used toward meeting MS4 permit requirements; (5) all specific actions and expenditures undertaken in the previous fiscal years to meet the 20% restoration requirement; and

WHEREAS, Prince George's County is required to submit the information contained in the FAP utilizing templates provided by MDE; and

WHEREAS, the Prince George's County Department of the Environment (DOE) completed the FAP using the recommended FY 2017 operating budget and the recommended FY 2017-FY 2022 CIP budget; and

WHEREAS, the Prince George's County FAP is set forth as "Exhibits A, A-1, A-2 and A-3" (Exhibit A) attached hereto and made part hereof; and

WHEREAS, the local governing body has demonstrated sufficient funding and approves of the FAP, as set forth in the joint letter from the County Executive and the County, "Exhibit B" attached hereto and made part hereof; and

WHEREAS, the MDE will determine whether the FAP demonstrates sufficient funding within ninety (90) days after Prince George's County files with MDE; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to State law, FAP must demonstrate that Prince George's County has dedicated revenues, funds, or sources of funds to meet 75% of the projected costs of compliance with the impervious surface restoration requirements under its permit for the two (2) year period immediately following the filing date of the plan; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 4-202.1(j) (4) (iii) of the Environment Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland the filing of a second or subsequent FAP, the funding must demonstrate Prince George's County has dedicated revenues, funds, or sources of funds to meet 100% of the projected costs of compliance with the impervious surface restoration requirements under its permit for the two (2) year immediately following the filing date of the plan; and

WHEREAS, the Prince George's County 2016 FAP demonstrates Prince George's County has dedicated revenues, funds, or sources of funds or sources of funds to achieve 75% of the projected cost of compliance for the two (2) year period immediately following the filing date of the FAP to fulfill the requirements of Prince George's County's National Pollutant Discharge

Elimination System Phase I Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 4-202.1 (j)(3) of the Environment Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, a county or municipality may not file a financial assurance plan until the local governing body of the county or municipality (1) holds a public hearing on the financial assurance plan; and (2) approves the financial assurance plan; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's County, Maryland, that the Prince George's County's Watershed Protection and Restoration Financial Assurance Plan is approved as reflected and described in Exhibits A and B.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon adoption of this Resolution, it shall be transmitted to the County Executive by the Clerk of the Council to submit the Prince George's County's Watershed Protection and Restoration Financial Assurance Plan to the Maryland Department of the Environment.

Adopted this $1st$ day of November, 2016.	
	COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND
BY:	
51.	Derrick Leon Davis Chairman
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Clerk of the Council	
	APPROVED:
DATE:	BY: