THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Office of Audits and Investigations

September 12, 2017

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Robert J. Williams, Jr. Council Administrator

William M. Hunt

Deputy Council Administrator

THRU:

David H. Van Dyke

County Auditor

FROM:

Inez N. Claggett

Senior Legislative Auditor

RE:

Fiscal Impact Statement

CB-076-2017 Wastewater Protection and Restoration Program Revenue

Pursuant to your request, we have reviewed CB-076-2017 to estimate its fiscal impact on Prince George's County, Maryland.

CB-076-2017 authorizes the borrowing, administration, and repayment of \$48,000,000 from the Maryland Water Quality Financing Administration. Proceeds from the loan are to be used to fund the County's obligations under the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Discharge Permit (MS4 Permit) which authorizes the storage or treatment of stormwater runoff in order to mitigate flooding, reduce pollution loads, and achieve impervious surface credits. These capital improvement projects comprise the County's Watershed Protection and Restoration Program.

Multiple sites subject to the MS4 Permit within the County are anticipated to be retrofitted using the loan proceeds. Approximately 960 impervious acres will be planned, designed, and constructed using various treatment options approved by the Maryland Department of the Environment. These treatment options may include, but are not limited to, small rain gardens, large urban retrofit solutions, pond retrofits, County right-of-ways, green streets, high-flow media treatment devices, bio-swales, and other green infrastructure.

The borrowing, administration, and repayment of the loan obligation will not create additional indebtedness or charge against Prince George's County. The Note, and the interest payable on the Note, will be a limited obligation of the County such that repayment of the obligation will be made solely from revenues derived from and secured by certain amounts within the Local Watershed Protection and Restoration Fund.

Enactment of CB-076-2017 should not have an adverse fiscal impact on the County.

If you require additional information, or have questions about this fiscal impact statement, please call me.