

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS**

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Goldstein Treasury Building, Room 213

60 Calvert St.

Annapolis, MD 21401

974-3443

**BUDGET (CODE 23.05.01)**

FY1991 Total Appropriation .....	\$6,271,258
General Funds .....	\$6,096,258
Special Funds .....	\$ 175,000
FY1991 Total Authorized Positions .....	3

**MANDATED REPORTS**

*Report to General Assembly on expenditures from Contingent Fund due by first day of 1992 legislative session.*

**ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE**

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**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**

James J. McGinty, Jr., *Secretary* ..... 974-3443

Vacancy, *Assistant Secretary* ..... 974-3651

**PROCUREMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL**

*Chairperson:* James J. McGinty, Jr.,  
*Secretary, Board of Public Works*

..... 974-3443

**PROCUREMENT ADVISOR**

Sandra K. Reynold, *Procurement*

*Advisor* (appointed by Board of

Public Works) ..... 974-2375

**WETLANDS ADMINISTRATION  
(23.05.01.05)**

FY1991 appropriation ..... \$140,216

FY1991 authorized positions ..... 3

Harold Cassell, *Wetlands Administrator*

..... 974-2664

**ORIGIN & FUNCTIONS**

Maryland's first Board of Public Works, a nine-member body, was created in 1825 and abolished three years later (Chapter 166, Acts of 1825; Chapter 64, Acts of 1828). The Constitution of 1851 provided that four Commissioners of Public Works would be popularly elected to represent four regional districts of the State (Const. 1851, Art. VII, secs. 1-3). The Constitution of 1864 established the three-member Board of Public Works (Const. 1864, Art. VII, secs. 1-3).

The Board of Public Works is composed of the Governor, the Comptroller of the Treasury, and the State Treasurer. The Constitution requires the Board to meet on the first Wednesday of January, April, July, and October in Annapolis and more often when necessary (Const., Art. XII, secs. 1-3). Usually, meetings are held weekly.

The Board exercises such powers and duties as are prescribed in the Constitution or delegated to it from time to time by the General Assembly. The Board approves the expenditures of all sums appropriated through State loans authorized by the General Assembly, as well as the expenditures of all general and other funds appropriated for capital improvements except those appropriated for State roads, bridges, and highways. The Board approves every new lease or renewal for land, buildings, or office space before such contracts are executed by any department, board, commission, State officer, or institution of the State. It also may designate the location of any State agency, after review by the Secretary of Budget and Fiscal Planning.

The Board may borrow upon the credit of the State, at any time between the sessions of the General Assembly, sums not to exceed \$50,000 to meet temporary deficits in the Treasury. In addition, the Board may borrow upon the credit of the State total amounts not exceeding \$1,000,000 in anticipation of the collection of taxes or other revenues, including the proceeds from the sale of bonds. All such loans bear interest at a rate determined by the Board, and must mature and be repaid at or before the end of the fiscal year in which the money is borrowed (Const., Art. III, sec. 34).