

*and if the amount of estimated receipts from such benefit assessments and special ad valorem taxes, together with other revenues available for the payment of such interest and principal, shall be insufficient to pay such interest and principal, the County Commissioners shall levy or cause to be levied ad valorem taxes upon all the assessable property within the corporate limits of Anne Arundel County in rate and amount sufficient to provide for such payments. In the event the proceeds from the benefit assessments, special ad valorem taxes and ad valorem taxes upon all the assessable property within Anne Arundel County levied in any fiscal year, together with other revenues available for the payment of the interest and principal of such bonds, prove inadequate for the above purpose, additional taxes shall be levied in the succeeding fiscal year to make up any such deficiency. The County Commissioners may apply to the payment of principal and interest of any bonds issued hereunder any funds received by the County from the State of Maryland, the United States of America, any agency or instrumentality thereof, or from any other source, if such funds are granted for the purpose of assisting the County in construction of storm water or surface water drainage systems and to the extent of any such funds received or receivable in any fiscal year the taxes hereby required to be levied may be reduced proportionately.*

*6A-10. For the purpose of providing for the payment of principal and the interest on the bonds issued by the County Commissioners under the terms and conditions of this Chapter for the construction of storm water or surface water drainage systems, there shall be levied by the County Commissioners a special assessment to be known as a drainage system assessment against all of the properties within said drainage area served by said system, whether immediately or remotely, which the County Commissioners may determine to be specially benefited by said system, based on the area or on the assessed value of all of the property belonging to any owner within said drainage area and so benefited, which special assessment shall be uniform throughout the area affected. The special assessment aforesaid shall be made on either an area basis or on an assessed valuation basis whichever is deemed more equitable and just by the County Commissioners and such selection as made by the County Commissioners shall be final and conclusive. Such special assessments shall be levied annually in such amount as the County Commissioners shall determine to be equitable and just to the end that the drainage system assessments together with the special ad valorem taxes to be levied pursuant to Section 6A-11 of this Chapter shall be the primary source for the payment of the principal of and interest on the bonds authorized to be issued by this Chapter. Before the special assessment as provided by this section of this Chapter is levied, the County Commissioners shall mail to the owners of all properties within said drainage area or part thereof upon which it is proposed to levy a special assessment, at the address of such owner as appears from the tax records of Anne Arundel County, notice that such special assessment is to be levied and giving said property owners an opportunity to be heard thereon at a time and place fixed in said notice. At such hearing, the County Commissioners may adjust such special assessment, maintaining*