

TO THE APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS, THE STATE MAY LEASE, LEND, GRANT, OR OTHERWISE CONVEY TO THE SERVICE ANY PROPERTY THAT IS NECESSARY FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(u) To do all things necessary to carry out its purposes and for the exercise of the powers granted in this subtitle.

(v) Except as provided in §§ 3-109 and 3-110 of this subtitle, the Service does not have any power to construct, establish, or operate any new solid waste disposal project within the boundaries of any county or municipal corporation without the express consent of the governing body of the county or municipal corporation.

(w) To permit a municipality to construct, operate, maintain, expand, relocate, replace, renovate, or repair facilities provided for in this subtitle when the Service certifies that it is not in a position to provide the necessary construction, operation, maintenance, expansion, relocation, replacement, renovation, or repair of facilities within the municipality. Notwithstanding other provisions in this subtitle and limited to the circumstances in this subsection, a municipality shall finance construction, operation, maintenance, expansion, relocation, replacement, renovation, or repair of facilities in accordance with its statutory authority, including the receiving of State and federal grants if available. The municipality may construct, operate, maintain, expand, relocate, replace, renovate, or repair these facilities.

(x) In making plans, surveys, studies, and investigations under this subtitle, the Service shall include in its findings its statement of the impact that a project may have on the site on which the project is to be located if that site has cultural, historic, or social significance.

(Y) TO CREATE, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE BOARD, PRIVATE CORPORATIONS FOR PURPOSES CONSISTENT WITH THIS SUBTITLE.

(Z) TO EXERCISE ALL THE CORPORATE POWERS GRANTED MARYLAND CORPORATIONS UNDER THE MARYLAND GENERAL CORPORATION LAW.

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(a) The Service is responsible for carrying out the following general activities subject to the limitations stated in this section.

(b) Planning, integrating, and establishing geographic service regions and districts, in cooperation with affected municipalities and based upon approved State-county master plans for water and sewerage, and solid waste disposal as provided in the Environment Article, as well as other plans and studies permitted by this subtitle.

(c) Research and developmental studies and investigations into improved methods and techniques of water supply, liquid wastes, and solid wastes acquisition, transportation, processing, RECYCLING, purification, disposal and management, and technical consultation and assistance to design, management, and operation personnel of the Service and, pursuant to an order or request, to appropriate municipalities or persons possessing similar responsibilities.