

BY adding to

Article – Natural Resources

Section 5-901(b-1), 5-904(d) and (e), and 5-906(e)(8)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1989 Replacement Volume and 1994 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Natural Resources

5-901.

(B-1) (1) "CAPITAL RENEWAL", EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (I)(5) OF THIS SECTION, MEANS RENEWAL OF A CAPITAL PROJECT FOR WHICH AN IMPROVEMENT IS NECESSARY TO ENSURE THE PHYSICAL INTEGRITY OF:

- (I) A FACILITY;
- (II) FIXED EQUIPMENT; OR
- (III) AN EXISTING PHYSICAL IMPROVEMENT.

(2) "CAPITAL RENEWAL" DOES NOT INCLUDE:

(I) PREVENTIVE, ROUTINE, OR OPERATIONAL MAINTENANCE PROJECTS INSTITUTED TO ENSURE:

- 1. THE AESTHETIC APPEAL OF A PROJECT;
- 2. THE GENERAL DAILY UPKEEP OF A PROJECT; OR
- 3. THE MAINTENANCE OF GROUNDS SURROUNDING A PROJECT; OR

(II) PREVENTIVE, ROUTINE, OR OPERATIONAL ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECTS EXCEPT FOR THOSE PARK OR RECREATION AREA ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECTS IDENTIFIED IN THE GOVERNOR'S OPERATING BUDGET OR THE CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BUDGET.

5-902.

(a) The General Assembly declares that there is need for a program to make funds available to State agencies and any subdivision to:

(1) Expedite acquisition of outdoor recreation and open space areas before escalating cost of land prevents its purchase for public use and before potential areas are devoted to some other use; and

(2) Accelerate development AND CAPITAL RENEWAL of needed outdoor recreation facilities.