

## [Board of Public Works]

## SUBTITLE 9. THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

[3-67.] 3-901. Authorized; powers and duties.

(a) Authority to create. The County Commissioners of Carroll County may abolish any water or sewer authority created by the County Commissioners pursuant to the provisions of [Sections 445 through 466 of Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland] §§ 9-901 THROUGH 9-925 OF THE ENVIRONMENT ARTICLE OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, or by public local law enacted by the General Assembly and may abolish any sanitary district or commission created pursuant to the provisions of [Sections 645 through 673 of Article 43] §§ 9-601 THROUGH 9-669 OF THE ENVIRONMENT ARTICLE OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND or enacted by public local law by the General Assembly. After such an authority, district or commission has been abolished, or if none exists, the County Commissioners shall create a Department of Public Works and shall provide for its organization and functions.

(b) Responsibilities. This Department of Public Works may be granted responsibility for the construction, maintenance and control of the following:

(1) General county public works, buildings, publicly-owned water and sewerage facilities and capital projects;

(2) Roads, highways, bridges and streets, lanes, alleys, footways and culverts;

(3) Water supply facilities and projects;

(4) Wastewater collection, treatment and disposal facilities and projects;

(5) Solid waste collection, recycling and disposal facilities and projects;

(6) Storm drainage, erosion and sediment control facilities and projects;

(7) Lighting for roads, highways, alleys and other public places;

(8) Fire hydrants, mosquito control facilities and programs and snow and ice removal; AND

(9) Whatever other functions and duties which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section and are assigned by the County Commissioners.

(c) Provisions for prior indebtedness. An ordinance or resolution creating a Department of Public Works shall provide for the retiring, refunding, refinancing, transfer, or assumption of any existing applicable outstanding bonded indebtedness of the County authority, district or commission which preceded it.

(d) Effect of statute. The powers granted to County Commissioners may be exercised notwithstanding the existence of any public general law or public local law to the contrary which is in existence at the time the County Commissioners exercise the power granted by this section.