

project cost estimate resulting from the project addition or change in scope.

Notification of changes in scope shall be made to the General Assembly concurrent with the submission of the draft and final CTP. Notification of new construction project additions, as outlined in paragraph (1) above, shall be made to the General Assembly prior to the expenditure of funds or the submission of any contract for approval to the Board of Public Works.

It is the intent of the General Assembly that funds dedicated to the Transportation Trust Fund shall be applied to purposes bearing direct relation to the State transportation program, unless directed otherwise by legislation. To implement this intent for the Maryland Department of Transportation in fiscal 2008, no commitment of funds in excess of \$250,000 may be made nor such an amount may be transferred, by budget amendment or otherwise, for any project or purpose not normally arising in connection with the ordinary ongoing operation of the department and not contemplated in the approved budget or the last published Consolidated Transportation Program without 45 days of review and comment by the budget committees.

The Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) shall not expend funds on any job or position of employment approved in this budget in excess of ~~9,088.5~~ ~~9,092.5~~ 9,090.5 positions and 182.39 contractual full-time equivalents paid through special payments payroll (defined as the quotient of the sum of the hours worked by all such employees in the fiscal year divided by 2,080 hours) of the total authorized amount established in the budget for MDOT at any one time during fiscal 2008.