May 5, 2021

Mr. Benjamin Grumbles, Secretary
Maryland Department of the Environment
1800 Washington Boulevard
Baltimore, Maryland 21230

Dear Mr. Grumbles:

I am pleased to submit Montgomery County's FY2020 Financial Assurance Plan (FAP). This submission fulfills the requirements of the 2015 revisions of the Annotated Code of Maryland, Section 4202.1 of the Maryland Environmental Article, Watershed Protection and Restoration Programs. The 2020 FAP is a true, accurate, and complete demonstration that the County has sufficient funding for the completion of 100 percent of the Impervious Surface Restoration Plan (ISRP) requirements under the County’s 2010 Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit, as well as the costs for continuing the operational programs associated with the 2010 MS4 permit and costs projected for the next MS4 permit.

The County’s current permit was issued on February 16, 2010, with a requirement to restore 20 percent of the uncontrolled impervious surfaces in the County’s MS4 service area. That requirement was met on December 28, 2018 and certified by MDE on November 25, 2019. Since completing the ISRP in the 2010 MS4 permit, the County has continued to implement restoration programs and projects that will be credited towards the County’s next permit, anticipated to be issued in Summer 2021.

The information provided in the excel workbooks covers the costs of implementing the ISRP in the current permit and the work that is projected in FY21 through FY25 to meet the next MS4 Permit. The expenditures cover the ongoing operational responsibilities of the current permit such as street sweeping and inlet cleaning as well as the debt service payments for the two water quality protection bonds and state revolving loan issued to fund implementation of the ISRP.

Environment Article Section 4-202.1(j)(3) requires a jurisdiction’s local governing body to hold a public hearing and approve the FAP before it can be submitted to MDE. The FAP was introduced by Resolution to Council on February 23, 2021. A public hearing was held on March 9, 2021. The FAP was approved by full Council on April 13, 2021 via adoption of Resolution 19-791.
If you have any questions concerning this regulation or require additional information, please contact Amy Stevens, Section Chief of the Planning, Outreach, and Monitoring Section within the Watershed Restoration Division, at 240-832-3026 or via email at amy.stevens@montgomerycountymd.gov.

Sincerely,

Patty Bubar for
Adam Ortiz
Director

Enclosures: Montgomery County's 2020 Financial Assurance Plan and Executive Summary
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