

**Subject:** Testimony and Fiscal Impact Statement

**To:** Lonnie Robbins  
Chief Administrative Officer

**From:** James M. Irvin, Public Works Director  
Holly Sun, Budget Administrator

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**Date:** April 22, 2015

The Department of Public Works requests the transfer of \$900,000 to the Bureau of Highways to cover unanticipated snow removal expenses. Additional funds are necessary to cover snow removal expenses that exceed the Fiscal 2015 snow removal budget of \$1.4 million plus SAO No.6 that transferred \$1.9 million from the General Fund contingency reserve account approved by the County Council on April 8, 2015.

Section 609(c) of the Howard County Charter authorizes the County Council to approve transfers between departments of County government during the last quarter of the fiscal year. The Office of the Budget has identified unanticipated General Fund surplus in the Command Operations Division of the Police Department that can be transferred to the Department of Public Works to cover this shortfall and the Department of Finance has certified the funds to be unencumbered and available for transfer.

Thank you for your consideration and feel free to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

cc: M. Dudeck  
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Attachment: FY15 Snow Budget/Expense

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**  
**Fiscal 2015 Snow Removal Budget/Expense**

<b>Commitment Item</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Expense</b>	<b>Surplus/ (Shortfall)</b>
500900 - Overtime	160,000	1,095,718	(935,718)
511600 - Equipment Maintenance	216,700	40,598	176,102
515900 - Other Contractual Services	396,000	289,347	106,653
518060 - Equipment Rentals	145,068	129,725	15,343
521500 - Food Purchases	20,000	11,076	8,924
521730 - Hardware & Related Supplies	63,000	10,288	52,712
522190 - Other Vehicle Eq & Sup	25,973	0	25,973
522220 - Snow Removal Sup	400,000	2,526,264	(2,126,264)
522233 - Calcium	15,000	32,976	(17,976)
530500 - Capital Equipment	0	10,888	(10,888)
581050 - Fuel-Diesel	0	173,176	(173,176)
582050 - Fuel-Gasoline	0	5,866	(5,866)
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,441,741</b>	<b>4,325,922</b>	<b>(2,884,181)</b>
<b>SAO Approved</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>1,990,000</b>
<b>Remaining Shortfall</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>(894,181)</b>