

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF HARFORD COUNTY

INFORMATIONAL REPORT

**DECISION ON SCHOOL/ORGANIZATION SPONSORED PROJECT
ROYE-WILLIAMS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
HARFORD COUNTY DPW FOREST PLANTINGS**

SEPTEMBER 16, 2024

Background Information:

Harford County Department of Public Works (DPW) is proposing to plant forested acreage on previously mowed sections of the Roye-Williams Elementary School campus. The project is part of the County's watershed protection and restoration program. The purpose of this program is to improve the quality of the streams in Harford County, and ultimately Chesapeake Bay. The trees will provide treatment for stormwater runoff while also providing shade for students and staff.

Discussion:

The design, coordination, purchase and installation of the trees will be completed by the DPW's Watershed Protection and Restoration Department. The project will be funded and managed by personnel from the DPW. The HCPS Department of Facilities Management will monitor all work that is completed to ensure compliance with the agreed scope of work. The DPW will be providing short-term and long-term maintenance.

All necessary documentation has been submitted and reviewed by the appropriate school system staff, with comments through the Assistant Superintendent for Operations, as required by school system procedures. The DPW will comply with the items described in the comments.

Superintendent's Recommendation:

The Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board of Education approve the tree planting project proposed by the DPW. The estimated cost for design, coordination, procurement, and installation of the trees for the Roye-Williams Elementary School project is \$271,293.56.