



# BROOKE'S BPW BRIEF



***Breaking down the Board of Public Works***

## **Meeting Date**

March 19, 2025

## **FOREST PRODUCTS SALE IN GARRETT COUNTY**

The Board approved a request from the Department of Natural Resources to sell nearly 206,000 board feet of sawtimber and 409 cords of pulpwood to Joe Colmer Logging (Grantsville, MD) from the Savage River State Forest. A hardwood thinning harvest will be conducted in Compartment 39 because the stand is overstocked. The harvest will remove some oak and maple trees, allowing for more favorable growth conditions for the remaining oak trees.

The sale will generate \$85,786 in revenue, representing 127% of the estimated value.

Board approval is required for forest product sales that are anticipated to generate revenue over \$50,000.

## **HIGHWAY MOWING IN ANNE ARUNDEL & CALVERT COUNTIES**

The Board approved a request from the State Highway Administration to award Manuel Landscaping, Inc. (Owings Mills, MD), Just Work Landscaping, LLC (Gaithersburg, MD), and A. Marquez Trucking Inc. (Silver Spring, MD) three contracts to provide median and roadside mowing and litter pickup along highways in Anne Arundel & Calvert Counties.

Each of the three firms are certified small business, and the latter two are dually certified small and minority businesses.

## **Summary Figures**

The BPW approved 123 items, representing a total State expenditure of \$388.6 million, including:

- 17 items awarding \$14.8 million to prime certified small businesses.
- 8 items awarding \$10.5 million to certified Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) primes.
- 12 items awarded with established participation goals for MBEs.
- 1 items awarding \$295,000 to Employment Works Providers.
- Grant agreements for 25 projects located in 9 counties and Baltimore City with a total value of \$12.6 million.

## **COPPIN STATE'S NEW RESIDENCE HALL**

The Board approved a request from Coppin State University to award Consigli Construction Company Inc. (Washington, DC) the final of 3 bid packages for the construction of a new residence hall. The bid package was awarded at a cost of \$13.2 million.

The new facility will add 350 new beds, bringing the campus-wide total to 1,000 beds. The project, which is expected to achieve USGBC LEED Gold certification, will address projected on-campus demand, as well as establish a residential living and learning community at the heart of the campus.