



September 17, 2025

Mr. Hayden Lindsey  
Director of Public Works  
City of Frostburg  
P.O. Box 440  
Frostburg, MD 21532

**RE: Frostburg CSO Elimination, Phase X-B  
Bid Recommendation  
SPECS Project No. 5671**

Dear Mr. Lindsey:

On September 9, 2025, bids were received by the City of Frostburg for the subject project. Three bids were received out of four responsive bidders. The apparent low base bid was submitted by Excavating Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$3,794,545.00. Their Add Alternate price was \$397,604.00. Second Lowest bid was submitted by Braddock Construction. LLC. In the amount of \$3,930,608.00. Low bid for the Add Alternate was submitted by Braddock Construction in the amount of \$343,535.00

The Engineer's Opinion of Probable Cost was \$4,381,120.00. The low bid is 13% under the Engineer's Estimate. The remaining bids were received from First Fruits and Braddock Construction. Attached is the bid tabulation for all the bidders. Average of all bidders was \$4,051,876.67.

As requested, Excavating Associates turned in their Good Faith Effort documentation. The documentation is attached to this recommendation. Based upon the review of all bids received, we recommend Excavating Associates, Inc., as the lowest responsible and responsive bidder, be awarded the project base bid. This recommendation is qualified upon receiving MDE's approval and the City's acceptance of the DBE requirements.

Sincerely,

SPECS, Inc.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Raymond C. Rase'. The signature is fluid and cursive, written over a light blue rectangular background.

Raymond C. Rase, PE, Prof. LS  
President

Attachments

Bid Tab  
EA Good Faith Effort Documentation

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**APRIL 22, 2026**



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**16. MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT  
*Sewer Overflow and Stormwater Reuse Municipal Grant (OSG)*  
*Maryland Water Quality State Revolving Loan Fund***

**Recommendation:** That the Board of Public Works approve new funding as described.

**Authority:** Maryland Water Infrastructure Financing Administration Act  
Sections 9-1601--9-1622, Environment Article,  
Annotated Code of Maryland

**Project:** Frostburg CSO Elimination Phase X-B Cemetery Lane

**Recipient:** City of Frostburg

**Amount:** Up to \$4,476,437

**Location:** Allegany County/Legislative District 1B

**Project Description:** This project continues the City of Frostburg's multi-phased effort to separate their combined sewers into separate sanitary sewers and storm sewers. This project will reduce Combined Sewer Overflows in the City of Frostburg. This project will be constructed in accordance with coastal and non-coastal resiliency guidelines developed as part of the Coast Smart Program to reduce risks to such projects.

**Financing Description:**

- A. New Loan (up to) \$1,339,219 – Water Quality State Revolving Loan Fund**  
*Term.* Period not to exceed 30 years following project completion  
*Rate.* Disadvantaged community interest rate of 25% of the average of the Bond Buyer 11-Bond Index for the month preceding loan closing. (Based on this formula, in fiscal year 2025 loan recipients received interest-rates ranging from 0.90% to 1.20%)  
*Security.* Borrower will deliver its bond, along with its full faith credit endorsement, to the Maryland Water Infrastructure Financing Administration.
- B. New Loan Forgiveness (up to) \$1,339,218 – Water Quality State Revolving Loan Fund**  
Complies with Water Quality State Revolving Loan Fund Program’s disadvantaged-community criteria. Principal forgiveness loan terms/grant conditions are enforceable should Recipient default.
- C. New Grant (up to) \$1,798,000 – Sewer Overflow and Stormwater Reuse Municipal Grant (OSG)**

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**16. MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT (continued)**

*Project Funding Sources:*

Water Quality State Revolving Loan Fund ( <i>this Item</i> )	\$ 1,339,219
Water Quality State Revolving Loan Fund Forgiveness ( <i>this Item</i> )	\$ 1,339,218
Sewer Overflow and Stormwater Reuse Municipal Grant (OSG)( <i>this Item</i> )	\$ 1,798,000
<u>Local Share</u>	<u>\$ 45,000</u>
Total Estimated Project Cost:	\$ 4,521,437

*Funding may involve multiple sources which may include general obligation bond proceeds as the required 20% match to federal funds and other funds.*

**State Clearinghouse:** MDE has determined that its recommendation is consistent with Maryland's State Clearinghouse comments and recommendations.

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS**

**THIS ITEM WAS:**

**APPROVED**

**DISAPPROVED**

**DEFERRED**

**WITHDRAWN**

**WITH DISCUSSION**

**WITHOUT DISCUSSION**

**PROJECT BUDGET SUMMARY**

Category	Total Project	SRF Loan Participation	Grant Participation	Other Funding
1. <u>Construction</u>		(SRF Loan/Loan Forgiveness - 50/50)	(OSG Grant)	Local Funds
Contract No. <u>2024-CSO-03</u>	\$3,794,545.00	\$1,996,545.00	\$1,798,000.00	
Contract No. <u>X-B 6-5671</u>				
Force Account _____				
Later Contracts <u>(Add alternates)</u>				
2. <u>Technical Services</u>				
A/E Basic (SPECS Contract)	\$136,820.00	\$136,820.00		
A/E Other				
A/E Inspection	\$45,000.00			\$45,000.00
Force Account (Inspector)	\$241,508.00	\$241,508.00		
3. <u>Equipment/Miscellaneous</u>				
4. <u>Administrative / Legal / Fiscal (3% of construction)</u>	\$113,836.35	\$113,836.35		
5. <u>Land / Other</u>				
6. <u>Contingency (5% of construction)</u>	\$189,727.25	\$189,727.25		

**TOTALS**                                      \$4,521,436.60      \$2,678,436.60      \$1,798,000.00      \$45,000.00

Project or Authorized Representative: <i>Hayden Lindsey</i>	Date: 1/13/2026
Name and Title: Hayden Lindsey, Director of Public Works	

