BUDGET UNIT BRIEF – FY 2023

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Garage Fuel and Waste Management

Purpose and History

Created in FY 1995, this appropriation pays for the costs of managing the disposal of hazardous waste created from the day-to-day operations of the Department of Transportation (DOT) field facility operations throughout the State. Activities such as vehicle fleet maintenance, road sign and road marking painting, and street sweeping, as well as end-of-life vehicle parts all create hazardous waste. The DOT uses one of several private sector hazardous waste disposal contractors depending on the type of waste created.

A few examples of the activities and the resultant hazardous waste generated include:

- Cleaning and testing equipment, which generates used n-propyl bromide.
- Washing equipment parts, which generates a used solvents disposal need.
- Deicing roadways, which creates salt brine waste.
- Cleaning of crack sealing and oiling equipment, which generates a used emulsion oil and diesel fuel mixture.
- Used motor oil generated by the routine maintenance on vehicles statewide, which creates a need for disposal.
- Collection of shredded tires from roadways, which creates a need for disposal.

The DOT has at times found it necessary to delay disposal of waste materials near the end of a fiscal year due to funding, project readiness, and prioritization.

State Funding

The DOT receives an ongoing appropriation from the Primary Road Fund (PRF) for disposal of hazardous waste generated at facilities statewide.

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