

# Financially Responsible Pathways to 2025 and Beyond

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#### Allocation of Reduction Responsibility

Meeting the Final Target from the 2010 Loading Levels

Nitrogen – Millions of Pounds Delivered to the Bay

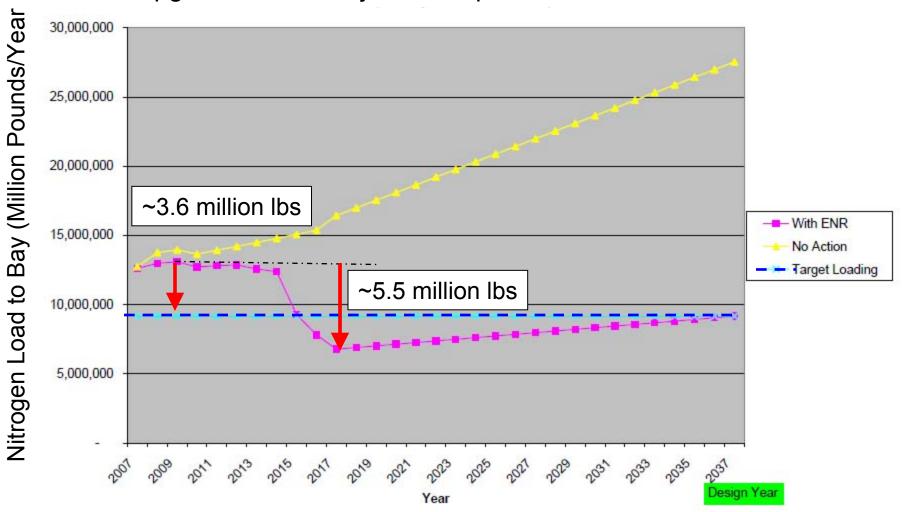
Source Sector	2010 Load	2025 Load	Load Reduction
Agriculture	19.95	15.22	4.73
Wastewater Plants	14.37	8.92*	5.45
Septic Systems	3.00	1.85	1.15
Urban Retrofits	9.48	7.55	1.93

Source: Computed from Table 2, Maryland Phase II WIP.

Full reduction at 2017 after which loads increase toward a cap of 10.58 million lbs, See Table 3 of Maryland Phase II WIP.



# Nitrogen Load Reductions to the Bay Due to ENR Upgrades at 67 Major Municipal Treatment Plants





#### WIP Costs per Pound Reduced

Costs to Meet the 2025 Final Target from the 2010 Loading Levels

Source Sector	Cost (millions)	Nitrogen Reduced (pounds/yr)	Average Cost/lb Reduced
Agriculture	\$928	4,730,000	\$200
Wastewater Plants	\$2,368	5,450,000	\$400
Septic Systems	\$3,719	1,150,000	\$3,200
<b>Urban Retrofits</b>	\$7,388	1,930,000	\$3,800
TOTAL	\$14,353	13,260,000*	\$900

Source: Computed from Table 2, Maryland Phase II WIP.

Note: WIP strategy reductions are slightly different than Final Targets. Delivered Loads.

<sup>\*</sup> Includes WWTPs over-reducing their load to create future load allocation.



#### Addressing WIP Funding Challenges

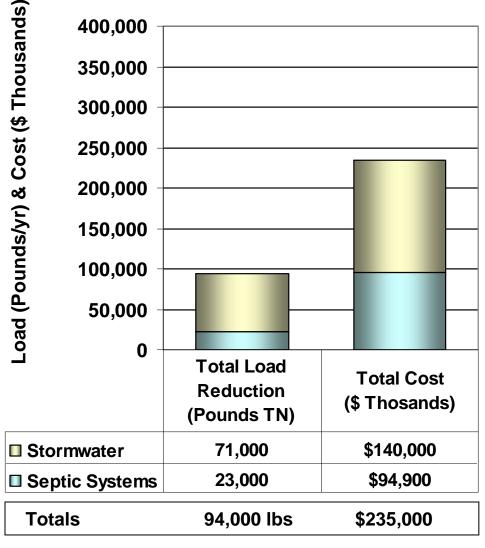
#### Funding Strategies In General:



2. Time Considerations







# Conceptual Case Study: (Mid-sized County)

Challenge: Reduce Stormwater and Septic Nitrogen Loads







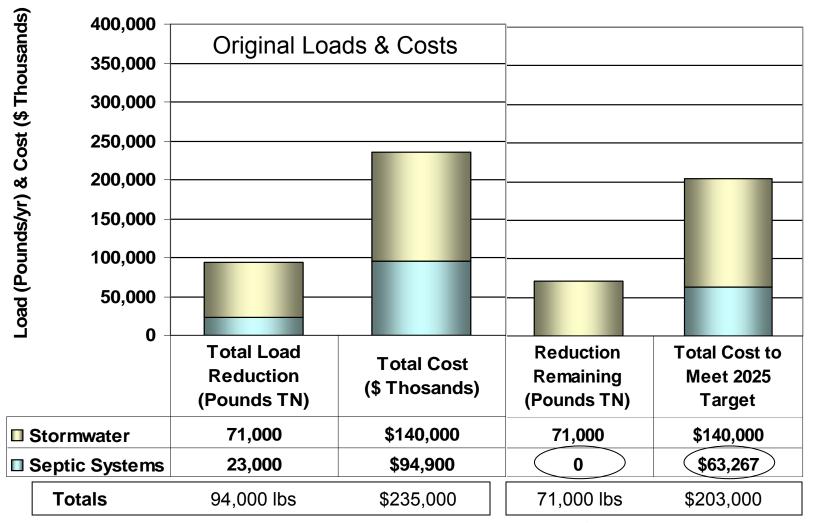








#### 75% Effective Septic BAT















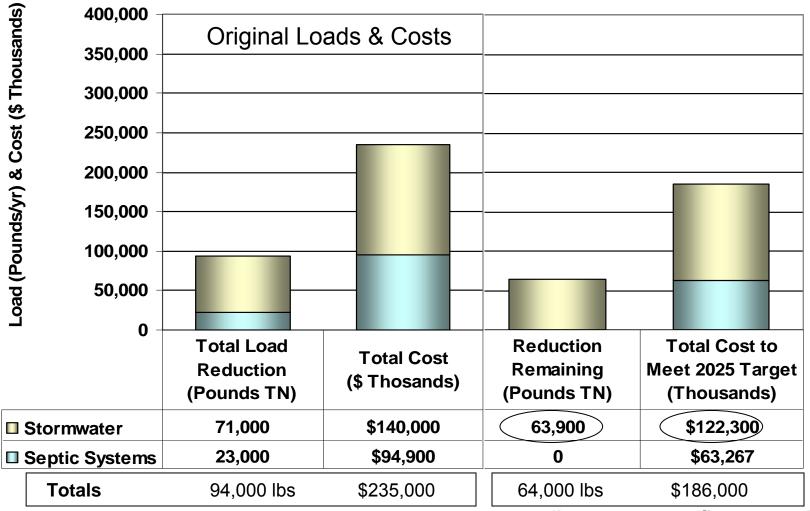
#### Atmospheric Reductions

#### Not all credited in Bay Modeling:

- Maryland Healthy Air Act
- MD Greenhouse Gas Reduction Act 2009
- Maryland Clean Car Program 2007
- Federal Tier 3 Fuel Standards (pending)



#### **Atmospheric Reductions**







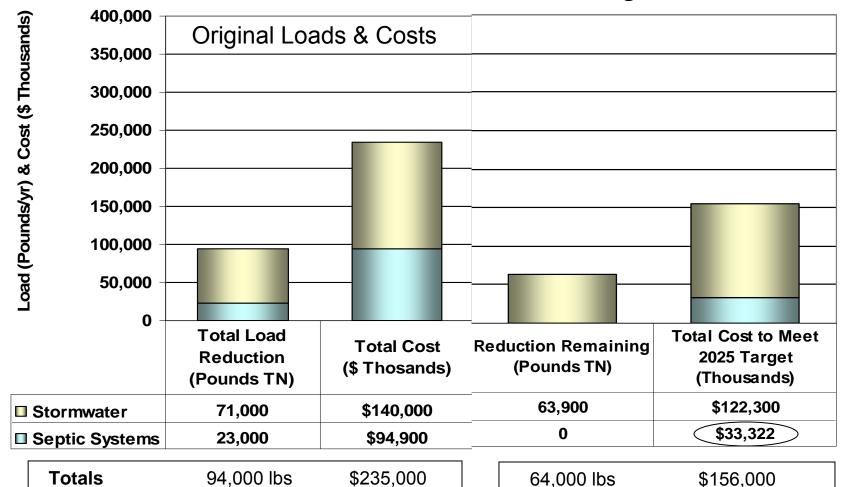


# Underlying Implementation Strategy

"... the underlying strategy assigns equitable responsibility for reductions, which is not the least cost approach; however, sectors facing higher costs may pay for reductions from other sectors that have lower costs."

Maryland Phase II WIP, Section 1.10.2 p. 54

- 1/3 of Septic Systems Upgraded with 75% BAT, and
- After 2017: Purchase Reductions from Ag Sector



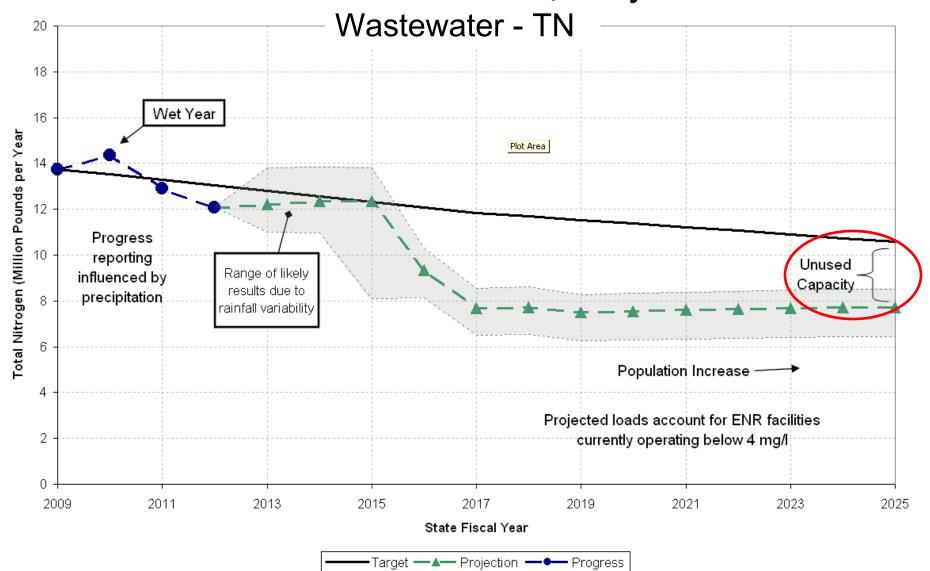








# Concept: Share Unused WWTP Capacity at 2025









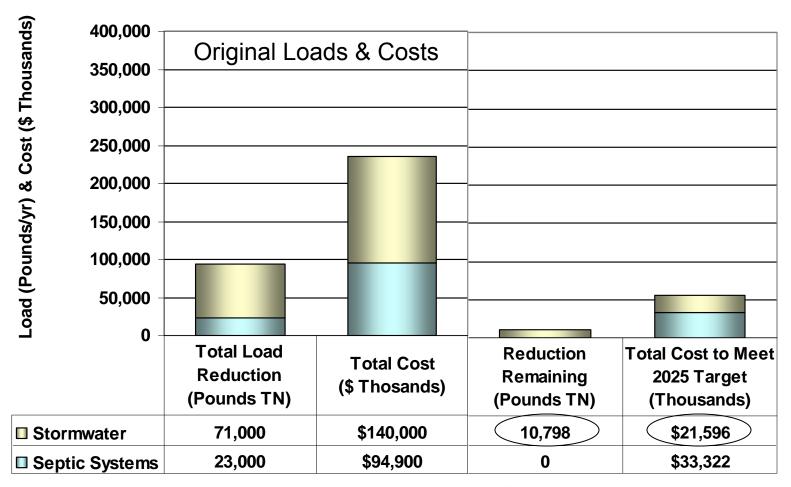








- Borrowing the Shared Unused WWTP Capacity
- Plus Air Reductions





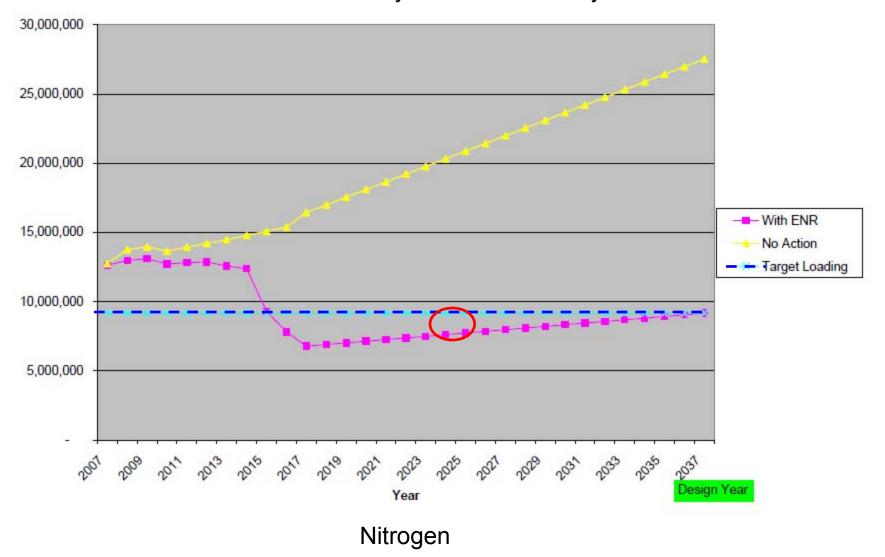








# Actually "Borrowing" the Unused Capacity, which Must Eventually be "Paid Back" by Around 2037





#### Stormwater Retrofits

- Stormwater Reduction = 59,000 lbs TN
- Funding Target: \$122 million
- Revenue Sources:
  - Chesapeake & Coastal Bays Trust Fund\*: \$460,000/yr
  - Bay Restoration Fund (after 2018)\*: \$740,000/yr
  - Local CIP (Stormwater Fee)\*\*: \$4,500,000/yr
  - TOTAL Annual \$5,600,000/yr

<sup>\*\*</sup> Assumes \$32/yr/household (\$1.8M/yr) + Commercial/Industrial paying 60% of Total Revenue (\$2.7M/yr).







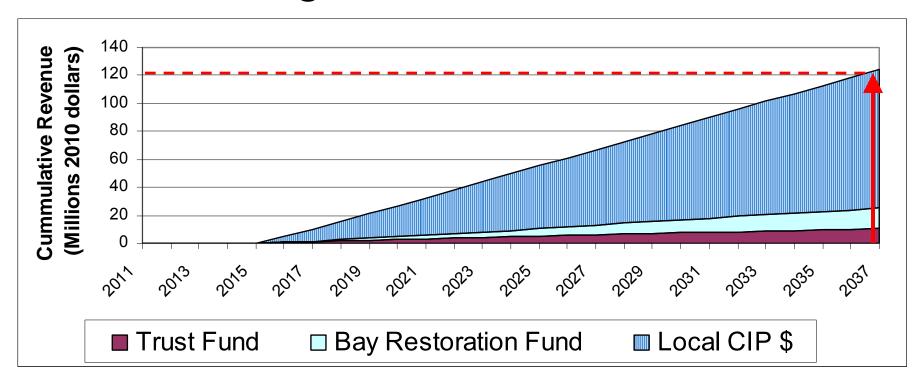




<sup>\*</sup> Assumes funding allocation proportional to % of Households in State: 2.5%



# Revenue Stream for Funding Stormwater Retrofits



- Chesapeake & Coastal Bays Trust Fund:
- Bay Restoration Fund (after 2018):
- Local CIP (Stormwater Fee)\*\*:
- TOTAL:

\$460,000/yr

\$740,000/yr

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#### Septic Systems

- Septic System Reduction = 23,000 lbs TN
- Funding Target: \$33 million
- Revenue Sources:
  - Bay Restoration Fund (after 2018)\*: \$740,000/yr
  - Local CIP (Septic System Fee)\*\*: \$1,000,000/yr
  - TOTAL Annual \$1,740,000/yr











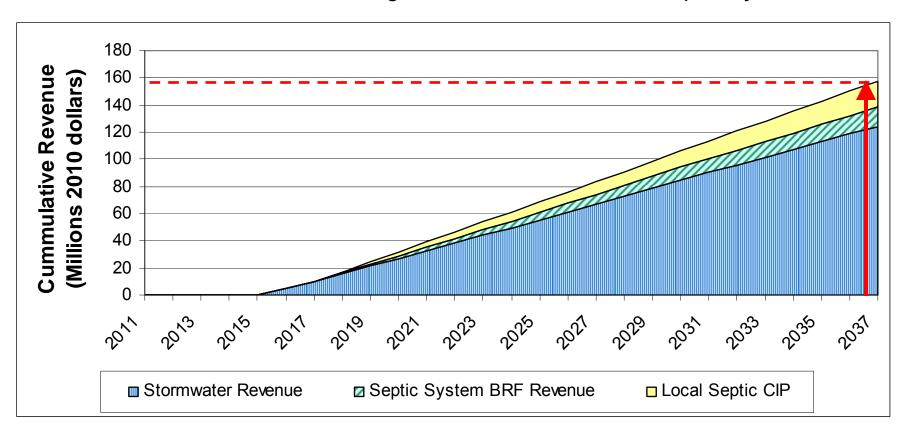
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<sup>\*\* \$17/</sup>household/yr. No fee for non-residential assumed.



# Follow-thru Beyond 2025

Revenue Stream for Funding Stormwater Retrofits & Septic System



- Stormwater:
- Septic Systems:
- Total

\$5.6 Million/yr

\$1.74 Million/yr

\$7.34 Million/yr

\$122 Million subtotal

\$ 33 Million subtotal

\$155 Million











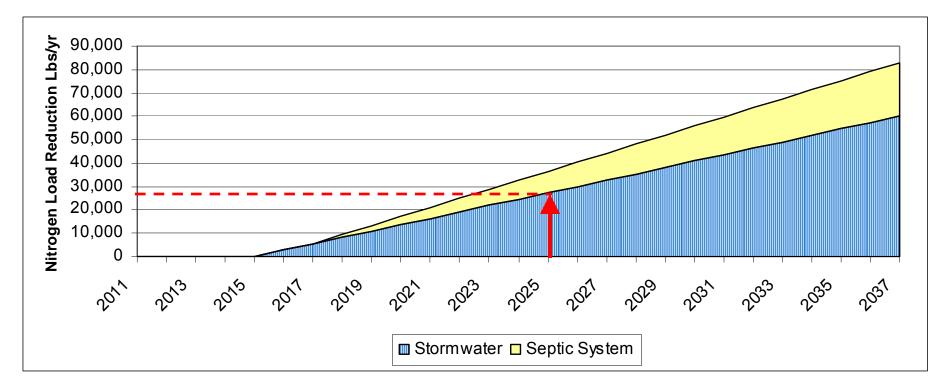


## Meeting 2025 Target

Is the Pace of Septic and Stormwater at 2025 Sufficient to meet Statewide goal, taking into account unused WWTP Allocation?

Recall: 10,700 lbs Stormwater Reduction at 2025 IF Septic Load = 0 However, Septic Load at 2025 = 14,000

Therefore, Stormwater reduction at 2025 must be 24,700 or more Stormwater Reduction at 2025 = 27,000 > 24,700  $\sqrt{\phantom{0}}$ 

















#### **Conclusions and Summary**

- Meeting 2025 Target is Financially Viable
- Unused WWTP capacity at 2025 buys time
- Urban sector purchase of Ag credits, after 2017
   Midpoint Assessment, could help reduce costs.
- State funding is not sufficient
- New local funding would be necessary
- New federal funding should be considered
- Cost reductions should be explored
- New technologies, e.g., 75% Septic BAT













#### End



#### Watershed Implementation Plan

Nitrogen Load Reductions by Sector

