

TANGIBLE RESULT #9

## Be a Good Steward of Our Environment



MDOT will be accountable to our customers for the wise use of limited resources and our impacts on the environment when designing, building, operating and maintaining a transportation system.

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**PERFORMANCE MEASURE DRIVER:**

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**PURPOSE OF MEASURE:**

To evaluate the health of the Chesapeake Bay by measuring how well MDOT is achieving compliance with impervious surface restoration as required by the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Municipal Separate Storm Sewer system (MS4) permit

**FREQUENCY:**

Annually (in October)

**DATA COLLECTION METHODOLOGY:**

MDOT is tracking all Bay restoration projects and impervious surface treatment associated with those projects to determine overall progress toward the 20% goal during their five-year permit term

**NATIONAL BENCHMARK:**

N/A

## PERFORMANCE MEASURE 9.1

### Water Quality Treatment to Protect and Restore the Chesapeake Bay

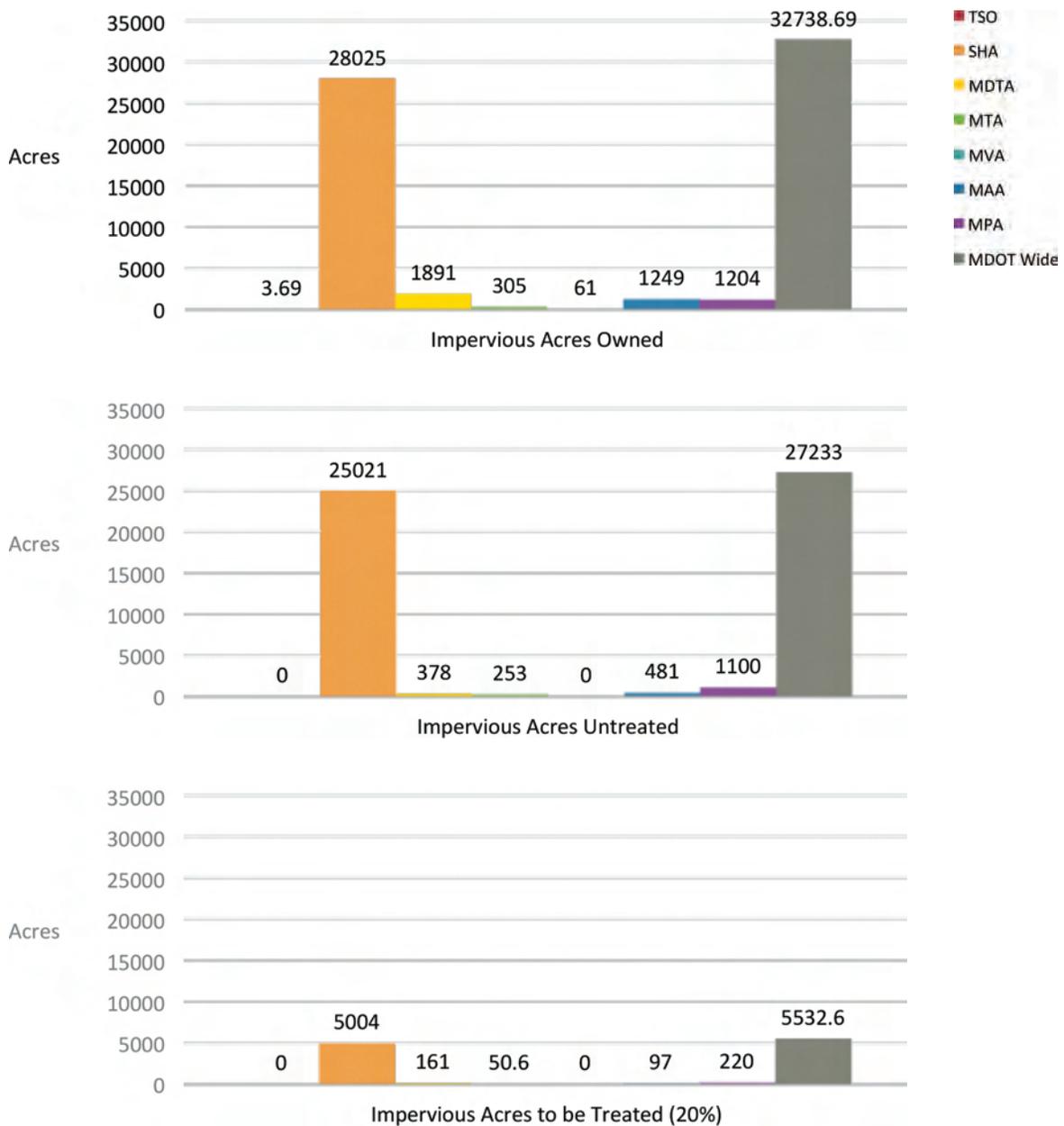
Maryland's environmental and economic success is tied to the health of the Chesapeake Bay. The fastest growing source of Bay pollution is stormwater runoff, intensified by impervious surfaces like pavement, roads, rooftops and parking lots. Prior to the 1980s, the majority of infrastructure development in Maryland was built without stormwater controls. Under the federal and state mandated stormwater permit, acreage equivalent to 20% of MDOT's impervious surface that has not been previously treated by stormwater management controls will be treated through a variety of restoration efforts. MDOT will track incremental progress towards the 20% goal to be achieved within the five-year permit term to ensure progress towards a cleaner Bay and healthier State of Maryland.



## PERFORMANCE MEASURE 9.1

### Water Quality Treatment to Protect & Restore the Chesapeake Bay

Impervious Surfaces Owned and to Be Restored



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## PURPOSE OF MEASURE:

To track overall fuel economy of fleet vehicles and ensure better air quality through the use of state vehicles. It is important to track miles per gallon in a meaningful manner to ensure that State vehicles are fuel efficient and not detrimental to our State air quality. Fuel economy data will be used to evaluate driving patterns as well as when the procurement of new fleet vehicles is considered

## FREQUENCY:

Semi-Annually (In April and October)

## DATA COLLECTION METHODOLOGY:

Fleet MPG data will be obtained from the State of Maryland's fuel service vendor

## NATIONAL BENCHMARK:

N/A

## PERFORMANCE MEASURE 9.2A

### Fuel Efficiency: Miles Per Gallon

Currently, there is no uniform approach to evaluating miles per gallon (MPG) of MDOT fleet vehicles. Mansfield Oil Company (statewide fueling vendor) has been contacted regarding developing a means of tracking this data. While reducing fuel consumption through improved fleet fuel economy is a benefit to tracking this data (cost savings and resource conservation), it does not come without significant limitations. Incorrect vehicle mileage entry at the time of vehicle refueling will skew all resulting MPG data for the vehicle in question. Additionally, police vehicles, snow fighting equipment, courtesy patrol vehicles and maintenance of traffic equipment, depending on their situation, can spend significant amounts of time idling which also taints MPG data. Finally, traditional heavy equipment does not always refuel at a dispenser, but are refueled by intermediate methods, so in these instances Mansfield Oil would have no means of tracking and recording MPG. While monitoring fuel efficiency via tracking MPG data appears to be a sound approach, the sheer size of MDOT's fleet, coupled with varying job functions as well as the real opportunity for incorrect calculations derived from data entry errors does not make this a viable and useful measure for the Fleet Managers of the various TBUs. As such, we recommend removal of this performance measure.



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**PURPOSE OF MEASURE:**

To track overall fuel consumption of fleet vehicles as well as fixed-equipment in an effort to use less of our resources with our State vehicles and equipment. Consumption patterns will be evaluated for improving fuel efficiency and shifting towards use of renewable fuels

**FREQUENCY:**

Annually (in October)

**DATA COLLECTION METHODOLOGY:**

Fleet vehicle data will be obtained from the State of Maryland's fuel service vendor. Fixed-equipment data will be supplied from Fleet and Facility Managers at the TBUs

**NATIONAL BENCHMARK:**

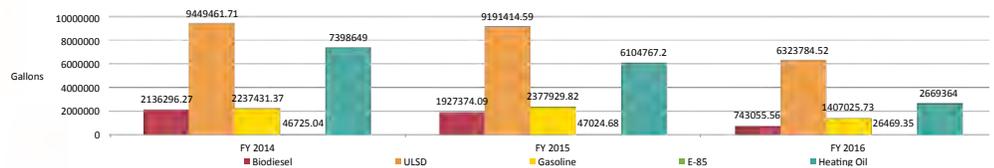
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**PERFORMANCE MEASURE 9.2B**

**Fuel Efficiency: Total Gallons Consumed**

Fuel consumption is important with State vehicles and equipment to ensure resources are used wisely. Within MDOT, fuel consumption occurs through a variety of differing entities. The light-duty and heavy-duty fleet vehicles are the more traditional fuel consumers. However, significant quantities of fuel are also being consumed via transit buses and commuter trains, service boats, cargo cranes, emergency generators, and facility boilers. Analyzing fuel consumption patterns enables Fleet and Facility Managers to budget more effectively and use resources more efficiently. This data also will be beneficial as fleet acquisition purchases are considered and facility heating upgrades are considered. Additionally, identifying opportunities for reducing fuel consumption not only benefits the environment via resource conservation and reduced emissions, but also results in true cost-savings through reduced fuel costs.

**Total Gallons of Fuel Consumed**



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## PURPOSE OF MEASURE:

To track the percentage of waste diverted from the landfill or incineration through recycling to minimize negative impacts on the environment

## FREQUENCY:

Annual (in April)

## DATA COLLECTION METHODOLOGY:

Maryland Department of the Environment All State Agency Recycling (All StAR) reporting

## NATIONAL BENCHMARK:

Virginia – 35% by 2010

Washington DC – 45%

Florida – 75% by 2020 (recycle rate in 2014 was 50%)

California – 75% by 2020 (4 cities achieved highest reporting recycling rates in 2014 with 74.85% average)

## PERFORMANCE MEASURE 9.3

### Percent of Maryland Recycling Act Materials Recycled

Activities and Operations within MDOT are subject to various Federal, State, and Local environmental rules and regulations. Compliance to these various environmental rules and regulations helps minimize negative impact on the environment.

In 1988, the Maryland Recycling Act (MRA) authorized Maryland Department of the Environment to reduce the disposal of solid waste in Maryland through management, education and regulation.

Recycling Goals were set at:

- 20% - For Jurisdictions with populations greater than 150,000; and
- 15% - For Jurisdictions with populations less than 150,000;
- But in no case will the recycling rate be less than 10%.

In 2009, Maryland Recycling Act was amended to include in the recycling plan aluminum, glass, paper, and plastic generated for disposal by the State government.

In 2012, Maryland State Legislature set new Statewide Recycling Goals of:

- 30 percent in 2014
- 40 percent in 2015

MDOT recycles and cares about recycling because of the following benefits:

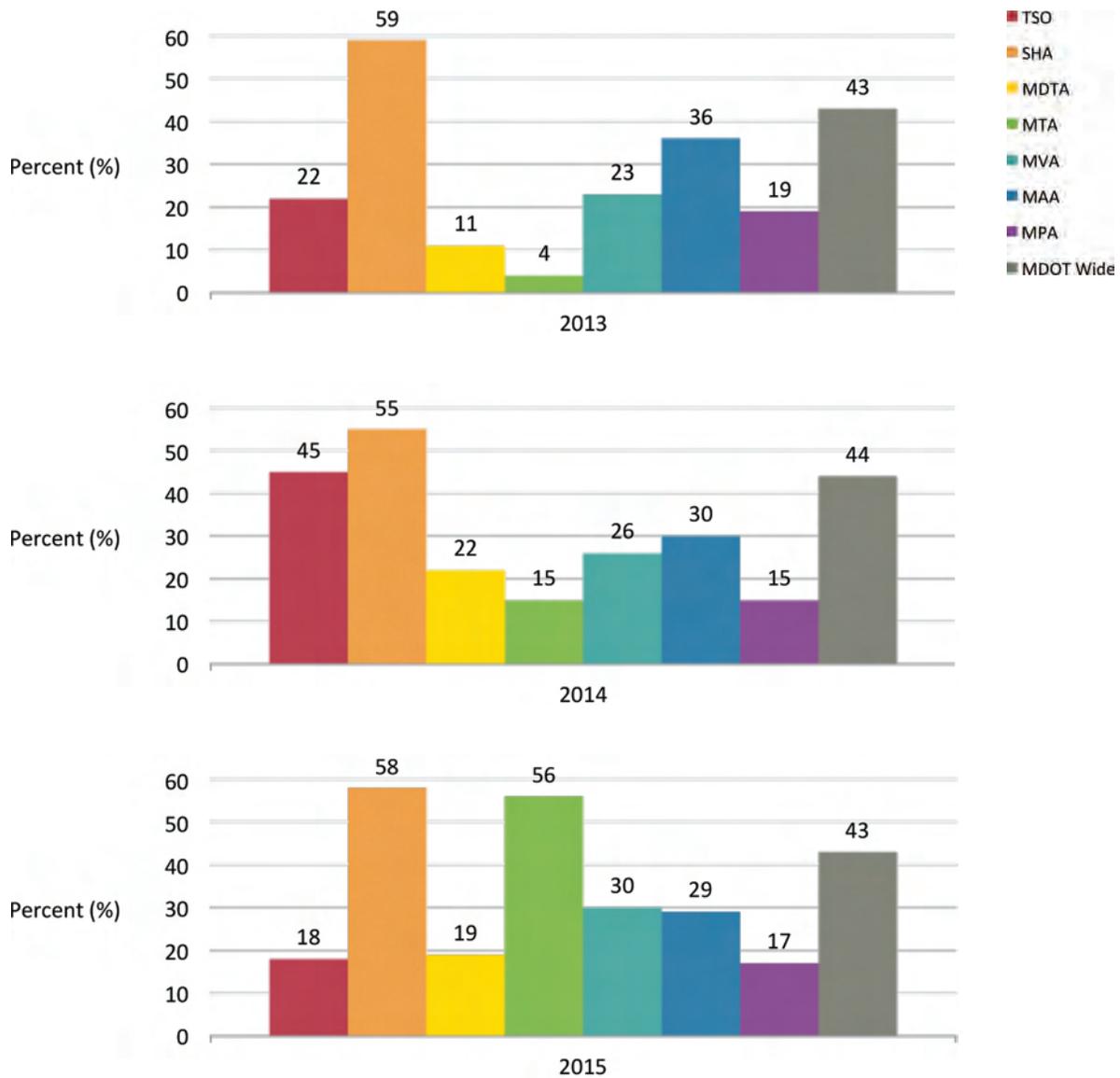
- Conserves Resources
  - When we recycle, used materials are converted into new products, reducing the need to consume natural resources.
- Saves Energy
  - Using recycled materials in the manufacturing process uses considerably less energy than that required for producing new products from raw materials.
- Helps Protect the Environment
  - Recycling reduces the need for extracting, refining and processing raw materials all of which create substantial air and water pollution.
  - As recycling saves energy, it also reduces greenhouse gas emissions, which helps to tackle climate change.
- Reduces Landfill

Recycling ensures recyclable materials are reprocessed into new products, and as a result the amount of rubbish sent to landfill sites reduces.

## PERFORMANCE MEASURE 9.3

### Percent of Maryland Recycling Act Materials Recycled

Percent Waste Recycled by Business Unit



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#### PURPOSE OF MEASURE:

To reduce the Business Units' impact on solid waste landfill through recycling/reuse of steel, asphalt and concrete

#### FREQUENCY:

Annually (in April)

#### DATA COLLECTION METHODOLOGY:

The data collection methodology will include disposal weights (via bill of lading) by Business Unit's Facility Maintenance and Engineering Departments. The data are and/or should be reported on the annual Non-Maryland Recycling Act Report

#### NATIONAL BENCHMARK:

Department of Defense  
Waste Diversion Goal –  
60% of solid waste.

## PERFORMANCE MEASURE 9.4

### Recycled/Reused Materials from Maintenance Activities and Construction/Demolition Projects

MDOT is committed to reducing its impact on solid waste, non-hazardous landfills, potentially resulting in reduction of the number of waste disposal facilities in Maryland as stated in the Maryland Department of the Environment's "Zero Waste" Action Plan. If not already in place, the TBUs will establish policy and procedures to recycle and/or reuse their solid waste: steel, asphalt and concrete. These materials are generated during maintenance/repair activities and capital construction/demolition projects. In both instances of generation of these materials, the policy/procedure should require the TBUs to collect, weigh and recycle; this will generally result in a payment by a recycler to the TBU, in particular steel. The benefits of recycling/reusing these materials include saving energy and natural resources, preserving the capacity of landfills, reducing waste disposal costs, generating revenue for materials and reducing pollutants generated by landfill process.

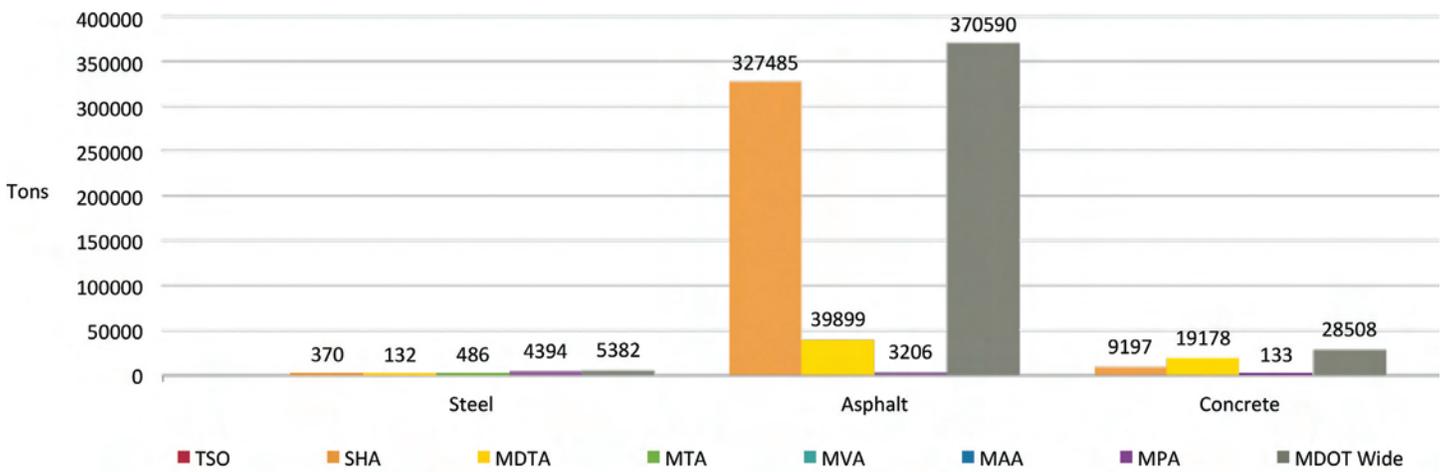
There are several possible barriers to success, including the following:

- Recognizing that there will be variability among reporting periods and TBUs. Some may have more maintenance and construction/demolition activities than others.
- Establishing data collection mechanisms in each TBU.
- Developing contractual language that requires contractors to segregate, collect, weigh and recycle these materials.
- Ensuring commitment to this goal and its positive impact on the environment, including training employees and contractors.

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## PURPOSE OF MEASURE:

To provide consistent monitoring of TBU compliance with environmental requirements and to ensure MDOT meets Federal, state and local environmental regulations

## FREQUENCY:

Annual (in October)

## DATA COLLECTION METHODOLOGY:

Enterprise Environmental Information Management System

## NATIONAL BENCHMARK:

International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 14001 ISO has a requirement to "evaluate compliance." The standard does not dictate the frequency but states that an organization's "process needs to determine how often you will check each level of compliance."

## PERFORMANCE MEASURE 9.5

### Compliance with Environmental Requirements

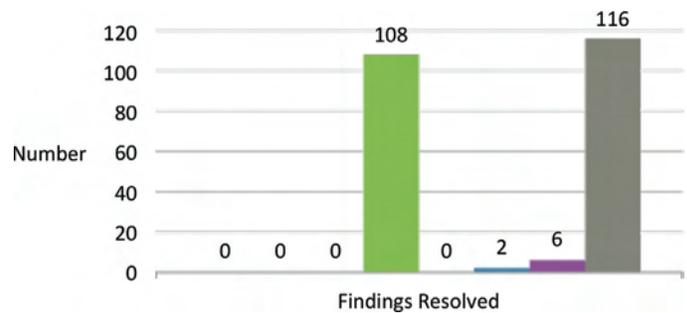
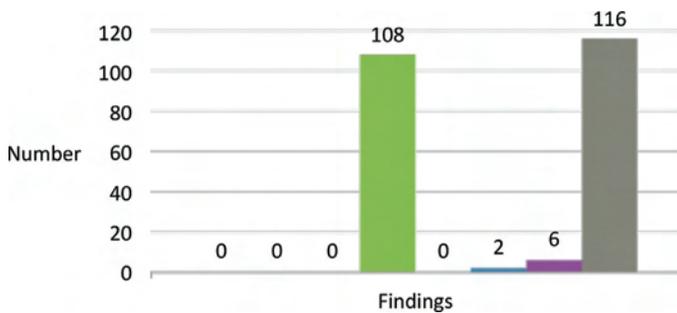
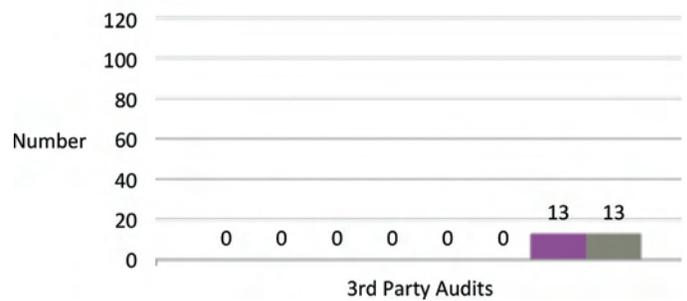
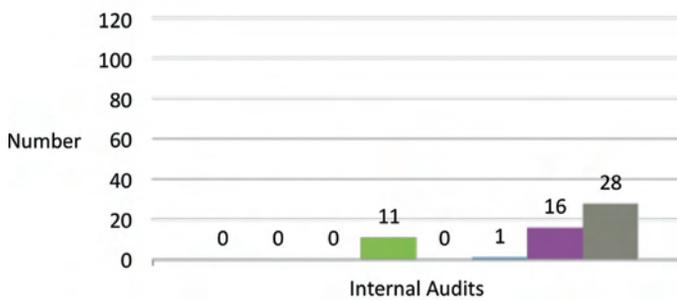
MDOT activities and operations are subject to various Federal, state, and local environmental regulations. Adherence to the environmental requirements minimizes the potential for activities and operations of transportation facilities to adversely impact the environment and the surrounding communities. Compliance with the environmental requirements that govern MDOT activities and operations is key to being a good steward of the environment. Conducting audits is an effective mechanism for monitoring compliance with environmental requirements. Tracking audits and reporting audit results further demonstrates MDOT's commitment of environmental stewardship, which benefits not only the natural environment but also the citizens of Maryland.

MDOT participated in third party audits as part of an agreement with Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 3. As noted in the data, the frequency of audits conducted since the EPA third party audits have varied for each TBU. This initial round of information collection and review also revealed a difference in the type (internal vs. external) of audits that have been conducted by each TBU. Several TBUs are in the process of formalizing audit processes and/or procuring audit contracts. On an annual basis, MDOT will share audit results.

## PERFORMANCE MEASURE 9.5

### Compliance with Environmental Requirements

#### Completed Compliance Audits & Results



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**PURPOSE OF MEASURE:**

To make improvements beyond the environmental permit requirements (air quality and storm water Industrial Discharge permits 12-SW) enhances the positive environmental impacts on land and water acreages of MDOT's surrounding communities and neighborhoods

**FREQUENCY:**

Quarterly

**DATA COLLECTION METHODOLOGY:**

Quarterly visual monitoring. Age and fuel type of air emissions sources

**NATIONAL BENCHMARK:**

Best for the World Impact Assessment, a comprehensive assessment of an organization's impact on its workers, community, and the environment

## PERFORMANCE MEASURE 9.6

### Environmental Impacts and Community Enhancements

The presence of MDOT facilities in communities throughout Maryland has an impact on the environment. MDOT industrial facilities operating under a 12-SW storm water discharge permit perform quarterly visual monitoring of storm water quality leaving those properties. Eight parameters are viewed and recorded per quarter per facility outfall. Excursions from the parameters can impact the watersheds in which the permit is located. Data from the monitoring indicates facilities requiring improvements to best management practices such as increased lot sweeping and installation of bio-swales improving water quality.

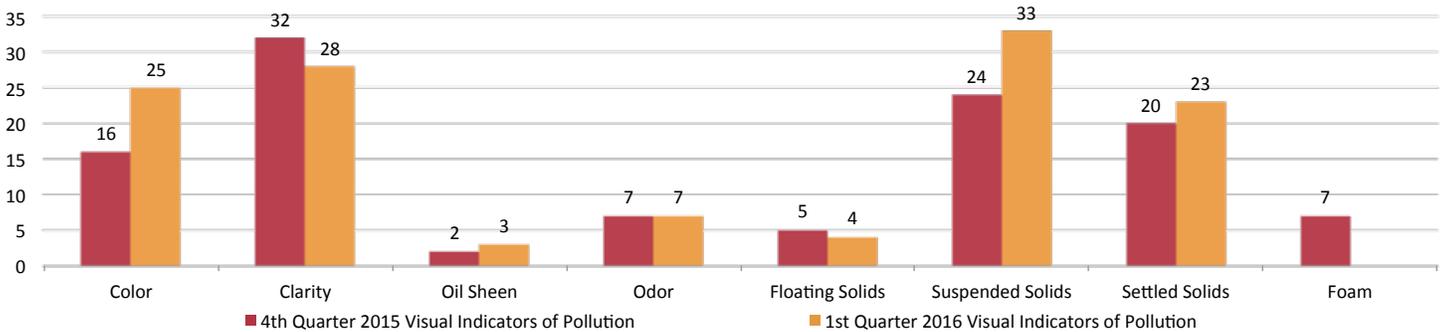
MDOT permitted air sources operate in communities within permit parameters. Air sources include paint booths, boilers, generators and petroleum storage tanks. This equipment varies widely in age and operating efficiencies. Identifying and replacing/retrofitting older, less efficient pieces of equipment with new and more efficient pieces of equipment will have a positive effect on the community.



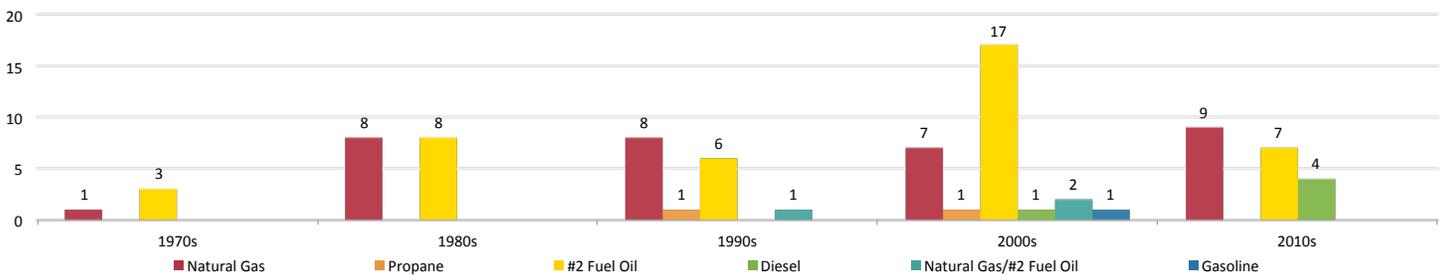
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### Environmental Impacts and Community Enhancements

#### Environmental Impacts and Community Enhancements: Storm water



#### Environmental Impacts and Community Enhancements: Air



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