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Harford County Executive Barry Glassman issued the following statement Friday regarding large new capital projects in the fiscal year 2016:

“Although I expect to give a status report on the county’s fiscal condition at my State of the County address on February 2, I have begun to notify some agencies that large new capital projects will be deferred until the county’s revenue picture improves and our efficiency measures take hold.

Because of an impending hearing date with the state Interagency Committee on School Construction, the Harford County Board of Education was the first agency to be notified that I reluctantly plan to defer funding of the Havre de Grace Middle/High School project in my proposed budget for fiscal year 2016. I also requested that the proposed Joppatowne High School project be deferred.

These and any future deferrals are not a reflection on the merits of planned projects. Rather, they reflect ongoing fiscal pressures that call for a temporary delay in large, multi-year commitments and additions to the county’s debt obligations. My hope is that my administration’s efforts to streamline government and promote economic development will allow the county to put worthy projects back on track as soon as possible. “

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