

State of Maryland

2007 Bond Bill Fact Sheet

1. Senate		House		2. Name of Project
LR #	Bill #	LR #	Bill #	
2509	SB751	3159	HB1122	Marlin K. Hoff Memorial Barn
3. Senate Bill Sponsors			House Bill Sponsors	
Carroll County Senators			Carroll County Delegation	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)			5. Requested Amount	
Carroll			\$100,000	
6. Purpose of Bill				
Authorizing the creation of a State Debt as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Carroll County Agricultural Center, Inc. for the repair, renovation, and reconstruction of the Marlin K. Hoff Memorial Barn, located in Westminster.				
7. Matching Fund Requirements				
Grantee shall provide and expend a matching fund. No part of the grantee's matching fund may be provided, either directly or indirectly, from funds of the State, whether appropriated or unappropriated. No part of the fund may consist of real property, in kind contributions, or funds expended prior to the effective date of this Act.				
8. Special Provisions				
Requiring the grantee to grant and convey a certain easement to the Maryland Historical Trust.				
9. Contact Name and Title		Contact Phone		Email Address
Deb Standiford				dstandiford@ccg.carr.org
10. Description and Purpose of Grantee Organization (3000 characters maximum)				
The Carroll County Agricultural Center, Inc. is a non-profit 501 (c)(3) corporation dedicated to supporting 4-H, Future Farmers of America, Grange and similar groups within Carroll County including the Hoff Log Barn Committee. The sole purpose of the Hoff Log Barn Committee is to complete the dismantling, relocation, reconstruction and restoration of the Hoff Log Barn.				

11. Description and Purpose of Project (3000 characters maximum)

The Hoff Log Barn was built between 1785 and 1795 in western Carroll County. Most barns from this period have been dismantled or burned, but the Hoff Log Barn has survived in very good condition and is an early example of this type of barn. Its integrity, age and rarity make it one of the most significant farm buildings in Carroll County. One of the unique features of the barn is the size of the structure. The barn has five 50-foot logs running across both the front and back sides of the barn when most log barns have only one on each side.

The Hoff Log Barn is suffering from neglect and exposure to the elements. Since the structure has not been used in a number of years, no maintenance has been performed for quite some time. In fact, the foundation has begun to deteriorate in one location. In addition, one of the upper log beams has begun to rot because of exposure to the elements. The barn is further endangered by development. The barn, located on a working dairy farm in western Carroll County, does not fit the business needs of the farm's operations and the site currently occupied by the log barn is needed to expand farm operations. If the Log Barn is not moved from its current location, it will be torn down and the logs will be sold individually. Unless immediate action is taken to save the barn, deterioration and ultimately demolition is expected.

The Hoff Log Barn Committee was formed under the auspices of the Carroll County Agricultural Center in order to save this rare structure. The Committee has worked for the last year to raise funds and support from the Carroll County agriculture and business community, and has been successful in securing both cash and in-kind donations. In addition, the Committee has consulted with experts and developed a plan to move the structure to the grounds of the Carroll County Farm Museum. The process of dismantling, reconstructing and restoring the Hoff Log Barn will be done in several phases: 1- Planning and Fundraising (Ongoing) and Property Acquisition (Complete); 2 - Bid Process and Contract Award (1/2007 -2/2007); Dismantle the Barn and Foundation (3/2007 - 5/2007); 3 - Reassemble the Foundation and Barn at the Carroll County Farm Museum (4/2007 - 9/2007); 4 - Restoration of Roofing and Siding and Reconstruction of the Stable Area (9/2007 - 10/2007) and 5 - Displays and Public Access (11/2007).

Currently, not only is the barn endangered, but since it is located on private property there is no public access. When the barn is relocated to the Carroll County Farm Museum, the public will have easy access to the structure and will be able to witness the reconstruction. The Farm Museum is open to the public 7 months out of the year and holds many special events that are open to the public. The museum has an annual attendance of approximately 63,000 including 7,500 children on school field trips.

Round all amounts to the nearest \$1,000. The totals in Items 11 (Estimated Capital Costs) and 12 (Proposed Funding Sources) must match. The proposed funding sources must not include the value of real property unless an equivalent value is shown under Estimated Capital Costs.

12. Estimated Capital Costs

Acquisition	
Design	
Construction	\$300,000
Equipment	
Total	\$300,000

13. Proposed Funding Sources – (List all funding sources and amounts.)

Source	Amount
State of Maryland Bond Bill	\$100,000
Maryland Historical Trust Capital Grant	\$50,000
Private Donations through January 2007	\$73,000
Fundraising Activities	\$18,000

Private Foundations (Columbia Gas; Deplaine)		\$7,000	
Private Pledges		\$52,000	
Total		\$300,000	
14. Project Schedule			
Begin Design	Complete Design	Begin Construction	Complete Construction
December 2006	January 2007	April 2007	November 2007
15. Total Private Funds and Pledges Raised as of January 2007		16. Current Number of People Served Annually at Project Site	17. Number of People to be Served Annually After the Project is Complete
\$143,000		63,000	63,000
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
1996	\$100,000	Architect and planning for Danele Shipley Memorial Arena	
1997,1999,2000	300,000 each	Construction of Danele Shipley Memorial Arena	
2005	\$150,000	Construction of Danele Shipley Memorial Arena	
2006	\$150,000	Construction of Danele Shipley Memorial Arena	
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Carroll County Agricultural Center, Inc. 706 Agriculture Center Drive Westminster, MD 21157		Site of Reconstruction: Carroll County Farm Museum 500 South Center Street Westminster, MD 21157 Current site of Barn: Coldspring Farms 3901 Hawks Hill Road New Windsor, MD 21776	
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located			5
21. Legal Status of Grantee (Please Check one)			
Local Govt.	For Profit	Non Profit	Federal
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
22. Grantee Legal Representative		23. If Match Includes Real Property:	
Name:	Mike Preston	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	410-848-7777		NA
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
Stoner, Preston and Boswell, Chartered 188 East Main Street P. O. Box 389 Westminster, MD 21158-0389			

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
10	10	\$750,000	\$753,750
25. Ownership of Property (Info Requested by Treasurer's Office for bond issuance purposes)			
A. Will the grantee <u>own</u> or <u>lease</u> (pick one) the property to be improved?			Own
B. If owned, does the grantee plan to sell within 15 years?			No
C. Does the grantee intend to lease any portion of the property to others?			No
D. If property is owned by grantee and any space is to be leased, provide the following:			
Lessee	Terms of Lease	Cost Covered by Lease	Square Footage Leased
E. If property is leased by grantee – Provide the following:			
Name of Leaser	Length of Lease	Options to Renew	
26. Building Square Footage:			
Current Space GSF		2400	
Space to Be Renovated GSF		2400	
New GSF			
27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion			1795
28. Comments: (3000 characters maximum)			