

Bridge & Road Construction (BARC) CHIMES

BARC trunk highway funds, also referred to as road repair funds, are unique in that they may be spent either through a normal state letting or through a contract arranged by the district for materials and rental equipment. BARC funds are NOT meant to be used for routine maintenance, nor the purchase of equipment or salaries. These are all considered operation expenses and CANNOT be used as BARC funds. BARC funds should be thought of as funding for projects that are consistent with the legislative language of the State Road Construction (SRC) appropriation; slated for the actual construction, reconstruction, and improvement of trunk highways, including design-build contracts and consultant usage to support these activities. If a district is unsure whether an activity is eligible, they should contact the Office of Transportation System Management (OTSM) for assistance.

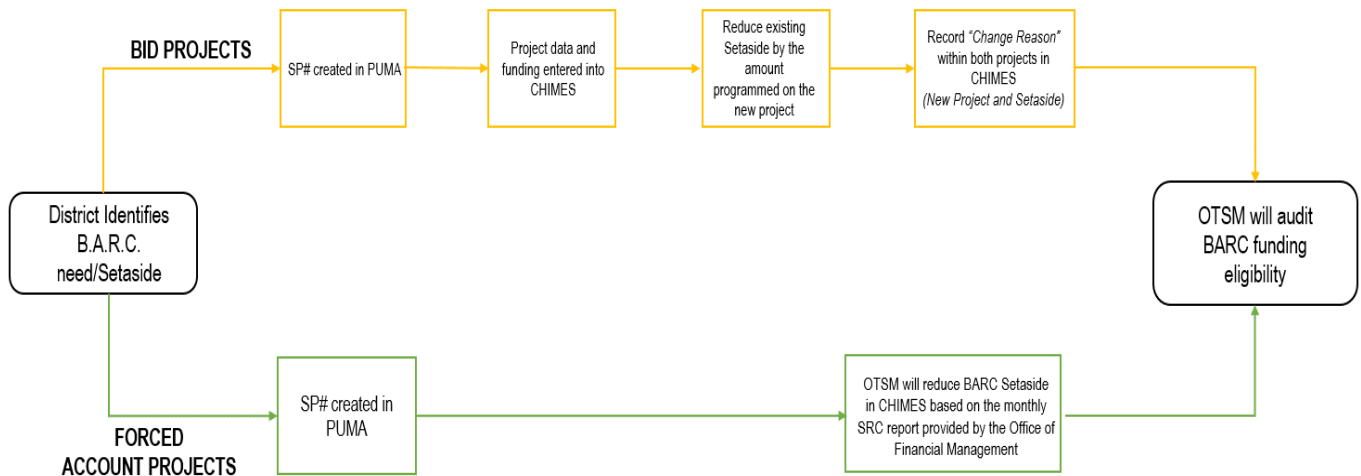
BARC funds are another element of each district's state target. BARC funds are SRC funds and should be viewed in the same way as district construction projects. Each district determines the amount of BARC funds required for each SFY. The transfer of funds between Setasides (within each district) is allowed and may be requested through the Office of Financial Management (OFM).

Managing BARC Project in CHIMES

When the district identifies a use for BARC funds, they can either execute the normal contract procedure through the Central Office letting process or identify the project as an eligible BARC activity to be handled by the district (Forced Account). For a Bid Contract project that will go through the Central Office letting process, the district is responsible for the creation and funding of the project in CHIMES. In addition, the district will need to reduce the BARC Setaside for the same amount that was put on the new project.

For an eligible Forced Account BARC project, the district should follow their normal process to create the SP in PUMA. With the exception of Emergency Relief (ER) projects, Forced Account BARC funded projects DO NOT go into CHIMES. Every month OTSM staff will reduce the BARC Setaside in CHIMES based on the amount(s) encumbered in the SWIFT SRC report for that month.

Emergency Relief projects should be entered into CHIMES when Forced Account is used. Please refer to Emergency Relief Process for additional guidance.



Bid Letting Projects

Below is how funding for a BARC Setaside should be shown in CHIMES at the beginning of a SFY.

Programming Information												
SP#	SFY (JULY-JUNE)	PROGRAM Info	FUND TYPE Info	AC/C	PE	ROW	CON	CE	OTHER	TOTAL	PROGRAM BUDGET	
8802-RX-21	2021	MnDOT DRMP	STATE TH NON-PAR		\$0	\$0	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$2,000,000	SRC - BARC D2	

Below is funding information for a BARC project

- Select SRC-BARC for Program Budget
- Select BARC for the Secondary Work Type
- Make notes of adding a new BARC project and reducing funds from the Setaside

Programming Information												
SP#	SFY (JULY-JUNE)	PROGRAM Info	FUND TYPE Info	AC/C	PE	ROW	CON	CE	OTHER	TOTAL	PROGRAM BUDGET	
3509-28	2021	MnDOT DRMP	STATE TH NON-PAR		\$0	\$0	\$500,000	\$0	\$0	\$500,000	SRC - BARC D2	

* Please save changes to see updated match calculation

Work Type	
PRIMARY WORK TYPE	SECONDARY WORK TYPE
BRPC - BRIDGE REPLACEMENT OR CONSTRUCTION	BARC

GENERAL COMMENTS - INFO

Added \$200,000 to new project SP 3509-28 and reduced Setaside by \$200,000

If the district chooses to fund an SRC Construction project from a BARC Setaside, it is the district's responsibility to work with the Office of Financial Management to have the amounts transferred from their BARC budget to their SRC Construction budget. The SRC Construction project will then be coded as seen below.

Programming Information												
SP#	SFY (JULY-JUNE)	PROGRAM Info	FUND TYPE Info	AC/C	PE	ROW	CON	CE	OTHER	TOTAL	PROGRAM BUDGET	
3509-28	2021	MnDOT DRMP	STATE TH NON-PAR		\$0	\$0	\$500,000	\$0	\$0	\$500,000	SRC - CON D2	

Once the new project has been entered into CHIMES, the BARC Setaside balance will be reduced to reflect the amount allocated to the new project and notes are provided in the General Comments section. The Setaside will have an additional funding line implemented to show the total amount reduced.

There should only be one line showing the amount of deducted and encumbered. The total of these two lines will equal the initial Setaside amount in that SFY. The districts are also responsible for entering an encumbrance date when they reduce their Setaside. Likewise, OTSM will enter an encumbrance date when they enter the encumbrances into the Setaside.

Programming Information											* Please save changes to see updated match calculation		Prior Fund(s)
SP#	SFY (JULY-JUNE)	PROGRAM Info	FUND TYPE Info	AC/C	PE	ROW	CON	CE	OTHER	TOTAL	PROGRAM BUDGET	ACT ENCUMB	
8802-RX-21	2021	MnDOT DRMP	STATE TH NON-PAR			\$0	\$1,800,000	\$0	\$0	\$1,800,000	SRC - BARC D2		
8802-RX-21	2021	MnDOT DRMP	STATE TH NON-PAR				\$200,000			\$200,000	SRC - BARC D2	12/12/2018	

GENERAL COMMENTS - INFO
Reduce Setaside SP 8802-RX-21 by \$200,000 for the new BARC project 3509-28

Forced Account Projects

There should be no entry into CHIMES when a BARC project is created for Forced Account. Instead, OTSM staff will record the Forced Account encumbrances from the SWIFT SRC report at the end of every month and enter the reduced amounts into the Setaside. CHIMES will reflect the picture below.

As you can see, the same from Setaside from above has been reduced by an additional \$400,000 due to the Forced Account encumbrances from the SWIFT SRC end of December monthly report. Setaside reductions will use the same funding line for both Bid Contract BARC projects and Forced Account BARC projects.

Programming Information											* Please save changes to see updated match calculation		Prior Fund(s)
SP#	SFY (JULY-JUNE)	PROGRAM Info	FUND TYPE Info	AC/C	PE	ROW	CON	CE	OTHER	TOTAL	PROGRAM BUDGET	ACT ENCUMB	
8802-RX-21	2021	MnDOT DRMP	STATE TH NON-PAR			\$0	\$1,400,000	\$0	\$0	\$1,400,000	SRC - BARC D2		
8802-RX-21	2021	MnDOT DRMP	STATE TH NON-PAR				\$600,000			\$600,000	SRC - BARC D2	12/31/2018	

GENERAL COMMENTS - INFO
Entered End of Month SWIFT report and reduced Setaside by encumbered amount (\$400,000)