

Glen Echo Park -- No. 500004

Category	General Government	Date Last Modified	June 03, 2008
Subcategory	County Offices and Other Improvements	Required Adequate Public Facility	No
Administering Agency	General Services	Relocation Impact	None.
Planning Area	Cabin John	Status	On-going

EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000)

Cost Element	Total	Thru FY07	Est. FY08	Total 6 Years	FY09	FY10	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	Beyond 6 Years
Planning, Design, and Supervision	3,702	3,454	188	60	60	0	0	0	0	0	0
Land	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Site Improvements and Utilities	1,069	0	429	640	640	0	0	0	0	0	0
Construction	17,168	16,545	623	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	271	271	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	22,212	20,272	1,240	700	700	0	0	0	0	0	0

FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000)

Contributions	300	300	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Aid	8,002	7,302	0	700	700	0	0	0	0	0	0
G.O. Bonds	1,015	0	1,015	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
State Aid	7,000	6,775	225	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PAYGO	5,895	5,895	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	22,212	20,272	1,240	700	700	0	0	0	0	0	0

DESCRIPTION

For over a century, Glen Echo Park, a National Park Service (NPS) owned property, has served the region as a center for education, entertainment, and cultural development. Diminishing NPS resources led to the deterioration of the park facilities, some of which are now structurally unsound and all of which are in extreme disrepair. This project will stabilize and rehabilitate the existing dilapidated park structures. It will also demolish the existing administration building and build an educational complex, with limited administrative spaces, on the existing building's footprint. The County will manage construction as a joint venture with the NPS and the State. Utility and storm drain construction for the National Park Service to a total of \$450,000 was added in FY02.

JUSTIFICATION

Glen Echo Park was acquired by the NPS to protect the land and scenery adjacent to the Potomac River Palisades. In addition to this conservation goal, the park contributes to the social fabric of the region by providing social, educational, cultural, and recreational opportunities. The park itself is listed as a historic district on the National Register of Historic Places and nine of the individual structures were determined to contribute to the district's architectural and historic significance. Further, the park contributes to the collective history of the region's residents.

In 1998, the National Park Service began developing a long-range management plan for the park, including a review of the operational management alternatives. Shortly thereafter, the County Executive established the Glen Echo Park Working Group, which included park neighbors and program participants, as well as County, State, and Federal government representatives, to develop a renovation and management plan for the park. After the Management Plan was approved, the Working Group was disbanded and the Executive has established an implementation committee with community and business representatives to establish a non-profit entity to manage GEP under contract with the County. Capital improvements and scope of work for park facilities are outlined in the Glen Echo Park Stabilization and Rehabilitation Plan, July 1999.

OTHER

In July 1998, the working group's recommendations were endorsed by the County Executive and presented to the NPS. The NPS has decided to separate the rehabilitation and management components of the long-range park plan. An Environmental Impact Study was completed in 2000. The management plan was finalized by the NPS in 2001. For the annual operation of the park, the working group's proposal included a County subsidy of \$100,000 for four years, after which the County subsidy would end. The County approved \$100,000 subsidies in FY03, FY04, FY05, and FY06. The County approved an additional \$80,000 in FY04 for maintenance. The project schedule is adjusted to conform with current project implementation expectations.

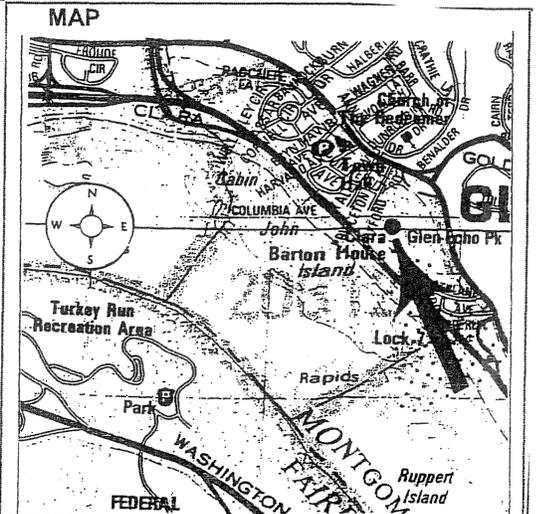
FISCAL NOTE

In September 1999, a cooperative agreement among the NPS, Montgomery County, and the State of Maryland was established for the purpose of facilitating a cost-sharing arrangement for the stabilization and rehabilitation of park facilities. The State's FY00 CIP includes their participation in this project. The Federal FY00 budget includes Federal project participation.

APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA		
Date First Appropriation	FY99	(\$000)
First Cost Estimate		22,212
Current Scope	FY07	22,212
Last FY's Cost Estimate		22,212
Appropriation Request	FY09	700
Appropriation Request Est.	FY10	0
Supplemental Appropriation Request		0
Transfer		0
Cumulative Appropriation		21,512
Expenditures / Encumbrances		21,398
Unencumbered Balance		114
Partial Closeout Thru	FY06	0
New Partial Closeout	FY07	0
Total Partial Closeout		0

COORDINATION

Arts and Humanities Council of Mont. Co.
 Bannockburn Civic Association
 Bethesda-Chevy Chase Regional Services Center
 Department of General Services
 Glen Echo Cooperator's Association
 Glen Echo Park Foundation
 Glen Echo Park Stabilization and Rehabilitation Plan, July 1999
 Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission
 National Campaign to Save Glen Echo Park
 National Park Service
 Preservation Maryland
 State of Maryland
 Town of Glen Echo



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OTHER DISCLOSURES

- A pedestrian impact analysis has been completed for this project.
- The Executive asserts that this project conforms to the requirements of relevant local plans, as required by the Maryland Economic Growth, Resource Protection and Planning Act.