

Falls Road East Side Hiker/ Biker Path -- No. 500905

Category
Subcategory
Administering Agency
Planning Area

Transportation
Pedestrian Facilities/Bikeways
Transportation
Potomac-Travilah

Date Last Modified
Required Adequate Public Facility
Relocation Impact
Status

January 08, 2010
No
None.
Final Design Stage

EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000)

Cost Element	Total	Thru FY09	Est. FY10	Total 6 Years	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16	Beyond 6 Years
Planning, Design, and Supervision	1,095	0	0	720	0	0	0	195	90	435	375
Land	3,900	0	0	3,900	0	0	0	1,166	1,525	1,209	0
Site Improvements and Utilities	3,000	0	0	3,000	0	0	0	0	1,500	1,500	0
Construction	12,870	0	0	6,675	0	0	0	0	0	6,675	6,195
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	20,865	0	0	14,295	0	0	0	1,361	3,115	9,819	6,570

FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000)

G.O. Bonds	14,546	0	0	10,185	0	0	0	1,361	1,985	6,839	4,361
Impact Tax	6,244	0	0	4,110	0	0	0	0	1,130	2,980	2,134
Intergovernmental	75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	75
Total	20,865	0	0	14,295	0	0	0	1,361	3,115	9,819	6,570

DESCRIPTION

This project provides funds to develop final design plans and to acquire right-of-way, and to construct approximately 4 miles of an 8-foot bituminous hiker/biker path along the east side of Falls Road from River Road to Dunster Road. Falls Road is classified as a major highway and has a number of side street connections along the project corridor. The path will provide pedestrians and cyclists safe access to communities along this project corridor, and will provide connection to existing pedestrian facilities to the north (Rockville) and to the south (Potomac).

ESTIMATED SCHEDULE

Design to be completed in the fall of 2013. Right-of-way acquisition is expected to start in the winter of 2014 and will take approximately 18 months to complete. Construction is expected to start in the summer of 2015 and take approximately 24 months to complete.

COST CHANGE

Cost increase due to more accurate design and construction cost escalation.

JUSTIFICATION

The path provides much needed access to public transportation along Falls Road. The path will provide pedestrian access to the following destinations: bus stops along Falls Road, Bullis School, Ritchie Park Elementary School, Potomac Community Center, Potomac Library, Potomac Village Shopping Center, Potomac Promenade Shopping Center, Heritage Farm Park, Falls Road Golf Club, Falls Road Park, and a number of religious facilities along Falls Road.

The 2002 Potomac Subregion Master Plan calls for a Class I (off-road) bike path along Falls Road from the Rockville City limit to MacArthur Boulevard. The path is a missing link between existing bicycle facilities within the City of Rockville and existing path along Falls Road south of River Road.

OTHER

Montgomery County Department of Transportation has completed Phase 2 Facility Planning, preliminary design, with funds from the Annual Bikeway Program.

Special Capital Projects Legislation will be proposed by the County Executive.

FISCAL NOTE

Expenditure schedule reflects fiscal capacity. Intergovernmental revenue represents the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission's (WSSC) portion of the water and sewer relocation costs. Federal Transportation Enhancement Funds will be pursued after property acquisition has been completed.

OTHER DISCLOSURES

- A pedestrian impact analysis has been completed for this project.

APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA			COORDINATION	MAP
Date First Appropriation		(\$000)	Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission	See Map on Next Page
First Cost Estimate			State Highway Administration	
Current Scope	FY09	16,760	Utility Companies	
Last FY's Cost Estimate		16,760	Department of Environmental Protection	
			Department of Permitting Services	
			Washington Gas	
			PEPCO	
			Verizon	
			Maryland Department of Natural Resources	
			Annual Bikeway Program	
Appropriation Request	FY11	0		
Appropriation Request Est.	FY12	0		
Supplemental Appropriation Request		0		
Transfer		0		
Cumulative Appropriation		0		
Expenditures / Encumbrances		0		
Unencumbered Balance		0		
Partial Closeout Thru	FY08	0		
New Partial Closeout	FY09	0		
Total Partial Closeout		0		

