Little Bennett Regional Park Day Use Area (P138703)

CategoryM-NCPPCSub CategoryDevelopmentAdministering AgencyM-NCPPC (AAGE13)Planning AreaClarksburg			Date Last Modified Required Adequate Public Facility Relocation Impact Status					3/6/14 No None Planning Stage				
		Total	Thru FY13	Est FY14	Total 6 Years	FY 15	FY 16	FY 17	FY 18	FY 19	FY 20	Beyond 6 Yrs
EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000s)												
Planning, Design and Sup	pervision	1,658	0	0	935	0	0	250	310	200	175	723
Land		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Site Improvements and Utilities		12,595	0	0	4,453	0	0	0	0	2,324	2,129	8,142
Construction		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Total	14,253	0	0	5,388	0	0	250	310	2,524	2,304	8,865
				FUNDIN	G SCHEDU	LE (\$000s)						
G.O. Bonds		14,253	0	0	5,388	0	0	250	310	2,524	2,304	8,865
	Total	14,253	0	0	5,388	0	0	250	310	2,524	2,304	8,865

APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA (000s)

Appropriation Request	FY 15	0	
Appropriation Request Est.	FY 16	0	
Supplemental Appropriation Reque	0		
Transfer			
Cumulative Appropriation		0	
Expenditure / Encumbrances	0		
Unencumbered Balance		0	

Date First Appropriation				
First Cost Estimate				
Current Scope	FY 15	14,253		
Last FY's Cost Estimate		13,954		

Description

The Little Bennett Regional Park Day Use Area, located on the east side of MD Route 355 north of Comus Road, is a 65-acre existing meadow adjacent to wooded areas of the park and Soper's Branch stream. The day use area is designed to provide nature-based recreation and protects and interprets the existing meadow and adjacent forest habitat. The program of requirements from the master plan is accomplished in a uniquely sustainable manner that interprets the natural and cultural landscapes of the area. The project includes a multi-purpose outdoor classroom building, outdoor educational space and amphitheater, group picnic areas and shelter, play complex, sledding hill, hay play, group fire ring, teaching alcoves, two entrances and an access road, parking, bike path, hard and natural surface interpretive trails, bridges and boardwalks with overlooks, meadow enhancement and management, control of invasive species, managed forest succession, and stream restoration.

Estimated Schedule

Design in FY17 and FY18 with construction beginning in FY19

Cost Change

Cost increase due to inflation.

Justification

The Montgomery County Planning Board approved the park facility plan on October 6, 2011; Countywide Park Trails Plan (2008); Little Bennett Regional Park Master Plan (2007); 2005 Land Preservation, Parks, and Recreation Plan (LPPRP); Countywide Bikeways Functional Master Plan (2005); Clarksburg Master Plan and Hyattstown Special Study Area (1994); Vision 2030: The Parks and Recreation Strategic Plan (2011); 2012 Park, Recreation and Open Space (PROS) Plan.

Disclosures

A pedestrian impact analysis has been completed for this project.

Coordination

Montgomery County Department of Transportation, Maryland State Highway Administration, Montgomery County Department of Permitting Services, Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection, Arts and Humanities Council of Montgomery County