Capital Crescent Trail (P501316)

Category Sub Category Administering Agency Planning Area	Transportation Pedestrian Facilities/Bikeways zy Transportation (AAGE30) Bethesda-Chevy Chase					Date Last Modified Required Adequate Public Facility Relocation Impact Status				1/6/14 No None Preliminary Design 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 Supervision		6,000	0	0	6,000	3,000	0	0	3,000	0	0	0
Land		1,400	0	0	1,400	0	0	0	0	700	700	0
Site Improvements and Utilities		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Construction		42,100	0	0	42,100	0	4,000	8,000	6,000	13,300	10,800	0
Other		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Total	49,500	0	0	49,500	3,000	4,000	8,000	9,000	14,000	11,500	0
FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000s)												
G.O. Bonds		49,500	0	0	49,500	3,000	4,000	8,000	9,000	14,000	11,500	0
	Total	49,500	0	0	49,500	3,000	4,000	8,000	9,000	14,000	11,500	

APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA (000s)

Appropriation Request	FY 15	3,000
Appropriation Request Est.	FY 16	4,000
Supplemental Appropriation Request	0	
Transfer	0	
Cumulative Appropriation		0
Expenditure / Encumbrances	0	
Unencumbered Balance		0

Date First Appropriation	FY 15	
First Cost Estimate		
Current Scope	FY 13	49,500
Last FY's Cost Estimate		49,500

Description

This project provides for the funding of the Capital Crescent trail, including the main trail from Elm Street Park in Bethesda to Silver Spring as a largely 12-foot-wide hard-surface hiker-biker path, connector paths at several locations, a new bridge over Connecticut Avenue, a new underpass beneath Jones Mill Road, supplemental landscaping and amenities, and lighting at trail junctions, underpasses, and other critical locations.

Estimated Schedule

The interim trail along the Georgetown Branch right-of-way between Bethesda and Lyttonsville will be upgraded to a permanent trail between FY16 and FY18, concurrent with the Purple Line construction schedule in that segment. The new extension of the trail on the northeast side of the Metropolitan Branch Trail between Lyttonsville and the Silver Spring Transit Center will be built in FY19 and FY20. The Metropolitan Branch segment will be opened concurrently with the planned opening of the Purple Line in 2020. This schedule assumes the current Purple Line implementation schedule provided by the Maryland Transit Administration (MTA).

Justification

This trail will be part of a larger system to enable non-motorized traffic in the Washington, DC region. This trail will connect to the existing Capital Crescent Trail from Bethesda to Georgetown, the Metropolitan Branch Trail from Silver Spring to Union Station, and the Rock Creek Bike Trail from northern Montgomery County to Georgetown. The trail will serve pedestrians, bicyclists, joggers, and skaters, and will be compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), the Bethesda CBD Sector Plan, and the Purple Line Functional Master Plan.

Other

The County will continue to coordinate with the Maryland Transit Administration (MTA) to identify options to build a sidewalk or path alongside the Purple Line beneath Wisconsin Avenue and the Air Rights and Apex buildings in Bethesda. If the County and the MTA identify feasible options, the County will consider adding them to the scope of this project in the future.

Fiscal Note

The project schedule and cost estimates may change as a result of the MTA's proposed public-private partnership for the Purple Line.

Coordination

Maryland Transit Administration, Maryland Department of Transportation, State Highway Administration, Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, Bethesda Bikeway and Pedestrian Facilities, Coalition for the Capital Crescent Trail, CSX Transportation, Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority

