

# Little Bennett Regional Park Day Use Area -- No. 138703

Category  
Subcategory  
Administering Agency  
Planning Area

**M-NCPPC**  
**Development**  
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**Clarksburg**

Date Last Modified  
Required Adequate Public Facility  
Relocation Impact  
Status

**May 04, 2012**  
**No**  
**None**  
**Planning Stage**

### EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000)

Cost Element	Total	Thru FY11	Est. FY12	Total 6 Years	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	Beyond 6 Years
Planning, Design, and Supervision	1,563	0	0	1,060	0	0	0	0	250	810	503
Land	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Site Improvements and Utilities	12,391	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12,391
Construction	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>13,954</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,060</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>810</b>	<b>12,894</b>

### FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000)

G.O. Bonds	13,954	0	0	1,060	0	0	0	0	250	810	12,894
<b>Total</b>	<b>13,954</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,060</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>810</b>	<b>12,894</b>

**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 beyond six years.

**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)

**OTHER DISCLOSURES**

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

APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA		
Date First Appropriation	FY	(\$000)
First Cost Estimate	FY13	13,954
Current Scope		
Last FY's Cost Estimate		0
Appropriation Request	FY13	0
Appropriation Request Est.	FY14	0
Supplemental Appropriation Request		0
Transfer		0
Cumulative Appropriation		0
Expenditures / Encumbrances		0
Unencumbered Balance		0
Partial Closeout Thru	FY10	0
New Partial Closeout	FY11	0
Total Partial Closeout		0

**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

