



Bus Rapid Transit: MD 355

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Category	Transportation	Date Last Modified	01/09/20
SubCategory	Mass Transit (MCG)	Administering Agency	Transportation
Planning Area	Bethesda-Chevy Chase and Vicinity	Status	Planning Stage

EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000s)

Cost Elements	Total	Thru FY19	Est FY20	Total 6 Years	FY 21	FY 22	FY 23	FY 24	FY 25	FY 26	Beyond 6 Years
Planning, Design and Supervision	18,000	-	3,000	15,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	18,000	-	3,000	15,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	-	-	-	-

FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000s)

Funding Source	Total	Thru FY19	Est FY20	Total 6 Years	FY 21	FY 22	FY 23	FY 24	FY 25	FY 26	Beyond 6 Years
Impact Tax	3,000	-	3,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Recordation Tax Premium (MCG)	15,000	-	-	15,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	-	-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDING SOURCES	18,000	-	3,000	15,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	-	-	-	-

APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA (\$000s)

Appropriation FY 21 Request	5,000	Year First Appropriation	FY20
Appropriation FY 22 Request	5,000	Last FY's Cost Estimate	3,000
Cumulative Appropriation	3,000		
Expenditure / Encumbrances	-		
Unencumbered Balance	3,000		

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This project will design and construct a new Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) line on MD355 between Clarkburg and Bethesda. Planning conducted by the Maryland Department of Transportation Maryland Transit Administration (MDOT MTA) resulted in several Alternatives Retained for Detailed Study in 2017. In 2019, MCDOT completed the planning phase. The project includes dedicated BRT lanes, new BRT stations with level boarding and off-board payment, Transit Signal Priority, purchase of new 60-foot articulated vehicles, and other associated pedestrian and bicycle improvements along the corridor.

LOCATION

MD 355 between Clarksburg and Bethesda

ESTIMATED SCHEDULE

Project planning was completed in FY19. Preliminary engineering began in FY20 and will be completed in FY23.

COST CHANGE

Funds are added in FY21-23 to complete preliminary engineering.

PROJECT JUSTIFICATION

The project will transform mobility options with the implementation of a 22-mile, premium, branded, limited-stop BRT service along MD355 between Clarksburg and Bethesda. This new service will improve transit travel time and increase opportunity for a broad range of users along a highly congested corridor. The project will improve passenger transit mobility by connecting riders to high density housing and employment centers.

FISCAL NOTE

This project was created as a supplemental in FY20 for \$3 million.

DISCLOSURES

A pedestrian impact analysis will be performed during design or is in progress.

COORDINATION

Maryland Department of Transportation, Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, City of Rockville, City of Gaithersburg