

Trails: Natural Surface & Resource-based Recreation

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SubCategory Development Administering Agency M-NCPPC
Planning Area Countywide Status Ongoing

EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000s)

Cost Elements	Total	Thru FY20	Rem FY20	Total 6 Years	FY 21	FY 22	FY 23	FY 24	FY 25	FY 26	Beyond 6 Years
Planning, Design and Supervision	240	77	18	145	35	22	22	22	22	22	-
Site Improvements and Utilities	5,248	1,695	398	3,155	765	478	478	478	478	478	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	5,488	1,772	416	3,300	800	500	500	500	500	500	-

FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000s)

Funding Source	Total	Thru FY20	Rem FY20	Total 6 Years	FY 21	FY 22	FY 23	FY 24	FY 25	FY 26	Beyond 6 Years
Contributions	200	-	-	200	200	-	-	-	-	-	-
Current Revenue: General	3,535	1,435	300	1,800	300	300	300	300	300	300	-
G.O. Bonds	1,548	232	116	1,200	200	200	200	200	200	200	-
State Aid	205	105	-	100	100	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDING SOURCES	5,488	1,772	416	3,300	800	500	500	500	500	500	-

APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA (\$000s)

Appropriation FY 22 Request	500	Year First Appropriation	FY85
Cumulative Appropriation	2,988	Last FY's Cost Estimate	5,488
Expenditure / Encumbrances	1,951		
Unencumbered Balance	1,037		

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This project funds design and construction of access to natural, undeveloped parkland throughout Stream Valley Parks, Recreational/Regional Parks, Local Parks, and Conservation Areas. The projects will create and improve natural surface trails, and it will also help support natural resource-based recreation uses such as bicycling, hiking, running, horseback riding, bird watching, nature photography, wildlife viewing, kayaking, rowing, canoeing, and fishing, as identified in the 2012 Park, Recreation and Open Space (PROS) Plan. Surfaces include dirt, wood chip, soil mixtures, gravel/stone, bridges, boardwalks or other elevated surfaces; they are generally narrower than hard surface trails. Work may include grading, drainage, signage, bridges, culverts, edging, realignments, restoration, etc. Natural surface trails will utilize Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) guidelines for Outdoor Recreation, but access may be limited due to site constraints.

COST CHANGE

Increase due to program scope expansion, a contribution from the Congressional Country Club for trail improvements, State Aid funding for Fairland Recreational Park trail improvements, and the addition of two fiscal years to this ongoing project.

PROJECT JUSTIFICATION

Improvements address only the highest priority needs for each trail and presume some volunteer assistance for hand labor. Projects in Rock Creek, Rachel Carson, Little Bennett, and Black Hill implement park master plans. This CIP Project implements the natural surface recreational trail component of the Countywide Park Trails Plan and trail recommendations in area master plans. 2015 Countywide Park Trails 2005 Land Preservation, Park and Recreation Plan.

FISCAL NOTE

Prior year partial capitalization of expenditures through FY16 totaled \$3,331,000. MNCPPC was awarded a State Bond Bill of \$105k in FY18 for Western Piedmont Trail Connector. FY14 transfer out of \$45,000 GO Bonds to Montrose Trail, #038707. FY18 current revenue reduced \$30k to reflect the FY18 Savings Plan. In FY21, added Contributions for trail improvements near the Cabin John Watershed. GO bonds are intended to be used for bridge construction.

DISCLOSURES

Expenditures will continue indefinitely. M-NCPPC asserts that this project conforms to the requirement of relevant local plans, as required by the Maryland Economic Growth, Resource Protection and Planning Act.

COORDINATION

Maryland State Parks, Maryland Department of Natural Resources, Montgomery County Department of Transportation, Volunteer Groups