



# Falls Road Bikeway and Pedestrian Facility

(P500905)

Category	Transportation	Date Last Modified	09/10/23
SubCategory	Pedestrian Facilities/Bikeways	Administering Agency	Transportation
Planning Area	Potomac-Cabin John and Vicinity	Status	Preliminary Design Stage

## EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000s)

Cost Elements	Total	Thru FY23	Est FY24	Total 6 Years	FY 25	FY 26	FY 27	FY 28	FY 29	FY 30	Beyond 6 Years
Planning, Design and Supervision	3,784	2	1,230	2,552	408	20	20	-	1,052	1,052	-
Land	4,131	-	-	4,131	-	-	659	2,561	911	-	-
Site Improvements and Utilities	4,254	-	-	4,254	-	-	-	4,254	-	-	-
Construction	19,722	-	-	19,722	-	-	-	-	9,861	9,861	-
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>31,891</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1,230</b>	<b>30,659</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>679</b>	<b>6,815</b>	<b>11,824</b>	<b>10,913</b>	<b>-</b>

## FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000s)

Funding Source	Total	Thru FY23	Est FY24	Total 6 Years	FY 25	FY 26	FY 27	FY 28	FY 29	FY 30	Beyond 6 Years
Federal Aid	1,230	2	1,176	52	52	-	-	-	-	-	-
G.O. Bonds	30,661	-	54	30,607	356	20	679	6,815	11,824	10,913	-
<b>TOTAL FUNDING SOURCES</b>	<b>31,891</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1,230</b>	<b>30,659</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>679</b>	<b>6,815</b>	<b>11,824</b>	<b>10,913</b>	<b>-</b>

## APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA (\$000s)

Appropriation FY 25 Request	-	Year First Appropriation	FY16
Appropriation FY 26 Request	20	Last FY's Cost Estimate	27,111
Cumulative Appropriation	1,640		
Expenditure / Encumbrances	2		
Unencumbered Balance	1,638		

## PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This project provides funds to develop final design plans, acquire right-of-way, and construct approximately 4 miles of an 8-10 foot bituminous hiker/biker path along the east side of Falls Road from River Road to Dunster Road. Falls Road is classified as a major highway and has a number of side street connections along the project corridor. The path will provide pedestrians and cyclists safe access to communities along this project corridor, and will provide a connection to existing pedestrian facilities to the north (Rockville) and to the south (Potomac).

## LOCATION

Falls Road from River Road to Dunster Road

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## ESTIMATED SCHEDULE

Final design to occur in FY23-FY25. Land acquisition is scheduled to start in FY27. Utility relocation will occur in FY28. Construction will start in FY29 and be completed in FY30.

## COST CHANGE

Cost increase due to inflation for land and construction.

## PROJECT JUSTIFICATION

This path provides access to public transportation along Falls Road. The path will provide pedestrian access to the following destinations: bus stops along Falls Road, Bullis School, Ritchie Park Elementary School, Potomac Community Center, Potomac Library, Potomac Village Shopping Center, Potomac Promenade Shopping Center, Heritage Farm Park, Falls Road Golf Club, Falls Road Park, and a number of religious facilities along Falls Road. The 2002 Potomac Subregion Master Plan calls for a Class I (off-road) bike path along Falls Road from the Rockville City limit to MacArthur Boulevard. The path is a missing link between existing bicycle facilities within the City of Rockville and existing path along Falls Road south of River Road.

## OTHER

Montgomery County Department of Transportation has completed Phase 2 facility planning, preliminary design, with funds from the annual bikeway program. The project will help the County achieve its Vision Zero goals to reduce deaths and serious injuries on County roadways to zero.

## FISCAL NOTE

Construction cost estimate is based on design that was completed in 2009. Final construction cost will be determined after final design is completed. Federal Aid in FY23-FY24 includes the Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) grant in the amount of \$1.23M.

## DISCLOSURES

A pedestrian impact analysis has been completed for this project.

## COORDINATION

Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC), State Highway Administration, Utility Companies, Department of Environmental Protection, Department of Permitting Services, Washington Gas, Pepco, Verizon, Maryland Department of Natural Resources; Special Capital Projects Legislation will be proposed by the County Executive.

