

White Flint District West: Transportation (P501116)

Category	Transportation	Date Last Modified	01/07/24
SubCategory	Roads	Administering Agency	Transportation
Planning Area	North Bethesda-Garrett Park	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	15,177	5,416	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,761
Land	703	495	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	208
Construction	55,215	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	55,215
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	71,095	5,911	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	65,184

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
White Flint Special Tax District	71,095	5,911	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	65,184
TOTAL FUNDING SOURCES	71,095	5,911	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	65,184

APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA (\$000s)

Appropriation FY 25 Request	(24)	Year First Appropriation	FY11
Appropriation FY 26 Request	-	Last FY's Cost Estimate	71,095
Cumulative Appropriation	5,935		
Expenditure / Encumbrances	5,911		
Unencumbered Balance	24		

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This project provides for engineering, utility design, and land acquisition for one new road, one relocated road, improvements to three existing roads, and one new bikeway in the White Flint District area for Stage 1. The project also includes both design and future construction expenditures for the reconstruction of Rockville Pike. Various improvements to the roads will include new traffic lanes, shared-use paths, the undergrounding of overhead utility lines, other utility relocations and streetscaping. The new White Flint West Workaround project (CIP #501506) continues funding for several western workaround road projects. The following projects are funded through FY18 for final design: 1. Main Street/Market Street (B-10)-Old Georgetown Road (MD 187) to Woodglen Drive: new two-lane 1,200 foot roadway. 2. Main Street/Market Street (LB-1)-Old Georgetown Road (MD 187) to Woodglen Drive: new 1,200 foot bikeway. 3. Executive Blvd Extended (B-15)-Marinelli Road to Old Georgetown Road (MD 187): 900 feet of relocated four-lane roadway 4. Intersection of Towne Road (formerly Hoya Street) (M-4A), Old Georgetown Road, and Executive Boulevard, including the approaches to Old Georgetown Road. The following project is proposed for both design and construction Beyond 6-Years periods: Rockville Pike (MD 355) (M-6)-Flanders Avenue to Hubbard Drive: 6,300 feet of reconstructed six-to-eight-lane roadway. This project also provides for consulting fees for the analysis and studies necessary to implement the district.

LOCATION

North Bethesda

ESTIMATED SCHEDULE

Design on all projects in the western workaround, with the exception of the Rockville Pike segment, concluded in FY19. Design of the Rockville Pike section will begin Beyond 6 Years in order to coordinate with the implementation of the Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) (CIP#501318). The current expenditure/funding schedule assumes that land needed for road construction will be dedicated by the major developers in a timely manner. Design and construction cost have been delayed to beyond the six-year period due to affordability.

PROJECT JUSTIFICATION

The vision for the White Flint District is for a more urban core with a walkable street grid, sidewalks, bikeways, trails, paths, public use space, parks and recreational facilities, mixed-use development, and enhanced streetscape to improve the areas for pedestrian circulation and transit-oriented development around the Metro Station. These road improvements, along with other District roads proposed to be constructed by developers, will fulfill the strategic program plan for a more effective and efficient transportation system. The proposed improvements are in conformance with the White Flint Sector Plan Resolution 16-1300 adopted March 23, 2010.

FISCAL NOTE

Funding Sources: The ultimate funding source for these projects will be White Flint Special Taxing District tax revenues and related special obligation bond issues. Debt service on the special obligation bond issues will be paid solely from White Flint Special Taxing District revenues. Resolution No. 16-1570 states that "The County's goal is that the White Flint Special Taxing District special tax rate must not exceed ten percent of the total tax rate for the District, except that the rate must be sufficient to pay debt service on any bonds that are already outstanding." With an overall goal of providing infrastructure financing to allow implementation in a timely manner, the County will conduct feasibility studies to determine the affordability of special bond obligation issues prior to the funding of projects 1, 2, 3, and 4 listed in the Description section above. If White Flint Special Tax District revenues are not sufficient to fund these projects, the County will utilize forward funding, advance funding, and management of debt issuance or repayment in a manner to comply with the goal. The County is working with District stakeholders to finalize a long-term financing plan for the districts costs.

DISCLOSURES

A pedestrian impact analysis has been completed for this project.

COORDINATION

Washington Area Metropolitan Transit Authority, City of Rockville, State Highway Administration, Town of Garrett Park, Neighborhood Civic Associations, Developers