

Glen Echo Park -- No. 500004

Category **General Government**
 Agency **Public Works & Transportation**
 Planning Area **Cabin John**
 Relocation Impact **None.**

Date Last Modified
 Required Adequate Public Facility

May 12, 2006
 NO

EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000)

Cost Element	Total	Thru FY05	Est. FY06	Total 6 Years	FY07	FY08	FY09	FY10	FY11	FY12	Beyond 6 Years
Planning, Design and Supervision	3,702	2,959	493	250	250	0	0	0	0	0	0
Land	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Site Improvements and Utilities	1,208	0	608	600	600	0	0	0	0	0	0
Construction	17,186	12,912	3,024	1,250	1,250	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	114	114	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	22,212	15,987	4,125	2,100	2,100	0	0	0	0	0	0

FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000)

PAYGO	5,796	5,796	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
G.O. Bonds	1,114	0	414	700	700	0	0	0	0	0	0
Contributions	300	300	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Aid	8,002	5,163	2,139	700	700	0	0	0	0	0	0
State Aid	7,000	4,728	1,572	700	700	0	0	0	0	0	0

ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (\$000)

DESCRIPTION

For over a century, Glen Echo Park, a National Park Service (NPS) owned property, has served the region as a center for education, entertainment, and cultural development. Diminishing NPS resources led to the deterioration of the park facilities, some of which are now structurally unsound and all of which are in extreme disrepair. This project will stabilize and rehabilitate the existing dilapidated park structures. It will also demolish the existing administration building and build an educational complex, with limited administrative spaces, on the existing building's footprint. The County will manage construction as a joint venture with the NPS and the State. Utility and storm drain construction for the National Park Service to a total of \$450,000 was added in FY02.

JUSTIFICATION

Glen Echo Park was acquired by the NPS to protect the land and scenery adjacent to the Potomac River Palisades. In addition to this conservation goal, the park contributes to the social fabric of the region by providing social, educational, cultural, and recreational opportunities. The park itself is listed as a historic district on the National Register of Historic Places and nine of the individual structures were determined to contribute to the district's architectural and historic significance. Further, the park contributes to the collective history of the region's residents.

Plans and Studies

In 1998, the National Park Service began developing a long-range management plan for the park, including a review of the operational management alternatives. Shortly thereafter, the County Executive established the Glen Echo Park Working Group, which included park neighbors and program participants, as well as County, State, and Federal government representatives, to develop a renovation and management plan for the park. After the Management Plan was approved, the Working Group was disbanded and the Executive has established an implementation committee with community and business representatives to establish a non-profit entity to manage GEP under contract with the County. Capital improvements and scope of work for park facilities are outlined in the Glen Echo Park Stabilization and Rehabilitation Plan, July 1999. A pedestrian impact analysis has been completed for this project.

Cost Change

Increase due to revised cost estimate to complete the rehabilitation of the park. The Federal government contributed \$262,000 for interior construction of NPS offices and information areas.

STATUS

In July 1998, the working group's recommendations were endorsed by the County Executive and presented to the NPS. The NPS has decided to separate the rehabilitation and management components of the long-range park plan. An Environmental Impact Study was completed in 2000. The management plan was finalized by the NPS in 2001. For the annual operation of the park, the working group's proposal included a County subsidy of \$100,000 for four years, after which the County subsidy would end. The County approved \$100,000 subsidies in FY03, FY04, FY05, and FY06. The County approved an additional \$80,000 in FY04 for maintenance. The project schedule is adjusted to conform with current project implementation expectations.

FISCAL NOTE

In September 1999, a cooperative agreement among the NPS, Montgomery County, and the State of Maryland was established for the purpose of facilitating a cost-sharing arrangement for the stabilization and rehabilitation of park facilities. The State's FY00 CIP includes their participation in this project. The Federal FY00 budget includes Federal project participation.

APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA

Date First Appropriation	FY99	(\$000)
Initial Cost Estimate		20,258
First Cost Estimate		
Current Scope	FY07	22,212
Last FY's Cost Estimate		19,850
Present Cost Estimate		22,212
Appropriation Request	FY07	1,175
Appropriation Request Est.	FY08	0
Supplemental Appropriation Request	FY06	262
Transfer		0
Cumulative Appropriation Expenditures/Encumbrances		19,850
Unencumbered Balance		2,250
Partial Closeout Thru	FY04	0
New Partial Closeout	FY05	0
Total Partial Closeout		0

COORDINATION

Arts and Humanities Council of Montgomery County
 Bannockburn Civic Association
 Bethesda-Chevy Chase Regional Services Center
 Department of Public Works and Transportation,
 Division of Capital Development
 Glen Echo Cooperator's Association
 Glen Echo Park Foundation
 Glen Echo Park Stabilization and Rehabilitation Plan, July 1999
 Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission
 National Campaign to Save Glen Echo Park
 National Park Service
 Preservation Maryland
 State of Maryland
 Town of Glen Echo

The Executive asserts that this project conforms to the requirements of local plans, as required by the Maryland Economic Growth, Resource Protection and Planning Act.

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