

# Metropolitan Branch Trail (P501110)

Category	Transportation	Date Last Modified	11/17/14
Sub Category	Pedestrian Facilities/Bikeways	Required Adequate Public Facility	No
Administering Agency	Transportation (AAGE30)	Relocation Impact	None
Planning Area	Silver Spring	Status	Final Design Stage

	Total	Thru FY14	Rem FY14	Total 6 Years	FY 15	FY 16	FY 17	FY 18	FY 19	FY 20	Beyond 6 Yrs
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### EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000s)

	Total	Thru FY14	Rem FY14	Total 6 Years	FY 15	FY 16	FY 17	FY 18	FY 19	FY 20	Beyond 6 Yrs
Planning, Design and Supervision	2,681	1,201	619	861	0	200	100	361	200	0	0
Land	2,990	8	22	2,960	1,740	1,220	0	0	0	0	0
Site Improvements and Utilities	4,862	0	0	4,862	0	50	4,476	336	0	0	0
Construction	7,760	0	0	7,760	0	455	0	5,763	1,542	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>18,293</b>	<b>1,209</b>	<b>641</b>	<b>16,443</b>	<b>1,740</b>	<b>1,925</b>	<b>4,576</b>	<b>6,460</b>	<b>1,742</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

### FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000s)

G.O. Bonds	18,293	1,209	641	16,443	1,740	1,925	4,576	6,460	1,742	0	0
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### APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA (000s)

Appropriation Request	FY 16	1,149
Supplemental Appropriation Request		0
Transfer		0
Cumulative Appropriation		4,366
Expenditure / Encumbrances		1,745
Unencumbered Balance		2,621

Date First Appropriation	FY 11	
First Cost Estimate		
Current Scope	FY 16	18,293
Last FY's Cost Estimate		12,147

## Description

This project provides for the design, land acquisition, utility relocations, and construction of the 0.62 mile segment of this trail in Montgomery County between the end of the existing trail in Takoma Park and the Silver Spring Transit Center. The trail will be designed to be 8 feet to 12 feet in width. The construction will be performed in three phases: the initial phase will construct the trail segment along Fenton Street; the second phase will extend the trail to Georgia Avenue; the final phase will construct a new bridge over Georgia Avenue and extend the trail to Ripley Street. The design will also include a grade-separated crossing of Burlington Avenue, the narrowing of Selim Road, the trail segment on King Street, and the construction of new retaining walls the reconstruction of existing retaining walls.

## Estimated Schedule

Land acquisition will be completed in FY16. Final design will be completed in FY17. Utility relocations will be completed in FY18. Construction will begin in FY16 and will be completed in FY19.

## Cost Change

Cost increase of \$6.146M due to additional scope of work.

## Justification

The Metropolitan Branch Trail is to be part of a larger system of trails to enable non-motorized travel around the Washington region. The overall goal for these trails is to create a bicycle beltway that links Union Station and the Mall in Washington, D.C. to Takoma Park, Silver Spring, and Bethesda in Maryland. The trail will serve pedestrians, bicyclists, joggers, and skaters, and will be Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) accessible. Plans & Studies: Silver Spring Central Business District Sector Plan.

## Other

The County is currently negotiating with the Maryland Historical Trust and Maryland Preservation Inc. regarding right-of-way impacts and the final alignment of a pedestrian bridge crossing over Georgia Avenue. The initial design for this project was funded through Facility Planning: Transportation (CIP #509337). The expenditures reflects the previously approved FY13-18 alignment over Georgia Avenue, which provides a crossing that is safe, cost-effective, and has a more limited visual impact than other proposed alternatives. This project will be coordinated with the redevelopment of Progress Place and other construction activity in the Ripley district of Silver Spring to minimize impacts to surrounding property owners.

## Fiscal Note

Project is deferred in order to coordinate with the redevelopment of Progress Place and Ripley Street. Federal Transportation Enhancement Funds will be pursued after property acquisition is complete.

## Disclosures

A pedestrian impact analysis has been completed for this project.

## Coordination

Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, CSX-Transportation, Maryland State Highway Administration, Montgomery College, Maryland Historical Trust, Purple Line Project, Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, Montgomery County Department of Health and Human Services