

EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION

Little Bennett Regional Park Day Use Area (P138703)

Project Category	M-NCPPC	Date Last Modified	5/4/12
Project SubCategory	Development	Required Adequate Public Facility	No
Project Administering Agency	M-NCPPC (AAGE13)	Relocation Impact	None
Project Planning Area	Clarksburg	Status	Planning Stage

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	1,658	0	0	560	0	0	0	0	250	310	1,098
Land	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Site Improvements and Utilities	12,595	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12,595
Construction	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	14,253	0	0	560	0	0	0	0	250	310	13,693

FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000s)

G.O. Bonds	14,253	0	0	560	0	0	0	0	250	310	13,693
Total	14,253	0	0	560	0	0	0	0	250	310	13,693

COMPARISON (\$000s)

	Total	Thru FY14	REM FY14	6YR Total	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20	Bey 6Yr	Approp.
Current Approved	14,253	0	0	5,388	0	0	250	310	2,524	2,304	8,865	0
Agency Request	14,253	0	0	5,388	0	0	250	310	2,524	2,304	8,865	0
Recommended	14,253	0	0	560	0	0	0	0	250	310	13,693	0

Change	TOTAL	%	6-YEAR	%	APPROP.	%
Agency Request vs Approved	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Recommended vs Approved	0	0.0%	(4,828)	(89.6%)	0	0.0%
Recommended vs Request	0	0.0%	(4,828)	(89.6%)	0	0.0%

Recommendation

Approve with modification.

Comments

The Executive recommends funding this project on the schedule shown above due to affordability.

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Category M-NCPPC
 Sub Category Development
 Administering Agency M-NCPPC (AAGE13)
 Planning Area Clarksburg

Date Last Modified 3/6/14
 Required Adequate Public Facility No
 Relocation Impact None
 Status Planning 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)

Planning, Design and Supervision	1,658	0	0	935	0	0	250	310	200	175	723
Land	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Site Improvements and Utilities	12,595	0	0	4,453	0	0	0	0	2,324	2,129	8,142
Construction	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA (000s)

Appropriation Request	FY 16	0
Supplemental Appropriation Request		0
Transfer		0
Cumulative Appropriation		0
Expenditure / Encumbrances		0
Unencumbered Balance		0

Date First Appropriation	
First Cost Estimate	
Current Scope	FY 15 14,253
Last FY's Cost Estimate	14,253

Description

The Little Bennett Regional Park Day Use Area, located on the east side of MD Route 355 north of Comus Road, is a 65-acre existing meadow adjacent to wooded areas of the park and Soper's Branch stream. The day use area is designed to provide nature-based recreation and protects and interprets the existing meadow and adjacent forest habitat. The program of requirements from the master plan is accomplished in a uniquely sustainable manner that interprets the natural and cultural landscapes of the area. The project includes a multi-purpose outdoor classroom building, outdoor educational space and amphitheater, group picnic areas and shelter, play complex, sledding hill, hay play, group fire ring, teaching alcoves, two entrances and an access road, parking, bike path, hard and natural surface interpretive trails, bridges and boardwalks with overlooks, meadow enhancement and management, control of invasive species, managed forest succession, and stream restoration.

Estimated Schedule

Design in FY17 and FY18 with construction beginning in FY19

Cost Change

Cost increase due to inflation.

Justification

The Montgomery County Planning Board approved the park facility plan on October 6, 2011; Countywide Park Trails Plan (2008); Little Bennett Regional Park Master Plan (2007); 2005 Land Preservation, Parks, and Recreation Plan (LPPRP); Countywide Bikeways Functional Master Plan (2005); Clarksburg Master Plan and Hyattstown Special Study Area (1994); Vision 2030: The Parks and Recreation Strategic Plan (2011); 2012 Park, Recreation and Open Space (PROS) Plan.

Disclosures

A pedestrian impact analysis has been completed for this project.

Coordination

Montgomery County Department of Transportation, Maryland State Highway Administration, Montgomery County Department of Permitting Services, Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection, Arts and Humanities Council of Montgomery County