

Black Hill Trail Renovation and Extension -- No. 058701

Category
Subcategory
Administering Agency
Planning Area

M-NCPPC
Development
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Clarksburg

Date Last Modified
Required Adequate Public Facility
Relocation Impact
Status

December 22, 2009
No
None
Final Design Stage

EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000)

Cost Element	Total	Thru FY09	Est. FY10	Total 6 Years	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16	Beyond 6 Years
Planning, Design, and Supervision	405	85	224	96	96	0	0	0	0	0	0
Land	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Site Improvements and Utilities	3,800	0	1,000	2,800	2,800	0	0	0	0	0	0
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	4,205	85	1,224	2,896	2,896	0	0	0	0	0	0

FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000)

G.O. Bonds	1,877	25	551	1,301	1,301	0	0	0	0	0	0
Program Open Space	2,328	60	673	1,595	1,595	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	4,205	85	1,224	2,896	2,896	0	0	0	0	0	0

OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (\$000)

Program-Other				60	10	10	10	10	10	10
Program-Staff				167	27	28	28	28	28	28
Net Impact				227	37	38	38	38	38	38
WorkYears					0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4

DESCRIPTION

This project funds two separate trail projects in Black Hill Regional Park, 20030 Lake Ridge Road, Boyds. The trail renovation project upgrades an existing 2.38 mile hiker-biker trail along the eastern shore of Little Seneca Lake from Wisteria Drive north to Spinning Wheel Drive. The existing 6-foot wide trail does not meet park standards and is seriously deteriorated. The trail renovation and upgrade provides an eight-foot wide trail that meets park construction standards and complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) except in one area where full ADA compliance is not possible without extensive tree-clearing.

The second project extends an existing trail 1.2 miles from the terminus near Spinning Wheel Drive to parking lot 6, near the picnic area. The new eight-foot wide trail will connect two existing trail segments and provides the only hard surface connection from the Water's Landing community to the developed area of Black Hill Regional Park.

ESTIMATED SCHEDULE

Construction of the trail extension begins in winter 2009 and will be complete by fall 2010. Trail renovation begins in spring 2010 and will be complete by spring 2011.

COST CHANGE

Not applicable.

JUSTIFICATION

Several plans envision a hard surface trail network that links the residents of Germantown and Clarksburg to Black Hill Regional Park. Renovation of the existing hard-surface trail is part of this larger network which will make the regional park accessible to thousands of residents and make the Clarksburg amenities accessible to those living in the vicinity of the park. The Black Hill Regional Park Master Plan, approved in 2002, makes this project a priority. Approximately 425,000 people visit the park each year.

OTHER

The trail was constructed BY THE DEVELOPER OF THE ADJACENT RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITIES, AND CONVEYED TO M-NCPPC IN 1982, WITH little or no base and a substandard asphalt layer that HAS deteriorated. The trail was built before the Americans with Disabilities Act(ADA) guidelines were developed AND is too narrow to safely accommodate the number of users, and contains several areas of steep slopes. The NEW eight-foot width affords minimum space for bicyclists, wheelchairs, strollers, maintenance crews, and emergency vehicles.

OTHER DISCLOSURES

- A pedestrian impact analysis has been completed for this project.
- M-NCPPC asserts that this project conforms to the requirements of relevant local plans, as required by the Maryland Economic Growth, Resource Protection and Planning Act.

APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA		
Date First Appropriation	FY05	(\$000)
First Cost Estimate	FY05	3,101
Current Scope		
Last FY's Cost Estimate		4,205
Appropriation Request	FY11	0
Appropriation Request Est.	FY12	0
Supplemental Appropriation Request		0
Transfer		0
Cumulative Appropriation		4,205
Expenditures / Encumbrances		169
Unencumbered Balance		4,036
Partial Closeout Thru	FY08	0
New Partial Closeout	FY09	0
Total Partial Closeout		0

COORDINATION
Community Associations
Trails: Hard Surface Renovation PDF 888754
Trails: Hard Surface Design and Construction PDF 768673
Montgomery County Department of Permitting Services
Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection
Maryland Department of Natural Resources

