

## Dulles Metrorail is Coming Next Stop, Tysons

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# **Dulles Metrorail Project Moves into Final Design Phase**

#### FTA Announcement Commits \$159 Million

On May 12, The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) approved the request by the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority to advance the Dulles Corridor Metrorail Project into the Final Design stage of the FTA's New Starts Process.

The FTA is committing approximately \$159 million to be used for project design and engineering, continuing utility relocations; right-of-way acquisitions; engineering and design costs of rail cars and project administration.

The FTA approval of this next step outlines the process for obtaining a Full Funding Grant Agreement.

(To see a copy of the May 12 letter from FTA Administrator James S. Simpson to the Airports Authority visit our website at <a href="www.dullesmetro.com">www.dullesmetro.com</a>)

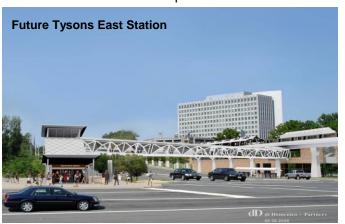
## **Project Overview**

#### Phase I

- 5 new stations; 11.6 miles
- From the existing Orange Line between the East and West Falls Church stations to Wiehle Avenue in Reston
- Pedestrian bridges, escalators and elevators at all stations

#### Phase 2

- 6 new stations; 11.5 miles
- Continuing to Route 772 in Loudoun County with additional stations at Reston Parkway, Monroe Street (Herndon), Route 28, Dulles Airport and Route 606
- Direct access to Dulles Airport terminal



#### What's Next

In addition to releasing the \$159.7 million, the notification says the federal funds can be used for:

- · Right-of-way acquisitions
- Reimbursement of third party preliminary engineering costs
- Continuing with utility relocations
- Final design work
- Project administration
- Maintenance of traffic efforts
- Engineering and design of rail cars

### **Project Summary**

The 23-mile project will run from the East Falls Church Metro Station, west to Ashburn, serving Tysons Corner, Reston, Herndon, Dulles International Airport and eastern Loudoun County.

The project will be built in two phases. Construction on the first phase is expected to begin in 2008 and projected to open for service in 2013. The second phase of construction is projected to be completed from Wiehle Avenue to Ashburn in 2015.

## **Project Leadership**

The project is being managed by the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority.

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#### **Utility Work Underway**

The Dulles Corridor Metrorail Project has started utility relocations along Route 7 between Route 123 and the Dulles Toll Road. These relocations are necessary prior to starting the construction of the rail project.

### **Timeline for Utility Relocation Work**

- Washington Gas is scheduled to conclude their ongoing installation between Gosnell Road and Route 123 soon.
- Several other utility companies will be relocating utilities along the service roads - taking approximately 24 months to complete.

For more information on the Dulles Corridor Metrorail Project, please visit our website at www.dullesmetro.com or call (703) 572-0506.

