

# Public Comment

Metro Board of Directors Meeting

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## Joe McAndrew (Arlington County, VA)

What is WMATA's plan to overcome the projected structural operating deficit that will materialize in FY24, which represents nearly 22% of the operating budget? Can you please share scenarios for how this would impact WMATA's service in FY24 if nothing happens? How much bus service is lost if we cut \$519M from its operating budget? Similarly, what would a \$519M cut to rail operations look like? Please help the region get our heads out of the sand here so we can amend laws if needed and/or coordinate advocacy as one region at the federal level if needed. A board meeting session on this subject would be appreciated.