

# **Notice of Public Hearings**

**Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority** 

Docket B14-01: Proposed FY2015 Fare Adjustments and

Docket B14-02: Proposed FY2015 Capital Improvement Program and Federal FY2014 Grant Applications

## **Purpose**

Notice is hereby given that six public hearings will be held by the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority on the two dockets mentioned above as follows:

Hearing No. 589
Wed, January 29, 2014
Greenbelt Marriott
6400 Ivy Ln
Greenbelt, MD
Free Shuttle to/from Greenbelt
station

Hearing No. 592
Tues, February 4, 2014
Montgomery County Executive
Office Building Cafeteria
101 Monroe St
Rockville, MD
(Entrance on Jefferson St)

Hearing No. 590
Thurs, January 30, 2014
Hilton Springfield
6550 Loisdale Rd
Springfield, VA
Free Shuttle to FranconiaSpringfield station after 7:30 pm

Hearing No. 593
Wed, February 5, 2014
Arlington Central Library
1015 N Quincy St
Arlington, VA

Hearing No. 591
Mon, February 3, 2014
Matthews Memorial Baptist Church
Fellowship Hall
2616 Martin Luther King Jr Ave, SE
Washington, DC

Hearing No. 594

Thurs, February 6, 2014

Metro Headquarters Building 600 5<sup>th</sup> St, NW

Washington, DC

For Each Location: Information Session at 6 p.m. – Public Hearing at 6:30 p.m.

Please note that these dates are subject to each facility's inclement weather cancellation policy. In the event of cancellations, Metro will post information about the new hearings on wmata.com.

The locations of all public hearings are wheelchair accessible. Any individual who requires special assistance such as a sign language interpreter or additional accommodation to participate in the public hearings, or who requires these materials in an alternate format, should contact Danise Peña at 202-962-2511 or TTY: 202-962-2033 as soon as possible in order for Metro to make necessary arrangements. For language assistance, such as an interpreter or information in another language, please call 202-962-2582 at least 48 hours prior to the public hearing date.

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In accordance with Section 62 of the WMATA Compact, Metro will conduct six public hearings at the locations listed in this notice. Information on the hearings will be provided in area libraries, on Metrobus, Metrorail, and MetroAccess vehicles, and online at <a href="https://www.wmata.com/hearings">www.wmata.com/hearings</a>.

HOW TO REGISTER TO SPEAK - All organizations or individuals desiring to be heard with respect to either of these two dockets will be afforded the opportunity to present their views and make supporting statements and to offer alternative proposals. In order to establish a witness list, individuals and representatives of organizations who wish to be heard at these public hearings are requested to furnish in writing their name and organizational affiliation, if any, via email to <a href="mailto:speak@wmata.com">speak@wmata.com</a>. The request may also be mailed to the Office of the Secretary, Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, 600 Fifth Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20001. Alternatively, you may fax this information to 202-962-1133. Please submit only one speaker's name per letter. Lists of individual speakers will not be accepted. Please note that this information may be releasable to the public under the WMATA Public Access to Records Policy (PARP). The PARP can be viewed on WMATA's website at wmata.com/about metro/public rr.cfm under the link marked "Legal Affairs". Public officials will be heard first and will be allowed five minutes each to make their presentations. All others will be allowed three minutes each. These limits apply regardless of whether the speaker is addressing one or both dockets. Relinquishing of time by one speaker to another will not be permitted.

HOW TO SUBMIT WRITTEN STATEMENTS – Written statements and exhibits must be received by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, February 11, 2014, by the Office of the Secretary and may be emailed to <a href="writtentestimony@wmata.com">writtentestimony@wmata.com</a>. They may also be mailed to the Office of the Secretary, Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, 600 Fifth Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001. Alternatively, statements may be faxed to 202-962-1133. Please reference the appropriate docket number (B14-01 and/or B14-02) in your submission. Please note that any personal information such as name, e-mail address, address, or telephone number you provide in the statement may be releasable to the public under the WMATA Public Access to Records Policy, available at the website link noted above.

<u>SURVEY</u> – Additionally, if you wish to participate in a survey on Metro's budget and fares, please go to <u>wmata.com/budgetsurvey</u>. The survey will open by 5 p.m. on January 2, 2014 and will close on February 11 at 5 p.m. You will be asked to respond to questions about Metro's proposed FY2015 budget and fare changes, as well as some demographic questions. This option is in addition to your ability to speak at a public hearing or to submit a written statement. The survey results, along with written statements and public hearing comments, will be presented to the Board and will be officially part of the public hearing record.

## WMATA PROPOSAL FOR DOCKET B14-01: Proposed FY2015 Fare Adjustments

The proposed FY2015 Budget invests \$3.0 billion in providing safer, better, and more service for Metro customers, and it prepares for the region's future with a down payment on several key initiatives in the Momentum strategic plan. The proposed budget also supports the agency's three-year business plan, which starts with safety and places an added emphasis this year on improving customers' day-to-day experiences.

This budget proposal includes \$1.76 billion in operating expenses to provide quality Metrorail, Metrobus, and MetroAccess service across the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia. The operating highlights for FY2015 include:

- FY2015 will be the first full fiscal year of operations for Metro's new Silver Line from Largo, MD, to Reston, VA. The new line extends the Metrorail system in Virginia for 11.4 miles with five new stations.
- Starting in FY2015, Metro will inaugurate the first of the 7000 series rail cars into service, replacing its oldest cars in the system and fulfilling a key National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) recommendation. The rail cars will offer a range of safety enhancements and offer "customer-driven" design features, such as electronic station and arrival displays; wider aisles and improved seating; more space for wheelchairs; and an enhanced public address system for clearer announcements.
- Metro will invest to improve the security of the transit system, with new police officers for bus patrols and the Silver Line, a new District II Substation and training facility, and a new Security Operations Control Center.
- In order to consistently focus on the customer, Metro is establishing its first-ever, agency-wide Customer Care Program, which will define standards and policies for the customer experience on bus, rail and MetroAccess.
- Metro will implement employee engagement initiatives and recruitment strategies, including a continued emphasis on succession planning to recruit and develop employees to fill key roles within the agency.

The proposed operating budget is funded with passenger fares and parking (52 percent), state and local government contributions (45 percent) and other revenue sources (3 percent). Metro has cut administrative costs and increased revenues from fiber optics and advertising to offset certain increases next year.

The proposed operating budget includes an increase in support from the local jurisdictions of approximately \$44 million. The operating budget also includes a proposed fare increase that will generate approximately \$30 million in net additional fare revenue for FY2015, not including any additional fare revenues generated by ridership growth or the full year of Silver Line service. The Board will consider a range of potential fare adjustments (described in detail on the following pages) to generate that additional revenue.

The proposed incremental fare adjustments are also designed to simplify the Metrobus fare structure and to make Metro services more attractive for out-of-town visitors through the creation of a discounted pass for convention attendees. The convention pass would

create a fare option for convention visitors for unlimited Metrorail travel at a price of \$10 per day, and it would be available as a multi-day (e.g., three-day or four-day) product, depending on the duration of the convention. Also, Metro is proposing to reduce the special event parking price for FedExField events from \$25 to \$15 in order to improve utilization and be more competitive with other parking lots near the stadium.

Specifically, Metro is proposing a series of possible fare changes to generate the \$30 million in additional fare revenue, as listed on the following pages. *The proposed changes represent the maximum possible fare increases for FY2015, but the Board may choose to adopt smaller fare changes than the maximum.* For example, the proposed Metrorail fare increase shown below is an increase of 4 percent over current fares, but the Board could choose to adopt a 3 percent increase or any amount less than or equal to 4 percent. Similarly, the proposed base SmarTrip® bus fare shown below is \$1.85, but the Board could chose to adopt a fare of \$1.75 or any amount less than or equal to \$1.85.

## Fares and Fees (Maximum Potential Changes)

	CURRENT	FY2015 Proposed
Metrorail Fares	Fares/Fees	Fare Options
Peak Fares <sup>1</sup>		
<ul><li>1 · Boarding charge (up to 3 miles)</li></ul>	\$2.10	\$2.20
<ul><li>2 · Composite miles between 3 and 6 miles</li></ul>	\$0.316	\$0.329
3 · Composite miles over 6 miles	\$0.280	\$0.291
4 · Maximum peak fare	\$5.75	\$6.00
Charge for senior/disabled is one-half peak fare	\$1.05 - \$2.85	\$1.10 - \$3.00
Off-Peak Fares <sup>2</sup>		
6 · Boarding charge (up to 3 miles)	\$1.70	\$1.75
7 · Composite miles between 3 and 6 miles	\$0.237	\$0.247
8 · Composite miles over 6 miles	\$0.210	\$0.218
9 · Maximum off-peak fare	\$3.50	\$3.65
10 · Charge for senior/disabled is one-half peak fare during off-peak	\$1.05 - \$2.85	\$1.10 - \$3.00
Magnetic Paper Fare Cards		
11 · Non-SmarTrip® fare surcharge <sup>3</sup>	\$1.00	no change
12 · Senior/disabled non-SmarTrip® surcharge	\$0.50	no change
Rail Passes		
13 · One-day unlimited pass	\$14.00	\$14.50
14 · One-day "convention" pass (bulk sales only) <sup>4</sup>	NA	\$10.00
15 · 7-day short-trip pass for rail	\$35.00	\$36.50
16 · 7-day fast pass for rail	\$57.50	\$59.75
17 · 28-day fast pass for rail	\$230.00	\$239.00
Other Rail Fares		
18 · Bus-to-rail transfer utilizing SmarTrip® card	\$0.50 discount	no change
19 · 30-day DC SmartStudent pass & DC One card, within DC	\$32.00	\$33.00
20 · DC Student farecards & DC One Card - 10 rail trips within DC	\$10.00	\$10.40
21 · TransitLink Card on MARC and VRE <sup>5</sup>	\$108.00	\$112.00
22 · TransitLink Card on MTA <sup>5</sup>	\$166.00	\$173.00
Metrobus Fares		
Regular Fares		
23 · SmarTrip® boarding charge for local/limited-stop bus	\$1.60	\$1.85
24 · SmarTrip® boarding charge for express bus	\$3.65	\$4.00
25 Cash boarding charge for local/limited-stop bus	\$1.80	\$2.00
26 · Cash boarding charge for express bus	\$4.00	\$4.50
27 · Cash/SmarTrip® boarding charge for designated airport routes	\$6.00	\$7.00
Senior/Disabled: One-Half Regular Fares		
28 · SmarTrip® boarding charge for local/limited-stop bus	\$0.80	\$0.90
29 · SmarTrip® boarding charge for express bus	\$1.80	\$2.00
30 · Cash boarding charge for local/limited-stop bus	\$0.90	\$1.00
31 · Cash boarding charge for express bus	\$2.00	no change
32 · Cash/SmarTrip® boarding charge for airport designated routes	\$3.00	\$3.50

Metr	obus Fares (cont.)	CURRENT Fares/Fees	FY 2015 Proposed Fare Options
Bus	Transfers		
33	· Bus-to-bus transfers utilizing SmarTrip® card	no change	
34	· Rail-to-bus transfer utilizing SmarTrip® card	\$0.50 discount	no change
35	· Transfer from MARC, VRE, & MTA with weekly/monthly pass	\$0.00	no change
36	· Transfer from regional bus partners	varies	no change
Bus	Passes		
37	· 7-Day Regional Bus Pass	\$16.00	\$18.50
38	· 7-Day Regional Senior/Disabled Pass	\$8.00	\$9.25
Othe	er Fare Media		
39	· Package of 10 tokens, available to organizations	\$18.00	\$20.00
40	· DC student tokens - 10 trips per pack	\$8.00	\$9.25
41	· DC student pass on DC One Card - 10 trips	\$8.00	\$9.25
Metr	oAccess Fares <sup>6</sup>		
42	· MetroAccess fare (within ADA 3/4 mile service corridor)	varies	varies
43	· Maximum fare	\$7.00	no change
Park	ing Fees <sup>7</sup>		
44	· District of Columbia	\$3.50 - \$4.50	\$3.75 - \$4.75
45	· Montgomery County	\$4.25 - \$5.00	\$4.50 - \$5.25
46	· Prince George's County <sup>8</sup>	\$4.50	\$5.25
47	· Virginia	\$4.75	\$5.00
48	· Monthly reserved parking fee	\$45.00 - \$65.00	no change
49	· Parking meters \$1.00/60 minutes	\$1.00	no change
50	<ul> <li>Prince George's parking garage at New Carrollton</li> </ul>	\$85.00	no change
51	· Non-Metro rider parking fees	\$8.25 - \$25.00	\$8.25 - \$15.00
Othe	er Fees		
	· Bicycle locker rental	\$120.00 (annual)	no change
53	<ul> <li>Surcharge on Entry/Exit for station improvements, two stations per Compact jurisdiction<sup>9</sup></li> </ul>	\$0.05	no change

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Peak fares are in effect from opening through 9:30am and from 3:00pm to 7:00pm weekdays, except on national holidays. Peak fares are in effect from midnight until closing Friday and Saturday nights.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Off-peak fares are in effect during all other hours on weekdays, Saturday and Sunday, and all national holidays.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Non-SmarTrip® fare surcharge is in addition to the peak or off-peak fare charged.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Discounted unlimited one-day pass for convention attendees, available through WMATA bulk sales only.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Metro's portion of the TransitLink Cards on MARC, VRE, and MTA.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> MetroAccess fare is twice the equivalent fixed route SmarTrip® fare based on fastest trip.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Parking fees consist of Metro's base fee plus jurisdiction surcharge. Fee for Prince George's parking at New Carrollton is \$70 base fee plus \$15 surcharge.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> \$0.25 increase in base parking fee plus additional \$0.50 surcharge at facilities in Prince George's County.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Rail stations with surcharge are designated per jurisdiction discretion pending Board approval.

The public hearings will seek comment on the proposed fare changes to Metrobus, Metrorail, MetroAccess, parking, and other fees. The projected start date for any adopted fare changes is on or about July 1, 2014. Full details on the proposed FY2015 operating and capital budget may be found at: <a href="https://www.wmata.com/budget">wmata.com/budget</a>

## I. Fare Proposal – Metrorail

## A. Fare Changes for Travel Using SmarTrip®

1. Increase peak period rail fares by up to 4.0 percent

It is proposed that the boarding charge (also referred to as the base fare), the composite mileage increments, and the maximum fares will be increased by up to 4.0 percent. If the maximum advertised increase of 4.0 percent is adopted, the peak period fare will increase as follows:

- a) Base fare will round to the nearest nickel, increasing from \$2.10 to \$2.20
- b) Mileage composite between 3 and 6 miles increases from \$0.316 to \$0.329
- c) Mileage composite over 6 miles increases from \$0.280 to \$0.291
- d) Maximum peak fare will increase from \$5.75 to \$6.00

## 2. Increase off-peak rail fares by up to 4.0 percent

It is proposed that the boarding charge (also referred to as the base fare), the composite mileage increments, and the maximum fare are increased by up to 4.0 percent. If the maximum advertised increase of 4.0 percent is adopted, the peak period fare will increase as follows:

- a) Base fare will round to the nearest nickel, increasing from \$1.70 to \$1.75
- b) Mileage composite between 3 and 6 miles increases from \$0.237 to \$0.247
- c) Mileage composite over 6 miles increases from \$0.210 to \$0.218
- d) Maximum off-peak fare will increase from \$3.50 to \$3.65

The off-peak fare structure was changed in FY2013 to be aligned with the peak structure, but at an approximate 25 percent discount from peak. If implemented uniformly, this change would have caused off-peak trips between some station pairs to experience fare increases of up to 60 percent. Therefore, in order to avoid such large increases, a "cap" was implemented as part of the FY2013 fare changes that prevented any off-peak fare from going up more than 27 percent.

If the proposed FY2015 fare changes are implemented uniformly, these same station pairs will again face potential off-peak fare increases of up to 30 percent. Therefore, to avoid such potentially large increases, Metro proposes to, again, implement a "cap" so that no off-peak fare increases more than 15 percent.

## Example fares, using SmarTrip®

## Assuming maximum advertised increase of 4.0 percent

		Currer	nt Fare	Potential New Fare		
Туре	Example	Peak Off-peak		Peak Off-pea		
Long	Franconia-Springfield to Metro Center	\$5.35	\$3.50	\$5.55	\$3.65	
Medium	Bethesda to Rosslyn	\$3.65	\$2.75	\$3.80	\$2.95	
Short	Southern Ave to Navy Yard	\$2.20	\$1.75	\$2.30	\$1.80	

## **B.** Fare Changes for Passengers Using Paper Farecard

Depending on the month, paper farecards account for 10 percent or less of Metrorail trips, as the vast majority of riders are now utilizing SmarTrip®. Paper farecard usage is expected to decline further following Metro's October 2013 reduction in the price of a SmarTrip® card from \$5.00 to \$2.00.

The current surcharge for passengers using a paper farecard instead of SmarTrip® is \$1.00 per trip. There is no proposed change to this surcharge in FY2015.

## C. Fare Changes for Rail Passes and Other Rail Fares

1. Increase price of existing rail passes by up to 4.0 percent

Existing Metrorail pass products would increase by the same percentage (subject to rounding) as individual peak and off-peak trips. If the maximum advertised increase of 4.0 percent were adopted, the pass price increases would be as follows:

- a) One-day unlimited pass would increase from \$14.00 to \$14.50
- b) 7-day short-trip pass would increase from \$35.00 to \$36.50
- c) 7-day fast pass would increase from \$57.50 to \$59.75
- d) 28-day fast pass would increase from \$230.00 to \$239.00
- e) TransitLink Card (TLC) pass on MARC or VRE would increase from \$108.00 to \$112; TLC pass on MTA would increase from \$166.00 to \$173.00

## 2. Create new discounted "convention" pass

It is proposed that the current one-day unlimited pass will also be made available to convention attendees at a discounted price of \$10.00. This proposed convention pass will not be available for purchase by the general public and will be available only through Metro bulk sales, initially as a one-year pilot.

In response to guidance provided by the District of Columbia, Metro met with Destination DC (the District's Convention and Visitors Bureau) to understand the transportation needs of convention visitors. To make travel in and around the Washington region more competitive with New York and Atlanta, for example – two competing East Coast cities

that offer discounted transit fares for convention participants – Metro has proposed a multi-day Convention Pass that offers all-day unlimited travel on Metrorail. Each day of travel would cost \$10.00, so that a three-day pass would be priced at \$30.00. This pass would be marketed exclusively by Destination DC, which would offer the product to clients and fulfill them on Metro's behalf. A pilot timetable of one year is recommended to work out the logistics of marketing and distribution before the program is expanded.

The pass would be offered as a specially designed SmarTrip® card, which Destination DC would market through sales packages to prospective clients and meeting planners. The revenue potential on the high end is \$6 million, based on 100% utilization by the 200,000 participants expected to attend 16 large conventions that are scheduled for the coming year. In the first year, a much lower penetration rate would be expected, with a target of \$1.5 million in the first year.

#### 3. Bus-to-rail transfers

The current bus-to-rail transfer discount is \$0.50 (i.e., the rail fare is reduced by \$0.50 when a passenger transfers from Metrobus or another local bus provider using the SmarTrip® card within the transfer time window). There is no proposed change in the transfer discount.

#### II. Fare Proposal – Metrobus

## A. Fare Changes for Bus Boarding Using SmarTrip®

It is proposed that the regular fare bus boarding charge (for local and limited-stop services) be increased by up to \$0.25, from \$1.60 to \$1.85. It is also proposed that the regular fare bus boarding charge for express services be increased by up to \$0.35, from \$3.65 to \$4.00, and that the regular fare bus boarding charge for airport services be increased by up to \$1.00, from \$6.00 to \$7.00. All senior/disabled fares would be one-half the regular fare, rounded down to the nearest nickel.

## B. Fare Changes for Bus Boarding Using Cash

#### PROPOSAL #1

The GM/CEO's Proposed FY2015 Budget includes a proposal to eliminate the current cash surcharge on Metrobus. This proposal would result in cash fares being equal to SmarTrip® fares on all regular, express, and airport routes. If this proposal is adopted, the expected impact on SmarTrip® usage on Metrobus is projected to be low, since the availability of bus-bus and bus-rail transfers and the availability of the 7-day bus pass (a popular product) are key drivers of SmarTrip® utilization on bus. Metro is also initiating a separate pilot project to install off-board SmarTrip® reloading machines at locations along key bus routes to encourage SmarTrip® use and speed bus loading.

#### PROPOSAL #2

An alternative proposal would retain a cash surcharge on Metrobus. Depending on the level of the SmarTrip® boarding charge, the cash boarding charge for local and limited-stop services would increase from \$1.80 to as much as \$2.00, and the cash boarding charge for express services would increase from \$4.00 to as much as \$4.50. The cash boarding charge for airport services would increase to \$7.00. All senior/disabled cash fares would be one-half the regular cash fare, rounded down to the nearest nickel.

#### C. Bus Transfers

No changes are proposed to the current bus-to-bus and rail-to-bus transfer discounts, including free transfers to bus for riders with weekly or monthly MARC, VRE, and MTA passes.

#### D. Bus Passes and Other Media

The seven-day bus pass is currently priced at 10 times the base SmarTrip® fare, and this pricing is proposed to continue, so that a seven-day bus pass would increase from \$16.00 to as high as \$18.50. Similarly, non-student tokens will continue to be priced at the cash boarding charge, so that a package of 10 tokens could increase from \$18.00 to as high as \$20.00.

## III. Fare Proposal – MetroAccess

#### A. MetroAccess Fare Calculation

There is no proposed change to the pricing calculation for MetroAccess. MetroAccess fares are equal to twice the equivalent fixed-route SmarTrip® fare, based on the fastest trip. Fares will be adjusted according to the adopted fare changes for bus and rail.

#### **B. MetroAccess Maximum Fare**

There is no proposed change to the maximum fare for MetroAccess, which will remain at \$7.00.

## IV. Fare Proposal – Parking

#### A. Increase in Base Parking Fee

For FY2015, it is proposed that the base parking fee at all Metro facilities be increased by \$0.25.

## B. Increase in Surcharge Fee at Facilities in Prince George's County

In addition to the proposed base fee increase at all parking facilities, Metro is considering an additional \$0.50 increase in parking fees at Metro facilities in Prince George's County. The revenue generated by this additional surcharge would not be a revenue source for Metro's general operating budget, but would be reserved for the following uses in Prince George's County only:

- payment of current debt service incurred to fund the construction of existing Metro parking facilities;
- maintenance and rehabilitation costs associated with existing Metro parking facilities; and
- payment of future debt service incurred to fund the construction of new Metro parking facilities.

## C. Decrease in Event Parking Fee at Morgan Blvd and Largo Town Center

Metro offers parking at its facilities at Morgan Blvd and Largo Town Center for attendees at FedExField events. This event parking is currently priced at \$25 and is under-utilized due to the long walk to FedExField and the prohibition on tailgating. In order to become more competitive with other lots, which also charge \$25, it is proposed that Metro reduce its event pricing fee to \$15.

## V. Impact of Fare Options

## **METRORAIL Peak fares** Revenue Ridership Increase peak fares for boarding and composite mileage by 4 percent Increase max fare during peak period to \$6.00 Increase 1-, 7-, and 28-day pass products by 4 percent \$16 (0.7)Off-peak fares Increase off-peak fares for boarding and composite mileage by 4 percent Increase max fare during off-peak period to \$3.65 \$7 (0.4)Introduce discounted convention pass \$1.5 0.3 **METROBUS** Increase base fare to \$1.85 for SmarTrip®, \$4.00 for express, \$7.00 for airport Increase 7-day bus pass to \$18.50 \$18 (1.8)PROPOSAL #1 | Eliminate cash surcharge (\$1)OR Retain cash surcharge, set at \$2.00 for local/limited PROPOSAL #2 and \$4.50 express \$1 **METROACCESS** Adjust fares along with rail and bus Retain \$7.00 maximum fare \$0.4 **PARKING** \$0.25 base parking fee increase \$1 \$0.50 surcharge at Prince George's County facilities Increase to surcharge account revenues \$2 Decrease to general operating revenues (\$1)

revenue and ridership figures in millions

Reduce event parking from \$25 to \$15

The above revenue and ridership figures are estimates subject to final budget approval.

**TBD** 

# WMATA PROPOSAL FOR DOCKET B14-02: Proposed FY2015 Capital Improvement Program and Federal FY2014 Grant Applications

WMATA intends to apply for Federal Fiscal Year 2014 grants under the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21<sup>ST</sup> Century Act (MAP-21) and the Passenger Rail Investment and Improvement Act of 2008 (PRIIA) to support the agency's ongoing capital investments. These applications will be filed under the provisions of MAP-21 (P.L. 112-141) and PRIIA (P.L. 110-432).

Based on the current apportionment WMATA estimates \$292.4 million will be available to the agency through three MAP-21 programs. WMATA intends to apply for a combined \$145,029,626 of funds in the Section 5307 Urbanized Area and Section 5340 High Density States Formula Programs. This assumes successfully applying for a Section 5307 grant of \$131,588,924 and a Section 5340 grant of \$13,440,702. WMATA will also apply for \$134,801,848 of federal funds through the Section 5337 Fixed Guideway Modernization/State of Good Repair-Rail program and an additional \$3,015,411 in the Section 5337 Fixed Guideway program for bus. Furthermore, WMATA will apply for \$9,521,063 of federal funding in the Section 5339 Bus/Bus Facilities program.

Additionally, WMATA estimates \$157,845,900 will be available to the agency through the PRIIA program. WMATA intends to apply for these funds in the coming year. This estimate assumes no sequestration and that funds that had been subject to sequestration during the 2013 federal fiscal year will be recovered.

WMATA's Fiscal Year 2015 Proposed Program of Projects will be supported in part by the Federal Fiscal Year 2014 MAP-21 and PRIIA funds. WMATA's Proposed Program of Projects and the applications to the Federal Transit Administration for these funds are described below.

WMATA intends to submit the final Program of Projects to the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board as input to the FY2015-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Washington Metropolitan area.

## WMATA FY2015 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority's proposed FY2015 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) is a \$1,137.3 million capital investment plan focused on safety improvements, the rebuilding of the Metro system, increasing system capacity and improving the effectiveness of the current rail and bus network. Estimated costs could increase or decrease, but the project scopes should remain consistent. Metro is advancing the most aggressive program of capital investments since the construction of the Metro system – the vast majority of the planned investment advances the safety, rehabilitation, and replacement of Metro's infrastructure, facilities, equipment, systems, railcars, buses, and Metro Access vehicles.

The proposed program will be funded through investments from the federal government, state and local government, and other sources. The proposed program assumes federal

sources make up \$487.5 million of the \$1,137.3 million program. The remaining portion of the program is funded with \$522.1 million of state and local sources, \$110.0 million in planned long-term financing, and \$17.7 million of other sources.

The Capital Improvement Program consists of the following project elements:

- Vehicles/Vehicle Parts, including bus replacement, fleet expansion, and rehabilitation; rail car replacement and rehabilitation, rail car safety and reliability enhancements, MetroAccess vehicle replacement, replacement parts, and preventive maintenance;
- Rail System Infrastructure Rehabilitation, including rail line segment rehabilitation;
- Maintenance Facilities, including bus garage rehabilitation and replacement, and rail yard rehabilitation and capacity improvements, and maintenance facility rehabilitation:
- **Systems and Technology**, including power system upgrades, operations support software, business support software and equipment, and rail fare equipment;
- Track and Structures, including track rehabilitation, station and tunnel leak mitigation;
- Passenger Facilities, including elevator and escalator facilities, and station rehabilitation;
- Other Improvements, including station capacity project development, bus priority corridors, and bicycle and pedestrian facility improvements;
- **Maintenance Equipment**, including rail and bus maintenance, and business facility equipment;
- Other Facilities, including business and transit police support facilities; and
- Project Management and Support

Category	Project Description	WMATA FY2015 Capital Program		
ehicles/Vehicle Parts	Replacement of Rail Cars	\$	70.	
	1000 Series Rail Car Replacement			
	Replacement of Buses	\$	92.	
	Bus Replacement			
	Rehabilitation of Rail Cars	\$	47.	
	Railcar Rehabilitation Program			
	Rail Car Safety & Reliability Enhancements			
	Rail Lifecycle Overhaul			
	Repair of Damaged Railcars			
	Rehabilitation of Buses	\$	61.	
	Bus Rehabilitation Program			
	Bus Repairables			
	Bus Lifecycle Overhaul			
	Replacement of MetroAccess Vehicles	\$	10.	
	MetroAccess Fleet Replacement			
	Replacement of Service Vehicles	\$	8.	
	Service Vehicle Replacement			
	Bus Fleet Expansion	\$	35.	
	Bus Fleet Expansion			
	Bus Enhancements	\$	5	
	Automatic Vehicle Location Equipment Replacement			
	Bus Camera Installation & Replacement			

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Category	Project Description	WMATA FY2015 Capital Program		
Rail System Infrastructure Rehabilitation	Rail Line Segment Rehabilitation	\$	126.9	
	Red Line Rehabilitation Stage One			
	Red Line Rehabilitation Stage Two			
	Orange/Blue Line Rehabilitation Stage One			
Maintenance Facilities	Rehabilitation and Replacement of Bus Garages	\$	55.9	
	Southern Avenue Bus Garage Replacement			
	Royal Street Bus Garage Replacement (Cinder Bed Road)			
	Shepherd Parkway Bus Facility			
	Maintenance of Bus Garages	\$	1.5	
	Bus Garage Facility Repairs			
	Maintenance of Rail Yards	\$	44.5	
	Rail Yard Facility Repairs			
	Rail Maintenance Facilities	\$	63.5	
	Test Track & Railcar Commissioning Facility			
	7000 Series Rail Car HVAC Maintenance Facility			
	New Carrollton Yard Capacity Improvements			
	Railcar Heavy Repair and Overhaul Facility			
	Relocation of Maintenance Departments from Rail Yards			
	Environmental Compliance Projects	\$	6.1	
	Environmental Compliance Project			
	Underground Storage Tank Replacement			
	Pollution Prevention for Track Fueling Areas			
	Storm Water Facility Assessment			
	Sustainability Investments - Pilot Program			
	Maintenance Bus and Rail Facilities	\$	19.0	
	Financial Planning, Project Administration, and System Wide Infrastructure Upgrades	Ť		
	Support Equipment - MTPD			
	Rail Yard Hardening and Bus Security			
	8-Car Train Maintenance and Storage Facilities			
	-	\$	4.5	
	Expansion of Bus Garages	Þ	4.3	
	Future Bus Facilities			
	Bladensburg Bus Facility Rehabilitation & Reconfiguration			
Systems and Technology	Operations Support Software	\$	50.5	
	Bus & Rail Asset Management Software			
	Bus Operations Support Software			
	IT Capital Program Business Process Reengineering and Program Support			
	Data Centers and Infrastructures			
	Enterprise Geographic Information System			
	Police Dispatch and Records Management			
	Network and Communications			
	Metro Enterprise Monitoring Center (MEMC)			
	Rail Operations Support Software			
	Data Governance and Business Intelligence			
	Rail Mileage Based Asset Management			
	Rail Scheduling System Upgrade			
	Metrobus Corridor Improvements			
	Technology Upgrades 2025			
	Power System Upgrades - Rail	\$	73.4	
	Traction Power and Tie Breaker Improvements			
	8-Car Train Power Cable Upgrades			
	Automatic Train Control System Upgrades	1		

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Category	Project Description	WMATA FY2015 Capital Program		
	Business Support Software & Equipment	\$	28.9	
	Document Management System			
	Sensitive Data Protection Technology			
	Management Support Software			
	Metro IT One Stop and Office Automation			
	Customer Electronic Communications & Outreach			
	Police Portable Radio Replacement			
	Radio Project - Additional Coverage			
	Safety Measurement System			
	Wireless Communication Infrastructure			
	Rail Fare Equipment	\$	23.6	
	Debit/Credit Processing Requirements			
	Integrating regional NEXTFARE System			
	New Electronic Payments Program			
rack and Structures	Track Rehabilitation	\$	60.0	
	Track Welding Program			
	Track Floating Slab Rehabilitation			
	Track Grout Pad Rehabilitation			
	Track Structural Rehabilitation			
	Third Rail Rehabilitation and Replacement			
	Track Rehabilitation			
	Bush Hill Aerial Structure Rehabilitation			
	Station/Tunnel Rehabilitation	\$	3.6	
	Station/Tunnel Leak Mitigation			
Passenger Facilities	Elevator/Escalator Facilities	\$	49.2	
3	Elevator Rehabilitation			
	Escalator Rehabilitation			
	Elevator/Escalator Repairables			
	Escalator Replacement			
	Maintenance of Rail Station Facilities	\$	56.0	
	Station Rehabilitation Program	Ť	00.0	
	System-wide Infrastructure Rehabilitation			
	Fire Systems			
	Station Cooling Program			
	Parking Garage Rehabilitation			
	Accessible Station Signage			
	Farragut North Beam Rehabilitation			
	Bicycle & Pedestrian Facilities	\$	3.6	
	Bicycle & Pedestrian Facilities: Capacity Improvements	*	0.0	
	Rail Station: Capacity/Enhancements	\$	25.2	
	Core & System Capacity Project Development	•	25.2	
	Station Entrance Canopies			
	Union Station Access & Capacity Improvements			
	Gallery Place Access & Capacity Improvements			
	Station Upgrades			
	Station Upgrades Station Lighting Improvements			
	L'Enfant Station Capacity Improvements			
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	Farragut West Station Capacity Improvements	•	, -	
	Bus Priority Corridor Improvements	\$	6.5	
	Bus Priority Corridor & Network Rail Station Equipment	\$	0.2	
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Category	Project Description	WMATA FY2015 Capital Program		
Maintenance Equipment	Rail Maintenance Equipment	\$	55.6	
	Replacement of Rail Track Signage			
	Switch Machine Rehabilitation Project			
	Geometry Vehicle			
	Rail Shop Repair Equipment			
	Wayside Work Equipment			
	Train Control Signal and Traction Power System Interface			
	Radio Infrastructure Replacement - T-Band Relocation			
	National Transportation Safety Board Recommendations			
	Bus Repair Equipment	\$	3.3	
	Bus Repair Equipment			
	Business Facilities Equipment	\$	0.5	
	Materials Handling Equipment			
	Warehouse Vertical Storage Unit			
Other Facilities	Business Support Facilities	\$	26.7	
	Revenue Facility Equipment			
	Revenue Collection Facility			
	Building Infrastructure & Systems Renewal			
	Roof Rehabilitation and Replacement			
	Rehabilitation of Non-Revenue Facilities			
	Carmen Turner Facility Electrical Distribution Upgrade			
	MTPD Support Facilities	\$	8.2	
	Police Substation (Northern Virginia)			
	Special Operations Division Facility			
Project Management and Support	Program Support	\$	7.5	
	Credit Facility			
	Planning			
	Total Capital Improvement Program Expenditures:	\$	1,137.3	

(dollars in millions)		Six-Year Plan							
	FY2014 Forecast	FY2015 Proposed	FY2016 Forecast	FY2017 Forecast	FY2018 Forecast	FY2019 Forecast	FY2020 Forecast	FY15-20 Total	FY11-20 Total
Federal									
Federal Formula Programs	\$ 301.7	\$ 309.0	\$ 292.4			\$ 292.4	\$ 292.4	\$1,770.9	\$ 2,768.3
Federal PRIIA Other Federal Grants	181.2 22.6	168.4 10.0	150.0 15.8	150.0	150.0 3.8	150.0 3.8	150.0 3.6	918.4 37.1	1,500.0 79.0
Subtotal Federal	505.5	487.5	458.2	442.4	446.1	446.2	446.0	2,726.4	4,347.3
Subtotal Federal	505.5	467.5	430.2	442.4	440.1	440.2	440.0	2,720.4	4,347.3
State and Local									
Match to Federal Formula	75.4	77.3	73.1	73.1	73.1	73.1	73.1	442.7	692.1
System Performance	130.5	125.1	105.6	117.0	117.1	117.0	117.0	699.0	1,118.5
State and Local PRIIA	181.2	168.4	150.0	150.0	150.0	150.0	150.0	918.4	1,500.0
Other State and Local	2.1	1.3	1.8	-	0.9	1.0	0.9	5.9	11.7
Subtotal State and Local	389.2	372.1	330.5	340.1	341.1	341.1	341.0	2,066.0	3,322.3
Other Sources									
MetroMatters	12.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	184.8
Insurance Proceeds	1.9	2.7	2.1	-	-	-	-	4.8	37.9
Land Sale Proceeds	2.5	-	30.0	-	-	-	-	30.0	58.3
Miscellaneous	7.6	15.0	-	-	-	-	-	15.0	39.1
Subtotal Other Sources	24.5	17.7	32.1	-	-	-	-	49.8	320.1
Financing									
Planned Long-Term Financing	-	110.0	330.0	102.4	30.8	17.6	-	590.8	590.8
Subtotal Financing	-	110.0	330.0	102.4	30.8	17.6	-	590.8	590.8
Metro 2025 Investment									
Metro 2025 Investment	-	150.0	242.7	476.0	516.8	617.2	574.9	2,577.6	2,577.6
Subtotal Metro 2025	-	150.0	242.7	476.0	516.8	617.2	574.9	2,577.6	2,577.6
Total	\$ 919.2	\$1,137.3	\$ 1,393.6	\$1,360.9	\$1,334.8	\$1,422.1	\$1,361.9	\$8,010.6	\$11,157.7

Consideration will be given to the special needs of people with disabilities and seniors in implementing the projects. All projects conform to the comprehensive land use and transportation planning in the Washington Metropolitan area. No significant adverse environmental effects are anticipated as a result of these projects.

In accordance with Federal Transit Administration (FTA) regulation 49 CFR Part 604, WMATA conducts bus subcontracting service incidental to its mass transportation services only where permitted by exceptions contained in those regulations. WMATA's subcontract operations are self-supporting with rates established to return all operational costs whether direct or indirect. Services and charges are published in the Subcontracting and Special Transit Service Tariff #17 of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, effective March 1, 2008, as amended by Board Resolution 2008-56 adopted on November 20, 2008. Copies of the Tariff and Bus Subcontracting Cost Allocation Plan are available for public inspection from WMATA's Department of Bus Services.

## REFERENCE MATERIAL AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW

The proposed WMATA FY2015 Capital Improvement Program is included in the WMATA FY2015 Proposed Budget, which is available on-line at <a href="https://www.wmata.com/budget">wmata.com/budget</a>.

The FY2015 Proposed Budget is also available for inspection through 5 p.m.Tuesday, February 11, 2014, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday - Friday, except holidays at the Office of the Secretary, Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, 600 Fifth Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20001.

This public notice of the public hearings and the time established for public review and comments on the Program of Projects satisfies the MAP-21 public participation requirements. The program of projects outlined in the FY2015 Proposed Budget will be the final program of projects unless modified prior to final approval by the WMATA Board of Directors.