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# Dulles Metrorail is Coming

## *Next Stop, Tysons*

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### Utility Work Continues

Major progress has been made in the relocation of utilities along Route 7, but there is a lot more work to come.

## Project Hits New Federal Threshold

The Federal Transit Administration has approved the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority to advance the Dulles Corridor Metrorail Project extension from East Falls Church to Wiehle Avenue into Final Design. The FTA said the project now meets the "threshold for entry into Final Design" and outlines the process for obtaining a Full Funding Grant Agreement.

The Airports Authority is working with the FTA to secure the Full Funding Grant Agreement and the Authority now anticipates starting construction of Phase 1 of the Metrorail project in March 2009.

Meanwhile, the \$159 million in federal funds which has been released for the project 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

The project team has increased its efforts to help local businesses impacted by the utility work. Traffic advisories are issued regularly by the Virginia Department of Transportation on behalf of the rail project. Notifications of site preparation and testing efforts are sent to neighborhoods, community groups and businesses. *(For the latest advisories and notifications, visit [www.dullesmetro.com](http://www.dullesmetro.com))*

In addition, the FTA is releasing an additional \$14 million to be used for site preparation work near the entrance to a future 2,100 -foot tunnel under the intersection of Routes 123 and 7.

## Utility Relocations Turn Route 7 Orange

It's almost Halloween and appropriately enough, utility relocation work has turned a mile-long stretch of Route 7, in the heart of Tysons Corner, orange.



Route 7 construction and relocation work continues between the Dulles Toll Road and Route 123, with increased activity near the Route 7 intersection with Westwood Center Drive and Tyco Road. The service road in front of the former Moore Cadillac dealership, used to enter the Tysons Sheraton Hotel and the Westwood Village community, will be closed. Access to the hotel and the residential community will be available using Westwood Center Drive and right onto Sheraton Tysons Drive.

## Project Overview

### Phase 1

- 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

## 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 will begin in March 2009 with a completion date of mid 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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