

State Of Maryland

2021 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
Friends of the Patapsco Valley State Park - Simkins Site		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
	P. Young	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Baltimore County	\$540,000	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Patapsco Valley State Park Simkins Site facility, including improvements to the access roads and parking lots		
7. Matching Fund		
Requirements:	Type:	
Grant		
8. Special Provisions		
<input type="checkbox"/> Historical Easement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Sectarian	
9. Contact Name and Title	Contact Ph#	Email Address
Delegate Pat Young		pat.young@house.state.md.us
David Ferraro		
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
The Friends of Patapsco Valley State Park Ltd. (FPVSP), a 501c3 organization, supports the park by promoting stewardship through programming, sustainable recreation, and the preservation and restoration of its natural resources.		

11. Description and Purpose of Project (Limit length to visible area)

In 2020 PVSP saw record-setting visitorship and our trail system, facilities, and staff were strained beyond capacity. It is common for the existing parking areas and park entrances to fill to capacity and close before noon. We anticipate that the Simkins Site could accommodate another 100 cars, providing an in-demand amenity for the community and helping distribute park users throughout the valley. The establishment of this parking area at the Simkins Site will provide an opportunity for safe visitation to the park while relieving the widespread illegal parking in adjacent areas. Additionally, the site improvement will incorporate a trail corridor that will relieve the pedestrian and cycling use on River Road adjacent to the site, and its narrow and extremely dangerous roadway.

Round all amounts to the nearest \$1,000. The totals in Items 12 (Estimated Capital Costs) and 13 (Proposed Funding Sources) must match. The proposed funding sources must not include the value of real property unless an equivalent value is shown under Estimated Capital Costs.

12. Estimated Capital Costs

Acquisition	\$0
Design	\$75,000
Construction	\$290,000
Equipment	\$175,000
Total	\$540,000

13. Proposed Funding Sources - (List all funding sources and amounts.)

Land acquisition, private donor	\$1,000,000
Total	\$1,000,000

14. Project Schedule (Enter a date or one of the following in each box. N/A, TBD or Complete)			
Begin Design	Complete Design	Begin Construction	Complete Construction
7/1/2021	9/13/2021	11/1/2021	4/4/2022
15. Total Private Funds and Pledges Raised		16. Current Number of People Served Annually at Project Site	17. Number of People to be Served Annually After the Project is Complete
75000.00		400,000	800,000
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
N/A			
MD			
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Friends of Patapsco Valley State Park, LTD 8020 Baltimore National Pike Ellicott City MD 21043		River Rd Catonsville, MD 39.251409, -76.763930	
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located		44B - Baltimore County	
21. Legal Status of Grantee (Please Check One)			
Local Govt.	For Profit	Non Profit	Federal
[]	[]	[X]	[]
22. Grantee Legal Representative		23. If Match Includes Real Property:	
Name:	Dave A Ferraro	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	4104631301		No
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
8020 Baltimore National Pike Ellicott City, MD 21043		In Progress	

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site				
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget	
1	4	0.00	50000.00	
25. Ownership of Property (Info Requested by Treasurer's Office for bond purposes)				
A. Will the grantee own or lease (pick one) the property to be improved?			Own	
B. If owned, does the grantee plan to sell within 15 years?			No	
C. Does the grantee intend to lease any portion of the property to others?			No	
D. If property is owned by grantee any space is to be leased, provide the following:				
Lessee		Terms of Lease	Cost Covered by Lease	Square Footage Leased
E. If property is leased by grantee - Provide the following:				
Name of Leaser		Length of Lease	Options to Renew	
26. Building Square Footage:				
Current Space GSF		0		
Space to be Renovated GSF				
New GSF				

27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion	N/A
28. Comments	
<p>The Simkins Industries Site is a 56-acre site in the heart of the lower Patapsco Valley and is wholly contained by Patapsco Valley State Park. This site is being purchased by an LLC that is associated with Friends of PVSP for donation to the Maryland Park Service. This site is a critical link in the connectivity of the park in a highly visited area with direct access to the river, the Grist Mill Trail and swinging bridge, and the site of the recently removed Bloede Dam. Additionally, the site sits at the convergence of several popular natural surface trails, Ilchester Rock - a popular climbing area, and River Road, a lightly traveled Baltimore County roadway that is slated for improved bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure through the State Highway Administration's Bikeways Program. The conversion of the site, which recently went through an approved voluntary environmental cleanup in cooperation with the Maryland Department of the Environment, will provide a much-needed parking facility for the community. Currently, the areas at the intersections of River Road and Ilchester Road are overrun with illegal parking and extremely dangerous conditions for pedestrians and park users. Adjacent municipalities and property owners have resorted to ticketing, towing and robust enforcement of traffic laws to try to curtail illegal activity, but because of the parking demand in this area, the efforts have been only marginally effective.</p> <p>The Simkins Site conversion is a game-changing project for the Patapsco Valley. This amenity will further the Patapsco Regional Greenway master plan by providing safe parking and connectivity between Ellicott City, Elkrigde, the BWI Trail, and the adjacent communities and businesses.</p>	