Agenda

- Welcome/Overview
- Status of DEIS
- Key Impact Areas
- Overview of Outreach Plans
- Comment Opportunities
- Next Steps
- Questions
Status of Draft EIS

- Finalizing DEIS
  - Incorporating NPS, FTA, and City comments

- Anticipated public release Q1 2015
Key Impact Areas to Consider

- Parklands
  - Potomac Yard Park
  - Potomac Greens Park
  - Rail Park
  - GWMP/Scenic Easement
- Neighborhoods
- Local Plans
  - Open Space Master Plan
- Construction Access
- Secondary and Cumulative Impacts
- Wetlands
GWMP/Scenic Easement
Parklands: Preliminary Findings

- Potomac Yard Park
  - City-owned park
  - Impacts under Alternatives A and B due to pedestrian bridge touchdowns
  - Touchdowns would need to be coordinated with park design
  - Impacts under Alternative D due to tracks and facilities
## Purpose & Need: Preliminary Findings

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<td>Project Purpose: Improving regional transit accessibility</td>
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<td>Regional transit access to Potomac Yard</td>
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<td>Project Need: Providing additional transportation choices for residents and workers</td>
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<td>Number of residents within ½ mile of regional transit station (2040)</td>
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<td>Number of employees within ¼ mile of regional transit station (2040)</td>
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<td>Project Need: Increasing the share of transit and other non-auto trips</td>
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<td>Daily automobile trips shifted to transit (2040)</td>
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<td>Non-auto mode share for trips in the Potomac Yard area (2040)</td>
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<td>Project Need: Supporting City of Alexandria redevelopment plans</td>
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* Numbers in the above table assume development permitted under approved plans
## Overview of Outreach Plans

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Community Open Houses

- **Timeframe**: Following release of DEIS
- **Purpose**: Help the public understand details of the DEIS
- **Format**: Open house format – come and go as you please
- Two or three open houses, focused on specific resource areas
- **Sponsored by PYMIG**
Outreach Opportunities

- Public, civic association, board & commission meetings
- Public hearings
- Infographic
- City and project websites
- Mayor Euille Today
- Video on public access/Channel 70
- Farmer’s markets
- Social media (Facebook/Twitter)
- Local Motion program
- Earth Day events
- Newspapers/media announcements
Opportunities for Comment on the DEIS

• In writing:
  • Emails to comments@potomacyardmetro.com
  • Letters to address provided in DEIS
  • Comment cards at public meetings
    • Workshops
    • Board and Commission meetings

• In person:
  • City Council public hearing
  • WMATA/NEPA public hearing
Next Steps

• Final review and signoff of DEIS by FTA and NPS (Q1 2015)
• Public release of DEIS (Q1 2015)
• Preferred alternative decision by City Council (Q2 2015)
• Complete Final EIS (Q4 2015)
• Record of Decision (Q1 2016)
Questions?

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www.alexandriava.gov/PotomacYard