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ADA Transition Plan Semi-Annual Report December 2014

Program Update Narrative

Pursuant to the State Highway Administration's Directive, dated January 28, 2014, the County implemented a Self Evaluation of pedestrian facilities in the County's public rights of way. The initial field work was completed on April 29, 2014, and the final report was published online on June 30, 2014. As part of this action the County identified an ADA Coordinator, established a Statement of Non-Discrimination, Complaint/Grievance Policy, and a Grievance Form. The Self Evaluation found that, of approximately 153.87 miles of sidewalk, 20.06 miles (13%) are non-compliant, and of 2296 curb ramps, 2218 (97%) are non-compliant.

The County developed a Transition Plan based on the findings of the Self Evaluation. The Transition Plan subdivided the County's pedestrian facilities into 61 areas, and assigned each to one of four prioritization categories: 1. "Transportation Corridors", 2. "Public Schools and Safe Routes to Schools", 3. "Residential Areas Built after 1992", and 4. "Residential Areas built prior to 1992". The estimated cost to mitigate non-compliant features identified in the Self Evaluation was calculated for each area, and a tentative scheduling framework was developed based on these costs. This schedule estimates that all "Category 1" work can be completed in the fourth year of the program, "Category 2" will be completed by the eighth year, and "Categories 3 and 4" will be completed by the tenth year of the program. (Please note that these completion dates are dependent in part on adequate funding and may be subject to change and more information becomes available.) The Transition Plan was approved by the BoCC on September 25, 2012.

The Board of County Commissioners and the State Highway Administration finalized an Agreement on November 20, 2014, that ensures that the County complies with all applicable requirements of Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act or 1990, and etc. (ADA). In addition to the completion of a Self Evaluation, creation of a Transition Plan, and compliance with other administrative requirements, the County also agreed to the execution of an "Action Plan" to address specific complaints regarding the lack of detectable warning surfaces (DWS) on pedestrian curb ramps in the Villages of Urbana subdivision specifically and throughout the County generally.

Frederick County completed repair/replacement work as part of the "Action Plan" at several sites in the Villages of Urbana. This work was completed on September 30, 2014, and inspected on November 18, 2014. The collection of additional ramp data began on December 11, 2014. This data will be used to determine what ramps may become compliant if a DWS is retrofitted onto an existing ramp surface. Once these ramps are identified, retrofit DWS will be scheduled for installation.

Inventory Status

Total Sidewalk:	153.87 miles	% Compliant: 87%	Total Change to date: none
Total Ramps:	2296	% Compliant: 3%	Total Change to date: none

Note: These figures are based on the Spring 2014 Self Evaluation results and do not include new roads accepted since completion of the survey. Compliance data reflects original survey data modified by repair/replacement work completed to date.

Budget Status

The current Budget Request for the County's Fiscal Year 2016 ADA Transition Plan is \$1,060,000. Anticipated approval of the 2016 operating budget is expected before the May 25, 2015 deadline. Approved funding will become available on July 1, 2015.

Completed Projects

- Action Plan for Villages of Urbana "50 Sites": 10 DWS replaced, 6 DWS removed, 4 DWS repaired (additional anchor nails)

Current Tasks/Projects

Action Plan:

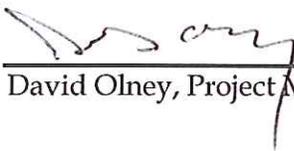
- Survey pedestrian ramps and develop DWS retrofit work plan for 2015

Transition Plan:

- Proposed project areas shown in Attachment 1
- Develop contract for ADA design, plan review, and inspection services
- Develop contract for sidewalk/ramp repair services
- Perform "In-house Sidewalk Retrofit Project" pilot program on Genstar Drive
- Incorporate ramp repair/replacement into Pavement Management Program overlay projects
- Utilize contractor(s) for repair/replacement work in remaining project areas

Next Update: June 2014

Respectfully submitted,


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Table 1: Proposed Project Areas for Fiscal Year 2016

Road Name	Subdivision	Area	Priority
Addison Woods Road	Villages of Urbana	48	2
Amelung Street			
Beals Farm Road			
Belvedere Drive			
Bush Creek Drive			
Lew Wallace Road			
Seward Lane			
Seward Street			
Singleton Drive			
Sprigg Street North			
Sprigg Street South			
Carriage Hill Drive			
Notting Hill Drive			
Wyndham Way			
Wyndham Drive			
Ethan Ridge Ave			
Ethan Ridge Drive			
Tottenham Court			
Tottenham Street			
Tottenham Circle			
Genstar Drive	Riverview Plaza	35	1
Spectrum Drive	FSK/Horizon Center	16	1
Lowes Lane			
Holiday Drive	Crestwood Village	9	1
Crestwood Boulevard			
Edenton Court			
Burning Bush Drive			
Wisteria Way			