

Address/Tax Map: Tax Maps 14-3, 14-4, 20-2, 21-1, and 21-2
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Supervisor District: Countywide
 Planning Area: N/A
 Planning District: McLean
 Related Plan Amendments: N/A
 Acreage: N/A

Current Plan: Planned stream valley trail along the Potomac River between Scott’s Run Nature Preserve and Great Falls Park on the Countywide Trails Plan

Proposed Amendment: Amend the Countywide Trails Plan to remove the segment of the planned stream valley trail between Scott’s Run Nature Preserve and Great Falls Park

Considerations:

Staff examined the feasibility of this trail segment as part of Special Exception Amendment (SEA) 83-D-030-08. After considering a range of alternatives, staff found that the planned stream valley route offered the best opportunity to meet the county’s public policy goals and the environmental stewardship mandate. The corridor between Great Falls Park and Scott’s Run Nature Preserve also has been identified by the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) for possible inclusion in the Virginia Treasures framework, Governor McAuliffe’s initiative to preserve, protect, and highlight Virginia’s most ecological, cultural, scenic, and recreational assets and special lands. The initiative also aims to identify and expand public access to the great outdoors. Removing the planned stream valley trail from the Countywide Trails Plan would not support these policies.

Preliminary Staff Recommendation:

WP16-010 is not recommended to be scheduled on the 2016 Fairfax Forward Plan Amendment Work Program. The completion of the regional stream valley trail along the Potomac River from Great Falls Park to Scott’s Run Nature Preserve fulfills local and regional public policy goals while meeting the recreational and environmental stewardship missions of the Park Authority, National Park Service, and neighboring jurisdictions.

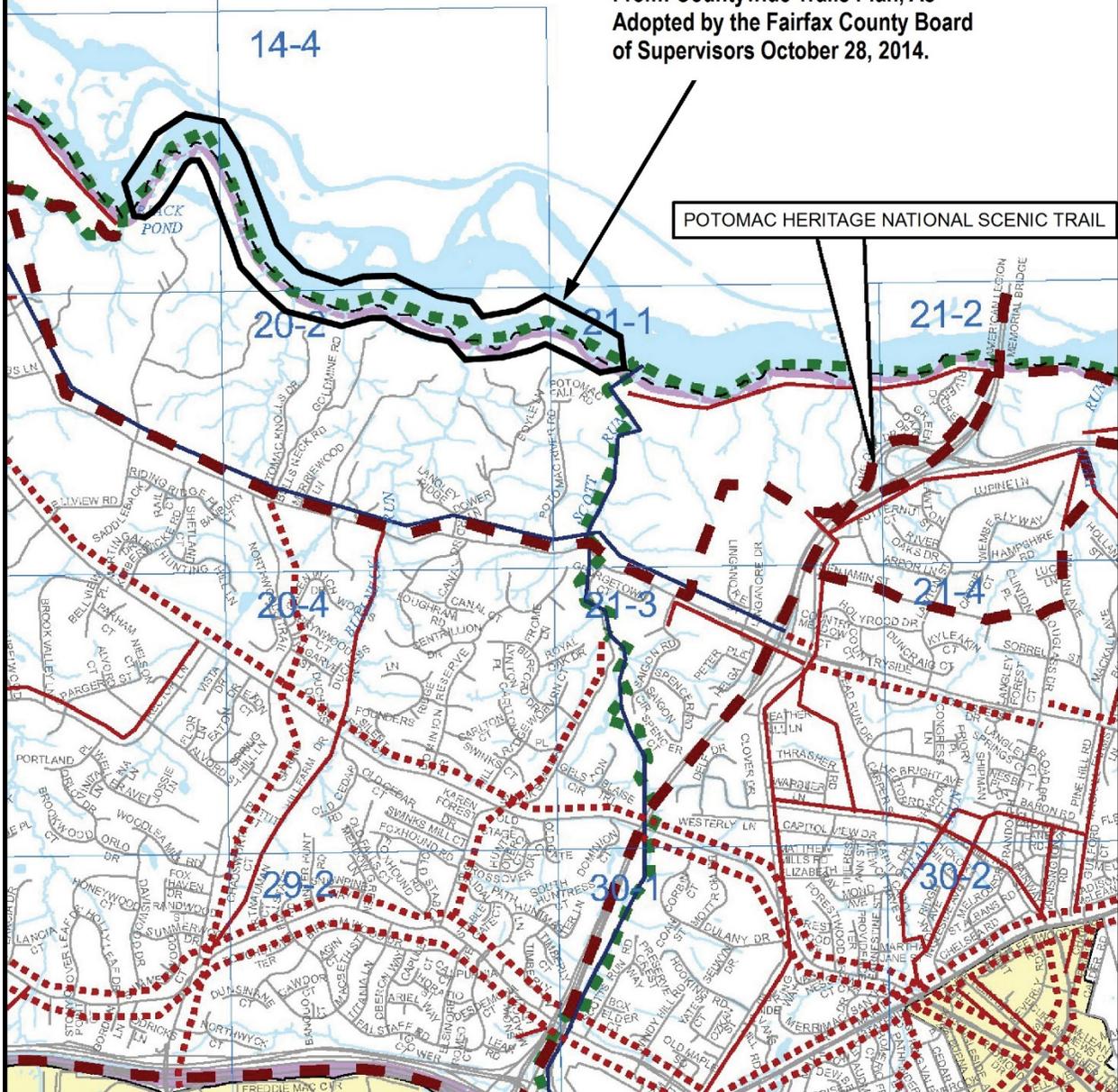
WP16-010

Submission for Fairfax Forward 2016 Work Program



**Dranesville
Supervisor
District**

Subject of WP16-010 is the segment of
Planned Stream Valley Trail between
Great Falls Park and Scotts Run, as
indicated by black outline below.
From: Countywide Trails Plan, As
Adopted by the Fairfax County Board
of Supervisors October 28, 2014.



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