

Pimmit Run Stream Valley Trail - Purpose and Description

Where?

- This trail section runs from Old Dominion Drive to Pimmit Bend Park near Brookhaven Dr.
- The trail will consist of a natural surface trail with a maximum width of four feet. The trail will also feature four stepping stone stream crossings.
- This trail will be built completely by volunteers using mostly hand tools.
- This trail section will connect Pimmit Bend Park with points south of Old Dominion Drive. It is ultimately planned to terminate the trail at Olney Park near the Dulles Toll Road to the south and at the Arlington County line to the north. Although some sections of this trail already exist, many such as this section require improvements or easement acquisitions.

Why?

- The current path in the stream valley is not a Park Authority approved trail. The new reroute has been planned and will be built under the supervision of Park Authority staff.
- The reroute of this section of trail will move the alignment out of environmentally undesirable areas as much as feasible.
- This reroute of the trail will set the alignment completely within Park Authority property or easements obtained by the Park Authority, unlike the current trail path.
- This trail is part of the Countywide Trails Plan approved by the Board of Supervisors.
- The Needs Assessment Survey conducted by the Park Authority indicated that trails are the most used feature of parks in Fairfax County. The construction of this trail is part of the Park Authority's effort to meet the demand by citizens for additional trails on park property.
- Funding in the form of developers proffers is available for this trail section.