

Purple Line Update Presentation to the University Senate

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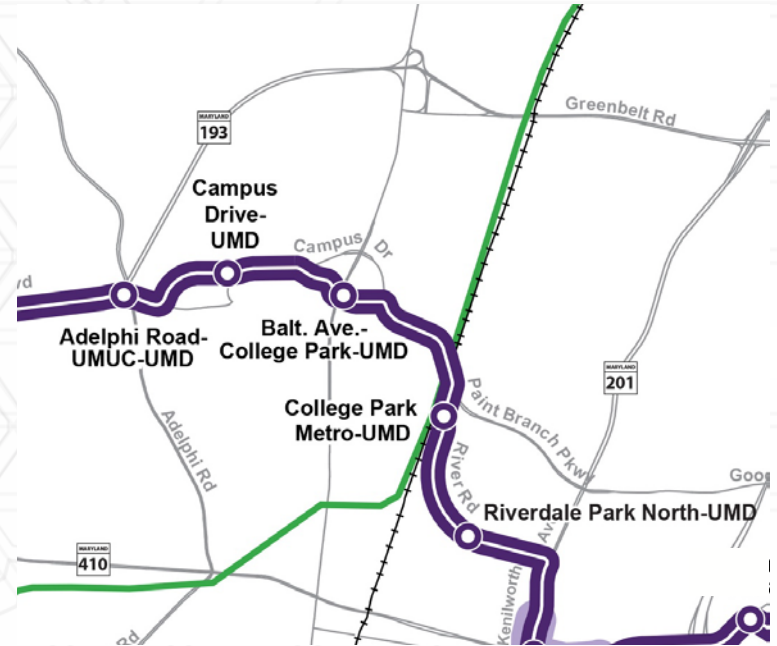
What is the Purple Line?



- 16 mile light rail line from New Carrollton to Silver Spring and Bethesda
- Operated by MTA

What is the Purple Line?

- 21 stations
- 5 stations on or adjacent to campus
- Connects 4 branches of Metro, 3 MARC lines and Amtrak
- Service starts in 2022

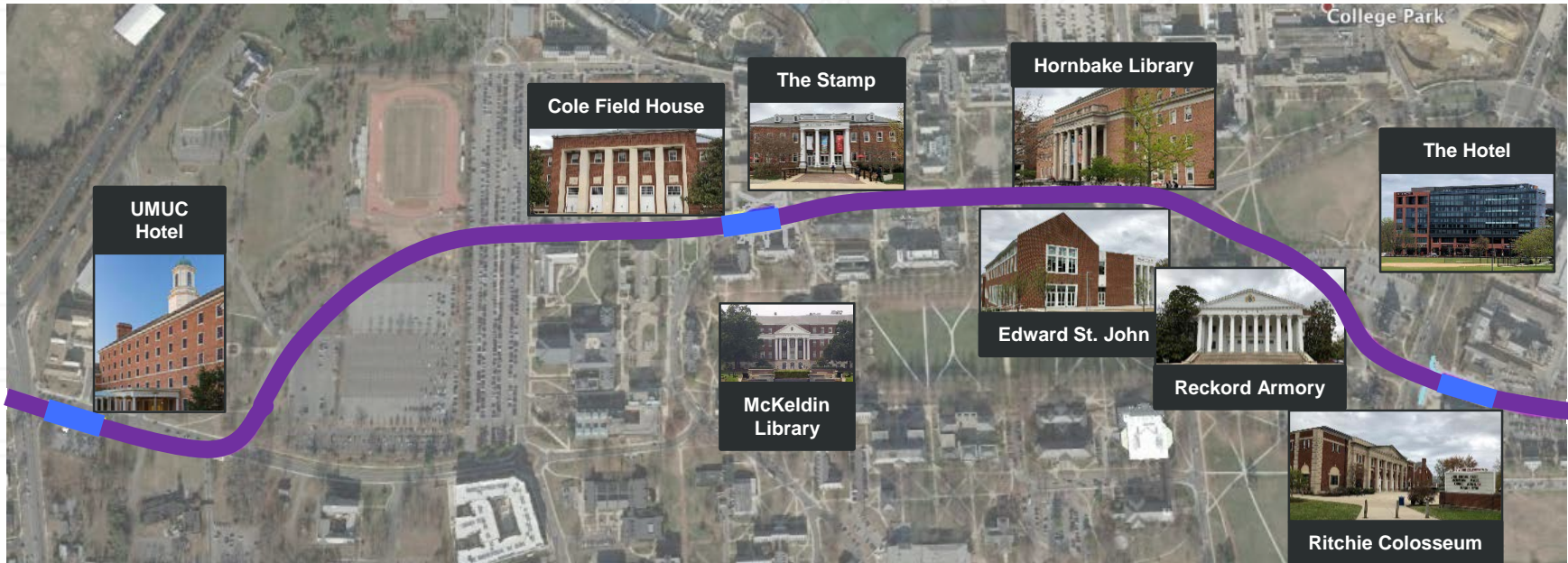




Purple Line Benefits

- **Free rides** for students, faculty, staff among the 5 stations
 - New **bike lanes** through campus
 - Reduces the need for cars
 - Dramatically **improves access** to campus and the surrounding area
 - Plays a key role in the Greater College Park initiative to cultivate a **vibrant college town**
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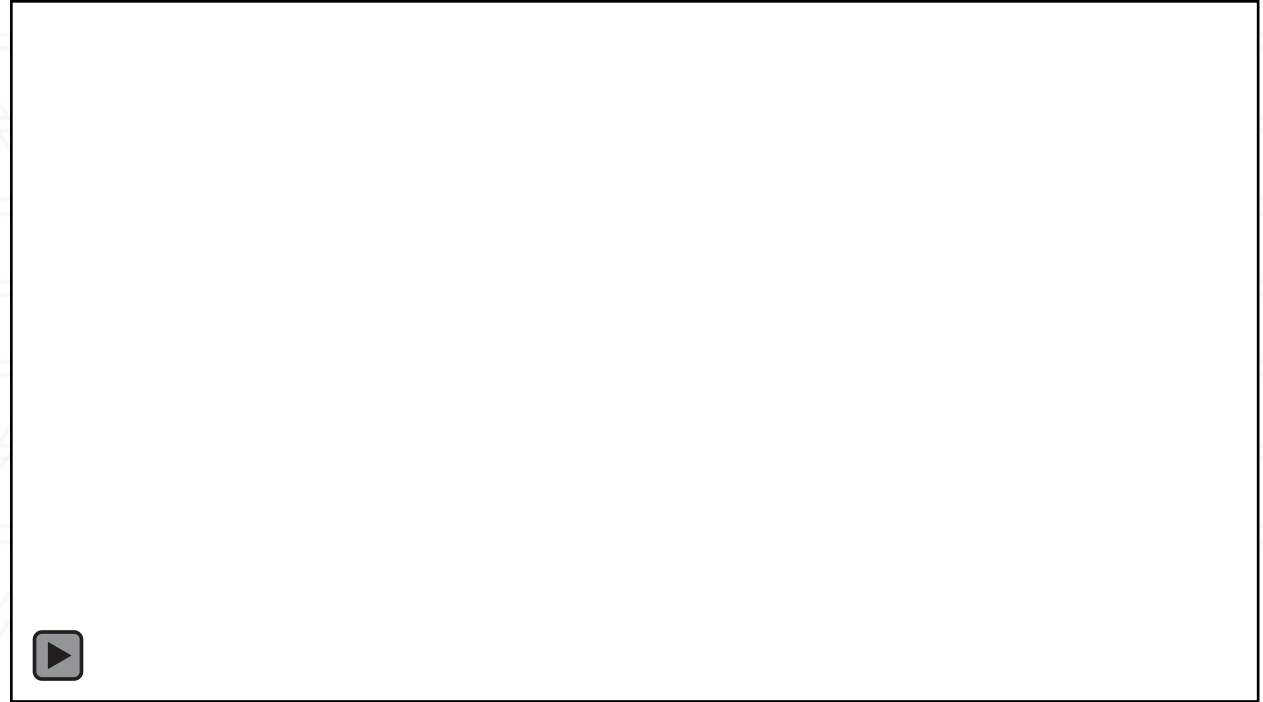
Alignment Best Serves the Community



Light Rail Shares the Road

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- Quiet, electrically powered vehicles
- 15 mph speed limit on campus

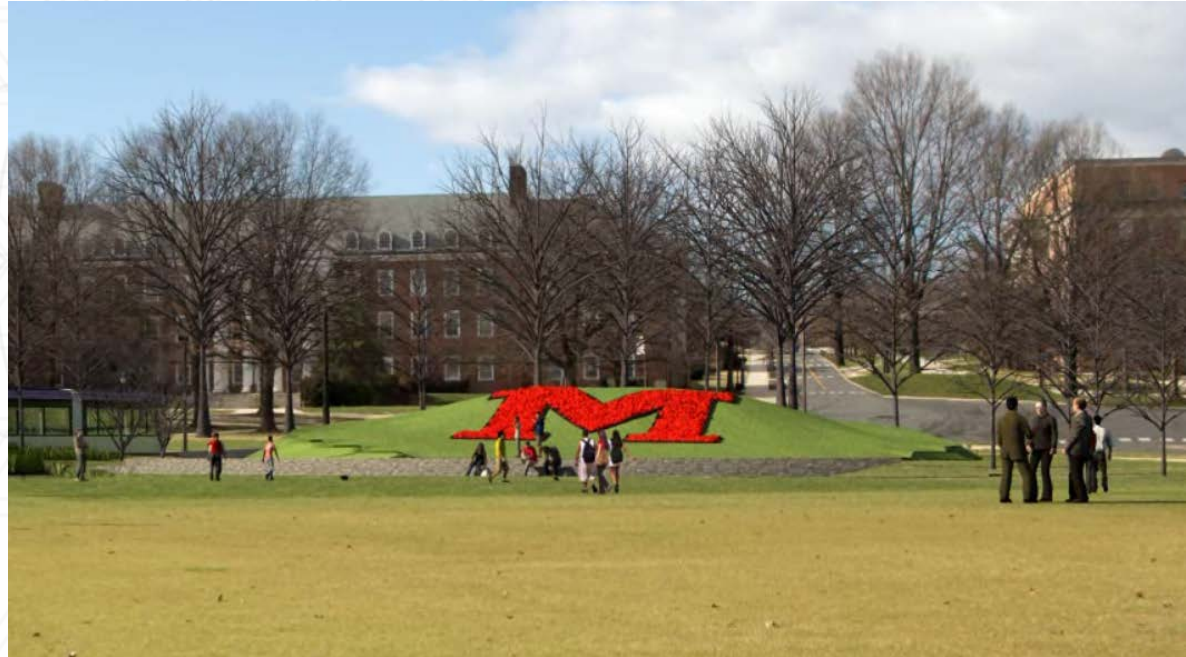


Conceptual Station Rendering



M Relocation

- Built prior to demo of M Circle
- Improved pedestrian access
- Improved intersection and new traffic signal



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Purple Line Milestones

- 2002-2009 – Studies of alignments
 - 2012 – UMD alignment endorsed
 - 2016 – Concessionaire selected
 - 2017 – Construction ground breaking
 - 2022 – Service scheduled to begin
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Current Project Schedule

- Year 1
 - Campus Drive transition to westbound only
 - Start utility relocation along Campus Drive and Rossborough Lane
 - Construct new M
- Beyond
 - Continued utility relocations
 - Road and track construction
 - Temporary Campus Drive closure at Metro/CSX crossing (formerly Paint Branch Parkway)



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Construction Info

The Purple Line project is a new 16-mile east-west light rail line that operates mostly on the surface with 21 stations and connects New Carrollton in Prince George's County and Bethesda in Montgomery County. It also provides a direct connection to four Washington Metrorail lines, three MARC commuter rail lines, Amtrak Northeast Corridor and regional and local bus services.

[View Ongoing Construction Activities Here](#)

Stay Up to Date

- **MTA Open House:** Oct 4, 6:30 pm, Stamp Atrium
- **Lunch & Learn:** Nov 7, 12-1, Stamp Prince George's Room
- **Web:** umd.edu/purpleline
- **UMD email notices** to those affected
- **Social media** posts
- **Email:** purpleline@umd.edu



Questions

