Dulles Rail on the Horizon

Phase 1 Continues on Track
With early spring construction anticipated, Phase 1 of the Dulles Corridor Metrorail Project continues on track. On January 7, 2009, the U.S. Department of Transportation forwarded the Full Funding Grant Agreement for the project to Congress for a 60-day review process.

Preparation work, including relocation of 21 different utilities along Routes 7 and 123 in Tysons Corner, is continuing on schedule for the expected March construction start of Phase 1. Completion is set for 2013. A construction start date for Phase 2 has not been set.

The Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority continues to work to keep this vital project moving forward.

What is Dulles Rail?
• It’s a 23-mile extension of the current Metrorail system. It will run from East Falls Church to Eastern Loudoun County (Ashburn).
• Eleven stations.
• To be built in two phases: Phase 1 from East Falls Church to Wiehle Avenue in Reston with four stops in Tysons Corner and one at Wiehle Avenue. Phase 2 runs from Wiehle Avenue, with 6 stops including Reston Parkway, Herndon Monroe, Route 28, Dulles Airport, Route 606 and Ashburn.
• It is a heavy rail system and will be compatible with the existing Metro system.
• It will provide a one-seat ride from Loudoun and Dulles to downtown Washington DC.
• All stations will be served by pedestrian bridges, escalators and elevators.

Who is Building Dulles Rail?
• Construction is being managed by the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority. When completed, the project will be turned over to the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority and become part of the existing Metro system.
• Dulles Transit Partners is the design-build contractor.

What Does it Cost?
• Phase 1 cost is $2.6 billion.
• Engineering for Phase 2 is in progress and a cost will be determined at a later date.

What’s Happening Now?
• On Jan. 28, the Fairfax County Planning Commission will hold public hearings on the proposed Phase 1 stations to determine conformance with Fairfax County’s Comprehensive Land Use Plan.
• Utility relocations continue in Tysons Corner. The project team continues to work with local businesses to help ease the impact of these relocations.

Want to Know More?
To set up a briefing for your homeowners association, civic group or business, please email jessica@dullesmetro.com or call (703) 448-5550.

For more information on the Dulles Corridor Metrorail Project, please visit our website at www.dullesmetro.com or call (703) 572-0506.

COOPERATIVE SPIRIT: The Container Store takes a positive approach to utility relocations.

ALONG ROUTE 7: The future Tysons Central 7 Station between SAIC & Marshalls.