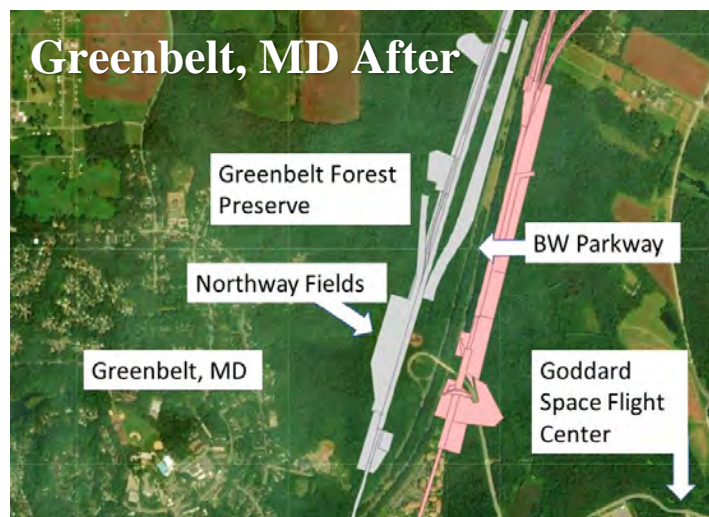




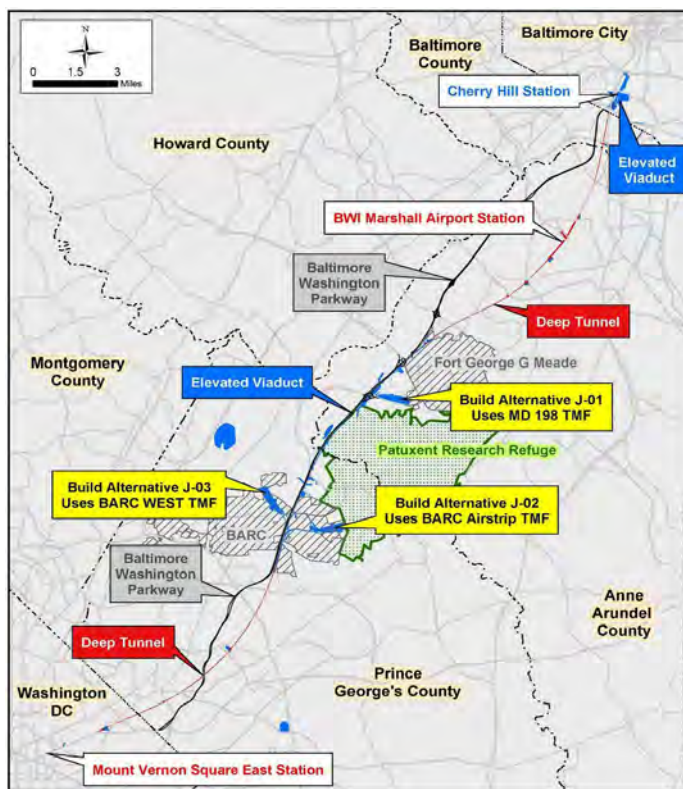
Proposed High-Speed SCMaglev Train from D.C. to Baltimore

Maryland Coalition for Responsible Transit opposes this project!



Community Impact

- Possible property seizure
- Loss of control for easements, likely lower property value
- Noise and vibrations
- Air and water pollution
- Negative neighborhood aesthetics
- Loss of green space, flooding
- Safety and health risks
- Community disruption
- Traffic congestion with 24/7 construction



Proposed SCMaglev Route

Between Mount Vernon Square (D.C.) and Cherry Hill (Baltimore) with 1 stop at BWI. Communities would suffer from project and construction traffic congestion and receive no benefits. A 200-acre train maintenance facility is planned on an over 100-year-old nature preserve.

By The Numbers

\$60 average one-way ticket cost from Baltimore to Washington, D.C.

70% minority populations live in the impacted area.

451 acres of critical forests destroyed.

\$16 billion stated cost and likely far more! Cost overruns, delays, and lost revenue subsidized by taxpayer dollars.

Visit maps to see your home: <https://www.bwmaglev.info/index.php/project-documents/maps>
Contact: MCRTaction@gmail.com if you have questions.

What is SCMaglev?



Sponsors Baltimore-Washington Rapid Rail and Northeast Maglev propose a \$16+-billion train system between D.C. and Baltimore that would take *at least 7 years* to build, using superconducting magnetic levitation (SCMaglev) technology to travel at 300+ mph. They claim it will reduce travel time and traffic in the region. Research shows neither is true, but it *would* cause irreversible negative impacts to local communities and the environment.

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Ridership and Jobs Claims?

Sponsors claim the ridership of the train **will be so high** as to make a substantial impact by removing vehicles from the roads.

- MCRT and the public have repeatedly requested ridership reports to review the critical data.
- Sponsors claim the SCMaglev will generate sufficient revenues to offset loan/operational costs.
- These projections have not been substantiated. **Multiple independent analyses strongly question the projections.**

Sponsors promise jobs, jobs, jobs! **Job claims have fluctuated from 74,000 to 195,000 job-years.** Yet the projected cost has barely changed! How is this possible?

- Job analysis or task estimates have not been provided.
- Neither have development plans and costs for recruitment of minorities.

The number of jobs the SCMaglev would create has not been quantified.

Who Can Afford to Ride?

With no stops between Baltimore and Washington, D.C., except for BWI airport, the SCMaglev is not a local commuter solution for Baltimore and D.C. non-residents.

\$60 would be the average one-way ticket cost between Baltimore and D.C.—over \$28,000 a year.

Even at a discounted one-way ticket cost of \$35, the weekly expense would be over \$16,000 a year.

The **cost** of using this transit option would be far **beyond the means of most households.**

Alternative Commuter Options

Accessible and affordable commuter options are MARC (tickets \$8) and Amtrak.

Both MARC and Amtrak provide long-term jobs for local residents.

Climate Change and Environmental Impact?

Sponsors claim the SCMaglev train system is a “green” project that will reduce greenhouse gases.

- Studies show the **project would increase net carbon dioxide emissions** considerably with its 5-fold increase in electrical consumption over traditional train travel.
- Additional carbon dioxide would be released during the 24/7 construction.

The SCMaglev project would:

- Increase net transportation energy consumption equal to the energy used each year by nearly 90,000 homes.
- Tunnel under the Anacostia and Patapsco Rivers and negatively impact critical flood plains and watersheds.
- Reroute the Little Patuxent River.
- Ultimately send pollutants into the Chesapeake Bay.

Despite claims by sponsors, this project would be a disaster for Maryland’s environment!

What You Can Do:

- 1) Visit MCRT’s website for more information: [Maryland Coalition for Responsible Transit \(mcr-t-action.org\)](http://mcr-t-action.org)
- 2) Call or write your elected representatives and tell them to oppose the SCMaglev Project.
- 3) Share this information with your neighbors.
- 4) Sign our petition and share on social media: tinyurl.com/4rks5rk7
- 5) Join our Facebook Pages: www.facebook.com/groups/CitizensAgainstSCMaglev & <https://www.facebook.com/MCRTaction>