1.8.6 Bus Rapid Transit and Campus Connectivity

The development of additional BRT lines that would provide service to the FRC will improve the site's transit service and access.

Currently two lines are planned that would be adjacent to the site, as depicted in Figure 1-20:

1. New Hampshire Avenue Route

2. US-29 Colesville Road Route

The route US-29 BRT line is projected to be in operation by 2020. Currently there is no anticipated implementation date for the New Hampshire Avenue BRT line.

The implementation of BRT service adjacent to the FDA Headquarters would have a potential impact to the amount of parking that NCPC would recommend for the facility.

NCPC has adopted the following parking ratio policies, as stated in the Comprehensive Plan for the National Capitol, Transportation Element:

- 1. Within the Central Employment Area, the parking ratio should not exceed one space for every five employees.
- 2. Outside of the Central Employment Area, but within the Historic District of Columbia boundaries, the parking ratio should not exceed one space for every four employees.
- 3. For suburban Federal facilities within 2,000 feet of a Metrorail station, the parking ratio should not exceed one space for every three employees.
- 4. For suburban Federal facilities beyond 2,000 feet of a Metrorail station, the parking ratio will reflect a phased approach linked to planned improvements over time.

FDA anticipates that the provision of BRT to the site could allow for a reduction in the parking ratio from 1:1.5 to 1:1.8.





