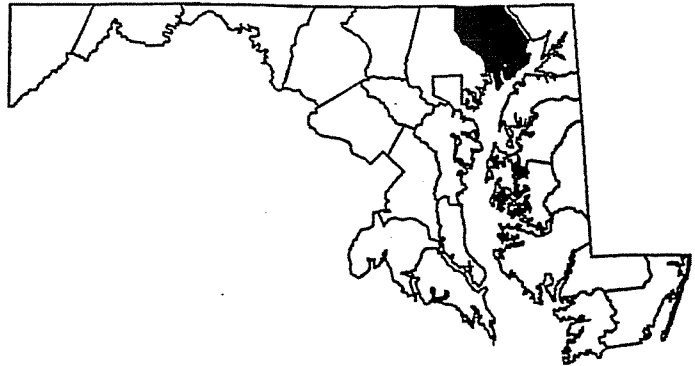


Harford County

Harford County is served by the Maryland Rail Commuter Service (MARC), Penn Line.



The MARC Penn commuter rail line serves the Baltimore - Washington region including Harford County. The Penn Line has two stations in Harford County - Aberdeen and Edgewood. The Penn Line travels north from Harford

County to serve Cecil County and south from Harford County through the Baltimore region and on into Washington D. C. The Aberdeen MARC station is an intermodal station. Amtrak provides passenger service to this station on the Northeast Corridor rail line.

Harford County Rail Transit Service

Rail Transit System	Stations
MARC Penn Line	Aberdeen
	Edgewood

This transit system offers excellent opportunity for the residents of Harford County to travel throughout the Baltimore and Washington regions. The system increases opportunity for employment and provides convenient access to employment, cultural, retail, and health centers. Large sections of the Aberdeen Proving Grounds are located southeast of the two stations.

There are currently few parks, trails or greenways in the vicinity of the Harford County rail transit stations. The Maryland Greenway Commission and the Maryland Department of Natural Resources have, however, identified a potential greenway corridor, Bynum Run/Winters Run loop, within the study area north of the Edgewood Station.

The local advisory group for Harford County was represented by the Harford County Department of Planning and Zoning.

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Mr. Mark Keeley
220 South Main Street
Bel Air, MD 21014
410-638-3103

Governor's Bicycle Advisory Committee
Mr. Harvey Muller, Bicycle Coordinator
State Highway Administration
707 North Calvert Street
Baltimore, MD 21203
800-252-8776
410-545-5656

For information regarding transit services please contact:

MTA Transit Information	1-410-539-5000
Toll Free	1-800-543-9809
TTY/TDD for people who are hearing or speech impaired	1-410-539-3497
MARC Information, Toll Free	1-800-325-RAIL

Aberdeen Station
Maryland Rail Commuter Penn Line

The Aberdeen MARC station is located at 18 East Bel Air Avenue in Aberdeen, Harford County, MD. Highway access is provided to the station from US Route 40 (Pulaski Highway) and from MD Route 132 (Bel Air Avenue). There are 87 parking spaces at this station.

Station

The Aberdeen station served an average of 48 travelers each weekday in 1996. There are no bicycle lockers or racks available at this station. While there are no sidewalks at this station there are frequently used paths across the tracks north of the station toward a gas service station. Pedestrian ramps and tunnels provide access over and under the rail tracks and from the parking lot to the station platforms. The Aberdeen station is an intermodal facility. Amtrak service is provided at this station during the morning and evening rush hours. This station is designed to be accessible to mobility impaired passengers.

Aberdeen Station Survey Data

Inventory Item	Data	
Sidewalks	Partial	
Curb Ramps	Partial	
Crosswalks	Partial	
Lighting	Partial	
Bicycle Storage	0 Lockers	0 Racks
Informal Paths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Path across tracks north of the station 	

Vicinity Population

The Aberdeen MARC station is located in downtown Aberdeen. Aberdeen is the largest municipality in Harford County. Immediately adjacent to the town is the US Army's Aberdeen Proving Grounds (APG), a major military research and development installation with a normal workday population of about 22,000 people. Surrounding the station are a number of residential communities. Commercial land uses are found along the major routes in the area. According to the 1990 US Census of Population and Housing, the population in the vicinity of the station is approximately 24,507 residents.

Inventory

The findings along the access routes surveyed are described below. Five miles of roadway are included in the pedestrian access inventory. Sidewalks and locations of accidents involving pedestrians on these routes are shown on the Pedestrian Access map. Ten miles of roadway are included in the bicycle access inventory. The compatibility rating for bicycling and locations of accidents involving bicyclists are shown on the Bicycle Access map. The Bicycle and Pedestrian Route Access Data table provides the data from the access routes survey. The table is laid out with the route name and to/from information in middle columns with the bicycle related information to

the left and the pedestrian related information to the right. This was done to allow the maps to be viewed along side the related data.

Pedestrian Access

Pedestrian access routes inventoried are shown on the Pedestrian Access map. Sidewalks are partially present on at least one side of each route included in the survey. Crosswalks are located at few intersections along E. and W. Bel Air Ave., Law St., and Post Rd. Some of the traffic signals along Parke St., Post Rd., Pulaski Hwy., and W. Bel Air Ave. have pedestrian accommodation. At least one side of each route surveyed in the pedestrian area have street lighting. There are numerous commercial driveways along portions of Post Rd. and Pulaski Hwy.

Bicycle Access

Bicycle access routes inventoried are shown on the Bicycle Access map. The compatibility rating of the bicycle routes, as shown on the map, are based on traffic volumes, speed limits and curb lane widths. All of the routes included in the survey are rated 3 or better except Pulaski Hwy. between W. Bel Air Ave. and Aberdeen Thwy. which has a rating of 4.

Additional items that effect bicycle compatibility were collected in the field survey. These items, while they are not able to be quantified, do effect, qualitatively, a routes compatibility for serving both motorists and bicyclists. Roughly one half the routes surveyed allow curbside parking. No diagonal railroad crossings were identified on the routes included in the survey. Two bridges have parapets lower than 54-inches; one on Paradise rd. and one on Post Rd. There are no parallel drainage grates along the routes surveyed. Aberdeen Thwy. narrows at the bridge crossing between I-95 and Beards Hill Rd. At least one side of each route surveyed has street lights except for Beards Hill Rd. between W. Bel Air Ave. and Aberdeen Thwy. There are no designated bicycle routes or lanes in the area.

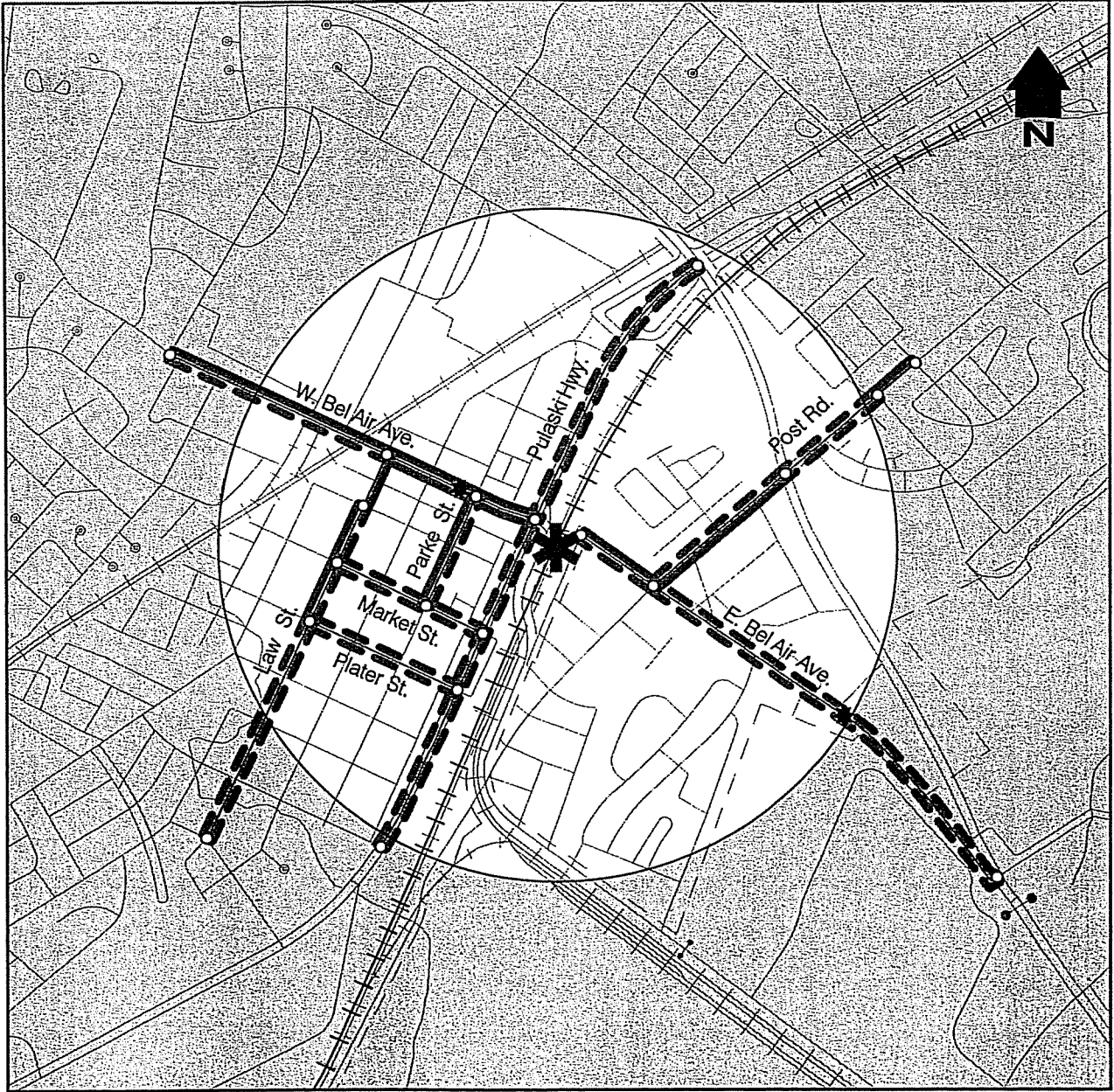
Accessibility

The Aberdeen MARC station is accessible, with a lift device, in accordance with the American with Disabilities Act (ADA). ADA provisions also includes sidewalks, curb ramps and bridge parapet height. Many of the sidewalks in the pedestrian access area have curb ramps. There are no bridge parapets on the routes surveyed in the pedestrian access area.

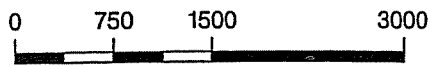
Accident Reports

Accidents reported in the vicinity of this station, between 1994 and 1996, included both accidents involving pedestrians and accidents involving bicyclists. Two pedestrian accidents were reported during these years along routes surveyed in the pedestrian access area. Seven bicycle accidents were reported during these years along routes surveyed in the bicycle access area. The locations of these accidents are shown on the maps and the number of accidents at each location are presented in the table.

**Aberdeen Station
MARC Penn Line
Pedestrian Access Routes**











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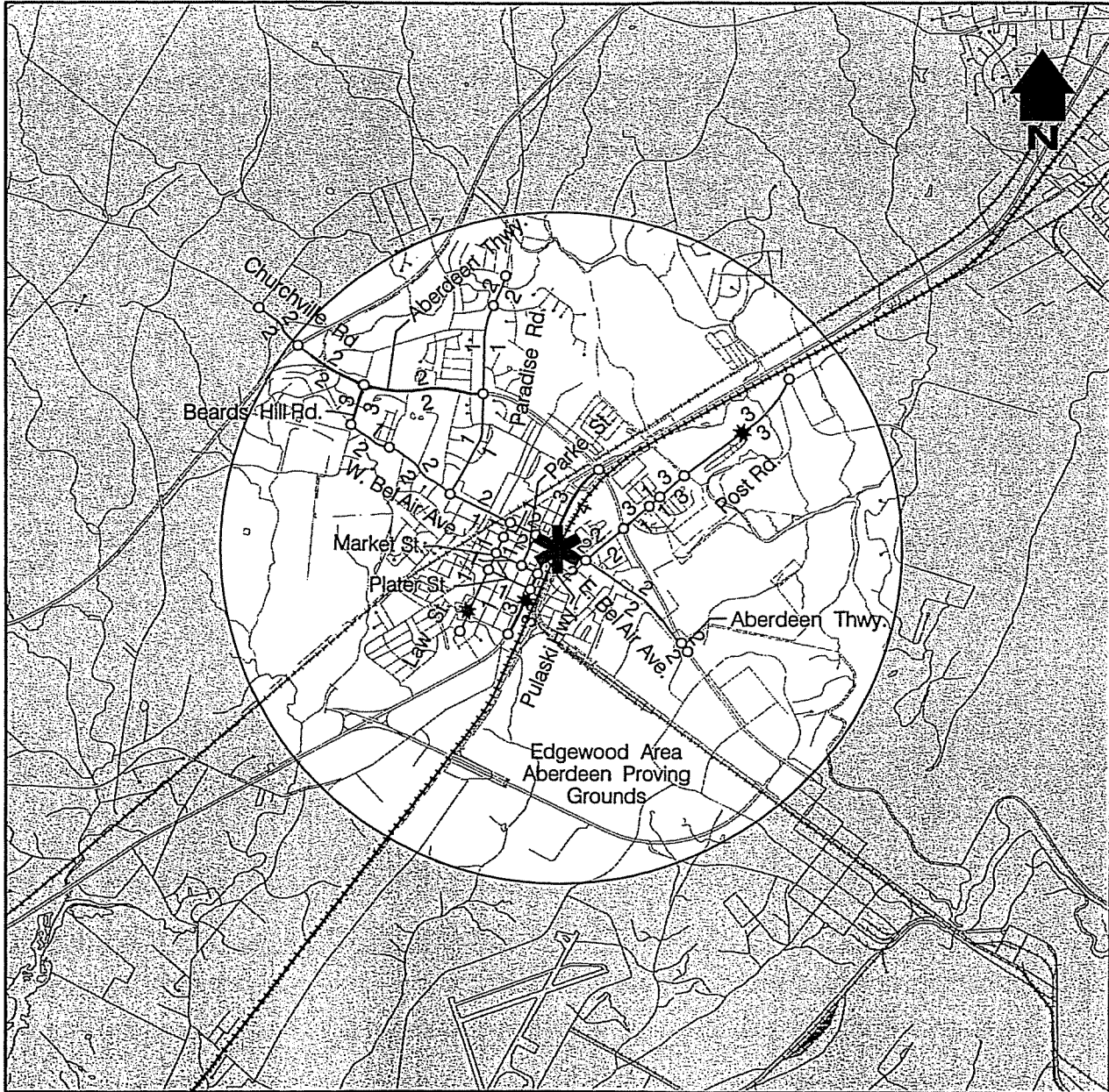


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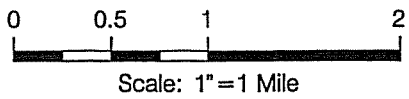
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LEGEND	
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	Inventory Route
	Route Segment End Points
	Rail Transit Line
	Pedestrian Accidents
	Sidewalk
	Partial Sidewalk







**Aberdeen Station
MARC Penn Line
Bicycle Access Routes**



2 Mile Radius



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LEGEND	
	Rail Station
	Adjacent Rail Station
	Inventory Route
	Route Segment End Points
	Rail Transit Line
3	Bicycle Compatibility Rating
	Bicycle Accidents