

Leesylvania Gets Funding

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RICHMOND — Members of the Prince William area legislative delegation were exuberant here Thursday afternoon to learn that nearly \$2 million for development of Leesylvania State Park in Woodbridge is included in Gov. Charles Robb's proposed budget for the next biennium.

Leesylvania would be the first state park in northern Virginia. And Dels. David G. Brickley and Floyd C. Bagley have been pressing the governor to speed up the timetable for its development.

When the master plan was issued earlier this year, the legislators were chagrined to find that funding for the first phase of development was slated

for 1986-87. It's needed sooner, they said, and with Del. Harry Parrish (R-50) and State Sen. Charles J. Colgan pushed the governor for to earmark funds now.

Members of the General Assembly, which convened for its 1984 session here Wednesday, were not to have gotten their own copies of the budget until today.

But Bagley and Brickley went leafing through a reporter's copy issued at an extensive budget briefing the governor and his cabinet held for the press here yesterday afternoon.

The Leesylvania total included in the proposed budget is \$1,878,950 of which \$999,950 is state money and \$879,000 is a federal "match," Brickley said.

The money would pay for building

the park's entrance, roads, administration building, beaches, picnic areas and one-third of the sailboat and motorboat areas plus installation of one-half of the necessary public utilities.