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This Week - Ongoing Work - 3/04/02 through 3/08/02

Utility Work

Utility work is required in the pre-construction phase of the Capitol Visitor Center project. Utility lines will be moved in stages so that this construction work can take place at times intended to minimize disruption to traffic. Required materials are and will be staged on the East Front grassy areas.

1. South Barricade Entrance: House-side Utility Line Installation – Excavation, utility installation and perimeter security work will continue in this zone located just north of the South Barricade Entrance and west of the drive lanes. Building access will not be affected.
2. North Barricade Entrance: Senate-side Utility Line Installation – Excavation and utility installation will continue in this zone near the North Barricade Entrance at Constitution Avenue. Building access will not be affected.
3. Removal of a Portion of the LOC Book Tunnel – This work at the end of Congressional Drive near First Street has been completed and the trench has been covered and paved. All parking spaces in this area are available.

Tree Preservation

Trees of lasting and historic value, which have not reached the end of their natural life span or are not sick, have been moved to new locations and are being treated to help ensure their survival. Some trees were removed to clear the way for project construction.

1. Tree Maintenance on New Jersey Avenue – Tree protection measures will begin on trees immediately adjacent to the New Jersey Avenue parking lot to be constructed in the next few weeks in Upper Senate Park.
2. Tree Maintenance on South Grounds – Some removal, transplanting, and trimming of specified trees will occur on the South Grounds to clear the site for installation of a new Temporary Screening Facility that will be located on the lawn just south of the House Wing.

Next Week - Anticipated Work - 3/11/02 through 3/15/02

1. South Barricade Entrance: House-side Utility Line Installation – Excavation, utility installation and perimeter security work will continue in this zone located just north of the South Barricade Entrance and west of the drive lanes. Building access will not be affected.
2. North Barricade Entrance: Senate-side Utility Line Installation – Excavation and utility installation will continue in this zone near the North Barricade Entrance at Constitution Avenue. Building access will not be affected.
3. Temporary Parking Lot Adjacent to New Jersey Avenue – A construction contractor is expected to begin mobilizing equipment and materials required to construct a temporary parking lot (for use during CVC construction) in a grassy area opposite Upper Senate Park. The new lot will result in a net gain of 58 parking spaces.
4. Temporary Screening Facility on South Grounds – Temporary fencing, and placement of footings and foundations on the South Grounds of the Capitol will begin to prepare the site for installation of a new Temporary Screening Facility

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Tree Preservation

1. Tree Maintenance – Pruning, mulching and tree monitoring activities will continue.
2. Tree Protection – Fencing installation will continue around trees near the new Temporary Screening Facility on the lawn just south of the House Wing.

Previous Week - 2/25/02 through 3/01/02

Utility Work

1. South Barricade Entrance: House-side Utility Line Installation – Excavation, utility installation and perimeter security work continued in this zone located just north of the South Barricade Entrance and west of the drive lanes. Building access was not affected.
2. North Barricade Entrance: Senate-side Utility Line Installation - Excavation and utility installation continued in this zone near the North Barricade Entrance at Constitution Avenue. Building access was not affected.
3. Removal of a Portion of the LOC Book Tunnel - This work at the end of Congressional Drive near First Street was completed and the trench was covered and paved.

Tree Preservation

1. Tree Removal – Tree removal was completed along East Capitol Street Extension with Capitol Square.
2. Tree Maintenance – Pruning, mulching, and tree monitoring activities continued.

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This Week - Ongoing Work - 3/11/02 through 3/15/02

Utility Work

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- 1. South Barricade Entrance: House-side Utility Line Installation** – Excavation and utility installation work is expected to be completed late in the week in the zone located just north of the South Barricade Entrance and west of the drive lanes. Building access will not be affected.
- 2. North Barricade Entrance: Senate-side Utility Line Installation** – Excavation and utility installation will occur in a zone near the North Barricade Entrance at Constitution Avenue. Building access will not be affected. A portion of the sidewalk near the North entrances will be restricted. Accessible and pedestrian bypasses will be clearly marked. Vehicular access and parking will not be affected by the activity in this zone.
- 3. Temporary Parking Lot Adjacent to New Jersey Avenue** – A construction contractor is expected to begin mobilizing equipment and materials required to construct a temporary parking lot (for use during CVC construction) in a grassy area opposite Upper Senate Park.
- 4. Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility on South Grounds** – Temporary fencing, and placement of footings and foundations on the South Grounds of the Capitol will begin to prepare the site for installation of a new Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility on the lawn just south of the House Wing.

Tree Preservation

Trees of lasting and historic value, which have not reached the end of their natural life span or are not sick, have been moved to new locations and are being treated to help ensure their survival. Some trees were removed to clear the way for project construction.

- 1. Tree Maintenance** – Pruning, mulching, and tree monitoring activities will continue.
- 2. Tree Preservation on the South Lawn** – Tree root pruning will be completed to preserve the integrity of the trees that are near the site of the new Temporary Receiving Facility, which will be located in the grassy area just south of the House wing.

Next Week - Anticipated Work - 3/18/02 through 3/22/02

- 1. South Barricade Entrance: House-side Utility Line Installation** – Building access will not be affected.
- 2. North Barricade Entrance: Senate-side Utility Line Installation** – Excavation and utility installation will continue in this zone near the North Barricade Entrance at Constitution Avenue. Building access will not be affected, but a portion of the sidewalk near the North entrances will be restricted. Accessible and pedestrian bypasses will be clearly marked. Vehicular access and parking will not be affected by the activity in this zone.
- 3. Temporary Parking Lot Adjacent to New Jersey Avenue** – Construction of a temporary parking lot (for use during CVC construction) in a grassy area opposite Upper Senate Park is expected to begin.
- 4. Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility on South Grounds** – Temporary fencing, and placement of footings and foundations on the South Grounds of the Capitol will continue to prepare the site for installation of a new Temporary

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5. **Perimeter Fencing** – Fencing around the perimeter of the CVC project area will begin around the North and South Eggs.

Tree Preservation

1. **Tree Maintenance** – Pruning, mulching and tree monitoring activities will continue.

Previous Week - 3/04/02 through 3/08/02

Utility Work

1. **South Barricade Entrance: House-side Utility Line Installation** – Excavation and utility installation work continued in this zone located just north of the South Barricade Entrance and west of the drive lanes. Building access was not affected.
2. **North Barricade Entrance: Senate-side Utility Line Installation** - Excavation and utility installation continued in this zone near the North Barricade Entrance at Constitution Avenue. Building access was not affected.

Tree Preservation

1. **Tree Maintenance on New Jersey Avenue** – Tree protection measures were completed in an area adjacent to the New Jersey Avenue parking lot to be constructed in Upper Senate Park.
2. **Tree Maintenance on the South Grounds** – Tree root pruning began on the South Grounds to protect the trees in that zone from work associated with the installation of the new Temporary Receiving Facility that will be located on the lawn just south of the House wing.

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This Week - Ongoing Work - 3/18/02 through 3/22/02

Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility

The existing temporary visitor receiving facility located on East Capitol Street Extension will be removed later this spring to clear the way for CVC construction. A new and more substantial Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility will be located on the South Grounds of the Capitol on a grassy area just south of the House Wing and it will remain in operation until the CVC project is completed. Visitors will arrive to the new facility from the west as the East Front Plaza is closed for construction.

1. Temporary fencing is being installed, and placement of footings continues on the lawn just south of the House Wing to prepare the site for installation of a new Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility.

Utility Work

Utility work is required in the pre-construction phase of the Capitol Visitor Center project. Utility lines will be moved in stages so that this construction work can take place at times intended to minimize disruption to traffic. Required materials are staged and will continue to be staged on the East Front grassy areas.

1. **South Barricade Entrance: House-side Utility Line Installation** - Excavation and utility installation work will continue in the area located just north of the South Barricade Entrance and west of the drive lanes. Building access will not be affected.
2. **Senate-side Utility Line Installation** - Excavation and utility installation will resume next week (during the Spring recess) in an area just north of the Senate Carriageway.

Tree Preservation

Trees of lasting and historic value, which have not reached the end of their natural life span or are not sick, have been moved to new locations and are being treated to help ensure their survival. Some trees were removed to clear the way for project construction.

1. **Tree Maintenance** - Pruning, mulching, and tree monitoring activities will continue.
2. **Tree Maintenance on New Jersey Avenue** - Tree protection measures will be completed in an area adjacent to the parking lot to be constructed in the next few weeks in Upper Senate Park off of New Jersey Avenue NW.

Next Week - Anticipated Work - 3/25/02 through 3/29/02

Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility

1. **Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility on South Grounds** - Temporary fencing installation and placement of footings on the South Grounds of the Capitol will continue to prepare the site for installation of a new Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility on the lawn just south of the House Wing. Work also will begin on a new 50-foot path that

Utility Work

1. **House-Side Utility Line Installation** - Excavation and utility installation work will continue in the area north of the South Barricade entrance and west of the drive lanes. Pedestrian access will not be affected by this work, but the House Carriageway will be closed to vehicles during a portion of the Spring recess.
2. **North Barricade Entrance: Senate-side Utility Line Installation** - Excavation and utility installation work will continue in the area just north of the Senate Carriageway. Pedestrian access will not be affected by this work, but the Senate Carriageway will be closed to vehicles during a portion of the Spring recess.
3. **Temporary Parking Lot Adjacent to New Jersey Avenue** - Construction of a temporary parking lot in Upper Senate Park off of New Jersey Avenue is expected to begin in the next few weeks.
4. **Perimeter Fencing** - Fencing around the perimeter of the CVC project area is expected to begin at the South Egg.

Tree Preservation

1. **Tree Maintenance** - Pruning, mulching and tree monitoring activities will continue.

Capitol Dome

Interim maintenance work on the Capitol Dome will begin during the first week of the Spring recess. Construction vehicles will mobilize to the East Front Plaza near the center steps and a crane will be used to erect scaffolding around the base of the Dome (not the Dome itself) and on the West Plaza to the roof. This interim work should not be confused with the more comprehensive Dome Restoration Project, which is expected to begin following completion of the CVC project. This current activity will continue into early September 2002, but will not impede access to any building entrances. Work on the Capitol Dome is not related to the CVC project, but notice is provided here to alert Members and Staff of this activity.

Previous Week - 3/11/02 through 3/15/02

1. **Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility on South Grounds** - Temporary fencing installation and placement of footings on the South Grounds of the Capitol began to prepare the site for installation of a new Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility on the lawn just south of the House Wing.

Utility Work

1. **South Barricade Entrance: House-side Utility Line Installation** - Excavation and utility installation work continued in the area just north of the South Barricade Entrance and west of the drive lanes. Building access was not affected.
2. **North Barricade Entrance: Senate-side Utility Line Installation** - Excavation and utility installation continued in an area near the North Barricade Entrance at Constitution Avenue. Building access was not affected.

Tree Preservation

1. **Tree Maintenance on New Jersey Avenue** - Tree protection measures continued in an area adjacent to the parking lot to be constructed in the next few weeks in Upper Senate Park off of New Jersey Avenue.
2. **Tree Maintenance on the South Grounds** - Tree root pruning was completed in the area just south of the House wing to preserve the integrity of the trees located near the site of the new Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility.

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This Week - Ongoing Work - 3/25/02 through 3/29/02

Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility

The existing temporary visitor receiving facility located on East Capitol Street Extension will be removed later this spring to clear the way for CVC construction. A new and more substantial Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility will be located on the South Grounds of the Capitol on a grassy area just south of the House Wing and it will remain in operation until the CVC project is completed. Visitors will arrive to the new facility from the west as the East Front Plaza is closed for construction.

1. Wood board fencing is being installed on the lawn just south of the House Wing to secure the site of the new Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility. Foundation work continues and construction has begun on the ramp that will connect the facility to the South Terrace.

Utility Work

Utility work is required in the pre-construction phase of the Capitol Visitor Center project. Utility lines will be moved in stages so that this construction work can take place at times intended to minimize disruption to traffic. Required materials are staged and will continue to be staged on the East Front grassy areas.

1. **South Barricade Entrance: House-side Utility Line Installation** - Excavation and utility installation work will continue in the area located just north of the South Barricade Entrance and west of the drive lanes. Building access will not be affected.
2. **Senate-side Utility Line Installation**
 1. Excavation and utility installation work continue in an area near the Senate Carriageway. The Carriageway drive lane will be closed to vehicles during a portion of the spring recess, but pedestrian access to the Carriageway entrance will be maintained.
 2. Excavation and utility installation work begins along Delaware Avenue (near Constitution Avenue) to support the new Senate media site that will be located in the park area just west of the Senate Russell Building. 11 diagonal parking spaces on the west side of Delaware Avenue and approximately six spaces parallel to the curb on the east side of Delaware Avenue will be restricted during this work.

Temporary Parking Lot Along New Jersey Avenue NW

A temporary 58-space parking lot will be constructed in the Senate park area just west of New Jersey Avenue NW to offset the loss of some parking spaces due to CVC construction.

1. Excavation begins this week to clear the way for the parking lot. Construction results in the loss of six parking spaces (four spaces are lost permanently) on the west side of New Jersey Avenue NW where the entrance to the new lot is located. Two of the spaces will be available upon completion of the lot.

Perimeter Fencing

Trees of lasting and historic value, which have not reached the end of their natural life span or are not sick, have been moved to new locations and are being treated to help ensure their survival. Some trees were removed to clear the way for project construction.

1. **Tree Maintenance** – Pruning, mulching, and tree monitoring activities will continue. Irrigation piping is being installed to ensure that proper moisture levels for the trees are maintained during CVC construction.

Capitol Dome

Interim maintenance work on the Capitol Dome is expected to begin later this week. Construction vehicles will mobilize to the East Front Plaza near the center steps and a crane will be used to erect scaffolding around the base of the Dome (not the Dome itself) and on the West Plaza to the roof. This interim work should not be confused with the more comprehensive Dome Restoration Project, which is expected to begin following completion of the CVC project in 2005. This current activity will continue into early September 2002, but will not impede access to any building entrances. Work on the Capitol Dome is not related to the CVC project, but notice is provided here to alert Members and Staff of this activity.

Next Week - Anticipated Work - 4/1/02 through 4/5/02

Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility

1. **Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility on South Grounds** – Foundation structure work is expected to be complete, but construction will continue on the ramp that will connect the facility to the South Terrace.

Utility Work

1. **House-side Utility Line Installation** – Excavation and utility installation work will continue in the area north of the South Barricade entrance and west of the drive lanes. The House Carriageway drive lane may be closed to vehicles during this portion of the spring recess, but pedestrian access to the Carriageway entrance will be maintained.
2. **Senate-side Utility Line Installation**
 1. Excavation and utility installation work will continue in an area near the Senate Carriageway. The Carriageway drive lane will be closed to vehicles during a portion of the spring recess, but pedestrian access to the Carriageway entrance will be maintained.
 2. Excavation and utility installation work will continue along Delaware Avenue (near Constitution Avenue) to support the new Senate media site that will be located in the park area just west of the Senate Russell Building. Parking restrictions will continue to be in effect.

Temporary Parking Lot Along New Jersey Avenue NW

Construction of a temporary parking lot will continue in the Senate park area just west of New Jersey Avenue NW.

Perimeter Fencing

1. Installation of wood board fencing will continue around the perimeter of the CVC project area.

Tree Preservation

1. **Tree Maintenance** – Pruning, mulching and tree monitoring activities will continue. Irrigation piping will continue to be installed.

Previous Week - 3/18/02 through 3/22/02

Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility

1. **Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility on South Grounds** – Foundation work continued on the lawn just south of the House Wing to prepare the site for installation of a new Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility.

Utility Work

1. **South Barricade Entrance: House-side Utility Line Installation** – Excavation and utility installation work continued in the area just north of the South Barricade Entrance and west of the drive lanes.
2. **North Barricade Entrance: Senate-side Utility Line Installation** – Excavation and utility installation continued in an area near the North Barricade Entrance at Constitution Avenue.

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5. Tree Maintenance on East Capitol Grounds - Tree monitoring and maintenance activities continued. Installation of irrigation piping began.

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Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility

The existing temporary visitor receiving facility located on East Capitol Street Extension will be removed later this spring to clear the way for CVC construction. A new and more substantial Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility will be located on the South Grounds of the Capitol on a grassy area just south of the House Wing and it will remain in operation until the CVC project is completed. Visitors will arrive to the new facility from the west as the East Front Plaza is closed for construction.

This Week - Ongoing Work - 4/1/02 through 4/5/02

Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility

1. Wood board fencing is being installed on the lawn just south of the House Wing to secure the site of the new Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility. Construction continues on the ramp that will connect the facility to the South Terrace. Excavation begins for a new sewer line.

Utility Work

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1. **South Barricade Entrance: House-side Utility Line Installation** - Excavation and utility installation work will continue in the area located just north of the South Barricade Entrance and west of the drive lanes. Building access will not be affected.
2. **Senate-side Utility Line Installation** -
 - a. Excavation and utility installation work continue in an area near the Senate Carriageway. The Carriageway drive lane will be closed to vehicles during a portion of the spring recess, but pedestrian access to the Carriageway entrance will be maintained.
 - b. Excavation and utility installation work continues along Delaware Avenue (near Constitution Avenue) to support the new Senate media site that will be located in the park area just west of the Senate Russell Building. 11 diagonal parking spaces on the west side of Delaware Avenue and approximately six spaces parallel to the curb on the east side of Delaware Avenue will be restricted during this work.

Temporary Parking Lot Along New Jersey Avenue NW

A temporary 58-space parking lot will be constructed in the Senate park area just west of New Jersey Avenue NW to offset the loss of some parking spaces due to CVC construction.

1. Excavation continues this week to clear the way for the parking lot. Construction results in the loss of six parking spaces (four spaces are lost permanently) on the west side of New Jersey Avenue NW where the entrance to the new lot is located. Two of the spaces will be available upon completion of the lot.

Tree Preservation

Trees of lasting and historic value, which have not reached the end of their natural life span or are not sick, have been moved to new locations and are being treated to help ensure their survival. Some trees were removed to clear the way for project construction.

1. **Shrub Clearing** - Removal of some shrubs along the eastern edge of the House and Senate wings is necessary to clear the way for installation of the perimeter wood board fencing that will secure the construction site.
2. **Tree Maintenance** - Pruning, mulching, and tree monitoring activities will continue. Irrigation piping is being installed to ensure that proper moisture levels for the trees are maintained during CVC construction.

Next Week - Anticipated Work - 4/8/02 through 4/12/02

Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility

1. Foundation structure work is expected to be complete, but construction will continue on the ramp that will connect the facility to the South Terrace. Delivery of the modular units that will comprise the facility is expected to begin.

Utility Work

1. **House-side Utility Line Installation** - Excavation and utility installation work will continue in the area north of the South Barricade entrance and west of the drive lanes. The House Carriageway drive lane may be closed to vehicles during this portion of the spring recess, but pedestrian access to the Carriageway entrance will be maintained.
2. **Senate-side Utility Line Installation** -
 - a. Excavation and utility installation work will continue in the sidewalk near the octagonal booth (north of the Senate Carriageway) and in a portion of the drive lane to the East Plaza. Traffic may be rerouted slightly, but two lanes will be maintained.
 - b. Excavation and utility installation work will continue along Delaware Avenue (near Constitution Avenue) to support the new Senate media site that will be located in the park area just west of the Senate Russell Building. At the beginning of the week, access will be restored to those parking spaces that had been restricted due to this construction activity.

Temporary Parking Lot Adjacent to New Jersey Avenue

Construction of a temporary parking lot will continue in the Senate park area just west of New Jersey Avenue NW.

Perimeter Fencing

1. Installation of wood board fencing will continue around the perimeter of the CVC project area.

Tree Preservation

1. **Tree Maintenance** - Pruning, mulching and tree monitoring activities will continue. Irrigation piping will continue to be installed.

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Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility on South Grounds

1. Foundation work continued on the lawn just south of the House Wing to prepare the site for installation of a new Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility. Construction began on the ramp that will connect the facility to the South Terrace.

Utility Work

1. **South Barricade Entrance: House-side Utility Line Installation** - Excavation and utility installation work continued in the area just north of the South Barricade Entrance and west of the drive lanes.
2. **North Barricade Entrance: Senate-side Utility Line Installation** - Excavation and utility installation continued in an area near the North Barricade Entrance at Constitution Avenue.

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2. Tree Maintenance on East Capitol Grounds

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Capitol Dome

Interim maintenance work on the Capitol Dome began. Crews began to erect scaffolding around the base of the Dome (not the Dome itself) and on the West Plaza to the roof. This interim work should not be confused with the more comprehensive Dome Restoration Project, which is expected to begin following completion of the CVC project. This current activity will continue into early September 2002, but will not impede access to any building entrances. Work on the Capitol Dome is not related to the CVC project, but notice is provided here to alert Members and Staff of this activity.

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Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility

The existing temporary visitor receiving facility located on East Capitol Street Extension will be removed later this spring to clear the way for CVC construction. A new and more substantial Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility will be located on the South Grounds of the Capitol on a grassy area just south of the House Wing and it will remain in operation until the CVC project is completed. Visitors will arrive to the new facility from the west as the East Front Plaza is closed for construction.

This Week - Ongoing Work - 4/8/02 through 4/12/02

Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility

Wood board fencing continues to be installed on the lawn just south of the House Wing to secure the site of the new Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility. Construction continues on the deck and ramp that will connect the facility to the South Terrace. Excavation begins at the eastern portion of the site which will clear the way for paving of a small drive area. This paved area will be used by the electric carts that will bring persons with disabilities to the facility.

Utility Work

Utility work is required in the pre-construction phase of the Capitol Visitor Center project. Utility lines will be moved in stages so that this construction work can take place at times intended to minimize disruption to traffic. Required materials are staged and will continue to be staged on the East Front grassy areas.

1. **South Barricade Entrance: House-side Utility Line Installation** - Excavation and utility installation work will continue in the area located just north of the South Barricade Entrance and west of the drive lanes. Building access will not be affected.
2. **Senate-side Utility Line Installation** -
 - a. Excavation and utility installation work continue in an area north of the Senate Carriageway. Access to the Carriageway entrance will be maintained.
 - b. Excavation and utility installation work is complete along Delaware Avenue (near Constitution Avenue) to support the new Senate media site that will be located in the park area just west of the Senate Russell Building. All parking spaces are available. Work to restore the sidewalk will be completed this week.

Temporary Parking Lot Along New Jersey Avenue NW

1. A temporary 58-space parking lot is being constructed in the Senate park area just west of New Jersey Avenue NW to offset the loss of parking spaces due to CVC construction.
2. Paving and line striping will be completed this week. The Senate Parking and ID Office plans to make the lot available for use on Monday, April 15.

Perimeter Fencing

Trees of lasting and historic value, which have not reached the end of their natural life span or are not sick, have been moved to new locations and are being treated to help ensure their survival. Some trees were removed to clear the way for project construction.

Tree Maintenance - Pruning, mulching, and tree monitoring activities will continue. Irrigation piping continues to be installed to ensure that proper moisture levels for the trees are maintained during CVC construction.

Next Week - Anticipated Work - 4/15/02 through 4/19/02

Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility

Construction will continue on the deck and ramps that will connect the facility to the South Terrace. Delivery and installation of the modular units that will comprise the facility is expected to begin.

Utility Work

1. **House-side Utility Line Installation** - Excavation and utility installation work will continue in the area north of the South Barricade entrance and west of the drive lanes. Pedestrian access to the Carriageway entrance will be maintained.
2. **Senate-side Utility Line Installation** - Excavation and utility installation work will continue in the sidewalk near the octagonal booth (north of the Senate Carriageway) and in a portion of the drive lane to the East Plaza. Traffic may be rerouted slightly, but two lanes will be maintained.

Perimeter Fencing

Installation of wood board fencing will continue around the perimeter of the South Egg.

Tree Preservation

Tree Maintenance - Pruning, mulching and tree monitoring activities will continue. Irrigation piping will continue to be installed.

Previous Week - 4/1/02 through 4/5/02

Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility

Foundation work was completed. Installation of a new sewer line for the restroom facilities was completed. Installation of the wood board fencing around the facility continued. The path for electric carts at the southwest corner of Capitol Square (the location of a new information kiosk) was excavated to clear the way for paving.

Utility Work

1. **South Barricade Entrance: House-side Utility Line Installation** - Excavation and utility installation work continued in the area just north of the South Barricade Entrance and west of the drive lanes.
2. **North Barricade Entrance: Senate-side Utility Line Installation** - Excavation and utility installation continued in an area near the North Barricade Entrance at Constitution Avenue.

Tree Preservation

1. **Shrub Clearing** - Removal of some shrubs along the eastern edge of the House and Senate eggs was completed to clear the way for installation of the perimeter wood board fencing that will secure the construction site.
2. **Tree Maintenance on East Capitol Grounds** - Tree monitoring and maintenance activities continued. Installation of irrigation piping continued.

Capitol Dome

Interim maintenance work on the Capitol Dome began. Crews began to erect scaffolding around the base of the Dome (not the Dome itself) and on the West Plaza to the roof. This interim work should not be confused with the more comprehensive Dome Restoration Project, which is expected to begin following completion of the CVC project. This current activity will continue into early September 2002, but will not impede access to any building entrances. Work on the Capitol Dome is not related to the CVC project, but notice is provided here to alert Members and Staff of this activity.

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Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility

This Week - Ongoing Work - 4/8/02 through 4/12/02

Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility

Wood board fencing continues to be installed on the lawn just south of the House Wing to secure the site of the new Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility. Construction continues on the deck and ramp that will connect the facility to the South Terrace. Excavation begins at the eastern portion of the site which will clear the way for paving of a small drive area. This paved area will be used by the electric carts that will bring persons with disabilities to the facility.

Utility Work

Utility work is required in the pre-construction phase of the Capitol Visitor Center project. Utility lines will be moved in stages so that this construction work can take place at times intended to minimize disruption to traffic. Required materials are staged and will continue to be staged on the East Front grassy areas.

1. **South Barricade Entrance: House-side Utility Line Installation** - Excavation and utility installation work will continue in the area located just north of the South Barricade Entrance and west of the drive lanes. Building access will not be affected.
2. **Senate-side Utility Line Installation** -
 - a. Excavation and utility installation work continue in an area north of the Senate Carriageway. Access to the Carriageway entrance will be maintained.
 - b. Excavation and utility installation work is complete along Delaware Avenue (near Constitution Avenue) to support the new Senate media site that will be located in the park area just west of the Senate Russell Building. All parking spaces are available. Work to restore the sidewalk will be completed this week.

Temporary Parking Lot Along New Jersey Avenue NW

1. A temporary 58-space parking lot is being constructed in the Senate park area just west of New Jersey Avenue NW to offset the loss of parking spaces due to CVC construction.
2. Paving and line striping will be completed this week. The Senate Parking and ID Office plans to make the lot available for use on Monday, April 15.

Perimeter Fencing

Installation of wood board fencing around the perimeter of the CVC project area is expected to begin along the south side of the House (south) egg. The perimeter fence line encompasses both the North and South eggs out to First Street.

Tree Preservation

Trees of lasting and historic value, which have not reached the end of their natural life span or are not sick, have been moved to new locations and are being treated to help ensure their survival. Some trees were removed to clear the way for project construction.

Tree Maintenance - Pruning, mulching, and tree monitoring activities will continue. Irrigation piping continues to be installed to ensure that proper moisture levels for the trees are maintained during CVC construction.

Next Week - Anticipated Work - 4/15/02 through 4/19/02

Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility

Construction will continue on the deck and ramps that will connect the facility to the South Terrace. Delivery and installation of the modular units that will comprise the facility is expected to begin.

Utility Work

1. **House-side Utility Line Installation** - Excavation and utility installation work will continue in the area north of the South Barricade entrance and west of the drive lanes. Pedestrian access to the Carriageway entrance will be maintained.
2. **Senate-side Utility Line Installation** - Excavation and utility installation work will continue in the sidewalk near the octagonal booth (north of the Senate Carriageway) and in a portion of the drive lane to the East Plaza. Traffic may be rerouted slightly, but two lanes will be maintained.

Perimeter Fencing

Installation of wood board fencing will continue around the perimeter of the South Egg.

Previous Week - 4/1/02 through 4/5/02

Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility

Foundation work was completed. Installation of a new sewer line for the restroom facilities was completed. Installation of the wood board fencing around the facility continued. The path for electric carts at the southwest corner of Capitol Square (the location of a new information kiosk) was excavated to clear the way for paving.

Utility Work

- 1. South Barricade Entrance: House-side Utility Line Installation - Excavation and utility installation work continued in the area just north of the South Barricade Entrance and west of the drive lanes.
2. North Barricade Entrance: Senate-side Utility Line Installation - Excavation and utility installation continued in an area near the North Barricade Entrance at Constitution Avenue.

Tree Preservation

- 1. Shrub Clearing - Removal of some shrubs along the eastern edge of the House and Senate eggs was completed to clear the way for installation of the perimeter wood board fencing that will secure the construction site.
2. Tree Maintenance on East Capitol Grounds - Tree monitoring and maintenance activities continued. Installation of irrigation piping continued.

Capitol Dome

Interim maintenance work on the Capitol Dome began. Crews began to erect scaffolding around the base of the Dome (not the Dome itself) and on the West Plaza to the roof. This interim work should not be confused with the more comprehensive Dome Restoration Project, which is expected to begin following completion of the CVC project.

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Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility

The existing temporary visitor receiving facility located on East Capitol Street Extension will be removed later this spring to clear the way for CVC construction. A new and more substantial Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility will be located on the South Grounds of the Capitol on a grassy area just south of the House Wing and it will remain in operation until the CVC project is completed. Visitors will arrive to the new facility from the west as the East Front Plaza is closed for construction.

This Week - Ongoing Work - 4/15/02 through 4/19/02

Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility - South Side

Construction is expected to be completed on the deck and ramps that will connect the facility to the South Terrace. Installation of the modular units that comprise the facility will begin. Wood board fencing continues to be installed to secure the site.

Utility Work

Utility work is required in the pre-construction phase of the Capitol Visitor Center project. Utility lines will be moved in stages so that this construction work can take place at times intended to minimize disruption to traffic. Required materials are staged and will continue to be staged on the East Front grassy areas.

1. **South Barricade Entrance: House-side Utility Line Installation** - Excavation and utility installation work will continue in the area located just north of the South Barricade Entrance and west of the drive lanes. Building access will not be affected.
2. **Senate-side Utility Line Installation** - Excavation and utility installation work continue in the sidewalk near the octagonal booth (north of the Senate Carriageway) and in a portion of the drive lane to the East Plaza. Traffic may be rerouted slightly, but two lanes will be maintained. Access to the Carriageway entrance will be maintained.

Temporary Parking Lot Off New Jersey Avenue NW

All spaces have been assigned to staff who formerly parked on Capitol Square. These staff have been moved to accommodate perimeter security construction.

Construction Fencing

Installation of wood board fencing around the CVC project area continues around the South egg. The construction fence line encompasses both the North and South eggs out to First Street.

Tree Preservation

Trees of lasting and historic value, which have not reached the end of their natural life span or are not sick, have been moved to new locations and are being treated to help ensure their survival. Some trees were removed to clear the way for project construction.

Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility - South Side

Installation of the modular units will continue. Construction will begin of a high-tension fabric canopy system over the deck and ramps of the facility.

Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility - North Side

Construction will begin later in the week on a new temporary visitor receiving facility to be located at the northeast corner of the Capitol. The facility will clear visitors for gallery tours and other activities on the Senate side of the building.

Utility Work

1. **House-side Utility Line Installation** - Excavation and utility installation work will continue in the area located just north of the South Barricade Entrance and west of the drive lanes. Building access will not be affected.
2. **Senate-side Utility Line Installation** - Excavation and utility installation work will continue in the sidewalk near the octagonal booth (north of the Senate Carriageway) and in a portion of the drive lane to the East Plaza. Traffic may be rerouted slightly, but two lanes will be maintained. Access to the Carriageway entrance will be maintained.

Construction Fencing

Installation of wood board fencing will continue around the South Egg.

Tree Preservation

Tree Maintenance - Pruning, mulching and tree monitoring activities will continue. Installation of irrigation piping and canopy misting systems will continue.

Previous Week - 4/8/02 through 4/12/02

Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility - South Side

Installation of the wood board fencing around the facility continued. Construction continued on the deck and ramp that will connect the facility to the South Terrace. Excavation began at the eastern portion of the site which cleared the way for paving of a small drive area. This paved area will be used by the electric carts that will bring persons with disabilities to the facility.

Utility Work

1. **South Barricade Entrance: House-side Utility Line Installation** - Excavation and utility installation work continued in the area just north of the South Barricade Entrance and west of the drive lanes.
2. **North Barricade Entrance: Senate-side Utility Line Installation** - Excavation and utility installation continued in an area near the North Barricade Entrance at Constitution Avenue.

Temporary Parking Lot Off New Jersey Avenue NW

Paving and line striping were completed in a temporary 58-space parking lot in the Senate park area just west of New Jersey Avenue NW.

Tree Preservation - Pruning, mulching and tree monitoring activities continued. Irrigation piping and canopy misting systems continued to be installed.

Capitol Dome

Interim maintenance work on the Capitol Dome continues. Crews erected scaffolding around the base of the Dome (not the Dome itself) and on the West Plaza to the roof. This interim work should not be confused with the more comprehensive Dome Restoration Project, which is expected to begin following completion of the CVC project. This current activity will continue into early September 2002, but will not impede access to any building entrances. Work on the Capitol Dome is not related to the CVC project, but notice is provided here to alert Members and Staff of this activity.

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This Week - Ongoing Work - 4/22/02 through 4/26/02

Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility - South Side

Construction continues on the deck and ramps that will connect the facility to the South Terrace. Installation of the modular units that comprise the facility is complete and work begins on the interior space, including drywall installation, utility hook-ups and window installation.

Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility - North Side

Construction will begin later in the week outside at the northeast corner of the Capitol on a new smaller temporary receiving facility for Senate Gallery tours and official visitors. Installation of ramps on the north terrace and initial structure work will begin.

Utility Work

Utility work is required in the pre-construction phase of the Capitol Visitor Center project. Utility lines will be moved in stages so that this construction work can take place at times intended to minimize disruption to traffic. Required materials are staged and will continue to be staged on the East Front grassy areas.

1. **South Barricade Entrance: House-side Utility Line Installation** - Excavation and utility installation work will continue in the area located just north of the South Barricade Entrance and west of the drive lanes. Building access will not be affected.
2. **Senate-side Utility Line Installation** -
 - a. Excavation and utility installation work continues in the sidewalk north of the Senate Carriageway and in a portion of the drive lane to the East Plaza. Traffic may be rerouted slightly, but two lanes will be maintained. Access to the Carriageway entrance will be maintained.
 - b. Excavation and utility installation work continues along Northeast Drive. There will be no parking on Northeast Drive until this work is completed.
 - c. Utility work continues in the North Egg.

Construction Fencing

Installation of wood board fencing around the CVC project area continues.

Tree Preservation

Trees of lasting and historic value, which have not reached the end of their natural life span or are not sick, have been moved to new locations and are being treated to help ensure their survival. Some trees were removed to clear the way for project construction.

Tree Maintenance - Tree monitoring activities will continue. Irrigation piping and canopy misting systems continue to be installed to ensure that proper moisture levels for the trees on the East Capitol Grounds are maintained during CVC construction.

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Visitor Receiving Facility - South Side

Interior work will continue. Construction of the deck and ramps will continue, and installation of a high-tension fabric canopy system over the deck and ramps of the facility is expected to begin.

Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility - North Side

Construction will continue on a new temporary visitor receiving facility to be located at the northeast corner of the Capitol.

Utility Work

1. **House-side Utility Line Installation** - Excavation and utility installation work will continue in the area located just north of the South Barricade Entrance and west of the drive lanes. Building access will not be affected.
2. **Senate-side Utility Line Installation**

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This Week - Ongoing Work - 4/29/02 through 5/3/02

Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility - South Side

Construction continues on the deck and ramps that will connect the facility to the South and West Terraces. Interior work continues including drywall finishing work and utility hook-ups.

Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility - North Side

Initial layout and framework has begun on a new, smaller, temporary receiving facility at the northeast corner of the Capitol which will be used for Senate Gallery tours and official visitors. Installation of ramps on the North and West Terraces has begun.

Utility Work

Utility work is required in the pre-construction phase of the Capitol Visitor Center project. Utility lines will be moved in stages so that this construction work can take place at times intended to minimize disruption to traffic. Required materials are staged and will continue to be staged on the East Front grassy areas.

- 1. South Barricade Entrance: House-side Utility Line Installation** - Excavation and utility installation work is expected to be completed in the area located just north of the South Barricade Entrance and west of the drive lanes. Building access will not be affected.

Pending the completion of other ongoing work (not related to the CVC) at the South Barricade Entrance, the two drive lanes (to the East Plaza from Independence Avenue) will be realigned west of their current alignment so that utility work can continue in the eastern portion of this zone. This realignment is expected to occur over the weekend, but may be delayed if significant rainfall occurs during the week. Pedestrian access will be maintained, but the existing temporary sidewalk on the eastern side of this zone will be shifted slightly westward and a new temporary path on the west side of the drive lanes also will be established. This will allow pedestrians to enter or exit at either side of the South Barricade Entrance.

- 2. Senate-side Utility Line Installation -**
 - a. Excavation and utility installation work continues in the sidewalk north of the Senate Carriageway and in a portion of the drive lane to the East Plaza. Traffic may be rerouted slightly, but two lanes will be maintained. Access to the Carriageway entrance will be maintained.
 - b. Excavation and utility installation work continues along Northeast Drive. There will be no parking on Northeast Drive until this work is completed.
 - c. Utility work continues in the North Egg.

Construction Fencing

and are being treated to help ensure their survival. Some trees were removed to clear the way for project construction.

Tree Maintenance - Tree monitoring activities will continue. Irrigation piping and canopy misting systems continue to be installed to ensure that proper moisture levels for the trees on the East Capitol Grounds are maintained during CVC construction..

Next Week - Anticipated Work - 5/6/02 through 5/10/02

Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility - South Side

Interior finish work and utility hook-ups will continue. Construction of the deck and ramps will continue, and installation of a canopy system over the facility will begin

Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility - North Side

Construction will continue on the new temporary visitor receiving facility to be located at the northeast corner of the Capitol. Construction also will continue on the ramps that will connect the facility to the North and West Terraces.

Utility Work

1. **House-side Utility Line Installation** - Excavation and utility installation work is expected to begin in the eastern half of the zone located just north of the South Barricade Entrance, pending the completion of other work in the area not related to the CVC project. Building access will not be affected. The two drive lanes from Independence Avenue are expected to be diverted eastward during the weekend of May 4-5, but vehicular access will be maintained. A new pedestrian sidewalk will be established at the western half to this zone closer to Capitol building.
2. **Senate-side Utility Line Installation** -
 - a. Excavation and utility installation work will be completed in the sidewalk in an area north of the Senate Carriageway, but will continue in an adjacent area in a portion of the drive lane to the East Plaza. Traffic may be rerouted slightly, but two lanes will be maintained. Access to the Carriageway entrance will be maintained.
 - b. Excavation and utility installation is expected to be completed along Northeast Drive. However, there will continue to be no parking on Northeast Drive until other AOC work, not related to the CVC, is completed in this area..
 - c. Utility work continues in the North Egg.

Construction Fencing

Installation of wood board fencing around the CVC project area will continue. The fencing will receive decorative molding and will be painted white.

Tree Preservation

Tree monitoring activities will continue. Installation of irrigation piping and canopy misting systems will continue.

Other Construction Activities (not related to the CVC)

Capitol Dome

Interim maintenance work on the Capitol Dome continues. Crews erected scaffolding around the base of the Dome (not the Dome itself) and on the West Plaza to the roof. This interim work should not be confused with the more comprehensive Dome Restoration Project, which is expected to begin after completion of the CVC project. This current activity will continue into early September 2002, but will not impede access to any building entrances. Work on the Capitol Dome is not related to the CVC project, but notice is provided here to alert Members and Staff of this activity.

West Front - Construction Activity Related to the Memorial Day Concert

Construction activity in support of the Memorial Day concert is planned to begin Monday, April 29, on the lower portion of the West Front lawn. AOC Capitol Grounds office is coordinating this effort. This work is not related to the CVC project, but notice is provided here to alert Members and Staff of this activity.

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This Week - Ongoing Work - 5/6/02 through 5/10/02

Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility - South Side

Construction is expected to be completed on deck and ramps that will connect the facility to the South and West Terraces. Interior work, including drywall finishing work and utility hook-ups, is expected to be completed.

Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility - North Side

Framework is expected to be completed on a temporary receiving facility at the northeast corner of the Capitol which will be used for Senate Gallery tours and official visitors. Installation of ramps on the North and West Terraces continues.

Utility Work

Utility work is required in the pre-construction phase of the Capitol Visitor Center project. Utility lines will be moved in stages so that this construction work can take place at times intended to minimize disruption to traffic. Required materials are staged and will continue to be staged on the East Front grassy areas.

1. South Barricade Entrance: House-side Utility Line Installation -

The two drive lanes have been realigned west of their previous alignment so that CVC utility work and other AOC work can continue in the eastern portion of this zone and along Southeast Drive. Pedestrian access from Independence has been established along the east and west sides of the drive lanes.

2. Senate-side Utility Line Installation -

- a. Excavation and utility installation work continues in the sidewalk north of the Senate Carriageway and in a portion of the drive lane to the East Plaza. Traffic may be rerouted slightly, but two lanes will be maintained. Access to the Carriageway entrance will be maintained.
- b. Excavation and utility installation work will begin near the Senate Carriageway and last approximately three days. During this period, access to the Carriageway will be maintained but three parking spaces adjacent to the north side of the Senate steps will be closed.
- c. Excavation and utility installation work continues along Northeast Drive. There will be no parking on Northeast Drive until this and other AOC work is completed in this area.
- d. Utility work continues in the North Egg.
- e. Utility work will begin on 1st St. & Maryland Ave., continuing to Constitution Ave. The work on Constitution Ave. is scheduled to occur this weekend. Traffic will be constricted slightly where the work is occurring, but two lanes will be maintained at all times.

Construction Fencing - Installation of wood board fencing continues around the CVC project area. Trim and paint work begin this week.

Tree Preservation

Next Week - Anticipated Work - 5/13/02 through 5/17/02

Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility - South Side

Interior finish work will be completed and instruments and furniture will be installed. The canopy above the entrance area will be completed.

Temporary Visitor Receiving Facility - North Side

Construction will continue on the new temporary visitor receiving facility to be located at the northeast corner of the Capitol. Construction also will continue on the ramps that will connect the facility to the North and West Terraces.

Utility Work

1. **House-side Utility Line Installation** - Excavation and utility installation work is expected to begin in the eastern half of the zone located just north of the South Barricade Entrance. Building access will not be affected.
2. **Senate-side Utility Line Installation** -
 - a. Excavation and utility installation work is expected to be completed in the sidewalk in an area north of the Senate Carriageway, but will continue in an adjacent area in a portion of the drive lane to the East Plaza. Traffic may be rerouted slightly, but two lanes will be maintained. Access to the Carriageway entrance will be maintained.
 - b. Excavation and utility installation is expected to be completed along Northeast Drive. However, there will continue to be no parking on Northeast Drive until other AOC work, not related to the CVC, is completed in this area.
 - c. Utility work will continue in the North Egg.

Construction Fencing - Trim and painting of the fencing will continue.

Tree Preservation - Tree monitoring activities will continue.

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Other Construction Activities (not related to the CVC)

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This Week - Ongoing Work - 5/13/02 through 5/17/02

Temporary Visitor Screening Facility - South Side

Construction will be completed on the deck and ramps that will connect the facility to the South and West Terraces. Interior and exterior work, including drywall finishing work, utility hook-ups and installation of equipment, will be completed. The facility will receive visitors beginning next week. The East Front Screening Facility will be closed effective COB 5/19/02.

Temporary Visitor Screening Facility - North Side

Construction will be completed late in the week on the temporary receiving facility at the northeast corner of the Capitol which will be used for Senate Gallery tours and official visitors. Installation of ramps on the North and West Terraces will be completed. The facility will receive visitors beginning next week.

Utility Work

Utility work is required in the pre-construction phase of the Capitol Visitor Center project. Utility lines will be moved in stages so that this construction work can take place at times intended to minimize disruption to traffic. Required materials are staged and will continue to be staged on the East Front grassy areas.

1. South Barricade Entrance: House-Side Utility Line Installation -

CVC utility work and other AOC work continue in the eastern portion of this zone and along Southeast Drive. Pedestrian access from Independence has been established along the east and west sides of the drive lanes.

2. Senate-Side Utility Line Installation -

- a. CVC excavation and utility installation work continues in the sidewalk north of the Senate Carriageway and in a portion of the drive lane to the East Plaza. Traffic may be rerouted slightly, but two lanes will be maintained. Access to the Carriageway entrance will be maintained.
- b. Excavation and utility installation work continues along Northeast Drive. There will be no parking on Northeast Drive until this and other AOC work is completed in this area.
- c. Utility work will continue in a zone at 1st St. & Maryland Ave. Traffic has been constricted slightly where the work is occurring, but traffic flow will be maintained at all times. Pedestrian bypass signs have been posted to direct pedestrians on the east side of First Street NE.

Construction Fencing - Installation of wood board fencing continues around the CVC project area and is expected to be completed by early July, when the East Plaza will be closed to vehicular traffic. Trim and paint work on the fence also continues.

Tree Maintenance - Tree monitoring activities will continue.

Next Week - Anticipated Work - 5/20/02 through 5/24/02

Temporary Visitor Screening Facility - South Side

Utility Work

1. **House-Side Utility Line Installation** - CVC excavation and utility installation work is expected to continue in the eastern half of the zone located just north of the South Barricade Entrance. Building access will not be affected.
2. **Senate-Side Utility Line Installation** -
 - a. CVC excavation and utility installation work is expected to continue in the sidewalk in an area north of the Senate Carriageway. Traffic may be rerouted slightly, but two lanes will be maintained. Access to the Carriageway entrance will be maintained.
 - b. CVC excavation and utility installation will continue along Northeast Drive. There will continue to be no parking on Northeast Drive until other AOC work, not related to the CVC, is completed in this area.

Construction Fencing - Construction of the fence, trim, and painting will continue.

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Other Construction Activities (not related to the CVC)

Capitol Dome

Interim maintenance work on the Capitol Dome continues. Crews erected scaffolding around the base of the Dome (not the Dome itself) and on the West Plaza to the roof. This interim work should not be confused with the more comprehensive Dome Restoration Project, which is expected to begin after completion of the CVC project. This current activity will continue into early September 2002, but will not impede access to any building entrances. Work on the Capitol Dome is not related to the CVC project, but notice is provided here to alert Members and Staff of this activity.

West Front - Construction Activity Related to the Memorial Day Concert

Construction activity in support of the Memorial Day concert continues on the West Front lawn. The AOC Capitol Grounds office is coordinating this effort. This work is not related to the CVC project, but notice is provided here to alert Members and Staff of this activity.

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This Week - Ongoing Work - 5/20/02 through 5/24/02

Temporary Visitor Screening Facility - South Side

Construction is complete and the facility will be available to receive visitors pending finalization of operational procedures. The East Front Screening Facility will be closed when the new facility opens.

Temporary Visitor Screening Facility - North Side

Construction will be completed late in the week on the temporary receiving facility at the northeast corner of the Capitol, which will be used for Senate Gallery tours and official visitors. Installation of ramps on the North and West Terraces will be completed by mid-week. The facility will be operational at the same time as the new Temporary Visitor Screening Facility on the south side.

Utility Work

Utility work is required in the pre-construction phase of the Capitol Visitor Center project. Utility lines will be moved in stages so that this construction work can take place at times intended to minimize disruption to traffic. Required materials are staged and will continue to be staged on the East Front grassy areas.

1. **House-side Utility Line Installation** -
 - a. **South Barricade Entrance** - CVC utility work and other AOC work continue in the eastern portion of this zone and along Southeast Drive. Pedestrian access from Independence has been established along the east and west sides of the drive lanes.
 - b. **House Egg** - The grassy oval area or "egg" opposite the House Wing is being used to stage utility materials. In addition, excavation and utility installation will continue in the egg for up to three weeks.
2. **Senate-side Utility Line Installation** -
 - a. Excavation and utility installation work continues along Northeast Drive. There will be no parking on Northeast Drive until this and other AOC work is completed in this area.
 - b. Utility work will continue in a zone at First Street and Maryland Avenue and at a portion of the sidewalk along Constitution Avenue. Pedestrian bypass signs have been posted to direct pedestrians to the east side of First Street NE.

Construction Fencing - Installation of wood board fencing continues around the CVC project area and will be completed by early July, at which point the East Plaza will be closed to vehicular traffic. Trim and paint work on the fence also continues.

Tree Maintenance - Tree monitoring activities will continue.

Next Week - Anticipated Work - 5/27/02 through 5/31/02

Temporary Visitor Screening Facility - South Side

Utility Work

1. House-side Utility Line Installation -

- a. CVC utility work and other AOC work will continue in the eastern portion of this zone and along Southeast Drive. Pedestrian access from Independence has been established along the east and west sides of the drive lanes.
- b. House Egg - The grassy oval area opposite the House Wing will be used to stage utility materials. Excavation and utility installation in this area will continue.

2. Senate-side Utility Line Installation -

- a. CVC excavation and utility installation work will begin immediately east and south of the Senate steps near the Carriageway. Traffic may be rerouted slightly and vehicular access to the Carriageway will be restricted for two days during the recess. This work will continue through the week and into the following week.
- b. CVC excavation and utility installation will continue along Northeast Drive. There will continue to be no parking on Northeast Drive until other AOC work, not related to the CVC, is completed in this area.

Construction Fencing - Construction of the fence, trim and painting will continue.

Tree Maintenance - Tree monitoring activities will continue.

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This Week - Ongoing Work - 5/27/02 through 5/31/02

Temporary Visitor Screening Facility - South Side

Construction is complete and the facility will be available to receive visitors pending finalization of operational procedures. The East Front Screening Facility will be closed when the new facility opens.

Temporary Visitor Screening Facility - North Side

Construction is complete and the facility will be available to receive visitors pending finalization of operational procedures. The facility will be operational at the same time as the new Temporary Visitor Screening Facility on the south side.

Utility Work

Utility work is required in the pre-construction phase of the Capitol Visitor Center project. Utility lines will be moved in stages so that this construction work can take place at times intended to minimize disruption to traffic. Required materials are staged and will continue to be staged on the East Front grassy areas.

1. House-side Utility Line Installation -

- a. South Barricade Entrance - CVC utility work and other AOC work continue in the eastern portion of this zone and along Southeast Drive. Pedestrian access from Independence has been established along the east and west sides of the drive lanes.
- b. House Egg - The grassy oval area or "egg" opposite the House Wing is being used to stage utility materials. In addition, excavation and utility installation continues in the egg.

2. Senate-side Utility Line Installation -

- a. Excavation and utility installation work continues along Northeast Drive. There will be no parking on Northeast Drive until this and other AOC work is completed in this area.
- b. Utility work will continue in a zone at First Street and Maryland Avenue and at a portion of the sidewalk along Constitution Avenue. Pedestrian bypass signs have been posted to direct pedestrians to the east side of First Street NE.
- c. CVC excavation and utility installation work begins immediately east and south of the Senate steps near the Carriageway. Traffic is being rerouted slightly and vehicular access to the Carriageway will be restricted for two days during the recess.

Alternate Media Sites

CVC construction requires the temporary closure of both the Senate and House media sites within the north (swamp site) and south (Elm site) eggs, respectively. Temporary alternate sites are being established for the Senate media in Upper Senate Park near Delaware Avenue, and the House media on the northwest terrace of the Cannon Building.

Construction Fencing - Installation of wood board fencing continues around the CVC project area and will be completed by early July, at which point the East Plaza will be closed to vehicular traffic. Trim and paint work on the fence also continues.

Tree Maintenance - Tree monitoring activities will continue.

Next Week - Anticipated Work - 6/3/02 through 6/7/02

Temporary Visitor Screening Facility - South Side

The facility is expected to begin receiving visitors for Capitol tours.

Temporary Visitor Screening Facility - North Side

The facility is expected to begin receiving visitors for official business and Senate Gallery tours.

Utility Work

1. **House-side Utility Line Installation** -
 - a. CVC utility work and other AOC work will continue in the eastern portion of this zone and along Southeast Drive.
 - b. House Egg - Excavation and utility installation in this area will continue.
2. **Senate-side Utility Line Installation** -
 - a. CVC excavation and utility installation work will continue immediately east and south of the Senate steps near the Carriageway. Traffic has been rerouted slightly around this activity.
 - b. CVC excavation and utility installation will continue along Northeast Drive. There will continue to be no parking on Northeast Drive until other AOC work, not related to the CVC, is completed in this area.

Alternate Media Sites

1. **House Media Site** - Work on the platform and connecting utilities will continue on the Cannon terrace.
2. **Senate Media Site** - Foundation work for the platform will begin in the site location in Upper Senate Park.

Historic Preservation

Removal of the historic Frederick Law Olmsted landscape features, including the fountains, lanterns and retaining walls on the East Front Plaza, is required to clear the site for CVC excavation. All historic materials that are removed will be catalogued, stored, and replaced in their original locations once the new Plaza has been completed.

1. **House-side Historic Preservation** - Crews continue to catalogue the historic Frederick Law Olmsted landscape features in preparation for their removal and storage.
2. **Senate-side Historic Preservation** - Crews are expected to begin removal of the historic Frederick Law Olmsted landscape features along the southwest quadrant of the Senate egg. This work will require parking restrictions (approximately 10-12 spaces) in the immediate vicinity of this work.

Construction Fencing - Construction of the fence, trim and painting will continue.

Tree Maintenance - Tree monitoring activities will continue.

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This Week - Ongoing Work - 6/3/02 through 6/7/02

Temporary Visitor Screening Facility - South Side

Construction is complete and the facility has begun receiving visitors. The temporary East Front Screening Facility has been closed and is being dismantled.

Temporary Visitor Screening Facility - North Side

Construction is complete and the facility has begun receiving visitors for Senate Gallery tours, official visits and Senate-side staff-led tours.

Utility Work

Utility work is required in the pre-construction phase of the Capitol Visitor Center project. Utility lines will be moved in stages so construction work can take place at times intended to minimize disruption to traffic. Required materials are being staged on the East Front grassy areas.

1. House-side Utility Line Installation -

- a. **South Barricade Entrance** - CVC utility work and other AOC work continue in the eastern portion of this zone and along Southeast Drive. Pedestrian access from Independence has been established along the east and west sides of the drive lanes.
- b. **House Egg** - The grassy oval area or "egg" opposite the House Wing is being used to stage utility materials. In addition, excavation and utility installation continues in the egg.

2. Senate-side Utility Line Installation -

- a. Excavation and utility installation work continues along Northeast Drive. There will be no parking on Northeast Drive until this and other AOC work is completed in this area.
- b. Utility work will continue in a zone at First Street and Maryland Avenue and at a portion of the sidewalk along Constitution Avenue. Pedestrian bypass signs have been posted to direct pedestrians to the east side of First Street NE.
- c. CVC excavation and utility installation work continues immediately south of and adjacent to the Senate steps. Traffic is being rerouted slightly, but access to the Carriageway is maintained.

Historic Preservation

Removal of the historic Frederick Law Olmsted landscape features, including the fountains, lanterns and retaining walls on the East Front Plaza, is required to clear the site for CVC excavation. All historic materials that are removed will be catalogued, stored, and reinstalled in their original locations once the new Plaza has been completed.

- 1. **House-side Historic Preservation** - Crews continue to catalogue the historic landscape features around the House egg in preparation for their removal and storage.

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Construction Fencing - Installation of wood board fencing continues around the CVC project area and will be completed by early July, at which point the East Plaza will be closed to vehicular traffic. Trim and paint work on the fence also continues.

Tree Maintenance - Tree monitoring activities will continue.

Next Week - Anticipated Work - 6/3/02 through 6/7/02

Utility Work

1. House-side Utility Line Installation-

- CVC utility work and other AOC work will continue in the eastern portion of this zone and along Southeast Drive.
- House Egg - Excavation and utility installation in this area will continue.

2. Senate-side Utility Line Installation -

- CVC excavation and utility installation work will continue immediately east and south of the Senate steps near the Carriageway. Traffic has been rerouted slightly around this activity.
- CVC excavation and utility installation will continue along Northeast Drive. There will continue to be no parking on Northeast Drive until other AOC work, not related to the CVC, is completed in this area.
- CVC excavation and utility installation work adjacent to the Senate steps will be completed.
- CVC excavation and utility installation will occur on the West Lawn and construction fencing will be installed.

Alternate Media Sites

CVC construction requires the temporary closure of both the Senate and House media sites within the north (swamp site) and south (Elm site) eggs, respectively. Temporary alternate sites are being established for the Senate media in Upper Senate Park near Delaware Avenue, and the House media on the northwest terrace of the Cannon Building.

- House Media Site** - Work on the platform and connecting utilities will begin on the Cannon terrace.
- Senate Media Site** - Work on the platform will begin at the media site location in Upper Senate Park.

Historic Preservation

- House-side Historic Preservation** - Crews will continue to catalogue the historic landscape features around the House egg in preparation for their removal and storage.
- Senate-side Historic Preservation** - Crews will continue removing historic landscape features along the southeast quadrant of the Senate egg.

Tree Maintenance - Tree monitoring activities will continue.

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This Week - Ongoing Work - 6/10/02 through 6/14/02

Utility Work

Utility work is required in the pre-construction phase of the Capitol Visitor Center project. Utility lines will be moved in stages so construction work can take place at times intended to minimize disruption to traffic. Required materials are being staged on the East Front grassy areas.

1. **House-side Utility Line Installation** -
 - a. **South Barricade Entrance** - CVC utility work and other AOC work continue in the eastern portion of this zone and along Southeast Drive. Pedestrian access from Independence has been established along the east and west sides of the drive lanes.
 - b. **House Egg** - The grassy oval area or "egg" opposite the House Wing is being used to stage utility materials. In addition, excavation and utility installation continues in the egg.
2. **Senate-side Utility Line Installation** -
 - a. **Northeast Drive** - Excavation and utility installation work continues along Northeast Drive. There will be no parking on Northeast Drive until this and other AOC work is completed in this area.
 - b. **Senate Steps and Carriageway** - CVC excavation and utility installation work around the Senate steps is complete with the exception of some minor work on the north side of the steps. The fencing around the steps will be removed early in the week. The Carriageway remains available for use.
 - c. **Northwest Lawn** - CVC excavation and utility installation will occur on the West Lawn (just north of the lower west front steps) and construction fencing will be installed.

Historic Preservation

Removal of the historic Frederick Law Olmsted landscape features, including the fountains, lanterns and retaining walls on the East Front Plaza, is required to clear the site for CVC excavation. All historic materials that are removed will be catalogued, stored, and reinstalled in their original locations once the new Plaza has been completed.

1. **House-side Historic Preservation** - Crews continue to catalogue the historic landscape features around the House egg in preparation for their removal and storage.
2. **Senate-side Historic Preservation** - Crews begin removing historic landscape features along the southeast and southwest quadrants of the Senate egg. Fencing has been erected around the historic landscape features in these zones. The parking spaces along the southwest quadrant of the egg have been shifted slightly westward to clear the way for removal of the wall and lampposts in this area. No parking has been eliminated. In addition, the **Trolley Stop** canopy structure (located in the triangular grassy area just across from the Senate Media Site) will be removed and stored for reinstallation upon CVC completion.

Alternate Media Sites

House media on the northwest terrace of the Cannon Building.

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2. **Senate Media Site** - Work on the platform begins at the media site location in Upper Senate Park opposite the Russell Senate Office Building.

Construction Fencing - Installation of wood board fencing continues around the CVC project area and will be completed by early July, at which point the East Plaza will be closed to all but emergency vehicular traffic. Trim and paint work on the fence also continues.

Tree Maintenance - All protected trees appear healthy and transplanted trees are doing well. Tree monitoring activities continue.

Next Week - Anticipated Work - 6/17/02 through 6/21/02

Utility Work

1. House-side Utility Line Installation -

- a. **South Barricade Entrance** - CVC utility work and other AOC work will continue in the eastern portion of this zone and along Southeast Drive.
- b. **House Egg** - Excavation and utility installation in this area will continue.
- c. **House Steps** - Excavation and utility installation will begin on the north side of the House Steps. Construction fencing will be erected around this construction zone and the two lower steps will be removed. Access to all other portions of the House Steps and access to the House Carriageway will be maintained.

2. Senate-side Utility Line Installation -

- a. **Northeast Drive** - CVC excavation and utility installation will continue along Northeast Drive. There will continue to be no parking on Northeast Drive until other AOC work, not related to the CVC, is completed in this area.
- b. **Northwest Lawn** - CVC excavation and utility installation will occur on the West Lawn and construction fencing will be installed.

Alternate Media Sites

1. **House Media Site** - Work on the platform and connecting utilities will continue on the Cannon terrace.
2. **Senate Media Site** - Work on the platform will continue at the media site location in Upper Senate Park.

Historic Preservation

1. **House-side Historic Preservation** - Crews will continue to catalogue the historic landscape features around the House egg in preparation for their removal and storage.
2. **Senate-side Historic Preservation** - Crews will continue removing historic landscape features along the southeast quadrant of the Senate egg.

Tree Maintenance - Tree monitoring activities will continue.

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Utility Work

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1. **House-side Utility Line Installation** -
 - a. **South Barricade Entrance** - CVC utility work and other AOC work continue in the eastern portion of this zone and along Southeast Drive.
 - b. **House Egg** - The grassy oval area or "egg" opposite the House Wing is being used to stage utility materials. In addition, excavation and utility installation continues in the egg.
2. **Senate-side Utility Line Installation** -
 - a. **Northeast Drive** - Excavation and utility installation work continues along Northeast Drive. There will be no parking on Northeast Drive until this and other AOC work is completed in this area.
 - b. **Northwest Lawn** - CVC excavation and utility installation will continue on the West Lawn (just north of the lower West Front steps).

Historic Preservation

Removal of the historic Frederick Law Olmsted landscape features, including the fountains, lanterns and retaining walls on the East Front Plaza, is required to clear the site for CVC excavation. All historic materials that are removed will be catalogued, stored, and reinstalled in their original locations once the new plaza has been completed.

1. **House-side Historic Preservation** - Crews continue to catalogue the historic landscape features around the House egg.
2. **Senate-side Historic Preservation** - Crews continue removing historic landscape features along the southeast and southwest quadrants of the Senate egg and will begin disassembling the large fountain on the north side of East Capitol Street Extension. Fencing has been erected around the historic landscape features in these zones. The parking spaces along the southwest quadrant of the egg have been shifted slightly westward to clear the way for removal of the wall and lampposts in this area. No parking has been eliminated.

Alternate Media Sites

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1. **House Media Site** - Work on the platform and connecting utilities continues on the Cannon terrace.
2. **Senate Media Site** - Work on the platform continues at the media site location in Upper Senate Park opposite the Russell Senate Office Building.

Tree Maintenance

All protected trees appear healthy and transplanted trees are doing well. Tree monitoring activities continue.

Next Week - Anticipated Work - 6/24/02 through 6/28/02

Utility Work

1. **House-side Utility Line Installation** -
 - a. **South Barricade Entrance** - CVC utility work and other AOC work will continue in the eastern portion of this zone and along Southeast Drive.
 - b. **House Egg** - Excavation and utility installation in this area will continue.
 - c. **House Steps** - Excavation and utility installation may begin on the north side of the House Steps. Construction fencing will be erected around this construction zone and the four lower steps will be removed. Access to all other portions of the House Steps and access to the House Carriageway will be maintained.
2. **Senate-side Utility Line Installation** -
 - a. **Northeast Drive** - CVC excavation and utility installation will continue along Northeast Drive.
 - b. **Northwest Lawn** - CVC excavation and utility installation will continue on the West Lawn.

Alternate Media Sites

1. **House Media Site** - Work on the platform will continue on the Cannon terrace.
2. **Senate Media Site** - Work on the platform will continue at the media site location in Upper Senate Park.

Historic Preservation

1. **House-side Historic Preservation** - Crews will continue to catalogue the historic landscape features around the House egg in preparation for their removal and storage.
2. **Senate-side Historic Preservation** - Crews will continue removing historic landscape features.

Tree Maintenance

Tree monitoring activities will continue.

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Utility Work

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- 1. House-side Utility Line Installation -**
 - a. South Barricade Entrance** - CVC utility work and other AOC work continue in the eastern portion of this zone and along Southeast Drive.
 - b. House Steps** - Utility work continues on the north side of the House Steps inside the construction fence.
 - c. Southwest lawn** - Utility work continues near the Magnolia tree grove adjacent to the building in this area.
- 2. Senate-side Utility Line Installation -**
 - a. Senate Steps** - Utility work continues on the south side of the Senate Steps inside the construction fence.
 - b. Northwest Lawn** - CVC excavation and utility installation will continue on the West Lawn (just north of the lower West Front steps).

Historic Preservation

Removal of the historic Frederick Law Olmsted landscape features, including the fountains, lanterns and retaining walls on the East Front Plaza, is required to clear the site for CVC excavation. All historic materials that are removed will be catalogued, stored, and reinstalled in their original locations once the new plaza has been completed.

- 1. House-side Historic Preservation** - Crews will complete the removal of the historic landscape features around the House egg.
- 2. Senate-side Historic Preservation** - Crews will complete the removal of the historic landscape features around the Senate egg.

Alternate Media Sites

CVC construction requires the temporary closure of both the Senate and House media sites within the north (swamp site) and south (Elm site) eggs, respectively. Temporary alternate sites are being established for the Senate media in Upper Senate Park near Delaware Avenue, and the House media on the northwest terrace of the Cannon Building.

- 1. House Media Site** - Work is complete for the new media site on the Cannon terrace.
- 2. Senate Media Site** - Work is complete at the media site location in Upper Senate Park opposite the Russell Senate Office Building. Some modifications to the platform may be made during the week.

Construction Fencing

Installation of wood board fencing is complete around the CVC project area. Trim and paint work on the fence continue.

Next Week - Anticipated Work - 7/15/02 through 7/19/02

East Front Plaza Work

Installation of noise reduction window units will continue along the East Front of the Capitol Building. Utility work continues near both the House and Senate steps inside the construction fence.

Utility Work

1. **House-side Utility Line Installation** -
 - a. **South Barricade Entrance** - CVC utility work and other AOC work will continue in the eastern portion of this zone and along Southeast Drive.
 - b. **House Steps** - Utility work will continue on the north side of the House Steps inside the construction fence.
 - c. **Southwest lawn** - Utility work will continue near the Magnolia tree grove adjacent to the building in this area.
2. **Senate-side Utility Line Installation** -
 - a. **Senate Steps** - Utility work will continue on the south side of the Senate Steps inside the construction fence.
 - b. **Northwest Lawn** - CVC excavation and utility installation will continue on the West Lawn (just north of the lower West Front steps).

Tree Maintenance

Tree monitoring activities will continue.

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1. **House-side Utility Line Installation** -
 - a. **South Barricade Entrance** - CVC utility work and other AOC work continue in the eastern portion of this zone and along Southeast Drive.
 - b. **House Steps** - Utility work continues on the north side of the House Steps inside the construction fence.
 - c. **Southwest lawn** - Utility work continues near the Magnolia tree grove adjacent to the building in this area.
2. **Senate-side Utility Line Installation** -
 - a. **Senate Steps** - Utility work continues on the south side of the Senate Steps inside the construction fence.
 - b. **Northwest Lawn** - CVC excavation and utility installation will continue on the West Lawn (just north of the lower West Front steps).

Historic Preservation

Removal of the historic Frederick Law Olmsted landscape features, including the fountains, lanterns and retaining walls on the East Front Plaza, is required to clear the site for CVC excavation. All historic materials that are removed will be catalogued, stored, and reinstalled in their original locations once the new plaza has been completed.

1. **House-side Historic Preservation** - Crews will complete the removal of the historic landscape features around the House egg.
2. **Senate-side Historic Preservation** - Crews will complete the removal of the historic landscape features around the Senate egg.

Construction Fencing

Installation of wood board fencing is complete around the CVC project area. Trim and paint work on the fence continue.

Tree Maintenance

Tree monitoring activities continue.

Next Week - Anticipated Work - 7/22/02 through 7/26/02

East Front Plaza Work

1. House-side Utility Line Installation -

- a. **South Barricade Entrance** - CVC utility work and other AOC work will continue in the eastern portion of this zone and along Southeast Drive.
- b. **House Steps** - Utility work will continue on the north side of the House Steps inside the construction fence.
- c. **Southwest lawn** - Utility work will continue adjacent to the building in this zone.

2. Senate-side Utility Line Installation -

- a. **Senate Steps** - Utility work will continue on the south side of the Senate Steps inside the construction fence.
- b. **Northwest Lawn** - CVC excavation and utility installation will continue on the West Lawn (just north of the lower West Front steps).

Tree Maintenance

Tree monitoring activities will continue.

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Utility Work

Utility work is required in the pre-construction phase of the Capitol Visitor Center project. Utility lines will be moved in stages so construction work can take place at times intended to minimize disruption to traffic. Required materials are being staged on the East Front grassy areas.

1. **House-side Utility Line Installation** -
 - a. **South Barricade Entrance** - CVC utility work and other AOC work continue in the eastern portion of this zone and along Southeast Drive.
 - b. **House Steps** - Utility work continues on the north side of the House Steps inside the construction fence.
 - c. **Southwest lawn** - Utility work continues near the Magnolia tree grove adjacent to the building in this area.
2. **Senate-side Utility Line Installation** -
 - a. **Northwest Lawn** - CVC excavation and utility installation will continue on the West Lawn (just north of the lower West Front steps).

Historic Preservation

Removal of the historic Frederick Law Olmsted landscape features, including the fountains, lanterns and retaining walls on the East Front Plaza, is required to clear the site for CVC excavation. All historic materials have been removed, catalogued and stored, and will be reinstalled in their original locations once the new plaza has been completed.

Construction Fencing

Installation of wood board fencing is complete around the CVC project area. Trim and paint work on the fence continue.

Tree Maintenance

Tree monitoring activities continue.

Next Week - Anticipated Work - 7/29/02 through 8/2/02

East Front Plaza Work

- Site excavation will continue in several locations throughout the East Plaza.
- Installation of noise reduction window units will continue along the East Front of the Capitol Building.

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2. Senate-side Utility Line Installation -

- a. **Northwest Lawn** - CVC excavation and utility installation will continue on the West Lawn (just north of the lower West Front steps).

Tree Maintenance

Tree monitoring activities will continue.

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Utility Work

Utility work is required in the pre-construction phase of the Capitol Visitor Center project. Utility lines will be moved in stages so construction work can take place at times intended to minimize disruption to traffic. Required materials are being staged on the East Front grassy areas.

1. **House-side Utility Line Installation** -
 - a. **South Barricade Entrance** - CVC utility work and other AOC work continue in the eastern portion of this zone and along Southeast Drive.
 - b. **House Steps** - Utility work continues on the north side of the House Steps inside the construction fence.
 - c. **Southwest lawn** - Utility work continues near the Magnolia tree grove adjacent to the building in this area.
2. **Senate-side Utility Line Installation** -
 - a. **Northwest Lawn** - CVC excavation and utility installation will continue on the West Lawn (just north of the lower West Front steps).

Historic Preservation

This work is complete. This item will no longer appear in the construction summary until re-installation of historical features begins in 2004.

Construction Fencing

Construction fencing is complete. This item will no longer appear on the construction summary until the fence is dismantled.

Tree Maintenance

Tree monitoring activities continue.

Next Week - Anticipated Work - 8/5/02 through 8/9/02

East Front Plaza Work

- Site excavation will continue in several locations throughout the East Plaza.
- Test borings will continue across the East Plaza.
- Installation of noise reduction window units will continue along the East Front of the Capitol Building.
- Utility work continues near both the House and Senate steps inside the construction fence.

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2. Senate-side Utility Line Installation -

- a. **Northwest Lawn** - CVC excavation and utility installation will continue on the West Lawn (just north of the lower West Front steps).

Tree Maintenance

Tree monitoring activities will continue.

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Ongoing Work - August 2002

With Congress on recess and with most CVC-related work confined within the construction perimeter fence, information in this edition of the CVC weekly construction summary has been modified and consolidated to encompass activities expected to occur during the entire month of August 2002.

East Front Plaza Work

- Excavation equipment will be mobilized to the East Plaza and earth-moving activities will begin at several locations later in the month.
- Installation of noise reduction window units will continue and will be completed by the end of August.

House Side

- Installation of noise reduction window units will continue and will be completed in August.
- The drive lanes at the South Barricade entrance will be shifted to their permanent alignment later in the month.
- The South Door, the House Steps and the House Carriageway Door remain accessible to pedestrians throughout construction.

Senate Side

- Installation of noise reduction window units will continue and will be completed in August.
- Test borings continue and will be completed by the end of August.
- The North Door, the Senate Steps and the Senate Carriageway Door remain accessible to pedestrians throughout construction.
- Vehicle access through the Senate Carriageway will continue.

Utility Work

Utility work is required in the pre-construction phase of the Capitol Visitor Center project. Utility lines will be moved in stages so construction work can take place at times intended to minimize disruption to traffic.

1. House-side Utility Line Installation -

- a. **South Barricade Entrance** - CVC utility work and other AOC work continue in the eastern portion of this zone and along Southeast Drive.
- b. **House Steps** - Utility work continues on the north side of the House Steps inside the construction fence.
- c. **Southwest lawn** - Utility work continues near the Magnolia tree grove adjacent to the building in this area.

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This Week - Ongoing Work - 9/02/02 through 9/06/02

East Front Plaza Work (Inside the Construction Fence)

- Earth-moving activities will continue at several locations across the Plaza. Significant excavation has been completed between the Center Steps and the Senate Steps.
- Installation of noise reduction window units over all East Front windows has been completed.

House Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- The drive lanes at the South Barricade entrance have been shifted to their permanent configuration and are both open to vehicular traffic. The sidewalks on both sides of the entrance are accessible. Work continues on the center portion of the entrance between the barricades with the construction of formwork for the central planter.
- South Barricade Entrance - CVC utility work is complete along Southeast Drive.
- Perimeter security work and related paving activities continue along Southeast Drive. Vehicular access may be available the beginning of next week for parking and for exiting at the end of Southeast Drive at First Street SE and Independence Avenue.
- Southwest lawn - Utility work is complete near the Magnolia tree grove in the southwest lawn adjacent to the Capitol Building.
- The South Door, the House Steps and the House Carriageway Door remain accessible to pedestrians throughout construction.

Senate Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- Utility work along the west side of the North Barricade Entrance has been completed.
- The North Door, the Senate Steps and the Senate Carriageway Door remain accessible to pedestrians throughout construction.
- Vehicle access through the Senate Carriageway will continue.
- Northwest Lawn - Utility work is complete in the lawn adjacent to the Capitol Building just north of the lower West Front steps.

Tree Maintenance

Tree monitoring activities continue.

Next Week - Anticipated Work - 9/09/02 through 9/13/02

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- Southeast Drive is expected to be accessible for vehicle parking and passage on Monday, September 9. Vehicles will exit at the end of Southeast Drive at the corner of First Street SE and Independence Avenue.

Senate Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- A portion of the sidewalk along Northeast Drive will be paved and the sidewalk will become fully accessible to pedestrian traffic. Perimeter security work is complete along the Drive.

Tree Maintenance

Tree monitoring activities will continue.

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The majority of CVC related construction activity is now occurring within the construction fence and the site is secured by the U.S. Capitol Police.

East Front Plaza Work (Inside the Construction Fence)

- Earth-moving activities continue at several locations across the East Plaza. Initial excavation has been completed from the central portion of the Plaza to the Senate Steps.

House Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- Perimeter security work activities continue along Southeast Drive. Parking is available along Southeast Drive and vehicles can exit the end of Southeast Drive at First St. SE and Independence Ave. The sidewalks on both sides of Southeast Drive are open. Construction of the central planter will continue.
- The South Door, the House Steps and the House Carriageway Door remain accessible to pedestrians throughout construction.

Senate Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- Perimeter security work continues in the sidewalk at the east end of Northwest Drive (near the Barricade Entrance). A pedestrian bypass has been established.
- The North Door, the Senate Steps and the Senate Carriageway Door remain accessible to pedestrians throughout construction.
- Vehicle access through the Senate Carriageway will remain available until Sept. 23, 2002, when the Carriageway will be closed and a canopy erected on the north side of the Senate Steps.

Next Week - Anticipated Work - 9/16/02 through 9/20/02

East Front Plaza Work (Inside the Construction Fence)

- Site excavation will continue in locations throughout the East Plaza.

House Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- Perimeter security work along Southeast Drive will near completion. Construction of the central planter will continue through the month.

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East Front Plaza Work (Inside the Construction Fence)

- Earth-moving activities continue at several locations across the East Plaza. Initial excavation has been completed from the central portion of the Plaza to the Senate Steps.

House Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- Perimeter security work activities continue along Southeast Drive. Parking is available along Southeast Drive and vehicles can exit the end of Southeast Drive at First St. SE and Independence Ave. The sidewalks on both sides of Southeast Drive are open. Construction of the central planter will continue.
- The South Door, the House Steps and the House Carriageway Door remain accessible to pedestrians throughout construction.

Senate Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- Crews will erect temporary vehicle and pedestrian canopies just north of and adjacent to the Senate Carriageway. The work will be completed during this weekend (Sept. 21-22). A drive-thru lane and drop-off area below the canopy near the Carriageway door will be marked. On Monday, Sept. 23, 2002, the Senate Carriageway will be closed to vehicular traffic until CVC construction is completed.
- Over the next several weeks, truck traffic along Constitution Avenue may increase from approximately 30 trucks a day to 40 trucks a day, with each truck making 5-6 trips a day. The flow of vehicles to the site is being regulated to minimize disturbance to the normal traffic flow along Constitution Avenue.
- Perimeter security is completed along the sidewalk at the east end of Northwest Drive (near the Barricade Entrance). The sidewalk is now fully open.
- The North Door, the Senate Steps and the Senate Carriageway Door remain accessible to pedestrians throughout construction.

Next Week - Anticipated Work - 9/23/02 through 9/27/02

East Front Plaza Work (Inside the Construction Fence)

- Site excavation will continue in locations throughout the East Plaza.

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Senate Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- On Monday, Sept. 23, 2002, the Senate Carriageway will be closed to vehicular traffic until CVC construction is completed. Temporary canopies near the Carriageway Entrance will be in place.

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The majority of CVC related construction activity is now occurring within the construction fence and the site is secured by the U.S. Capitol Police.

East Front Plaza Work (Inside the Construction Fence)

- Earth-moving activities continue at several locations across the East Plaza.
- Construction of guide-walls has begun on the north side of the site. The short concrete guide-walls will be constructed along the entire perimeter of the project footprint and will establish the channel in which specialized earth-moving equipment will excavate a trench for the CVC foundation walls.

House Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- Perimeter security work activities continue along First Street SE. The sidewalk along the west side of First Street (opposite the Library of Congress) is temporarily closed. Work in this area is expected to be completed by the end of next week, Oct. 4, 2002. The east half of the sidewalk along the north side of Southeast Drive (near First Street SE) will be re-opened at that time.
- Construction of the central planter located north of the South Barricade Entrance continues.
- The South Door, the House Steps and the House Carriageway Door remain accessible to pedestrians throughout construction.

Senate Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- A canopy has been erected just north of and adjacent to the Senate Steps. The Senate Carriageway has been closed to vehicular traffic until CVC construction is completed.
- The North Door, the Senate Steps and the Senate Carriageway Door remain accessible to pedestrians throughout construction.

Next Week - Anticipated Work - 9/30/02 through 10/4/02

East Front Plaza Work (Inside the Construction Fence)

- Site excavation will continue in locations throughout the East Plaza.
- Over the next several weeks, truck traffic to the site may increase from approximately 30 trucks a day to 40 trucks a day, with each truck making 5-6 trips a day. The flow of vehicles to the site is being regulated to minimize disturbance to the normal traffic flow around the Capitol.

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Senate Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- No significant activity scheduled at this time.

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This Week - Ongoing Work - 9/30/02 through 10/4/02

The majority of CVC related construction activity is now occurring within the construction fence and the site is secured by the U.S. Capitol Police.

East Front Plaza Work (Inside the Construction Fence)

- Earth-moving activities continue at several locations across the East Plaza.
- Excavation continues along the perimeter of the project footprint to clear the way for construction of guide walls. The guide walls will establish the channel in which specialized earth-moving equipment will excavate a trench for the CVC foundation walls.

House Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- Perimeter security work activities continue along First Street SE. The sidewalk along the west side of First Street (opposite the Library of Congress) is temporarily closed. Work in this area is expected to be completed by the end of this week, Oct. 4, 2002. The east half of the sidewalk along the north side of Southeast Drive (near First Street SE) will be re-opened at that time.
- Construction of the central planter located north of the South Barricade Entrance will be suspended until the middle of October, at which time the west side vehicle barrier and bollards will be installed. Upon completion of the barrier and bollards, stone work on and around the planter will start.
- The South Door, the House Steps and the House Carriageway Door remain accessible to pedestrians throughout construction.

Senate Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- Fences will be erected along the east side of New Jersey Avenue NW between Constitution Avenue and C Street to prepare the area for CVC tunnel work. The east sidewalk in this location will be closed and pedestrians will be diverted to the west sidewalk. The street will be restricted to one lane and one way traffic traveling southbound.
- The North Door, the Senate Steps and the Senate Carriageway Door remain accessible to pedestrians throughout construction.

Next Week - Anticipated Work - 10/7/02 through 10/11/02

East Front Plaza Work (Inside the Construction Fence)

- Site excavation will continue in locations throughout the East Plaza.
- Installation of guide-walls along the perimeter of the project footprint will continue.

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- Preparatory work will continue along New Jersey Avenue NW for construction of the CVC service tunnel. The sidewalk and street restrictions identified above will continue.

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This Week - Ongoing Work - 10/21/02 through 10/25/02

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East Front Plaza Work (Inside the Construction Fence)

- Earth-moving activities continue at several locations across the East Plaza.
- Excavation continues along the perimeter of the project footprint to clear the way for construction of guide walls. The guide walls will establish the channel in which specialized earth-moving equipment will excavate a trench for the CVC foundation walls.
- Crews continue to pour the concrete for the guide walls in the northern half of the site.
- Steel sheet piles will be installed across the northern half of the site from the Senate egg to the Center Steps. The sheet piles, which will be drilled into place, will provide earth retention and facilitate excavation in the central portion of the site.

House Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- Stone placement around the central planter located north of the South Barricade Entrance continues. Installation of bollards adjacent to the west side pop-up barrier continues.
- Some minor perimeter security finish work continues along Southeast Drive, but all parking spaces along Southeast Drive are available.
- The South Door, the House Steps and the House Carriageway Door remain accessible to pedestrians throughout construction.

Senate Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- CVC tunnel construction work continues along the east side of New Jersey Avenue NW between Constitution Avenue and C Street. The east sidewalk in this location will continue to be closed. The street will continue to be restricted to one lane and one way traffic traveling southbound.
- The North Door, the Senate Steps and the Senate Carriageway Door remain accessible to pedestrians throughout construction.

Next Week - Anticipated Work - 10/28/02 through 11/1/02

East Front Plaza Work (Inside the Construction Fence)

- Site excavation will continue in locations throughout the East Plaza.

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- Stone placement around the central planter located north of the South Barricade Entrance continues. Installation of bollards on the west side of the central planter will limit traffic flow to the east side of the planter for 3-4 days.
- Construction of the central planter located north of the South Barricade Entrance will continue.
- Southeast Drive is fully accessible to pedestrian and vehicular traffic.

Senate Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- Work will continue along New Jersey Avenue NW for construction of the CVC service tunnel.

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This Week - Ongoing Work - 10/14/02 through 10/18/02

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East Front Plaza Work (Inside the Construction Fence)

- Earth-moving activities continue at several locations across the East Plaza.
- Excavation continues along the perimeter of the project footprint to clear the way for construction of guide walls. The guide walls will establish the channel in which specialized earth-moving equipment will excavate a trench for the CVC foundation walls.
- Crews begin to pour the concrete for the guide walls in the northern half of the site.

House Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- Construction of the central planter located north of the South Barricade Entrance continues.
- Perimeter security work along Southeast Drive is expected to be completed this week and all parking spaces along Southeast Drive will be available.
- A portion of the sidewalk on the west side of First Street SE (opposite the Library of Congress) will continue to be closed for CVC construction activity. Pedestrians will continue to be diverted to the sidewalk along the east side of First Street SE.
- A portion of the sidewalk along the south side of Southeast Drive (opposite the South Visitor Screening Facility) is being replaced and is expected to be completed by the end of the week.
- Five trailers have been situated on the West Front near the Capitol on the House side to accommodate employees who will be displaced from the Capitol building due to CVC construction.
- The South Door, the House Steps and the House Carriageway Door remain accessible to pedestrians throughout construction.

Senate Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- CVC tunnel construction work continues along the east side of New Jersey Avenue NW between Constitution Avenue and C Street. The east sidewalk in this location will continue to be closed. The street will continue to be restricted to one lane and one way traffic traveling southbound.
- Five trailers have been situated on the West Front near the Capitol on the Senate side to accommodate employees who will be displaced from the Capitol building due to CVC construction.
- The North Door, the Senate Steps and the Senate Carriageway Door remain accessible to pedestrians throughout construction.

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- Perimeter security work is expected to begin on the west side of the South Barricade Entrance near the pop-up barrier with the installation of bollards. The sidewalk on the west side of the South Barricade Entrance will remain open. The expected duration of this work is approximately two weeks.
- Construction of the central planter located north of the South Barricade Entrance will continue.
- Southeast Drive is expected to be fully accessible to pedestrian and vehicular traffic.

Senate Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- Work will continue along New Jersey Avenue NW for construction of the CVC service tunnel.

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This Week - Ongoing Work - 12/9/02 through 12/13/02

- The majority of CVC related construction activity is now occurring within the construction fence and the site is secured by the U.S. Capitol Police.
- Significant tunnel construction activity continues in New Jersey Avenue NW and along upper Northwest Drive. Additional tunnel work will begin in Constitution Avenue NW just east of New Jersey Avenue NW.

East Front Plaza Work (Inside the Construction Fence)

- Construction of the CVC foundation walls continues on the north side of the site. Concrete placement continues and two large construction vehicles fitted with "clamshell" buckets will continue to excavate the foundation wall trenches. Both clamshell excavation vehicles are situated on the north side of the site and one of the vehicles will begin work immediately adjacent to the east face of the Capitol this week.
- A plastic tarp will be suspended from the roof of the Capitol at various locations along the north side of the East Front to protect the building facade from construction vehicle emissions. During the next few weeks, the tarp will be suspended for approximately two days at any one location and it will be repositioned as CVC excavation work progresses along the East Front facade. The tarp is approximately 20 feet wide and it will obstruct windows temporarily on the First and Second Floors where it is situated. The tarp will not obstruct windows on the Third and Fourth floors although the ropes that support the tarp from the roof will be visible.
- Earth-moving and soil removal activities continue at several locations across the East Plaza.
- Crews continue to place concrete for the guide walls in the northern half of the site.
- Excavation for the guide walls continues on the House side.
- Foundation wall crews will work 24 hours a day on Wednesday and Thursday, Dec. 11-12, 2002.

House Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- The construction fence near the House Steps and the drive loop adjacent to the fence have been shifted slightly to the south and west. Crews have relocated planters to clearly establish the new drive loop.
- Work continues at the south planter to replace the temporary barrier piers with permanent granite piers. The work is expected to be completed early this week.
- The South Door, the House Steps and the House Carriageway Door remain accessible to pedestrians throughout construction.

Senate Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- CVC tunnel construction work continues in a portion of upper Northwest Drive and this work will last approximately 12 months.

- Crews have completed surveys of the north and south side of Constitution Avenue at the intersection with New Jersey Avenue NW to determine the locations of existing utilities. Excavation work related to the CVC service tunnel is expected to begin by the end of the week in the center portion of Constitution Avenue NW just east of the intersection of New Jersey Avenue NW. Parking spaces in this zone will be restricted so that two lanes of traffic can be maintained in each direction. Alternate parking arrangements have been coordinated by the Senate Parking Office. Pedestrian access will be maintained on both the north and south sides of Constitution Avenue. The tunnel work in this zone will continue for several months.
- Exploratory test pit drilling will begin on the plaza along the alignment of the CVC service tunnel. Parking and pedestrian paths will not be affected, although the work may eventually require some temporary traffic flow changes at the North Barricade Entrance. Any impacts to parking and traffic flow will be closely coordinated with the Senate Parking Office and the U. S. Capitol Police.
- CVC utility work will continue in the street at the intersection of Louisiana Avenue NW and New Jersey Avenue NW. Traffic patterns have been reconfigured to accommodate the crews, but traffic flow and entry into the Senate garage have not been impeded.
- Crews will dig test pits near the intersection of D Street NE and First Street NE to determine existing conditions in preparation for upcoming utility work in this zone.
- The North Door, the Senate Steps and the Senate Carriageway Door remain accessible to pedestrians throughout construction.

Next Week - Anticipated Work - 12/16/02 through 12/20/02

East Front Plaza Work (Inside the Construction Fence)

- Foundation and guide wall excavation and construction will continue in locations across the CVC project site. Some large equipment will continue to be situated close to the east face of the Capitol building on the north side. The East Front facade will be protected by a protective tarp that will be suspended from the Capitol roof along the portion of the building where excavation work is occurring.

House Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- No work scheduled.

Senate Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- Work will continue in a portion of upper Northwest Drive and along New Jersey Avenue NW for construction of the CVC service tunnel.
- Excavation will continue in the center of Constitution Avenue NW within the zone of CVC tunnel activity.
- CVC utility work will continue in the street at the intersection of Louisiana Ave. NW and New Jersey Ave., NW.
- Crews will continue digging test pits at the intersection of D Street NE and First Street NE to determine existing conditions for CVC utility-related work required in this zone.

Description of Foundation Wall Construction Process

Construction of the outer foundation walls for the CVC occurs in a series of steps. First, approximately 8 feet of the existing ground is removed along the perimeter (footprint) of the CVC to clear the way for construction of concrete guide walls. Guide walls are two parallel walls that measure 18 inches wide with a height that varies between 4 and 8 feet, depending on the existing elevation. The walls are aligned so that an approximate 3-foot gap is maintained between them. Once the guide walls are in place within a specific zone, a large red "clamshell bucket" is lowered into the gap between the walls and the bucket is used to excavate a narrow trench to an approximate depth of 70 feet. A muddy mixture called "slurry" is poured into the trench as soil is removed. The slurry maintains the stability of the side walls of the trench until a steel rebar cage is emplaced within the trench and concrete is poured. As the concrete fills the trench, the slurry is displaced, removed and reused. Once the concrete within the trench cures, a portion of the outer wall of the CVC is established. As the outer wall of the CVC is completed, excavation will continue inside the wall to a depth of approximately 50 feet. The slurry wall construction process, especially where it occurs adjacent to the Capitol Building, minimizes any potential disruption to the Capitol Building foundation, since the CVC foundation walls are formed and in place before deep excavation begins.

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- The majority of CVC related construction activity is now occurring within the construction fence and the site is secured by the U.S. Capitol Police.
- Significant tunnel construction activity continues in New Jersey Avenue NW, along upper Northwest Drive and in Constitution Avenue NW just east of New Jersey Avenue NW. Additional tunnel work may begin late in the week on the East Front Plaza adjacent to and within a portion of the Senate triangular parking area (details are provided below under "Senate side" activities).

East Front Plaza Work (Inside the Construction Fence)

- Construction of the CVC foundation walls continues on the north side of the site. Concrete placement continues and two large construction vehicles fitted with "clamshell" buckets will continue to excavate the foundation wall trenches. Both clamshell excavation vehicles are situated on the north side of the site and one of the vehicles will continue to work immediately adjacent to the east face of the Capitol this week.
- A plastic tarp will continue to be suspended from the roof of the Capitol at various locations along the north side of the East Front to protect the building facade from construction vehicle emissions. During the next few weeks, the tarp will be suspended for approximately two days at any one location and it will be repositioned as CVC excavation work progresses along the East Front facade. The tarp is approximately 20 feet wide and it will obstruct windows temporarily on the First and Second Floors where it is situated. The tarp will not obstruct windows on the Third and Fourth floors although the ropes that support the tarp from the roof will be visible.
- Earth-moving and soil removal activities continue at several locations across the East Plaza.
- Excavation for the guide walls continues on the House side.

House Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- Work has been completed at the south planter with the installation of permanent granite piers and additional landscaping enhancements.
- The South Door, the House Steps and the House Carriageway Door remain accessible to pedestrians throughout construction.

Senate Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

Tunnel Construction

- CVC tunnel construction work is expected to begin later this week on the East Front Plaza adjacent to and within the Senate triangular parking area. Crews will begin placing Jersey barriers along the west side of the plaza on both sides of the tunnel construction zone. The drive lanes and vehicle barricades will be shifted slightly to the east of the

- CVC tunnel construction work continues in a portion of upper Northwest Drive and this work will last approximately 12 months.
- CVC tunnel construction work continues along the east side of New Jersey Avenue NW between Constitution Avenue and C Street. The east sidewalk in this location will continue to be closed, but the west sidewalk is accessible. The street will continue to be restricted to one lane and one way traffic traveling southbound.
- Excavation work related to the CVC service tunnel continues in the center portion of Constitution Avenue NW just east of the intersection of New Jersey Avenue NW. Two lanes of traffic are being maintained in each direction. Alternate parking arrangements have been coordinated by the Senate Parking Office. Pedestrian access is maintained on both the north and south sides of Constitution Avenue. The tunnel work in this zone will continue for several months.
- Exploratory test pit drilling will continue on the plaza along the alignment of the CVC service tunnel.

Utility Work

- CVC utility work will continue in the street at the intersection of Louisiana Avenue NW and New Jersey Avenue NW. Traffic patterns have been reconfigured to accommodate the construction crews, but traffic flow and entry into the Senate garage have not been impeded.
- Utility work begins near the intersection of D Street NE and First Street NE. Some parking spaces will be affected, but alternate parking arrangements have been coordinated with the Senate Parking Office.

Pedestrian Access

- The North Door, the Senate Steps and the Senate Carriageway Door remain accessible to pedestrians throughout construction.

Next Week - Anticipated Work - 12/23/02 through 12/27/02

East Front Plaza Work (Inside the Construction Fence)

- Foundation and guide wall excavation and construction will continue in locations across the CVC project site. Some large equipment will continue to be situated close to the east face of the Capitol building on the north side. The East Front facade is being protected by a protective tarp that is being suspended from the Capitol roof along the portion of the building where excavation work is occurring.

House Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- No work scheduled.

Senate Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- CVC tunnel work will continue in a portion of the East Front Plaza, Northwest Drive, along New Jersey Avenue NW, and in Constitution Avenue NW, just east of New Jersey Avenue NW.
- CVC utility work will continue in the street at the intersection of Louisiana Ave. NW and New Jersey Ave., NW.
- Crews will continue digging test pits at the intersection of D Street NE and First Street NE to determine existing conditions for CVC utility-related work required in this zone.

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Construction of the outer foundation walls for the CVC occurs in a series of steps. First, approximately 8 feet of the existing ground is removed along the perimeter (footprint) of the CVC to clear the way for construction of concrete guide walls. Guide walls are two parallel walls that measure 18 inches wide with a height that varies between 4 and 8 feet, depending on the existing elevation. The walls are aligned so that an approximate 3-foot gap is maintained between them. Once the guide walls are in place within a specific zone, a large red "clamshell bucket" is lowered into the gap between the walls and the bucket is used to excavate a narrow trench to an approximate depth of 70 feet. A muddy mixture called "slurry" is poured into the trench as soil is removed. The slurry maintains the stability of the side walls of the trench until a steel rebar cage is emplaced within the trench and concrete is poured. As the concrete fills the trench, the slurry is displaced, removed and reused. Once the concrete within the trench cures, a portion of the outer wall of the CVC is established. As the outer wall of the CVC is completed, excavation will continue inside the wall to a depth of approximately 50 feet. The slurry wall construction process, especially where it occurs adjacent to the Capitol Building, minimizes any potential disruption to the Capitol Building foundation, since the CVC foundation walls are formed and in place before deep excavation begins.

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This Week - Ongoing Work - 10/7/02 through 10/11/02

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East Front Plaza Work (Inside the Construction Fence)

- Earth-moving activities continue at several locations across the East Plaza.
- Excavation continues along the perimeter of the project footprint to clear the way for construction of guide walls. The guide walls will establish the channel in which specialized earth-moving equipment will excavate a trench for the CVC foundation walls.

House Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- Construction of the central planter located north of the South Barricade Entrance continues with grading and stone site work, until the middle of October, at which time the west side vehicle barrier and bollards will be installed. Upon completion of the barrier and bollards, stone work on and around the planter will start.
- Both sidewalks along SE drive have re-opened for pedestrian traffic.
- The South Door, the House Steps and the House Carriageway Door remain accessible to pedestrians throughout construction.

Senate Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- Preliminary CVC tunnel construction work will continue along the east side of New Jersey Avenue NW between Constitution Avenue and C Street. The east sidewalk in this location will continue to be closed. The street will continue to be restricted to one lane and one way traffic traveling southbound. The North Door, the Senate Steps and the Senate Carriageway Door remain accessible to pedestrians throughout construction.

Next Week - Anticipated Work - 10/14/02 through 10/18/02

East Front Plaza Work (Inside the Construction Fence)

- Site excavation will continue in locations throughout the East Plaza.
- Installation of guide-walls along the perimeter of the project footprint will continue.

House Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

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- Work will continue along New Jersey Avenue NW for construction of the CVC service tunnel. The sidewalk and street restrictions identified above will continue.

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East Front Plaza Work (Inside the Construction Fence)

- Earth-moving activities continue at several locations across the East Plaza.
- Excavation continues along the perimeter of the project footprint to clear the way for construction of guide walls. The guide walls will establish the channel in which specialized earth-moving equipment will excavate a trench for the CVC foundation walls.

House Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- Construction of the central planter located north of the South Barricade Entrance continues with grading and stone site work, until the middle of October, at which time the west side vehicle barrier and bollards will be installed. Upon completion of the barrier and bollards, stone work on and around the planter will start.
- Both sidewalks along SE drive have re-opened for pedestrian traffic.
- The South Door, the House Steps and the House Carriageway Door remain accessible to pedestrians throughout construction.

Senate Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- Preliminary CVC tunnel construction work will continue along the east side of New Jersey Avenue NW between Constitution Avenue and C Street. The east sidewalk in this location will continue to be closed. The street will continue to be restricted to one lane and one way traffic traveling southbound. The North Door, the Senate Steps and the Senate Carriageway Door remain accessible to pedestrians throughout construction.

Next Week - Anticipated Work - 10/14/02 through 10/18/02

East Front Plaza Work (Inside the Construction Fence)

- Site excavation will continue in locations throughout the East Plaza.
- Installation of guide-walls along the perimeter of the project footprint will continue.

House Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

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- Work will continue along New Jersey Avenue NW for construction of the CVC service tunnel. The sidewalk and street restrictions identified above will continue.

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This Week - Ongoing Work - 11/4/02 through 11/8/02

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East Front Plaza Work (Inside the Construction Fence)

- Earth-moving activities continue at several locations across the East Plaza.
- Crews continue to pour the concrete for the guide-walls in the northern half of the site.
- Excavation of the trench for the outer foundation walls has begun on the north side of the CVC site near the southwest side of the Senate Egg. During this process, a large red "clamshell bucket" is lowered between pre-formed guide-walls and the bucket is used to excavate a narrow trench to an approximate depth of 70 feet. A muddy mixture called "slurry" is poured into the trench as soil is removed. The slurry maintains the stability of the side walls of the trench until concrete is poured. As the concrete fills the trench, the slurry is displaced, removed and reused. Once the concrete cures, a portion of the outer wall of the CVC is established. As the outer wall of the CVC is completed, excavation will continue inside the wall to a depth of approximately 50 feet. The slurry wall process, especially where it occurs adjacent to the Capitol Building, minimizes any potential disruption to the Capitol Building foundation, since the CVC walls are formed and in place before deep excavation begins.
- Steel beams are being installed in some locations around the Senate Egg to provide earth retention and facilitate excavation activities. House Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

House Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- Stone placement around the central planter located north of the South Barricade Entrance is complete. Installation of the bollards and barriers adjacent to the planter also is complete. Paving activities around the planter and in the exit drive lane out to Independence Ave. are ongoing and are expected to be completed by the middle of the week.
- The South Door, the House Steps and the House Carriageway Door remain accessible to pedestrians throughout construction.

Senate Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- CVC tunnel construction work continues along the east side of New Jersey Avenue NW between Constitution Avenue and C Street. The east sidewalk in this location will continue to be closed, but the west sidewalk is accessible. The street will continue to be restricted to one lane and one way traffic traveling southbound.
- The North Door, the Senate Steps and the Senate Carriageway Door remain accessible to pedestrians throughout construction.

Next Week - Anticipated Work - 11/11/02 through 11/15/02

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House Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- Perimeter security work at the South Barricade entrance is expected to be complete. Minor finishing work may occur in some locations within this zone.
- Southeast Drive is fully accessible to pedestrian and vehicular traffic.

Senate Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- Work will continue along New Jersey Avenue NW for construction of the CVC service tunnel.

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This Week - Ongoing Work - 11/11/02 through 11/15/02

- The majority of CVC related construction activity is now occurring within the construction fence and the site is secured by the U.S. Capitol Police.
- Significant tunnel construction activity may begin next week along upper Northwest Drive (see "Next Week" - Senate Side).

East Front Plaza Work (Inside the Construction Fence)

- Earth-moving activities continue at several locations across the East Plaza.
- Crews continue to pour the concrete for the guide-walls in the northern half of the site.
- Excavation of the trench for the outer foundation walls has begun on the north side of the CVC site near the southwest side of the Senate Egg.
- Steel beams are being installed in some locations around the Senate Egg to provide earth retention and facilitate excavation activities.

House Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- No work expected.
- The South Door, the House Steps and the House Carriageway Door remain accessible to pedestrians throughout construction.

Senate Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- Temporary parking restrictions may be in place (pending approval) on Saturday, November 16, 2002, from 6:00 AM through 12:00 PM, in a portion of the triangular Senator parking lot on the East Plaza near the outbound drive lane and a portion of upper Northwest Drive. The restrictions will clear the way for relocation of a large crane from the CVC site to New Jersey Avenue NW.
- CVC tunnel construction work continues along the east side of New Jersey Avenue NW between Constitution Avenue and C Street. The east sidewalk in this location will continue to be closed, but the west sidewalk is accessible. The street will continue to be restricted to one lane and one way traffic traveling southbound.
- The North Door, the Senate Steps and the Senate Carriageway Door remain accessible to pedestrians throughout construction.

Next Week - Anticipated Work - 11/18/02 through 11/22/02

East Front Plaza Work (Inside the Construction Fence)

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- No work expected.

Senate Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- Work will continue along New Jersey Avenue NW for construction of the CVC service tunnel.
- CVC tunnel construction work may begin (pending approval this week) in a portion of upper Northwest Drive on Monday, November 18, 2002. Parking restrictions in this zone will be in place for approximately 12 months once work begins. Senate staffers who are assigned parking spaces within the affected zone will be provided information regarding alternate parking locations and access routes to these locations.

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- The majority of CVC related construction activity is now occurring within the construction fence and the site is secured by the U.S. Capitol Police.
- Significant tunnel construction activity begins this week along upper Northwest Drive.

East Front Plaza Work (Inside the Construction Fence)

- Construction of the CVC foundation walls continues on the north side of the site. Concrete placement continues and two large construction vehicles fitted with "clamshell" buckets will continue to excavate the foundation wall trenches. Both clamshell excavation vehicles are situated on the north side of the site and one of the vehicles will begin work immediately adjacent to the east face of the Capitol later this week.
- Earth-moving and soil removal activities continue at several locations across the East Plaza.
- Crews continue to place concrete for the guide walls in the northern half of the site.
- Steel beams are being installed in some locations around the Senate Egg to provide earth retention and facilitate excavation activities.

House Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- No work expected.
- The South Door, the House Steps and the House Carriageway Door remain accessible to pedestrians throughout construction.

Senate Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- CVC tunnel construction work has begun in a portion of upper Northwest Drive and this work will last approximately 12 months. Senate staffers who are assigned parking spaces within the affected zone have been provided information regarding alternate parking locations and access routes to these locations.
- CVC tunnel construction work also continues along the east side of New Jersey Avenue NW between Constitution Avenue and C Street. The east sidewalk in this location will continue to be closed, but the west sidewalk is accessible. The street will continue to be restricted to one lane and one way traffic traveling southbound.
- The North Door, the Senate Steps and the Senate Carriageway Door remain accessible to pedestrians throughout construction.

Next Week - Anticipated Work - 11/25/02 through 11/29/02

East Front Plaza Work (Inside the Construction Fence)

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- No work expected.

Senate Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- Work will continue in a portion of upper Northwest Drive and along New Jersey Avenue NW for construction of the CVC service tunnel.

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- The majority of CVC related construction activity is now occurring within the construction fence and the site is secured by the U.S. Capitol Police.
- Significant tunnel construction activity continues in New Jersey Avenue NW and along upper Northwest Drive.

East Front Plaza Work (Inside the Construction Fence)

- Construction of the CVC foundation walls continues on the north side of the site. Concrete placement continues and two large construction vehicles fitted with "clamshell" buckets will continue to excavate the foundation wall trenches. Both clamshell excavation vehicles are situated on the north side of the site and one of the vehicles will begin work immediately adjacent to the east face of the Capitol next week.
- Earth-moving and soil removal activities continue at several locations across the East Plaza.
- Crews continue to place concrete for the guide walls in the northern half of the site.
- Excavation adjacent to the Capitol on the House side has begun.
- Steel beams are being installed in some locations around the Senate Egg to provide earth retention and facilitate excavation activities.

House Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- No work expected.
- The South Door, the House Steps and the House Carriageway Door remain accessible to pedestrians throughout construction.

Senate Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- CVC tunnel construction work has begun in a portion of upper Northwest Drive and this work will last approximately 12 months.
- CVC tunnel construction work also continues along the east side of New Jersey Avenue NW between Constitution Avenue and C Street. Drilling and installation of earth retention beams will begin and will clear the way for construction of the tunnel walls. The east sidewalk in this location will continue to be closed, but the west sidewalk is accessible. The street will continue to be restricted to one lane and one way traffic traveling southbound.
- Crews will survey the north and south side of Constitution Avenue to determine the locations of existing utilities.
- The North Door, the Senate Steps and the Senate Carriageway Door remain accessible to pedestrians throughout construction.

Next Week - Anticipated Work - 12/2/02 through 12/6/02

House Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- The construction fence near the House Steps and the drive loop adjacent to it will be shifted slightly southward. Crews will pave the new loop and relocated planters to clearly establish the new drive loop.
- A vehicle canopy will be situated adjacent to the House Carriageway.
- Crews will remove some planters along the sidewalk leading to the Carriageway now that the South Barricade Entrance work is complete and bollards have been installed.
- Work will start at the south planter replacing the temporary piers with the permanent granite piers. The work will be completed in one week.

Senate Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- Work will continue in a portion of upper Northwest Drive and along New Jersey Avenue NW for construction of the CVC service tunnel.
- Utility survey work will occur on both sides of Constitution Avenues within the zone of CVC tunnel activity.

Description of Foundation Wall Construction Process

Construction of the outer foundation walls for the CVC occurs in a series of steps. First, approximately 8 feet of the existing ground is removed along the perimeter (footprint) of the CVC to clear the way for construction of concrete guide walls. Guide walls are two parallel walls that measure 18 inches wide with a height that varies between 4 and 8 feet, depending on the existing elevation. The walls are aligned so that an approximate 3-foot gap is maintained between them. Once the guide walls are in place within a specific zone, a large red "clamshell bucket" is lowered into the gap between the walls and the bucket is used to excavate a narrow trench to an approximate depth of 70 feet. A muddy mixture called "slurry" is poured into the trench as soil is removed. The slurry maintains the stability of the side walls of the trench until a steel rebar cage is emplaced within the trench and concrete is poured. As the concrete fills the trench, the slurry is displaced, removed and reused. Once the concrete within the trench cures, a portion of the outer wall of the CVC is established. As the outer wall of the CVC is completed, excavation will continue inside the wall to a depth of approximately 50 feet.

The slurry wall construction process, especially where it occurs adjacent to the Capitol Building, minimizes any potential disruption to the Capitol Building foundation, since the CVC foundation walls are formed and in place before deep excavation begins.

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This Week - Ongoing Work - 12/2/02 through 12/6/02

- **The majority of CVC related construction activity is now occurring within the construction fence and the site is secured by the U.S. Capitol Police.**
- **Significant tunnel construction activity continues in New Jersey Avenue NW and along upper Northwest Drive.**

East Front Plaza Work (Inside the Construction Fence)

- Construction of the CVC foundation walls continues on the north side of the site. Concrete placement continues and two large construction vehicles fitted with "clamshell" buckets will continue to excavate the foundation wall trenches. Both clamshell excavation vehicles are situated on the north side of the site and one of the vehicles will begin work immediately adjacent to the east face of the Capitol this week.
- Earth-moving and soil removal activities continue at several locations across the East Plaza.
- Crews continue to place concrete for the guide walls in the northern half of the site.
- Excavation adjacent to the Capitol on the House side continues.
- Steel beams are being installed in some locations around the Senate Egg to provide earth retention and facilitate excavation activities.

House Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- The construction fence near the House Steps and the drive loop adjacent to it will be shifted slightly to the south and west. Crews will relocate planters to clearly establish the new drive loop.
- Work will start at the south planter replacing the temporary piers with the permanent granite piers. The work is expected to be completed early next week.
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Next Week - Anticipated Work - 12/9/02 through 12/13/02

East Front Plaza Work (Inside the Construction Fence)

- Foundation and guide wall excavation and construction will continue in locations across the CVC project site. Some large equipment will be situated close to the east face of the Capitol building on the north side.

House Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- Work will continue at the south planter replacing the temporary piers with the permanent granite piers.

Senate Side (Outside the Construction Fence)

- Work will continue in a portion of upper Northwest Drive and along New Jersey Avenue NW for construction of the CVC service tunnel.
- Utility survey work will occur on both sides of Constitution Avenues within the zone of CVC tunnel activity.
- CVC utility work will continue in the street at the intersection of Louisiana Ave. NW and New Jersey Ave., NW.
- Exploratory test pit drilling may begin on the plaza parking area in the area of CVC tunnel work. The locations will be coordinated in advance with the Senate Parking Office.

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