

# Weekly Construction Update

Apr 28 – May 2, 2014



## Minnesota State Capitol Restoration Project

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### What's Happening on Site this Week?

#### Exterior

- North Wing: Stone repairs continue on east façade.
- East Wing: Stone repairs continue on east façade.

#### Interior

- Basement: Concrete slab removal and foundation underpinning continues.
- Basement: Asbestos removal from trench beneath the Capitol corridor is complete in the East Wing. Will continue miscellaneous asbestos removal this week.
- Investigation continues of locations for new mechanical system shafts on the upper levels.

### Anticipated Noise and Disturbances

#### Exterior

- Expect noise, vibration, and workers in view wherever there is scaffolding. This includes the East Wing east and north façades, and the North Wing east and north façades.

#### Interior

- Basement: Slab removal and underpinning will increase vibration and noise.
- Basement: The temporary corridors outside passenger elevators have been rerouted.

### Site Logistics – Getting Around the Capitol

- The basement is undergoing major construction. The temporary corridors will slightly reconfigure from day-to-day to accommodate work areas. Signage will guide you through the corridors.
- Access to the Rathskeller from the tunnel system has been reconfigured. The old hallway access has reopened.
- The two basement stairways leading to the ground level are no longer available. Please use the elevators or take Rathskeller stairs.
- We apologize for any inconveniences during this historic restoration project.
- You may want plan for a few extra minutes to get to your location(s).

### Looking Ahead – Three Weeks Out

#### Exterior

- East Wing: Architects will begin to analyze the stone on the south façade to help create construction documents for upcoming repair.

#### Interior

- Basement: Mechanical, electrical and plumbing (MEP) underslab installation will continue.
- Basement: Underpinning and slab removal continues.
- Fencing will be installed around Lot N and Aurora Avenue.

### Project Milestones

- French door restoration work in Senate, House and Judicial retiring rooms completed.

#### Featured Notice

A directional messaging audio recording is in place to help blind and low-vision visitors navigate the Capitol tunnel as they enter the Capitol basement from the State Office Building ramp.

# Images of the Week

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In this image, foundation stone has been removed to allow space for new underground duct work.



A worker pauses during construction in the basement.

## Questions or Comments?

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