

# Weekly Construction Update

Sep 8 – Sep 12, 2014



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

#### Exterior

- West Wing: Scaffolding in place to begin stonework on the west façade.

#### Interior

- Finishing up first phase architectural demolition.
- Preparing to start structural modifications such as creating new openings in existing stone walls for new doors and openings in existing floors for new stairwells, elevator shafts and mechanical shafts.

### Continuing Activities

#### Exterior

- North Wing: Marble repair and restoration continues. Window repair and restoration on west façade.
- West Wing: Marble and window repair and restoration continues.
- Roof demolition at the Quadriga level and East Wing.

#### Interior

- Demolition activities continue.
- Basement: Concrete slab removal and foundation underpinning continues. Miscellaneous asbestos removal continues. Mechanical, electrical, plumbing installation continues.

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### Anticipated Noise and Disturbances

#### Exterior

- Expect noise, vibration, and workers in view wherever there is scaffolding.

#### Interior

- West elevator services Ground through 3<sup>rd</sup> floors only and the Basement is closed to the public effective Aug. 29 – Nov. 1.
- Paint stripping windows at night. Odors may still linger in mornings.
- Vibration and noise levels will increase throughout the building.

### Looking Ahead – Three Weeks Out

#### Exterior

- Main roof repair continues.
- East Wing: North façade scaffolding comes down.
- Flag poles removed from roof, official flags in Court of Honor.

#### Interior

- Construction activity accelerates, especially for roofing and demolition.
- Basement: Mechanical, electrical and plumbing (MEP) underslab installation will continue. Underpinning and slab removal continues.

#### Featured Notice

Underground work in the basement will intensify over the next 8 weeks. Expect noise and the temporary corridors will change often.

# Images of the Week

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Scaffolding installation begins over South Main Entrance. The doors will remain open.



Stonework is complete and scaffolding down on the East Wing, east façade.

## Questions or Comments?

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# Getting Around The Capitol

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### What to Expect

*The Capitol is an active construction site and your safety is our number one priority. Please stay within the designated public areas.*

#### Interior

- Expect to see temporary walls where construction is present.
- Expect construction workers and machinery, noise and vibration.
- The basement tunnel is open to employees only Aug. 29 – Nov. 1. Temporary corridors will slightly reconfigure day-to-day to accommodate work areas. Signage will guide you through the corridors.
- An audio recording helps blind and low-vision employees navigate the Capitol tunnel as they enter the Capitol basement from the State Office Building.

#### Exterior

- Expect scaffolding, chain link fences, machinery, noise, workers and closed sidewalks.

### What's Open

- Entrances: South Main Entrance and the accessible Ground Floor Entrance under the South Main Entrance stairs.
- West Wing: 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> floors. Entire North Wing.
- Basement tunnel: Open to employees only effective Aug. 29 – Nov. 1.
- West elevator, adjacent to South Main Entrance, services Ground through 3<sup>rd</sup> floors only effective Aug. 29 – Nov. 1.
- Public Restrooms: Unisex restrooms available on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> floors, both located on the east side of the House Chamber.

### What's Closed

- Entrances: East Wing, West Wing, University Ave (north side of building).
- Rotunda
- East Wing: All floors.
- West Wing: Ground, 1<sup>st</sup> Floors.
- Quadriga
- NE circular stairs: Closed to the public, except for emergencies.
- East elevator: All floors.
- Basement tunnel: Closed to the public, effective Aug. 29 – Nov. 1.
- West elevator: Basement floor only.

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