

Weekly Construction Update

Feb 16- 20, 2015



Minnesota State Capitol Restoration Project

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What's New this Week

- Designers are finalizing the tile pattern for the floor of the loggia (balcony on the second floor). The pattern will follow State Capitol architect Cass Gilbert's original design.
- Steel stud framing and sheet rocking are underway on the Ground Floor in the East Wing.
- Final paint of coat is being applied to exterior window trim on West Wing, north façade. Scaffolding is being removed.
- Concrete is being poured on the Quadriga level.



Scaffolding is vacuumed multiple times a day to manage the dust that falls from marble work on the exterior of the Capitol building.

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Looking Ahead - Interior

- Fireproofing lower level shafts.
- Mechanical floor and wall shafts will be sawcut on all floors.
- Steel and new HVAC ducts will be installed in the new shafts.
- Masonry repairs will continue in the basement.

Looking Ahead - Exterior

- Quadriga level: Marble and masonry repairs are nearing completion.
- South façade: All windows have been removed on south façade except areas occupied by tenants. These will be removed after session.
- West Wing: Demolition will continue on the south façade. North Wing: Scaffolding will be removed starting this week.
- The last shipment of capitals, the crowning features on columns, for the West Wing have arrived. It will take about three weeks to install and blend them into existing marble spaces.

Featured Notice

Project Team Diversity: On the Minnesota Capitol Restoration team, women comprise 21 percent and minorities 36 percent of the project's workforce.

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Quick Links

Events and Rallies

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Accessibility, Parking, Dining

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Attending a Hearing

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Tours

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Getting Around

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[Public Safety During Construction](#) (PDF)
[Areas of Refuge Maps](#) (PDF)

To view or download
full-page maps by floor,
click a link below.

[Basement/Tunnel](#)

[Ground Floor](#)

[First Floor](#)

[Second Floor](#)

[Third Floor](#)

You can also view or download
the [Floor Maps flyer](#) seen at left
(all five floors on one page).

Public Access Maps
During the 2015 Legislative Session

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Legend

- Open To Public
- Construction Areas (Closed to Public)
- Information Desk / Tours
- Elevators
- Emergency Exit
- EXIT Exit
- Restrooms

Basement/Tunnel Floor

Ground Floor

First Floor

Second Floor

Third Floor

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Scrolls arrive laser cut to a basic shape. After details are drawn on the marble, the scrolls are hand-carved on site.



A master carver works on a round column capital. A capital forms the topmost section of a column. It is one of the most distinctive elements defining the building's architectural style. The largest round column capital installed and blended to date is over 3-feet high and over 3-feet wide.

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