

Weekly Construction Update

Mar 24-28, 2014



Minnesota State Capitol Restoration Project

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What's Happening on Site this Week?

Exterior

- North Wing: Scaffolding installation on north façade.
- East Wing: Stone repairs continue on the north and east façades.
- West Wing: Field measuring stone continues on north façade.

Interior

- Basement: Foundation underpinning begins.
- Basement: Concrete slab removal and lead paint abatement continues.
- Investigation continues for locations of new mechanical system shafts on the upper levels.

Anticipated Noise and Disturbances

Exterior

- East Wing: Vibration and noise from the exterior stone repairs on the north and east façades.
- North Wing: Workers in view and minor noise during scaffolding installation.

Interior

- Basement: Slab removal and underpinning will increase vibration and noise.
- Basement: The temporary corridors will continue to be reconfigured as necessary to accommodate work areas.

Project Milestones

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

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 reopened on 3/17.
- The two basement stairways leading to the ground level are no longer available. 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: Remaining windows will be installed.
- East Wing: Stone repairs on the north and east façades.

Interior

- East freight elevator tunnel access will be rerouted next week.
- Basement: Mechanical, electrical and plumbing (MEP) underslab installation will begin.
- Basement: Underpinning and slab removal continues.
- Investigation of routes for MEP systems. Need to verify location and size of each route.

Featured Notice

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Images of the Week

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Original stone is revealed when the clay tile walls and plaster are removed from the west end of the State Capitol corridor.



French doors in the Senate Retiring Room are restored to their original look with new hardware, glass panes, and finish.

Questions or Comments?

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