



United States Capitol Visitor Center Weekly Construction Summary



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A view from the top of a tower crane on the north side of the CVC site shows the progress of steel erection, which now can be seen adjacent to the original north wing of the Capitol. Steel decking covers most of the southern half of the CVC roof structure and concrete slabs on the roof deck now support hundreds of tons of building materials that will be used to construct the interior slabs and walls of the visitor center.

This Week – Ongoing Work – 12/15/03 through 12/19/03

East Front Plaza Highlights:

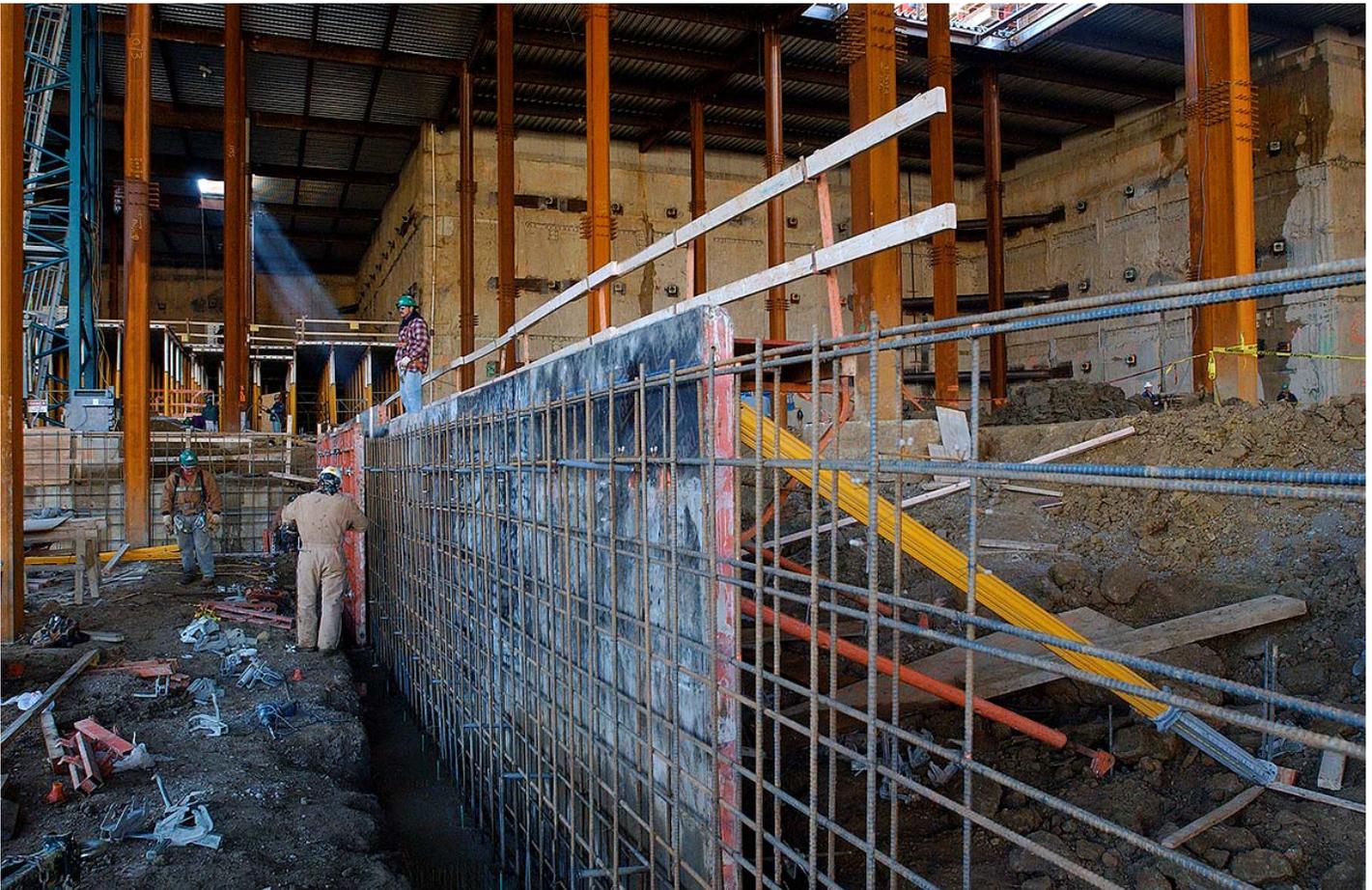
- Steel crews will continue to erect steel in the northern half of the site.
- Crews have completed concrete placements on the roof deck over the entire area above the House expansion space, south of the south tower crane. Additional concrete placements will occur on the roof deck up to the East Front Center Steps.
- Crews continue to assemble the formwork for the lower of two floor slabs above the slab on grade inside the CVC. Concrete placements for the lower level slab will occur during the week.
- Utility crews continue to excavate and install utilities throughout the site.

East Front Extension (Inside the Capitol)

- During the recess, crews will continue demolishing and saw-cutting floor slabs and walls to clear the way for elevator shafts, stairwells and new mechanical systems.

On Friday, Dec. 12, a CVC construction crew assembled a portion of the rebar for the first of two concrete roof slabs that will be placed on the deck near the East Front Center Steps.





Sequence 1 construction crews are now busy assembling formwork for mechanical rooms, utilities, and other service-level facilities in the CVC.

Senate Side (Truck Tunnel Zone)

Truck Tunnel Construction:

- Crews continue assembling rebar and placing concrete roof slabs over portions of the truck tunnel.

Next Week – 12/22/03 - 12/26/03

East Front Plaza Work

- Crews will continue erecting steel columns and crossbeams in the northern half of the site. They will continue to install roof decking, lay rebar and place concrete on the decking and on grade in the southern half of the site.
- Installation of utilities, mechanical trenches, footings and storm drain pipes will continue throughout the site.
- Scaffolding for the first-level floor slab will continue to be erected and concrete placements will occur inside the CVC.

East Front Extension (Inside the Capitol)

- Demolition of structural elements will continue on all levels within the East Front Extension and in the Carriageway below the East Front center steps.

Senate Side (Truck Tunnel Zone)

- CVC truck tunnel work will continue in all areas of the tunnel construction zone.



In the basement level of the East Front Extension, CVC construction crews often work within extremely tight conditions that require workers to excavate the old-fashioned way—with shovels and buckets.