



United States Capitol Visitor Center Weekly Construction Summary



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This view of the CVC project site from Dec. 29, 2003, shows the progress of steel erection and placement of roof decking, which is now visible adjacent to the Senate Steps. The opening for one of the two large skylights over the Great Hall is clearly visible in foreground. A concrete deck can also be seen on the south and east sides of the East Front Center Steps. More concrete pours will occur on the roof deck this week.

This Week – Ongoing Work – 12/29/03 through 1/02/04

East Front Plaza Highlights:

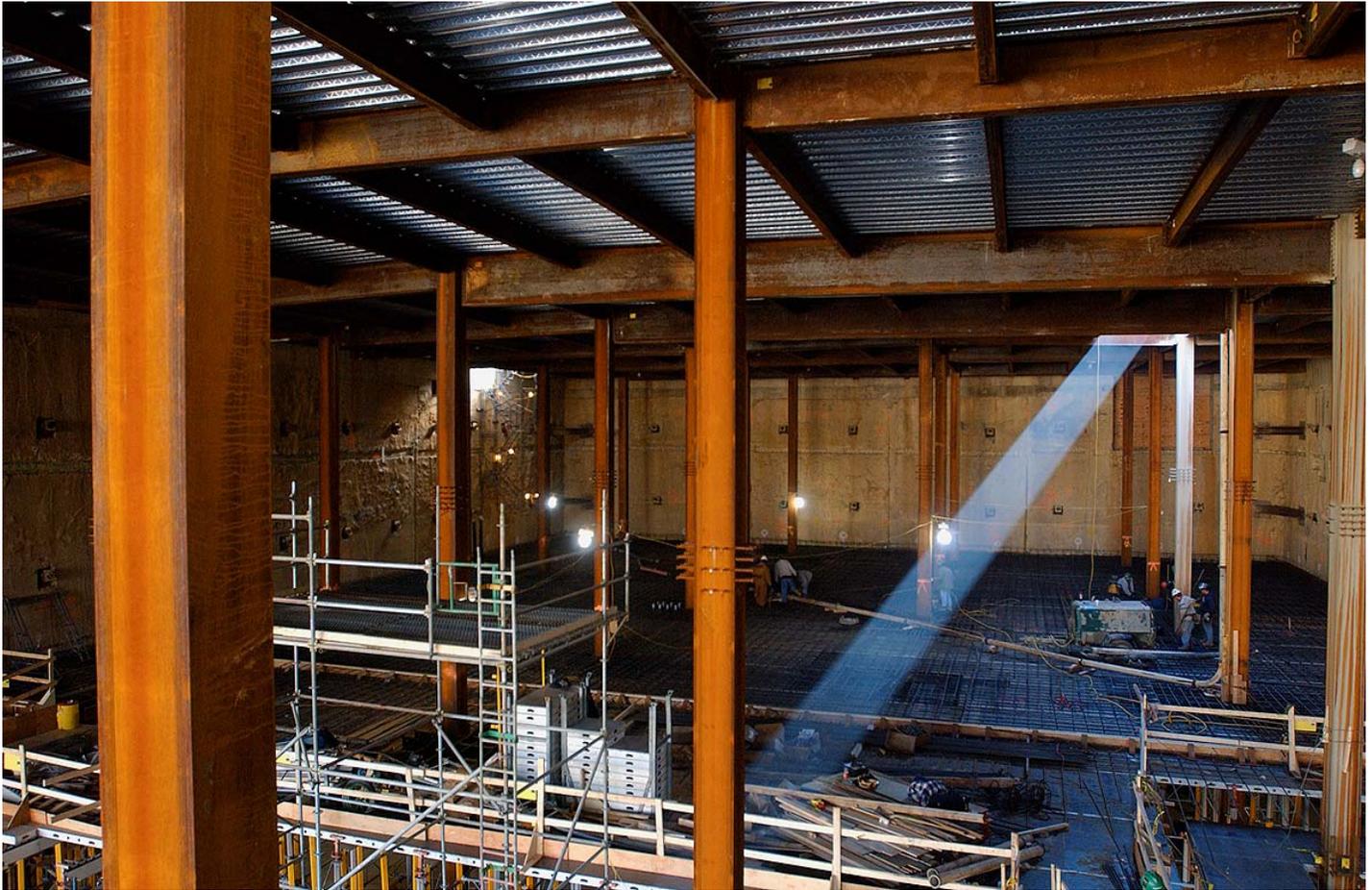
- Steel crews continue to erect steel in the northern half of the site.
- Crews have completed concrete placements on the roof deck over the entire area above the House expansion space. Additional concrete placements have also been completed in front of the Center Steps.
- Crews continue to assemble the formwork for the lower of two floor slabs above the slab on grade inside the CVC and concrete placements for the lower level slab will occur during the next two weeks.
- Crews continue to excavate and install utilities throughout the site.

East Front Extension (Inside the Capitol)

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

Demolition crews continue to remove tons of debris from the East Front Extension to clear the way for the transition zone between the CVC and the Capitol.





A beam of sunlight penetrates a temporary opening in the CVC roof deck in the southwest quadrant of the site where crews are busy assembling the formwork for the lower-level floor slab. Concrete placements for the floor slab are expected to occur this week.

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 – 1/05/04 - 1/09/04

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 project site.
- Scaffolding for the first-level floor slab will continue to be erected and concrete placements will occur inside the CVC in the southwest quadrant.



A crew guides the placement of concrete on a portion of the CVC roof deck in the center of the site.

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.