



United States Capitol Visitor Center Weekly Construction Summary



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A worker washes floor stone in the CVC's Emancipation Hall. Before the CVC opens, all of its 136,000 square feet of floor stone will be thoroughly cleaned.

This Week – Ongoing Work – 6/2/08 through 6/6/08

- Throughout the CVC, technicians continue final acceptance testing on the facility's complex fire and life-safety systems. This process is still on schedule to be completed this summer.
- Painters, carpenters, plumbers, masons, electricians, cleaning crews and other professionals continue to address punchlist items throughout the facility.
- Landscape restoration work continues in the South "Egg" as crews continue to prepare the grounds for sod.
- Workers continue to install railings to the East Front interior stairs.
- Door installation crews continue adjusting doors and thresholds to achieve the precise separations necessary for the testing of the CVC's smoke purge and air pressurization systems.
- Masons continue to reset the stair-tread stones in the Senate stairwell atrium and will complete the lower level later this week.
- In the Exhibition Hall, substrate panels along the back alcove walls had been removed temporarily to clear the way for installation and testing of a foam sealant material that will restrict air flow inside the alcove walls. The sealant has been applied and the panels have been re-installed. The sealant tests will occur at the end of the month.
- Carpet installation was completed last week in the House Hearing Room.
- Terrazzo work has resumed in the LOC tunnel following a review of waterproofing at several locations.
- Audio-visual technicians continue adjusting the projection systems in the North and South Orientation Theaters.



CVC workers set a portion of an irrigation main in the South Egg. The area is now being graded in preparation of sod placements later this summer.

Next Week – 6/9/08 – 6/13/08

- Technicians will continue the final testing process for the CVC’s complex fire and life-safety systems. This work will continue into the summer.
- Outside, landscape crews will continue to level the grade of the South “Egg” and prepare the grounds for sod placements and plantings. Other plantings will continue along both the north and south entrance ramps.
- Punchlist work will continue throughout interior spaces as millwork, wall stone, floor stone, grout lines, painted surfaces, ceiling panels, plaster work, doors, and other finish materials are inspected and deficiencies corrected.
- Masons will continue grout work and other stone detail work at the Rotunda and Gallery levels in the East Front of the Capitol. Fire alarm system testing is also ongoing at nights and on weekends in the East Front Extension.
- Metal workers will continue setting exterior bronze wall panels adjacent to the North and South Entrance doors.
- Work to adjust the terrazzo stair treads in the Senate stairwell atrium will continue.
- Landscapers will continue executing the final tree and shrub planting plan along the CVC entrance zones.



Workers install bronze divider strips between the terrazzo floor panels in the tunnel to the Library of Congress.