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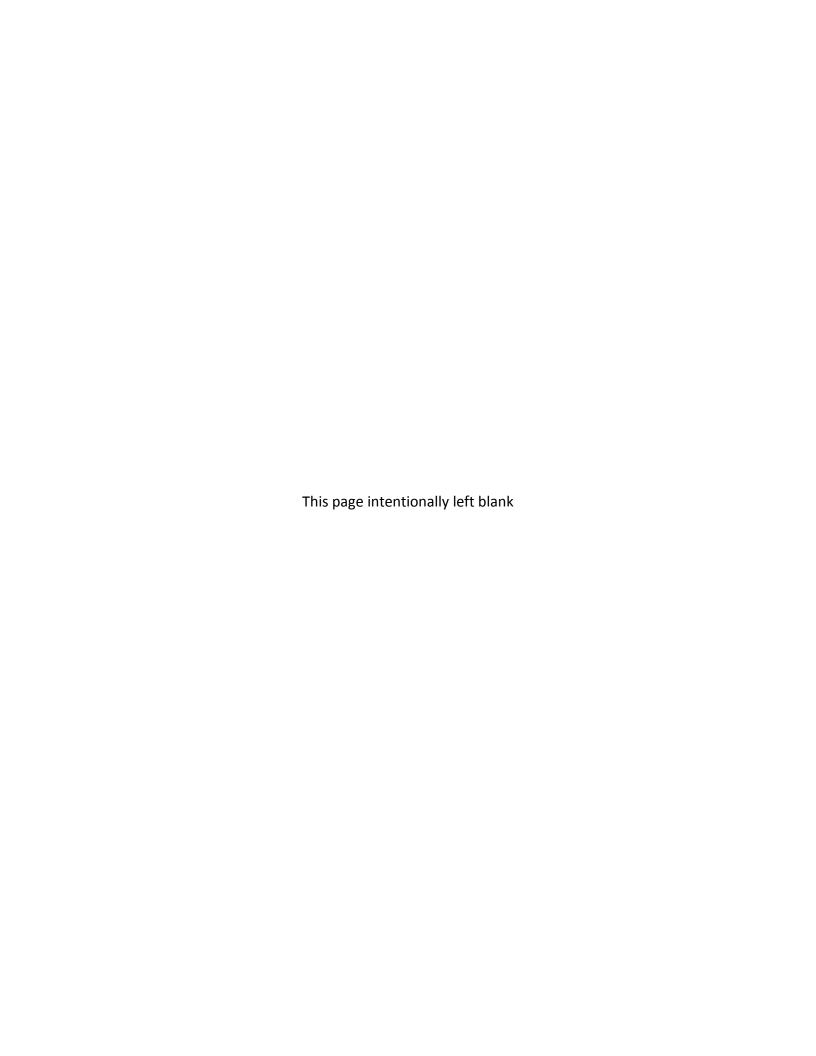
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#### Abstract:

The Armed Forces Retirement Home (AFRH) in cooperation with the General Services Administration (GSA) and the National Capital Planning Commission has prepared this Environmental Assessment (EA) for the consolidation and modernization of AFRH in Washington, DC. The project entails the demolition of the existing Scott Building and constructing a smaller, more efficient modern facility in the same location. This EA considers the environmental effects of implementing two action alternatives (Alternatives A and B) and a No Action alternative (Alternative C). The action alternatives differ in the size, and shape of the proposed New Commons and Healthcare Building. Alternative A combines the health care center over the commons as a single larger massing element. Alternative B expresses the commons and healthcare center as separate massing elements.

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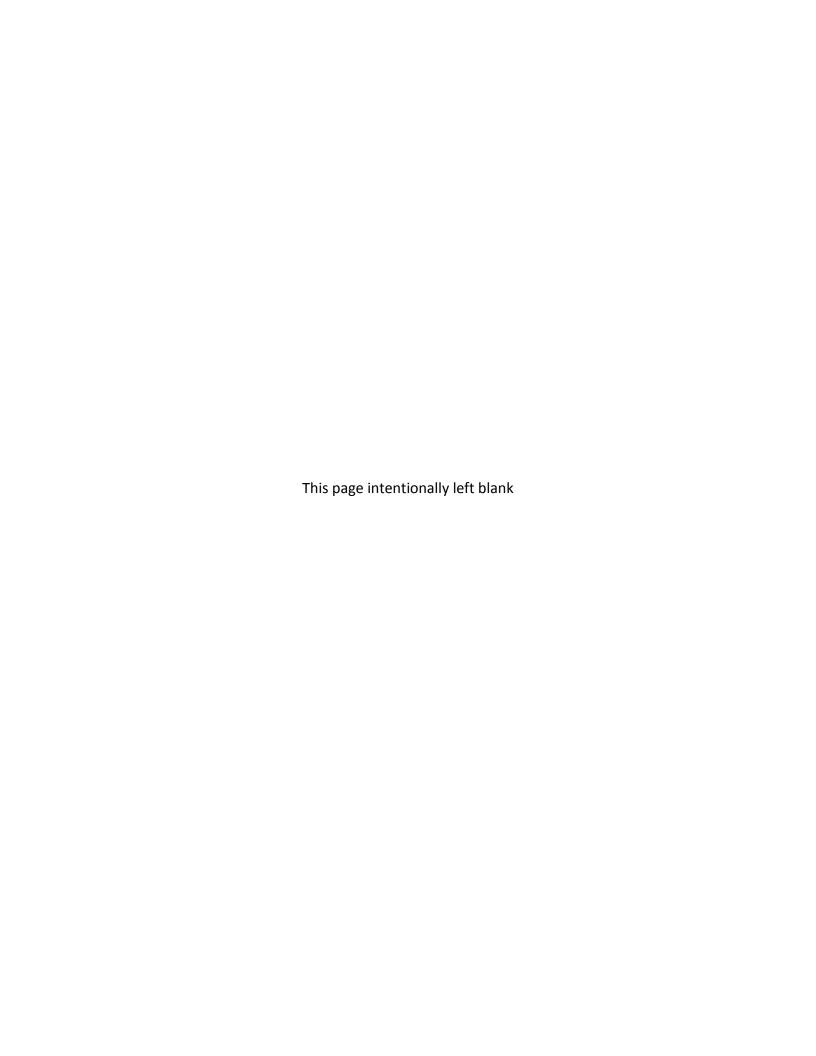


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PURPOSE AND NEED

#### 1.0 PURPOSE AND NEED

#### 1.1 INTRODUCTION

The Armed Forces Retirement Home (AFRH) has prepared this Environmental Assessment (EA) for the proposed consolidation and modernization of residential and healthcare facilities at the Armed Forces Retirement Home-Washington campus (AFRH-W) located at 3700 North Capitol Street in Washington, DC. The U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) and the National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC) are cooperating agencies in this effort. The EA is consistent with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended, the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations for implementing NEPA [40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 1500-1508 (1986)], and the AFRH's Compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (38 CFR part 200). An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) was completed in November 2007 for the AFRH-W Master Plan. This EA is considered a supplement to the EIS.

AFRH-W includes dormitories, long-term care and assisted living facilities, chapels, a golf course, and various other administrative and support facilities. AFRH-W's building inventory includes 71 buildings and 82 structures. The proposed project site is approximately 6-acres within the northern portion of the 272 acre AFRH-W campus (see Figure 1-2). The proposed project site is currently developed with the Scott Building. Constructed in 1954, the Scott Building is a concrete-framed seven-story structure totaling 357,000 gross square feet with a foot print of 91,700 square feet. The building is supported by spread footings with mat slabs. It is designed in a minimalist form of Streamline Moderne, with imposing shot-sawn limestone panels and granite base.

This EA identifies two action alternatives and a No Action alternative. Potential environmental impacts are outlined for each of the alternatives, including short-term construction-related impacts, long-term operational impacts, and cumulative impacts resulting from the implementation of the proposed action together with other current or planned projects. In addition, mitigation measures are suggested to address identified impacts. The study area for the assessment of impacts is generally the 272- acre AFRH-W campus, which is situated in north-central Washington, DC. The southern border of AFRH-W campus follows Irving Street, NW. The western border is formed by Park Place, NW and Rock Creek Church Road, NW. The eastern border follows Harewood Road, NE and North Capitol Street. Where appropriate, the study area for assessment of impacts is the 6-acre proposed project site within AFRH-W.

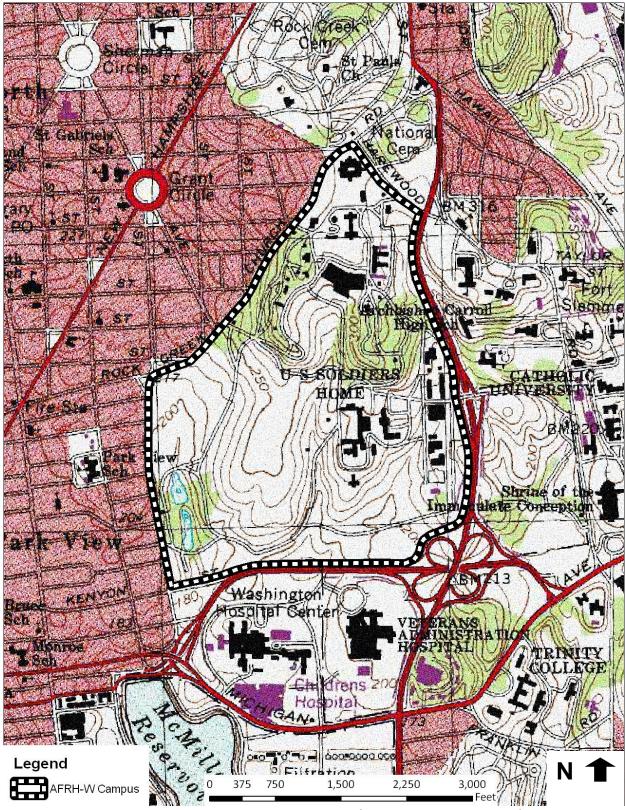


Figure 1-1: AFRH-W Topographic Map (USGS Topographic Map)

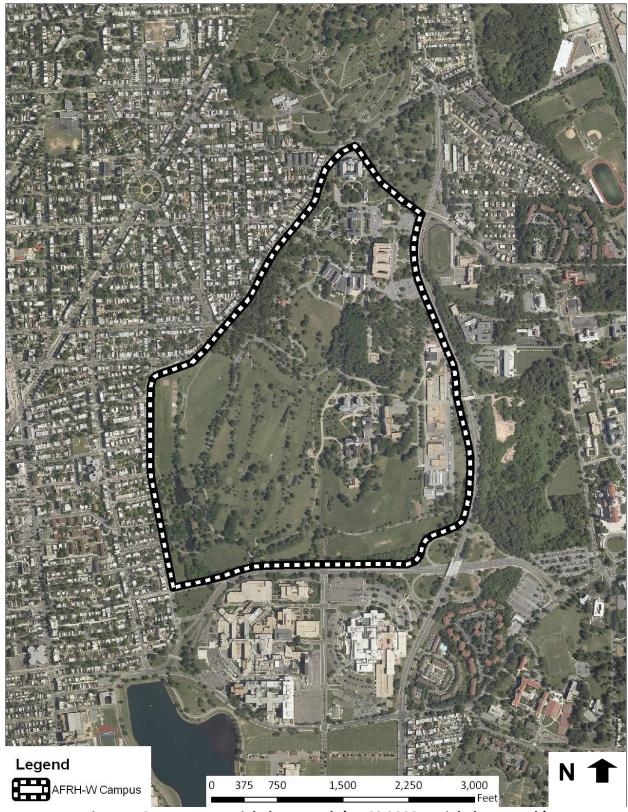


Figure 1-2: AFRH-W Aerial Photograph (NRCS 2008 Aerial Photograph)



Figure 1-3: AFRH-W Aerial Photograph (NRCS 2008 Aerial Photograph)



Figure 1-4: Street Map of AFRH-W (Adapted from DiMella Schaffer)

#### 1.2 BACKGROUND

Built on farm land atop a hill overlooking the US Capitol, AFRH-W has housed thousands of former enlisted military personnel for nearly 160 years. AFRH-W was originally established by Congress in 1851 as an "asylum for old and disabled veterans" and funded using an endowment collected in lieu of pillaging by General Winfield Scott during his occupation of Mexico City in 1847. The Home served as a summer retreat for U.S. Presidents Chester Arthur, Rutherford B. Hayes, James Buchanan, and, most notably, Abraham Lincoln.

In 1991, Congress incorporated the U.S. Soldiers' and Airmen's Home and the U.S. Naval Home in Gulfport, Mississippi, into an independent establishment in the Executive Branch of the federal government, known as Armed Forces Retirement Home. In 2001, Congress renamed the U.S. Soldiers' and Airmen's Home and the U.S. Naval Home as the Armed Forces Retirement Home – Washington and Armed Forces Retirement Home – Gulfport, respectively. Hurricane Katrina destroyed the Gulfport facility in 2005. With GSA's assistance, ARFH is currently building a new facility to replace it. The Gulfport project should be complete in 2010. The veterans displaced by Hurricane Katrina are now residing at AFRH-W.

Today, AFRH-W is currently home to nearly 1,200 military veterans. The residents are older adults whose lives are fully independent, individuals requiring varying degrees of assistance, and those needing the most assistance living in Long-Term Care (LTC). AFRH-W facilities include dormitories, long-term care and assisted living facilities, chapels, a golf course, and various other administrative and support facilities. AFRH-W's building inventory includes 71 buildings and 82 structures. AFRH-W building inventory also includes larger, more modern, residences built within the last 60 years, including the LaGarde, Scott, and Sheridan Buildings.

#### 1.3 PURPOSE AND NEED FOR THE PROPOSED ACTION

The purpose of this project is to modernize and consolidate AFRH-W residential and health functions in the central core of the campus. The project is needed to provide a facility that meets the changing needs of the AFRH-W's current and future residents, and increases operational and programmatic efficiencies.

AFRH-W seeks to increase operational and programmatic efficiency by consolidating all current residential operations in the central campus core around an existing quadrangle. Currently, Memory Support (MS), Assisted Living (AL), and LTC residences are distributed throughout the campus. Consolidation of these functions would create a more unified residential community by moving all residents to the central core of the campus.

There is a need to improve and modernize campus facilities to meet the changing needs of AFRH-W's current and future residents. Constructed in 1954, the Scott Building (the proposed project site) is the oldest of three operational dormitories. The Scott Building currently accommodates resident and guest rooms as well as commons functions such as the chaplain offices, dining services, and the library. The Wellness Center which encompasses medical, dental, and eye clinics as well as resident services is also located in the Scott Building. The

Wellness Center is currently used by residents of the Sheridan and Scott Buildings for Medical services. These facilities are outdated and do not sufficiently accommodate the needs and interests of the residents. Further, AFRH-W must initiate steps to accommodate future residents. It is expected that future residents would have different medical and accessibility needs than current residents. Therefore, AFRH-W seeks to modernize its facilities to address the changing needs of veterans and reflect the latest standards and practices in senior housing and healthcare. It is desire of the AFRH-W that the modernized facilities would also be designed to:

- Improve consistency with contemporary philosophies in senior living, particularly the concept of "small house" design for skilled nursing care;
- Minimize programmatic and spatial adjacencies to facilitate a more unified residential community and to create ease of mobility from room to room, rooms to commons, and within the commons area itself;
- Increase energy and operational efficiency;
- Accommodate complex and extensive building infrastructure systems required for modern medical and residential needs;
- Provide efficient and modern common spaces that accommodate the needs of all residents;
- Apply modern gerontologic design principles to support physical, sensory, and cognitive challenges faced by the residents;
- Provide in-house medical care that promotes the concept of aging-in-place.
- Achieves contextual design and compatibility with the historic character of the AFRH-W Historic District and the immediately adjacent National Historic Landmark District.

While meeting the overall purpose and need of the project, AFRH-W must emphasize that the residents of the Home are the primary beneficiaries of all modernization and consolidation efforts. AFRH must also ensure that the project furthers the agency's mission of fulfilling our nation's commitment to its veterans by providing a premier retirement community with exceptional residential care and extensive support services on its historic Washington, DC, Campus.

#### 1.4 PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT AND AGENCY COORDINATION

#### 1.4.1 Scoping Meeting and Agency Coordination

AFRH conducted a pre-scoping meeting with GSA and NCPC on October 19, 2009. The purpose of this meeting was to invite NCPC to participate as a cooperating agency in the NEPA process and provide information regarding the proposed project.

AFRH initiated the public scoping and comment process on November 12, 2009 through the distribution of 126 letters to regulatory and review agencies, as well as other interested parties,

requesting comment on the proposed project. This distribution list includes those that received the 2007 Final Environmental Impact Statement for the AFRH-W Master Plan. The 30-day public comment period was open through December 11, 2009. Comments received during this period were taken into consideration in the development of this EA. Copies of the scoping letter distribution list and comments received are located in chapter 7 and chapter 8, respectively.

As part of the scoping process, stakeholder meetings were also held. The first stakeholder's meeting occurred on November 23, 2009, and included representatives from the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA), National Park Service (NPS), the DC Office of Planning (DCOP), and the National Trust for Historic Preservation (NTHP). Additional agencies were invited but did not attend. The stakeholders' meeting invitation list and Meeting Minutes can be viewed in Section 7.

A second stakeholder meeting occurred December 9, 2009, and included representatives from NCPC, GSA and the US Commission of Fine Arts (CFA). Comments received from NCPC regarding this meeting requested that the EA include, in addition to a No Action Alternative, two new construction alternatives at the current Scott Building site. One of the new build alternatives should look at keeping the proposed new building out of the historic viewshed from the Lincoln Cottage. In January 2010 NCPC clarified that AFRH should include an alternative for renovating the current Scott Building, only if AFRH felt that was a reasonable alternative. Meetings are anticipated to continue, as necessary, throughout the NEPA review process.

In addition to NEPA, the process outlined in Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA)(16 U.S.C. Section 470(f)) is being conducted separately from NEPA in accordance with a signed Programmatic Agreement, dated February 26, 2008, for the AFRH-W Master Plan.

#### 1.4.2 Public and Agency Comments on the EA

Members of the public and governmental agencies are encouraged to comment on the contents of this Final EA. The organizations, agencies, and individuals listed in the Scoping Letter Distribution in chapter 7 were notified by mail and/or email of the availability of the Final EA. This EA will be posted on AFRH's website (http://www.afrh.gov), and hard copies are available for review at the following locations:

AFRH-Washington: 3700 North Capitol Street NW Washington DC 20011

Martin Luther King Library: 901 G Street, NW Washington DC 20001 National Capital Planning Commission: 401 9<sup>th</sup> Street, NW Washington DC 20004

Petworth Neighborhood Library: 4200 Kansas Avenue, NW Washington DC 20011 Comments on the EA must be postmarked by May 14, 2010. Comments should be mailed, emailed, or faxed to:

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#### 1.5 ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES CONSIDERED

This EA has been prepared to evaluate the potential impacts that the proposed project would have on a range of natural and man-made resources. These resources include the following:

- Historic and Cultural Resources, including Views and Vistas;
- Socioeconomic Resources (land use, planning policies, and public space);
- Natural Resources (vegetation, steep slopes, soil erosion and water resources);
- Transportation (vehicular circulation, parking, public transportation, and pedestrian and bicycle circulation);
- Utilities/Infrastructure (utilities, stormwater management, and hazardous materials);
- Air Quality;
- Energy and Environmental Performance;
- Noise.

#### 1.5.1 Environmental Issues Eliminated from Detailed Study

Several issues were initially considered for evaluation in this EA, but were eliminated from detailed study since there would be no impacts or impacts would be negligible. These issues, and the rationale for their elimination, are as follows:

Economic and Fiscal Resources: The proposed demolition of the existing Scott Building and construction of a New Commons and Healthcare Center is not anticipated to increase or decrease the overall economic activity in the area, nor are local tax revenues anticipated to be impacted. Thus, these resources were dismissed from detailed study.

Demographics and Environmental Justice: Based on the nature of the project as a facility for AFRH residents only on AFRH campus property, the proposed action would not directly affect the surrounding residential populations in the area of AFRH-W campus. Thus, impacts to demographics or environmental justice were not studied in further detail.

Geology and Soils: Since the proposed construction would take place at the same location as the existing Scott Building, substantive impacts to the site's natural geology or soil makeup are

not anticipated. Additionally, soils in the area of the existing Scott Building are presumed to be generally the result of fill given that it was previously graded for construction. The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Soil Survey of the District of Columbia notes the presence of Udorthents (Fills) on the eastern boundary of AFRH-W; the southwest and southeast corners of the existing Scott Building; and toward the center of AFRH-W, just west of the perennial stream running through the center of AFRH-W. Immediately adjacent to the perennial stream and surrounding the pond in the southeastern portion of AFRH-W, Woodstown clayey sandy loams are present. Gravelly sandy loams (Sassafras and Croom Series) and silty clayey loams with gravel (Chillum Series) cover most of AFRH-W (USDA, SCS 1975). New construction would take into account and mitigate for construction on steep slopes and protection of surface features from runoff.

Wildlife: Wildlife within the proposed project site is limited to urban species adjusted to human disturbance due to its proximity to highly developed residential and urban areas and the lack of natural habitat on site. While some species may be temporarily dispersed during construction, urban wildlife would be expected to return to the site once construction is completed with no long-term adverse effects.

Climate Change: Due to the limited scope and nature of this project, impacts to climate change would be negligible. This proposed action would result in a more energy efficient building and reduce the size of the building from current conditions. Thus, this resource area was dismissed from detailed analysis.

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## **ALTERNATIVES**

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#### 2.0 ALTERNATIVES

Chapter 2 describes the proposed alternatives and those that were considered but dismissed from detailed analysis. The selection of the preferred alternative is also identified.

#### 2.1 INTRODUCTION

This EA evaluates two action alternatives and a No Action alternative. The two action alternatives differ in terms of their design concepts for the proposed new Scott Building. Common to both alternatives is controlled demolition of the current Scott Building; relocation of AFRH-W Information Technology (IT) center to the basement of the Sherman Building; and construction of a new on-grade cooling tower to accommodate the transfer of chilled water services from the existing Scott Building to the Sheridan Building.

# 2.2 ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED BUT DISMISSED FROM DETAILED ANALYSIS

Four additional alternatives were assessed to determine their potential to meet the stated objectives in chapter one. However these alternatives were dismissed from detailed analysis in the EA because they do not meet the purpose and need.

#### 2.2.1 Renovation of the existing Scott Building

The primary reason the renovation alternative was dismissed from additional consideration was financial. The existing Scott Building was constructed in 1954 and consists of two subterranean levels (the ground floor and basement) and eight floors above grade encompassing approximately 357,000 gross square feet. Extensive studies reveal that the renovation of the existing building would be cost prohibitive due to the many obstacles associated with updating the massive aging structure. The ten-year capital improvement study estimated the cost to upgrade the existing Scott Building infrastructure (mechanical, electrical and life safety systems) at approximately \$80 million. This did not include the renovation of the building in order to meet the increasing need of accommodating the current resident's health care functions and overall renovation of the residential rooms and common areas, which was estimated to cost an additional \$80 million. The total cost of the renovation of the existing Scott Building (\$160 million) is greater than the cost of the new construction alternatives and also is above the funding allowance.

In addition to financial considerations, the existing Scott Building completely obscures a historic viewshed from the Lincoln Cottage to the U.S. Capitol Building and downtown Washington, DC. Keeping this building in place would forgo the opportunity to mitigate this adverse condition and restore the historic view from this structure. Further, although the renovation of the existing Scott Building would satisfy the need to consolidate the residential and medical operations in the central core of the campus, it would not satisfy the need of AFRH-W to provide facilities that meet modern senior living standards.

#### 2.2.2 Locating a new building elsewhere on AFRH-W

Locating a new building elsewhere on AFRH-W would not meet the overall purpose of the proposed action to consolidate AFRH-W residential and health functions in the central core of the campus. The approved final AFRH-W Mater Plan (MP) identifies all potential locations for future development at AFRH-W. These future development parcels were defined based on the agency's goals of centralizing functions on the north section of AFRH-W, maintaining a secure perimeter for the residents, and preserving the historic character of AFRH-W Historic District. Three of the development parcels identified in the MP for AFRH-W use are located east of the Sheridan Building. Because these parcels are adjacent to North Capitol Street and isolated from the historic AFRH-W core, they are intended for administrative uses and are not suitable site for the New Commons and Healthcare Building. The only other development parcel identified in the MP for AFRH-W use is located northwest of the Sherman Building, on the west side of the quadrangle. Because of the specific design and size constraints identified for this parcel in the MP, the site cannot accommodate the New Commons and Healthcare Building. All other parcels identified in the MP as locations suitable for development are located in the south section of AFRH-W and are intended for third-party development.

#### 2.2.3 Implosion of the Existing Scott Building

The two action alternatives analyzed in this EA, Alternatives A and B described below, require the demolition of the existing Scott Building in order to develop a new building that would meet the purpose and need of the project. Demolition of the existing Scott Building could occur by implosion or controlled demolition.

The implosion alternative was dismissed from detailed analysis for the following reasons: high cost, District of Columbia regulatory time limitations related to public notifications required for large explosions, limitations on explosives allowed within the District of Columbia, and potentially significant air quality impacts. Air quality impacts are described in more detail below:

General implosion activities and debris removal would generate nuisance dust related to disturbance of non-hazardous materials such as concrete, wood, gypsum, and soil. US EPA National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (40 CFR 61) require that visible emissions not be generated from the site as a result of implosion. Potentially the initial implosion process would result in generation of a dust cloud that may not be controllable and result in generation of a dust plume that has the potential to have a major adverse impact on adjacent properties and sensitive populations, including AFRH-W resident population. Another air quality concern was the potential disturbance of hazardous materials during the implosion of the structure.

#### 2.2.4 Alternate Cooling Tower Locations

Chilled water is currently generated from electricity in the existing Scott Building and serves both the Scott and Sheridan Buildings. Construction of a new permanent chiller plant would be necessary prior to demolition of the existing Scott Building so there are no disruptions of service to the Sheridan Building. This new chiller plant would be located in the existing

Sheridan Building and would require a new cooling tower structure nearby. Several locations for the cooling tower were considered but removed from detailed analysis.

Placing the new cooling tower on the roof the Sheridan Building was considered. However, the Sheridan Building is a year-round residential facility, and the noise impacts from installing a cooling tower on the roof could be potentially significant. Large holes would be core drilled on each floor of the Sheridan to run the necessary lines to the roof. The potential construction noise coming from installation would disrupt each floor, construction and operational noise on the roof would impact residents directly below.

In order to avoid significant noise impacts to the residents during construction and operations, it was determined that the best cooling tower location would be a ground level structure separate from the Sheridan Building. The Sheridan Building Plaza east of Sheridan was considered but removed from detailed analysis because it is used by the residents for recreational purposes. Constructing a cooling tower in this location would significantly alter the existing formal open space. Sheridan Plaza is defined by a semi-circular perimeter of mature trees. The southern edge of this tree area is bounded by the northern edge of an existing surface lot known as Sheridan (3) in the MP. It is along this edge that alternative locations for the cooling tower were studied, with the understanding that the impact on open space, existing trees and existing parking would be minimized. Given the existing conditions, it was determined that as the distance to the Sheridan Building from the proposed cooling tower location increased the potential impacts to trees and open space decreases. The potential impacts from noise and to views and vistas are also reduced as distance increases. However, construction cost increases with distance due to the added materials and labor.

The vegetated area alongside the parking lot southeast of the Sheridan Building between the Sheridan Building and North Capitol Street and the back of the parking lot was also considered for the cooling tower location. This area offers less impact to trees, open space, construction cost, noise, and views and vistas than areas closer to the Sheridan Building or in the grassy area. The existing trees in this area would mitigate potential impacts from noise and to views and vistas.

Placing the new cooling tower structure in the open space north of the parking lot adjacent to the east of the Sheridan Building would require the removal of several mature trees. Furthermore, this location would be more visible from the Sheridan Building and produce increased noise levels while decreasing air quality during operational use.

#### 2.3 ALTERNATIVES

AFRH requires the consolidation of residential units and various healthcare functions including Memory Support, Long Term Care, Assisted Living, and Independent Living in order to meet the needs of AFRH-W current residents. In order to achieve the goals for AFRH-W, the new structure would provide a modern standard of living designed to incorporate the changes in philosophy created by the advances in gerontology over the last sixty years.

The proposed project is a component of the larger comprehensive multi-phase efforts to provide for needed improvements to AFRH-W community facilities. Community operations serve several specifically defined categories of population (Independent Living, Assisted Living, Long Term Care and Memory Support) and Commons Facilities serves the needs of multiple populations. The proposed project envisions new space to provide a Health Services Facility for Long Term Care (LTC) and Memory Support (MS) and the associated Commons spaces serving the entire population. AFRH-W has proposed the project site as the preferred location for the new facility because of site's close proximity and direct connection to the existing Sheridan Building, which currently houses a majority of the independent living residents, and is the intended future home of all assisted living residents. The proposed project site also fronts on the landscaped exterior space known as the Sherman-Scott Connector or "AFRH-W Quadrangle" which is the shared exterior space in the front of the three existing primary AFRH buildings (Sherman, Sheridan and Scott Buildings) and is currently considered the symbolic heart of the home.

The new building would be the center of activity for the entire community and would be a place where residents convene for socializing, physical fitness, educational pursuits, musical interests, business transactions, and many other recreational activities. In addition, the amenity spaces would include a central kitchen and dining hall where most of the residents dine three times per day. The new building would include a Wellness Center. The Wellness Center would provide residents with facilities for their primary medical needs, ranging from dental to psychological. The Wellness Center would provide in-house medical care and promote the concept of aging-in-place by allowing residents to receive increasing levels of care without having to leave the facility.

The new building would also contain a skilled nursing facility with single bedroom units for approximately 36 long term care residents and approximately 24 memory support residents. A key component to bringing state-of-the-art care to residents is the incorporation of the small-house concept in the design of the new skilled nursing floors. Small house design gathers a limited number of units around a common space that is shared by those units, creating several groups on a floor. These small groups allow a more intimate character than the large, floor-wide common spaces in traditional facilities like the existing Scott Building. Small house design would improve consistency with contemporary philosophies in senior living by providing a limited number of units around a common space.

Most of the staff and administration offices would be located within the New Commons and Healthcare Building. Locating the offices in the combined facility would create opportunities for increased operational and organizational efficiency, maximize programmatic and spatial adjacencies, and facilitate a more unified residential community. Both action alternatives would incorporate energy efficient measures into the design, further increasing energy and operational efficiency.

#### 2.3.1 Actions Common to Both Action Alternatives

Both action alternatives (A & B) propose new construction within the existing 91,700 square foot footprint of the existing Scott Building. The existing Scott building is approximately 357,000 gross square feet. Alternatives A & B call for the controlled demolition of the existing Scott Building. Before demolition is set to occur, current residents of the Scott Building would either return to AFRH-Gulfport or would be housed in the Sheridan Building. Resident services that occur in the existing Scott Building would be temporarily housed in the Sheridan and Sherman Buildings.

The building's central location would make the New Commons and Healthcare Building readily accessible from the existing structures on AFRH-W. The existing healthcare center is currently located on the southern portion of AFRH-W. Therefore, residents of the existing healthcare center need to walk to the existing Scott Building to participate in community activities. In the same manner, residents of the existing Scott Building need to travel south to visit the existing Healthcare Center. Having a central location would reduce the amount of walking required to get from room to room, rooms to commons, and room to healthcare.

Both action alternatives concepts for the new building represent a reduction in size from the existing Scott Building. The existing Scott Building is too large for the current or projected population, which when combined with its energy inefficiency, results in excessive operational costs that place a financial burden on AFRH. Replacing the existing Scott Building with a smaller scale facility would also provide the opportunity to restore architectural balance to the structures on the quadrangle, and improve the views of the Washington skyline from the historic Lincoln Cottage.

The new building concepts in Alternatives A & B would reduce the amount of walking within the commons area itself. This length of required walking is defined as the horizontal travel distance. The ease of movement from floor to floor is defined as vertical circulation. The existing Scott Building is seven stories, the common areas are at the bottom and the resident's rooms are on top. Vertical circulation at the existing Scott Building is in-efficient due to the size of the building and the required travel distance from the common area up to the seventh floor. A smaller scale combined facility would improve the vertical circulation for residents, staff, and visitors as the distance traveled up and down would be substantially less.

For both action alternatives the proposed action would necessitate the relocation of AFRH-W IT center. The preferred location for the relocated IT center is in the basement of the Sherman Building, a historic structure that is part of the US Soldier's and Airmen's Home National Historic landmark and AFRH-W Historic District.

Finally, chilled water is currently generated from electricity in the existing Scott Building and serves both the Scott and Sheridan Buildings. A permanent new chiller plant would be necessary prior to demolition of the existing Scott Building so as not to disrupt service to the Sheridan Building. This new chiller plant would be located in the existing Sheridan Building and would require a new cooling tower that would be located on-grade southeast of the Sheridan Building within the existing parking lot (Figure 2-7).

The on-grade tower would have a clear relationship with the existing Sheridan Building. The southern edge of the tower would align with the southern facade of the Sheridan Building. The cooling tower location is within the area set aside for new development in the Master Plan on an asphalt parking lot.

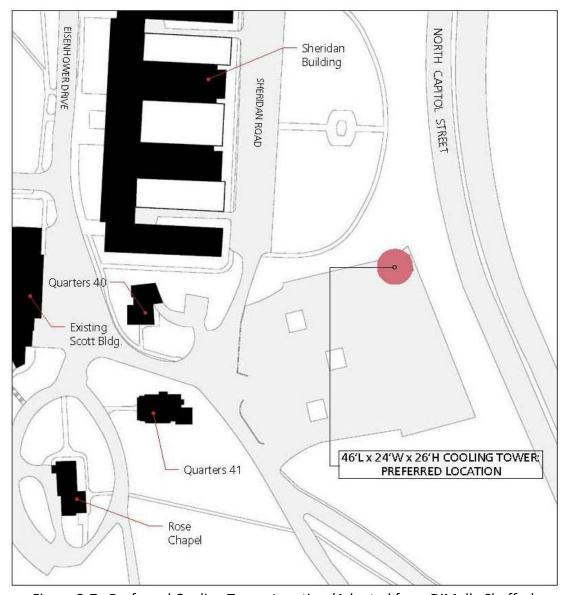


Figure 2-7: Preferred Cooling Tower Location (Adapted from DiMella Shaffer)

#### 2.3.2 Alternative A: Preferred Alternative

Alternative A would maximize programmatic and spatial adjacencies by stacking the healthcare functions above the commons functions at a reduced scale form the existing Scott Building. This smaller scale stacking allows multiple beneficial design elements that increase energy and operational efficiency. The new building would have a footprint of 60,348 square feet, reducing the existing foot print by 31,352 square feet. The new building would have a gross square footage of 155,000 reducing the gross square footage by 201,446 square feet. A smaller footprint maximizes the area available for open space and creates a small perimeter that is easier and more cost effective to construct, operate, and maintain. A combined facility would greatly minimize horizontal travel distances. The shorter height and reduced gross square footage would increase vertical circulation efficiency.

With its compact program, the building mass would be three stories as seen from the quadrangle, which is similar to the height of the Sherman Building. The long east/west dimension of the three-story building provides a strong edge along the southern side of the quadrangle, parallel to the Sherman Building on the northern side. The footprint of Alternative A is centered on the north-south axis of the Sherman and Grant Building acknowledging and strengthening the formal relationship with the nineteenth century buildings of institutional scale.

The three-story building sits upon a one-story base which is below grade on the quadrangle, and opens to view as the grade drops to the southern side of the site. This base forms a series of stepped terraced roof areas below which house the commons functions. This combination of massing reflects the transition of the site from the formal quadrangle to the picturesque character of the officers' quarters and Meadow to the south and southwest. This design would create unobstructed south-facing views of downtown Washington D.C. for the residents and would not intrude on the Lincoln Cottage viewshed. Desirable views would be available from the healthcare resident's rooms either south over the Chapel Woods and Meadow or north over the quadrangle.

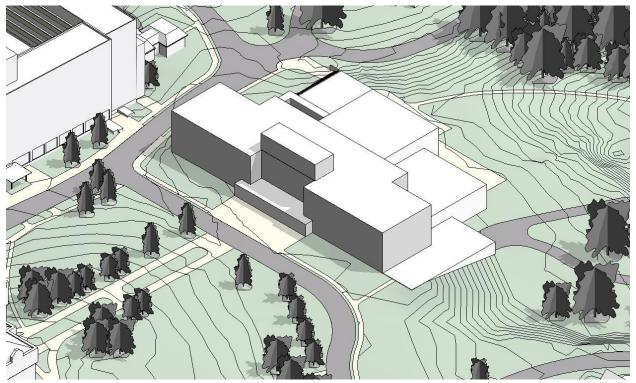


Figure 2-1: Concept design of Alternative A – View from northwest

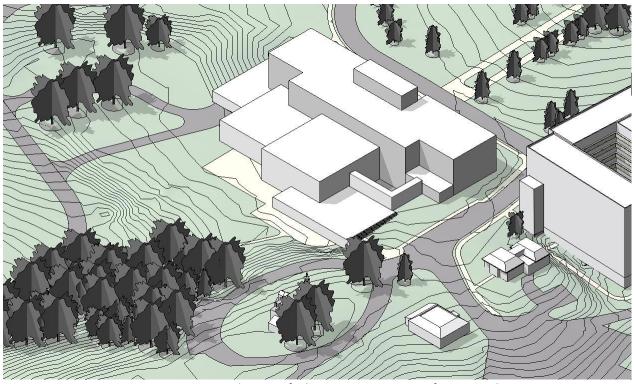


Figure 2-2: Concept design of Alternative A – View from southeast

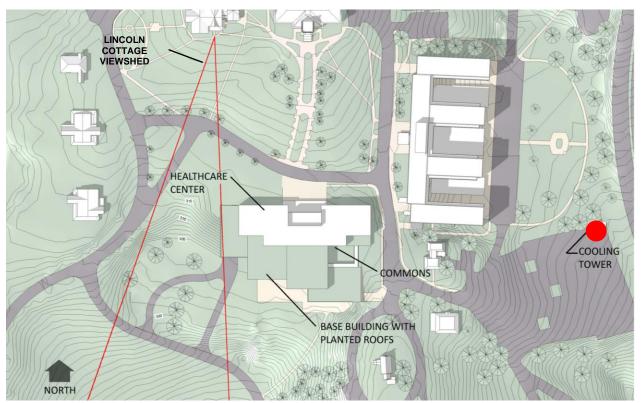


Figure 2-3: Design concept of Alternative A – Plan view

#### 2.3.3 Alternative B

Alternative B would express the new building as two separate building masses. Separate masses allow for separate identities for both the Commons and Healthcare Facilities. These separate masses would create a medium sized footprint of 67,166 reducing the existing footprint by, 24,534 square feet less than the existing Scott Building. The new building would have a gross square footage of 166,184 reducing the gross square footage by 190,816 square feet. This smaller footprint would require moderate operation and maintenance costs. Both horizontal and vertical circulation would be improved by consolidating functions in one space and creating a smaller scale facility.

The height of the two building masses would be two-stories as seen from the quadrangle. Their long dimensions would run north/south so that their short ends face the quadrangle. These short ends are similar in width to the east and west wings of the Sherman Building. The area between the two masses would create an exterior courtyard. Alternative B would provide a less-formal relationship with the Sherman Building by virtue of its smaller height, north/south length, segmented massing, and smaller defined edge to the south side of the quadrangle. The two-story building height would be similar to the officer quarters and Lincoln Cottage. However, the long low building massing would not be consistent with the existing building massing.

An atrium feature could give prominence to the Commons entry and provide a connecting view to activity on three levels of the building. This atrium could also bring abundant daylight into all levels. The two-story building masses would be connected by a one-story base structure that is below grade from the quadrangle. This base structure houses commons functions and employs roof terraces for functions outside the floors above. This design would open views from the quadrangle to the south and provide several glimpses of Chapel Woods and downtown skyline along Scott Drive due to building masses having their long dimensions running north/south. Although the height of the one-story base is below the site line of the Lincoln Cottage viewshed the rooftop terrace would have above ground elements that would obscure a portion of the view toward downtown Washington D.C. to some degree. Perimeter space with south-facing unobstructed views would be limited. Residents would have rooms with views of the adjacent commons massing rather than views over the quadrangle and Meadow.

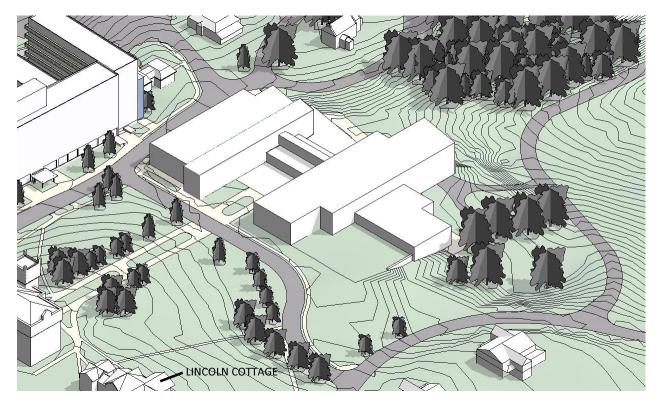


Figure 2-4: Design concept of Alternative B – View from northwest

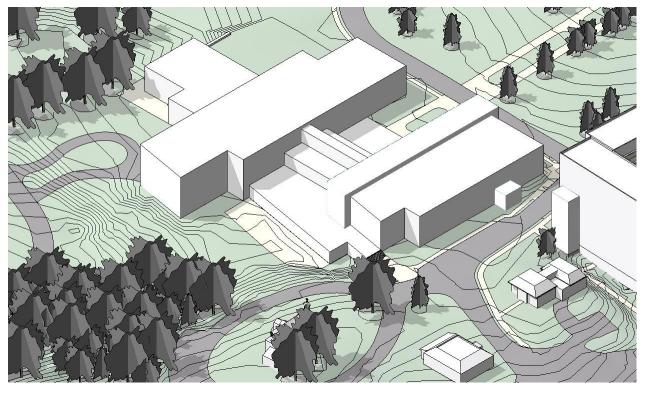


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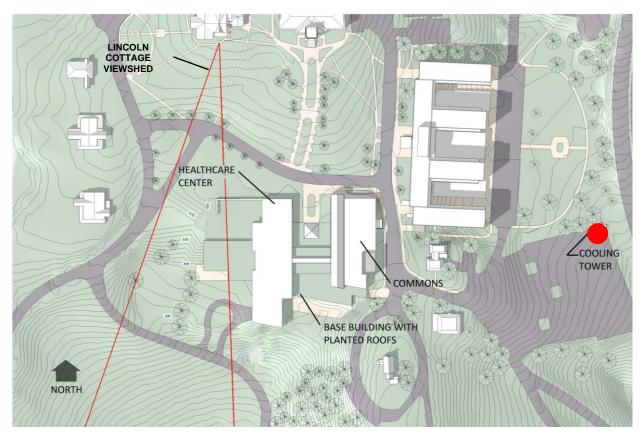


Figure 2-6: Design concept of Alternative B – Plan view

#### 2.3.4 Alternative C: No Action Alternative

Under the No Action Alternative, the existing Scott Building would remain as a building that is too large, inefficient, expensive to maintain, and outdated for AFRH's needs. The No Action Alternative allows AFRH-W IT Center, Chilled Water Plant, and Cooling Tower to remain in the existing Scott Building.

The No Action Alternative would not provide modernized facilities that meet the changing needs of the AFRH-W residents. Healthcare and residential functions would not be consolidated into the central core of the campus, and instead remain dispersed throughout the 272 acres of AFRH-W.

The No Action Alternative also does not provide the opportunity to improve the historic Lincoln Cottage viewshed and construct historically compatible architecture. Further, the No Action Alternative does not improve energy efficiency, stormwater management, or open space. Horizontal travel distances would remain substantial and vertical circulation inefficient within the Scott Building. The no action alternative would not meet the purpose and need of the proposed action.

#### 2.4 COMPARISON OF ALTERNATIVES

Both Alternatives A and B would meet the purpose and need of the proposed project, however they differ in terms of their design concepts for the proposed new Scott Building. Alternative A & B differ in height, massing, building footprint, strength of formal relationship with the Sherman Building, strength of historic viewshed improvement, and strength of operational and maintenance cost, horizontal travel distance, and vertical circulation.

The No Action Alternative (Alternative C) maintains the status quo and would not change or improve upon height, massing, strength of formal relationship with the Sherman Building, strength of historic viewshed improvement, strength of operational cost, maintenance cost, horizontal travel distance, and vertical circulation.

Table 2-1 summarizes the major design elements associated with each Action Alternative and the No Action Alternative as compared to existing conditions.

Table 2-1: Comparison of Action Alternatives Design Elements							
Site Feature	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C: No Action				
Relationship with Sherman Building	Would create a strong formal relationship by virtue of its center placement on north/south axis and east/west orientation	A less-formal relationship would be created by its placement on either side of the north/south axis	Relationship would remain as it is currently				
Lincoln Cottage	Would not intrude on	Elements of the rooftop	The viewshed would				
Viewshed	the viewshed	terrace would intrude	remain completely				

Table 2-1: Comparison of Action Alternatives Design Elements						
Site Feature	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C: No Action			
		upon a portion of the viewshed to some degree	obstructed.			
Travel distances within the building (Horizontal Circulation)	Distances would be greatly reduced	Distances would be reduced	substantial travel distances within the building would remain			
Ease of movement from floor to floor (Vertical Circulation)	Efficiency would be greatly increased	Efficiency would be increased	Would remain in- efficient			
Building Height and Massing	Would create a three- story height and compact massing creating a scale and presence on the quadrangle consistent with the massing and scale of the Sherman building	Would keep the building height within two-stories of the quadrangle, similar to the height of the officer quarters and Lincoln Cottage, however the long low building would not be consistent with the adjacent structures	The height of the existing Scott Building would not change. The scale and presence of the building on the quadrangle would remain inconsistent with adjacent structures			
Building Footprint	Would create a much smaller perimeter that is easier and more cost effective to operate and maintain; greatly increases pervious surfaces at proposed project site	Would create a medium sized perimeter requiring moderate operation and maintenance cost; increases pervious surfaces at the proposed project site	The Scott Building perimeter would not change and would continue to be costly to operate and maintain; impervious surfaces would remain at current levels			

#### 2.5 SELECTION OF PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE

While both action alternatives meet the purpose and need of the proposed project, AFRH has selected Alternative A for implementation because it provides the greatest overall improvement to residents and facility operations. Specifically, Alternative A would restore the historic viewshed from the Lincoln Cottage; achieve contextual design and compatibility with the historic character of the surrounding AFRH-W Historic District and the immediately adjacent National Historic Landmark; provide the most efficient travel distances within the building for residents and staff; introduce the greatest amount of pervious surfaces at the proposed site; and be the most cost effective to maintain and operate.

3.0

**AFFECTED ENVIRONMENT** 

#### 3.0 AFFECTED ENVIRONMENT

This chapter describes the existing environmental conditions at AFRH-W of the resource issues that have been carried forward for more detailed analysis in this EA. Section 1.5.1 lists the resource issues that were eliminated from detailed study.

#### 3.1 CULTURAL RESOURCES

A study area for historic properties has been identified to determine what resources may be affected by the AFRH-W Residential and Medical Facilities Consolidation and Modernization Project. The study area includes the entire 272-acre AFRH-W site defined by Irving Street, NW, on the south; Park Place, NW, and Rock Creek Church Road, NW, on the west; and by Harewood Road, NE, and North Capitol Street on the northeast (See Figure 3-1).

#### 3.1.1 Site History

AFRH-W (formerly the U.S. Soldiers' and Airmen's Home) was founded in 1851 as a military asylum for the relief and support of invalid and disabled soldiers of the U.S. Army. It was developed on the country estate of George Washington Riggs, a prominent Washington banker. Sited outside the city's formal limits with panoramic views of the U.S. Capitol, the Riggs property featured an early Gothic Revival-style cottage known as Corn Rigs, as well as agricultural buildings, woodlands, and pastures. The estate was landscaped in the manner promoted by the influential aesthete Andrew Jackson Downing.

Since the mid-nineteenth century, numerous military officers who played key roles in the military history of the country have been associated with the operation of the Home, including General Winfield Scott, General William T. Sherman, General Philip Sheridan, and Surgeon General Joseph K. Barnes. The Home's importance also derives from its role in American political history and its association with President Abraham Lincoln. One of four sitting U.S. presidents and their respective Secretaries of War known to have summered at the Home, Lincoln served during one of the most turbulent periods in American history. While residing at the Home, Lincoln worked on a draft of the Emancipation Proclamation, launching the end of legalized slavery in the United States.

Many of the built resources at the Home are outstanding representations of their respective architectural styles and reflect dominant aesthetic vocabularies of public and private design. During the late nineteenth century, a comprehensive landscaping program was implemented to enhance the property's character as a park that would be available to the public. The land was also used for agricultural activities, which became a key component of the Home's character from its beginnings through the mid-twentieth century.

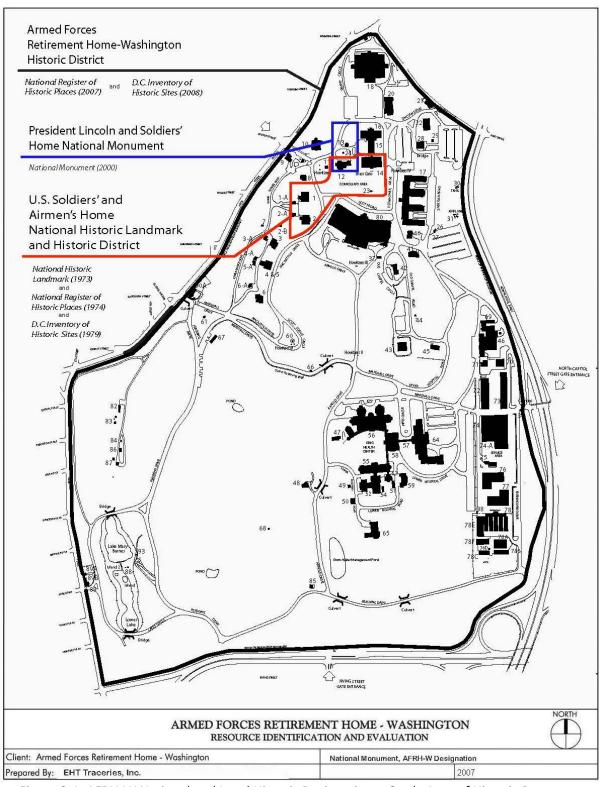


Figure 3-1: AFRH-W National and Local Historic Designations. Study Area of Historic Resources encompasses entire AFRH-W. (Adapted from ARFH Final Environmental Impact Statement, 2007)

# 3.1.2 Archaeological Resources

A Phase 1A Archeological Assessment was conducted on AFRH-W in October 2004. The study consisted of background research including review of the archeological and historical site files of the District of Columbia Historic Preservation Office (D.C. HPO), soil surveys of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), and AFRH-W Historic District nomination. Additional research was conducted at the National Archives in Washington, where relevant historic documents including maps and published histories were examined and incorporated in the Phase 1A Archeological Assessment.

This archeological study found that, despite its central location and historic importance, the extensive construction and grading activities associated with the operation of the Home during the nineteenth and twentieth century's has greatly altered many areas within AFRH-W. However, there are five previously identified historic archeological sensitivity zones on the site: site of a post-1873 cross-gable, wood-frame building; site of a pre-1870 building cluster; site of the Carlise Cottage; site of the 1876 Barnes Hospital; and the Lincoln Cottage Archeological Site. Particular sections of AFRH-W may yet retain intact archeological remains dating to the prehistoric and historic periods. Therefore, AFRH-W has an overall moderate probability to contain intact cultural remains.

#### 3.1.3 Historic Resources

AFRH-W includes several identified historic resources and areas with national and local historic designations. They include AFRH-W Historic District (D.C. Inventory of Historic Sites and National Register of Historic Places), the United States Soldiers' and Airmen's Home National Historic Landmark, and the President Lincoln and Soldiers' Home National Monument.

## **District of Columbia Inventory of Historic Sites**

On November 8, 1964, the District of Columbia listed two AFRH-W buildings in the D.C. Inventory of Historic Sites – the Soldiers' Home, Main Building (Sherman Building) and the Lincoln Cottage (Corn Rigs-Anderson Building). The Soldiers' Home, Main Building (Sherman Building), which in its entirety includes the Sherman Building South (Scott Building), the Annex, and Sherman North, was recognized as the first dormitory at AFRH-W. The Lincoln Cottage (Corn Rigs-Anderson Building) served as President Lincoln's summer retreat from 1862 to 1864. (See President Lincoln and Soldiers' Home National Monument below for additional information.)

On March 3, 1979, a portion of AFRH-W was designated a historic district and listed in the D.C. Inventory of Historic Sites. The local historic district encompassed the Lincoln Cottage, Sherman Building, Officer's Quarters 1, Officer's Quarters 2, and the immediately adjacent land.

On May 22, 2008, the boundaries of the 1979 local historic district were expanded to the entire 272-acre AFRH-W site. The updated local historic district follows the boundaries of the National Register historic district designated on December 5, 2007. (See below.)

# United States Soldiers' and Airmen's Home National Historic Landmark<sup>1</sup>

On November 7, 1973, in recognition of the Home's outstanding national importance, the federal government designated a portion of AFRH-W as a National Historic Landmark (NHL). The NHL recognizes four buildings at the Home - Lincoln Cottage, Sherman Building, Officer's Quarters 1, and Officer's Quarters 2. These buildings were the first buildings occupied and/or built by AFRH and comprise the United States Military Asylum as it was originally developed. On February 11, 1974, the United States Soldiers' and Airmen's Home National Historic Landmark was listed in the National Register, and on March 3, 1979, the site was listed in the D.C. Inventory of Historic Places. (See above.)

# **President Lincoln and Soldiers' Home National Monument**

On July 7, 2000, under the Antiquities Act of 1906 – which grants the President authority to designate national monuments in order to protect objects of historic or scientific interest -President William J. Clinton declared the Lincoln Cottage and its surrounding land the President Lincoln and Soldiers' Home National Monument in honor of the site's notable role in the presidency of Abraham Lincoln. The national monument consists of a 2.27-acre rectangular area extending north from the Lincoln Cottage and including the Bandstand and Water Tower.

A cooperative agreement established between the National Trust for Historic Preservation and AFRH-W enables the two parties to share in the stewardship and preservation of the National Monument.

# **Armed Forces Retirement Home-Washington Historic District**

AFRH-W Historic District was listed in the National Register on December 5, 2007. The historic district is comprised of the entire 272-acre Washington branch of AFRH and is bound by North Capitol Street, Irving Street, Park Place, Rock Creek Church Road, and Harewood Road, NW.

AFRH-W Historic District is important under the areas of Military, Politics/Government, Social History, Health/Medicine, Entertainment/Recreation, Architecture, Landscape Architecture, Agriculture, and Archaeology and qualifies for National Register listing under the following four criteria:

- Criterion A for properties that are associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history;
- Criterion B for properties that are associated with the lives of persons significant in our past;
- Criterion C for properties that embody the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or that represent the work of a master, or that possess high artistic values, or that represent a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Alternately, the National Historic Landmark is identified as "United States Soldiers' Home" or "Soldiers' Home National

 $<sup>^2</sup>$  Note that the boundaries of the National Historic Site as defined in the D.C. Inventory of Historic Sites vary slightly from the boundaries of the site as defined in the National Register of Historic Places.

- and Criterion D for properties that have yielded, or are likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

The two continuous periods of significance of the historic district are 1842 to 1851 and 1851 to 1951. The first corresponds to the period when George Washington Riggs owned, improved, and occupied the farmland. The second period of importance begins with the establishment of the Washington branch of the military asylum and ends when AFRH-W liquidated its agricultural assets and disposed of the southern portion of the property.

The National Register recognizes 250 resources within AFRH-W Historic District, including buildings and structures, fences and gates, landscape resources, roads, views and vistas, and archaeological sites. Of these, 144 are listed as contributing resources to the historic district, and 106 are classified as noncontributing resources. (See Figures 3-2 thru 3-6 and Figure 3-8)

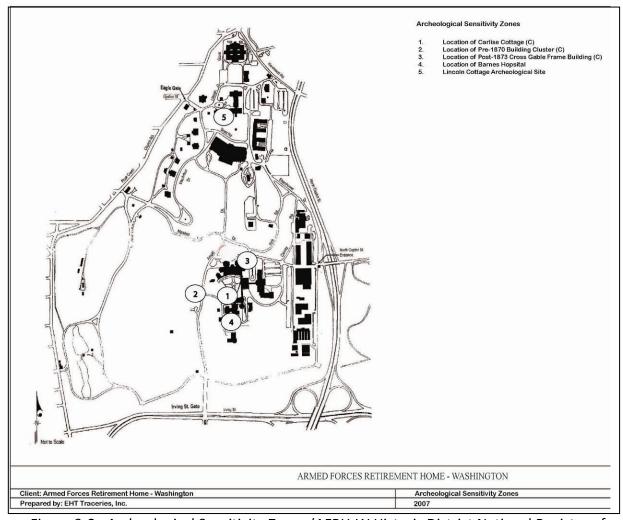


Figure 3-2: Archeological Sensitivity Zones (AFRH-W Historic District National Register of Historic Places nomination form, 2007)

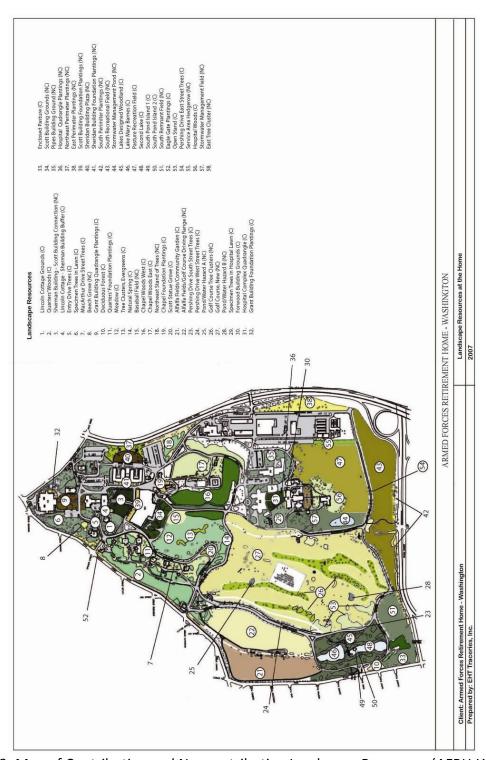


Figure 3-3: Map of Contributing and Noncontributing Landscape Resources (AFRH-W Historic District National Register of Historic Places nomination form, 2007)

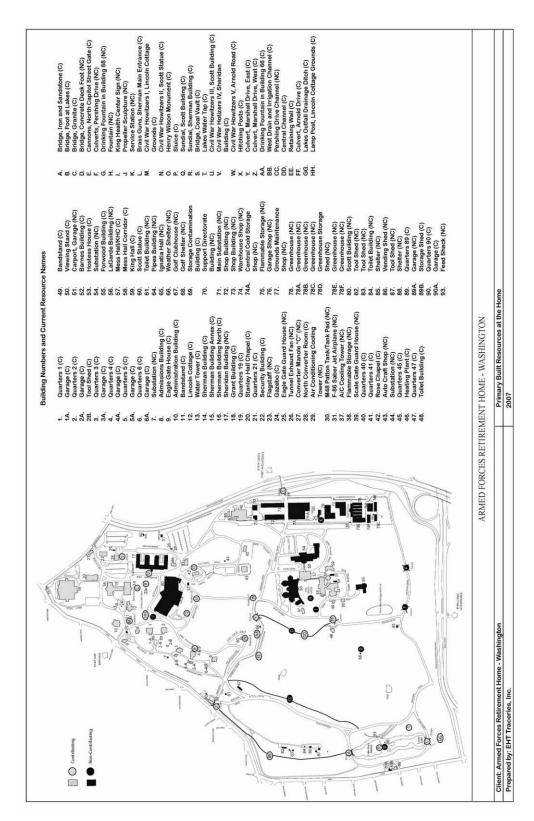


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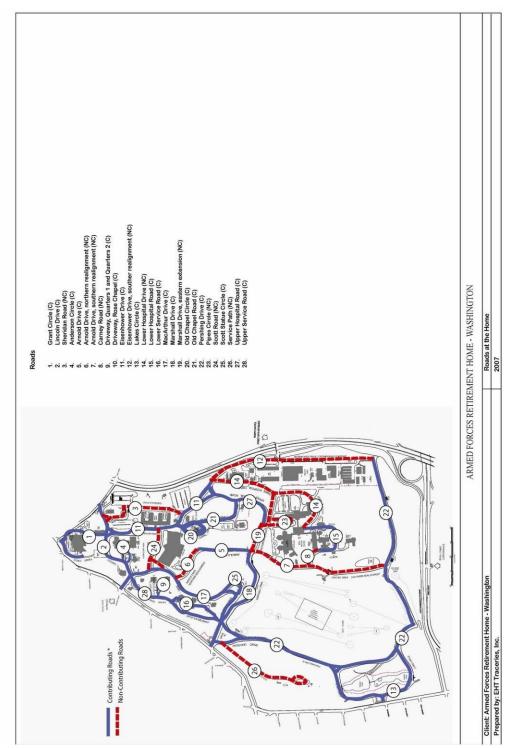


Figure 3-5: Map of Contributing and Noncontributing Roads (AFRH-W Historic District National Register of Historic Places nomination form, 2007)

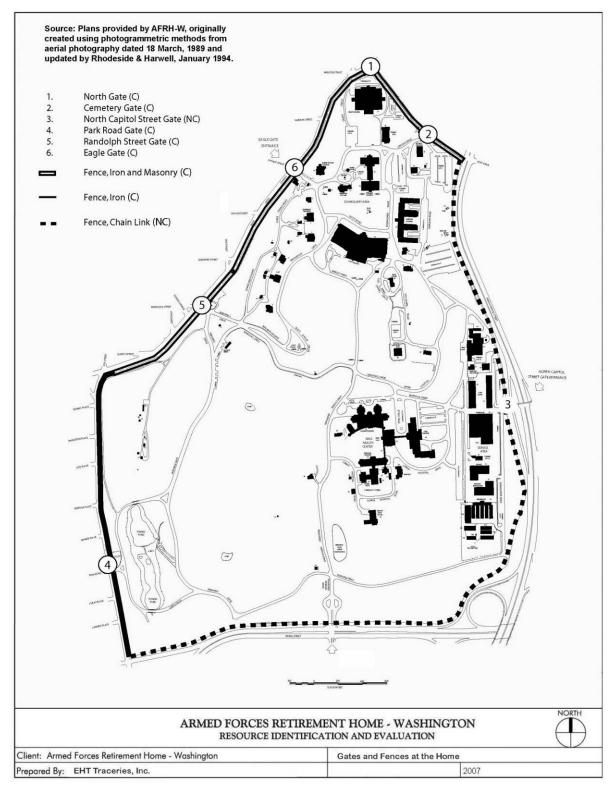


Figure 3-6: Map of Contributing and Noncontributing Fences and Gates (AFRH-W Historic District National Register of Historic Places nomination form, 2007)

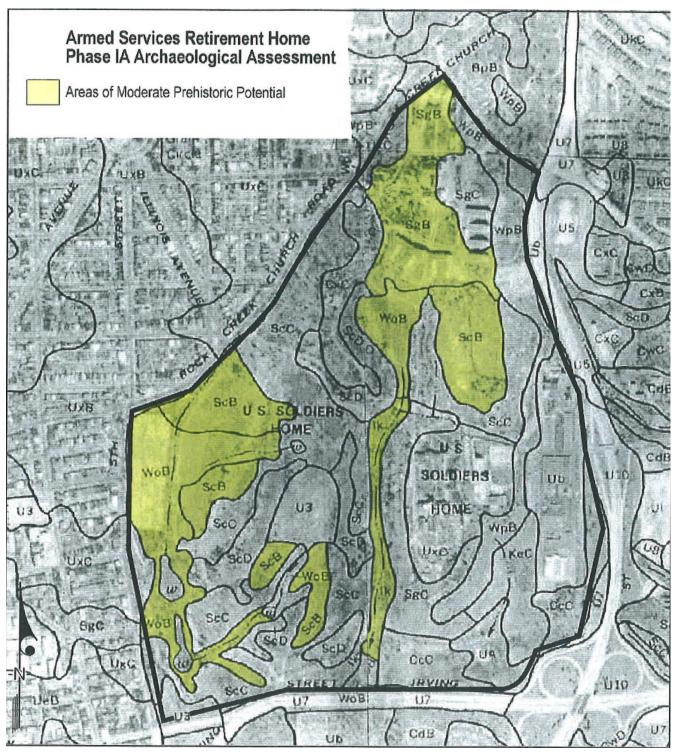


Figure 3-7: Map of Moderate Prehistoric Potential (Phase IA Archeological Assessment of AFRH, 2004)

## 3.1.4 Views and Vistas

The landscape of the Home, as designed in the 1860s and 1870s, featured numerous scenic views, both natural and architectural and are collectively listed as a contributing resource. Of particular importance were panoramic views of Washington and the U.S. Capitol. The intent to protect the view corridor from the Home to the U.S. Capitol was recorded in historic documents from the 1870s. Views from various streets and paths that wind through AFRH-W were also important design features. The view towards the U.S. Capitol from the vicinity of the Scott Statue has been framed by designed landscape features since 1873. The Home's historic viewsheds are collectively listed as a contributing resource to AFRH-W Historic District.

The construction of the existing Scott Building in 1954 obstructed a key historic viewshed from the Lincoln Cottage to the U.S. Capitol. Additionally, the existing Scott Building interrupted various views from the streets, paths, and structures within the historic core of AFRH-W – important features of the historic landscape. The existing seven story Scott Building can be seen from North Capitol Street looking west across the parking lot south east of the Sheridan Building.

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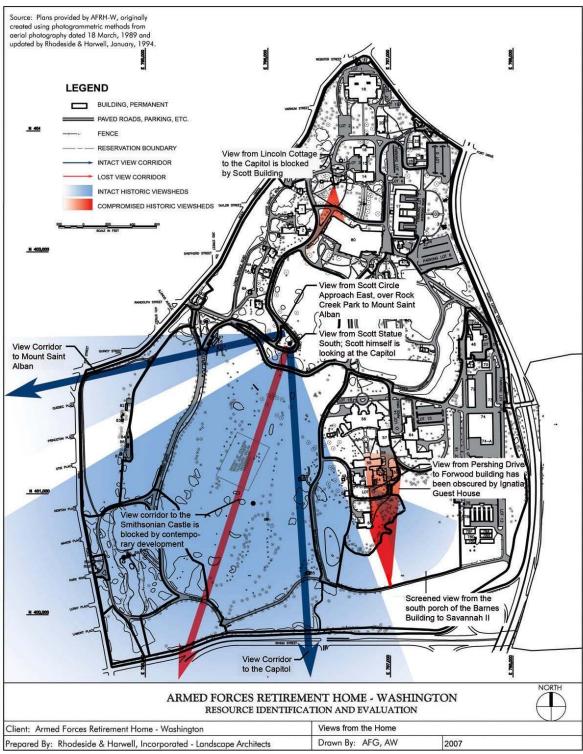


Figure 3-8: Map of Views from the Home (Armed Forces Retirement Home Historic District National Register Nomination form, 2007)

#### 3.2 LAND USE

According to the District of Columbia Generalized Land Use Map, land use on AFRH-W is characterized as "federal," meaning that the land and facilities onsite are occupied by the federal government (DC Office of Planning, 2002). Specific uses on AFRH-W itself include administrative, residential, institutional (medical facilities), and open space. The Lincoln Cottage and administration building have been renovated to serve as a museum and visitor center by the NTHP. Other facilities on AFRH-W include a bank branch, charter school, and Smithsonian Institution greenhouses. The existing Scott Building currently houses resident and guest rooms, chaplain offices, dining services, the library and a Wellness Center.

Land uses adjacent to AFRH-W are residential, institutional (medical, and education facilities), and commercial retail (see Figure 3-5). The District of Columbia Generalized Land Use Map shows the areas northwest and southwest of AFRH-W as moderate density residential, which is defined as row houses and garden apartments and some low density housing. The area southeast of AFRH-W is categorized institutional, federal and residential according to the DC Land Use Map. Washington Hospital Center and the Veterans Administration Hospital are located in this southeast area. East of AFRH-W is also categorized as institutional land and is the location of The Catholic University of America and The Basilica of the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Located north of AFRH-W are the Soldiers' and Airmen's Home National Cemetery and Rock Creek Church and Cemetery, both categorized as Parks, Recreation and Open Space.

# 3.2.1 Planning Policies

AFRH has created its Master Plan to serve as the basis for facilitating and directing future development by the private sector. The Master Plan also addresses the need for new AFRH facilities, and will guide their development as well. *AFRH-W Master Plan* (August 2008) establishes guidelines that address historic resources, building design, access and security, street types, parking, bicycle paths, signage, and landscape. The objectives of the Master Plan are as follows:

- Optimize development of the Home while maintaining the historic character of the site and retaining significant existing open space;
- Provide development uses that are complementary to The Home;
- Ensure that AFRH's facilities are conveniently located for its residents and that there is room for AFRH new capital improvements on the north campus;
- Provide for the security of the residents of the Home;
- Encourage the rehabilitation and reuse of historic buildings;
- Avoid, minimize and mitigate adverse effects on the Historic District resources that contribute to the historic character of the Home;
- Retain and enhance the form and function of existing landscape elements, such as topography, trees and tree canopies;
- Integrate the landscape and the built form; and
- Where appropriate, respect the character of the adjacent communities and integrate the new development into the city fabric.

The guiding planning document for the National Capital Region, *The Comprehensive Plan for the National Capital*, states goals, objectives, and planning policies to direct and manage growth in the National Capital Region. This plan contains both Federal Elements and District of Columbia Elements. AFRH-W is federal property and not subject to the District elements.

The Federal Elements of the Comprehensive Plan are directed at existing and future federal lands and facilities in the Capital Region, and contain recommendations for growth and development of the National Capital Region. These elements contain policy guidelines for: federal facilities, federal employment, foreign missions and international organizations, parks and open space, federal environment, visitors to the District of Columbia, and preservation and historic features. NCPC develops and administers the Federal Elements.

#### **Federal Elements**

The Federal Elements of the Comprehensive Plan for the National Capital provides criteria for the location of federal facilities, such as AFRH-W, and provides policies on federal employment in the National Capital Region. The Federal Facilities elements of the plan that are relevant to AFRH-W include:

## **Federal Environment:**

It is the goal of the Federal government to "conduct its activities and manage its property in a manner that promotes the National Capital Region as a leader in environmental stewardship and preserves, protects, and enhances the quality of the region's natural resources, providing a setting that benefits the local community, provides a model for the country, and is worthy of the nation's capital."

#### Parks, Open Space, and Natural Features:

Conserve and enhance the park and open space system of the National Capital Region, ensure that adequate resources are available for future generations, and promote an appropriate balance between open space resources and the built environment. Open space is broadly defined as "any land or water surface that is not occupied by buildings." The Parks and Open Space Element of the Comprehensive Plan includes preservation and maintenance policies including the need to "conserve portions of military reservations that add significantly to the inventory of park, open space, and natural areas and should, to the extent practicable, be used by the public for recreation." AFRH-W is listed as an example of a military reservation where open space should be conserved.

## Preservation and Historic Features:

Preserve and enhance the image and identity of the Nation's Capital and region through design and development respectful of the guiding principles of the L'Enfant and McMillan Plans, the enduring value of historic buildings and places, and the symbolic character of the capital's setting.

The proposed project site is federally owned and does not contain land owned by the District of Columbia, therefore it is not defined as public land.

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DCOP, DDOT, and NCPC have completed the *North Capitol Street Cloverleaf Feasibility Study* - an urban design and transportation study of North Capitol Street. The study includes the section adjoining AFRH-W western boundary.

The study developed recommendations for improving transportation choices and operations, safety and connectivity within the public realm along North Capitol Street, mitigating the barrier created by North Capitol Street between the Brookland community to the east and the planned development at AFRH-W to the west, restoring a more urban, pedestrian-scale identity to the current highway-dominated character of Irving Street, and Improving vehicular/pedestrian/bicycle/transit connectivity across the corridor.

#### 3.2.2 Open Space

The proposed project site currently includes pedestrian walkways and open grassed areas surrounding the existing Scott Building. Beyond the proposed project site, expanses of open space are also present on the broader AFRH-W, including a golf course, walking and biking paths, and green spaces. Immediately to the south of the proposed project site is a large grassy area identified as Savannah 1 in the Master Plan. This space is also known as the ball field, reflecting its use for active recreation. Immediately to the north of the proposed project site is the quadrangle, which is the open space between the Lincoln Cottage, and existing Scott, Sherman and Sheridan Buildings. On its eastern end it is formally landscaped along paths with benches and is actively used by residents. On its western end it is more simply landscaped with grass, mature trees and a simple walkway. This space is a focal open space for the Home and is a prominent feature of the Lincoln Cottage.

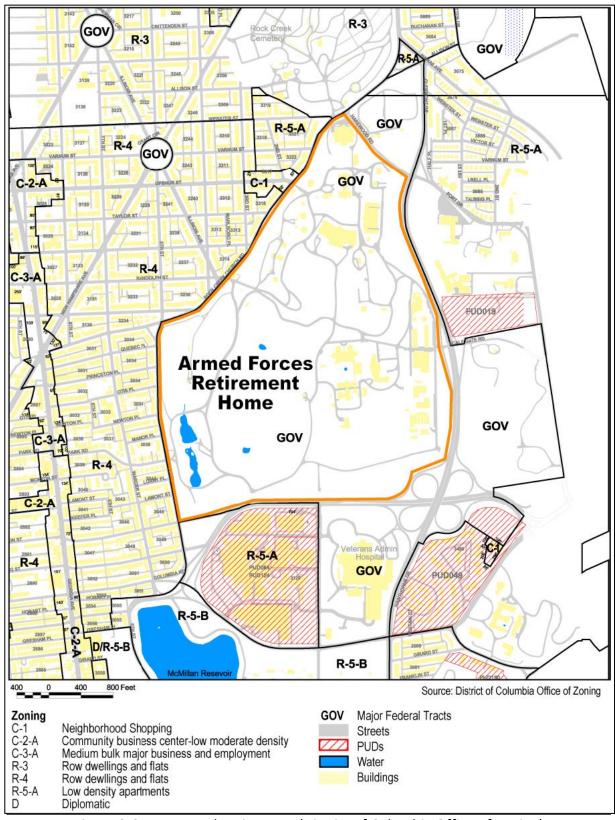


Figure 3-9: AFHR-W Planning Map (District of Columbia Office of Zoning)

#### 3.3 NATURAL RESOURCES

Natural Resources at the existing Scott Building, within AFRH-W, and within the surrounding area have been identified and are discussed below. Identified resources include topography, soils, vegetation, and water resources.

## 3.3.1 Topography

The topography of AFRH-W slopes gently to the southeast. Elevations range from approximately 130 to 320 feet based on the National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929 (USGS, Washington West Quadrangle, 1965; photo revised 1983).

## 3.3.2 Vegetation

Much of AFRH-W is covered with landscaped green space, specifically the golf course and the north portion of AFRH-W. Large expanses of native and non-native vegetation are also present within AFRH-W.

Vegetation surrounding the existing Scott Building is limited to non-native landscaped areas. Several prominent mature trees on the proposed project site are specimen trees, considered important to save. They extend in a line south of the western edge of the dining hall to Arnold drive. Other prominent trees on the proposed project site are along the south edge of Scott Drive. The specimen trees surrounding the proposed project site consist primarily of pin oaks, willow oaks, and red oaks, many of which are greater than 20 feet in height. Adjacent to the proposed project site on the east is the Chapel Woods subzone. This portion of the subzone consists of an oak-hickory forest representative of the native forest in the region. This area lies outside of the proposed project site.



Figure 3-11: AFRH-W Vegetation Map (AFRH EIS, 2007)

#### 3.3.3 Water Resources

#### Groundwater

Groundwater on AFRH-W is contained within aquifers composed of saprolite and weathered gneiss of the eastern Piedmont sedimentary formations and, to a minor extent, within the overlying upland sand and gravel deposits. Water in the weathered gneiss aquifers follows joints and fractures, while groundwater in the upland sand and gravel deposits travels through pore spaces in the deposits. Aquifers of the Piedmont are generally unconfined to partially confined (USGS, 2005).

#### **Surface Water**

Natural drainages on AFRH-W have historically been replaced by paved flumes of concrete, brick, or stone. These changes were made prior to 1965, and possibly as far back as the late 1800s or early 1900s. Other drainages on AFRH-W have been replaced with underground storm sewers. Two fishing ponds are located in the southwest corner of AFRH-W and two small ponds are located on the golf course. A stormwater retention pond is also located near the LaGarde Building (see Figure 3-1). Each of the ponds within AFRH-W reportedly provides stormwater retention. Ponds, streams, and/or ditches are not located on the proposed project site.

The USGS Topographic Map and the National Wetland Inventory Map show no streams on AFRH-W. The Soil Survey Photo Overlay Map shows intermittent streams on AFRH-W, but streams or ponds are not depicted on the proposed project site (USDA, SCS 1975).

#### Wetlands

Wetlands are defined by the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) as those areas that are inundated or saturated by surface water or groundwater at a frequency or duration sufficient to support, and that under normal circumstances do support, a prevalence of vegetation typically adapted for life in saturated soil conditions (33 CFR 328.3). Three parameters are used to identify wetlands: vegetation, soil, and hydrology. Wetlands are recognized for the important functions they perform. Wetlands cleanse polluted waters, retain floodwaters, and recharge groundwater aquifers. Wetlands also provide valuable fish and wildlife habitat.

Laws and regulations have been implemented to protect wetlands. Development in wetland areas is regulated by the USACE pursuant to the Clean Water Act (as implemented by 33 CFR 320-329, March 28, 2000 and 33 CFR 330, March 28, 2000).

The National Wetland Inventory map shows no wetland areas on or adjacent to the proposed project site. Three ponds are mapped on AFRH-W campus, the closest is approximately 12,000 feet south west of the existing Scott Building.



Figure 3-12: National Wetlands Inventory Map (Accessed February 23, 2010)

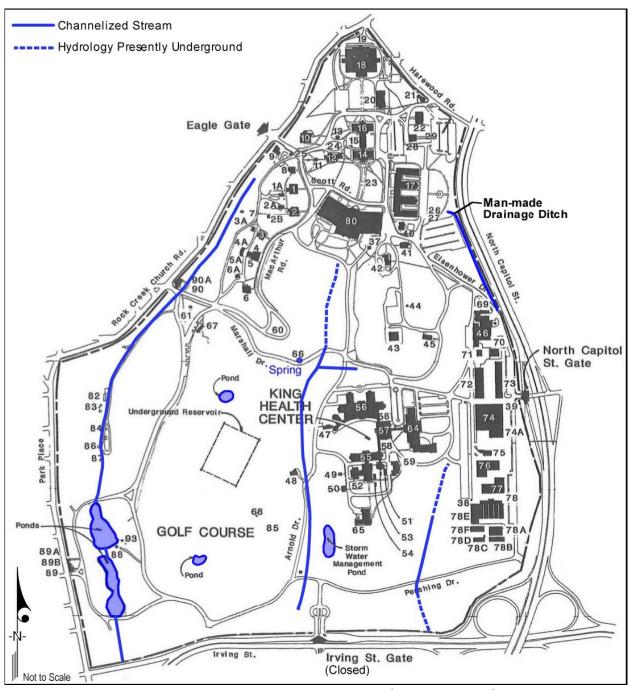


Figure 3-13: AFRH-W Water Resources (AFRH EIS, 2007)

## 3.4 TRANSPORTATION

Transportation as it relates to vehicles, parking, public transportation, as well as pedestrian and bicycle circulation is discussed in the following sections. Existing transportation flow and use was looked at in terms of getting to and from AFRH-W as well as to and from on-site buildings.

## 3.4.1 Vehicular Circulation

Vehicular circulation is controlled from the main entrance, Eagle Gate, on Rock Creek Church Road. From the guardhouse, vehicular circulation flows south onto MacArthur Drive or north onto Lincoln Drive. Both roads are two-way circulation. Driving south on MacArthur, Scott Road is a one-way left and runs along the quadrangle in front of the existing Scott Building. It terminates at Eisenhower Road, a two-way road running in front of the Sheridan Building.

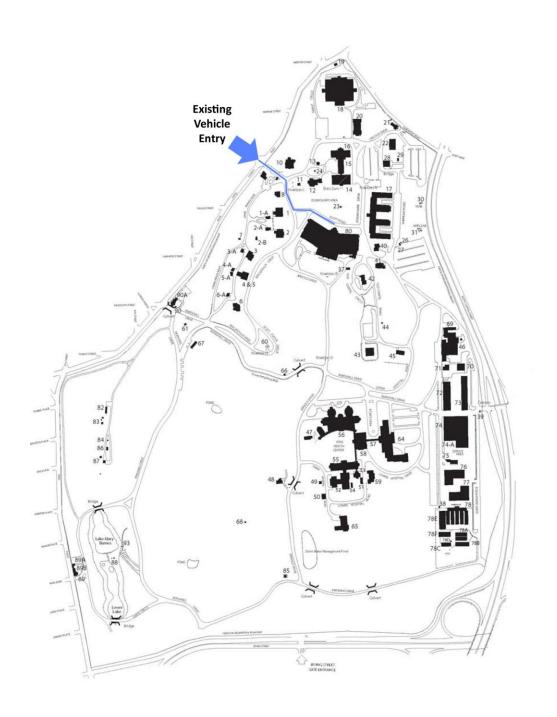


Figure 3-14: Existing Vehicle Entry Points Map (Adapted from DiMella Shaffer)

# 3.4.2 Parking

The existing Scott Building is currently serviced with a total of one hundred ninety-seven (197) existing parking spaces. One hundred and sixty five (165) spaces are located in the adjacent Sheridan lot between Sheridan Road and North Capitol Street. Thirty-two (32) staff and visitor parking spaces surround the existing Scott Building.

Of the thirty-two (32) spaces in the immediate vicinity of the Scott Building,

- fourteen (14) visitors' parking spaces are located along MacArthur Drive,
- eight (8) staff parking spaces are located along Eisenhower Drive,
- two (2) are located at the existing loading dock, and
- eight (8) spaces are located at the circular drive south of the Scott Building.

# 3.4.3 Public Transportation

The closest Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) Metro stop to the main entrance of the proposed project site is the Georgia Avenue-Petworth stop on the Green Line which is about five city blocks west of the main entry gate. Metro Bus lines 60 and H8 Connect the Metro stop with the main entrance gate on Rock Creek Church Road. AFRH-W has reported that 10% of their staff uses public transportation. AFRH-W has estimated that 15% of the residents who participate in off-site activities use public transportation.

## 3.4.4 Pedestrian/Bicycle Circulation

Due to its secure perimeter fence, cross-site pedestrian and bicycle circulation of non-AFRH-W residents does not occur at AFRH-W. Pedestrian, wheelchair and Battery Powered Vehicle (BPV) circulation of staff and employees occurs primarily between the Sheridan and the Scott Building, along Eisenhower Road and the south side of Scott Road at the main entrance to the existing Scott Building. Other active pedestrian routes include the quadrangle between the Scott and Sherman Buildings. Additional pedestrian routes lead from the visitor parking lot to the Lincoln cottage and visitor center and from the main gate along MacArthur / Scott Road to the Scott Building.

## 3.5 UTILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE

This section deals with the existing infrastructure, energy and environmental performance, stormwater and hazardous waste/contamination. Utilities include steam, electric, natural gas, water and sewer lines, an underground reservoir and Information and technology (IT) communication lines.

#### 3.5.1 Utilities

The proposed project site is currently supplied with primary steam, electrical, natural gas, and water and sewer lines. The existing Scott Building also houses the IT infrastructure for AFRH-W community and chilled water services for the existing Scott Building and Sheridan Building.

The Potomac Electric Power Company, Inc. (PEPCO) is the only distributor of electricity available to AFRH-W. Electrical service is provided to the existing Scott Building via three high-voltage feeders from AFRH-W electrical distribution system. The distribution lines would have to be

relocated for demolition and reconstruction purposes and a design decision would be made to determine the number of feeders necessary for the new project and the location of the main electrical service. The District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority provides retail water service to residential and commercial customers of the District of Columbia. Water is supplied to the District of Columbia from the Potomac River through the Dalecarlia and McMillan Reservoirs where filtration and treatment occur. AFRH-W also houses a 15 million-gallon underground reservoir, under the golf course, and allows the District to maintain the Reservoir. A 48-inch water transmission line runs south from the buried concrete water storage reservoir. This line does not run near the proposed project site. Water and sewer lines to the existing Scott Building enter from the south (Figure 3-12).

Washington Gas supplies natural gas to the District of Columbia through a network of underground conduits fed through larger high-pressure transmission lines, generally located within street right-of-ways. Natural gas lines service the existing Scott Building from the south and north. Furthermore, natural gas fuels the steam boilers located on AFRH-W. The existing Scott Building has its own dedicated steam line and therefore is not relied upon to provide steam to other buildings on AFRH-W.

IT Communication systems are presently housed in the lower levels of the existing Scott Building and service the Scott, Sheridan, LaGarde and Sherman Buildings. The telephone lines are serviced by Verizon.

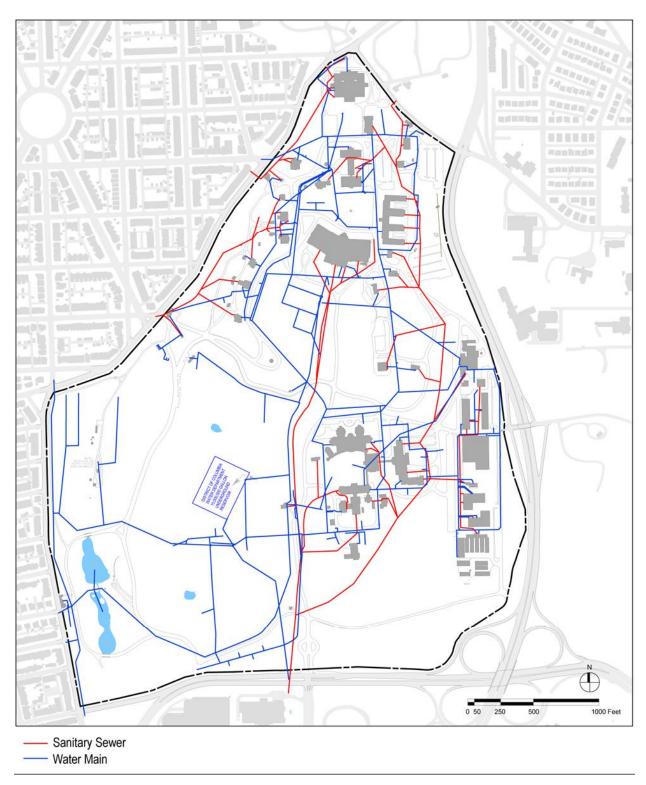


Figure 3-15: AFRH-W Existing Water and Sewer Utility Lines Map (AFRH EIS, 2007)

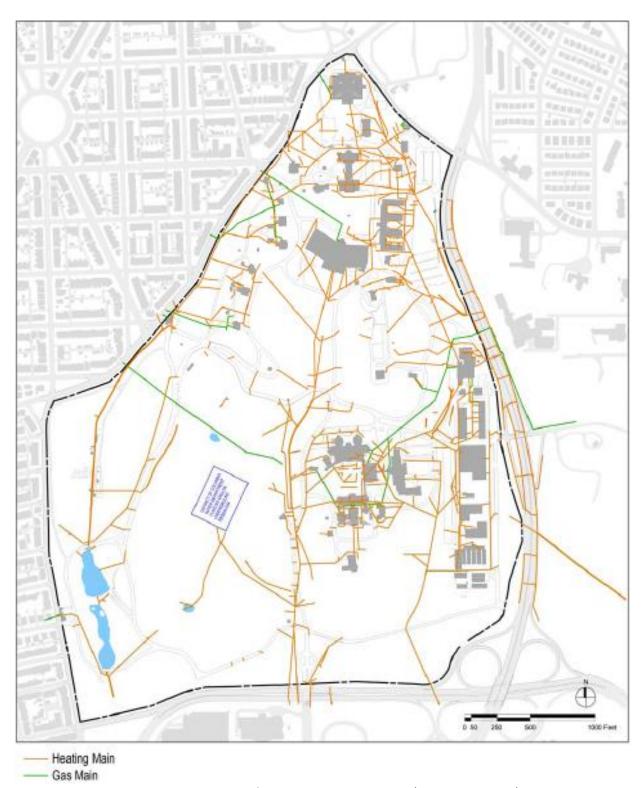


Figure 3-16: Gas and Heating Lines AFRH-W (AFRH EIS, 2007)

# 3.5.2 Energy and Environmental Performance

The existing Scott Building was built in 1954 and is larger than AFRH-W requires for their current and projected population. The design of the structure and materials used in its construction are outdated, resulting in increased use of energy and water resources. The roofing, window, and walls systems are less efficient at reducing heat transfer than those utilized in more modern structures, in particular the un-insulated exterior walls. Light fixtures and water fixtures in the building are not designed to use resources efficiently. As a result, the operation and maintenance of the structure is a financial burden for AFRH-W. The reduction of the financial burden associated with the maintenance and operation of the existing Scott Building is one of the primary goals of the proposed project.

## 3.5.3 Stormwater Management

Stormwater on AFRH-W is collected in various paved flumes and ponds on-site which discharge into combined sewer and stormwater lines on AFRH-W. These lines connect to District sewer lines at various points along AFRH-W's perimeter.

Executive Order (E.O.) 13514 requires the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to issue guidance on the implementation of Section 438 of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 (EISA). The provision reads as follows: "Storm water runoff requirements for federal development projects. The sponsor of any development or redevelopment project involving a Federal facility with a footprint that exceeds 5,000 square feet shall use site planning, design, construction, and maintenance strategies for the property to maintain or restore, to the maximum extent technically feasible, the predevelopment hydrology of the property with regard to the temperature, rate, volume, and duration of flow."

The District of Columbia Municipal Regulation (DCMR), Title 21, Water and Sanitation, Sections 526-535 regulate stormwater runoff from new construction. These regulations set controls on the quantity and quality of runoff for specified storm events. The regulations are enforced by the District of Columbia Department of Environment, Watershed protection Division. The regulations refer to the Stormwater Management Guidebook dated April 2003. This guidebook includes practices of controlling stormwater runoff meeting release rates for newly developed sites, and it includes methods for improving the quality of stormwater runoff. The following describes some of these methods:

# Stormwater management, quantity requirements:

As per the *Stormwater Management Guidebook*, stormwater quantity controls are required to ensure that stormwater discharging off site is limited to pre-development flows. This alleviates additional load on the existing combined sewer system in an effort to reduce combined sewer overflow pollution. During short periods of intense rainfalls and when the combined sewer systems reach their capacity limits for treatment at the Blue Plains Wastewater Treatment Plant, wastewater is diverted to a discharge system without treatment. This situation is referred to as "combined sewer overflow pollution". One of the benefits of providing stormwater management quantity protection is that it restricts the stormwater discharge from the site to its pre-development rate, as described earlier, and thus tends to minimize the "combined sewer overflow pollution."

## Stormwater management, quality requirements:

For most storm events, studies show that the first flush, or first half-inch of rainfall, contains as much as 85 to 90 percent of surface water pollutants. For this reason, it is required that the first flush be detained and treated before leaving the site.

In addition, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) published effluent limitations guidelines (ELGs) and new source performance standards (NSPS) to control the discharge of pollutants from construction sites on December 1, 2009. Implementation of the more stringent erosion and sediment controls by the new rule is required if the stormwater permit is issued after February 1, 2010. However, the effluent turbidity monitoring process does not go into action until August 2011, and then only for sites with 20+ acres of disturbance. The final rule goes into effect in February 2014, which requires sites with 10+ acres of disturbance to monitor the turbidity of their runoff. The proposed area of disturbance is six acres; therefore it is below the threshold both now and in the future.

#### 3.5.4 Hazardous Materials

F&R's Limited Hazardous Survey Report dated October 23, 2009 (included in Appendix) identifies hazardous materials within the proposed project site. The survey identified asbestos containing building materials consisting primarily of thermal system insulation, exterior caulk and floor tile. In addition, lead based paint was identified on the ceramic bath tubs, caution paint on the concrete floors and paint on stairwell treads. The remaining paint samples indicated the presence of lead below the District of Columbia action level.

# 3.6 AIR QUALITY

The EPA, under the requirements of the 1970 Clean Air Act (CAA) as amended in 1977 and 1990, has established National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) for six contaminants, referred to as criteria pollutants (40 CFR 50). These criteria pollutants are: carbon monoxide (CO), nitrogen dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>), ozone (O<sub>3</sub>), particulate matter (PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub>), lead (Pb), and sulfur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>).

Areas that are below the NAAQS for a criteria pollutant are designated as being in "attainment." Areas where a criteria pollutant level exceeds the NAAQS are designated as being

in "non-attainment." O<sub>3</sub> non-attainment areas are categorized based on the severity of their pollution problem: marginal, moderate, serious, severe, or extreme, and CO non-attainment areas are categorized as moderate or serious. AFRH-W is located in the District of Columbia, an area with the following current designations:

- Moderate non-attainment for O<sub>3</sub> for the 1-hour standard
- Moderate non-attainment for O<sub>3</sub> for the 8-hour standard
- Non-attainment for PM<sub>10</sub>
- Attainment for all other criteria pollutants

## 3.7 NOISE LEVELS

The extent to which individuals are affected by noise is controlled by several factors, including:

- The duration and frequency of sound,
- The distance between the sound source and the receptor,
- The intervening natural or man-made barriers or structures, and
- The ambient environment

The unit of measure for Leq is the "A-weighted" decibel (dBA). A Leq is a symbol that represents equivalent continuous noise level. The dBA scale de-emphasizes the very low and the very high frequencies and emphasizes the middle frequencies, thereby closely approximating the frequency response of the human ear. Common noise sources and their sound levels are described in Table 3-1.

**Table 3-1: Common Noise Sources and Their Sound Levels** 

Source	Sound Level (dBA)
Near large jet at takeoff	140
Air-raid siren	130
Threshold of pain	120
Thunder or sonic boom	110
Garbage or trailer truck at roadside	100
Power lawn mower at 5 feet	90
Alarm clock or vacuum cleaner	80
Freeway traffic at 50 feet	70
Conversational speech	60
Average residence	50
Bedroom	40
Soft whisper at 15 feet	30

Source	Sound Level (dBA)
Rustle of leaves	20
Breathing	10
Threshold of hearing	0

Source: Adapted from U.S. National Bureau of Standards Handbook 119, 1976.

Human ability to perceive change in noise levels varies widely from person to person, as do responses to perceived changes. Generally, a three dBA change in noise level would be barely perceptible to most listeners, whereas a ten dBA change is normally perceived as doubling (or halving) of noise levels and is considered a substantial change. These thresholds (summarized in Table 3-2) permit direct estimation of an individual's probable perception of changes in noise levels.

Table 3-2: Perception of Changes in Noise Levels

Change in dBA	Perception
0	Reference
3	Barely perceptible change
5	Readily perceptible change
10	Twice or half as loud
20	Four times or 1/4 as loud
40	Eight times or 1/8 as loud

Source: Federal Highway Administration, June 1995 (Highway Traffic Noise Analysis and Abatement Policy and Guidance)

Because the dBA noise metric describes steady noise levels, and very few noises are in fact constant, a method to describe noise varying over a period of time is needed. One such method is to describe fluctuating noise over a period as if it were steady and unchanging. For this purpose, a descriptor called the equivalent sound level (Leq) is computed.

Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has established Noise Abatement Criteria (NAC) that define limits beyond which noise abatement measures must be considered. Since the proposed action is not a FHWA project, these standards are not directly applicable. However, they provide a convenient benchmark to assess the level at which noise becomes a marked source of annoyance. Thresholds vary depending on the type of land use in the area considered and are summarized in Table 3-3. Land use Category B, which represents moderately sensitive land uses, including residents, churches, and hospitals, best characterizes land uses near AFRH-W. The NAC for Category B land uses is a Leq(1) of 67 dBA.

**Table 3-3: Noise Abatement Thresholds** 

Activity Category	Description of Activity Category	Leq(1)
А	Land for which serenity and quiet area of extraordinary significance and serve an important public need and where the preservation of those qualities is essential if the area is to continue to serve its intended purpose	57 (exterior)
В	Picnic areas, recreation areas, playgrounds, active sports areas, parks, residences, motels, hotels, schools, churches, libraries, and hospitals.	67 (exterior)
С	Developed land, properties, or activities not included in Categories A or B above	72 (exterior)
D	Undeveloped lands.	N/A
E	Residences, motels, public meeting rooms, schools, churches, libraries, hospitals, and auditoriums.	52 (interior)
Note: The Leq(1) designations represent hourly A-weighted sound levels expressed in dBA.		

Source: FHWA, June 1995

Existing noise levels were measured as part of AFRH-W EIS performed in November, 2007. Based on the results of that study, the proposed project site is currently within the acceptable noise range for a Category B location. In addition, noise level results indicate that predicted general growth in the community is anticipated to increase the noise levels at the existing Scott Building by two to three decibels, which is still within the acceptable range for a Category B location.

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# **ENVIRONMENTAL CONSEQUENCES**

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The following chapter assesses the impacts of the proposed action on each of the action alternatives and the No Action Alternative. In the analysis, impacts are characterized by several factors including intensity, type and duration. Definitions of these terms and related assumptions are provided below.

# Intensity:

The intensity of an impact describes the magnitude of change that the impact generates. For the majority of resource areas, the intensity thresholds are as follows:

- No Impact: No impact on exisiting conditions
- *Negligible*: There would be no impact, or the impact does not result in a noticeable change in the resource;
- *Minor:* The impact would be slight, but detectable, resulting in a small but measurable change in the resource;
- Moderate: The impact would be readily apparent and/or easily detectable;
- *Major:* The impact would be widespread and would substantially alter the resource. A major adverse impact would be considered significant under NEPA.

For certain resources, such as views and vistas, more specific thresholds are necessary. If applicable, these thresholds are outlined at the beginning of the resource's section.

## Type:

The impact type refers to whether it is adverse (negative) or beneficial (positive). Adverse impacts would potentially harm resources, while beneficial impacts would improve resource conditions. Within the analysis, impacts are assumed to be adverse unless identified as beneficial.

## **Duration:**

The duration of an impact identifies whether or not it occurs over a restricted period of time (short-term) or persists over a longer period (long-term). For the purpose of this analysis, it is assumed that short-term impacts would occur during the construction of the improvements, while long-term impacts would persist once construction is complete.

In addition to the factors detailed above, impacts may be characterized as direct, indirect, or cumulative. A direct impact is caused by the action and occurs at the same time and place. An indirect impact is caused by the action, but occurs later in time, or farther removed in distance. A cumulative impact occurs when the proposed action is considered together with other past, ongoing, or planned actions. Unless otherwise noted the impacts from this project would be direct. Cumulative impacts are discussed at the end of this section.

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Table 4-1: Comparison of Impacts for the New Commons and Healthcare Building as compared to existing conditions			
Resource	Alternative A:	Alternative B	Alternative C: No Action
Archeological Resources	No Impact	No Impact	No Impact
Historic Resources	Moderate Beneficial, Long-Term	Minor Beneficial, Long-Term	No Impact The existing Scott Building would remain out of context with the historic character of AFRH-W.
Views And Vistas	Moderate, Beneficial, Long-Term	Minor, Beneficial, Long-Term	No Impact The viewshed would remain obstructed.
Land Use	Minor, Beneficial, Long-term	Minor, Beneficial, Long-term,	No Impact
Planning Policies	No Impact	No Impact	No Impact
Open Space	Minor to moderate, Beneficial, Long-term	Minor, Beneficial Long-term,	No Impact The Existing Scott Building would continue to occupy its large foot print.
Topography- Construction	Minor, Adverse, Short-Term	Minor, Adverse, Short-Term	No Impact
Topography - Operation	No Impact	No Impact	No Impact
Vegetation	Minor, Beneficial, Long-Term,	Minor, Beneficial, Long-Term,	No Impact
Water Resources- Construction	Minor, Adverse, Short-Term	Minor, Adverse, Short-Term	No Impact

Table 4-1: Comparison of Impacts for the New Commons and Healthcare Building as compared to existing conditions			
Resource	Alternative A:	Alternative B	Alternative C: No Action
Water Resources- Operation	Minor, Beneficial, Long-Term	Minor, Beneficial, Long-Term	No Impact
Vehicular Circulation - Construction	Moderate, Adverse, Short-Term	Moderate, Adverse, Short-Term	No Impact
Vehicular Circulation - Operation	No Impact	No Impact	No Impact
Parking - Construction	Minor, Adverse, Short-Term	Minor, Adverse, Short-Term	No Impact
Parking- Operation	Negligible, Adverse, Long-Term	Negligible, Adverse, Long-Term	No Impact
Public Transportation	No impact	No impact	No impact
Pedestrian/Bicycle Circulation - Construction	Minor, Adverse, Short-Term	Minor, Adverse, Short-Term	No Impact
Pedestrian/Bicycle Circulation - Operation	No Impact	No Impact	No Impact
Utilities	Negligible, Adverse, Long-Term	Negligible, Adverse, Long-Term	No Impact
Energy And Environmental Performance	Moderate, Beneficial, Long-Term	Moderate, Beneficial, Long-Term	No Impact The Existing Scott Building would continue inefficient operations.
Stormwater Management- Construction	Minor, Adverse, Short-term	Minor, Adverse, Short-term	No Impact

Table 4-1: Comparison of Impacts for the New Commons and Healthcare Building as compared to existing conditions				
Resource	Alternative A:	Alternative B	Alternative C: No Action	
Stormwater	Minor to Moderate,	Minor,		
Management-	Beneficial,	Beneficial,	No Impact	
Operation	Long-Term	Long-Term		
Hazardous Waste/	Minor,	Minor,	No Impact	
Contamination	Beneficial,	Beneficial,	Hazardous materials would	
Contamination	Long-Term	Long-Term	remain in place.	
Air Quality -	Minor,	Minor,		
Construction	Adverse,	Adverse,	No Impact	
Construction	Short-term	Short-term		
Air Quality	Minor,	Minor,		
Air Quality - Demolition	Adverse,	Adverse,	No Impact	
	Short-term	Short-term		
Air Quality - Operation	No Impact	No Impact	No Impact	
Noise Levels - Construction	Moderate,	Moderate,		
	Adverse,	Adverse,	No Impact	
	Short-Term	Short-Term		
Noise Levels - Demolition	Moderate,	Moderate,		
	Adverse,	Adverse,	No Impact	
	Short-Term	Short-Term		
Noise Levels - Operation	No Impact	No Impact	No Impact	

# Table 4-2: Comparison of Impacts of Cooling Tower and IT Relocation

Alternative C: No Action would result in no impact regarding the relocation of the cooling towers and IT services because these services would remain in the Scott Building.

The location of the proposed new cooling tower and IT relocation are common to both action alternatives (A & B)

Resources not listed in this table would not be impacted by the relocation of the cooling towers or the IT services.

Resource	Cooling Tower and Chiller	IT Relocation
	Minor,	Minor,
Historic Resources	Adverse,	Adverse,
	Long -Term	Long-Term

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Resource Cooling Tower and Chiller		IT Relocation
Views and Vistas	Minor,	
	Adverse,	No impact
	Long-term	
Vegetation- Construction	Negligible,	
	Beneficial,	No impact
	Short-term	
Vegetation- Operation	Negligible,	
	Beneficial,	No impact
	Long-term	
Daulius	Minor to moderate,	
Parking- Construction	Adverse,	No impact
Construction	Short-term	
Darking	Minor,	
Parking-	Adverse,	No impact
Operation	Long-term	
Utilities	Negligible,	Negligible,
	Beneficial,	Beneficial,
	Long-term	Long-term
Energy and	Moderate,	Moderate,
Environmental	Beneficial,	Beneficial,
Performance	Long-term	Long-term
Stormwater Management	Minor to Moderate,	Minor to Moderate,
	Beneficial	Beneficial
	Long-term,	Long-term,
Hazardaus Wasta/	Minor,	Minor,
Hazardous Waste/ Contamination	Beneficial,	long-term,
	Long-term	Beneficial
Air Quality	Minor,	Minor,
Air Quality- Construction	Adverse,	Adverse,
	Short-term	Short-term
Air Quality-	Minor,	Minor,
Operation	Adverse,	Adverse,

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Resource	Cooling Tower and Chiller	IT Relocation
	Long-term	Long-term
Noise Levels- Construction	Minor,	Minor,
	Adverse,	Adverse,
	Short-term	Short-term
Noise Levels- Operation	Minor,	
	Adverse,	No Impact
	Long-term	

## 4.1 CULTURAL RESOURCES

This section analyzes the potential effects of the proposed alternatives on the historic resources within the study area. The study area is defined as the entire AFRH-W.

#### 4.1.1 Archaeological Resources

#### **Alternative A:**

The five archeological sensitivity zones identified within the AFRH-W Historic District (site of a post-1873 cross-gable, wood-frame building; site of a pre-1870 building cluster; site of the Carlise Cottage; site of the 1876 Barnes Hospital; and the Lincoln Cottage Archeological Site) are not located within the boundaries of the proposed project site. Although the site is located on an area identified as having potential for prehistoric occupation, all excavation for the new construction would take place in the same general area as the existing Scott Building, and the depth of excavation required for the proposed project would not exceed the depth of excavation completed in the 1950s for the Scott Building. Therefore, Alternative A would have no impact on archeological resources.

The relocation of IT services to the Sherman Building and the preferred cooling tower location are not likely to have an impact on archeological resources.

#### Alternative B:

The five archeological sensitivity zones identified within the AFRH-W Historic District (site of a post-1873 cross-gable, wood-frame building; site of a pre-1870 building cluster; site of the Carlise Cottage; site of the 1876 Barnes Hospital; and the Lincoln Cottage Archeological Site) are not located within the boundaries of the proposed project site. Although the site is located on

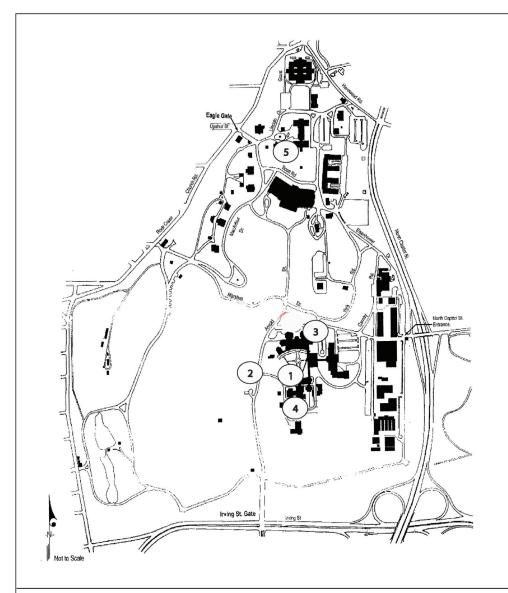
an area identified as having potential for prehistoric occupation, all excavation for the new construction would take place in the same general area as the existing Scott Building, and the depth of excavation required for the proposed project would not exceed the depth of excavation completed in the 1950s for the Scott Building. Therefore, Alternative B would have no impact on archeological resources.

The relocation of IT services to the Sherman Building and the preferred cooling tower location are not likely to have an impact on archeological resources.

#### **Alternative C:**

Under the No Action Alternative, site development would not be undertaken; thus, there would be no impacts to archaeological resources.

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#### Archeological Sensitivity Zones

- Location of Carlise Cottage (C) Location of Pre-1870 Building Cluster (C) Location of Post-1873 Cross Gable Frame Building (C) Location of Barnes Hopsital Lincoln Cottage Archeological Site

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## 4.1.2 Historic Resources

#### **Alternative A:**

Under Alternative A, the existing Scott Building would be demolished and a new facility would be constructed in the same general location.

The existing Scott Building is not listed individually in the D.C. Inventory of Historic Sites or the National Register of Historic Places. It is not located within the boundaries of the U.S. Soldiers' and Airmen's Home National Historic Landmark or the President Lincoln and Soldiers' Home National Monument. Although the Scott Building is located within AFRH-W Historic District, it was constructed in 1954 — outside the period of significance — and is categorized as a noncontributing building. The demolition component of Alternative A would neither alter the characteristics of the Home that qualify it for inclusion in the National Register nor diminish its integrity.

As described below, although the build component of Alternative A would construct a new facility on the Scott Building site, its scale and massing would be greatly reduced, its design character would be more in keeping with the historic character of the Home, and the viewshed would be improved when compared to existing conditions. The net result of the demolition and build components of Alternative A would have a moderate, long-term, beneficial impact on the historic resources within the study area when compared to existing conditions.

Under Alternative A, the build component would construct a new facility with an east-west orientation along Scott Road and a main entry directly south of the entrance to the historic Sherman Building. The building mass would be three stories as seen from the north, with a lower level below grade. The building would be positioned on the eastern edge of the building site. The south elevation of the building would be formed from a series of stepped terraces. Various elements of the build component of Alternative A factor into its potential impact on the historic features within the study area as they currently exist. These are identified below.

First, the new facility would be located adjacent to the historic core of the Home – the location of the earliest and most significant buildings within the AFRH-W Historic District. The historic core is also the location of the U.S. Soldiers' and Airmen's Home National Historic Landmark and the President Lincoln and Soldiers' Home National Monument. Under Alternative A, as seen from the north, the new facility would read as a symmetrical, moderately-scaled, three-story structure, and its location on the building site would create a new axial relationship with the historic Sherman Building to the north. Arranging the physical volume of the new facility in this way would be generally consistent and compatible with the historic building forms, proportions, and dimensions of the contributing buildings within the historic core. This would have a minor, long-term, beneficial impact when compared to existing conditions.

Additionally, the location of the new facility would partially restore the historic spatial organization of the historic core. Historically, the spatial organization to the south of the Sherman Building was defined by open ground that overlooked the southern portions of AFRH-W and provided unobstructed views south toward Washington and the U.S. Capitol. This spatial organization was largely altered with the construction of the Scott Building in 1954, which

resulted in the development of a formalized landscaped lawn, or quadrangle, south of the Sherman Building, the establishment of Scott Road and its street trees, and the creation of a pedestrian connection between the Sherman Building and the Scott Building — all noncontributing features to AFRH-W Historic District. The location and scale of the new facility (compared to existing conditions) would partially restore the open space that historically defined the spatial organization of the historic core. This would have a minor, long-term, beneficial impact on the historic resources within the study area when compared to existing conditions.

Second, the building site would be located east of Officer's Quarters 1 and Officer's Quarters 2 – contributing buildings within the historic core. These small-scale residential structures are surrounded by foundation plantings that serve as a transition between the domestic scale of the residences and the forest stands to the west. Under existing conditions, the scale and location of the Scott Building negatively affects the residential character of the officer's quarters. As already mentioned, under Alternative A, the new facility would be located within the eastern portion of the building site with an open grassy area to the west. This would orient the new facility in a careful manner and would lessen the potential impact of the facility on the residential character of the officer's quarters. This would have a minor, long-term, beneficial impact when compared to existing conditions.

Third, the new facility would be located adjacent to several roads identified as contributing resources to AFRH-W Historic District. These include Eisenhower Drive to the east, Old Chapel Circle to the southeast, and MacArthur Drive to the west. Scott Road, north of the building site, and Arnold Drive (northern realignment) to the south are identified as noncontributing resources. Under Alternative A, Eisenhower Drive would be slightly realigned to provide accessible parking east of the building site. This would have a minor, long-term, adverse impact on the historic resources when compared to existing conditions.

Fourth, the building site would be located northwest of the Rose Chapel and its associated landscape resources — Chapel Woods, Chapel Circle, and the Chapel Foundation Plantings. These features are contributing resources within the historic district. Under Alternative A the main mass of the building would be located at the northern edge of the site, while the south elevation would feature stepped terraces. Alternative A would reduce the massing of the south elevation of the new facility, which would lessen the impact on the visual character of Rose Chapel and its surrounding landscape. This would have a moderate, long-term, beneficial impact when compared to existing conditions.

Fifth, the building site would be located northeast of the Meadow, a landscape feature characterized by its open, sloping topography and a contributing element to AFRH-W Historic District. Positioning the new facility within the eastern portion of the building site, as occurs under Alternative A, would allow for the partial restoration of open space in this location, extending open ground from the Meadow to the historic core. This would have a moderate, long-term, beneficial impact on the historic resources within the study area when compared to existing conditions.

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Lastly, assuming potential impacts from demolition and new construction on the building site would be avoided through the incorporation of engineering methods to protect the buildings and through construction monitoring and site protections to ensure that adjacent historic buildings remain stable, the demolition component of Alternative A would have no additional impact on the historic buildings and landscape resources within the study area.

Two elements of the demolition component of Alternative A factor into its potential impact on the historic features within the study area as they currently exist. These are identified below.

First, the demolition component of Alternative A would require the relocation of the IT center – currently located in the Scott Building – to the southwest corner of the Sherman Building basement. The Sherman Building was originally constructed in 1852 and served as the Home's first hospital, dormitory, and administrative building. It is located within the U.S. Soldiers' and Airmen's Home National Historic Landmark and is identified as a contributing building to AFRH-W Historic District. Up to three rooms in the basement of the Sherman Building would be converted for the relocation of the IT center, which would result in minor alterations to interior architectural elements. Exterior modifications would include the addition of air-conditioning condenser units in the below-grade well that runs along the perimeter of the building. These condenser units would be largely hidden from view, but may affect the visual quality of the Sherman Building and the National Historic Landmark. Although anticipated to be minimal, the noise generated by the operation of the condenser units may affect the adjacent President Lincoln and Soldiers' Home National Monument. The relocation of the IT center from the Scott Building to the Sherman Building would have a minor, long-term, adverse impact on the historic features within the study area as they currently exist.

Second, the demolition component of Alternative A would require the relocation of the Sheridan Building chiller equipment and cooling towers. The chiller equipment, currently located in the basement of the Scott Building, would be relocated to the Sheridan Building, and the cooling towers, currently located on the roof of the Scott Building, would be moved to a location south of the Sheridan Building Plaza. The Sheridan Building and its adjacent Plaza were constructed outside the period of significance of AFRH-W Historic District and are identified as noncontributing resources. The relocation of chiller equipment to the Sheridan Building and the installation of a large exterior louver would have no potential impact on the physical integrity of historic built and natural resources within the study area. Transferring the cooling towers, which would be approximately 25 feet tall and screened by a metal wall, to a new location south of the Sheridan Building Plaza may potentially impact the visual quality of Quarters 40 and Quarters 41, both identified as contributing resources to the historic district. Additionally, due to the size of the cooling towers and the screening, their location may potentially interrupt views into the Home from North Capitol Street. The relocation of the cooling towers to the preferred cooling tower location would have a minor, long-term, adverse impact on the historic features within the study area as they currently exist. Additional vegetation buffers would be used to screen the cooling tower and mitigate some of the adverse impact.

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## **Alternative B:**

Under Alternative B, the existing Scott Building would be demolished and a new facility would be constructed in the same general location.

The existing Scott Building is not listed individually in the D.C. Inventory of Historic Sites or the National Register of Historic Places. It is not located within the boundaries of the U.S. Soldiers' and Airmen's Home National Historic Landmark or the President Lincoln and Soldiers' Home National Monument. Although the Scott Building is located within AFRH-W Historic District, it was constructed in 1954 — outside the period of significance — and is categorized as a noncontributing building. The demolition component of Alternative B would neither alter the characteristics of the Home that qualify it for inclusion in the National Register nor diminish its integrity.

As described below, although the build component of Alternative B would construct a new facility on the Scott Building site, its scale and massing would be significantly reduced and the viewshed would be improved when compared to existing conditions. The net result of the demolition and build components of Alternative B would have a minor, long-term, beneficial impact on the historic resources within the study area when compared to current conditions.

Under Alternative B, the build component would construct a new facility composed of two separate building masses, or wings, oriented north-south. The wings would be connected by a one-story structure set back from Scott Drive behind an exterior courtyard. The wings would have a low massing with a height of two stories as seen from the north. Terraces would extend to the west from the western wing and to the south from the connection structure and the eastern wing. Various elements of the build component of Alternative B factor into its potential impact on the historic features within the study area as they currently exist. These are identified below.

First, the new facility would be located adjacent to the historic core of the Home – the location of the earliest and most significant buildings within the AFRH-W Historic District. The historic core is also the location of the U.S. Soldiers' and Airmen's Home National Historic Landmark and the President Lincoln and Soldiers' Home National Monument. Historically, the spatial organization of the historic core was defined by open ground that overlooked the southern portions of AFRH-W and provided unobstructed views south toward Washington and the U.S. Capitol. This spatial organization was largely altered with the construction of the Scott Building in 1954, which resulted in the development of a formalized landscaped lawn, or quadrangle, south of the Sherman Building, the establishment of Scott Road and its street trees, and the creation of a pedestrian connection between the Sherman Building and the Scott Building – all noncontributing features to AFRH-W Historic District. The location and scale of the new facility (compared to existing conditions) would partially restore the open space that historically defined the spatial organization of the historic core. This would have a minor, long-term, beneficial impact on the historic resources within the study area when compared to existing conditions.

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Second, the building site would be located east of Officers Quarters 1 and Officers Quarters 2 – contributing buildings within the historic core. These small-scale residential structures are surrounded by foundation plantings that serve as a transition between the domestic scale of the residences and the forest stands to the west. Under existing conditions, the scale and location of the Scott Building negatively affects the residential character of the officers quarters. Under Alternative B, the new facility would be located mostly within the eastern portion of the building site with an open grassy area to the west. This would orient the new facility in a careful manner and would lessen the impact of the facility on the residential character of the officers quarters. This would have a minor, long-term, beneficial impact when compared to existing conditions.

Third, the building site would be located northwest of the Rose Chapel and its associated landscape resources — Chapel Woods, Chapel Circle, and the Chapel Foundation Plantings. These features are contributing resources within the historic district. Under Alternative B the main mass of the building would be separated into two wings with the two-story mass of the eastern wing extending deep into the eastern end of the building site. However, when compared to the existing Scott Building, the massing and orientation of the new facility would be more sensitive to the visual character of Rose Chapel and its surrounding landscape. This would have a minor, long-term, beneficial impact when compared to existing conditions.

Fourth, the building site would be located northeast of the Meadow, a landscape feature characterized by its open, sloping topography and a contributing element to AFRH-W Historic District. Positioning the new facility primarily within the eastern portion of the building site, as occurs under Alternative B, would allow for the partial restoration of open space in this location, extending the open ground from the Meadow to the historic core. This would have a moderate, beneficial, long-term impact on the historic resources when compared to existing conditions.

Lastly, assuming potential impacts from demolition and new construction on the building site would be avoided through the incorporation of engineering methods to protect the buildings and through construction monitoring and site protections to ensure that adjacent historic buildings remain stable, the demolition component of Alternative B would have no additional impact on the historic buildings and landscape resources within the study area.

Two elements of the demolition component of Alternative B factor into its potential impact on the historic features within the study area as they currently exist. These are identified below.

First, the demolition component of Alternative B would require the relocation of the IT center – currently located in the Scott Building – to the southwest corner of the Sherman Building basement. The Sherman Building was originally constructed in 1852 and served as the Home's first hospital, dormitory, and administrative building. It is located within the U.S. Soldiers' and Airmen's Home National Historic Landmark and is identified as a contributing building to AFRH-W Historic District. Up to three rooms in the basement of the Sherman Building would be converted for the relocation of the IT center, which would result in minor alterations to interior architectural elements. Exterior modifications would include the addition of air-conditioning

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condenser units in the below-grade well that runs along the perimeter of the building. These condenser units would be largely hidden from view, but may affect the visual quality of the Sherman Building and the National Historic Landmark. Although anticipated to be minimal, the noise generated by the operation of the condenser units may affect the adjacent President Lincoln and Soldiers' Home National Monument. The relocation of the IT center from the Scott Building to the Sherman Building would have a minor, long-term, adverse impact on the historic features within the study area as they currently exist.

Second, the demolition component of Alternative B would require the relocation of the Sheridan Building chiller equipment and cooling towers. The chiller equipment, currently located in the basement of the Scott Building, would be relocated to the Sheridan Building, and the cooling towers, currently located on the roof of the Scott Building, would be moved to a location south of the Sheridan Building Plaza. The Sheridan Building and its adjacent Plaza were constructed outside the period of significance of AFRH-W Historic District and are identified as noncontributing resources. The relocation of chiller equipment to the Sheridan Building and the installation of a large exterior louver would have no potential impact on the physical integrity of historic built and natural resources within the study area. Transferring the cooling towers, which would be approximately 25 feet tall and screened by a metal wall, to a new location south of the Sheridan Building Plaza may potentially impact the visual quality of Quarters 40 and Quarters 41, both identified as contributing resources to the historic district. Additionally, due to the size of the cooling towers and the screening, their location may potentially interrupt views into the home from North Capitol Street. The relocation of the cooling towers to the preferred cooling tower location would have a minor, long-term, adverse impact on the historic features within the study area as they currently exist. Additional vegetation buffers would be used to screen the cooling tower and mitigate some of the adverse impact.

## **Alternative C: No Action**

Alternative C constitutes the No Action alternative. Under this alternative no alterations would be made to the Scott Building, and existing conditions would continue. As the existing condition, this alternative would have no impact on the overall integrity or on the character-defining features of the historic resources within the study area as they currently exist. The existing condition, in which the Scott Building is an intrusion in the historic district, would continue.

## 4.1.3 Views and Vistas

#### **Alternative A:**

Scenic views and visual resources, recognized as a central element of the Home's picturesque landscape, are identified as a single contributing resource to the AFRH-W Historic District. With the construction of the Scott Building in 1954, the historic viewshed from the Lincoln Cottage and the historic core of the Home to the U.S. Capitol was compromised.

Under Alternative A, the new facility would be located within the eastern portion of the building site. This would restore historic viewsheds from the historic core and particularly from the Lincoln Cottage to the U.S. Capitol. A small section of the New Commons and Healthcare

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Facility may be visible from North Capitol street, looking west across the parking lot but would be substantially less visible than the existing Scott Building and mostly obscured from view by the Sheridan Building. this alternative would have a moderate, long-term, beneficial impact when compared to existing conditions.

The relocation of the IT center to the basement of Sherman Building would have no impact on the historic viewsheds identified as a contributing resource to AFRH-W Historic District as such mitigation is not required.

The relocation of the cooling towers to the preferred cooling tower location of the parking located to the southeast of the Sheridan Building would have no impact on the historic viewsheds identified as a contributing resource to AFRH-W Historic District but would have a minor, long-term, adverse impact on the visual setting of adjacent historic resources. Additional vegetation buffers would be used to screen the cooling tower and mitigate some of the adverse impact.

## **Alternative B:**

Scenic views and visual resources, recognized as a central element of the Home's picturesque landscape, are identified as a single contributing resource to the AFRH-W Historic District. With the construction of the existing Scott Building in 1954, the historic viewshed from the Lincoln Cottage and the historic core of the Home to the U.S. Capitol was compromised. Under Alternative B, the new facility would mostly be located within the eastern portion of the building site, but a terrace component would extend partially into the historic viewshed. This section of the building would read as one story from the north and feature a roof garden. Under Alternative B, the historic viewsheds from the historic core and particularly from the Lincoln Cottage to the U.S. Capitol – viewed over a one-story terrace – would be partially restored. A small section of the east wing of the New Commons and Healthcare Facility may be visible from North Capitol Street, looking west across the parking lot but would be substantially less visible than the existing Scott Building and mostly obscured from view by the Sheridan Building. This alternative would have a minor, long-term, beneficial impact on the views and vistas within the study area when compared to existing conditions.

The relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building would have no impact on the historic viewsheds identified as a contributing resource to AFRH-W Historic District as such mitigation is not required.

The relocation of the chiller cooling towers to the preferred cooling tower location of the parking located to the southeast of the Sheridan Building would have no impact on the historic viewsheds identified as a contributing resource to AFRH-W Historic District but would have a minor, long-term, adverse impact on the visual setting of adjacent historic resources. Additional vegetation buffers would be used to screen the cooling tower and mitigate some of the adverse impact.

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## **Alternative C: No Action**

Under Alternative C, no alterations would be made to the existing Scott Building. This alternative would have no impact on the current views from the Lincoln Cottage and the historic core of the AFRH-W to the U.S. Capitol. However, the existing condition, in which the Scott Building obstructs a key historic viewshed from the Lincoln Cottage to the U.S. Capitol, would continue.

#### 4.2 LAND USE

#### Alternative A:

Alternative A does not present a change in land use. The existing Scott Building would be replaced by a smaller structure that serves a similar function, and is in character with the overall usage of AFRH-W. The proposed action would result in a net decrease in the building footprint in the area of disturbance and an associated increase in landscaped area. Alternative A would utilize the project area in similar but more efficient manner than the no action alternative and would result in a minor, long-term, beneficial impact on land use.

The relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building and the relocation of the cooling towers to the preferred cooling tower location of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building would have no impact.

## **Alternative B:**

Alternative B does not present a change in land use. The existing Scott Building would be replaced by a smaller structure that serves a similar function, and is in character with the overall usage of AFRH-W. The proposed action would result in a net decrease in the building footprint in the area of disturbance and an associated increase in landscaped area, however the net decrease would not be as great as Alternative A since Alternative B has a larger footprint than Alternative A. Alternative B would utilize the project area in similar but more efficient manner than the no action alternative and would result in a minor, long-term, beneficial impact on land use.

The relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building and the relocation of the cooling towers to the preferred cooling tower location of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building would have no impact.

## **Alternative C: No Action**

Under the No Action Alternative, site development would not be undertaken thus there would be no impact to land use.

## 4.2.1 Planning Policies

#### Alternative A:

District-wide planning is directed by *The Comprehensive Plan for the National Capital* Alternative A would develop the proposed project site in a manner that benefits the Home's residents, provides a model for the country and is worthy of the nation's capital in accordance

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with the Federal Elements of the comprehensive plan. Development on the proposed project site, would be done by a Federal agency, is not subject to local zoning. Furthermore, the proposed project site would be used for the same purposes as the previous use maintaining consistency. The AFRH-W Master Plan identifies the existing Scott Building location, the proposed new building would be within the foot print of the existing Scott Building, therefore this project has no additional impact beyond what was presented in the Master Plan. No impact to planning policies would occur.

The relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building and the relocation of the cooling towers to the preferred cooling tower location of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building would have no impact.

## **Alternative B:**

District-wide planning is directed by *The Comprehensive Plan for the National Capital*. Alternative B would develop the proposed project site in a manner that benefits the Home's residents, provides a model for the country and is worthy of the nation's capital in accordance with the Federal Elements of the comprehensive plan. Development on the proposed project site, if done by Federal government, is not subject to local zoning. Furthermore, the proposed project site would be used for the same purposes as the previous use maintaining consistency. The Master Plan identifies the existing Scott Building location, the proposed new building would would be within the foot print of the existing Scott Building, therefore this project has no additional impact beyond what was presented in the Master Plan. No impact to planning policies would occur.

The relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building and the relocation of the cooling towers to the preferred cooling tower location of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building would have no impact.

#### Alternative C: No Action

Under the No Action Alternative, site development would not be undertaken thus there would be no impact to planning policies.

## 4.2.2 Open Space

#### Alternative A:

The proposed project site would continue to provide open space as it would be redeveloped to provide the same existing amenities. Furthermore, open space including the golf course and surrounding paths and green spaces would not be affected by development of the New Commons and Healthcare Building. The northern portion of the ball field may be utilized as laydown space during construction. The quadrangle would remain north of the construction zone and Scott Road would likely remain operational with the exception of some temporary closures. Alternative A would result in a minor to moderate, beneficial, long-term direct impact on open space.

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The relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building and the relocation of the cooling towers to the preferred cooling tower location of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building would have no impact.

#### **Alternative B:**

The proposed project site would continue to provide open space as it would be redeveloped to provide the same existing amenities. Furthermore, open space including the golf course and surrounding paths and green spaces would not be affected by development of the new Commons/Healthcare Building. The northern portion of the ball field may be utilized as laydown space during construction. The Quadrangle would remain north of the construction zone and Scott Road would likely remain operational with the exception of some temporary closures. Alternative B would create less open space than Alternative A however it would still result in a minor, beneficial, long-term direct impact on open space.

The relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building and the relocation of the chiller cooling towers to the preferred cooling tower location of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building would have no impact.

#### Alternative C: No Action

Under the No Action Alternative, site development would not be undertaken thus there would be no impact to existing open space. However, the existing Scott Building would continue to occupy its large foot print and there would not be an opportunity to introduce more open space at the site.

## 4.3 NATURAL RESOURCES

Natural Resources at the existing Scott Building, within AFRH-W, and the surrounding area have been identified and are discussed below. Identified resources include topography, vegetation, and water.

## 4.3.1 Topography and Soils

## **Alternative A:**

Impacts to topography and soils would occur from clearing, grading, and general construction activities. A detailed erosion and sedimentation control plan based on the requirements of the Watershed Protection Division of the DC Department of Environment would be developed prior to construction. Soil erosion would be mitigated though the development and implementation of this plan and the proper use of the appropriate soil erosion and sediment control measures. Impacts to topography and soils during construction would be minor, adverse and short term. There would be no long-term impact to topography and soils during operation.

The relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building and the relocation of the chiller cooling towers to the preferred cooling tower location of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building would have no impact.

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## **Alternative B:**

Impacts to topography and soils would occur from clearing, grading, and general construction activities. A detailed erosion and sedimentation control plan based on the requirements of the Watershed Protection Division of the DC Department of Environment would be developed prior to construction. Soil erosion would be mitigated though the development and implementation of this plan and the proper use of the appropriate soil erosion and sediment control measures. Impacts to topography and soils during construction would be minor, adverse and short term. There would be no long-term impact to topography and soils during operation.

The relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building and the relocation of the chiller cooling towers to the preferred cooling tower location of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building would have no impact.

### **Alternative C: No Action**

Under the No Action Alternative, site development would not be undertaken thus there would be no impact to topography.

## 4.3.2 Vegetation

#### Alternative A:

The new Commons and Healthcare Building would be landscaped with vegetation in accordance with the Master Plan. Invasive plant species would be removed on a regular basis to prevent damaging overgrowth. The New Commons and Healthcare Building would provide an increase in permeable, landscaped site area. The landscape would continue the more formal plantings of the quadrangle along its northern façade and then transition to the less formal plantings appropriate to the southern side of the proposed project site facing the Meadow and golf course. Several planted roof gardens would be are part of the new facility. While not listed as contributing trees, several existing mature specimen trees on the proposed project site would be protected and maintained during construction. Trees and their root zones to be protected would be marked with high visibility tape/flagging or fencing to reduce the possibility of inadvertent removal or damage. These are located along Scott Drive and to the west of the existing dining hall extending in a line to Arnold Drive. Small trees would be moved and re-used on AFRH-W where possible. Permanent impacts to vegetation are anticipated to be minor, beneficial and long-term.

A new on-grade cooling tower for the Sheridan Building's relocated chillers would be located east of the Sheridan Building within the Sheridan parking lot. Impacts to vegetation during construction and operation are anticipated to be negligible, beneficial and short-term in regards to the preferred cooling tower location.

The relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building would have no impact.

#### **Alternative B:**

The design plan for Alternative B would create a larger building footprint in relation to Alternative A, therefore less landscaping would result. The New Commons and Healthcare

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Building would be landscaped with vegetation in accordance with the Master Plan. Invasive plant species would be removed on a regular basis to prevent damaging overgrowth. The New Commons and Healthcare Building would provide an increase in permeable, landscaped site area. The landscape would continue the more formal plantings of the quadrangle along its northern façade and then transition to the less formal plantings appropriate to the southern side of the proposed project site facing the savannah and golf course. Several planted roof gardens would be part of the new facility. While not listed as contributing trees, several existing mature specimen trees on the proposed project site would be protected and maintained during construction. Trees and their root zones to be protected would be marked with high visibility tape, flagging or fencing to reduce the possibility of inadvertent removal or damage. These are located along Scott Drive and to the west of the existing dining hall extending in a line to Arnold Drive. Small trees would be moved and re-used on AFRH-W where possible Permanent impacts to vegetation are anticipated to be minor, beneficial, and long-term.

A new on-grade cooling tower for the Sheridan Building's relocated chillers would be located east of the Sheridan Building within the Sheridan parking lot. Impacts to vegetation during construction and operation are anticipated to be negligible, beneficial and long-term in regards to the preferred cooling tower location.

The relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building would have no impact.

#### **Alternative C: No Action**

Under the No Action Alternative, site development would not be undertaken thus there would be no impact to vegetation.

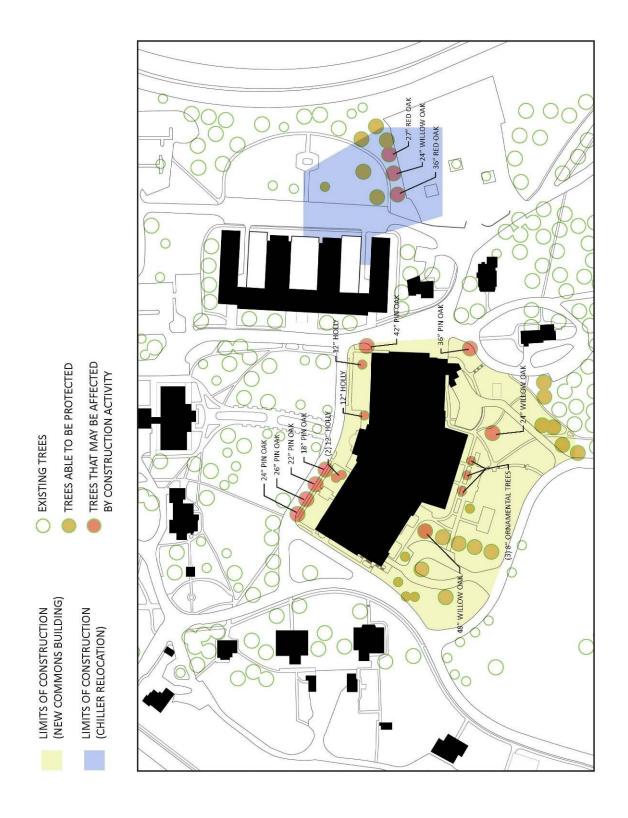


Figure 4-2: Tree Preservation Map (Adapted from DiMella Shaffer)

## 4.3.3 Water Resources

#### Alternative A:

Surface water resources are not anticipated to be impacted by the development of the New Commons and Healthcare Building. New construction is not located near the fishing ponds on the southwest portion of AFRH-W. Minor, short-term adverse impacts to surface water and concrete storm water channels may occur during construction activities. Potential impacts would be mitigated by adherence to the District Department of the Environment Watershed Protection Division's stormwater management and sediment and erosion control regulations for construction sites as stated in the Stormwater Guidebook.

As a sustainability goal, the landscape design of the New Commons and Healthcare Building is aiming for a zero-run-off site by utilizing water absorbing materials and installation of green roofs. Reduction of stormwater runoff from existing conditions and increase in pervious surfaces would result in operational minor long-term, indirect beneficial impacts to surface water resource.

There would be no direct impacts to groundwater hydrology or quality. Furthermore, groundwater at AFRH-W is not used for potable or industrial purposes. According to the District of Columbia Department of Health Water Quality division, groundwater in the District of Columbia is currently impaired due to sewer overflows, urban runoff, and storm sewers. The proposed project site is located within an urban area; however demolition of the existing Scott Building and Construction of the new commons and Healthcare building would result in a decrease in impervious surfaces. Short-term and long-term impacts to groundwater and groundwater or recharge would be minor and beneficial because of the decrease in impervious surfaces. Impacts to water resources would be minor, adverse, and short term during construction. Operational impacts would be, minor, beneficial, and long term.

The relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building and the relocation of the chiller cooling towers to the preferred cooling tower location of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building would have no impact.

#### Alternative B:

Surface water resources are not anticipated to be impacted by the development of the New Commons and Healthcare Building. New construction is not located near the fishing ponds on the southwest portion of AFRH-W. Temporary impacts to surface water and concrete storm water channels may occur during construction activities. However these impacts are short-term and are not anticipated to have long-term effects on the surface water resources at the site.

Potential impacts would be mitigated by adherence to the District Department of the Environment Watershed Protection Division's stormwater management and sediment and erosion control regulations for construction sites as stated in the Stormwater Guidebook. As a sustainability goal, the landscape design of the New Commons and Healthcare Building is aiming for a zero-run-off site by utilizing water absorbing materials.

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There would be no direct impacts to groundwater hydrology or quality. Furthermore, groundwater at AFRH-W is not used for potable or industrial purposes. According to the District of Columbia Department of Health Water Quality division, groundwater in the District of Columbia is currently impaired due to sewer overflows, urban runoff, and storm sewers. The proposed project site is located within an urban area; however demolition of the existing Scott Building and Construction of the new commons and Healthcare building would result in a decrease in impervious surfaces. there would be no Impact to ground water or the recharge of groundwater aquifers. Impacts to water resources would be minor, adverse, and short term during construction. Operational impacts would be, minor, beneficial, and long term.

The relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building and the relocation of the chiller cooling towers to the preferred cooling tower location of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building would have no impact.

## **Alternative C: No Action**

Under the No Action Alternative, site development would not be undertaken thus there would be no impact to current conditions.

## 4.4 TRANSPORTATION

Transportation impacts as they relate to vehicles, parking, public transportation, as well as pedestrian and bicycle circulation are discussed in the following sections. Transportation flow and use was looked at in terms of getting to and from AFRH-W as well as to and from on-site buildings.

## 4.4.1 Vehicular Circulation

## **Alternative A:**

The movement of construction materials, equipment, and workers would likely impact roadways in the immediate area, specifically North Capitol Street. Construction traffic would enter from a temporarily re-activated North Capitol Street gate and trucks would be routed on Marshall/Arnold drive to access the site. Contractor working hours at AFRH-W have been designated as 07:00 to 18:00 hours. Impacts could be mitigated further by restricting deliveries and construction traffic to non-rush hour times if needed. This should minimize the construction traffic impact on the existing residents of Sheridan and the surrounding area. There would be no impact to visitors traveling to /from the Lincoln Cottage. Overall, construction-related impacts would be moderate, adverse, short-term.

Specific roadway improvements have not been identified in association with this project, nor would the proposed action result in additional parking at AFRH-W. There would be no long-term impacts to traffic related to the operations of the proposed project.

The relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building and the relocation of the chiller cooling towers to the preferred cooling tower location of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building would have no impact.

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#### **Alternative B:**

The movement of construction materials, equipment, and workers would likely impact roadways in the immediate area specifically North Capitol Street. Construction traffic would enter from a temporarily re-activated North Capitol Street gate and trucks would be routed on Marshall/Arnold drive to access the site. Contractor working hours at AFRH-W have been designated as 07:00 to 18:00 hours. Impacts could be mitigated further by restricting deliveries and construction traffic to non-rush hour times if needed. This should minimize the construction traffic impact on the existing residents of Sheridan and the surrounding area. There would be no impact to visitors traveling to /from the Lincoln Cottage. Overall, construction-related impact would be moderate, adverse, short-term.

Specific roadway improvements have not been identified in association with this project. There would be no long-term operational impacts to traffic.

The relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building and the relocation of the chiller cooling towers to the preferred cooling tower location of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building would have no impact.

#### Alternative C: No Action

Under the No Action Alternative, no impact would occur because construction activities would not be undertaken.

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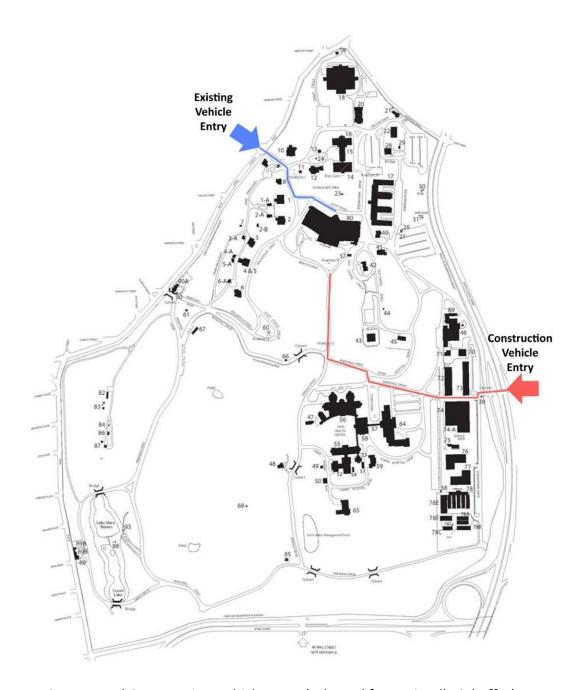


Figure 4-3: Proposed Construction Vehicle Entry (Adapted from DiMella Schaffer)

## 4.4.2 Parking

#### **Alternative A:**

Alternative A would result in a net loss of seventeen (17) parking spaces; five (5) of the one hundred and sixty five (165) spaces from the Sheridan lot would be lost to the new cooling tower and twelve (12) of the remaining 32 spaces surrounding the existing Scott Building would be lost. Therefore the impact to parking during operation would be negligible, long-term and adverse. However, the AFRH-W is currently in compliance with the master plan parking ratio shown below. The AFRH would remain in compliance because the loss in parking spaces together with the reduction in gross square footage maintains the master plan parking ratio.

- 0.75 spaces per thousand square feet of assisted living;
- 1.00 space per thousand square feet of residential;

Construction would cause minor, short term, adverse impacts due to all or some of the lots being closed for construction vehicles, equipment, and staging. Parking spaces for the Lincoln Cottage would not be impacted.

The fourteen (14) existing parallel parking spaces located on MacArthur Drive adjacent to the existing Scott Building would be temporarily impacted during the construction phase. These spaces are for visitors to the existing Scott Building, so their need during construction is diminished. These spaces would be open after construction with no loss of spaces.

Currently, there are two (2) parking spaces at the existing loading dock and eight (8) spaces at the circular drive south of the Scott Building. The new Commons and Healthcare building would not have spaces at the new loading dock or along the circular drive south of the Scott Building resulting in a loss of ten (10) spaces.

Eight (8) existing parking spaces on Eisenhower Drive at the east side of the Scott Building would be impacted during construction. These spaces are currently used by staff and would not be needed during construction. During operation of the new Commons and Healthcare Building, there would be six (6) new parallel spaces along Eisenhower Drive for ADA visitor and staff parking resulting in a loss of two (2) spaces compared to existing conditions. All other visitor and staff parking would be assigned to the existing Sheridan lot between Sheridan Road and North Capitol Street, which is currently underutilized.

In total, there would be a net loss of seventeen (17) existing parking spaces, however, the new parking ratio would comply with the master plan parking ratio.

The preferred cooling tower location is in the northeast corner of the existing lot located between Sheridan Road and North Capitol Street. This lot currently is marked for 165 spaces. The preferred cooling tower location would occupy five (5) parking spaces in this parking lot. During construction of the cooling towers, there would be minor to moderate, short-term, adverse impact to parking. During the operation of the cooling towers, there would be a minor, long-term, adverse impact to parking.

Relocating the IT center to the Sherman Building would have no impact on parking.

## **Alternative B:**

Alternative B would result in a net loss of twenty-eight (28) parking spaces; five (5) of the one hundred and sixty eight (168) spaces from the Sheridan lot would be lost to the new cooling tower and twenty three (23) of the remain 48 spaces surrounding the existing Scott Building would also be lost. The impact to parking during operation would be negligible, long-term and adverse. However, the AFRH-W is currently in compliance with the master plan parking ratio shown below. The AFRH would remain in compliance because the loss in parking spaces together with the reduction in gross square footage maintains the master plan parking ratio.

- 0.75 spaces per thousand square feet of assisted living;
- 1.00 space per thousand square feet of residential;

Construction would cause minor, short term, adverse impacts due to all or some of the lots being closed for construction vehicles, equipment, and staging. Parking spaces for the Lincoln Cottage would not be impacted.

The fourteen (14) existing parallel parking spaces located on MacArthur Drive adjacent to the existing Scott Building would be temporarily impacted during the construction phase. These spaces are for visitors to the existing Scott Building, so their need during construction is diminished. These spaces would be open after construction with no loss of spaces.

Currently, there are four (4) parking spaces at the existing loading dock and ten (10) spaces at the circular drive south of the Scott Building. The new Commons and Healthcare building would not have spaces at the new loading dock or along the circular drive south of the Scott Building.

Fifteen (15) existing parking spaces on Eisenhower Drive at the east side of the Scott Building would be impacted during construction. These spaces are currently used by staff and would not be needed during construction. During operation of the new Commons and Healthcare Building, there would be six (6) new parallel spaces along Eisenhower Drive for ADA visitor and staff parking resulting in a loss of nine (9) spaces compared to existing conditions. All other visitor and staff parking would be assigned to the existing Sheridan lot between Sheridan Road and North Capitol Street, which is currently underutilized.

In total, there would be a net loss of twenty-eight (28) existing parking spaces, however, the new parking ratio would comply with the master plan parking ratio.

The preferred cooling tower location is in the northeast corner of the existing lot located between Sheridan Road and North Capitol Street. This lot currently is marked for 168 spaces. The preferred cooling tower location would occupy five (5) parking spaces in this parking lot. During construction of the cooling towers, there would be minor to moderate, short-term, adverse impact to parking. During the operation of the cooling towers, there would be a minor, long-term, adverse impact to parking.

Relocating the IT center to the Sherman Building would have no impact on parking.

## **Alternative C: No Action**

Under the No Action Alternative, site development would not be undertaken thus there would be no impact to parking.

## 4.4.3 Public Transportation

#### Alternative A:

AFRH-W is currently accessible via WMATA Metro at the Georgia Ave-Petworth station and by Metrobus lines H8 and 60 which service the main entrance gate on Rock Creek Church Road. There would be no impacts with regards to public transportation use.

The relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building and the relocation of the chiller cooling towers to the preferred cooling tower location of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building would have no impact.

#### Alternative B:

AFRH-W is currently accessible via WMATA Metro at the Georgia Ave-Petworth station and by Metrobus lines H8 and 60 which service the main entrance gate on Rock Creek Church Road. There would be no impacts with regards to public transportation use.

The relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building and the relocation of the chiller cooling towers to the preferred cooling tower location of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building would have no impact.

## **Alternative C: No Action**

Under the No Action Alternative, site development would not be undertaken therefore there would be no impact to public transportation.

# 4.4.4 Pedestrian/Bicycle Circulation

#### Alternative A:

The existing Scott Building is currently accessible via pedestrian and bicycle circulation for AFRH-W residents and employees only. In accordance with the Master Plan, pedestrian and bicycle circulation would continue to be available in order to access the New Commons and Healthcare Building. There would be no long-term impacts to pedestrian and bicycle circulation.

However, there may be short periods of time when new construction requires temporary rerouting or lane closures. Impacts could by mitigated by requiring advanced notice of disruptions in circulation. Advance notice requirements would be developed and enforced through a construction management plan. Impacts to pedestrian and bicycle circulation during construction would be minor, adverse and short term.

The relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building and the relocation of the chiller cooling towers to the preferred cooling tower location of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building would have no impact.

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## **Alternative B:**

The existing Scott Building is currently accessible via pedestrian and bicycle circulation for AFRH-W residents and employees only. In accordance with the Master Plan, pedestrian and bicycle circulation would continue to be available in order to access the New Commons and Healthcare Building. There would be no impacts to operational pedestrian and bicycle circulation.

However, there may be short periods of time when new construction requires temporary rerouting or lane closures. Impacts would be mitigating by requiring advanced notice of disruptions in circulation. Advance notice requirements would be developed and enforced through a construction management plan. Impacts to pedestrian and bicycle circulation during construction would be minor, adverse and short term.

The relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building and the relocation of the chiller cooling towers to the preferred cooling tower location of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building would have no impact.

#### **Alternative C: No Action**

Under the No Action Alternative, site development would not be undertaken thus there would be no impact to pedestrian and bicycle circulation.

## 4.5 UTILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE

This section deals with impacts to existing infrastructure, energy and environmental performance, stormwater and hazardous waste/contamination. Utilities include steam, electric, natural gas, water and sewer lines, an underground reservoir and Information and technology (IT) communication lines.

#### 4.5.1 Utilities

#### **Alternative A:**

Utilities to the existing Scott Building would be disconnected during demolition and reconnected to the New Commons and Healthcare Facility during construction. The existing Scott Building is served by primary steam from the power plant, primary electrical from high voltage distribution, municipal natural gas, water, and sewer lines. IT Infrastructure for the community also originates in the existing Scott Building.

The steam connection for the existing Scott Building approaches both the Scott and Sheridan Buildings from a point between the two and does not run through the existing Scott Building to serve Sheridan or other buildings. The steam connection to the existing Scott Building would be shut off for construction without disrupting service to the Sheridan Building. There would be no impact to the steam line.

Electrical service is sufficient for the New Commons and Healthcare Building and a new main would be relocated for the new construction. Electrical service would not be disrupted for the surrounding buildings. There would be no impact to electrical service.

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Currently, chilled water is generated from electricity in the existing Scott Building and serves both the Scott and Sheridan Buildings. A permanent new chiller plant would be necessary prior to demolition of the existing Scott Building and would therefore not disrupt service to the Sheridan Building. This new chiller plant would be located in the existing Sheridan Building and would require a new cooling tower structure that would be located on-grade southeast of the Sheridan Building between the Sheridan Grounds and the north central edge of an existing parking lot. Impacts to the generation of chilled water would be negligible, long-term, and adverse.

Natural gas lines enter the existing Scott Building from the west and may need to be extended to the east for the new construction, see Figure 3-15: Gas and Heating Lines AFRH-W (AFRH EIS, 2007). The size of the service should take into account future intention to provide stand alone boilers which would be located inside the new Commons and Healthcare Building. Natural gas service would not be disrupted for the surrounding buildings. There would be no impact to natural gas lines.

Data and communication lines would be relocated to the Sherman Building in order to continue to provide service for the Sheridan, LaGarde and Sherman Buildings. Impacts to data and communications lines would be negligible, beneficial and long-term.

#### Alternative B:

Utilities to the existing Scott Building would be disconnected during demolition and reconnected to the New Commons and Healthcare Facility during construction. The existing Scott Building is served by primary steam from the power plant, primary electrical from high voltage distribution, municipal natural gas, water, and sewer lines. IT Infrastructure for the community also originates in the existing Scott Building.

The steam connection for the existing Scott Building approaches both the Scott and Sheridan Buildings from a point between the two and does not run through the Scott Building to serve Sheridan or other buildings. The steam connection to the existing Scott Building would be shut off for construction without disrupting service to the Sheridan Building. There would be no impact to the steam line.

Electrical service is sufficient for the New Commons and Healthcare Building and a new main would be relocated for the new construction. Electrical service would not be disrupted for the surrounding buildings. There would be no impact to electrical service.

Currently, chilled water is generated from electricity in the existing Scott Building and serves both the Scott and Sheridan Buildings. A permanent new chiller plant would be necessary prior to demolition of the Scott Building and would therefore not disrupt service to the Sheridan Building. This new chiller plant would be located in the existing Sheridan Building and would require a new cooling tower structure that would be located on-grade southeast of the Sheridan Building between the Sheridan Grounds and an the north central edge of an existing parking lot. Impacts to the generation of chilled water would be negligible, long-term, and adverse.

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Natural gas lines enter the existing Scott Building from the west and may need to be extended to the east for the new construction, see Figure 3-15: Gas and Heating Lines AFRH-W (AFRH EIS, 2007). The size of the service should take into account future intention to provide stand alone boilers. Natural gas service would not be disrupted for the surrounding buildings. There would be no impact to natural gas lines.

Data and communication lines would be relocated to the Sherman Building in order to continue to provide service for the Sheridan, LaGarde and Sherman Buildings. Impacts to data and communications lines would be negligible, beneficial, and long-term.

## **Alternative C: No Action**

Under the No Action Alternative, site development would not occur therefore utilities would remain in place and unchanged, thus there would be no impact to utilities from current conditions.

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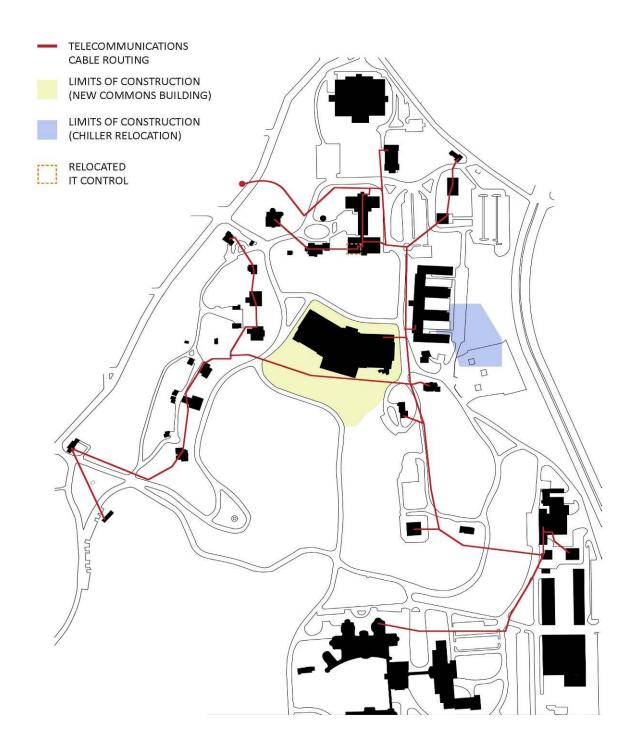


Figure 4-4: Proposed Telecommunications Routing Map (Adapted from DiMella Shaffer)

## 4.5.2 Energy and Environmental Performance

**Alternative A:** Alternative A would result in a moderate improvement in the on-going energy efficiency and environmental performance of the facility. The development and procurement process of the proposed action would incorporate energy, environmental, and sustainability concepts. Alternative renewable energy sources are being considered such as solar hydronic roof panels to reduce hot water generation for the third floor roof area

The new Commons and Healthcare Building would include energy efficient heating and cooling systems, water efficient plumbing fixtures, proper building insulation, energy efficient lighting, and the inclusion of native plant species in landscaping.

In addition the new construction included in Alternative A would comply with the requirements of Executive Order 13514 — Federal Leadership in Environmental, Energy, and Economic Performance. The proposed action includes the replacement of a large, out-dated, inefficient structure that would lower the costs and environmental impacts associated with operation of this facility. Equipment utilized in the new facility would be ENERGYSTAR or Federal Energy Management Program (FEMP) designated where possible.

The proposed new Commons and Healthcare facility would be designed to take advantage of preexisting site conditions, such as retaining mature trees to derive the passive solar shading they provide. In addition, a greywater system is included in the proposed design, which would collect wastewater from sinks and showers and use it for on-site irrigation. This system would reduce the water usage of the facility and the volume of water discharged to the municipal sanitary sewer. Impacts to energy and environmental performance would be moderate, beneficial and long-term.

The energy and environmental performance impacts for Alternative A also apply to the relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building and the relocation of the chiller cooling towers to the preferred cooling tower location along the north-central edge of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building.

### **Alternative B:**

Alternative B would result in a moderate improvement in the on-going energy efficiency and environmental performance of the facility. The development and procurement process of the proposed action would incorporate the energy, environmental, and sustainability concepts

The new Commons and Healthcare facility would include energy efficient heating and cooling systems, water efficient plumbing fixtures, proper building insulation, energy efficient lighting, and the inclusion of native plant species in landscaping.

In addition the new construction included in Alternative B would comply with the requirements of Executive Order 13514 – Federal Leadership in Environmental, Energy, and Economic Performance. The proposed action includes the replacement of a large, out-dated, inefficient structure that would lower the costs and environmental impacts associated with operation of this facility.

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Equipment utilized in the new Commons and Healthcare facility would be ENERGYSTAR or Federal Energy Management Program (FEMP) designated where possible. The proposed new facility would be designed to take advantage of preexisting site conditions, such as retaining mature trees to derive the passive solar shading they provide. In addition, a greywater system is included in the proposed design, which would collect wastewater from sinks and showers and use it for on-site irrigation. This system would reduce the water usage of the facility and the volume of water discharged to the municipal sanitary sewer. Impacts to energy and environmental performance would be moderate, beneficial and long-term.

The energy and environmental performance impacts for Alternative B also apply to the relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building and the relocation of the chiller cooling towers to the preferred cooling tower location along the north-central edge of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building.

## **Alternative C: No Action**

The no-action alternative would result in no impact on the on-going energy efficiency of the existing Scott Building. However, the no-action alternative would forgo the opportunity for the sponsor agency to increase their compliance with several goals set forth in Executive Order 13514 – Federal Leadership in Environmental, Energy, and Economic Performance. These goals include the reduction in energy intensity in federal buildings and improving water use-efficiency and management.

## 4.5.3 Stormwater Management

#### Alternative A:

EPA has issued Technical Guidance on Implementing the Stormwater Runoff Requirements for Federal Projects under Section 438 of the Energy independence and Security Act [EISA] (Dec 2009). The guidance states: "

Implementation of Section 438 of the EISA can be achieved through the use of the green infrastructure/low impact development (GI/LID) infrastructure tools described in this guidance. The intention of the statute is to maintain or restore the pre-development site hydrology during the development or redevelopment process. To be more specific, this requirement is intended to ensure that receiving waters are not negatively impacted by changes in runoff temperature volumes, durations and rates resulting from federal projects".

Alternative A would provide an increase in permeable surface on the site compared to Alternative C. This Alternative would be in compliance with the Technical Guidance through the reduction of stormwater volume and an increase in stormwater quality with the goal of a zero-runoff site. Alternative A would reduce the footprint from the existing Scott Building by 31,357

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square feet, and would result in a smaller area of impervious surface than Alternative B or Alternative C. Roof gardens incorporated into the design would reduce the volume and slow the rate of runoff. In addition, innovative bioretention areas would be utilized in the design in place of standard stormwater ponds. Alternative A provides the best opportunity to achieve zero-runoff due its compact design.

Construction activities would abide by the District Department of the Environment Watershed Protection Division's stormwater management and sediment and erosion control regulations for construction sites as stated in the Stormwater Guidebook. Construction of Alternative A would result in a minor, adverse, short-term impact on stormwater quality.

In addition, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) published effluent limitations guidelines (ELGs) and new source performance standards (NSPS) to control the discharge of pollutants from construction sites on December 1, 2009. The proposed area of disturbance is six acres; therefore the stormwater quality monitoring portion of the EPA regulations are not applicable to the proposed project site. Operational impacts to stormwater would be minor to moderate, beneficial and long-term.

The storm water management impacts for Alternative A also apply to the relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building and the relocation of the chiller cooling towers to the preferred cooling tower location along the north-central edge of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building.

## **Alternative B:**

Alternative B would also be in compliance with the Technical Guidance through increased permeable surface area and zero run off compared to Alternative C. Roof gardens incorporated into the design would reduce the volume and slow the rate of runoff. In addition, innovative bioretention areas would be utilized in the design in place of standard stormwater ponds further improving the existing stormwater runoff conditions. However, Alternative B would provide 7,751 square feet more impermeable surface area than Alternative A.

Construction activities would abide by the District Department of the Environment Watershed Protection Division's stormwater management and sediment and erosion control regulations for construction sites as stated in the Stormwater Guidebook. Impacts to stormwater management are not anticipated. Construction of Alternative B would result in a minor, adverse, short-term impact on stormwater quality.

In addition, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) published effluent limitations guidelines (ELGs) and new source performance standards (NSPS) to control the discharge of pollutants from construction sites on December 1, 2009. The proposed area of disturbance is six acres; therefore the stormwater quality monitoring portion of the EPA regulations are not applicable to the proposed project site. Operational impacts to stormwater would be minor, beneficial and long-term.

The storm water management impacts for Alternative B also apply to the relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building and the relocation of the chiller cooling towers to the preferred

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cooling tower location along the north-central edge of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building.

#### Alternative C: No Action

Under the No Action Alternative, site development would not occur resulting in no change to existing stormwater management conditions. The no action alternative would not include the stormwater improvements included in Alternative A or B, and would result in no impact.

## 4.5.4 Hazardous Waste/Contamination

## **Alternative A:**

F&R's Limited Hazardous Survey Report dated October 23, 2009 (included in Appendix) identifies hazardous materials within the existing Scott Building. The survey identified the presence of asbestos containing building materials, lead based paint, mercury-containing components and PCB's within the existing Scott Building. Hazardous materials would be properly removed and disposed of in accordance with current environmental practices. The removal of these materials would create a minor, beneficial, long term impact.

The hazardous waste/contamination impacts for Alternative A also apply to the relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building and the relocation of the chiller cooling towers to the preferred cooling tower location along the north-central edge of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building.

### Alternative B:

F&R's Limited Hazardous Survey Report dated October 23, 2009 (included in Appendix) identifies hazardous materials within the existing Scott Building. The survey identified the presence of asbestos containing building materials, lead based paint, mercury-containing components and PCB's within the existing Scott Building. Hazardous materials would be properly removed and disposed of in accordance with current environmental practices. The removal of these materials would create a minor, beneficial, long term impact.

The hazardous waste/contamination impacts for Alternative B also apply to the relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building and the relocation of the chiller cooling towers to the preferred cooling tower location along the north-central edge of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building.

## **Alternative C: No Action**

Under the No Action Alternative, site development would not occur resulting in no impact to existing hazardous materials identified in the existing Scott Building.

## 4.6 AIR QUALITY

The air quality of an area can be affected in three ways by new development: 1) through airborne dust generated by the demolition/construction process; 2) on-site operations; and 3) through increasing vehicular traffic to the proposed project site, which raises vehicle emission levels near the proposed project site, and possibly in the region.

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## **Alternative A:**

### **Controlled Demolition:**

US EPA National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (40 CFR 61) require that visible emissions from the site not be generated as a result of demolition. General demolition activities and debris removal would generate nuisance dust related to disturbance of non-hazardous materials such as concrete, wood, gypsum, and soil. Dust from the demolition of the structures and resulting debris would be mitigated during the demolition process through proper use of water cannons, elevated spray hoses, dust boss sprayers, and other wet methods.

A second concern is the potential disturbance of hazardous materials during the demolition of the structure. A Hazardous Materials Survey has been performed and specifications for the proper segregation and removal of identified hazardous materials would be prepared prior to or concurrent with demolition to the structure.

The extent and severity of the impact would depend upon the characteristics of the demolition equipment in use and the time of day that demolition takes place. Contractor working hours at AFRH-W have been designated as 07:00 to 18:00 hours by AFRH. As with any major demolition project, areas around the demolition site are likely to experience varied periods and degrees of impact. The following demolition air quality mitigation measures would be developed and enforced through a demolition management plan to limit impacts.

- All demolition equipment powered by an internal combustion engine would be equipped with a properly maintained muffler.
- New demolition equipment would be used as much as possible since it is generally more efficient than old equipment.

Air quality impacts from demolition would be minor, adverse, and short term.

The existing IT center and the existing chillers are located within the existing Scott Building. Therefore controlled demolition impacts for Alternative A also apply to the relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building and the relocation of the chiller cooling towers to the preferred cooling tower location along the north-central edge of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building.

## Construction:

Emissions would be generated form from construction equipment, soil excavation, site disturbance, and from construction worker vehicles commuting to the site. Emissions produced during construction would vary daily depending upon site activities. The extent and severity of the impact would depend upon the characteristics of the construction equipment in use and the time of day that construction takes place. Contractor working hours at AFRH-W have been designated as 07:00 to 18:00 hours by AFRH. As with any major construction project, areas around the construction site are likely to experience varied periods and degrees of impact. The following construction air quality mitigation measures would be developed and enforced through a construction management plan to limit impacts.

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- All construction equipment powered by an internal combustion engine would be equipped with a properly maintained muffler.
- New construction equipment would be used as much as possible since it is generally more efficient than old equipment.

Air quality impacts from construction would be minor, adverse, and short term.

Construction air quality impacts for Alternative A also apply to the relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building and the relocation of the chiller cooling towers to the preferred cooling tower location along the north-central edge of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building.

## Operational Air Quality:

The New Commons and Healthcare Building would replace the existing Scott Building and would not induce additional air quality impacts. There would be no impact to air quality during operation.

Relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building would have no impact on operational air quality.

Relocation of the cooling towers to the preferred cooling tower location along the north-central edge of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building would have minor, long-term and adverse impacts on operational air quality.

The main source for potential air quality impacts is the demolition and construction process.

### **Alterative B:**

## Controlled Demolition:

US EPA National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (40 CFR 61) require that visible emissions from the site not be generated as a result of demolition. General demolition activities and debris removal would generate nuisance dust related to disturbance of non-hazardous materials such as concrete, wood, gypsum, and soil. Dust from the demolition of the structures and resulting debris would be mitigated during the demolition process through proper use of water cannons, elevated spray hoses, dust boss sprayers, and other wet methods.

A second concern is the potential disturbance of hazardous materials during the demolition of the structure. A Hazardous Materials Survey has been performed and specifications for the proper segregation and removal of identified hazardous materials would be prepared prior to or concurrent with demolition to the structure.

The extent and severity of the impact would depend upon the characteristics of the demolition equipment in use and the time of day that demolition takes place. Contractor working hours at AFRH-W have been designated as 07:00 to 18:00 hours by AFRH. As with any major demolition project, areas around the demolition site are likely to experience varied periods and degrees of impact. The following demolition air quality mitigation measures would be developed and enforced through a demolition management plan to limit impacts.

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- All demolition equipment powered by an internal combustion engine would be equipped with a properly maintained muffler.
- New demolition equipment would be used as much as possible since it is generally more efficient than old equipment.

Air quality impacts from demolition would be minor, adverse, and short term.

The existing IT center and the existing chillers are located within the existing Scott Building. Therefore controlled demolition impacts for Alternative B also apply to the relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building and the relocation of the chiller cooling towers to the preferred cooling tower location along the north-central edge of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building.

## **Construction:**

Emissions would be generated form from construction equipment, soil excavation, site disturbance, and from construction worker vehicles commuting to the site. Emissions produced during construction would vary daily depending upon site activities. The extent and severity of the impact would depend upon the characteristics of the construction equipment in use and the time of day that construction takes place. Contractor working hours at AFRH-W have been designated as 07:00 to 18:00 hours by AFRH. As with any major construction project, areas around the construction site are likely to experience varied periods and degrees of impact. The following construction air quality mitigation measures would be developed and enforced through a construction management plan to limit impacts.

- All construction equipment powered by an internal combustion engine would be equipped with a properly maintained muffler.
- New construction equipment would be used as much as possible since it is generally more efficient than old equipment.

Air quality impacts from construction would be minor, adverse, and short term.

Relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building would have no impact on operational air quality.

Relocation of the cooling towers to the preferred cooling tower location along the north-central edge of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building would have minor, short-term and adverse impacts on air quality during construction.

#### Operational Air Quality:

The New Commons and Healthcare Building would replace the existing Scott Building and would not induce additional air quality impacts. There would be no impact to air quality during operation.

Relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building would have no impact on operational air quality.

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Relocation of the cooling towers to the preferred cooling tower location along the north-central edge of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building would have minor, long-term and adverse impacts on operational air quality.

The main source for potential air quality impacts is the demolition and construction process.

## Alternative C: No Action

Under the No Action Alternative, site development would not occur therefore there would be no impact to air quality.

# 4.7 NOISE LEVELS

## **Alternative A:**

# **Controlled Demolition:**

During controlled demolition, noise and vibration would be generated from physical destruction/dismantling of the existing Scott Building, vehicle noise, and machine noise. The current noise ordinance for Washington DC (Title 20 Section 2701) requires the maximum sound level (Lmax) be less than 60 dBA (daytime) and 55 dBA (nighttime). Permitted construction sites in the District of Columbia are required to restrict maximum sound levels to less than 80 dBA (Lmax) as measured at the property boundaries from 0700 to 1900.

The extent and severity of the noise and vibration impact would depend upon the noise characteristics of the construction equipment in use and the time of day that construction takes place. Contractor working hours at AFRH-W have been designated as 07:00 to 18:00 hours by AFRH. As with any major demolition project, areas around the demolition site are likely to experience varied periods and degrees of impact. Therefore, demolition associated with development of Alternative A would have direct, moderate, adverse, short-term impacts on noise levels.

The following controlled demolition noise and vibration mitigation measures would be developed and enforced through a controlled demolition management plan to limit noise at the sensitive noise receptors of the existing healthcare facility, residences, and national monument.

- All demolition equipment powered by an internal combustion engine would be equipped with a properly maintained muffler.
- Air compressors would meet current US EPA noise emission standards.
- New demolition equipment would be used as much as possible since it is generally quieter than old equipment.
- Noise barriers around stationary noise sources would be established.
- Tools and equipment would be selected to minimize noise.
- Vibration levels would be specified and monitored to mitigate impact on historic structures.

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The existing IT center and the existing chillers are located within the existing Scott Building. Therefore controlled demolition impacts for Alternative A also apply to the relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building and the relocation of the chiller's cooling towers to the preferred cooling tower location along the north-central edge of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building.

# **Construction Noise:**

During construction, noise and vibration would be generated from physical manufacturing of the new Commons and Healthcare Building, vehicle noise, and machine noise. The current noise ordinance for Washington DC (Title 20 Section 2701) requires the maximum sound level (Lmax) be less than 60 dBA (daytime) and 55 dBA (nighttime). Permitted construction sites in the District of Columbia are required to restrict maximum sound levels to less than 80 dBA (Lmax) as measured at the property boundaries from 0700 to 1900.

The extent and severity of the noise and vibration impact would depend upon the noise characteristics of the construction equipment in use and the time of day that construction takes place. Contractor working hours at AFRH-W have been designated as 07:00 to 18:00 hours by AFRH. As with any major construction project, areas around the construction site are likely to experience varied periods and degrees of impact. Therefore, construction associated with development of Alternative A would have direct, moderate, adverse, short-term impact on noise levels.

The following construction noise and vibration mitigation measures would be developed and enforced through a construction management plan to limit impacts at the sensitive receptors of the existing healthcare facility, residences, and national monument.

- All construction equipment powered by an internal combustion engine would be equipped with a properly maintained muffler.
- Air compressors would meet current US EPA noise emission standards.
- New construction equipment would be used as much as possible since it is generally quieter than old equipment.
- Noise barriers around stationary noise sources would be established.
- Tools and equipment would be selected to minimize noise.
- Vibration levels would be specified and monitored to mitigate impact on historic structures.

Construction noise impacts for Alternative A also apply to the relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building and the relocation of the chiller's cooling towers to the preferred cooling tower location along the north-central edge of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building.

## Operational Noise:

The New Commons and Healthcare Building would replace the existing Scott Building and would not induce additional noise though general operation and/or increased traffic volumes.

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According to noise level results, decibel levels would increase one or two decibels above the No Action Alternative due mainly to predicted general growth in the community. The noise level increase associated with predicted general growth is not a direct result of Alternative A. (Reference Fig. 4-22 EIS). There would be no impact to noise from operations related to the proposed action.

Relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building would have no impact on noise levels during operation.

Noise levels associated with the relocation of the cooling towers to the north-central edge of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building would be mitigated though the placement of sound reducing landscaping. The cooling towers relocation would have a minor, adverse, long-term impact from operations.

#### Alternative B:

# **Controlled Demolition:**

During controlled demolition, noise and vibration would be generated from physical destruction/dismantling of the existing Scott Building, vehicle noise, and machine noise. The current noise ordinance for Washington DC (Title 20 Section 2701) requires the maximum sound level (Lmax) be less than 60 dBA (daytime) and 55 dBA (nighttime). Permitted construction sites in the District of Columbia are required to restrict maximum sound levels to less than 80 dBA (Lmax) as measured at the property boundaries from 0700 to 1900.

The extent and severity of the noise and vibration impact would depend upon the noise characteristics of the construction equipment in use and the time of day that construction takes place. Contractor working hours at AFRH-W have been designated as 07:00 to 18:00 hours by AFRH. As with any major demolition project, areas around the demolition site are likely to experience varied periods and degrees of impact. Therefore, demolition associated with development of Alternative B would have direct, moderate, adverse, short-term impacts on noise levels.

The following controlled demolition noise and vibration mitigation measures would be developed and enforced through a controlled demolition management plan to limit impacts at the sensitive noise receptors of the existing healthcare facility, residences, and national monument.

- All demolition equipment powered by an internal combustion engine would be equipped with a properly maintained muffler.
- Air compressors would meet current US EPA noise emission standards.
- New demolition equipment would be used as much as possible since it is generally quieter than old equipment.
- Noise barriers around stationary noise sources would be established.

- Tools and equipment would be selected to minimize noise.
- Vibration levels would be specified and monitored to mitigate impact on historic structures.

The existing IT center and the existing chillers are located within the existing Scott Building. Therefore controlled demolition impacts for Alternative B also apply to the relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building and the relocation of the chiller cooling towers preferred cooling tower locations along the north-central edge of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building.

# **Construction Noise:**

During construction, noise and vibration would be generated from physical manufacturing of the new Commons and Healthcare Building, vehicle noise, and machine noise. The current noise ordinance for Washington DC (Title 20 Section 2701) requires the maximum sound level (Lmax) be less than 60 dBA (daytime) and 55 dBA (nighttime). Permitted construction sites in the District of Columbia are required to restrict maximum sound levels to less than 80 dBA (Lmax) as measured at the property boundaries from 0700 to 1900.

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Construction noise impacts for Alternative B also apply to the relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building and the relocation of the chiller cooling towers preferred cooling tower

location along the north-central edge of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building.

## **Operational Noise:**

The New Commons and Healthcare Building would replace the existing Scott Building and would not induce additional noise though general operation and/or increased traffic volumes. According to noise level results, decibel levels would increase one or two decibels above the No Action Alternative due mainly to predicted general growth in the community. The noise level increase associated with predicted general growth is not a direct result of Alternative B. (Reference Fig. 4-22 EIS). There would be no impact to noise from operation of the proposed project.

Relocation of the IT center to the Sherman Building would have no impact on noise during operations.

The cooling towers relocation would have a minor, adverse, long-term impact on operational noise. Noise levels associated with the relocation of the cooling towers to the north-central edge of the parking lot located to the south east of the Sheridan Building would be mitigated though the placement of sound reducing landscaping.

# **Alternative C: No Action**

Under the No Action Alternative, demolition would not occur therefore there would be no impact to noise and vibration levels.

# 4.8 CUMULATIVE IMPACTS

#### Alternatives A & B:

Development of the New Commons and Healthcare Building would not result in cumulative impacts to the AFRH-W or surrounding area. The development would replace the existing Scott Building and serve the same purpose.

Eisenhower road may become one-way travel (north) to facilitate a one-way counterclockwise loop around the quadrangle from MacArthur Drive on the west to Lincoln Road on the north. All other vehicular traffic would be two-way and would occur on the outside perimeter of the quadrangle behind Sherman, Sheridan and the proposed New Commons and Healthcare Building. This potential change in circulation would simplify the traffic flow in front of the Sheridan and allow for a more easily managed pedestrian crossing between Sheridan and the New Commons and Healthcare Building. If this change occurs the impact to pedestrian and vehicular traffic would be minor, beneficial, and long term.

The new Commons and Healthcare Building would not induce additional traffic volumes or noise levels. According to Noise Level Results, decibel levels would increase one or two decibels above the No Action Alternative due mainly to predicted general growth in the community. As long-term operations under Alternative A has been determined to not have impact to noise, it would not cumulatively add to the noise level increase associated with predicted general growth is not a direct result of Alternative A. (Reference Fig. 4-22 EIS).

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New development on AFRH-W would be concentrated on the eastern portion of AFRH-W. New development on the eastern portion of AFRH-W does have the potential to create cumulative impacts to traffic, noise, and air quality from construction.

# **Alternative C: No Action**

Under the No Action Alternative, site development would not occur therefore there would be no cumulative impacts. However, maintaining the status quo would not improve the existing Scott Buildings' height, massing, formal relationship with the Sherman Building; operational cost; maintenance cost; horizontal travel distance, or vertical circulation. The Lincoln Cottage viewshed would remain obstructed. The building would remain energy inefficient.

Eisenhower road may become one-way travel (north) to facilitate a one-way counterclockwise loop around the quadrangle from MacArthur Drive on the west to Lincoln road on the north. this potential change in circulation would simplify the traffic flow in front of the Sheridan and allow for a more easily managed pedestrian crossing between Sheridan and the Scott Building. If this change occurs the impact to pedestrian and vehicular traffic would be minor, beneficial, and long term.

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# Dear Interested Party:

Please be advised that the Armed Forces Retirement Home (AFRH-W) in cooperation with the U.S. General Services Administration, National Capital Region (GSA) and the National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC) is preparing an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the modernization and consolidation of residential and medical facilities on the AFRH-W campus located at 3700 North Capitol Street in Washington, DC.

The EA will be prepared in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). NEPA requires a Federal agency to provide the public with an opportunity to participate in the process of analyzing the impact of Federal actions on the human environment. The purpose of this letter is to notify members of the community and other stakeholders of the opportunity to assist in identifying alternatives, potential impacts that may occur as a result of the proposed action, and other environmental concerns. AFRH-W is accepting comments regarding the scope of the EA for 30 calendar days from the date on this letter. Your participation in this process is greatly appreciated.

The purpose of this project is to consolidate AFRH-W residential and medical operations in the campus core and to provide facilities that meet modern senior living standards.

- (1) Consolidate AFRH-W operations in the northern section of the campus (campus core) by accommodating Memory Support (MS), Long Term Care (LTC), and Assisted Living (AL) functions. Currently MS, LTC, and AL reside in the southern section of the campus. Independent Living (IL) currently resides in the Scott and Sheridan Buildings in the northern section of the campus (campus core). AFRH-W seeks to increase operational and programmatic efficiency by consolidating all current residential operations in the campus core and eliminating duplicative functions that are currently distributed throughout the campus. Consolidation of these functions will create a more unified residential community by moving all residents to the core of the campus.
  - (2) Improve and modernize campus facilities to meet the changing needs of the Home's current and future residents. The Scott Building, which was constructed in 1954, currently houses resident rooms, as well as the Home's primary 'common' areas. These facilities are outdated and do not sufficiently accommodate the needs and interests of the residents. Further, AFRH-W must initiate steps to accommodate future residents. These recent veterans will have different medical and accessibility needs

than current residents. Therefore, AFRH-W seeks to modernize its facilities to address the changing needs of veterans and provide facilities designed to maximize energy efficiency, meet current building codes, and reflect the latest standards and practices in senior housing and healthcare.

As such, this project must address several needs:

- Improved consistency with contemporary philosophies in senior living, particularly the concept of "small house" design for skilled nursing care.
- Programmatic and spatial adjacencies should be minimized to facilitate a more unified residential community and to create ease of mobility from room to room, rooms to commons, and within the commons area itself.
- Increased energy and operational efficiency.
- Accommodate complex and extensive building infrastructure systems required for modern medical and residential needs.
- Efficient and modern common spaces that accommodate the needs of all residents.
- Application of modern gerontologic design principles to support physical, sensory, and cognitive challenges faced by the residents.
- Provide in-house medical care that promotes the concept of aging-in-place.
- Contextual design and compatibility with the historic character of the surrounding AFRH-W Historic District and the immediately adjacent National Historic Landmark

While meeting the overall purpose and need of the project, AFRH-W must emphasize that the residents of the Home are the primary beneficiaries of all modernization and consolidation efforts. AFRH must also ensure that the project furthers the agency's mission of fulfilling our nation's commitment to its veterans by providing a premier retirement community with exceptional residential care and extensive support services on its historic Washington, DC, Campus.

AFRH-W and GSA have initiated planning for the modernization and consolidation of residential and medical facilities in the core of the AFRH campus. The EA will assess the impacts to the human environment that may occur from the proposed action. The EA will be a supplement to the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) that was prepared for the AFRH - Master Plan. The Final EIS was completed in November 2007 and the Record of Decision (ROD) was signed February 26, 2008.

Comments received during the scoping period will be used to refine alternatives and issues to be analyzed in the EA. Preliminary alternatives to be analyzed in the EA include demolition of the Scott Building and construction of a new building on that site; renovation of the existing Scott Building; and a no action alternative. AFRH-W identified cultural resources, noise, utilities/infrastructure, air quality, stormwater management, visual quality, pedestrian and bike circulation, and hazardous materials as preliminary issues to be analyzed in the EA. Impacts to wetlands, transportation, parking, floodplains,

threatened and/or endangered species, water resources, vegetation, and socio-economic resources are not anticipated to occur.

Upon completion, the Final EA will be made available to the public for review and comments for a period of 30 days. The Final EA is scheduled for availability in winter 2010.

AFRH-W is now accepting comments regarding the scope of the EA for 30 calendars days from the date of this letter. Comments received during the scoping period will be used to refine alternatives and issues to be analyzed in the EA.

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Dear Tim,

I have your letter of 11 November 2009 announcing the environmental assessment relating to modernizing the Home. I know of no issue to be raised on our part and give concurrence at this point.

As with the Master Plan, if there is anyway I can be of support to you, please let me know.

Bonnie joins me in wishing you and yours a happy Thanksgiving.

Sincerely,

Dave

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Dear Mr. Burkhardt,

This is in response to the letter from the Chief Operating Officer, Armed Forces Retirement Home, Washington DC, dated November 11, 2009, soliciting comments from stakeholders regarding proposed modernization and consolidation of medical and residential facilities at the Washington Campus.

Of the options offered, I am a strong advocate of retaining and modernizing the existing Scott Building. Granted this building is 55 years old, but is structurally sound. Our sister facility Chelsea Hospital near London, England is housed in some buildings 300 years old, the interiors of which have been updated to meet the needs of residents in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. Since 2004 there has been substantial upgrades to the Scott Building, these are: installation of 3 new cooling towers atop the building, a total new roof with expected life of approximately 50 years, new heating equipment, modernizing and upgrading to create a new Wellness Center, Dental Clinic and Eye Clinic, plus a new modern space for a business office.

I am in general agreement with the proposal to consolidate and modernize the housing, common areas and medical facilities. I feel this should be done within the structure of the Scott Building, similar to the modernizing that was done to the Sheridan Building. This would negate most of concerns about impacting the environment. Upgrades and modernization should begin in the existing common areas on the ground floor. If additional open spaces are required, this would be available by acquiring the excess space in present dining area as Gulfport residents return to their new facility. In this same vein the first floor common areas could also be altered to meet future needs and desires.

Beginning with the second floor and above, desired alterations to be made to accommodate the Assisted Living and Long Term Care Residents. Those floors not needed could be left untouched until such time as there may be a need, such as that trust upon the Home by the Hurricane Katrina event. The cost of maintaining these spaces would be the heat to keep temperatures above freezing to protect the water pipes. The exterior of the Scott building could be enhanced by high pressure washing, most notably the North facing front of the structure, to remove the dark staining fungus thereon.

If the Scott Building were to be demolished, there would be a great impact on the environment. The impact would appear in all the areas listed in the paragraph at the bottom of page 2, above referenced letter. There would be dust in the air, scattered debris, the intrusion on campus of demolition equipment, debris recovery and removal equipment. These equipments would impede the movement of pedestrians and all forms of vehicular traffic not only on campus but adjacent neighborhoods.

My concern of greatest significance is the effect this prolonged project will have on the human environment of the fragile Residents in Independent living. Many, if not most of these Residents are in varying stages of deterioration, be it emotional, mental or physical. The disruption and altering of their activities of daily living will cause an unpredictable influence on their behavior and wellness. This I believe will not reach the level seen in those Gulfport Residents who were relocated to Washington in emergency conditions, but will cause undue upset, which may be avoided.

My closing comments are not environmental but addresses the Home's Heritage. Our founder General Winfield Scott who expressly wanted a home for his soldiers. This place was established as such in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century and has remained in this theme. The management team should not forget this intent, this purpose, this mission always. Any and all tenants hereon must be made keenly aware of this.

Most sincerely,

Donald M. Pence
Resident, AFRH-W



December 10, 2009

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Re: Environmental Assessment of Armed Forces Retirement Home Campus

Dear Mr. Burkhardt:

This correspondence regards the Armed Forces Retirement Home's (AFRH-W's) notification that it will be preparing an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the renovation of facilities on the AFRH-W campus located at 3700 North Capitol Street.

The DC Water and Sewer Authority wishes to draw attention to areas of potential concern within the space related to future proposed action alternatives, with particular concern directed towards the impact that construction would have on existing DC WASA infrastructure. A 48-inch water transmission line runs south from a buried concrete water storage reservoir located on the AFRH-W site.

A past issue of concern at the AFRH-W site has been the impact that increased impermeable area would have on the exacerbation of flooding downstream. Per past discussions, DC WASA requires that further development at this site include mitigation efforts that would return or exceed pre-development flood-protection conditions.

Additionally, where any permanent security barriers are proposed for installation, provisions for permanent access and adequate working space must be made between AFRH-W and DC WASA so that we may continue to access and maintain structures. In some cases, this would require AFRH-W to relocate water and/or sewer infrastructure to make this possible.

Following AFRH-W's selection of a design alternative, DC WASA is available to discuss our comments and recommendations in greater detail. For review and approval of the Environmental Assessment, I have been designated as the DC WASA point of contact for the proposed project and can be reached at 202-787-2699 or by email at jessica.demoise@dcwasa.com.

Sincerely,

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RE: Comments on the Armed Forces Retirement Home Consolidation and Modernization – NEPA Assessment

Dear Mr. Burkhardt:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the Environmental Assessment for the Armed Forces Retirement Home (AFRH Consolidation and Modernization project. As you are aware, the AFRH has been an institution of national importance for over 150 years, and is both a D.C. Historic Landmark and a National Register of Historic Places landmark. The 272-acre campus is located in a prominent area of the city surrounded by other institutions, health care related uses (employment concentration), and the McMillan Sand Filtration site.

Several citywide elements of the Comprehensive Plan for the District of Columbia include policies that are applicable to the consolidation and modernization of the AFRH. These policies address the District's goals for urban design, sustainability, historic preservation and land use. The Comprehensive Plan also includes an Area Element for Rock Creek West, which is the planning area where the AFRH is located. Having reviewed the initial Residential and Medical Facility Consolidation and Modernization Environmental Assessment, the Office of Planning (OP) is writing to provide the following.

## Land Use and Design and Sustainable Development

AFRH proposes to consolidate residential and medical operations in the northern section of the campus. As presented affected buildings include Sherman, Sheridan, and Scott. The Scott building will be renovated and/or replaced. If replaced, the new facility could be designed to restore the historic views from the Lincoln Cottage. Every effort should be made to also restore the historic views to the Capitol from this site. Further, new facilities should be designed to meet current environmental and sustainability standards and prescribed by District regulations. We encourage the AFRH to achieve the highest possible LEED standards with any new construction. Additionally, the underutilized Grant building at the northern most point of the



campus should be included in future consolidation and modernization plans for the campus. The following Comprehensive Plan policies are applicable to the consolidation and modernization:

#### Policy LU-1.2.3: Federal Sites

Work closely with the federal government on re-use planning for those federal lands where a change of use may take place in the future. Even where such properties will remain in federal use, the impacts of new activities on adjacent District neighborhoods should be acknowledged and proactively addressed by federal parties.

#### Policy LU-1.2.7: Protecting Existing Assets on Large Sites

Identify and protect existing assets such as historic buildings, historic site plan elements, important vistas and major landscape elements as large sites are redeveloped.

#### Policy UD-1.2.4: View Protection

Recognize and protect major views in the city, particularly characteristic views of city landmarks, and views from important vantage points. Recognize the importance of views to the quality of life in the city and the identity of Washington and its neighborhoods.

## Policy E-2.2.5: Energy Efficient Building and Site Planning

Include provision for energy efficiency and for the use of alternative energy sources in the District's planning, zoning, and building standards. The planning and design of new development should contribute to energy efficiency goals.

#### Historic Preservation

The Section 106 Review Process will be conducted separately from NEPA and will be conducted in coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office. This will provide a comprehensive review of historic preservation issues, as well as planning and design recommendations being proposed for the site. The Comprehensive plan provides the following guidance for historic preservation.

## Policy HP-2.1.4: Coordination with the Federal Government

Coordinate District historic preservation plans and programs with those of the federal government through processes established under the National Historic Preservation Act, and through close coordination with federal landholders and key agencies like the National Capital Planning Commission, Commission of Fine Arts, and the National Park Service.

## Policy HP-2.4.1: Rehabilitation of Historic Structures

Promote appropriate preservation of historic buildings through an effective design review process. Apply design guidelines without stifling creativity, and strive for an appropriate balance between restoration and adaptation as suitable for the particular historic environment.

#### Policy RCE-2.5.3: Resource Protection

To the greatest extent possible, require the protection of panoramic views, historic landmarks, and important historic landscapes on the Armed Forces Retirement Home site. The historic links between this site and the adjacent land at the McMillan Sand Filtration site and the 49 acre property acquired by Catholic University should be reflected in its design and planning.

#### <u>Transportation</u>

The Office of Planning recently completed the North Capitol Street Cloverleaf Feasibility Study. The study identifies three options to reconfigure the North Capitol Street cloverleaf into a more efficient and productive multi-modal hub. The study also recommends short and medium term improvements that will enhance the functionality of the North Capitol Street Corridor for all users. These enhancements range from targeted intersection improvements to small scale interventions such as adding speed cameras to North Capitol to help calm traffic speeds.

The District Department of Transportation is moving forward with the findings of the DC's Transit Future Study. The study yielded short-term and long-term surface transit improvements for the city, potentially including additional limited-stop bus services, bus rapid transit (BRT) and streetcar services. The proposed streetcar network includes 37 miles of streetcar lines Construction on two streetcar lines is already underway, and it is anticipated that the system will be built in three phases. The system will connect District neighborhoods and retail corridors and serve activity centers throughout the city.

A major challenge in the upper northeast-northwest area of the city where AFRH is located is the limited east-west connections and the lack of connections between neighborhoods, particularly the development/transportation hubs between the Brookland neighborhood and the Columbia Heights Neighborhoods. While the AFRH Consolidation and Modernization project will not yield significant transportation impacts, it is important to note that anticipated pressure from proposed and approved developments in the area will exacerbate the existing traffic issues while also creating extra demand on the limited transit and alternative transportation options. Therefore, providing new transit options and implementing Transportation Demand Management are critical components to improving the transportation network in this area of the city.

## Community Engagement

Although it is anticipated that there will be minimum negative impacts during the consolidation and modernization of these three buildings on the AFRH campus, sharing information with affected Advisory Neighborhood Commissioners, neighborhood organizations and other stakeholders is encouraged. During the master plan process for the redevelopment of AFRH, many community stakeholders actively participated and provided input and comments.

The Office of Planning appreciates the opportunity to comment on the AFRH Consolidation and Modernization EA. We look forward to your consideration of these comments and collaborating with you throughout the process. Should you have any questions, please contact Deborah Crain Kemp of my staff at (202) 442-7615.

Sincerely,

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IN REPLY REFER TO: NCPC File No. 7024 / MP060

December 11, 2009

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Re: Environmental Assessment for Modernization and Consolidation of Residential and Medical Facilities at the Armed Forces Retirement Home (AFRH-W)

# Dear Mr. Burkhardt:

In response to your letter regarding the preparation of an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the modernization and consolidation of residential and medical facilities on the Armed Forces Retirement Home (AFRH-W) campus, located at 3700 North Capitol Street, NW in Washington, DC, the National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC), a cooperating agency, submits the following scoping comments. These comments supplement those provided at our meeting on December 9, 2009.

According to your letter, the general purpose of the project is to consolidate AFRH-W residential and medical operations in the campus core; eliminate duplicate functions that are currently distributed throughout the campus; meet the changing healthcare needs of veterans; and provide facilities that reflect the latest standards and practices in senior housing. According to NCPC's recent site visit to the AFRH-W, and discussions with AFRH-W representatives, these improvements will be generally located on the site of the existing Scott Building. In anticipation of NCPC's review of the project, we request that the following information be included in the scope of the EA.

# Alternatives:

In addition to a No Action Alternative, NCPC requests that the EA include the following alternatives:

- . Renovation of the existing Scott Building.
- . More than one alternative to demolish the Scott Building and construct a new building on that site.

This request is consistent with the comments NCPC provided at the December 9<sup>th</sup> meeting.

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At the December 9<sup>th</sup> meeting, representatives from AFRH-W, and their design team, described three scenarios for the redevelopment of the Scott Building. In general, these scenarios showed variations of building arrangement, footprint, and height. At the conclusion of the meeting, NCPC indicated a preference for the scenario that did not extend into the viewshed of the Lincoln Cottage, and recommended that this scenario be explored further. In addition to views from the Lincoln Cottage, it was also recommended that in furtherance of this scenario, certain design principles be taken into consideration, including:

- · The scale and architectural design of the surrounding buildings;
- · Historic alignments of roads and pedestrian pathways; and
- · Arrangement of existing buildings on the AFRH-W campus along a north-south axis.

NCPC recommends that AFRH-W incorporate these design principles into each of the redevelopment scenarios that will ultimately be analyzed in the EA.

# Analysis:

For each of the alternatives, NCPC requests that the EA analyze the potential direct, indirect, and cumulative impacts of the project on the following topic areas.

- . Historic and cultural resources, including impacts on the U.S. Soldiers' and Airmens' Home National Historic Landmark and Historic District, AFRH-W Historic District, and the Lincoln Cottage.
- . Land use, including impacts on public access to the Lincoln Cottage during construction.
- . Pedestrian and bicycle access and circulation.
- . Transportation, including impacts to traffic and parking on the campus and the surrounding neighborhood, both during and at the completion of construction.
- . Natural features, including impacts to vegetation, steep slopes, soil erosion, and water resources.
- . Views and vistas, with a particular focus on impacts to the views identified in the AFRH-W Master Plan.

These comments have been prepared in accordance with NCPC's Environmental and Historic Policies and Procedures, and reflect the information that NCPC will require to take a final action on the project. According to your letter, the EA "will be a supplement to the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) that was prepared for the AFRH – Master Plan." To the extent the EA relies upon information contained in the EIS, NCPC requests that this information be included, or concisely referenced, in the EA.

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To ensure a full and proper analysis of the proposed project, NCPC requests that the preparation of the EA be coordinated with the following: Advisory Neighborhood Commissions 1A, 4C, and 5C, Councilmember Jim Graham (Ward 1), Councilmember Muriel Bowser (Ward 4), Councilmember Harry Thomas, Jr. (Ward 5), District of Columbia Office of Planning (DCOP), District Department of Transportation (DDOT), District of Columbia State Historic Preservation Office (DC SHPO), U.S. Commission of Fine Arts (CFA), Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center(VA), and Washington Central Parks.

As a cooperating agency, NCPC appreciates the opportunity to participate in this phase of the EA, and looks forward to continued involvement in the preparation of this document and of the project. If you have any questions about these comments please contact Shane L. Dettman at (202) 482-7267 or shane.dettman@ncpc.gov.

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## **APPENDIX**

LIST OF ACRONYMS
HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SURVEY

#### LIST OF ACRONYMS

• AFRH Armed Forces Retirement Home (Agency)

• AFRH-W Armed Forces Retirement Home – Washington (Campus)

• AL Assisted Living

• BPV Battery Powered Vehicle

• CAA Clean Air Act

CEQ Council on Environmental Quality
 CFA Commission of Fine Arts (US)
 CFR Code of Federal Regulations

• CO Carbon Monoxide

• dBA Decibel

• DC District of Columbia

• DC HPO District of Columbia Historic Preservation Office

DCMR District of Columbia Municipal Regulation
 DCOP District of Columbia Office of Planning

• EA Environmental Assessment

• EIS Environmental Impact Statement

• EISA Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007

• ELGs Effluent Limitations Guidelines

• EMC Environmental Management Commission

• EO Executive Order

• EPA Environmental Protection Agency

• F&R Froehling & Robertson, Inc.

FEMP Federal Energy Management Program
 FEMA Federal Emergency Management Agency

• FHWA Federal Highway Administration

• FIRM Flood Insurance Rate Map

• FONSI Finding of No Significant Impact

• GI/LID Green Infrastructure/Low Impact Development

• GSA General Services Administration

IT Information Technology
 Leq Equivalent Sound Level
 Lmax Maximum Sound Level

LTC Long Term Care
 MP Master Plan
 MS Memory Support

• NAAQS National Ambient Air Quality Standards

• NAC Noise Abatement Criteria

NCPC National Capital Planning Commission
 NEPA National Environmental Policy Act

• NHL National Historic Landmark

• NHPA National Historic Preservation Act

NO<sub>2</sub> Nitrogen Dioxide
 NPS National Park Service

NRCS Natural Resources Conservation Service
 NSPS New Source Performance Standards
 NTHP National Trust for Historic Preservation

• NWI National Wetlands Inventory

• O<sub>3</sub> Ozone

• PA Programmatic Agreement

• Pb Lead

• PEPCO Potomac Electric Power Company, Inc.

PM Particulate Matter
 ROC Record of Conversation
 ROD Record of Decision

• SCS Soil Conservation Service

• SHPO State Historic Preservation Office

• SO<sub>2</sub> Sulfur Dioxide

US United States (of America)USACE US Army Corps of Engineers

• USC US Code

USDA
 US Department of Agriculture
 US Fish and Wildlife Service

• USGS US Geological Survey

• WMATA Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority



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#### LIMITED HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SURVEY REPORT

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#### 1.0 Introduction

Froehling and Robertson (F&R) was contracted by DiMella Shaffer to perform a limited, non-destructive hazardous materials survey of the Armed Forces Retirement Home, Scott Building, located at 3700 North Capitol Street, Washington, D.C. The survey was performed by Environmental Protection Agency-Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (EPA-AHERA)-trained asbestos building inspectors, Alan Lederman and Ousman Auber, between October 6<sup>th</sup> and October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2009.

The Scott Building is used as a residential retirement facility. The building contains eight above-grade levels and two subterranean levels (the ground floor and basement) encompassing approximately 357,000 square feet. The basement level contains mechanical equipment such as hot water tanks and air handling units and storage space. The ground floor consists of the dining hall, auditorium and the health center. The main floor (or 1<sup>st</sup> Floor) contains residential units and the library. The 2<sup>nd</sup> through 7<sup>th</sup> floors contain residential units. The 8<sup>th</sup> floor contains mechanical spaces including the elevator equipment room and air handling units as well as residential units.

Typical interior finishes consist of marble and plaster walls in the hallways, lobby areas, and common areas; 12"x12" vinyl floor tiles in hallways, residential units and common areas; ceramic floor and wall tiles in restrooms, hallways and common areas; carpeting in administrative offices and common areas; sheetrock walls within the residential units and 2'x4' drop ceiling tiles in the hallways. The exterior structure is made of concrete and limestone with a flat roof.

The scope of the hazardous materials survey for the Scott Building consisted of the following items only:

- Non-invasive survey for suspect asbestos-containing materials (ACMs)
- Screening of surface coatings that may contain lead-based paint (LBP)
- Non-invasive Inventory of suspect PCB-containing light ballasts and mercury-containing components

#### 2.0 Asbestos-Containing Material (ACM)

#### 2.1 Methodology

For this project, a non-invasive visual survey and sampling for suspect ACM was conducted at the above referenced site. All samples were collected in general accordance with EPA-AHERA protocols and submitted under chain of custody to EMSL Analytical, Inc. (EMSL) located in Beltsville, Maryland, for analysis. EMSL is accredited by the National Voluntary Laboratory Accreditation Program (NVLAP) to analyze suspect asbestos-containing bulk materials. A total of one hundred forty-six (146) bulk samples were collected and analyzed using Polarized Light Microscopy (PLM) via EPA Method 600/R-93/116.



### 2.2 Results (Refer also to Appendix A for Laboratory Reports)

TABLE 1 ACM LABORATORY RESULTS					
Sample #	Sample Location	Sample Description	Analytical Results		
01	Basement-Hot Water Tank #1	Tank Insulation	40% Chrysotile		
02	Basement-Hot Water Tank #1	Tank Insulation	40% Chrysotile		
03	Basement-Hot Water Tank #1	Tank Insulation	40% Chrysotile 35% Amosite		
04	Basement- Domestic Water Pipes	Pipe Insulation	30% Amosite		
05	Basement- Domestic Water Pipes	Pipe Insulation	30% Amosite		
06	Basement- Domestic Water Pipes	Pipe Insulation	30% Amosite		
07	Basement-HVAC Duct	HVAC Mastic	No Asbestos Detected		
08	Basement-HVAC Duct	HVAC Mastic	No Asbestos Detected		
09	Basement-HVAC Duct	HVAC Mastic	No Asbestos Detected		
10	Basement-Water Pipe	Cork Insulation/Mastic Composite	No Asbestos Detected		
11	Basement-AHU #8	HVAC Insulation	40% Chrysotile		
12	Basement-AHU #8	HVAC Insulation	40% Chrysotile		
13	Basement-AHU #8	HVAC Insulation	40% Chrysotile		
14	Basement Wall Adjacent to Chillers	Troweled-On Surfacing	40% Chrysotile		
15	Basement-HVAC Duct	Cork Insulation/Mastic Composite	20% Chrysotile		
16	Basement-HVAC Duct	Cork Insulation/Mastic Composite	20% Chrysotile		
17	Basement-HVAC Duct	Cork Insulation/Mastic Composite	20% Chrysotile		
18	Basement Wall	Brick Mortar	No Asbestos Detected		
19	Basement-Back Tunnel Area	Brown HVAC Insulation	No Asbestos Detected		
20	Basement-Back Tunnel Area	Brown HVAC Insulation	No Asbestos Detected		



Sample #	Sample Location	Sample Description	Analytical Results		
21	Basement-Back Tunnel Area	Brown HVAC Insulation	No Asbestos Detected		
22	Basement-HVAC Duct	Red Seam Sealant	No Asbestos Detected		
23	Basement-HVAC Duct	Red Seam Sealant	No Asbestos Detected		
24	Basement-Domestic Water Pipe	Pipe Insulation	10% Chrysotile		
25	Basement- Domestic Water Pipe	Pipe Insulation	10% Chrysotile		
26	Basement- Domestic Water Pipe	Pipe Insulation	10% Chrysotile		
27	Basement-Vault	Paperboard Ceiling	8% Chrysotile		
28	Basement- Storm Water Pipe	Black Pipe Wrap	5% Chrysotile		
29	Basement- Storm Water Pipe	Black Pipe Wrap	5% Chrysotile		
30	Basement-HVAC Duct	Yellow Seam Sealant/Wrap-	No Asbestos Detected		
31	Basement-Steam Pipes	Calcium-Magnesia Pipe Insulation	35% Amosite		
32	Basement-Steam Pipes	Calcium-Magnesia Pipe Insulation	35% Amosite		
33	Basement-Steam Pipes	Calcium- Magnesia Pipe Insulation	35% Amosite		
34	Basement-Access Panel Door	White Door Insulation	35% Chrysotile		
35	Basement-Between Wall & Columns	Black Waterproofing Paper	No Asbestos Detected		
36	Basement-Between Wall & Columns	Black Waterproofing Paper	No Asbestos Detected		
37	Basement-Storm Water Pipes w/Black Wrapping	Pipe Insulation	No Asbestos Detected		
38	Basement-Storm Water Pipes w/Black Wrapping	Pipe Insulation	No Asbestos Detected		
39	Basement-Storm Water Pipes w/Black Wrapping Paper	Pipe Insulation	No Asbestos Detected		
40	Basement-HVAC Duct	White Duct Seam Sealant	No Asbestos Detected		



Sample #	Sample Location	Sample Description	Analytical Results		
41	Basement-HVAC Duct	Black Vibration Dampener Cloth	No Asbestos Detected		
42	Basement-HVAC Duct	Brick Mortar	No Asbestos Detected		
43	Main Floor-Room 1014	12"x12" Ceiling Tile- Textured	No Asbestos Detected		
44	Main Floor-Room 1014	12"X12" Ceiling Tile- Fissured w/Holes	No Asbestos Detected		
45	Main Floor-Room 1014	12"x12" Floor Tile-Cream w/Grey Streaks	No Asbestos Detected		
45A	Main Floor-Room 1014	Black Vinyl Floor Tile Mastic	No Asbestos Detected		
46	Main Floor-Room 1014	12"x12" Floor Tile-Cream w/Grey Streaks	No Asbestos Detected		
46A	Main Floor-Room 1014	Black Vinyl Floor Tile Mastic	No Asbestos Detected		
47	Main Floor-Room 1014	12"x12" Floor Tile-Cream w/Grey Streaks	No Asbestos Detected		
47A	Main Floor-Room 1014	Black Vinyl Floor Tile Mastic	No Asbestos Detected		
48	Main Floor Hallway	Covebase Mastic	No Asbestos Detected		
49	Main Floor-Room 1014	Ceiling Tile Glue Dots	No Asbestos Detected		
50	Exterior Wall	White Caulk	3% Chrysotile		
51	Exterior Wall	White Caulk	5% Chrysotile		
52	Exterior Wall	Grey Caulk	No Asbestos Detected		
53	Ground Floor Roof	Black Roofing Tar	No Asbestos Detected		
54	Exterior	Grey Window Caulk	No Asbestos Detected		
55	Stairwell Landing- Stairwell #1	Floor Tread-Black w/Silver Dots	No Asbestos Detected		
56	Stairwell Landing- East Stairwell	Window Glazing	No Asbestos Detected		
57	Auditorium	Sprayed-on Acoustical Surfacing	No Asbestos Detected		
58	Auditorium	Sprayed-on Acoustical			



Sample #	Sample Location	Sample Description	Analytical Results		
59	Main Floor-Hallway-Zone 1	2'x4' Ceiling Tile-Fissured w/Dots	No Asbestos Detected		
60	Main Floor-Hallway-Zone 3	2'x4' Ceiling Tile-Fissured w/Dots	No Asbestos Detected		
61	Main Floor-Hallway-Zone 4	2'x4' Ceiling Tile-Fissured w/Dots	No Asbestos Detected		
62	Main Floor-Above Drop Ceiling	Ceiling Plaster-Skim Coat	No Asbestos Detected		
62A	Main Floor-Above Drop Ceiling	Ceiling Plaster-Scratch Coat	No Asbestos Detected		
63	Main Floor-Hallway-Zone 1	2'x4' Ceiling Tile-Dotted	No Asbestos Detected		
64	Main Floor-Hallway-Zone 1	Cork HVAC Insulation	No Asbestos Detected		
65	Main Floor-Fiberglass Insulated Pipes	Canvas Pipe Wrapping	No Asbestos Detected		
66	7 <sup>th</sup> Floor Elevator Room	Vibration Dampener Cloth	15% Chrysotile		
67	7 <sup>th</sup> Floor Hallway-Above Drop Ceiling	Pipe Insulation	20% Chrysotile		
68	3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor-HVAC Duct	HVAC Seam Sealant	No Asbestos Detected		
69	Main Floor-Hallway-Zone 6	12"x12" White Vinyl Floor Tile with Grey Streaks	No Asbestos Detected		
69A	Main Floor-Hallway-Zone 6	Black Vinyl Floor Tile Mastic	No Asbestos Detected		
70	Main Floor-Hallway-Zone 6	12"x12" White Vinyl Floor Tile with Grey Streaks	No Asbestos Detected		
70A	Main Floor-Hallway-Zone 6	Black Vinyl Floor Tile Mastic	No Asbestos Detected		
71	Main Floor-Hallway-Zone 6	12"x12" White Vinyl Floor Tile with Grey Streaks	No Asbestos Detected		
71A	Main Floor-Hallway-Zone 6	Black Vinyl Floor Tile Mastic	No Asbestos Detected		
72	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor-Hallway-Zone 3	12"x12" Grey Vinyl Floor Tile with White Streaks	No Asbestos Detected		
73	4 <sup>th</sup> Floor-Hallway-Zone 5	12"x12" Grey Vinyl Floor Tile with White Streaks	No Asbestos Detected		
74	6 <sup>th</sup> Floor-Hallway-Zone 7	13"v12" Croy Vinyl Floor			



ACIVI LABORATORY RESULTS						
Sample #	Sample Location	Sample Description	Analytical Results			
75	Main Floor-Hallway-Zone 4	12"x12" White Vinyl Floor Tile w/Grey and Black Streaks	No Asbestos Detected			
75A	Main Floor-Hallway-Zone 4	Black Vinyl Floor Tile Mastic	No Asbestos Detected			
76	3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor-Hallway-Zone 5	12"x12" White Vinyl Floor Tile w/Grey and Black Streaks	No Asbestos Detected			
76A	3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor-Hallway-Zone 5	Black Vinyl Floor Tile Mastic	No Asbestos Detected			
77	5 <sup>th</sup> Floor-Hallway-Zone 7	12"x12" White Vinyl Floor Tile w/Grey & Black Streaks	No Asbestos Detected			
77A	5 <sup>th</sup> Floor-Hallway-Zone 7	Black Vinyl Floor Tile Mastic	No Asbestos Detected			
78	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor- Room 2404	12"x12" Green Vinyl Floor Tile with White Streaks	No Asbestos Detected			
78A	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor- Room 2404	Black Vinyl Floor Tile Mastic	No Asbestos Detected			
79	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor- Room 2404	12"x12" Green Vinyl Floor Tile with White Streaks	No Asbestos Detected			
79A	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor- Room 2404	Black Vinyl Floor Tile Mastic	No Asbestos Detected			
80	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor- Room 2404	12"x12" Green Vinyl Floor Tile with White Streaks	No Asbestos Detected			
80A	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor- Room 2404	Black Vinyl Floor Tile Mastic	No Asbestos Detected			
81	Main Floor-Hallway-Zone 2	9"x9" Black Vinyl Floor Tile with White Streaks	12% Chrysotile			
81A	Main Floor-Hallway-Zone 2	Black Vinyl Floor Tile Mastic	No Asbestos Detected			
82	Main Floor-Hallway-Zone 2	9"x9" Black Vinyl Floor Tile with White Streaks	12% Chrysotile			
82A	Main Floor-Hallway-Zone 2	Black Vinyl Floor Tile Mastic	No Asbestos Detected			
83	Main Floor-Hallway-Zone 2	9"x9" Black Vinyl Floor Tile with White Streaks	12% Chrysotile			
83A	Main Floor-Hallway-Zone 2	Black Vinyl Floor Tile Mastic	No Asbestos Detected			
84	3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor-Room 3040	12"x12" Brown Vinyl Floor Tile w/Dark Brown Streaks	No Asbestos Detected			



Sample #	Sample Location	Sample Description	Analytical Results		
84A	3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor-Room 3040	Black Vinyl Floor Tile Mastic	No Asbestos Detected		
85	3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor-Room 3040	12"x12" Brown Vinyl Floor Tile w/Dark Brown Streaks	No Asbestos Detected		
85A	3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor-Room 3040	Black Vinyl Floor Tile Mastic	No Asbestos Detected		
86	3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor-Room 3040	12"x12" Brown Vinyl Floor Tile w/Dark Brown Streaks	No Asbestos Detected		
86A	3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor-Room 3040	Black Vinyl Floor Tile Mastic	No Asbestos Detected		
87	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor-Room 2404	White-Skim Coat Ceiling Plaster	No Asbestos Detected		
88	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor-Room 2404	White-Skim Coat Ceiling Plaster	No Asbestos Detected		
89	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor-Room 2404	White-Skim Coat Ceiling Plaster	No Asbestos Detected		
90	Basement-Concrete Column	Black Mastic	No Asbestos Detected		
91	Main Floor Hallway	Skim Coat Wall Plaster	No Asbestos Detected		
92	Main Floor Hallway	Scratch Coat Wall Plaster	No Asbestos Detected		
93	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Hallway	Skim Coat Ceiling Plaster	No Asbestos Detected		
94	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Hallway	Scratch Coat Ceiling Plaster	No Asbestos Detected		
95	5 <sup>th</sup> Floor Hallway	Skim Coat Ceiling Plaster	No Asbestos Detected		
96	5 <sup>th</sup> Floor Hallway	Scratch Coat Ceiling Plaster	No Asbestos Detected		
97	Main Floor-Room 1014	Sheetrock	No Asbestos Detected		
98	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor-Room 2404	Sheetrock	No Asbestos Detected		
99	Main Floor-Room 1014	Joint Compound	No Asbestos Detected		
100	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor-Room 2404	Joint Compound	No Asbestos Detected		
101	Exterior Front Side	Exterior Window Caulk	No Asbestos Detected		



Sample #	Sample Location	Sample Description	Analytical
			Results
102	Exterior Front Side	Exterior Window Caulk	No Asbestos Detected
103	Main Floor East Stairwell Landing	Interior Window Caulk	No Asbestos Detected
104	Main Floor East Stairwell Landing	Interior Window Caulk	No Asbestos Detected
105	Main Floor East Stairwell Landing	Interior Window Caulk	No Asbestos Detected
106	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor Hallway	Wall Covering	No Asbestos Detected
107	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor Hallway	Wall Covering	No Asbestos Detected
108	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor Hallway	Wall Covering	No Asbestos Detected
109	Auditorium	Sprayed-on Acoustical Surfacing	No Asbestos Detected
110	Auditorium Sprayed-on Acoustical Surfacing		No Asbestos Detected
111	Auditorium	Sprayed-on Acoustical Surfacing	No Asbestos Detected
112 (Referred to as Sample #1 in the Laboratory Report #648)	Room 2074	12"x12" Green Vinyl Floor	
113 (Referred to as Sample #2 in the Laboratory Report #648)	red to as 2 in the y Report 8) red to as 3 in the y Report  Room 2074  Black Floor Tile Mastic  Black Floor Tile Mastic  Joint Compound		No Asbestos Detected
114 (Referred to as Sample #3 in the Laboratory Report #648)			No Asbestos Detected
115 (Referred to as Sample #4 in the Laboratory Report)	Room 2074	Vinyl Covebase	No Asbestos Detected
116 (Referred to as Sample #5 in the Laboratory Report #648)	Room 2074	Vinyl Covebase Mastic	No Asbestos Detected



Sample #	Sample Location	Sample Description	Analytical Results			
117 (Referred to as Sample #6 in the Laboratory Report #648)	Room 2074	Skim Coat Ceiling Plaster	No Asbestos Detected			
118 (Referred to as Sample #7 in the Laboratory Report #648)	Room 2074	Scratch Coat Ceiling Plaster	No Asbestos Detected			
119 (Referred to as Sample #8 in the Laboratory Report #648)	Room 2405	Skim Coat Ceiling Plaster	No Asbestos Detected			
120 (Referred to as Sample #9 in the Laboratory Report #648)	Room 2405	Scratch Coat Ceiling Plaster	No Asbestos Detected			
121 (Referred to as Sample #10 in the Laboratory Report #648)	Room 2405	Sheetrock	No Asbestos Detected			
122 (Referred to as Sample #11 in the Laboratory Report #648)	Room 2405	Joint Compound	No Asbestos Detected			
123 (Referred to as Sample #12 in the Laboratory Report #648)	Room 2401	Skim Coat Wall Plaster	No Asbestos Detected			
124 (Referred to as Sample #13 in the Laboratory Report #648)	Room 2401	Scratch Coat Wall Plaster	No Asbestos Detected			
125 (Referred to as Sample #14 in the Laboratory Report #648)	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Hallway	12"x12" Gray Vinyl Floor Tile with White Streaks	No Asbestos Detected			
126 (Referred to as Sample #15 in the Laboratory Report #648)	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Hallway	Black Floor Tile Mastic	No Asbestos Detected			



TABLE 1 ACM LABORATORY RESULTS							
Sample #	Sample # Sample Location Sample Description Analytical Results						
127 (Referred to as Sample #16 in the Laboratory Report #648)	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Hallway	2'x4' Ceiling Tile	No Asbestos Detected				

#### 2.3 Conclusions and Recommendations

Please see **Table 2** below for a summary of the ACM located within the building.

TABLE 2									
	ACM SUMMARY								
Sample Description Location Estimated Friable? Condition Asbestos Quantity Content									
Hot Water Tank Insulation	Basement Hot Water Tanks	2,000 Square Feet	Yes	Good	40% Chrysotile				
Pipe Insulation on Steam Lines and Domestic Water Lines	Throughout Basement, 7 <sup>th</sup> Floor and Vertical Risers Throughout Building	10,000 Linear Feet	Yes	Fair	0-35% Amosite; 0-10% Chrysotile				
Air Handling Unit Insulation	Basement and 8 <sup>th</sup> Floor Elevator Room	2,500 Square Feet	Yes	Good	40% Chrysotile				
Troweled-On Wall Surfacing Material	Basement	50 Square Feet	Yes	Poor	40% Chrysotile				
HVAC Cork Insulation and Mastic	Basement and Main Floor	6,000 Square Feet	No	Good	20% Chrysotile				
Paper Board Ceiling	Basement Vault	100 Square Feet	No	Good	8% Chrysotile				
Black Pipe Wrap	Basement	200 Linear Feet	No	Good	5% Chrysotile				
Fire Door Insulation	Throughout	150 Fire Doors	No	Good	35% Chrysotile				
Exterior White Wall Caulk	Exterior Walls	12,000 Linear Feet	No	Good	3-5% Chrysotile				
Vibration Dampener Cloth	8 <sup>th</sup> Floor Elevator Room	60 Square Feet	No	Fair	15% Chrysotile				
9"x9" Black Vinyl Floor Tile	Main Floor-Zone 2	300 Square Feet	No	Good	12% Chrysotile				
Decorative Wall Plaster	Library	5,000 Square Feet	Yes	Good	Presumed ACM				
Decorative Ceiling Plaster	Library and Dining Hall	12,500 Square Feet	Yes	Good	Presumed ACM				



TABLE 2 ACM SUMMARY								
Sample Description Location Estimated Friable? Condition Asbestos Quantity Content								
Roofing Material	Roof	50,000 Square Feet	No	Good	Presumed ACM			
Elevator Brake Pads	8 <sup>th</sup> Floor Elevator Room	12 Brake Pads	No	Good	Presumed ACM			
Elevator Cab Insulation	Elevators	6 Elevators	No	Unknown	Presumed ACM			
Elevator Shaft Wall Panels	Elevator Shafts	Unknown	No	Unknown	Presumed ACM			
Pipe Flanges and Gaskets	Throughout	Unknown	No	Unknown	Presumed ACM			

F&R offers the following observations in regards to the information presented in **Table 2**:

- Areas behind solid walls and ceilings were inaccessible and could not be visually surveyed for
  the presence of ACM. ACM including, but not limited to, thermal pipe and pipe fitting insulation
  is known to exist in those locations, however quantities of materials in these areas could not be
  verified and as such any quantity given for these materials should be considered an estimate.
- The estimates provided are preliminary and are not meant for contractor bidding purposes. Additional and/or greater quantities of these ACM's may be discovered during renovation/demolition activities. Additional field verification will be needed to confirm these quantities.
- F&R recommends that a more invasive survey be performed prior to the preparation of the
  project specifications to further identify hidden materials and determine more accurate
  quantities of the materials identified in this survey.

#### 2.3.1 Non-Friable Asbestos-Containing Materials



#### **Paperboard Ceiling - 8% Chrysotile**

Asbestos was detected in a sample of the paperboard ceiling. This material is classified as non-friable asbestos and was generally in poor condition in the areas observed. F&R recommends that all similar material be assumed to be asbestos-containing.





#### Exterior Wall Caulk - 3-5% Chrysotile

Asbestos was detected in a sample of exterior wall caulk. This material is classified as non-friable asbestos and was generally in good condition in the areas observed. F&R recommends that all exterior wall caulk be assumed to be asbestos-containing.



#### **Vibration Dampener Cloth – 15% Chrysotile**

Asbestos was detected in a sample of vibration dampener cloth. This material is classified as non-friable asbestos and was generally in good condition in the areas observed. F&R recommends that all vibration dampener cloth be assumed to be asbestos-containing.



Pipe Wrap - 5% Chrysotile

Asbestos was detected in a sample of black pipe wrap. This material is classified as non-friable asbestos and was generally in good condition in the areas observed. F&R recommends that all black pipe wrap be assumed to be asbestos-containing.



9"x9" Vinyl Floor Tile - 12% Chrysotile

Asbestos was detected in a sample of black 9"x9" floor tile. This material is classified as non-friable asbestos and was generally in good condition in the areas observed. F&R recommends that all 9"x9" vinyl floor tiles be assumed to be asbestos-containing.

#### 2.3.2 Friable Asbestos Containing Materials



#### **Hot Water Tank Insulation - 40% Chrysotile**

Asbestos was detected in a sample of hot water tank insulation. This material is classified as friable asbestos and was generally in good condition in the areas observed. F&R recommends that all non-fiberglass tank insulation be assumed to be asbestos-containing.





#### Hot Water Line Pipe Insulation - 30% Amosite

Asbestos was detected in a sample of pipe insulation on hot water lines. This material is classified as friable asbestos and was generally in fair condition in the areas observed. F&R recommends that all non-fiberglass pipe insulation be assumed to be asbestos-containing.



#### Air Handling Unit (AHU) Insulation - 40% Chrysotile

Asbestos was detected in a sample of air handling unit (AHU) insulation. This material is classified as friable asbestos and was generally in good condition in the areas observed. F&R recommends that all non-fiberglass AHU insulation be assumed to be asbestos-containing.



#### **Troweled-On Surfacing Material- 40% Chrysotile**

Asbestos was detected in a sample of troweled-on surfacing material. This material is classified as friable asbestos and was generally in poor condition in the areas observed. F&R recommends that all similar material be assumed to be asbestos-containing.



#### Steam Line Pipe insulation - 35% Amosite

Asbestos was detected in a sample of steam line pipe insulation. This material is classified as friable asbestos and was generally in good condition in the areas observed. F&R recommends that all non-fiberglass pipe insulation be assumed to be asbestos-containing.



#### Air Cell Pipe Insulation - 10% Chrysotile

Asbestos was detected in a sample of air cell pipe insulation on various types of water lines. This material is classified as friable asbestos and was generally in good condition in the areas observed. F&R recommends that all non-fiberglass pipe insulation be assumed to be asbestos-containing.





#### Fire Door Insulation - 35% Chrysotile

Asbestos was detected in a sample of fire door insulation. The insulation is classified as friable asbestos. The fire doors were generally in good condition in the areas observed. F&R recommends that all fire doors (wood & metal) be assumed to contain asbestos-containing insulation.

#### 2.3.3 Presumed Asbestos-Containing Materials (PACM)



F&R recommends that the decorative wall plaster observed in the Library be assumed to be asbestos-containing until sampling determines otherwise.



F&R recommends that the decorative ceiling plaster observed in the Library and Dining Hall be assumed to be asbestoscontaining until sampling determines otherwise.

- F&R recommends that the elevator brake pads, elevator cab insulation and elevator shaft wall panels be assumed to be asbestos-containing until sampling determines otherwise.
- F&R recommends all roofing material/exterior materials be considered to be asbestos-containing until sampling determines otherwise.
- F&R recommends that all pipe/tank/mechanical equipment flanges and gaskets be considered to be asbestos-containing until sampling determines otherwise.

#### 2.4 Applicable Regulations

#### **EPA/NESHAP Regulations for Asbestos-Containing Materials**

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency promulgated the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) [40 CFR Part 61], which addresses the application, removal and disposal of ACMs. Under NESHAP, the following categories are defined for ACMs:



Friable - When dry, can be crumbled, pulverized, or reduced to powder by hand pressure.

Non-Friable - When dry, cannot be crumbled, pulverized, or reduced to powder by hand pressure.

**Category I Non-friable ACM** - Packings, gaskets, resilient floor coverings, and asphalt roofing products containing more than 1% asbestos.

**Category II Non-friable ACM** – Any non-friable material, excluding Category I Non-friable ACM containing more than 1% asbestos.

#### Regulated Asbestos-Containing Material (RACM)-One of the following:

- 1. Friable ACM
- 2. Category I Non-friable ACM that has become friable.
- 3. Category I Non-friable ACM that will be or has been subjected to sanding, grinding, cutting, or abrading.
- 4. Category II Non-friable ACM that has a high probability of becoming, or has become, friable by the forces expected to act on the material during demolition or renovation operations.

#### Under NESHAP, the following actions are required:

- 1. Prior to the commencement of demolition or renovation activities, the building owner must inspect the affected facility or part of the facility where the demolition or renovation activities will occur for the presence of asbestos.
- 2. Remove all RACM from the facility before any activity begins that would break up, dislodge, or similarly disturb the material or preclude access for subsequent removal.
- 3. RACM need not be removed if:
  - a) It is Category I non-friable ACM that is not in poor condition.
  - b) It is on a facility component that is encased in concrete or other similar material and is adequately wet whenever exposed.
  - c) It was not accessible for testing and was therefore not discovered until after demolition began and because of the demolition the material cannot be safely removed.
  - d) It is Category II non-friable ACM and the probability is low that the material will become crumbled, pulverized, or reduced to powder during demolition.

#### 3.0 Lead-Based Paint

#### 3.1 Methodology

A lead-based paint (LBP) screening was performed to test a representative number of painted surfaces for the presence of lead. The testing was conducted by using a Niton XL-309 X-Ray Fluorometer (XRF) Lead Paint Analyzer. The XRF contains a small radioisotopic source and operates on the principle of x-ray fluorescence, whereby lead atoms in paint are stimulated to emit characteristic x-rays, which are then detected by the instrument. The XRF can measure surface or non-surface concentrations of lead with 95% accuracy at the District of Columbia action level of 0.7 mg/cm<sup>2</sup>. Levels of lead are reported in units of milligrams per square centimeter (mg/cm<sup>2</sup>). The XRF is able to accurately detect as little as 0.1 mg/cm<sup>2</sup> of lead. The XRF classifies painted surfaces as "positive" or "negative" for lead content based



on the District of Columbia action level (0.7 mg/cm<sup>2</sup>) and the performance characteristics of the XRF.

Positive: Lead is present at or above the District of Columbia action level of 0.7 mg/cm<sup>2</sup> on one or

more layers of paint on a specific component.

Negative: Lead is not present at or above the District of Columbia action level of 0.7 mg/cm<sup>2</sup> in any

layer of paint on a specific component.

The survey was conducted using the methodology recommended by the U.S. EPA/Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). It is important to note that this survey was not a comprehensive, surface-by-surface evaluation, but rather a screening survey of major painted components, which may contain LBP.

#### 3.2 Results

A total of 86 readings were taken as part of this survey. Based on the results of this survey the following surfaces should be assumed to contain LBP or lead-based glazing (defined as having a concentration above the District of Columbia action level of 0.7 milligrams per square centimeter):

Glazing on Ceramic Bath Tubs



**Caution Paint on Concrete Floors** 



Paint on Stairwell Treads



The remainder of the painted surfaces within the building should be assumed to contain lead-containing paint (paint with detectable lead concentrations but below the District of Columbia action level). Reference the attached XRF Data Table for a complete list of sampled components and results.

#### 3.3 Applicable Regulations and Recommendations

#### **OSHA Regulations for Lead Based Paint**

Positive and negative results are based on the US Department of Housing and Urban Development Guidelines. It is important to note that even if a component is negative based on the District of Columbia standard, it may still contain concentrations of lead in the paint, which when disturbed, may generate lead dust greater than the Permissible Exposure Limit (PEL) of 50 micrograms per cubic millimeter (ug/m³) as an 8-hour Time Weighted Average (TWA) established by the OSHA "Lead Exposure in Construction Rule (29 CFR 1926.62)."



The OSHA standard gives no guidance on acceptable levels of lead in paint at which no exposure to airborne lead (above the action level) would be expected. Rather, OSHA defines airborne concentrations, and references specific types of work practices and operations from which a lead hazard may be generated (reference 29 CFR 1926.62, section d). Each employer who has an operation covered by this standard shall determine if any employee may be exposed to lead at or above the Action Level of 30 ug/m³ as an 8-hour TWA through performing a Negative Exposure Assessment (NEA). Exposure above the Action Level is permitted, however the Action Level initiates required medical monitoring.

#### 4.0 PCBs

#### 4.1 Methodology

Light ballasts are the electrical components attached to fluorescent light fixtures usually found under a metal cover plate. Prior to 1978, ballasts were commonly manufactured with polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs). PCBs were used in fluorescent light ballasts because of their electrical insulating properties. Ballasts made after 1978 are usually marked "Non-PCB." F&R conducted a visual non-invasive survey to identify if the "Non-PCB" label was present on ballasts throughout the building.

#### 4.2 Results

F&R observed fluorescent lighting fixtures throughout the building and inspected a representative number for the "Non-PCB" label. F&R did not observe the "Non-PCB" label on any of the ballasts inspected. During F&R's inspection, approximately 450 light fixtures containing approximately 900 light ballasts were observed throughout the building. These light ballasts are assumed to be PCB-containing.

#### 4.3 Recommendations

F&R recommends that all fluorescent light ballasts fixtures in the building that do not contain the "Non-PCB" label be assumed to contain PCBs. Ballasts with a clearly marked "Non-PCB" are not regulated and can be disposed of with general construction and demolition debris. The light fixtures without the "Non-PCB" labeling should be removed, disposed of and/or recycled according to Federal and District of Columbia hazardous waste disposal guidelines, by an appropriately licensed/certified contractor.

#### 5.0 Mercury-Containing Components

#### 5.1 Methodology

Mercury is used in several building components including fluorescent lamps, thermostats and thermometers. F&R conducted a visual non-invasive survey to identify mercury-containing components throughout the building.

#### 5.2 Results

During this survey, F&R personnel observed approximately one thousand and fifty (1,050) fluorescent lamps throughout the building and thirty (30) high intensity discharge (HID) lamps in the dining hall, auditorium and other common areas. F&R observed five (5) thermometers associated with the HVAC



equipment in the basement that are suspected to contain mercury. No thermostats suspected to contain mercury were identified during this survey.

#### 5.3 Recommendations

F&R recommends that all fluorescent and HID lamps be presumed to contain mercury. Quantities of mercury-containing thermometers in addition to those observed by F&R may exist within the building. There may also be mercury-containing thermostats within the building that were not observed by F&R. F&R recommends that all non-digital HVAC gauges, thermometers and thermostats within the building be presumed to contain mercury components unless they are specifically labeled otherwise. The mercury-containing building components that are to be impacted as part of renovation/demolition activities should be removed, disposed of and/or recycled according to Federal and District of Columbia hazardous waste disposal guidelines by an appropriately licensed/certified contractor.



#### 6.0 Limitations

This report has been prepared for the exclusive use by DiMella Shaffer and their associates. This service was performed in accordance with Occupational safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) guidelines. No other warranty, expressed or implied, is made.

Our conclusions and recommendations are based, in part, upon information provided to us by others and on our site observations. We have not verified the completeness or accuracy of the information provided by others, unless otherwise noted. Our observations and recommendations are based upon conditions readily visible at the site at the time of our site visit, and upon current industry standards. During F&R's non-invasive inspection, accessible areas were visually surveyed for the presence of suspected ACM, LBP, PCB-containing Light Ballasts and Mercury-containing components. Inaccessible areas, such as behind solid walls or above solid ceiling were not surveyed and therefore suspected ACM may be present in those areas. Areas inspected for the above-referenced materials were limited to those designated by the client.

To preserve the integrity of the roof structure, the roof wasn't sampled because sampling may negatively impact the structure and destroys the matrix.

The investigation was based on materials found in building above soil level. Any materials buried underneath the foundation were not accessible and will be considered to be an asbestos containing material until sampling rebuts the assumption.

During this study, suspect material samples were analyzed for asbestos and/or lead. As with any similar survey of this nature, actual conditions exist only at the precise locations from which suspect samples were collected. Certain inferences are based on the results of this sampling and related testing to form a professional opinion of conditions in areas beyond those from which the samples were collected. No other warranty, expressed or implied, is made.

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Froehling & Robertson, Inc. by virtue of providing the services described in this report, does not assume the responsibility of the person(s) in charge of the site, or otherwise undertake responsibility for reporting to any local, state, or federal public agencies any conditions at the site that may present a potential danger to public health, safety, or the environment. The client agrees to notify the appropriate local, state, or federal public agencies as required by law, or otherwise to disclose, in a timely manner, any information that may be necessary to prevent any danger to public health, safety, or the environment. The contents of the report should not be construed in any way as a recommendation to purchase, sell, or develop the project site.



#### **APPENDIX A**

### ASBESTOS DOCUMENTATION, LABORATORY REPORTS



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			<u>Asbestos</u>		
Sample	Description	Appearance	% Fibrous	% Non-Fibrous	% Type
1 190909749-0001	BOILER INS	Gray Fibrous Heterogeneous		60% Non-fibrous (other)	40% Chrysotile
2 190909749-0002	BOILER INS	Brown/Gray Fibrous Heterogeneous		60% Non-fibrous (other)	40% Chrysotile
3 190909749-0003	BOILER INS	Brown/Gray Fibrous Heterogeneous		55% Non-fibrous (other)	30% Chrysotile 15% Amosite
4 190909749-0004	PIPE INS	Fibrous Heterogeneous		70% Non-fibrous (other)	30% Amosite
5 190909749-0005	PIPE INS	White Fibrous Heterogeneous		70% Non-fibrous (other)	30% Amosite
6 190909749-0006	PIPE INS	White Fibrous Heterogeneous		70% Non-fibrous (other)	30% Amosite
7 190909749-0007	HVAC DUCT MSTC	Brown/White Fibrous Heterogeneous	30% Cellulose	70% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected

Analyst(s)	Jugh Centiforte
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8 190909749-0008	HVAC DUCT MSTC	Brown/White Fibrous Heterogeneous	35%	Cellulose	65% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
9 190909749-0009	HVAC DUCT MSTC	Brown/White Fibrous Heterogeneous	35%	Cellulose	65% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
10	CORK INS - ON PIPE	Brown/Black Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
11 190909749-0011	AIR HANDLING UNIT - INS	Gray/White Fibrous Heterogeneous			60% Non-fibrous (other)	40% Chrysotile
12 190909749-0012	AIR HANDLING UNIT - INS	Gray/White Fibrous Heterogeneous			60% Non-fibrous (other)	40% Chrysotile
13 190909749-0013	AIR HANDLING UNIT - INS	Gray/White Fibrous Heterogeneous			60% Non-fibrous (other)	40% Chrysotile
14 190909749-0014	TROWELED-ON PATCH - ON WALL	Gray Fibrous Heterogeneous			60% Non-fibrous (other)	40% Chrysotile

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		Non-Asbestos				<u>Asbestos</u>
Sample	Description	Appearance	% Fi	ibrous	% Non-Fibrous	% Type
15 190909749-0015	HVAC CORK INS & MSTC	Brown/Black Fibrous Heterogeneous			80% Non-fibrous (other)	20% Chrysotile
16 190909749-0016	HVAC CORK INS & MSTC	Brown/Black Fibrous Heterogeneous			80% Non-fibrous (other)	20% Chrysotile
<b>17</b> 190909749-0017	HVAC CORK INS & MSTC	Brown/White Fibrous Heterogeneous			80% Non-fibrous (other)	20% Chrysotile
18 190909749-0018	BRICK MORTAR - GRAY UNPAINTED BRICKS	Cream Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
19 190909749-0019	HVAC DUCT INS - LT BRN	Gray Fibrous Homogeneous	100% G	Glass	0% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
20 190909749-0020	HVAC DUCT INS - LT BRN	Gray Fibrous Homogeneous	100% G	Glass	0% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
21 190909749-0021	HVAC DUCT INS - LT BRN	Yellow Fibrous Homogeneous	100% G	Glass	0% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected

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		Non-Asbestos				<u>Asbestos</u>	
Sample	Description	Appearance	%	Fibrous	% Non-Fibrous	% Type	
22 190909749-0022	HVAC JOINT SEAM SEALANT - RED	Red Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected	
23 190909749-0023	HVAC JOINT SEAM SEALANT - RED	Red Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected	
24 190909749-0024	AIR CELL INS - PIPE - WHT	Gray Fibrous Heterogeneous			90% Non-fibrous (other)	10% Chrysotile	
25 190909749-0025	AIR CELL INS - PIPE - WHT	Gray Fibrous Heterogeneous			90% Non-fibrous (other)	10% Chrysotile	
26 190909749-0026	AIR CELL INS - PIPE - WHT	Gray Fibrous Heterogeneous			90% Non-fibrous (other)	10% Chrysotile	
27 190909749-0027	PAPER BOARD INS - TAR PAPER - BLK/GOLD	Black/Silver Fibrous Heterogeneous			92% Non-fibrous (other)	8% Chrysotile	
28 190909749-0028	PIPE WRAP - BLK	Black Fibrous Heterogeneous			95% Non-fibrous (other)	5% Chrysotile	

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			<u>Asbestos</u>			
Sample	Description	Appearance	%	Fibrous	% Non-Fibrous	% Type
29 190909749-0029	PIPE WRAP - BLK	Black Fibrous Heterogeneous			95% Non-fibrous (other)	5% Chrysotile
30 190909749-0030	HVAC SEAM WRAP - YELLOW	Gray Fibrous Heterogeneous	100%	Cellulose	0% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
31 190909749-0031	PIPE INS - GRAY STEAM LINES - WHT	White Fibrous Heterogeneous			65% Non-fibrous (other)	35% Amosite
32 190909749-0032	PIPE INS - GRAY STEAM LINES - WHT	White Fibrous Heterogeneous			65% Non-fibrous (other)	35% Amosite
33 190909749-0033	PIPE INS - GRAY STEAM LINES - WHT	White Fibrous Heterogeneous			65% Non-fibrous (other)	35% Amosite
34 190909749-0034	ACCESS PANEL INS - FIRE DOOR	Gray Fibrous Heterogeneous			65% Non-fibrous (other)	35% Chrysotile
35 190909749-0035	WATERPROOFIN G INS - BLK	Black Fibrous Heterogeneous	70%	Cellulose	30% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected

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Sample	Description	Appearance	%	Fibrous	% Non-Fibrous	% Type
36 190909749-0036	WATERPROOFIN G INS - BLK	Black Fibrous Heterogeneous	70%	Cellulose	30% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
37 190909749-0037	PIPE INS - STORM WATER LINES - WHT	Gray/Black Fibrous Heterogeneous	45%	Glass	55% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
38 190909749-0038	PIPE INS - STORM WATER LINES - WHT	Gray/Black Fibrous Heterogeneous	45%	Glass	55% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
39 190909749-0039	PIPE INS - STORM WATER LINES - WHT	Gray/Black Fibrous Heterogeneous	45%	Glass	55% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
40 190909749-0040	HVAC DUCT SEAM SEALANT - WHT	Cream Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
41 190909749-0041	VIBRATION DAMPENER CLOTH - BLK	White/Black Fibrous Heterogeneous	80%	Glass	20% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
42 190909749-0042	BRICK MORTAR - PAINTED BRICKS - WHT	Gray Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected

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Sample	Description	Appearance	%	Fibrous	% Non-Fibrous	% Type
43 190909824-0001	12X12 CT - TEXTURED - WHT	White Fibrous Heterogeneous	15%	Glass	85% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
44 190909824-0002	12X12 CT - FISSURED W/ HOLES - WHT	Beige Fibrous Heterogeneous	40% 50%	Cellulose Glass	10% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
45-Floor Tile 190909824-0003	12X12 FT - CREAM W/ GRAY STREAKS	Beige Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
45-Mastic 190909824-0003A	12X12 FT - CREAM W/ GRAY STREAKS	Black Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
46-Floor Tile 190909824-0004	12X12 FT - CREAM W/ GRAY STREAKS	Beige Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
46-Mastic 190909824-0004A	12X12 FT - CREAM W/ GRAY STREAKS	Black Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous	10%	Cellulose	90% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
47-Floor Tile 190909824-0005	12X12 FT - CREAM W/ GRAY STREAKS	Beige Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected

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Sample	Description	Appearance	%	Fibrous	% Non-Fibrous	% Type
47-Mastic 190909824-0005A	12X12 FT - CREAM W/ GRAY STREAKS	Black Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
48 190909824-0006	COVE BASE MASTIC	Yellow/Green Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous	2%	Cellulose	98% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
49 190909824-0007	MASTIC CEIL DOTS - UNDER 12X12 FT	Brown Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
50 190909824-0008	EXT WALL CAULK - WHT	White Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			97% Non-fibrous (other)	3% Chrysotile
51 190909824-0009	EXT WALL CAULK - WHT	White Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			95% Non-fibrous (other)	5% Chrysotile
52 190909824-0010	EXT WALL CAULK - GRAY	Gray Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous	15%	Cellulose	85% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
53 190909824-0011	TAR - ROOFING MAT - BLK	Brown/Black Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous	25%	Cellulose	75% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected

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54 190909824-0012	EXT WINDOW CAULK - CREAM	Brown Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
55 190909824-0013	STAIRWELL TREAD - BLK W/ SILVER DOTS	Black/Silver Fibrous Heterogeneous	8% 2%	Synthetic Cellulose	90% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
56 190909824-0014	WINDOW GLAZING - GRAY	Gray Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
57 190909824-0015	SPRAYED-ON MAT - ACOUSTICAL - WHT	White Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous	90%	Cellulose	10% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
58 190909824-0016	SPRAYED-ON MAT - ACOUSTICAL - WHT	White Fibrous Heterogeneous	90%	Cellulose	10% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
59 190909824-0017	2X4 CT - FISSURED W/ DOTS (OLD)	Brown/White Fibrous Heterogeneous	50% 10%		10% Non-fibrous (other) 30% Perlite	None Detected
60 190909824-0018	2X4 CT - FISSURED W/ DOTS (OLD)	Brown/White Fibrous Heterogeneous	60% 5%	Cellulose Glass	5% Non-fibrous (other) 30% Perlite	None Detected

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61 190909824-0019	2X4 CT - FISSURED W/ DOTS (OLD)	Gray/White Fibrous Heterogeneous	45% 35%		20% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
62-Skim Coat 190909824-0020	CEIL PLSTR - (WHT & BRN) SKIM & ROUGH COATS	White Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
62-Base Coat 190909824-0020A	CEIL PLSTR - (WHT & BRN) SKIM & ROUGH COATS	Brown Fibrous Heterogeneous	8%	Cellulose	52% Non-fibrous (other) 40% Quartz	None Detected
63 190909824-0021	2X4 CT - DOTTED - WHT	Brown/White Fibrous Heterogeneous	65% 5%		5% Non-fibrous (other) 25% Perlite	None Detected
64 190909824-0022	CORK INS - BRN - ON HVAC	Brown Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
65 190909824-0023	CANVAS WRAPPING - WHT	White/Cream Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous	80%	Synthetic	20% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
66 190909824-0024	VIBRATION DAMPENER CLOTH - BLK	Brown Fibrous Heterogeneous	60%	Cellulose	25% Non-fibrous (other)	15% Chrysotile

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		Non-Asbestos			<u>oestos</u>	<u>Asbestos</u>
Sample	Description	Appearance	%	Fibrous	% Non-Fibrous	% Type
67 190909824-0025	PIPE 9TSI) INS - WHT/BRN	Brown/White Fibrous Heterogeneous	40%	Cellulose	25% Non-fibrous (other) 15% Mica	20% Chrysotile
68 190909824-0026	SEAM SEALANT - HVAC DUCT - DK BRN	Brown/Silver Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous	15%	Cellulose	85% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected

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			<u>Asbestos</u>			
Sample	Description	Appearance	%	Fibrous	% Non-Fibrous	% Туре
69-Floor Tile 190909944-0001	12X12 FT - WHT W/ GRAY STREAKS	Gray/White Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			35% Non-fibrous (other) 65% Ca Carbonate	None Detected
69-Mastic 190909944-0001A	12X12 FT - WHT W/ GRAY STREAKS	Brown/Black Fibrous Heterogeneous	3%	Cellulose	97% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
70-Floor Tile 790909944-0002	12X12 FT - WHT W/ GRAY STREAKS	Gray/White Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			35% Non-fibrous (other) 65% Ca Carbonate	None Detected
70-Mastic 190909944-0002A	12X12 FT - WHT W/ GRAY STREAKS	Brown/Black Fibrous Heterogeneous	5%	Cellulose	95% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
71-Floor Tile 190909944-0003	12X12 FT - WHT W/ GRAY STREAKS	Gray Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
71-Mastic 190909944-0003A	12X12 FT - WHT W/ GRAY STREAKS	Black Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
72-Tile Only 190909944-0004	12X12 FT - GRAY W/ WHT STREAKS	Gray/White Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous	No Mastic!		35% Non-fibrous (other) 65% Ca Carbonate	None Detected

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			<u>Asbestos</u>			
Sample	Description	Appearance	%	Fibrous	% Non-Fibrous	% Type
73-Tile Only 190909944-0005	12X12 FT - GRAY W/ WHT STREAKS	Gray/White Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous	No Mastic		35% Non-fibrous (other) 65% Ca Carbonate	None Detected
74 190909944-0006	12X12 FT - GRAY W/ WHT STREAKS	Gray Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			. 100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
75-Floor Tile 190909944-0007	12X12 FT - WHT W/ GRAY/BLK STREAKS	Gray/White/Black Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			40% Non-fibrous (other) 60% Ca Carbonate	None Detected
75-Mastic 190909944-0007A	12X12 FT - WHT W/ GRAY/BLK STREAKS	Yellow/Cream Fibrous Heterogeneous	8% 3%		89% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
76-Floor Tile 190909944-0008	12X12 FT - WHT W/ GRAY/BLK STREAKS	Gray/White/Black Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			40% Non-fibrous (other) 60% Ca Carbonate	None Detected
76-Mastic 190909944-0008A	12X12 FT - WHT W/ GRAY/BLK STREAKS	Yellow/Cream Fibrous Heterogeneous	3% 2%	Cellulose Synthetic	95% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
77-Floor Tile 190909944-0009	12X12 FT - WHT W/ GRAY/BLK STREAKS	Gray Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected

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Sample	Description	Appearance	%	Fibrous	% Non-Fibrous	% Туре
77-Mastic 190909944-0009A	12X12 FT - WHT W/ GRAY/BLK STREAKS	Yellow Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
78-Floor Tile 190909944-0010	12X12 FT - GRN W/ WHT STREAKS	White/Green Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			35% Non-fibrous (other) 65% Ca Carbonate	None Detected
78-Mastic 190909944-0010A	12X12 FT - GRN W/ WHT STREAKS	Yellow Fibrous Heterogeneous	2% 3%		95% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
79-Floor Tile 190909944-0011	12X12 FT - GRN W/ WHT STREAKS	White/Green Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			35% Non-fibrous (other) 65% Ca Carbonate	None Detected
79-Mastic 190909944-0011A	12X12 FT - GRN W/ WHT STREAKS	Yellow Fibrous Heterogeneous	2% 5%		93% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
80-Floor Tile 190909944-0012	12X12 FT - GRN W/ WHT STREAKS	Green Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
80-Mastic 190909944-0012A	12X12 FT - GRN W/ WHT STREAKS	Yellow Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected

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Sample	Description	Appearance	%	Fibrous	% Non-Fibrous	% Туре
81-Floor Tile 190909944-0013	9X9 FT - BLK W/ WHT STREAKS	White/Black Fibrous Heterogeneous	3%	Cellulose	55% Non-fibrous (other) 30% Ca Carbonate	12% Chrysotile
81-Mastic 190909944-0013A	9X9 FT - BLK W/ WHT STREAKS	Brown/Black Fibrous Heterogeneous	5%	Cellulose	95% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
82-Floor Tile 190909944-0014	9X9 FT - BLK W/ WHT STREAKS	White/Black Fibrous Heterogeneous	3%	Cellulose	55% Non-fibrous (other) 30% Ca Carbonate	12% Chrysotile
82-Mastic 190909944-0014A	9X9 FT - BLK W/ WHT STREAKS	Brown/Black Fibrous Heterogeneous	10% 3%	Cellulose Synthetic	87% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
83-Floor Tile 190909944-0015	9X9 FT - BLK W/ WHT STREAKS	Black Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			88% Non-fibrous (other)	12% Chrysotile
88-Mastic 190909944-0015A	9X9 FT - BLK W/ WHT STREAKS	Black Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous	5%	Cellulose	95% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
84-Floor Tile 190909944-0016	12X12 FT - BRN W/ DK BRN STREAKS	Brown/Orange Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous	2%	Cellulose	38% Non-fibrous (other) 60% Ca Carbonate	None Detected

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Sample	Description	Appearance	%	Fibrous	% Non-Fibrous	% Type
84-Mastic 190909944-0016A	12X12 FT - BRN W/ DK BRN STREAKS	Gray/Yellow Fibrous Heterogeneous	5% 10%		85% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
85-Floor Tile 190909944-0017	12X12 FT - BRN W/ DK BRN STREAKS	Brown/Orange Fibrous Heterogeneous	3%	Cellulose	37% Non-fibrous (other) 60% Ca Carbonate	None Detected
85-Mastic 190909944-0017A	12X12 FT - BRN W/ DK BRN STREAKS	Gray/Yellow Fibrous Heterogeneous	2% 5%		93% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
86-Floor Tile 190909944-0018	12X12 FT - BRN W/ DK BRN STREAKS	Brown Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous	4%	Cellulose	96% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
86-Mastic 190909944-0018A	12X12 FT - BRN W/ DK BRN STREAKS	Brown Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
87 190909944-0019	CEIL PLSTR - WHT - SKIM COAT	White/Cream Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
88 190909944-0020	CEIL PLSTR - WHT - SKIM COAT	White Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected

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			<u>Asbestos</u>			
Sample	Description	Appearance	%	Fibrous	% Non-Fibrous	% Туре
89	CEIL PLSTR -	White			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
190909944-0021	WHT - SKIM COAT	Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous				
90	MSTC - BLK - ON	Brown/Black			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
190909944-0022	CORK	Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous				

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		Non-Asb	<u>Asbestos</u>		
Sample	Description	Appearance	% Fibrous	% Non-Fibrous	% Type
9 <b>1</b> 19 <i>0</i> 910093-0001	SKIM COAT PLASTER	White Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous		100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
92 19 <i>0</i> 910093-0002	SCRATCH COAT PLASTER	Beige Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous		100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
93 19 <i>0</i> 910093-0003	SKIM COAT PLASTER	White Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous		100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
94 19 <i>0</i> 910093-0004	SCRATCH COAT PLASTER	Beige Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous		100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
95 19 <i>0</i> 910093-0005	SKIM COAT PLASTER	White Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous		100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
96 190910093-0006	SCRATCH COAT PLASTER	Beige Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous		100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
97 190910093-0007	DRYWALL	Brown/Gray Fibrous Heterogeneous	30% Cellulose	70% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected

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			<u>Asbestos</u>			
Sample	Description	Appearance	%	Fibrous	% Non-Fibrous	% Type
98 19 <i>0</i> 910093-0008	DRYWALL	Brown/Gray Fibrous Heterogeneous	30%	Cellulose	70% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
99 19 <i>0</i> 910093-0009	COMPOUND	White Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
100 19 <i>0</i> 910093-0010	COMPOUND	White Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
101 190910093-0011	EXT WINDOW CAULK	Brown/White Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
102 190910093-0012	EXT WINDOW CAULK	Brown/White Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
103 190910093-0013	INT WINDOW CAULK	Gray Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
104 190910093-0014	INT WINDOW CAULK	Gray Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected

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•			<u>Non-Asbestos</u>				
Sample	Description	Appearance	%	Fibrous	% Non-Fibrous	% Type	
105 190910093-0015	INT WINDOW CAULK	Gray Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected	
106 190910093-0016	WALL PAPER/CANVAS	White Fibrous Heterogeneous	70%	Cellulose	30% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected	
107 19 <i>0</i> 910093-0017	WALL PAPER/CANVAS	White Fibrous Heterogeneous	70%	Cellulose	30% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected	
108 19 <i>0</i> 910093-0018	WALL PAPER/CANVAS	White Fibrous Heterogeneous	70%	Cellulose	30% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected	
109 19 <i>0</i> 910093-0019	SPRAY-ON ACOUSTICAL MAT	White Non-Fibrous Homogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected	
110 190910093-0020	SPRAY-ON ACOUSTICAL MAT	White Non-Fibrous Homogeneous		•	100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected	
111 190910093-0021	SPRAY-ON ACOUSTICAL MAT	White Non-Fibrous Homogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected	

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			<u>Asbestos</u>			
Sample	Description	Appearance	%	Fibrous	% Non-Fibrous	% Type
01 190909648-0001	12X12 FT W/ WHT STREAKS- RM 2074	Blue Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous	5%	Cellulose	95% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
02 190909648-0002	MSTC - BLK - RM 2074	Black Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous	5%	Cellulose	95% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
03 190909648-0003	JOINT COMPOUND - RM 2074	Cream Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
04 190909648-0004	VINYL COVE BASE - RM 2074	Gray/Black Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
05 190909648-0005	COVE BASE MSTC - RM 2074	Beige Fibrous Heterogeneous	20%	Cellulose	80% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
06 190909648-0006	SKIM COAT CEIL PLSTR - RM 2074	Cream Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
07 190909648-0007	SCRATCH COAT CEIL PLSTR - RM 2074	Tan Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			45% Non-fibrous (other) 55% Quartz	None Detected

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			<u>Asbestos</u>			
Sample	Description	Appearance	%	Fibrous	% Non-Fibrous	% Type
08 190909648-0008	SKIM COAT CEIL PLSTR - RM 2405	White Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
09 190909648-0009	SCRATCH COAT CEIL PLSTR - RM 2405	Tan Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous	2%	Cellulose	28% Non-fibrous (other) 70% Quartz	None Detected
10 190909648-0010	DRYWALL - RM 2405	Tan/Beige Fibrous Heterogeneous	30%	Cellulose	10% Non-fibrous (other) 60% Gypsum	None Detected
11 190909648-0011	JOINT COMPOUND - RM 2405	Cream Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous	25%	Cellulose	75% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
12 190909648-0012	SKIM COAT WALL PLSTR - RM 2401	White/Green Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
13 190909648-0013	SCRATCH COAT WALL PLSTR - RM 2401	Tan Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			30% Non-fibrous (other) 70% Quartz	None Detected
14 190909648-0014	12X12 FT - GRAY/WHT STREAKS - 2ND FL HALLWAY	Gray Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous			100% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected

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				Non-Asi	<u>bestos</u>	<u>Asbestos</u>
Sample	Description	Appearance	%	Fibrous	% Non-Fibrous	% Type
15 190909648-0015	MSTC - 2ND FL HALLWAY	Brown/Black Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous		Cellulose Synthetic	92% Non-fibrous (other)	None Detected
16 190909648-0016	2X4 CT - 2ND FL HALLWAY	Brown/W hite Fibrous Heterogeneous		Cellulose Glass	5% Non-fibrous (other) 20% Perlite	None Detected

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### **APPENDIX B**

## XRF DATA TABLES EXPLANATION OF XRF DATA

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Reading No	Area	Component	Substrate	Condition	Color	Unit	<b>Action Level</b>	PbC	PbC Error	Lead Based Paint Y/N
1		CALIBRATE				mg/cm^2	0.7	0	0.4	N/A
2		CALIBRATE				mg/cm^2	0.7	1.2	0.3	N/A
3		CALIBRATI	E			mg/cm^2	0.7	1.3	0.4	N/A
4	Basement	Wall	Concrete	Good	White	mg/cm^2	0.7	0	0.02	NO
5	Basement	Centrifugal Chiller-chsc1	Metal	Good	Green	mg/cm^2	0.7	2	1	NO
6	Basement	Centrifugal Chiller-chsc3	Metal	Good	Green	mg/cm^2	0.7	0	0.02	NO
7	Basement	Centrifugal Chiller-chsc2	Metal	Good	Green	mg/cm^2	0.7	0	0.02	NO
8	Basement	Centrifugal Chiller-chsc1	Metal	Good	Green	mg/cm^2	0.7	2.1	1	NO
9	Basement	Sprinkler Valves	Metal	Good	Red	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.1	0.14	NO
10	Basement	<b>Condition Supply Valves</b>	Metal	Good	Blue	mg/cm^2	0.7	0	0.02	NO
11	Basement	Water Pumps-sc01	Metal	Good	Green	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.03	0.07	NO
12	Basement	<b>Condition Supply Valves</b>	Metal	Good	Black	mg/cm^2	0.7	0	0.02	NO
13	Basement	Water Pumps-sc03	Metal	Good	Blue	mg/cm^2	0.7	2.1	1.1	NO
14	Basement	Water Pumps-sc01	Metal	Good	Blue	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.02	0.06	NO
15	Basement	Door	Metal	Good	Black	mg/cm^2	0.7	0	0.02	NO
16	Basement	Column	Concrete	Good	White	mg/cm^2	0.7	0	0.02	NO
17	Basement	Column	Concrete	Good	Grey	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.03	0.07	NO
18	Basement	Elevator Frame	Metal	Good	Orange	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.3	0.36	NO
19	Basement	Fire door	Metal	Good	Grey	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.04	0.07	NO
20	Basement	Fire door frame	Metal	Good	Grey	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.03	0.08	NO
21	Basement	<b>HVAC</b> metal duct	Metal	Fair	Yellow	mg/cm^2	0.7	2.1	1.3	YES
22	Basement	<b>HVAC</b> metal duct	Metal	Fair	Black	mg/cm^2	0.7	4.8	3.7	YES
23	Basement	Hand rail	Metal	Good	Yellow	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.6	0.1	NO
24	Basement	Overhead Pipes	Metal	Good	Grey	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.03	0.06	NO
25	Basement	Elevator	Metal	Good	Brown	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.16	0.21	NO
26	<b>Ground Floor</b>	Stairwell rail	Metal	Good	Grey	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.12	0.18	NO
27	<b>Ground Floor</b>	Stairwell riser	Metal	Good	Grey	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.02	0.04	NO
28	<b>Ground Floor</b>	Window Frame	Metal	Good	Grey	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.06	0.11	NO
29	<b>Ground Floor</b>	Door	Wood	Good	White	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.4	0.2	NO
30	<b>Ground Floor</b>	Columns	Plaster	Good	Yellow	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.4	0.2	NO
31	<b>Ground Floor</b>	Wall	Plaster	Good	Yellow	mg/cm^2	0.7	0	0.02	NO
32	<b>Ground Floor</b>	Wall	Plaster	Good	Red	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.3	0.12	NO
33	1st Floor	Door	Wood	Good	White	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.03	0.16	NO

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34	1st Floor	Door	Wood	Good	Grey	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.5	0.2	NO
35	1st Floor	Stairwell tread	Metal	Good	Orange	mg/cm^2	0.7	3.9	3.1	YES
36	1st Floor	Stairwell riser	Metal	Good	Grey	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.03	0.14	NO
37	2nd Floor	Window frame	Wood	Good	White	mg/cm^2	0.7	0	0.02	NO
38	2nd Floor	Radiator	Metal	Good	White	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.08	0.19	NO
39	Room 2074	Door Frame	Wood	Good	White	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.03	0.03	NO
40	Room 2074	Wall	Plaster	Good	White	mg/cm^2	0.7	0	0.03	NO
41	Room 2074-RR	Wall	Plaster	Good	White	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.01	0.03	NO
42	Room 2074-RR	Wall	Ceramic	Good	Green	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.5	0.01	NO
43	Room 2074-RR	Window Frame	Wood	Good	White	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.02	0.03	NO
44	Room 2074-RR	Radiator cover	Metal	Good	Cream	mg/cm^2	0.7	0	0.03	NO
45	Room 2074-RR	<b>Toilet Bowl</b>	Ceramic	Good	White	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.06	0.02	NO
46	Room 2074-RR	Access Panel	Metal	Good	Grey	mg/cm^2	0.7	0	0.03	NO
47	Room 2074-RR	Ceiling	Drywall	Good	White	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.01	0.03	NO
48	Room 2074-LR	Window Sill	Wood	Good	Cream	mg/cm^2	0.7	0	0.03	NO
49	Room 2074-LR	Window Frame	Wood	Good	Cream	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.02	0.01	NO
50	Room 2074-LR	Sink	Ceramic	Good	Grey	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.01	0.03	NO
51	Room 2074-LR	Ceiling	Drywall	Good	White	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.02	0.07	NO
52	Room 2402	Door	Metal	Good	Grey	mg/cm^2	0.7	0	0.03	NO
53	Room 2402	Door Frame	Metal	Good	Grey	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.02	0.01	NO
54	Room 2400	Wall	Ceramic	Good	Cream	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.16	0.02	NO
55	Room 2400	Floor tread	Cement	Good	Black	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.01	0.03	NO
56	Room 2400	Tub	Ceramic	Good	White	mg/cm^2	0.7	5.3	0.03	YES
57	Room 2400	<b>Toilet Bowl</b>	Ceramic	Good	White	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.26	0.02	NO
58	Room 2400	Sink	Ceramic	Good	White	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.02	0.02	NO
59	Room 2401	Door Frame	Metal	Good	Green	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.03	0.01	NO
60	Room 2401	Wall	Plaster	Good	Green	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.04	0.01	NO
61	Room 2401	Baseboard	Ceramic	Good	Green	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.02	0.01	NO
62	2nd Floor	Wall	Plaster	Good	White	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.03	0.01	NO
63	Room 2400	Floor tile	Ceramic	Good	Brown	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.01	0.03	NO
64	Room 2405	Wall	Plastic	Good	Grey	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.01	0.02	NO
65	Room 2405	Door Frame	Grey	Good	Grey	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.03	0.03	NO
66	Room 2405	Door Frame	White	Good	White	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.13	0.02	NO

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Reading No	Area	Component	Substrate	Condition	Color	Unit	<b>Action Level</b>	PbC	PbC Error	Lead Based Paint Y/N
67	Room 2407	Window Frame	Cream	Good	Cream	mg/cm^2	0.7	0	0.03	NO
68	Room 2407	Wall	Green	Good	Green	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.4	0.03	NO
69	2nd Floor-RR	Wall	Cream	Good	Cream	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.05	0.01	NO
70	2nd Floor-RR	Tub	White	Good	White	mg/cm^2	0.7	7.3	0.01	YES
71	2nd Floor	Door(firedoor)	Grey	Good	Grey	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.05	0.02	NO
72	2nd Floor	Door Frame(firedoor)	Grey	Good	Grey	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.04	0.02	NO
73	2nd Floor	Glazed tile	Yellow	Good	Black	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.03	0.04	NO
74	3rd Floor	Glazed tile	Ceramic	Good	Yellow	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.01	0.03	NO
75	3rd Floor	Glazed tile	Ceramic	Good	Yellow	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.03	0.07	NO
76	3rd Floor	Glazed tile	Ceramic	Good	Yellow	mg/cm^2	0.7	0	0.02	NO
77	3rd Floor	Wall	Plaster	Good	White	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.02	0.05	NO
78	3rd Floor	Door	Metal	Good	Tan	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.03	0.08	NO
79	4th Floor	Wall	Plaster	Good	White	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.05	0.18	NO
80	4th Floor	Glazed tile (3"x3")	Ceramic	Good	Cream	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.2	0.33	NO
81	7th Floor	Door	Metal	Good	Pink	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.09	0.2	NO
82	7th Floor	Door	Metal	Good	Grey	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.16	0.31	NO
83	8th floor	Wall	Plaster	Good	White	mg/cm^2	0.7	0.05	0.07	NO
84	CALIBRATE					mg/cm^2	0.7			N/A
85	CALIBRATE					mg/cm^2	0.7			N/A
86		CALIBRAT	E			mg/cm^2	0.7			N/A



### **EXPLANATION OF XRF DATA**

The table header displays Inspector's name and license number, XL-309 serial number, the job site location, and sampling date.

Column	Description
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**Reading No**Consecutive sample numbers assigned by the instrument at testing time.

**Site** Testing site location(s).

**Component** The major building component being tested.

**Substrate** The type of material underlying the painted coating.

**Color** Color of the painted or varnished surface.

**Result** Result of the test: NEG = negative

POS = positive

NULL = incomplete test / reading error

There is no inconclusive range for the Niton XL-309.

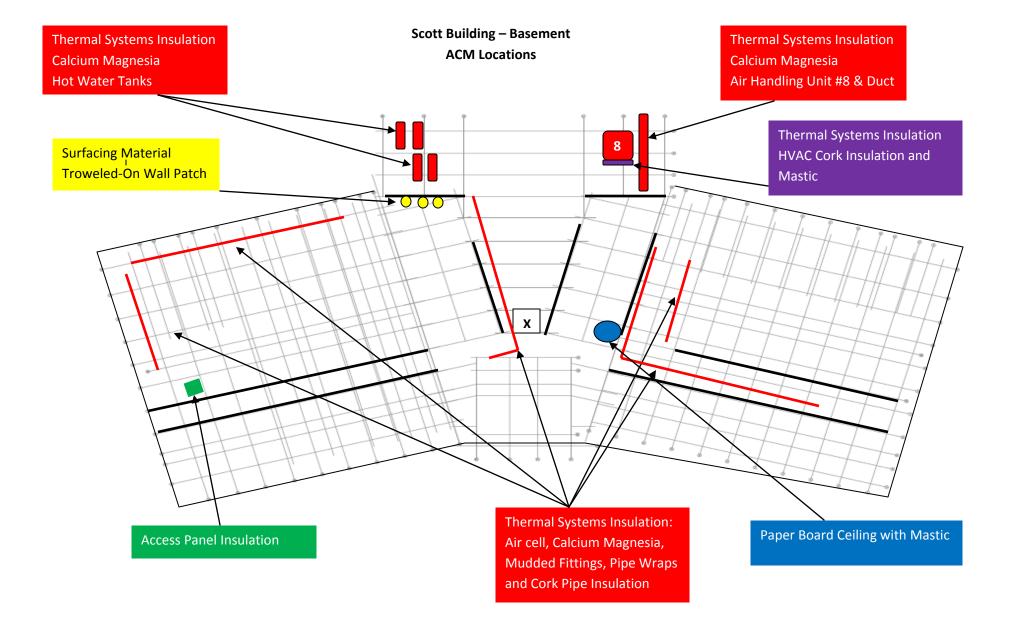
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**Pbc** Combined L and K-Shell x-ray readings of lead level.

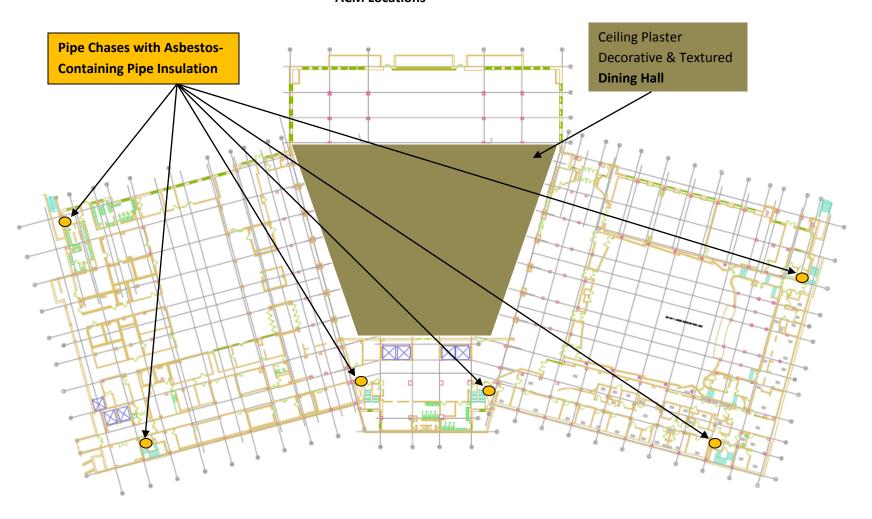


### **APPENDIX C**

### **SITE DIAGRAMS**

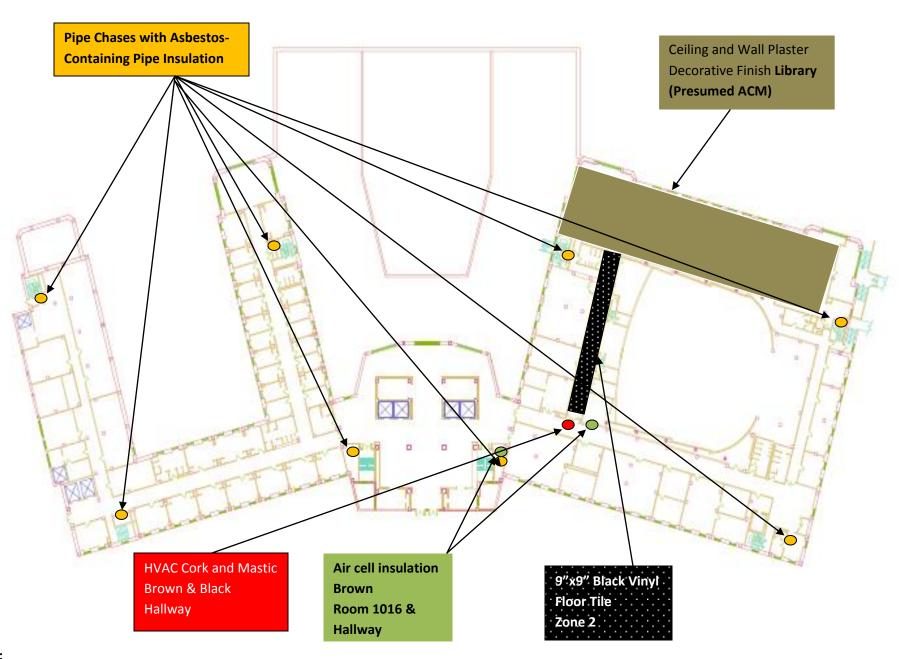


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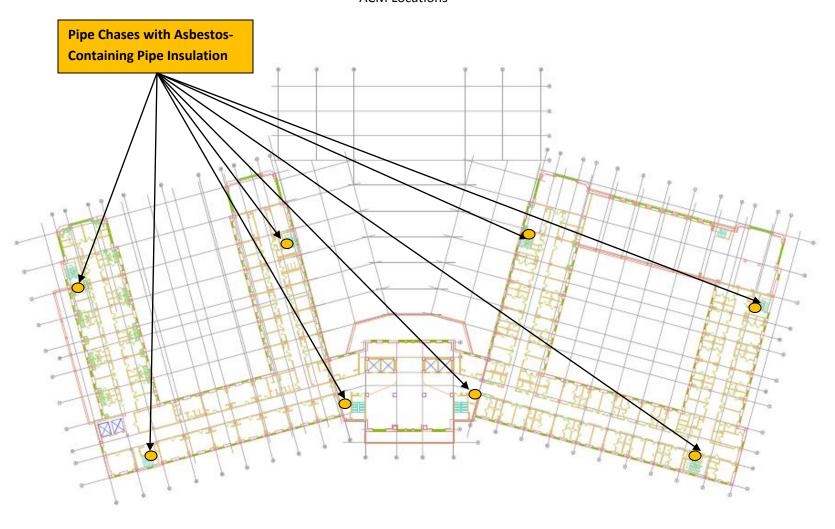
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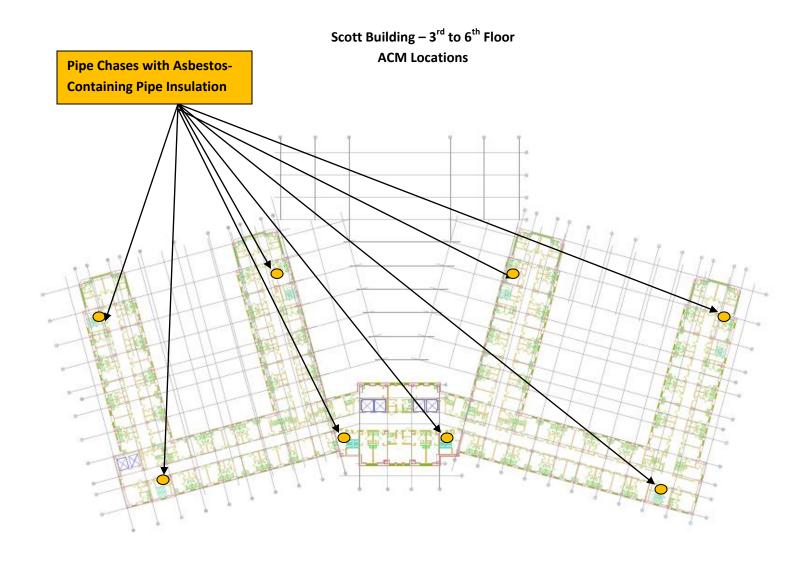
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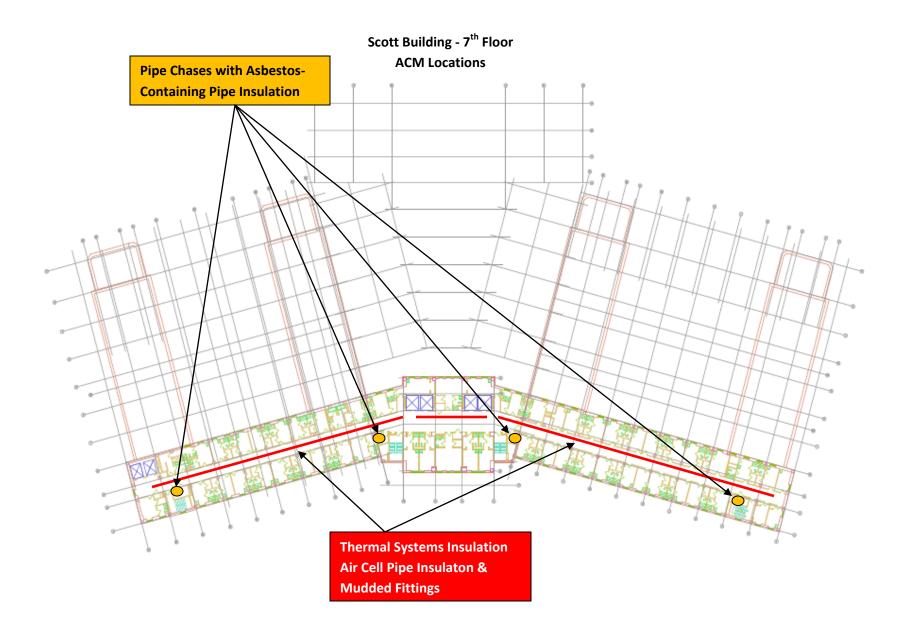


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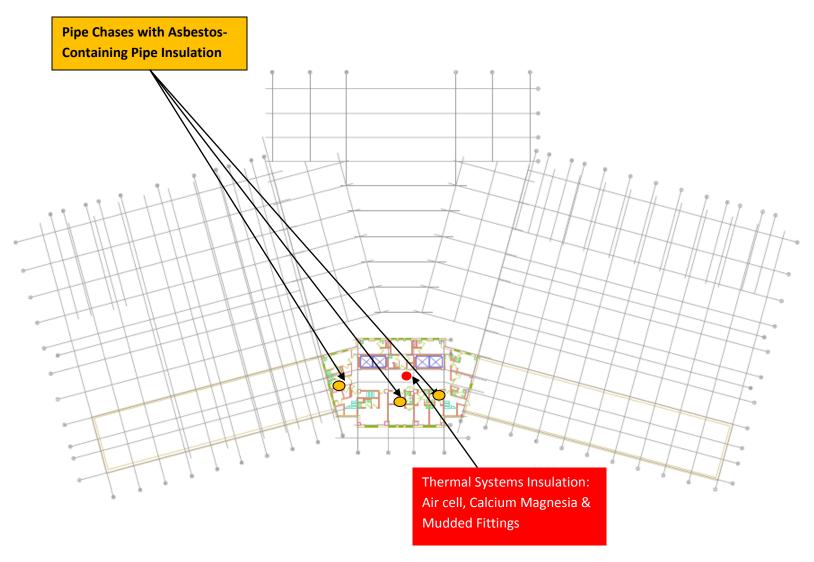
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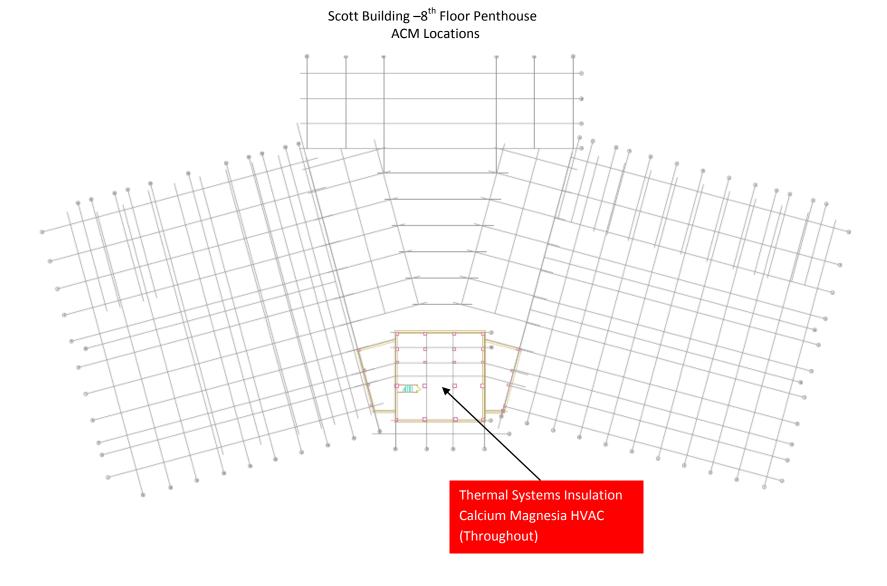




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### **APPENDIX D**

### **SITE PHOTOGRAPHS**



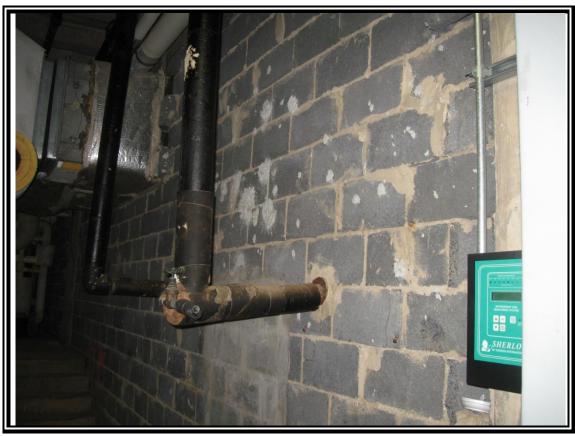
1. View of asbestos-containing steam pipe insulation.



2. View of asbestos-containing paperboard ceiling.



3. View of asbestos-containing hot water tank insulation.



4. View of asbestos-containing troweled-on wall surfacing material.



5. View of asbestos-containing Air Handling Unit #8 insulation.



6. View of fire doors with asbestos-containing insulation.



7. View of asbestos-containing exterior wall caulk.



8. View of asbestos-containing HVAC duct insulation.



9. View of asbestos-containing black pipe wrap.



10. View of presumed asbestos-containing decorative ceiling plaster in the dining hall.



11. View of asbestos-containing air-cell and mudded pipe fitting insulation.



12. View of access panel door with asbestos-containing insulation.



13. View of mercury-containing High Intensity Discharge (HID) lamps.



14. View of mercury-containing fluorescent lamps with PCB-containing ballasts.



15. View of mercury-containing fluorescent lamps with PCB-containing ballasts.



16. View of mercury-containing fluorescent lamps with PCB-containing ballasts.