

**WALTER REED ARMY MEDICAL CENTER, FOREST GLEN SECTION  
TEMPORARY CANOPIES**

Brookville Road, Montgomery County, Maryland

**Delegated Action of the Executive Director**

February 26, 2004

Pursuant to delegations of authority adopted by the Commission on October 3, 1996, I approve the preliminary and final site and building plans for temporary canopies to be located at the Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Forest Glen Section, Brookville Road, Montgomery County, Maryland, as shown on NCPC Map File No. 3102.10(38.00)-41316, for a period of two years.

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The Department of the Army (Army) has submitted preliminary and final site and building plans for the installation of temporary canopies at the Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Forest Glen Section in Montgomery County, Maryland. The three temporary canopies are proposed for two locations – one at Stephen Sitter Avenue and Linden Lane, and two at Steven Sitter Avenue and Brookville Road. The canopies are intended to mitigate the harsh weather conditions that occupants of inspected vehicles are exposed to when their vehicles are inspected as part of the installation's anti-terrorism procedures. They would extend across the portion of the entrance roadway where the search is being conducted and would not require any redirection of traffic. The canopies would consist of a tan translucent polyvinyl material that would be stretched over a galvanized steel frame. The canopy shape would be a segmented arch with a maximum height of 25 feet, and vary in size to fit the particular entrance location. The Army advises that permanent canopies are currently being designed and will replace the temporary canopies within three years. Consistent with the Commission's policy on security improvements, the temporary canopies should be approved for two years.

The Maryland State Historic Preservation Officer has concurred with the Army's determination that no historic properties would be affected by the project, pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966. Additionally, the Army advises that the proposal qualifies as a Categorical Exclusion under its procedures to implement the National Environmental Policy Act.

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Executive Director