

**WALTER REED ARMY MEDICAL CENTER  
MODIFICATION TO SECURITY GATE UPGRADES  
Forest Glen Annex, Montgomery County, Maryland**

**Delegated Action of the Executive Director**

April 28, 2005

Pursuant to delegations of authority adopted by the Commission on October 3, 1996, I approve the preliminary and final site and building plans for modifications to security gate upgrades, Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Forest Glen Annex, Montgomery County, Maryland, as shown on NCPC Map File No. 3102.10(38.40)41579.

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The Department of the Army (Army) has submitted preliminary and final site and development plans for modifications to security gate upgrades at the Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Forest Glen Annex in Montgomery County, Maryland. The Commission previously approved these security gate upgrades at its January 8, 2004 meeting. Subsequent to that approval, the Army's new standards (Army Standards for Access Control Points) for installation entry points became effective and therefore the proposal is being modified. The new standards require raised, curbed islands to separate all inbound traffic lanes in the identity check areas. Additionally, a guard booth must be provided for each lane of incoming traffic as well as for over-watch positions. Finally, guard booths must accommodate a toilet room with sanitary and potable water connections. In addition to incorporating the new standards, the proposed modifications would add much more landscaping at the entry points and provide an overall visual softening to the area. The current proposal would not significantly alter the originally approved proposal. Rather, it would improve it.

Pursuant to the national Environmental Policy Act, the Army has provided an Environmental Assessment with a Finding of No Significant Impact for the proposal. Further, the Maryland State Historic Preservation Officer has concurred with the Army's determination of No Effect, pursuant to the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966.

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