



MARRINER S. ECCLES BUILDING AND FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD-EAST BUILDING

Environmental Assessment Scoping and
Cultural Resources (Section 106) Consultation

Tuesday, September 17, 2019



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MEETING AGENDA



MARRINER S. ECCLES BUILDING

- Welcome and Introductions
- Purpose of Meeting
- Project Background
- National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Overview
- Section 106 Overview
- Project Goals
- Next Steps and Timeline
- Open Discussion and Comments



PURPOSE OF TODAY'S MEETING



MARRINER S. ECCLES BUILDING SOUTH FACADE

- Notify the public about the project
- Gather early public input
- Identify impact topics to be analyzed



OPPORTUNITIES FOR PUBLIC INPUT

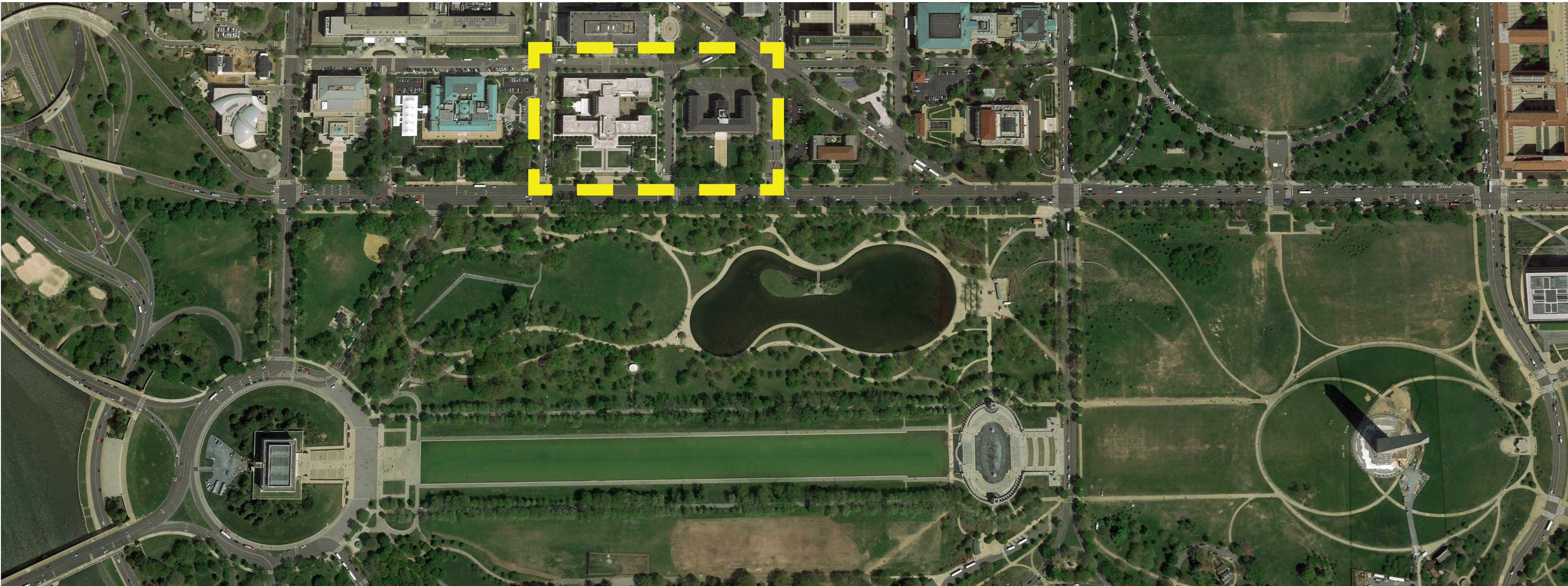


FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD-EAST BUILDING SOUTH ENTRANCE

- During NEPA scoping
- During the EA analysis of:
 - » Alternatives
 - » The affected environment
 - » Potential impacts
- In Section 106 Consultation on the effects on historic resources



PROJECT LOCATION



FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD

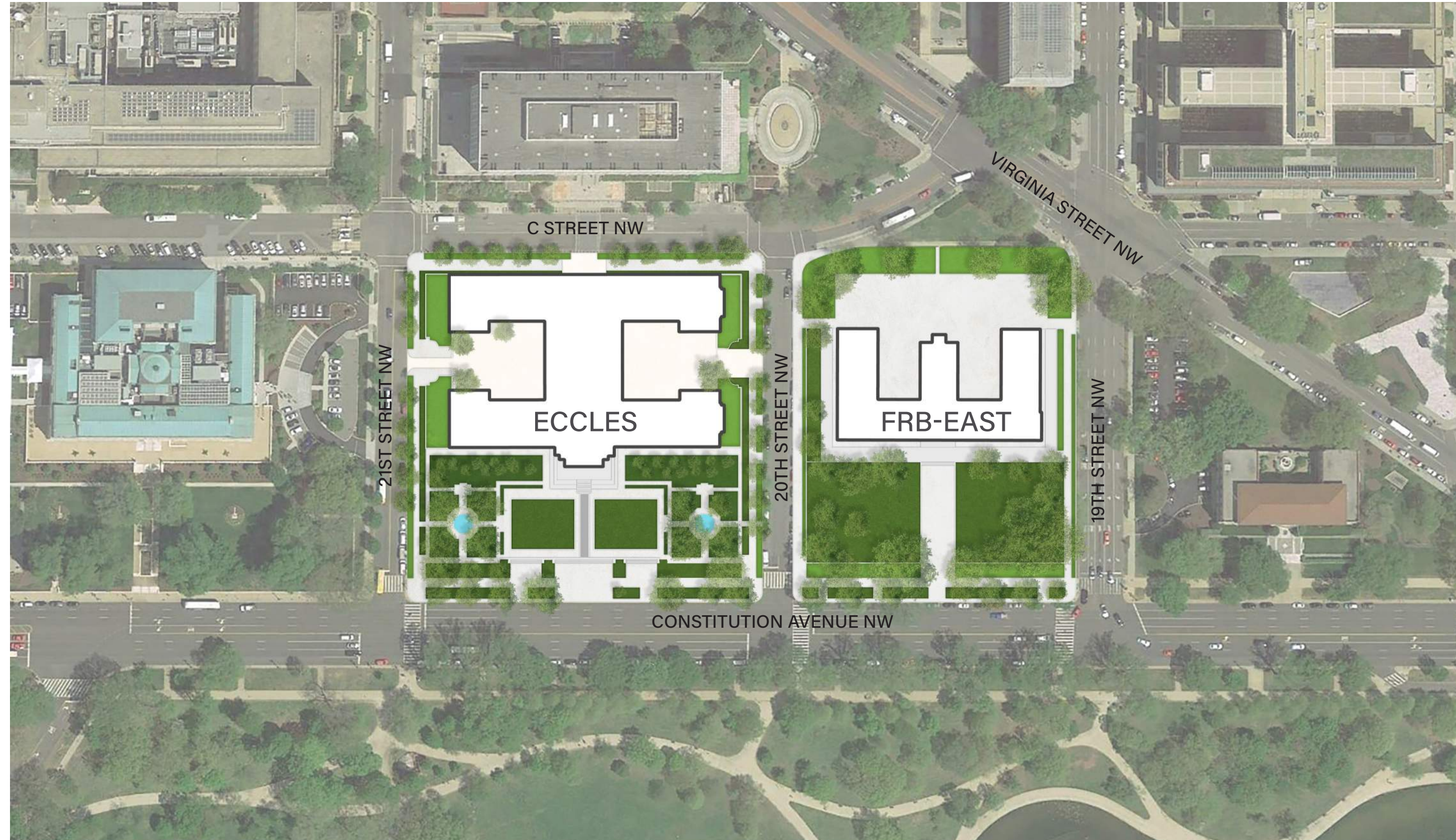
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STUDY AREA



ECCLES BUILDING CHRONOLOGY



MARRINER S. ECCLES BUILDING 1937

- 1935** Architect Paul Philippe Cret wins the competition for the Federal Reserve Board Building
- 1935 – 1937** Building is constructed
- 1937** Federal Reserve Board of Governors moves into the building
- 1964** Listed in the DC Inventory of Historic Sites
- 1982** Building named after Marriner S. Eccles (1890–1977), Chairman of the Federal Reserve under President Roosevelt



FRB-EAST BUILDING CHRONOLOGY



FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD-EAST BUILDING CA. 1937

- 1930 – 1931** Building designed by Jules Henri de Sibour
- 1931 – 1933** Building is constructed
- 1933** US Public Health Service moves into the building
- 1942 – 1946** President Roosevelt selects the building to house the offices of the Combined Chiefs of Staff and the Joint Chiefs of Staff
- 1947 – 1953** Atomic Energy Commission occupies building



FRB-EAST BUILDING CHRONOLOGY



FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD-EAST BUILDING CA. 1940

- 1954** The National Science Foundation buys the building
- 1968** Department of Interior/Bureau of Indian Affairs moves into the building
- 1972** Protesters from the American Indian Movement occupy the building
- 2007** Listed in the National Register of Historic Places
- 2017** Department of Interior vacates the building
- 2018** Federal Reserve Board acquires the building



SECTION 106 AND NEPA PROCESS

WE ARE HERE

STEP 1 PROJECT INITIATION

- Develop purpose & need
- Public scoping

STEP 2 DATA COLLECTION

- Analysis of existing conditions
- Identify needed studies
- Identify historic properties

STEP 3 ALTERNATIVES/ANALYSIS

- Develop and analyze a range of alternatives
- Assess adverse effects

STEP 4 PRODUCE DOCUMENT

- Release EA to public, including proposed historic preservation and environmental mitigation measures
- 30-day public comment period

STEP 5 DECISION

- Review all public comments received on the EA and respond to comments
- Prepare finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI), as appropriate

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

SEPTEMBER 2019 PUBLIC MEETING

- Public Involvement + Comment Analysis

OCTOBER 2019 PUBLIC MEETING

- Public Involvement + Comment Analysis

SUMMER 2020 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

- Public Involvement + Comment Analysis



WHAT IS NEPA?



MARRINER S. ECCLES BUILDING GRAND STAIR

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 requires Federal agencies to consider the impacts of their proposed activities, programs, and projects on the environment.



PURPOSE OF THE PROJECT



FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD-EAST BUILDING MAIN STAIR

- **Renovate and expand** the Eccles Building and the FRB-East Building to address a critical backlog of upgrades
- Respond to **changes in building codes** and regulatory requirements
- Accommodate **information technology** requirements, building **security** provisions, advancements in environmental awareness and **energy efficiency**
- Address increased utility demands and associated requirements imposed by an increased building population



NEED FOR THE PROJECT



MARRINER S. ECCLES BUILDING ENTRANCE TO EAST COURTYARD

- Consolidate workforce and increase spatial efficiency
- Provide a secure work environment for the buildings' occupants
- Accommodate the growing needs of the Board and its visitors.



POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT TOPICS TO BE ADDRESSED

- Cultural Resources
 - » Historic Buildings
 - » Archeology
 - » Cultural Landscapes
- Visual Resources
- Transportation
- Safety and Security
- Public Services and Utilities
- Planning Policies
- Sustainability
- Air Quality
- Vegetation
- Stormwater
- Climate Change and Carbon Footprint
- Economic Impact
- Only Construction Related:
 - » Noise Levels
 - » Hazardous Materials
 - » Solid Waste



POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT TOPICS LIKELY TO BE DISMISSED



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- Land Use
- Environmental Justice
- Surface Water and Wetlands
- Floodplains
- Coastal Zone Management
- Wildlife
- Special Status Species
- Geology, Topography, and Soils



POTENTIAL CUMULATIVE IMPACT PROJECTS



MARRINER S. ECCLES BUILDING 20TH STREET AND C STREET ELEVATIONS

- NPS Constitution Gardens
- NPS National Mall Plan
- Martin Building Rehabilitation
- Kennedy Center Expansion
- Lincoln Memorial Rehabilitation
- Vietnam Memorial Visitor Center



NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT (NHPA)



FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD-EAST BUILDING NORTH ELEVATION

Section 106 of NHPA

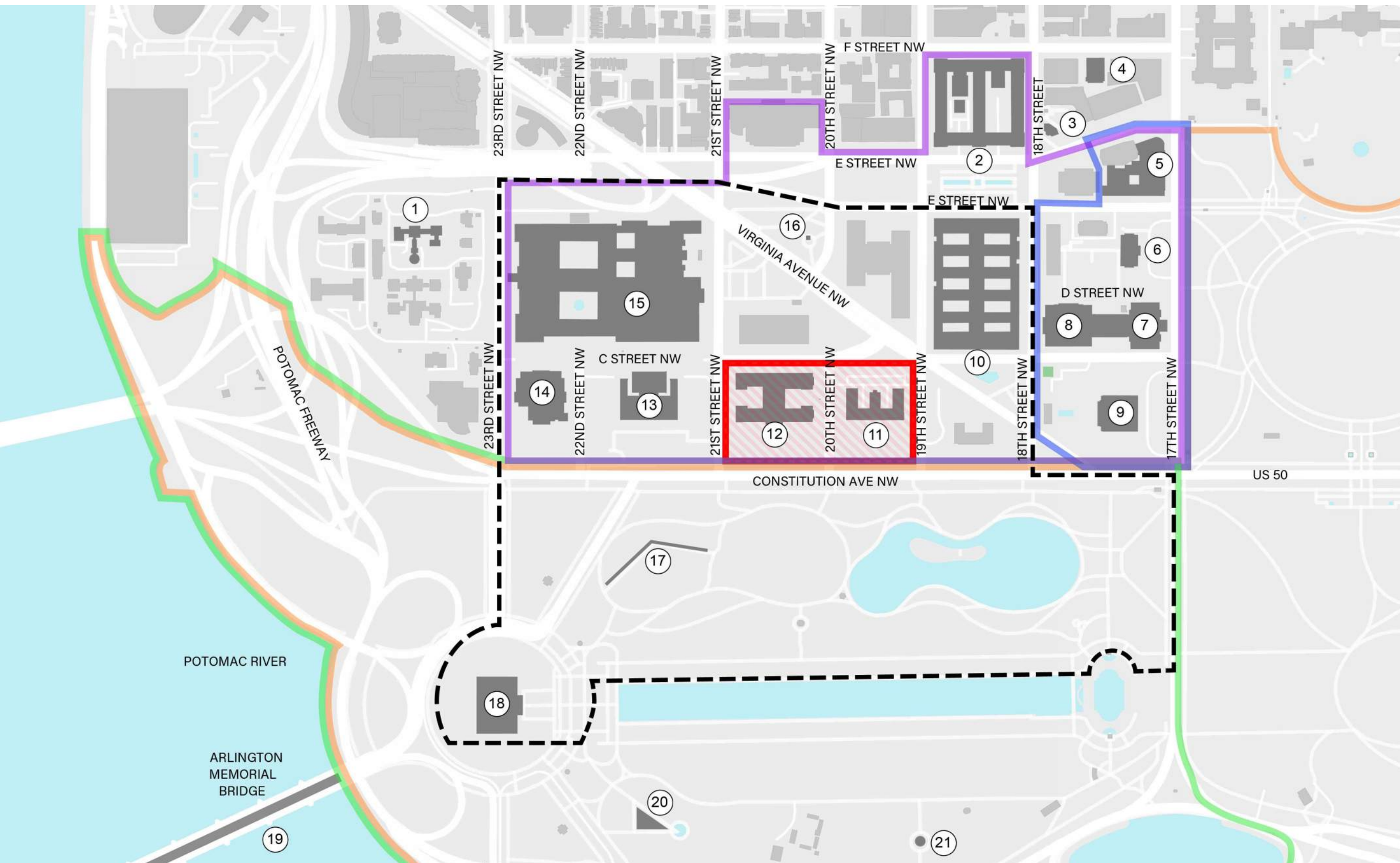
- Requires federal agencies to consider the effects of their actions on historic properties

Requires consultation to:

- Identify historic properties
- Assess adverse effects
- Resolve adverse effects through
 - » avoidance
 - » minimization
 - » mitigation



PROPOSED AREA OF POTENTIAL EFFECT



KEY

- | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
|  | APE Boundary |  | East and West Potomac Parks Historic District |
|  | Project Site |  | Seventeenth Street Historic District |
|  | National Register of Historic Places (NR),
DC Inventory of Historic Sites (DC), and/or
National Historic Landmark (NHL) |  | Northwest Rectangle Historic District |
| | |  | National Mall Historic District |

INDIVIDUAL LANDMARKS

1. **Old Naval Observatory** (NHL & DC) 23rd & E Streets NW
2. **US General Services Administration** (NR) 1800 F St NW
3. **The Octagon House** (NR & DC) 1741 New York Ave NW
4. **US Civil Service Commission** (NR & DC) 1724 F St NW
5. **Corcoran Gallery of Art** (NR & DC) 500 17th St NW
6. **American National Red Cross** (NR & DC) 430 17th St NW
7. **Memorial Continental Hall** (NR & DC) 1776 D St NW
8. **Constitution Hall** (NR & DC) 1776 D St NW
9. **Pan American Union** (NR & DC) 200 17th St NW
10. **Department of the Interior** (NR & DC) 1849 C St NW
11. **US Public Health Service Building** (NR & DC) 1951 Constitution Ave NW
12. **Marriner S. Eccles Building** (DC) 2051 Constitution Ave NW
13. **Natl Academy of Sciences** (NR & DC) 2101 Constitution Ave NW
14. **American Pharmacists Assn** (NR & DC) 2215 Constitution Ave NW
15. **Harry S. Truman Federal Building** (NR Eligible) 2201 C St NW
16. **Gen. Jose de San Martin Memorial** (NR & DC) 511 20th St NW
17. **Vietnam Veterans Memorial** (NR) 5 Henry Bacon Dr NW
18. **Lincoln Memorial** (NR & DC) 2 Lincoln Memorial Cir NW
19. **Arlington Memorial Bridge** (NR & DC) 2912 Independence Ave SW
20. **Korean War Veterans Memorial** (NR) 900 Ohio Dr SW
21. **DC War Memorial** (NR) Independence Ave btwn. 17th & 23rd St



PROJECT GOALS



MARRINER S. ECCLES BUILDING



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- Respect the character-defining features while modernizing the buildings
- Provide modern, efficient workspace with amenities
- Make the buildings more energy efficient
- Increase the capacity of the Eccles Building
- Provide quality office space on the lower (concourse) levels of the Eccles Building
- Provide a multi-story addition to the FRB-East Building that contains above-grade and back of house services and increases the capacity
- Provide underground parking
- Provide a tunnel for utility and pedestrian use that connects to the Eccles building and accommodates backup mechanical systems capable of supporting the Eccles building



SCHEDULE & NEXT STEPS

MILESTONE	DATE
Public Scoping Meeting	September 17, 2019
End of Public Scoping Period	October 4, 2019
Public/Consulting Parties Meeting #2	October 16, 2019
Public/Consulting Parties Meeting #3	Winter 2020
Preparation of Environmental Assessment Public Review Draft	September 2019 through Summer 2020
Anticipated EA Public Review Period	Summer 2020
Section 106 Consultation	September 2019 through Summer 2020
Anticipated Preparation of Decision Document	Summer/Fall 2020



OPPORTUNITIES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT



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TODAY:

Write your comments on the comment cards provided

SUBMIT COMMENTS ELECTRONICALLY:

FRB-Renovation@frb.gov

SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENTS TO:

Attn: Mr. Jeffery P. Foltz
Federal Reserve Board
20th & C St, NW
Washington, DC 20551



QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS



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