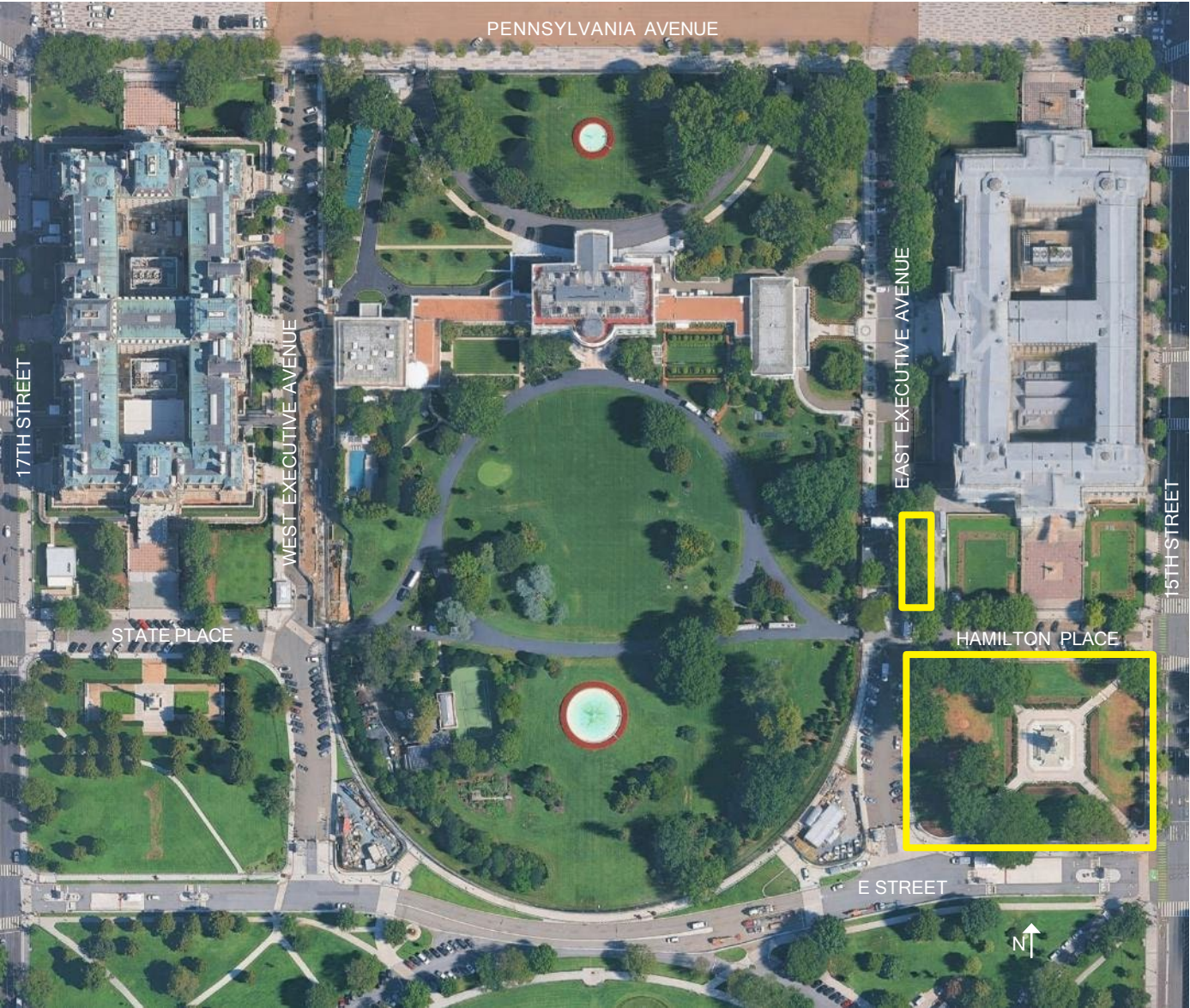


CONSULTING PARTIES MEETING #2

THE WHITE HOUSE VISITOR SCREENING
FACILITY PROJECT

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT/UNITED STATES
SECRET SERVICE/ NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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PROJECT OVERVIEW

Agencies:

- The United States Secret Service (USSS)
- National Park Service (NPS)
- The United States Department of the Interior (DOI)
- Executive Office of the President (EOP)

Purpose:

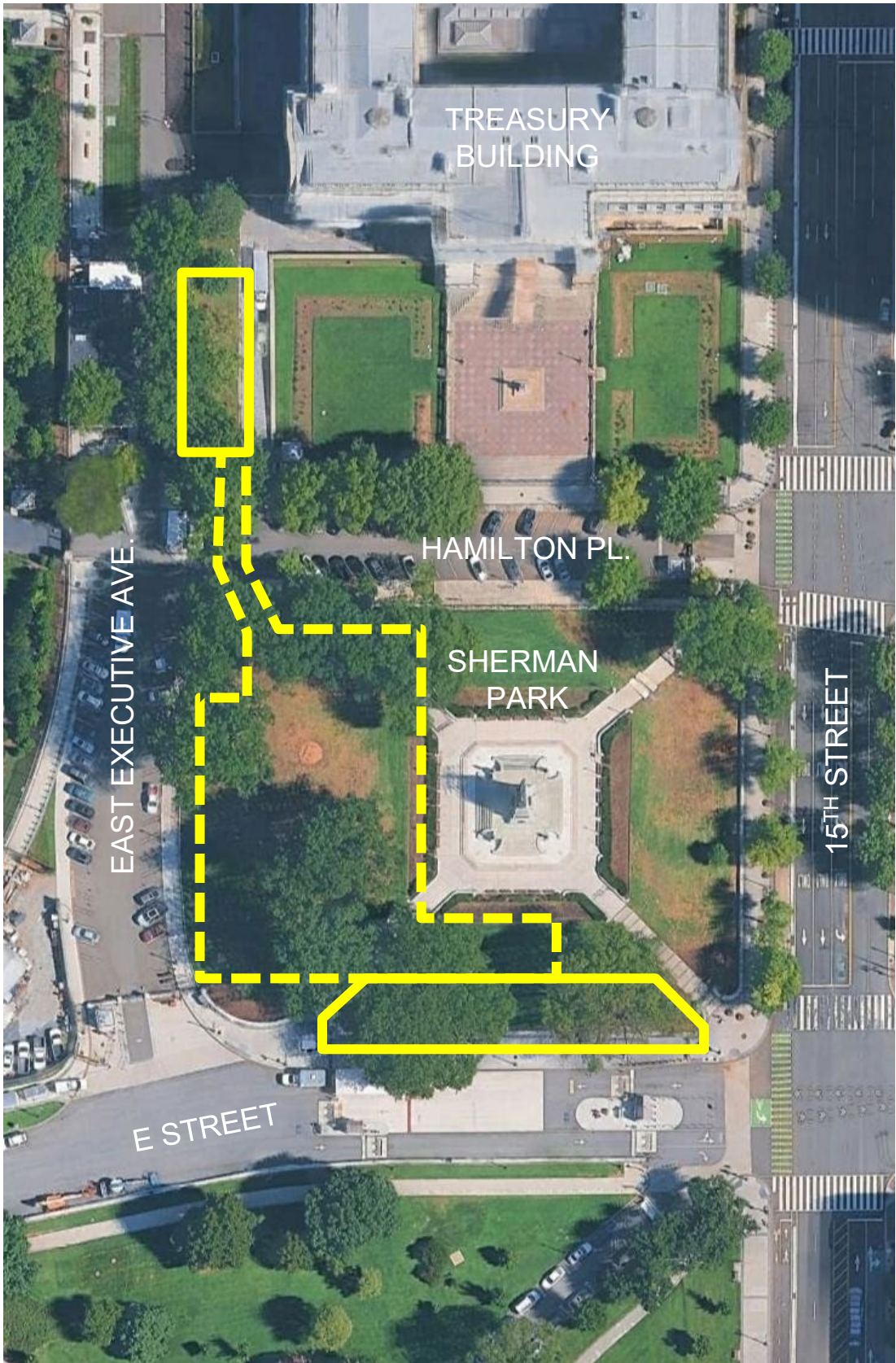
To construct a permanent White House Visitor Screening Facility (VSF) that can support security screening needs for visitor tours, large-scale events, badged staff, and contractors. This much-needed facility will strengthen campus security and enhance the overall visitor experience.

Location:

Sherman Park on the south side of the Treasury Building and along East Executive Avenue.

Most of the proposed structure is intentionally positioned below grade (yellow dashed line) within the park’s west quadrant to reduce visual impact and to avoid infrastructure conflicts in the southeast corner of the park.

Above ground components (yellow solid line) include an entrance plaza in the south quadrant of Sherman Park and an exit building that includes staff screening along East Executive Avenue.



AERIAL SHOWING PROJECT SITE AT SHERMAN PARK AND EAST EXECUTIVE AVENUE.

- Above Ground Project Site
- - - Below Ground Project Site

COMMENTS CONSIDERED FROM CONSULTING PARTIES MEETING #1

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NPS CAO (5/7/2026): Explore alternate locations of North Screening Post/Exit

- Alternate locations around the U.S. Treasury Building are constrained by existing conflicts. Existing underground utility infrastructure is present in the north along East Executive Avenue and to the north and south of the U.S. Treasury Building. Relocating underground utilities would be cost prohibitive for a facility this size.
- In addition, the west side of East Executive Avenue is planned for another project.
- Views of the Treasury would be altered

DC HPO Comment (5/6/2026): North Screening Post will have an adverse effect on the Treasury Building and should be designed to relate to Treasury's south plaza in plan and elevation

- The North Screening Post has been sited for the least encumbered view into the White House complex with existing site constraints. Overall roof elevation is set as low as possible and located such that it does not encroach on secretary bridge.
- The west elevation maintains rhythm of pilasters similar to elevation of East Executive Avenue.

DC HPO and The Committee of 100 on the Federal City (5/6/2026): Lower or reduce size of the entrance plaza

- The entrance plaza is sized to provide adequate exterior queuing and ramping to the lower level.
- The entrance is sited proportionally to accommodate the elevation change with proximity to E Street.

DC HPO Comment (5/6/2026): One-story entrance pavilion that could be set into the grade using green roofs

- One-story options are currently being evaluated
- Green roofs would not be able to be continuous with the lawn panel; introduces additional Secret Service roof requirements

DC HPO (5/6/2026): Incorporate historical elements from the former East Wing entrance

- The design team is working with EOP to incorporate preserved materials from the original East Wing, including columns, to be utilized within the interior of the facility to support a historic educational experience.
- The coupling of columns and entablature on the above-ground staff screening and exit building were derived from the previous East Wing entrance.

COMMENTS CONSIDERED FROM CONSULTING PARTIES MEETING #1

DC HPO Comment (5/6/2026): Recommend that areas of deeper soil be available to allow replacement trees to reach their full height

- Adequate rooting volume and soil depth (4 to 5 ft) will be provided for replacement trees

The Committee of 100 on the Federal City (5/6/2026): Replacement trees should recreate tree cover around the Sherman Statue

- Removed trees will be replaced and additional trees will be planted based on NPS design
- Future discussions on how landscape plan will meet NCPC Tree Preservation and Replacement Policy
- Mature canopy spread will be equivalent to the trees removed

POTENTIAL IMPACTS TO CULTURAL RESOURCES

POTENTIAL EFFECTS

Historic Resources and Cultural Landscapes

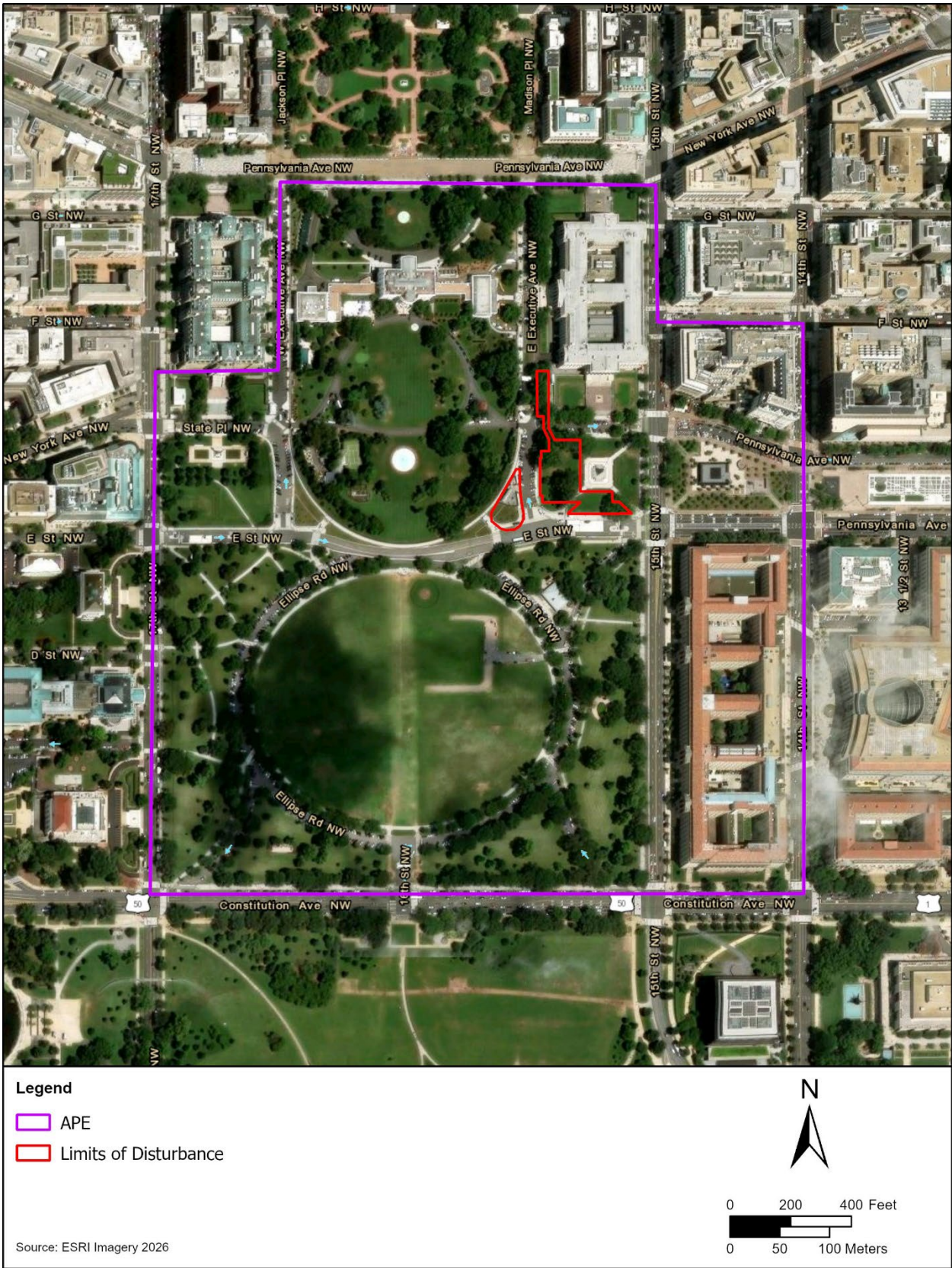
- Adverse effects
- Changes to viewsheds of the following resources due to the replacement of open, green space with above-ground portions of the White House VSF and vegetation removal:
 - NHL-designated Lafayette Square Historic District
 - National Mall Historic District
 - Pennsylvania Avenue National Historic Site
 - President's Park South Historic District
- Diminished integrity of setting and viewshed for the U.S. Treasury Building and the Plan of the City of Washington (L'Enfant-McMillan Plan) due to the above-ground portions of the White House VSF
- Beneficial impact
 - Substitution of tents and trailers for security procedures with a more intentional and compatible design would improve historic character of the area

Archeological Resources

- Adverse effects
- Disturbance to undiscovered resources during construction and excavation



AREA OF POTENTIAL EFFECTS



AVOIDANCE, MINIMIZATION, AND MITIGATION MEASURES

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Design Considerations

- Site selection was carefully considered to align new elements with the park’s historic fabric and the city’s architectural character.
- Below-grade facility located west of Sherman Statue and south façade of Treasury Building to minimize impacts to existing contours and historic viewsheds
- Minimizes conflict with potential archeological sites in northern quadrant
- Ramps and stair walls will remain low to reduce prominence
- Facility designed with classical influence and aligned symmetrically with Sherman Monument and Treasury Building, in accordance with EO on Architecture

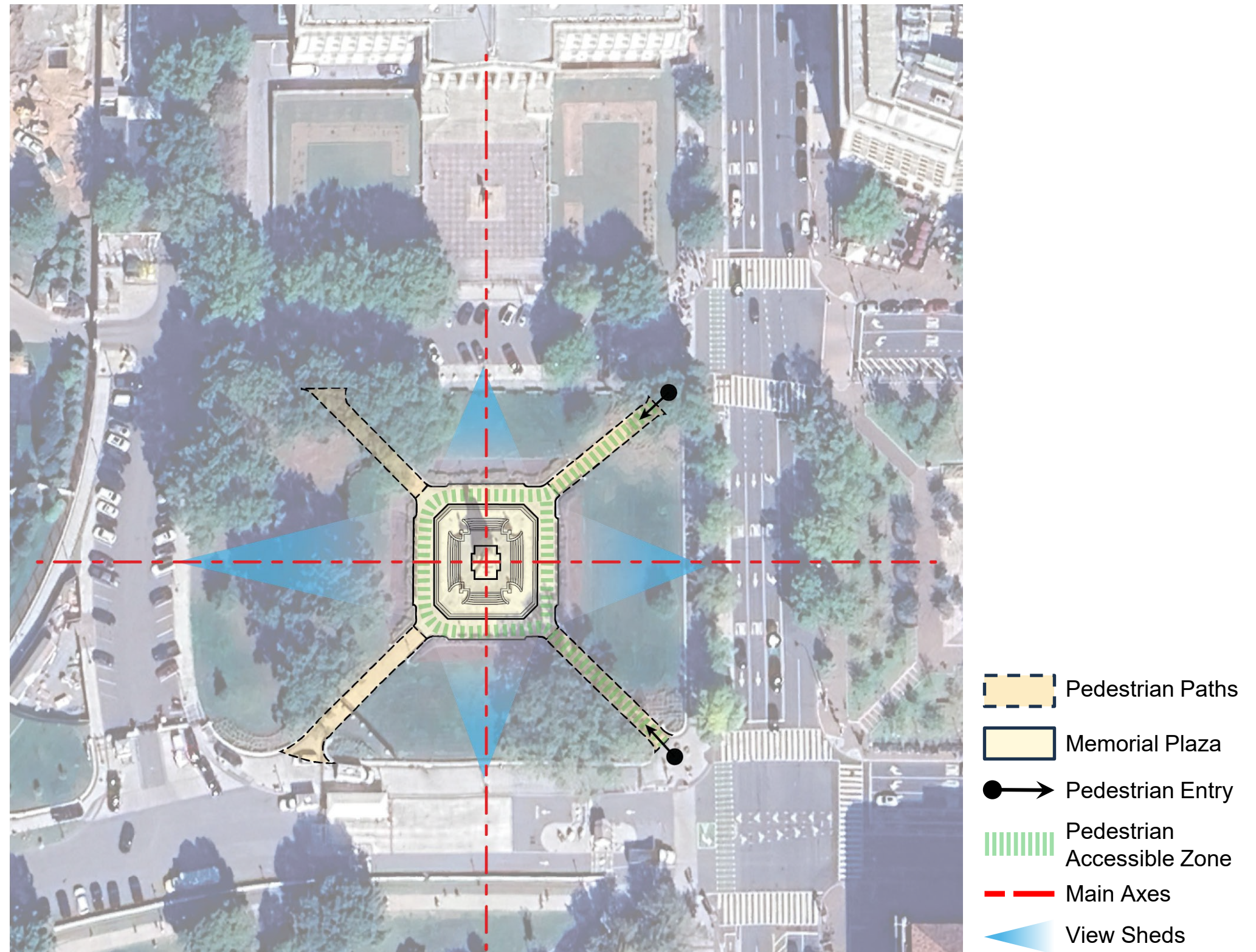
Landscape and Restoration

- Historic landscaping and paving will be maintained
- NW and SW pathways will be replaced in kind using materials consistent with original elements
- New design will adapt to retaining walls at each corner of the park.
- Landscape will be designed to enhance the park’s current conditions and restore the park’s character.
- Removed trees will be replaced and additional trees will be planted based on NPS design; future discussions on how landscape plan will meet NCPC Tree Preservation and Replacement Policy
- Planned mature canopy spread will be equivalent to that of the trees removed
- Adequate rooting volume and soil depth (4 to 5 ft) will be provided for replacement trees with an emphasis on species that form lateral, wide-spreading, and relatively shallow root systems (similar to current species)
- Ongoing design with NPS to determine final landscape quantities, configuration, and size of replacement vegetation

AVOIDANCE, MINIMIZATION, AND MITIGATION MEASURES

Organizational Principals

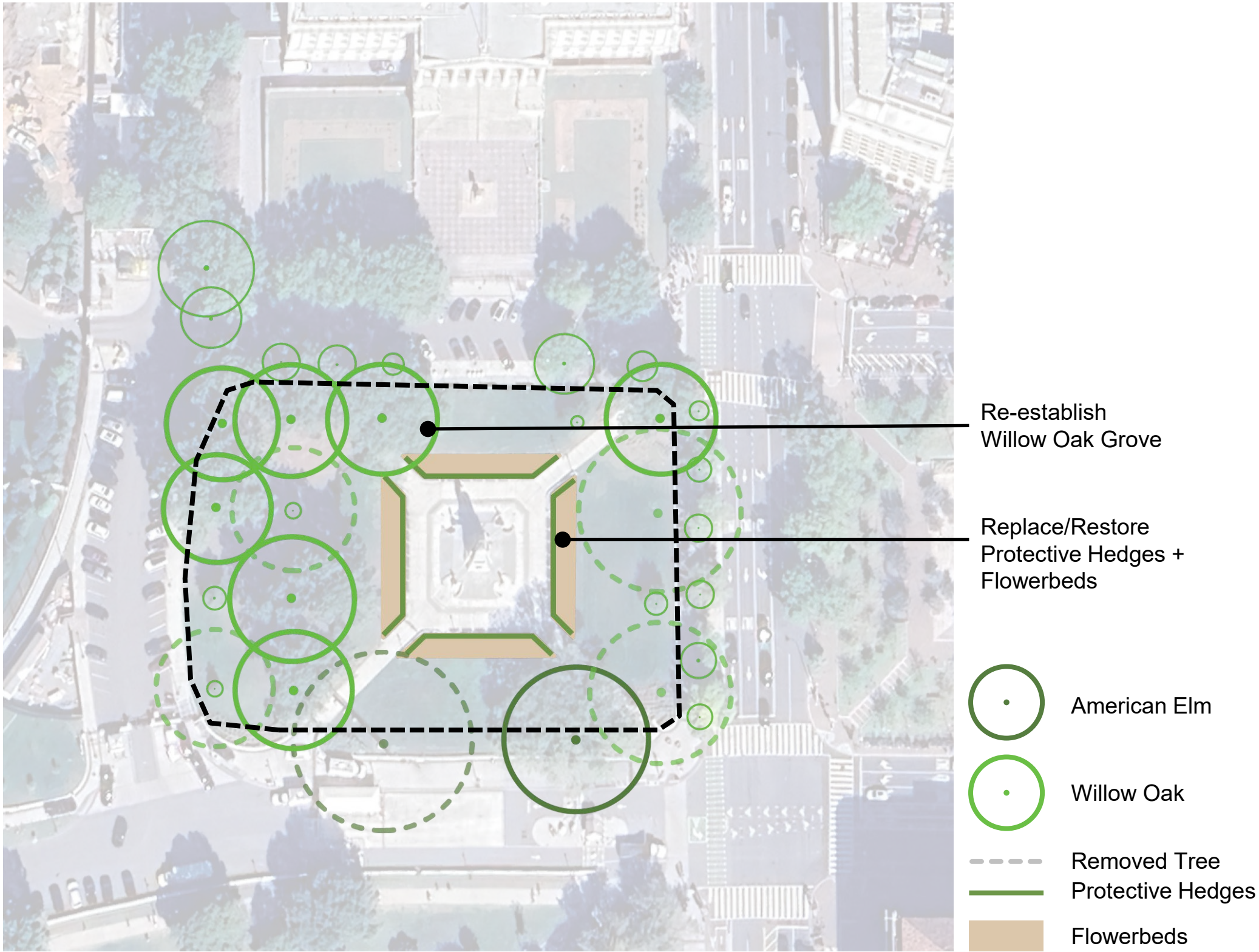
- Framed Memorial Plaza
- Axial relationship
- Views into the site along axis
- Pedestrian thresholds at corners



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Existing Landscape Character

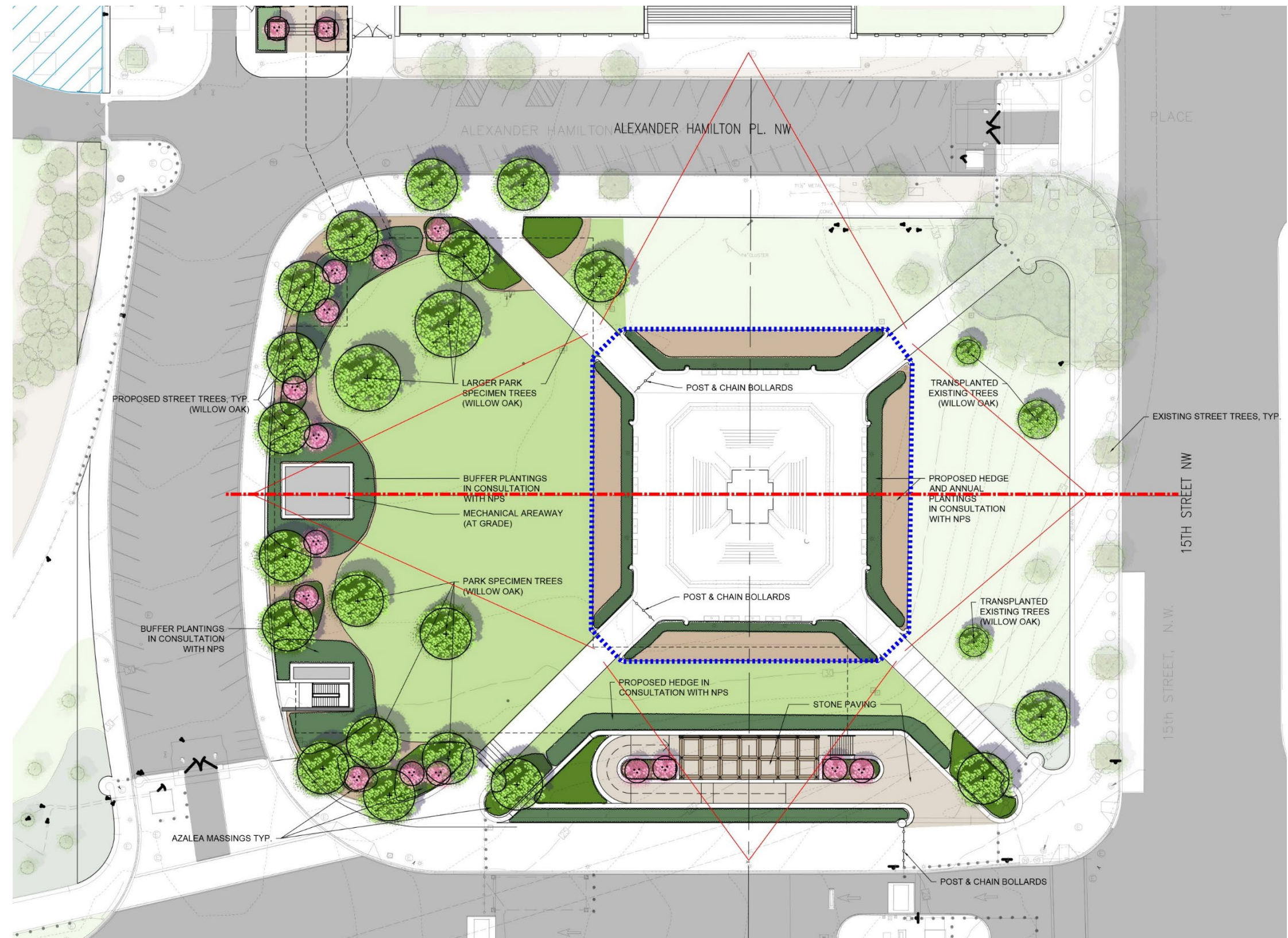
- Mature Willow Oak grove
- American Elm trees to south
- Protective hedges framing memorial plaza
- Annual flower beds for interest



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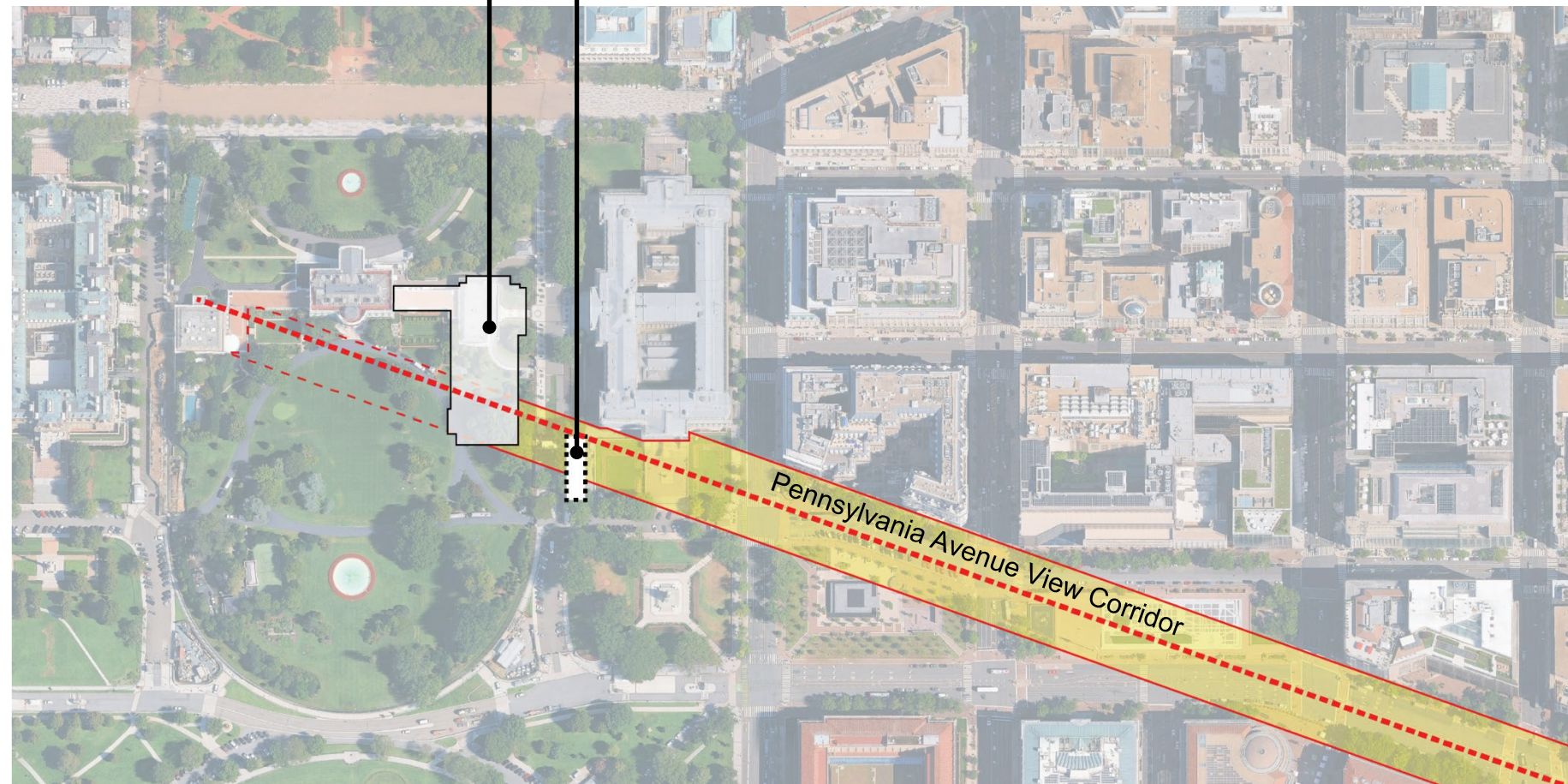
Proposed Landscape Plan

- Respect axial relationship of site.
- Transplant smaller trees to east quadrant.
- Supplement with additional specimen and street trees.
- South entry plaza recedes into the site.
- Guard rails/fencing protected by hedges.
- Understory screening of parking along East Executive



Proposed Ballroom

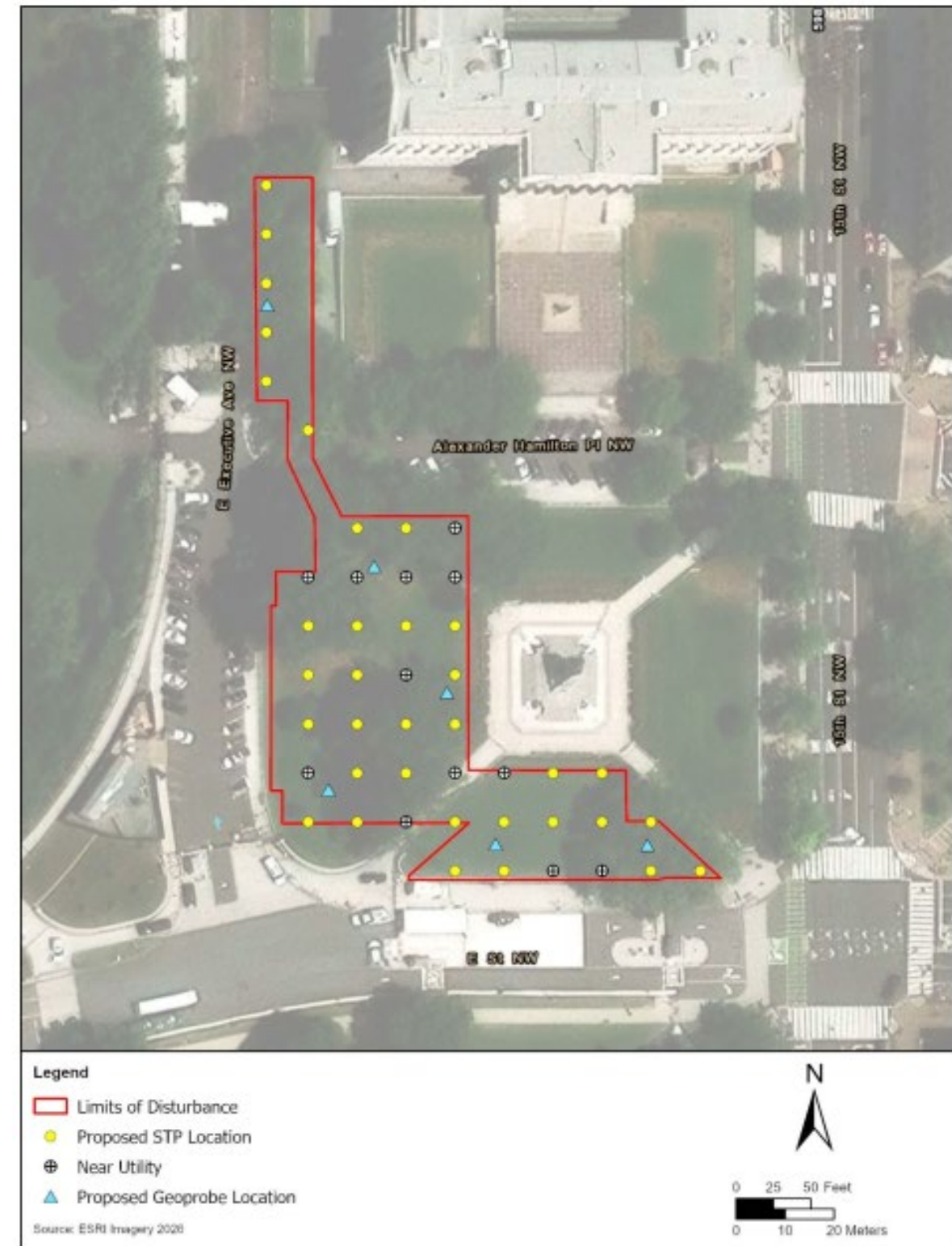
Proposed Screening Post



AVOIDANCE, MINIMIZATION, AND MITIGATION MEASURES

Surveys and Monitoring

- Archeological survey (e.g., Geoprobos) will be conducted prior to construction
- Construction monitoring and archeological documentation will be conducted during grading and excavation
- Procedures would follow approved Workplan, Archeological Monitoring and Documentation Plan, and Unanticipated Discoveries Plan.
- Further investigations and mitigation measures, as appropriate, will be guided by a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA)



NEXT STEPS FOR NHPA COMPLIANCE

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- Continue Section 106 consultation and coordination, including development of Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for signature
- Conduct Phase IB archeological survey and additional evaluations as needed
- Continue developing Unanticipated Discoveries Plan and an Archeological Monitoring and Documentation Plan



2011: View from the Washington Monument

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2	ENTRY PLAZA HIGH SEAL - ENLARGED
A-3	Scale: 1/8" = 1'-0"



1	ENTRY PLAZA HIGH SEAL - ELEVATION
A-3	Scale: 1/16" = 1'-0"

PLAZA ELEVATIONS

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OPEN DISCUSSION

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Potential Mitigation Measures

- **Identification, Evaluation, and Mitigation (if necessary) for Archeological Resources:**
 - Geoprobe surveys and geoarcheological assessment
 - Construction monitoring with archeological documentation of finds
- **Public Education** (ex. interpretive and educational exhibits)
- **Other?**

Potential Minimization Measures

- Screening and landscaping
- Protective measures during construction
- Context-sensitive design

