



# Public Scoping Meeting

5:00 p.m.

# Agenda

**Welcome and Purpose of Meeting**  
– **Glenn DeMarr, National Park Service**

**Project Background**  
– **John McCabe, Marion Memorial Project**

**NEPA and Section 106 Process and Issues**  
– **Claire Sale, AECOM**

**Project Description**  
- **Mary Kay Lanzillotta, Hartman-Cox Architects**

**Opportunity for Public Comment**

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# Purpose of Meeting

- **Present project background**
- **Discuss environmental and historic preservation process**
  - Two scoping efforts
  - Environmental impacts
  - Historic resources effects
  - Opportunities for public comment
- **Present site location alternatives**
- **Comments**

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## Project Background

### John McCabe, Marion Memorial Project



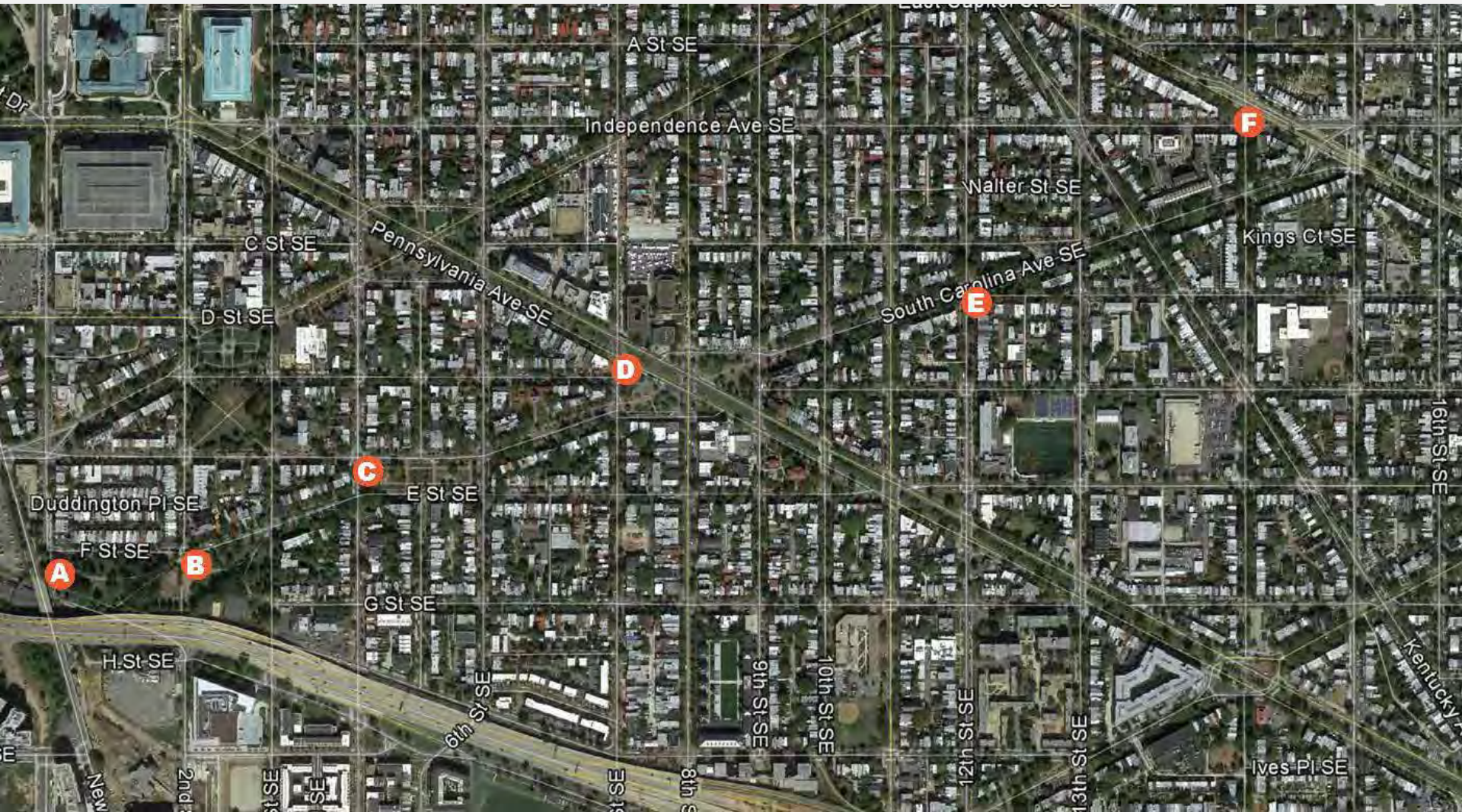
# Project Background

- **General Francis Marion was a Revolutionary War officer from Berkeley County, SC and generally credited as the father of Guerilla Warfare**
- **Section 331 of PL 110-229, the Consolidated Natural Resources Act of 2008, authorizes the Marion Park Project to establish a commemorative work on federal land in the District**
- **Francis Marion Memorial Project, in cooperation with NPS, seeks to establish a memorial**
- **Site Selection Study evaluated 6 sites along South Carolina Avenue in Southeast DC**

# Site Evaluation Criteria

- **Suitability of size and configuration**
- **Compatibility with existing park infrastructure and uses**
- **Compatibility with adjacent land uses**
- **Thematic link to Francis Marion**
- **Visibility and accessibility of site to pedestrians and transit users**
- **Presence of potential infrastructure barriers (or lack thereof)**
- **Lack of mature and/or dense vegetation**

# Site Location Map



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**NEPA and Section 106 Process and Issues**

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# Organization

## Project Sponsor



## Marion Memorial Project

## Agencies



# Purpose and Need

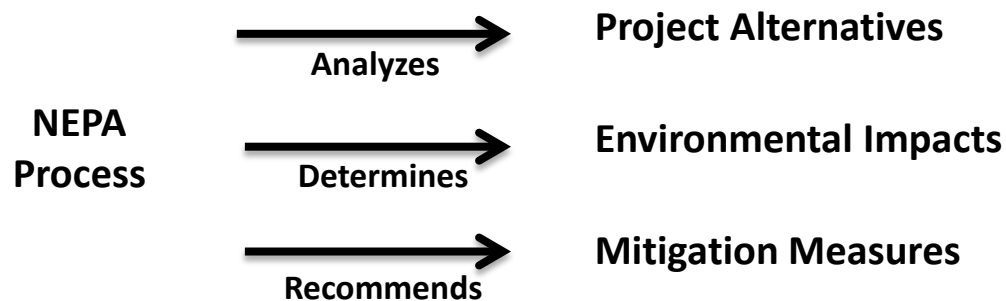
- **Purpose of the Memorial**
  - **To establish a permanent memorial to Gen. Francis Marion and recognize his contributions to United States history**

# What is NEPA?

## National Environmental Policy Act of 1969

(NEPA; Public Law 91-190; 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq*)

- Established a national policy for **protecting the environment** and requires evaluation of alternative actions
- Goal: To ensure **informed decision-making**
- Can conclude with an EA and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) or an EIS and Record of Decision (ROD)

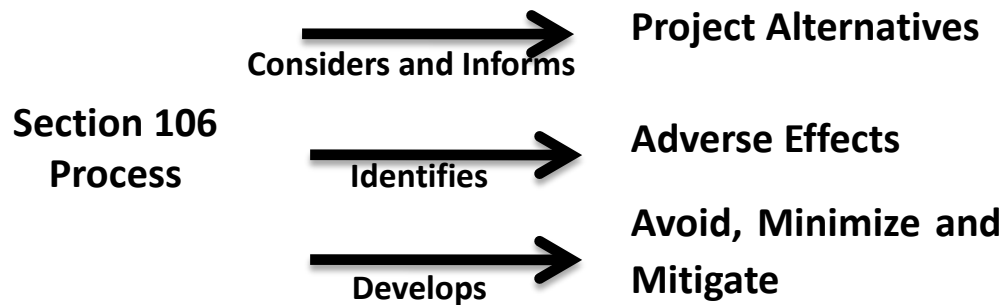


# What is Section 106?

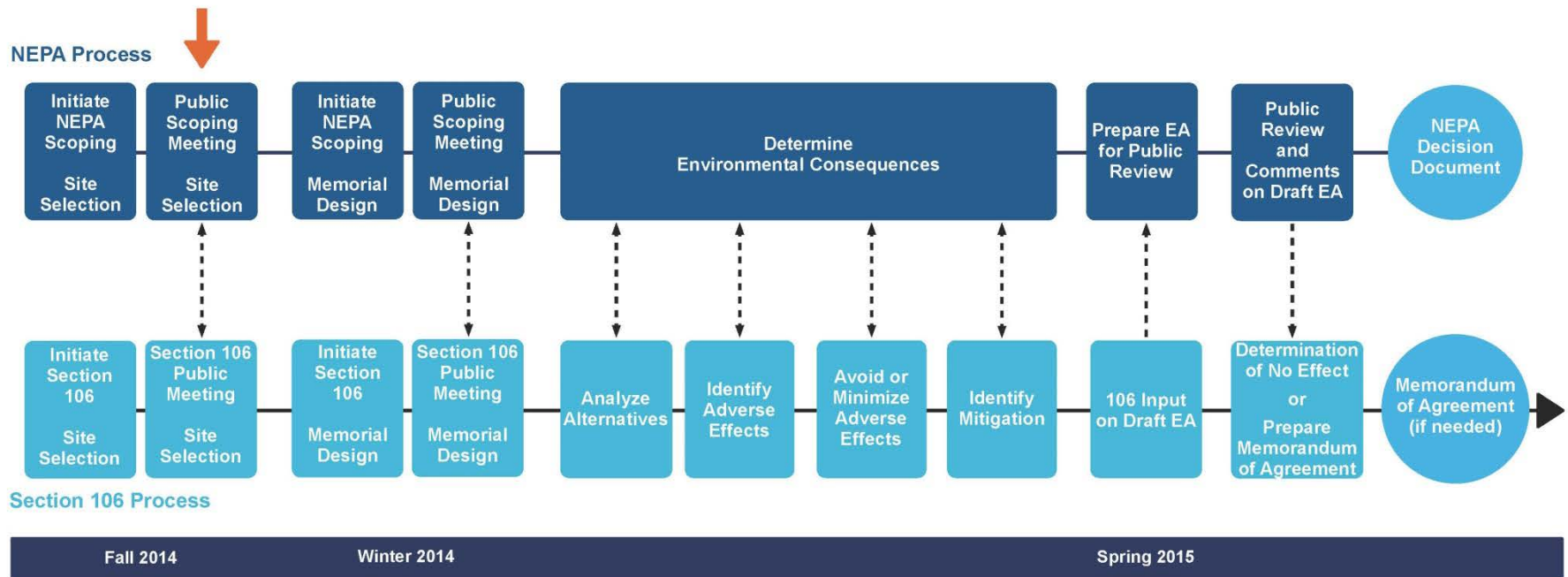
## Component of National Historic Preservation Act of 1966

(NHPA; Public Law 89-665; 16 U.S.C. 470 *et seq.*)

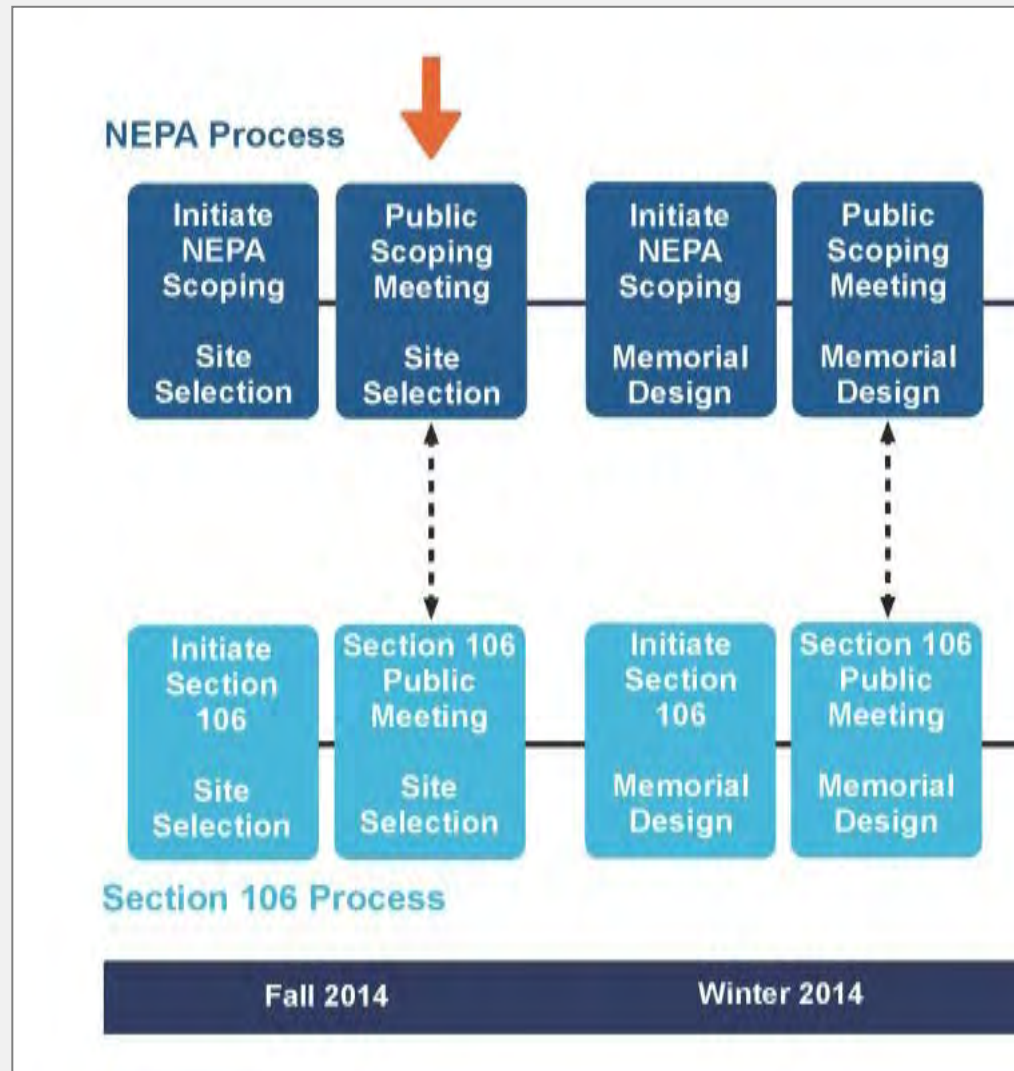
- Established a process to **protect resources** listed on, or eligible for listing on, the National Register of Historic Places, and requires the consideration of alternatives if effects on historic resources are anticipated
- Goal: To **minimize potential harm** and damage to historic properties
- Can conclude in a Determination of No Adverse Effect or a Memorandum of Agreement with Consulting Parties



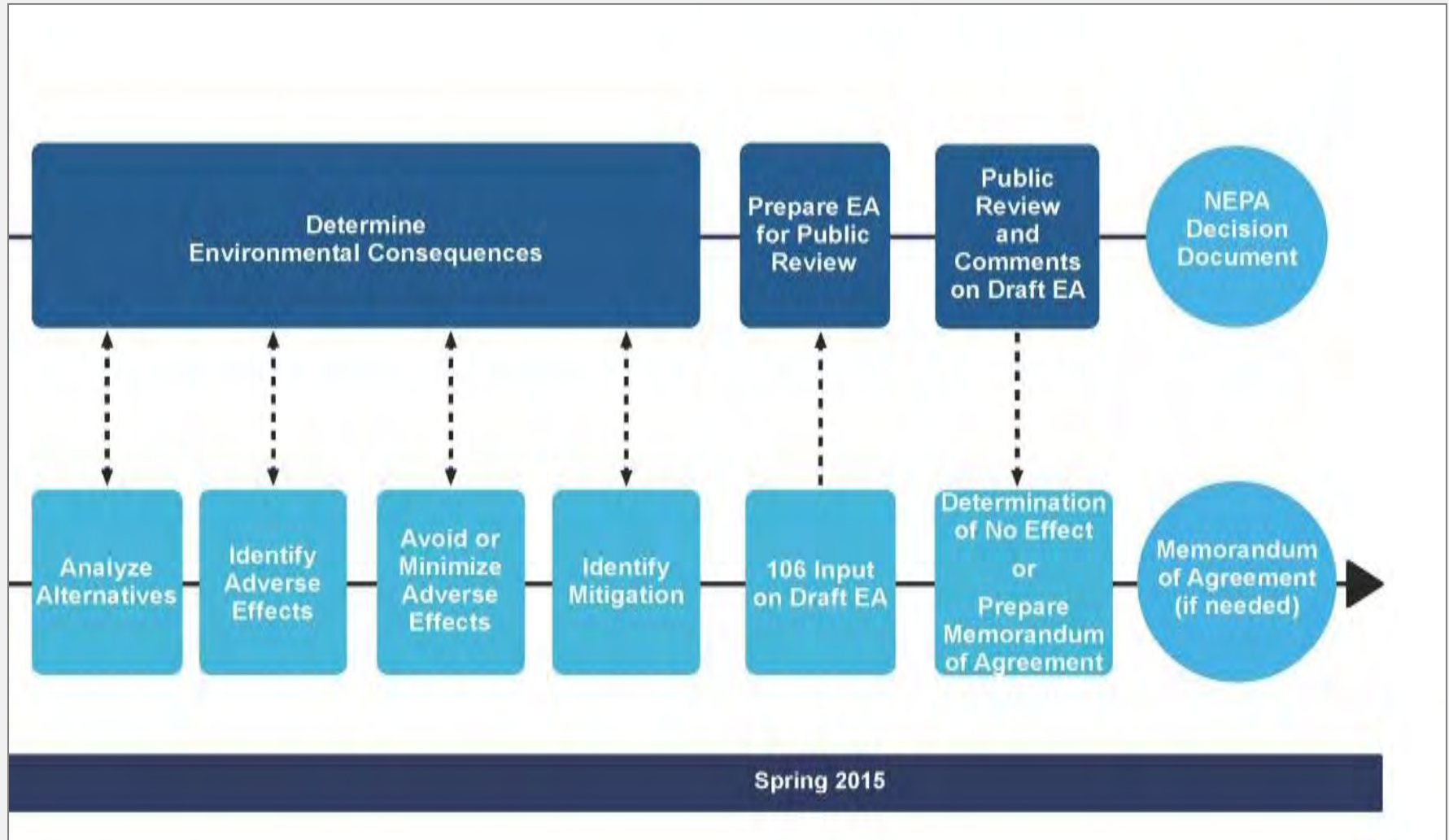
# NEPA and Section 106 - A Coordinated Approach



# NEPA and Section 106 – Fall 2014/Winter 2014-2015



# NEPA and Section 106 – Spring/Summer 2015



# NEPA and Section 106 – Agency Processes

The NPS, in cooperation with the NCPC, is evaluating an updated NEPA and Section 106 process for this memorial's site and design. The purpose of this revised process is to better align and support key decision points associated with each agency's NEPA and Section 106 responsibilities, and to ensure that the review is commensurate with the complexity of the project. The NPS and NCPC are proposing a scoping meeting for memorial sites at this time and will be scoping for the design of the memorial at a later date. Following both scoping periods, an EA will be created to document potential environmental impacts. This is a deviation from NCPC's existing Environmental and Historic Preservation Procedures, which requires separate NEPA and Section 106 processes for site selection and the design of the memorial. If you have questions on the proposed updated process and NCPC's guidelines, please contact Cheryl Kelly of NCPC at 202-482-7291 or [cheryl.kelly@ncpc.gov](mailto:cheryl.kelly@ncpc.gov).

# Section 106 Participants

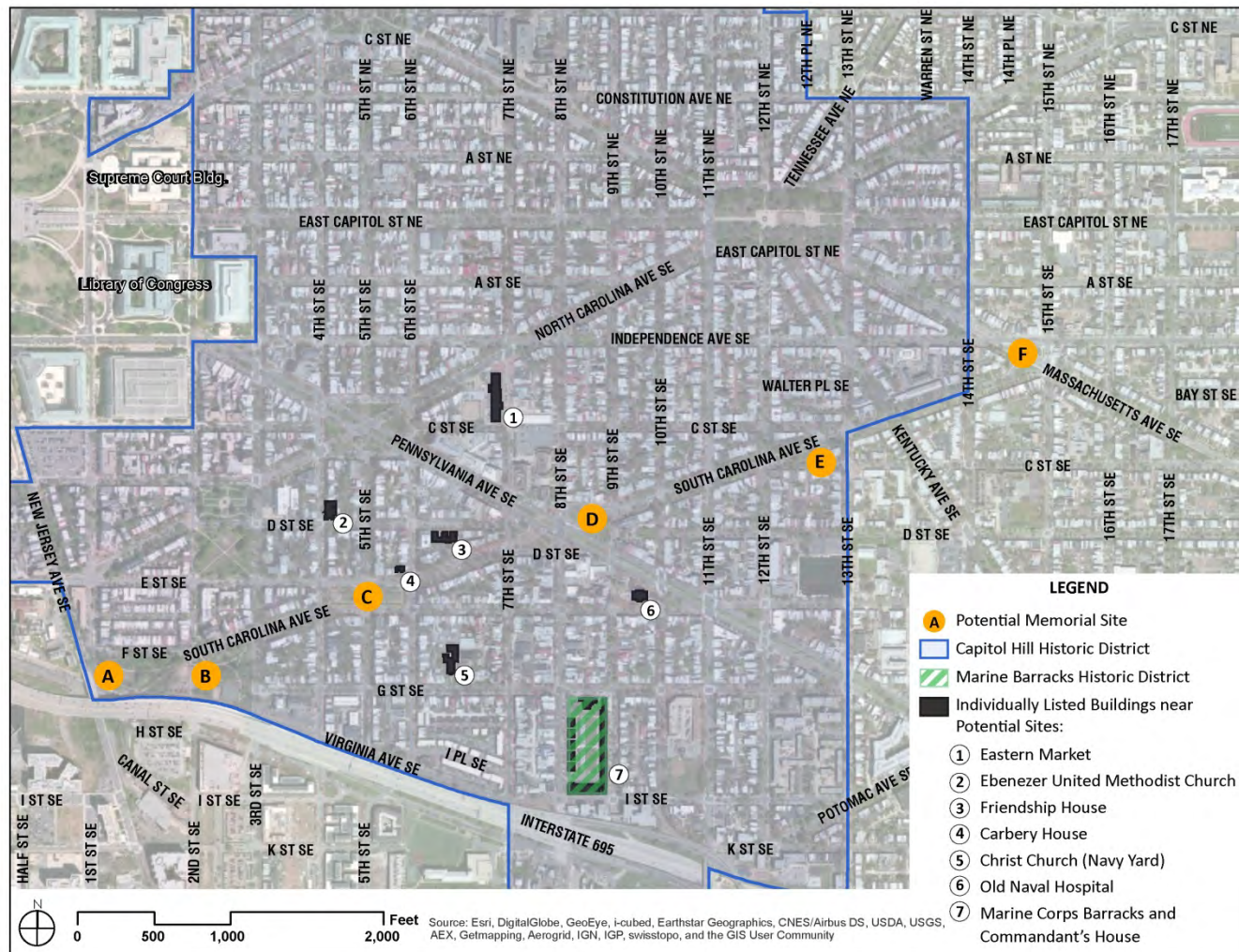
- State Historic Preservation Office
- Advisory Council on Historic Preservation
- National Capital Planning Commission
- Commission of Fine Arts
- National Trust for Historic Preservation
- General Public



# What Issues Will the EA Address?

- **Cultural Resources**
  - Historic Resources
  - Archeology
  - Visual Resources
- **Other Issues**
  - Land Use
  - Utilities
  - Park Operations
  - Visitor Use and Experience
- **Transportation**
  - Traffic Operations
  - Pedestrian Circulation
- **Natural and Physical Resources**
  - Soils
  - Vegetation
  - Water Resources
  - Stormwater

# Section 106/Historic Resources



# How Can You Submit Comments?

- During this Meeting
  - Comment Cards
- After this Meeting
  - On-line:  
<http://parkplanning.nps.gov/marionmemorial>
  - Fax: (202) 401-0017
  - Written Comments can be sent to:  
Glenn DeMarr  
Attn: Marion Memorial EA  
National Park Service  
National Capital Region  
1100 Ohio Dr. SW  
Washington, DC 20242

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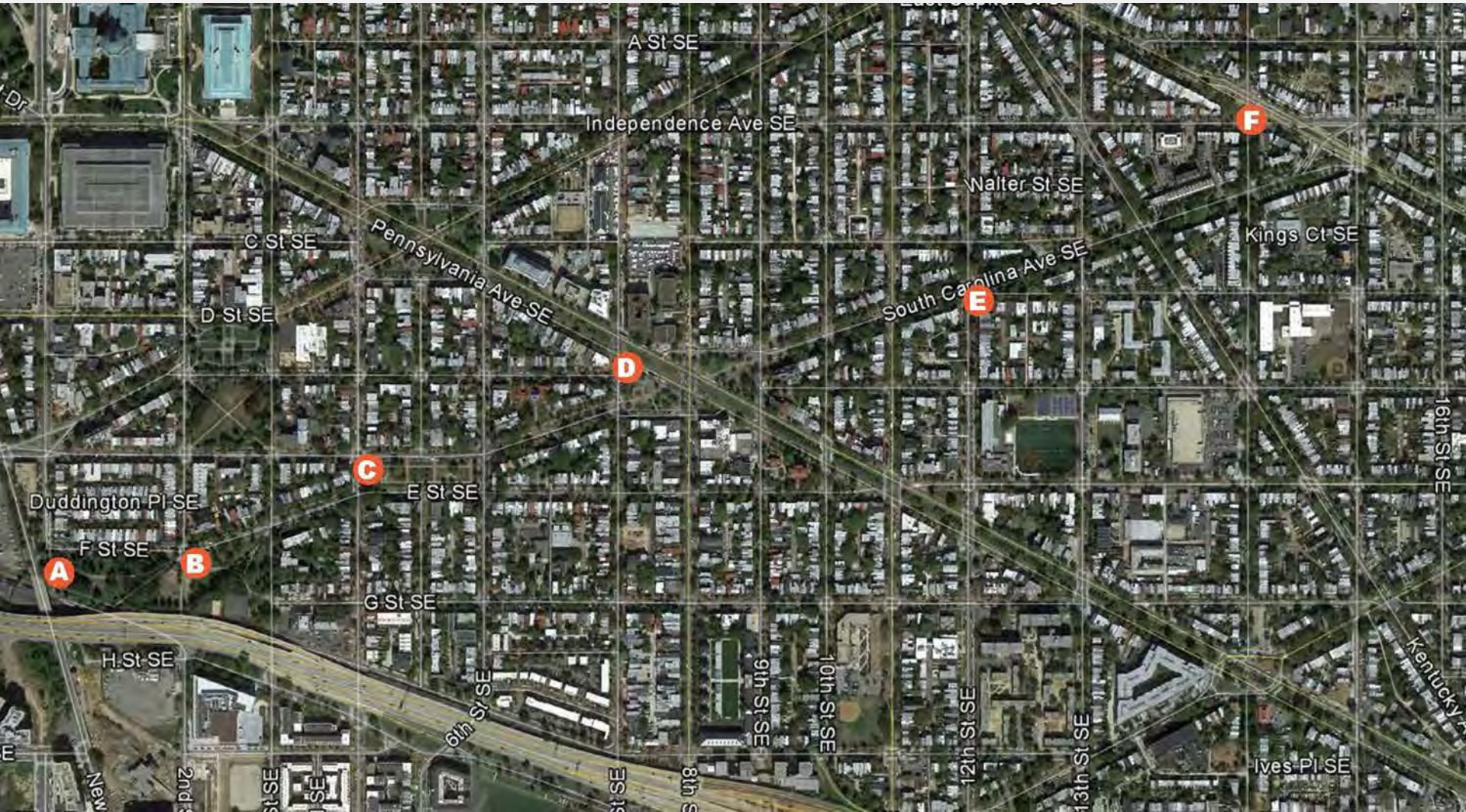
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# Site Selection Process

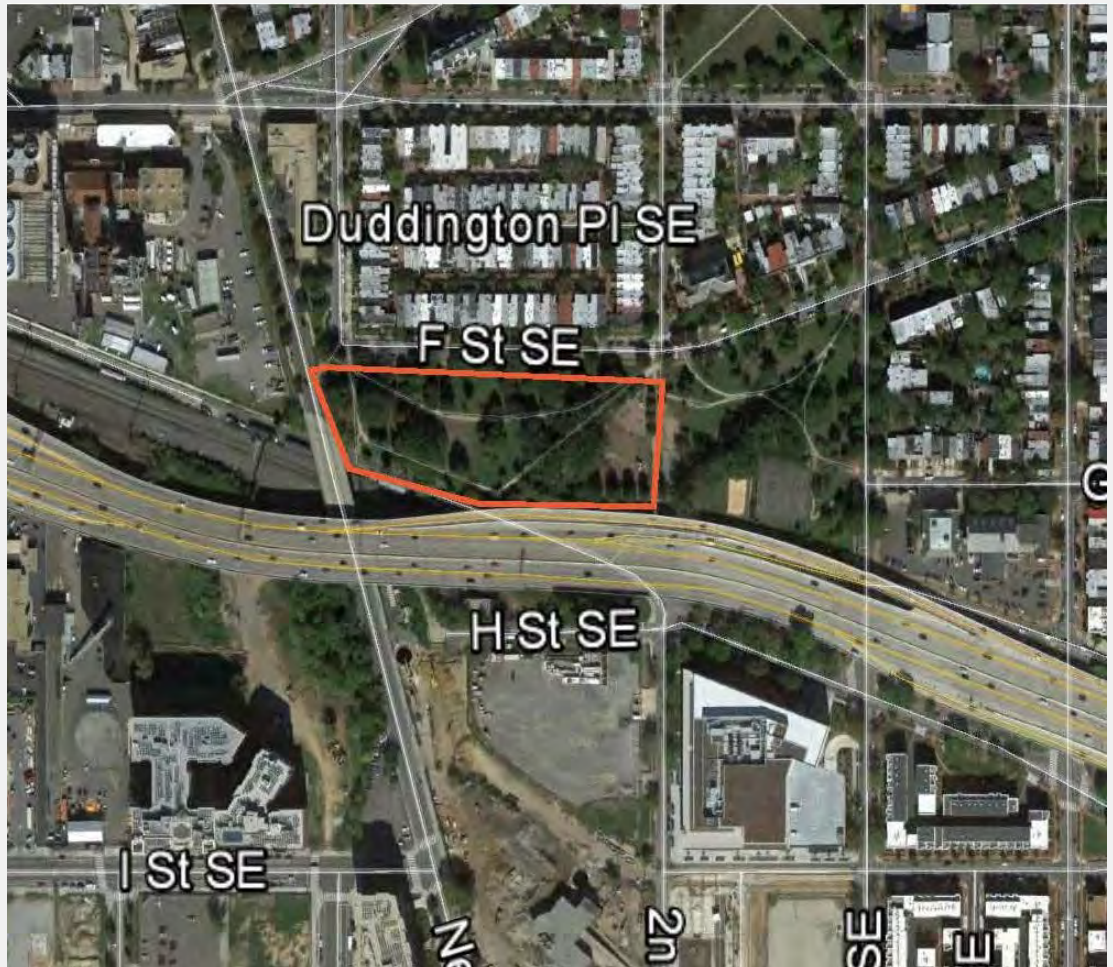
- **Began evaluating sites in 2014**
- **Identified 6 sites for consideration along South Carolina Avenue, SE**
  - **5 sites under District of Columbia jurisdiction**
  - **1 National Park Service site**

## Site Location Map



## Site A: Garfield Park West

- Visual terminus of South Carolina Ave. SE
- 3.5 acres
- Large unprogrammed areas
- Existing recreation facilities
- District jurisdiction

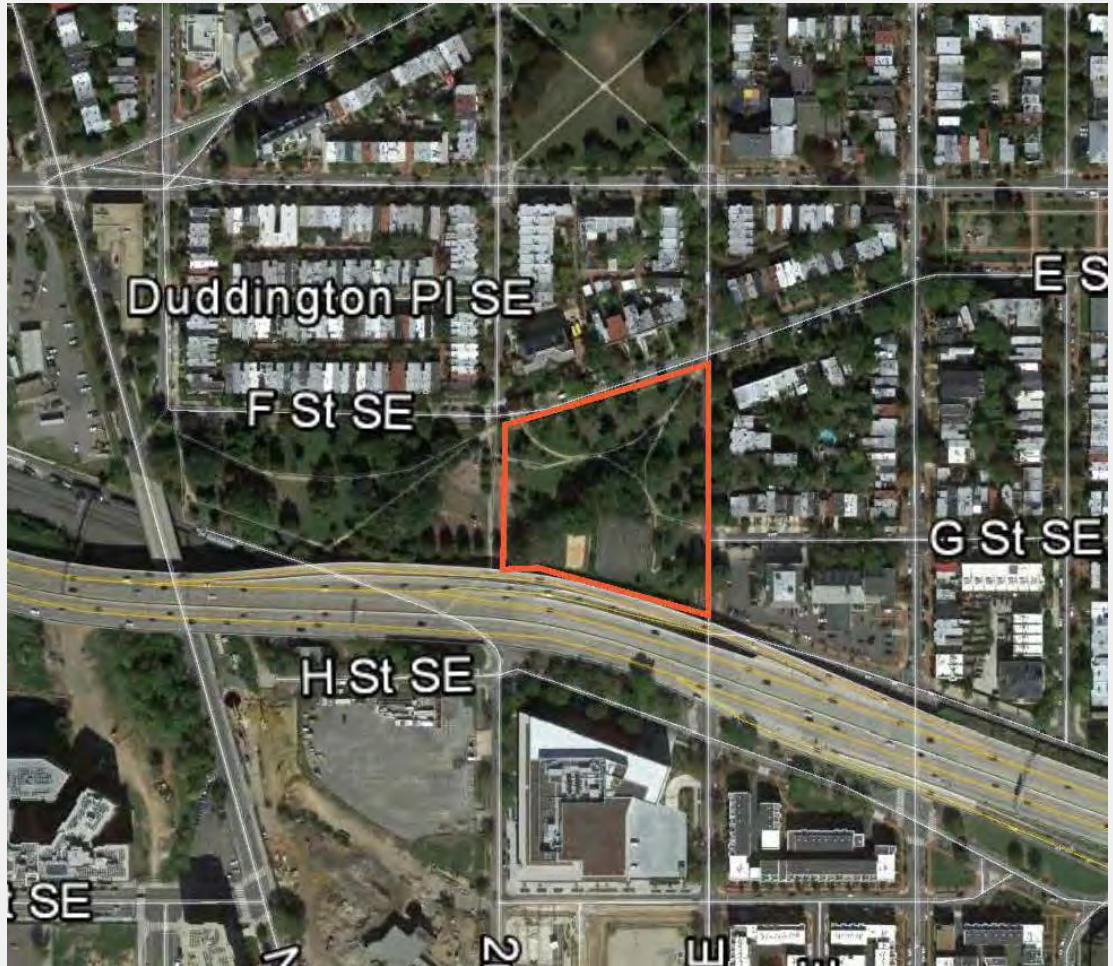


## Site A: Garfield Park West



## Site B: Garfield Park East

- 3.8 acres
- Visible along South Carolina Ave. SE
- Existing recreation facilities
- District jurisdiction



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## Site C: Marion Park

- South Carolina Ave. SE alignment
- 1.5 acres
- Existing playground and open space
- Park improvements underway
- NPS jurisdiction



# Site C: Marion Park

Three potential locations:

**WEST**

**CENTRAL**

**EAST**



## Site C: Marion Park (East)



## Site C: Marion Park (Central)



## Site C: Marion Park (West)



## Site D: South Carolina and Pennsylvania Avenues SE

- **Alignment with South Carolina Ave. SE**
- **1 acre**
- **Large open space**
- **Identified in Museums & Memorials Master Plan as memorial site**
- **District jurisdiction**



## Site D: South Carolina and Pennsylvania Avenues SE



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## Eastern Market Metro Park concept:



## Site E: South Carolina Avenue and C Street SE

- Alignment with South Carolina Ave. SE
- 0.2 acres
- Currently unprogrammed space
- Low pedestrian traffic
- District jurisdiction



## Site E: South Carolina Avenue and C Street SE



## Site F: South Carolina and Massachusetts Avenues SE

- Alignment with South Carolina Ave. SE
- 0.5 acres
- Identified in Museums & Memorials Master Plan as a memorial site
- District jurisdiction



# Site F: South Carolina and Massachusetts Avenues SE



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## Opportunity for Public Comment

# Comment Note

## **Please Note:**

Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment – including your personal identifying information – may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

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