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## PHASE III:

### Early Project History:

The Original Project Management Plan (PMP) for the Modernization of the Main Interior Building dates back to 1992. Even in those very early days, the renovation was always planned to occur in phases. In 1995 the move management plans considered 12 separate construction phases. By 1996 the con-

struction documents were approximately one year 100% complete. In FY while the National Park Service moved back into the building and the search for new swing space started all over. New swing space was acquired at 1201 I Street and finally in November of 2002, ten years after the development of the first PMP, work was able to begin in the sixth wing. The project was delayed by

### Separation of the Construction Zone.

Occupants of the MIB will notice significant changes to the barriers separating the construction zone from the occupied areas. The barriers have purposely been designed in a much more imposing fashion extending well into the main corridor to enclose as much of the work area as possible, while still permitting main corridor access. The barriers are constructed of 2-hour fire resistant construction (effectively 4 layers of gypsum sheathing) to maximize the safety to the occupants.

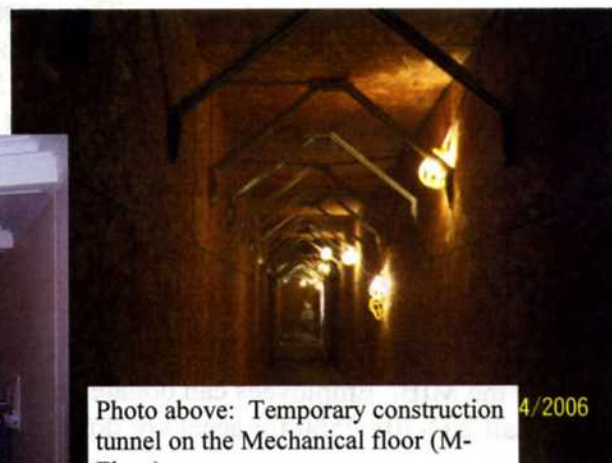


Photo above: Temporary construction tunnel on the Mechanical floor (M-Floor) 4/2006  
Left: Construction barriers extend into the main corridor

# ITEMS OF INTEREST

## AREA FLOODING:

Overall the MIB was lucky compared with many of our Federal neighbors as we avoided extensive water damage during the heavy rains in June. Water infiltration did damage interior finishes in 5th wing, primarily due to a failed storm drain on the East side of the Mechanical floor and infiltration at the new below grade emergency egress areas off the 1st floor, 5th wings, east and west. Damage occurred in several offices, portions of the 5th wing corridors portions of the new locker room and the existing gymnasium floor. Building Management is actively undertaking remedial efforts to address the affected areas.

## NIOSH SITE VISIT:

The DOI has formally requested that the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) visit the Main Interior Building to provide comment and recommendations on current efforts to provide a safe healthful workplace while the MIB undergoes the renovation.

## 5<sup>th</sup> Wing RE-OCCUPATION:

The Modernization Program would

like to extend a sincere thank-you to everyone affected by the recent

moves for your participation and cooperation and a special note of thanks to each of the Administrative Contacts and move coordinators for the Bureaus or Offices. These individuals worked extremely hard and usually long hours to insure the move went as smoothly as possible. In the very near future a survey will be distributed to occupants that participated in the move.

## GYMNASIUM OPENING:

The week of August 28 is the target date for turnover of the newly renovated gym showers and locker room. The area of the Basketball court is still undergoing renovation and will not become available for approximately 9 months.

## IAQ FORUM

A forum to discuss indoor air quality issues and concerns related to the Modernization of the Main Interior Building will be held on a bi-weekly basis. All occupants are welcome to bring issues to discuss. The meetings will be held in the Modernization Program Office, Room 2507 from 2:00-3:00 PM. The next meeting is scheduled for

Monday, July 31, 2006.

## TENANT USER GROUP (TUG)

### MEETINGS:

TUG meetings are presented by the Administrative Operations Directorate of the National Business Center. The meetings, from 10 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in the Rachel Carson Room unless otherwise indicated and are hosted on a rotating basis by one of the Divisions within the directorate. Topics of interest may be requested through any of NBC A/O Division Chiefs or by contacting Roberta Richardson at 202-208-4938

### TUG Meetings Schedule 2006

July 27	MPO
September 28	Facilities (MPO)
December 7	Employee and Public Services (EPS)

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## Recycling/Reuse Opportunities at the MIB:

**Green Room:** The NBC/ Division of Facilities Management Services operates a "Green Room" in room 2428 of the MIB. Employees can donate unneeded office supplies and browse for supplies they may need at no cost. Call 202-208-7560 for access or donations.

**Free Cycle:** On a related note if anyone is interested in the following items please contact 202-208-7283:

HPLaserjet Print Cartridge #82X for a high volume series 8100 /8150 printer (2 available)

Or

Adjustable Gel extended keyboard platform