

COMMISSION ACTION

NCPC File No. 0348



**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLAN:
HIGHWAY TRUST FUND
FISCAL YEARS 2009-2014**

Submitted by the Mayor of the District of Columbia

September 4, 2008

Commission Action Requested by Applicant

Approval of comments to the Mayor and the Council of the District of Columbia pursuant to 40 U.S.C. § 8723 (b).

Commission Action

The Commission:

Commends the inclusion of many projects that support federal interests such as:

- Contributing to the image of the nation's capital.
- Improving the efficiency, safety, and reliability of the transportation system.
- Promoting improved air quality for the region.
- Respecting and enhancing the historic character of the nation's capital, including streets and streetscapes.

Requests that the District of Columbia further coordinate projects as appropriate with the Commission and with federal agencies whose property or operations may be affected, pursuant to Section 5 of the National Capital Planning Act (40 U.S.C. § 8722 (b) (1) and/or § 8722 (e)), along with regional agencies, as follows:

- In general, many projects and studies will require coordination with the Federal Highway Administration, the National Park Service, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments, and the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, as well as review by the U.S. Commission of Fine Arts. The District Department of Transportation (DDOT) should coordinate with these agencies to determine additional requirements.
- The following transportation-related general areas and topics are of special interest to the Commission, and should be coordinated with NCPC on an ongoing basis:

- The Anacostia Waterfront Initiative area, and particularly the South Capitol Street Corridor.
 - The Monumental Core.
 - Signage systems, particularly those that affect major gateways to the District of Columbia and the Monumental Core.
 - The Streetcar Initiative.
- The following specific projects should be coordinated with the Commission and other federal agencies, as noted:

Agencies, with abbreviations and relevant facilities:

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) - National Arboretum
 Department of the Air Force (DAF) - Bolling Air Force Base
 Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF) - Florida/NY Avenue headquarters
 Architect of the Capitol (AOC) - Capitol Grounds, including power plant
 Armed Forces Retirement Home (AFRH) - facility at North Capitol Street
 Department of the Army (DOA) -- Corps of Engineers (rivers and reservoirs);
 Fort McNair
 Department of Energy (DOE) - L'Enfant Plaza headquarters
 General Services Administration (GSA) -- Southeast Federal Center, St. Elizabeths Hospital, and other facilities
 Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts (KC)
 National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC)
 National Gallery of Art (NGA) -- Mall museums, sculpture garden
 National Park Service (NPS) -- various parks throughout DC
 Department of the Navy (DON) -- Washington Navy Yard, Anacostia Annex, Potomac Annex
 U.S. Postal Service (USPS) -- headquarters (L'Enfant Plaza)
 U.S. Secret Service (USSS) -- White House vicinity
 Smithsonian Institution (SI) -- various Mall museums, National Zoo
 Department of State (DOS) -- headquarters
 Department of Transportation (DOT) – Southeast Fed Center headquarters

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83, 89,90,111	South Capitol Street improvements/studies	AOC, NCPC, NPS
87	Maine Ave. Water St. Access Traffic Imprv	NCPC
265	Riverwalk projects	USDA, DOA, GSA, NCPC, NPS, DON
82,109, 110	Whitehurst Freeway and lower K St.	NCPC, NPS
169	Rehab L'Enfant Promenade	DOE, NCPC, NPS, USPS
120	Theodore Roosevelt Bridge project	DOA, KC, NCPC, NPS , DON
189	Streetscape Improvements	NCPC
190	Reconstruction of Columbus Circle	NCPC
194	Historic Streets and Alleys	NCPC
224	GIS Underground Utility Mapping	NCPC, NPS
227	Kennedy Center, Concept Study	NCPC, NPS
236	Historic Heritage Trail	NCPC
254	Federal Road Resurfacing	NCPC,NPS

- The following specific projects should be coordinated with other federal agencies, as noted:

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66	Oxon Run Park Trail Improvements	NPS, NCPC
67	Rock Creek Park Trail Improvements	NPS, NCPC
101	New York and Florida Ave. Intersection	ATF, NPS, NCPC
128	I-295 Bridge Over S. Capitol Street	DOA, NCPC
159, 160	Military Rd. / upper 16th St. NW projects	NPS
193,244	18th St. NW reconstruction, P to S Sts.	NPS
198	Klingle Rd. near Connecticut Ave. projects	NPS
197, 198	Benning Rd. NE reconstruction	NPS

Notes the requirement for Commission review of several categories of projects, including:

- Acquisition or disposition of land or buildings by the DC government (40 U.S.C. § 8722 (b) (1) and § 8734 (a)).
- Land and building development projects by the DC government, including master plans, that affect the exterior of a structure or its grounds (40 U.S.C. §8722 (b) (1) and § 8722(e)).

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