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Construction to Begin on Replacing the Filene Center Main Gate Facility at Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts; Park Remains Open to Visitors

Vienna, Virginia - - The National Park Service (NPS) has begun a construction project at Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts.

The project includes the demolition and reconstruction of the Filene Center's Main Gate facility. The original Main Gate facility was first utilized during the inaugural 1971 performance season at Wolf Trap. The new facility will be situated in the same location and will continue to provide patrons with central access to the Filene Center amphitheater. As with the current facilities that are being demolished, the new facility will house visitor restrooms, gift, souvenir, ticket and food services.

The planned completion date for the new Main Gate is late spring 2008, and the facility is expected to be available for the opening of the 2008 performance season. The park will remain open to visitors during the construction period and Filene Center Backstage Tours will continue to be offered during select fall/winter dates. For more information, visit www.nps.gov/wotr.

Wolf Trap is the only national park dedicated to performing arts. Performances at the park are co- managed with the Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts through a long- standing public/private partnership.

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