CULTURAL RESOURCES

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Cultural resources considered in this discussion are cultural landscapes and historic structures (including historic districts, monuments, statues, and objects). No archeological resources, ethnographic resources, American Indian trust resources, and museum collections have been identified in this area, although the possibility of archeological resources would be analyzed by a professional archeologist before any ground-disturbing activity.

Only those cultural resources that are within the area of potential effect and that could be directly or indirectly affected by the implementation of the plan are described in this document. In accordance with 36 CFR 800 and section 106of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), the area of potential effect was developed in consultation with the DC Historic Preservation Office, the Commission of Fine Arts, NCPC, and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (see the Area of Potential Effect map).

The area of potential effect includes the following resources that are listed on the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) -3 national

historic landmarks, 17 individual properties, 4 historic districts, 3 cultural landscapes, and 15 monuments, statues, and objects (see related plan maps and tables in this section). No properties that have been designated as world heritage sites by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization are located within the area of potential effect.

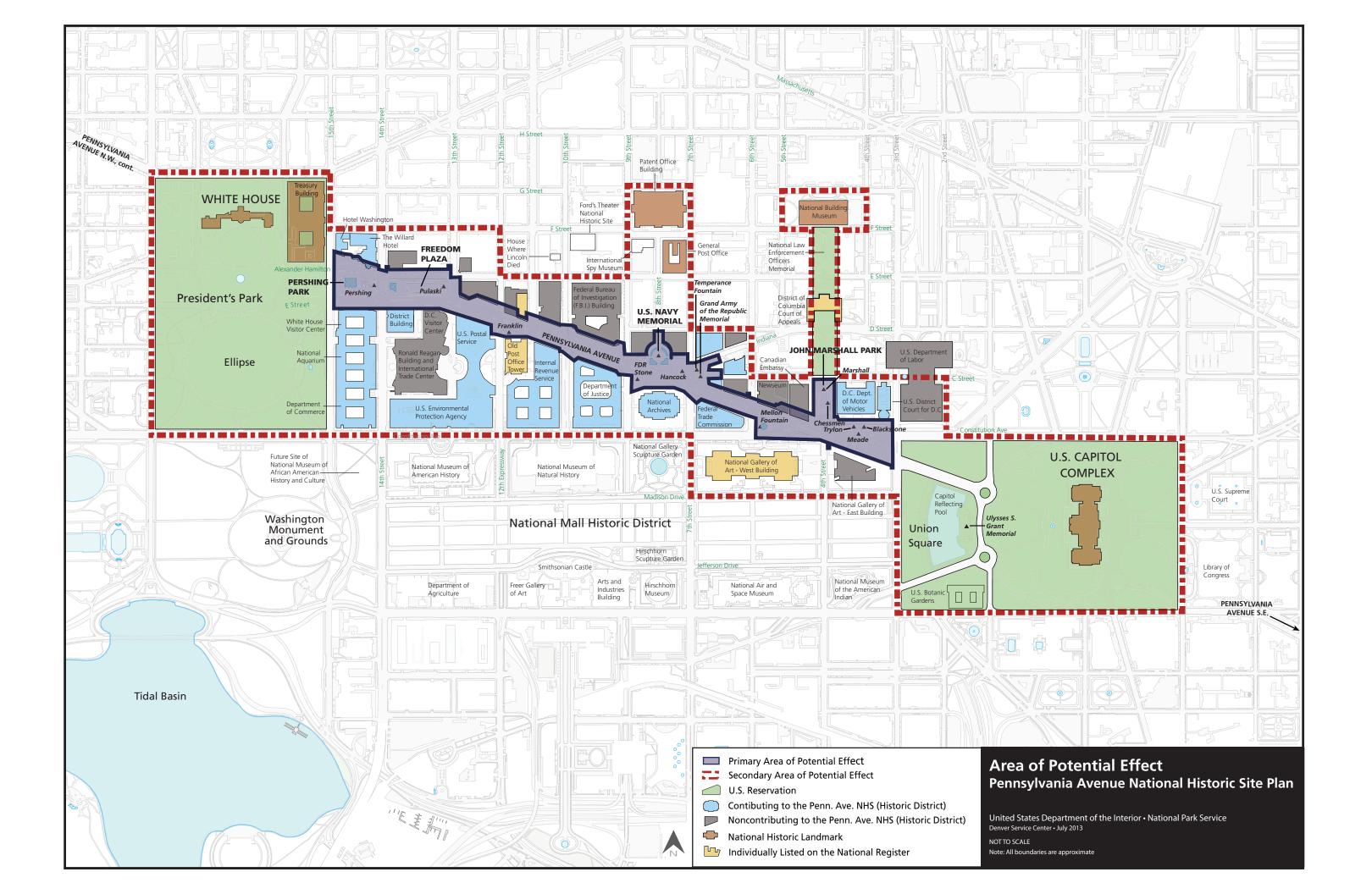
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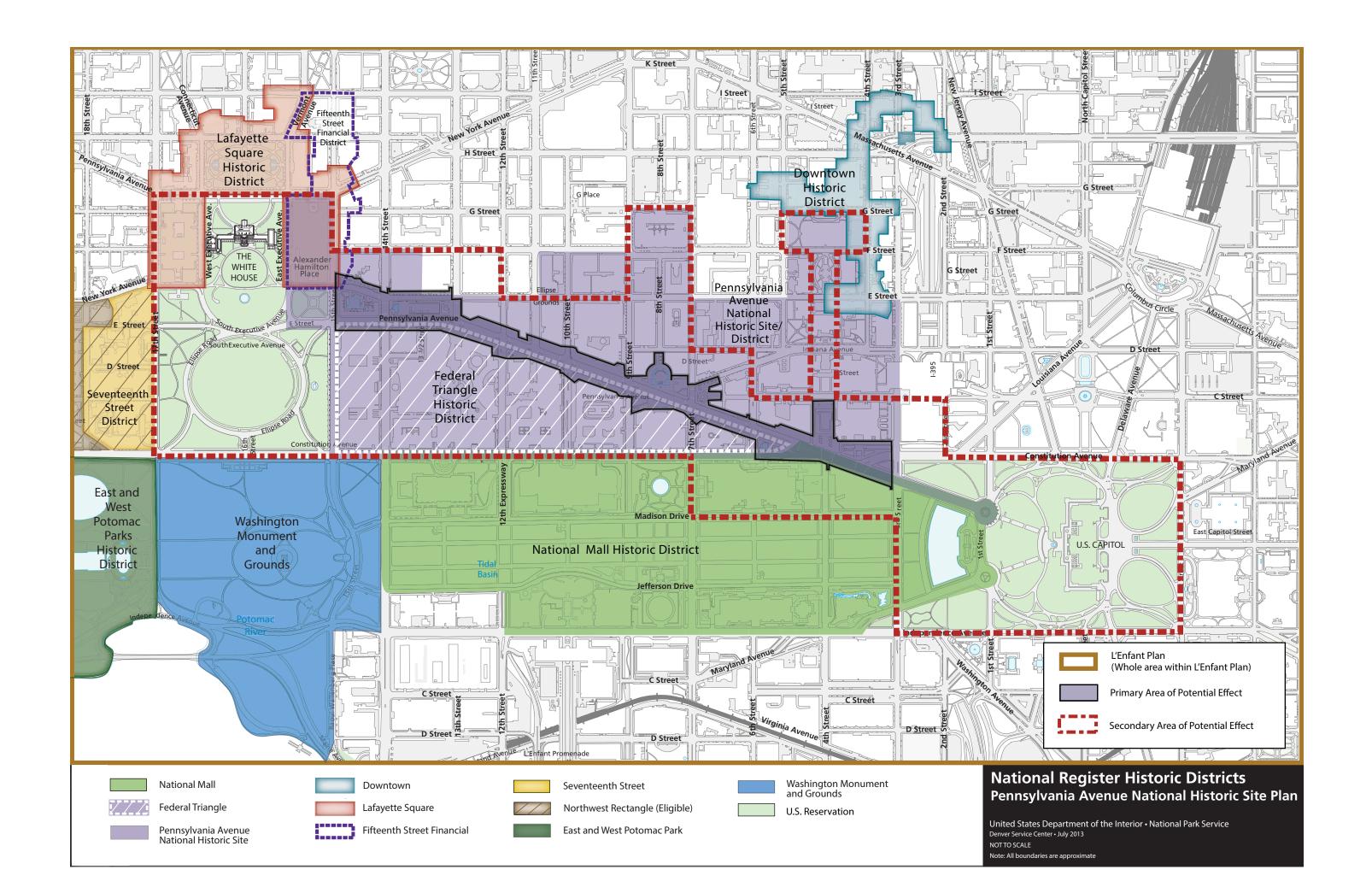
Four historic districts listed on the NRHP — Pennsylvania Avenue NHS, the Federal Triangle Historic District, the Downtown Historic District, and the Fifteenth Street Financial District — are at least partially included in the area of potential effect and are described below (see the Historic Districts plan map).

Pennsylvania Avenue NHS

Pennsylvania Avenue NHS is a linear, primarily paved roadway corridor between the U.S. Capitol and the White House. As discussed in other background sections, NPS administers the sidewalks along the north and south sides of the avenue, while DC administers the paved roadway. Pennsylvania Avenue is lined with small parks, plazas, lampposts, trees, sculpture, and memorials. The avenue was originally designed to connect the legislative and executive branches of government, with views of the U.S. Capitol at its southeast end and views of the White House at its northwest end; however, the construction of the U.S. Treasury Building in 1842 blocked the view of the White House.

Pennsylvania Avenue NHS was listed as a historic district on the NRHP on October 15, 1966. In 2003 the NRHP nomination was updated with additional documentation and a more detailed explanation of historic and architectural significance (Robinson & Associates 2003). The nomination was accepted in 2007. Pennsylvania Avenue NHS is significant in the areas of architecture, art, community planning and development, commerce, landscape architecture, military, politics/government, and social history for the period 1791 to 1962. Some PADC projects implemented since 1974 were not listed as contributing elements of the 2007 historic





district nomination for Pennsylvania Avenue NHS because PADC features were less than 30 years of age, and NPS determined that these features did not meet the NRHP criteria for properties that have achieved exceptional significance within the past 50 years. As of 2014 NPS was undertaking a cultural landscape inventory to assess Pennsylvania Avenue NHS, including PADC resources. This inventory will provide information for further compliance related to any specific projects.

The boundaries of the historic district were defined in the joint resolution of Congress that ratified and confirmed the designation of the Pennsylvania Avenue NHS as a historic district. This boundary extends beyond the NPS-administered area to include buildings such as the National Building Museum, the Patent Office Building (Smithsonian American Art Museum / National Portrait Gallery), and Ford's Theatre, all of which are north of Pennsylvania Avenue. The district also extends from the Peace Monument at Pennsylvania Avenue's southeast terminus (nearest the U.S. Capitol complex) to the U.S. Treasury Building and Hamilton Place at the avenue's northwest terminus. The Pennsylvania Avenue NHS Historic District is larger than Pennsylvania Avenue NHS.

Resources along Pennsylvania Avenue that contribute to the NHS listing on the NRHP are shown in Table 1. Many of the buildings on Pennsylvania Avenue between 3rd and 15th

Streets have been determined to be contributing elements of Pennsylvania Avenue NHS. NPS also considers the building façades along Pennsylvania Avenue as contributing. Monuments, sculpture, and other objects included in the NHS are described later in this section.

Federal Triangle Historic District

The Federal Triangle Historic District consists of a unified group of 10 federal office buildings designed by different architects. The Old Post Office and the District Building (John A. Wilson Building) were constructed between 1899 and 1908, and the rest between 1926 and the 1930s; the Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center was constructed in the 1990s.

The 1926 Public Buildings Act, which permitted the federal government to hire private architects to design federal buildings, heralded the beginning of the country's largest public buildings construction program. Planning for the Federal Triangle was one of the nation's last City Beautiful efforts on such a monumental scale.

The Federal Triangle Historic District is bound by Pennsylvania Avenue on the north, Constitution Avenue on the south, 15th Street on the west, and 6th Street on the east. This area overlaps the southwest portion of the area of potential effect defined for this document.

TABLE 1: BUILDINGS WITHIN THE AREA OF POTENTIAL EFFECT FOR PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE NHS

Building	Address	Date	NRHP Status
North Side			
Department of Labor Building	Pennsylvania Avenue between 2nd and 3rd Streets	1974	Noncontributing to Pennsylvania Avenue NHS
E. Barrett Prettyman Federal Courthouse	Constitution Avenue and 3rd Street	1948–52	Contributing to Pennsylvania Avenue NHS
Canadian Embassy	5th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue	1982–88	Noncontributing to Pennsylvania Avenue NHS
The Newseum	6th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue	2008	Noncontributing to Pennsylvania Avenue NHS
601 Indiana Avenue	601 Indiana Avenue	1961	Noncontributing to Pennsylvania Avenue NHS
625 Indiana Avenue	625 Indiana Avenue	Circa 1985	Noncontributing to Pennsylvania Avenue NHS
633 Indiana Avenue	633 Indiana Avenue	1963–65	Noncontributing to Pennsylvania Avenue NHS
637 Indiana Avenue	637 Indiana Avenue	Circa 1826	Contributing to Pennsylvania Avenue NHS
639 Indiana Avenue	639 Indiana Avenue	1812–24	Contributing to Pennsylvania Avenue NHS
641 Indiana Avenue	641 Indiana Avenue	1812–24	Contributing to Pennsylvania Avenue NHS

Building	Address	Date	NRHP Status
601 Pennsylvania Avenue	601 Pennsylvania Avenue	1985	Noncontributing to Pennsylvania Avenue NHS
625 Pennsylvania Avenue	625 Pennsylvania Avenue	1853–54	Contributing to Pennsylvania Avenue NHS
627 Pennsylvania Avenue	627 Pennsylvania Avenue	1853–54	Contributing to Pennsylvania Avenue NHS
Market Square	701 and 801 Pennsylvania Avenue	1984–90	Noncontributing to Pennsylvania Avenue NHS
J. Edgar Hoover Building	Pennsylvania Avenue between 9th and 10th Streets	1967–72	Noncontributing to Pennsylvania Avenue NHS
1001 Pennsylvania Avenue	1001 Pennsylvania Avenue	1980–86	Noncontributing to Pennsylvania Avenue NHS
Evening Star	1101 Pennsylvania Avenue	1898–99	Contributing to Pennsylvania Avenue NHS; individually listed
1111 Pennsylvania Avenue	1111 Pennsylvania Avenue	2001	Noncontributing to Pennsylvania Avenue NHS
1201 Pennsylvania Avenue	1201 Pennsylvania Avenue	1984	Noncontributing to Pennsylvania Avenue NHS
1275 Pennsylvania Avenue	1275 Pennsylvania Avenue	1953–54, 1987	Noncontributing to Pennsylvania Avenue NHS
Warner Theatre	1299 Pennsylvania Avenue	1924	DC historic site, but not NRHP eligible; outside Pennsylvania Avenue NHS boundary
1301 Pennsylvania Avenue	1301 Pennsylvania Avenue	1981	Not NRHP eligible; outside Pennsylvania Avenue NHS boundary
The National Theater	1321 Pennsylvania Avenue	1922	Not NRHP eligible; outside Pennsylvania Avenue NHS boundary
J. W. Marriott Hotel	1331 Pennsylvania Avenue	1984	Noncontributing to Pennsylvania Avenue NHS
The Willard Hotel	1401 Pennsylvania Avenue	1901–04	Contributing to Pennsylvania Avenue NHS
Hotel Washington	Northeast corner, Pennsylvania Avenue and 15th Street	1917–18	Contributing to Pennsylvania Avenue NHS
Treasury Building	1500 Pennsylvania Avenue	1836–42, 1852– 69	National historic landmark; contributing to Pennsylvania Avenue NHS
American Security and Trust	1501 Pennsylvania Avenue	1905	Individually listed, contributing to Fifteenth Street Financial District; outside Pennsylvania Avenue NHS boundary
Riggs National Bank	1503-05 Pennsylvania Avenue	1824, ca. 1840	Individually listed; contributing to the Fifteenth Street and Lafayette Square Historic Districts; outside Pennsylvania Avenue NHS boundary
The White House	1600 Pennsylvania Avenue	1803, 1818, 1902, 1909, 1952	National historic landmark; outside Pennsylvania Avenue NHS boundary
South Side			
U.S. Capitol Complex	Constitution Avenue and Independence Avenue	1807, 1857/59, 1863	National historic landmark; outside Pennsylvania Avenue NHS boundary
National Gallery of Art, East Building	Constitution Avenue between 3rd and 4th Streets	1981	Not eligible; outside Pennsylvania Avenue NHS boundary
National Gallery of Art, West Building	Constitution Avenue between 4th and 7th Streets	1941	Individually listed (West Building only); outside Pennsylvania Avenue NHS boundary
Federal Trade Commission Building (Apex Building)	600 Pennsylvania Avenue	1937–38	Contributing to Pennsylvania Avenue NHS
National Archives	Between 7th and 9th Streets, and between Pennsylvania and Constitution Avenues	1931–37	Contributing to Pennsylvania Avenue NHS
Department of Justice	Pennsylvania Avenue between 9th and 10th Streets	1931–35	Contributing to Pennsylvania Avenue NHS

Building	Address	Date	NRHP Status
Internal Revenue Service Building	Constitution Avenue between 10th	1928–35	Contributing to Pennsylvania
	and 12th Streets		Avenue NHS
United States Post Office Building	Southwest corner, Pennsylvania	1934	Contributing to Pennsylvania
	Avenue and 10th Street		Avenue NHS
Old Post Office	1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW	1892–99	Individually listed; contributing to
			Pennsylvania Avenue NHS
Ronald Reagan Building and	1300 Pennsylvania Avenue	1989–98	Noncontributing to Pennsylvania
International Trade Center (DC			Avenue NHS
Visitor Center)			
District Building (John A. Wilson	1350 Pennsylvania Avenue	1904–08	Contributing to Pennsylvania
Building)			Avenue NHS
Department of Commerce Building	14th and 15th Streets, Pennsylvania	1926–32	Contributing to Pennsylvania
(White House Visitor Center)	and Constitution Avenues		Avenue NHS

Downtown Historic District

The Downtown Historic District encompasses the area that surrounds the 800 block of F Street NW, on the north side of the Pennsylvania Avenue. The historic district is significant as representative of the earliest development of the district's commercial core. Surrounded by such monumental buildings as the Old Patent Office (now occupied by the National Portrait Gallery and the Smithsonian American Art Museum) and the General Post Office, this block introduces varied facades that enhance the architectural qualities of these buildings and the L'Enfant Plan itself. The Downtown Historic District is bound by 6th Street to the east, 15th Street to the west, Massachusetts Avenue to the north, and Pennsylvania Avenue to the south (NPS 1983).

Fifteenth Street Financial District

The Fifteenth Street Financial District overlaps the northwest end of the area of potential effect along the 15th Street corridor. Listed in 1981, this district is a linear grouping of buildings significant for their cohesive Neoclassical architecture and for their function as financial institutions or for their strong associations with financial institutions and offices (NPS 1981). The district is composed of 22 buildings that face 15th Street between Sherman Park at its south end and McPherson Square at its north end.

OTHER RESOURCES OUTSIDE PENNSYL-VANIA AVENUE NHS

Five properties that are individually listed on the NRHP are within the area of potential effect — the U.S. Capitol Complex, the NGA West Build-

ing, the American Security and Trust Company, Riggs National Bank, and the White House. These properties are not within Pennsylvania Avenue NHS or the planning area. This list is not a comprehensive inventory of all NRHP historic structures that are within the area of potential effect, but only those located on or directly facing Pennsylvania Avenue, which could therefore be affected by proposed actions.

U.S. Capitol Complex

The U.S. Capitol complex is at the east end of the area of potential effect. The entire Capitol complex encompasses 274 acres, including the Capitol Building and its grounds. The Capitol terminates views along Pennsylvania Avenue from the northwest. The U.S. Capitol was designated a national historic landmark in 1960 and was listed as a DC historic landmark in 1964 (DC 2009). In accordance with NHPA section 107, the U.S. Capitol is exempt from listing on the NRHP.

National Gallery of Art West Building

Built 1941, the West Building (6th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW) was listed as a DC historic landmark in 1968. It is also a contributing resource within the National Mall Historic District, which is primarily south of the area of potential effect for this plan. The north façade of the building directly faces Pennsylvania Avenue NHS near its southeast end. The East Building, which was built in 1977, does not contribute to the building's NRHP significance (DC 2009).

American Security and Trust Company

Built in 1904–05, the American Security and Trust Company (1501 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW) is a prominent Classical Revival building that served as the bank headquarters for the American Security and Trust Company. The building was listed as a DC landmark in 1964 and was added to the NRHP in 1973. It is also a contributing resource to the Fifteenth Street and Lafayette Square Historic Districts. The American Security and Trust Company building faces the west end of Pennsylvania Avenue.

Riggs National Bank

Riggs National Bank (1503-05 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW) was built in 1899–1902 in a Neoclassical style, with an addition constructed in 1922–24. The building, which is opposite the Treasury Building, was listed as a DC landmark in 1964 and was added to the NRHP in 1973. It is also a contributing resource for the Fifteenth Street and Lafayette Square Historic Districts (the latter historic district is north of the White House and is outside the area of potential effect). Riggs National Bank faces the west end

of Pennsylvania Avenue within the area of potential effect.

The White House

Located at the western edge of the area of potential effect, the White House and its grounds were designated a national historic landmark in 1960 and a DC landmark in 1964. Like the U.S. Capitol, the White House is exempt from listing on the NRHP under NHPA section 107. The site boundaries are 15th Street to the east, 17th Street to the west, Pennsylvania Avenue to the north, and Constitution Avenue to the south.

MONUMENTS, STATUES, AND OBJECTS

Nineteen monuments, statues, and objects facing or along Pennsylvania Avenue could be directly impacted by any of the actions proposed in this document (see Table 2). Fifteen of these sites are designated as contributing resources of Pennsylvania Avenue NHS. The oldest statues and memorials include the Peace Monument, the Temperance Fountain, the Grand Army of the Republic Memorial, the Maj. Gen. Winfield Scott Hancock statue, the Benjamin Franklin statue, and the Brig. Gen. Casimir Pulaski statue.

MONUMENTS AND STATUES ALONG PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE







There are 19 monuments, statues, and objects facing or along Pennsylvania Avenue, 15 of which are contributing resources of Pennsylvania Avenue NHS. (Left to right: Gen. George C. Meade Memorial, Temperance Fountain, Brig. Gen. Casimir Pulaski Statue.)

In 1985 NPS inventoried all of the statues, monuments, and memorials in Washington, D.C., including all of those within the area of potential effect for this plan, with the exception of the U.S. Navy Memorial, which was dedicated in 1987 and finished in 1991 (NPS 1985). The inventory's information relevant to the Pennsylvania Avenue NHS was documented in the 2003 NRHP nomination update for the Pennsylvania Avenue NHS (Robinson & Associates 2003). No new monuments or objects have been added to Pennsylvania Avenue since the completion of the U.S. Navy Memorial in 1991.

CULTURAL LANDSCAPES

In compliance with NHPA section 110, NPS maintains inventories of its cultural landscapes.

The NPS Cultural Landscape Inventory database identifies two cultural landscapes within the area of potential effect — Pennsylvania Avenue NHS and the White House — President's Park South (see Table 3). A cultural landscape inventory has only been completed for President's Park South. While Pennsylvania Avenue NHS has been preliminarily identified as a cultural landscape, a detailed study and an inventory need to be completed (NPS 2011).

Pennsylvania Avenue NHS

As previously mentioned, NPS is undertaking a cultural landscape inventory of Pennsylvania Avenue NHS, including PADC resources, which should be completed in 2014 or 2015.

TABLE 2: MONUMENTS, STATUES, AND OBJECTS WITHIN THE AREA OF POTENTIAL EFFECT FOR PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE NHS

Site	Location	Date	NRHP Status
Peace Monument	Pennsylvania Avenue and 1st Street	1877	Contributing object
Gen. George C. Meade Memorial	Meade Plaza, Pennsylvania Avenue and 3rd Street	1927, 1984	Contributing object
Trylon of Freedom	In front of the E. Barrett Prettyman Courthouse, Constitution Avenue and 3rd Street	1954	Contributing object
Lily Ponds	John Marshall Park, Pennsylvania Avenue between 3rd and 6th Streets	1982	Noncontributing object
Chess Players Statue	John Marshall Park, Pennsylvania Avenue between 3rd and 6th Streets	ca. 1983	Noncontributing object
John Marshall Statue	John Marshall Park, Pennsylvania Avenue between 3rd and 6th Streets	1985	Noncontributing object
Andrew W. Mellon Memorial Fountain	Mellon Park, 7th Street between Pennsylvania and Constitution Avenues	1952	Contributing object
Temperance Fountain	Indiana Plaza, 7th Street between Pennsylvania and Indiana Avenues	1880, 1987– 88	Contributing object
Grand Army of the Republic Memorial	Indiana Plaza, 7th Street between Pennsylvania and Indiana Avenues	1909, 1987– 88	Contributing object
Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial	Market Square Park, Pennsylvania Avenue between 7th and 9th Streets	1965, 1986– 87, 1993	Contributing object
U.S. Navy Memorial	Market Square Park, Pennsylvania Avenue between 7th and 9th Streets	1983-87	Contributing object
Maj. Gen. Winfield Scott Hancock Statue	Market Square Park, Pennsylvania Avenue between 7th and 9th Streets	1896, 1986- 87	Contributing object
Benjamin Franklin Statue	Pennsylvania Avenue and 12th Street, southeast corner	1889, 1982	Contributing object
Oscar S. Strauss Memorial Fountain	In front of the Ronald Reagan Building, 14th Street	1947	Contributing object
Brig. Gen. Casimir Pulaski Statue	Freedom Plaza, Pennsylvania Avenue between 13th and 14th Streets	1910, 1980	Contributing object
Bex Eagle	Pershing Park, Pennsylvania Avenue between 14th and 15th Streets	1982	Noncontributing object
General John J. Pershing Memorial	Pershing Park, Pennsylvania Avenue between 14th and 15th Streets	1981, 1983	Contributing object
Alexander Hamilton Statue, Treasury Building	1500 Pennsylvania Avenue	1923	Contributing object
General William T. Sherman Statue	Sherman Park, 15th Street and Hamilton Place	1903	Contributing object

TABLE 3: CULTURAL LANDSCAPES WITHIN THE AREA
OF POTENTIAL EFFECT

Component		
Landscapes	Location	
Pennsylvania Avenue NHS		
John Marshall Park	Pennsylvania Avenue between 3rd and 6th Streets	
Market Square Park	Pennsylvania Avenue between 7th and 9th Streets	
Freedom Plaza	Pennsylvania Avenue between 13th and 14th Streets	
Pershing Park	Pennsylvania Avenue between 14th and 15th Streets	
White House — President's Park South		
Sherman Park	Northeast corner of the lawn south of the White House	
1st Division Monument Park	Northwest corner of the lawn south of the White House	
The Ellipse	Center of the lawn south of the White House	

As a potential cultural landscape, Pennsylvania Avenue NHS is defined as the corridor along Pennsylvania Avenue from the foot of Capitol Hill westward to 15th Street. Moving from east to west are several component landscapes — John Marshall Park, Market Square Park, Freedom Plaza, and Pershing Park. Other sites are associated with the overall landscape. Although the cultural landscape's contributing features and patterns have not yet been identified, they would likely include the avenue's numerous reservations and public squares, its spatial organization and circulation patterns for both vehicles and pedestrians, as well as the smallscale features such as ornamental iron fencing, terraces, fountains, plantings, paths, street furniture, and lighting. In 2012 the Cultural Landscape Foundation issued a report stating that the work implemented by PADC should be recognized as contributing to the NHS because of the unique and nationally significant components, which are integral to the avenue's history (Cultural Landscape Foundation 2012).

There are nine reservations within the Pennsylvania Avenue NHS cultural landscape — the Peace Monument (Reservation 202A); Meade Plaza (Reservation 553); Mellon Park (Reservation 546); Indiana Plaza and the Temperance Fountain (Reservation 36A); Market Square Park, including the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial (Reservation 35) and the U.S. Navy Memorial (Reservation 36); Freedom Plaza (Reservations 32 and 33); and Pershing Park (Reservation 617) (Robinson & Associates 2003).

White House — President's Park South

The White House — President's Park South cultural landscape contains Sherman Park, the First Division Monument, and the Ellipse as component landscapes (NPS 2011).

Sherman Park is the portion of the President's Park South landscape that lies directly adjacent to the Pennsylvania Avenue corridor; it is bounded by South Executive Avenue, Hamilton Place, 15th Street, and E Street. It is a contributing element of Pennsylvania Avenue NHS.

The First Division Monument and its surrounding grounds are in the northwest corner of the President's Park South (17th Street to the west, State Place to the north, South Executive Avenue to the east, and E Street to the south). Even though the First Division Monument component landscape is within the area of potential effect, it is not directly adjacent to or visible from Pennsylvania Avenue.

The Ellipse occupies the center of President's Park South. The area is defined by the oval-shaped roadway of Ellipse Road, which encircles a predominantly open grass-covered area. The low, open nature of the Ellipse maintains the important vista between the White House, the Washington Monument grounds, and the Thomas Jefferson Memorial. Although the Ellipse component landscape is included in the area of potential effect, it is not directly adjacent to Pennsylvania Avenue.

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