

Office of Army Cemeteries **Army National Military Cemeteries Command Brief**

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Arlington is Part of the Fabric of our Nation





Vision, Mission, and Priorities

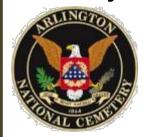
Great people honoring service and sacrifice to a Grateful Nation

Office of Army Cemeteries Mission



As the Army's cemeterians, OAC provides oversight and expertise for all Army cemeteries through policy, program management, inspections, training, and assistance, honoring those laid to rest in perpetuity.

Army National Military Cemeteries Mission



Arlington National Cemetery represents the American people for past, present, and future generations by laying to rest those few who have served our nation with dignity and honor while immersing guests in the cemetery's living history.

People



People are at the heart of everything we do

Readiness



We deliver on our sacred mission by maintaining **Readiness** through the optimal management of our valuable resources

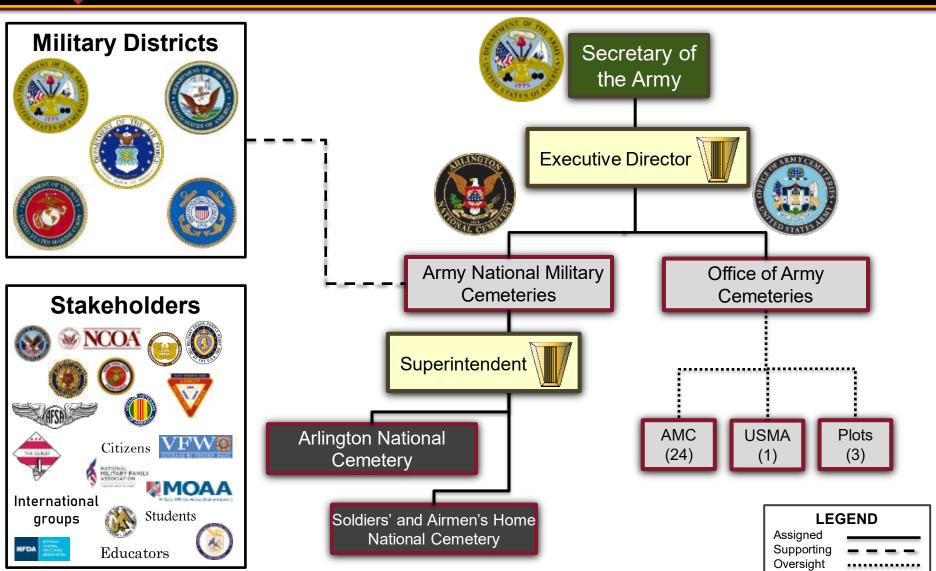
Modernization



Our cemeteries are a perpetual tribute to those at rest. We focus on **Modernization** to sustain and extend this tradition for future generations



Relationships



ANC Oversight

SASC SVAC SAC-M



HASC HVAC HAC-M



Advisory Committee on Arlington National Cemetery (ACANC)

Partners

Veteran's Affairs:



National Cemetery Administration Advisory Committee on Cemeteries and Memorials- (ACCM)

National Park Service
Women in Military Service for America
US Army Corps of Engineers –
Norfolk District
JBMHH – First responders
OSD-P&R:

Combined Joint Mortuary
Affairs Board
Cemetery Management Board

American Battle Monuments Commission



Office of Army Cemeteries

Ensuring Cemetery Excellence Across the Force **Policy** Analysis and revision Policy support – advise and assist **Training** Standards and Measures Accountability & Consistency Cemetery Responsible Official course



Oversight

- 100% accountability
- Regular inspection schedule
- Staff assistance and support



Carlisle Barracks Disinterment Project

Then

In 1879, Carlisle Barracks became the site of the Carlisle Indian Industrial School, operated by the Department of the Interior until 1918. The school educated more than 10,000 Native American children, with representation from approximately 50 tribes from across the nation. Children who died were interred in the Carlisle Barracks cemetery.



Now

At the request of Tribes, OAC began outreach to determine Native American families' interest in returning their children. In 2017, the first three children were disinterred and returned to their Tribes.

In July of 2022, with the support of USACE/Carlisle Barracks/Army War College, OAC returned the remains of seven children, two to the Oneida Tribe, one each to the Ute, Washoe, and Lower Umpqua Tribes, as well as two

Alaskan natives.

Multiple tribes and families are in the Process of requesting the return of their ancestors. To date, 28 disinterments have been conducted.





30 Army Cemetery Locations

National Cemeteries (2)

Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, VA Soldiers' and Airmen's Home National Cemetery, Washington, DC



Army Post Cemeteries (16)

Aberdeen Proving Grounds Cemetery, MD Carlisle Barracks Cemetery, PA

Camp Lewis Post Cemetery, WA

Edgewood Arsenal Cemetery, MD

Fort Benning Main Post Cemetery, GA

Fort Bragg Main Post Cemetery, NC

Fort Huachuca Post Cemetery, NM

Fort Knox Post Cemetery, KY

Fort Leonard Wood Post Cemetery, MO

Fort Meade Post Cemetery, MD

Fort Riley Post Cemetery, KS

Fort Sill Post Cemetery, OK

Presidio of Monterrey Main Post Cemetery, CA

Schofield Barracks Post Cemetery, HI

Watervliet Arsenal Post Cemetery, NY

West Point Post Cemetery, NY



Army Plots in Private Cemeteries (3)

Fitzsimons General Hospital at Fairmount Cemetery, Denver, CO

Fort Hayes at Green Lawn Cemetery, Columbus, OH Fort Wayne at Woodmere Cemetery, Detroit, MI



Enemy Prisoner of War Cemeteries (4)

Fort Campbell POW Cemetery, Fort Campbell, KY
Fort Drum POW Cemetery, Fort Drum, NY
Fort Gordon German POW Cemetery, Fort Gordon, GA
Fort Gordon Italian POW Cemetery, Fort Gordon, GA

Native American Cemeteries (4)

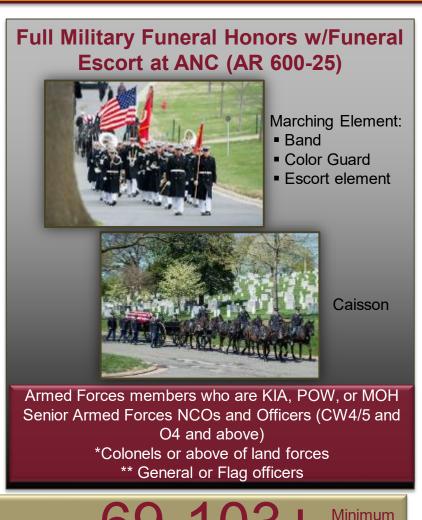
Bailtso Apache South Cemetery, Fort Sill, OK Beef Creek Apache Cemetery, Fort Sill, OK Chief Chihuahua Apache Cemetery, Fort Sill, OK Comanche Indian Mission Cemetery, Fort Sill, OK



Funeral honors and Funeral escort at ANC







service members required:

2

~17

* Caparisoned horse

shown

** Cannon salute



Connecting Visitors to a Rich History

Over 3M Visitors a Year Open 365 Days

National Observances:

Memorial Day

Veterans Day

Wreaths Across America

Historic Tours

Distinguished Visitor/
Public Events

Congressional Engagements

~200 Distinguished Visitor

Wreath Ceremonies

~400 Honor Flight Buses

 ~3100 Wreath Laying Ceremonies

 Symbolic Visit for World Leaders



Webinars, Lectures, Blogs,
And Display Room Tours
Physical Interpretation Plan
Online Educational Modules
Tomb of the Unknown Centennial

Hundreds of Engagements with

Congress and the Media

International, National, & Local
Photographers & Film Crews
Responses to Queries

A continuous challenge to strike a balance: Funeral services (private) & a National Shrine (public)





Our Portfolio



Engineers and Expansion



Facilities Management



Interment Services



Interment Operations



Horticulture / Arboretum



Visitor Engagement



Conservation



Cultural Resources Management



Environmental



Information Technology



Public Affairs



Quality Assurance & Accountability

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Maintaining These Hallowed Grounds

Providing Facilities To Support Our Mission

- Road Improvements
- Utility Improvements
- Boundary Wall Repairs
- Columbaria Maintenance
- Memorial Amphitheater Interior Renovation
- Memorial Ave Improvements
- Receiving Vault Preservation
- JFK Memorial Preservation
- Waterline Flushing

Environmental

- Sustainability Efforts
- Millennium Stream
 Repair



Memorial Arboretum Level III Accreditation

639 acres and growing ~ 300 tree varieties

Two National Champion trees
Three State Champion trees

~ 9,800 native and exotic trees

Cultural Resources

Preservation of Cultural
Resources including
Monuments and Memorials

Partners with:

National Parks Service

The VA State Historic

Preservation Office

National Register





Providing Facilities that Support Our Mission

Operational Capability

nfrastructure and **Utility Upgrade**







Additional Projects

- Welcome Center Improvements
- Cultural Resource Report - JFK
- Memorial Ave Improvements
- **Boundary Wall Repairs**
- **Sanitary Sewers**

Road Improvements







Planning & Resource Mgmt

Cultural Resource Preservation



SAHNC Historic Gate Restoration









Ord and Weitzel Gate Reconstruction

Bio retention basins

Environmental Compliance

Improve the cemetery's operational capabilities, fix lingering infrastructure problems, and develop a plan to sustain it all

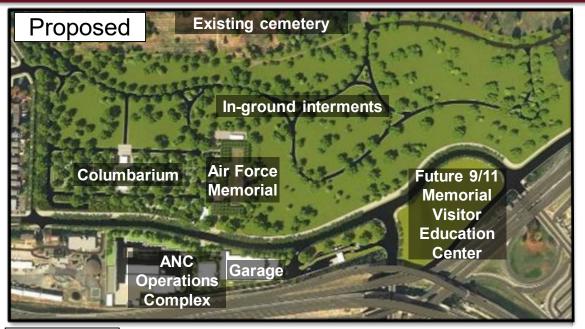


Video

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Southern Expansion / DAR



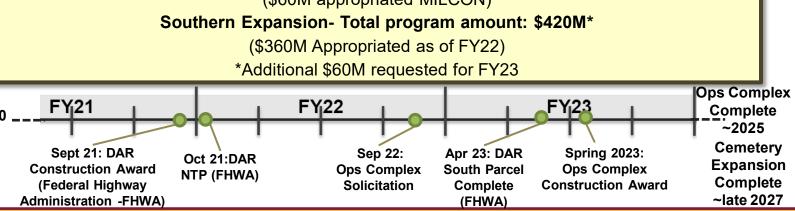
- Adds 80K(+) burial opportunities
- Air Force Memorial is the centerpiece of Southern Expansion
- Pedestrian access to ANC/AFM via Columbia Pike
- Public parking garage across from entrance
- Operations (Ops) Complex moves south of Columbia Pike
- Ops Complex (SE Ph2) & Cemetery Expansion (SE Ph3) separated into two contracts due to inflation and material cost risk **Milestones**
- DAR Turnover of South Parcel: Apr 2023
- SE Ph2 Acquisition (BVTO): Ongoing
- SE Ph2 Award: Spring 2023

- SE Ph3 Acquisition (BVTO): Fall 2024
- SE Ph2 Award: Summer 2025



Road Realignment Project - Total program amount: \$60M

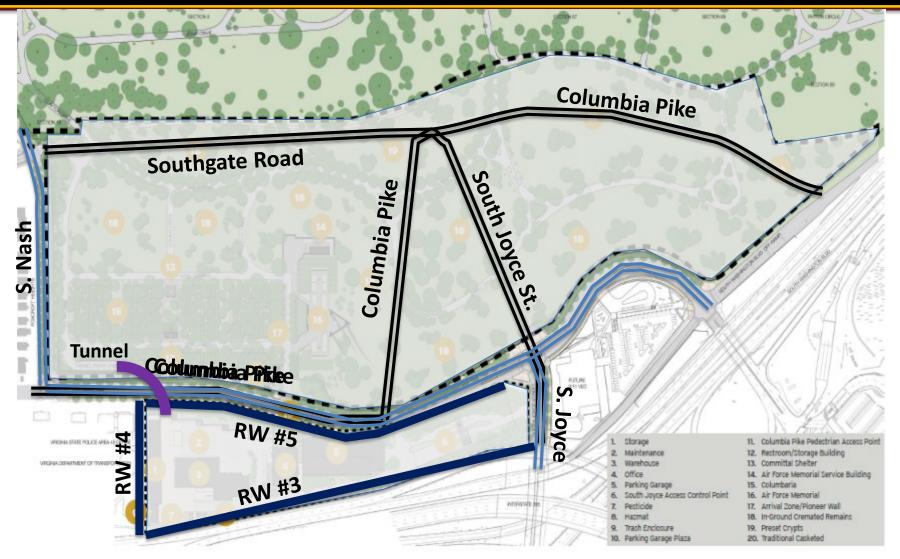
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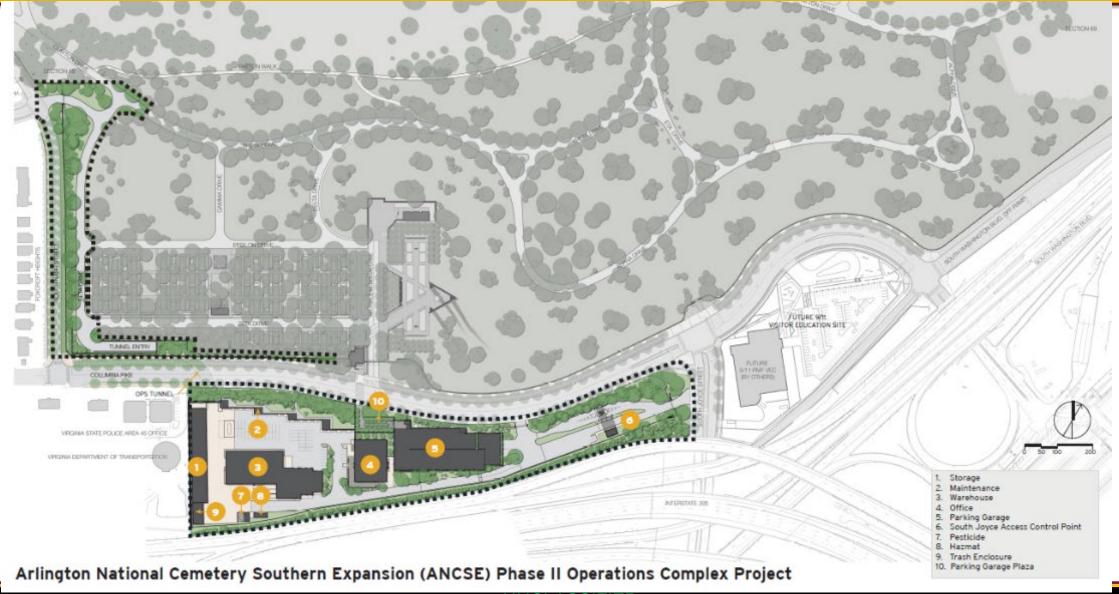
to ANC

Defense Access Roads and Southern Expansion Phase 1 SEP 21 – MAR 25 SEP 21 – APR 23





Southern Expansion Phase 2 MAY 23 – OCT 25

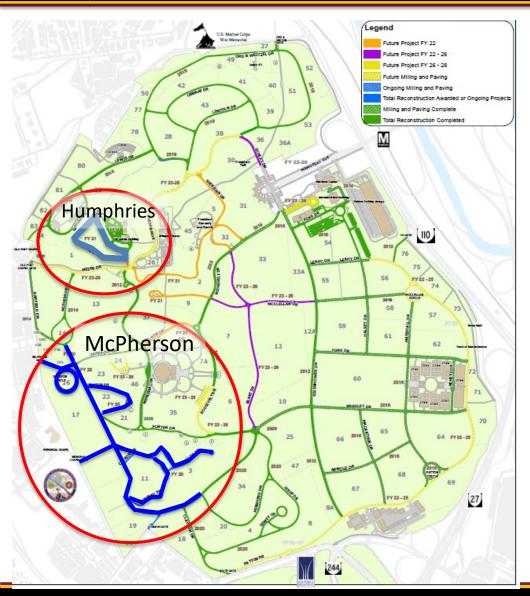


Southern Expansion Phase 3 JUN 25 – SEP 27





Roadway Improvement Program (FY22)



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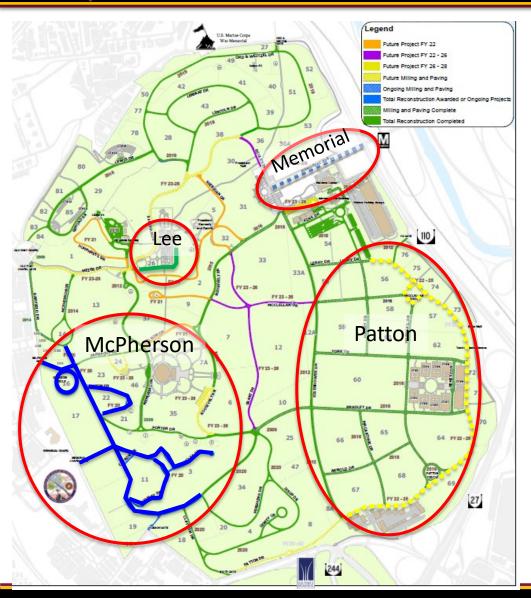
- McPherson Area Rds (FY21-23)*– Full Reconstruction
- Humphreys Rd (FY21-22)

Planned Projects

- Lee Drive (FY22-23)
- Memorial Ave (FY23) Mill & Pave, Sidewalk/Curb Repair
- Patton Drive (FY22-23) Mill & Pave (Halsey to Eisenhower)
- SAHNC (FY23) Mill and Pave
- Yellow Line Road (FY23-24) Full Reconstruction
- Roosevelt Drive (FY24) Mill and Pave
- Sheridan Area Rds (FY24-25) Full Reconstruction
- Grant/McClellan (FY25-26) Full Reconstruction



Roadway Improvement Program (FY23)



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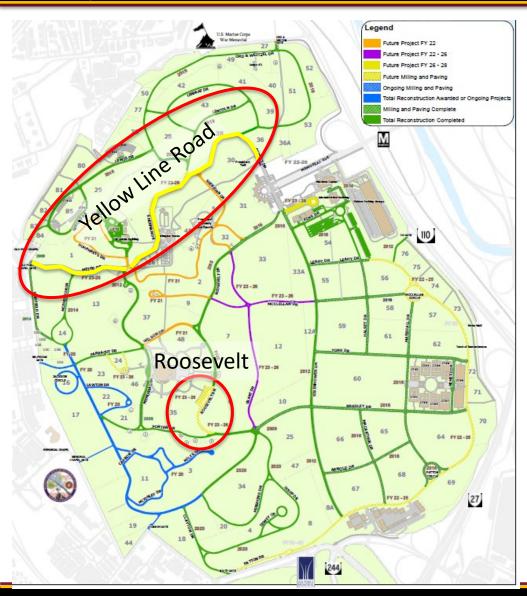
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Roadway Improvement Program (FY24)



Current Projects:

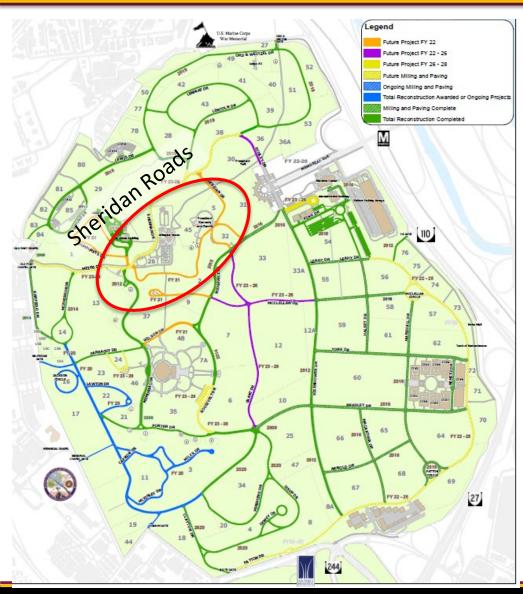
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Proposed Projects

- Sheridan Area Rds (FY24-25) Full Reconstruction
- Grant/McClellan (FY25-26) Full Reconstruction



Roadway Improvement Program (FY25)



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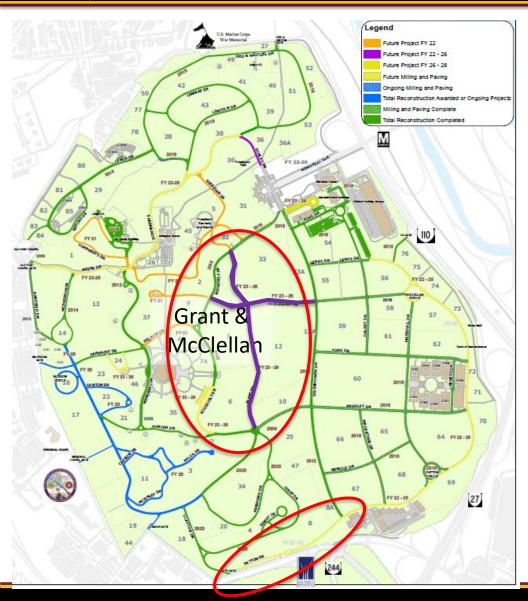
Proposed Projects

Grant/McClellan (FY25-26) – Full Reconstruction

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Roadway Improvement Program (FY26)



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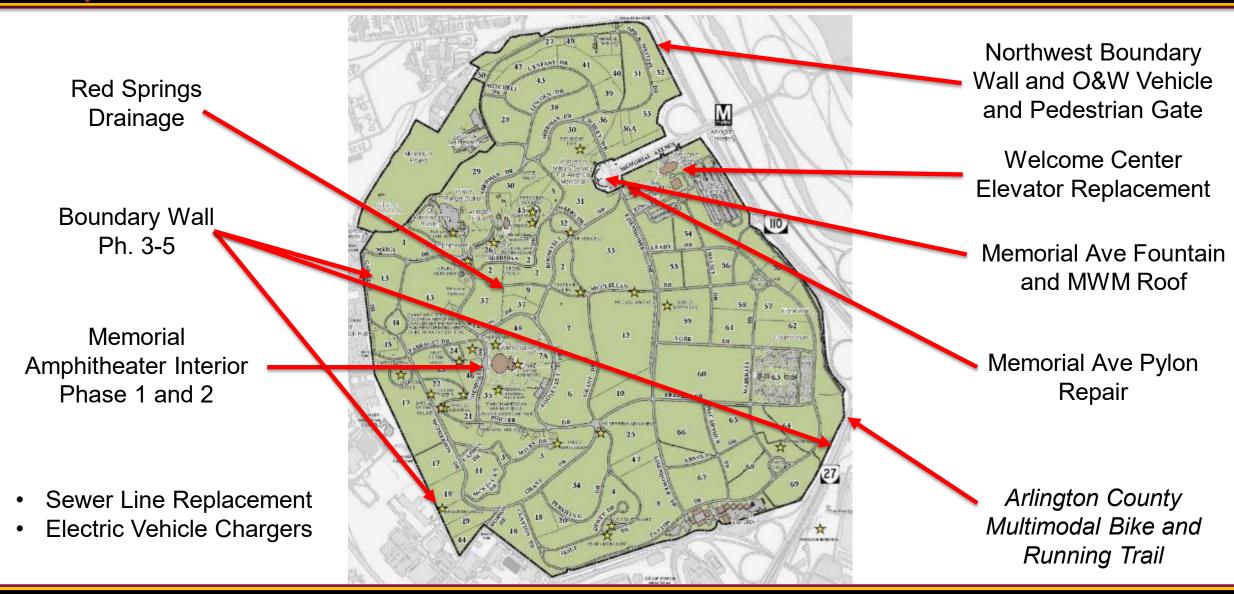
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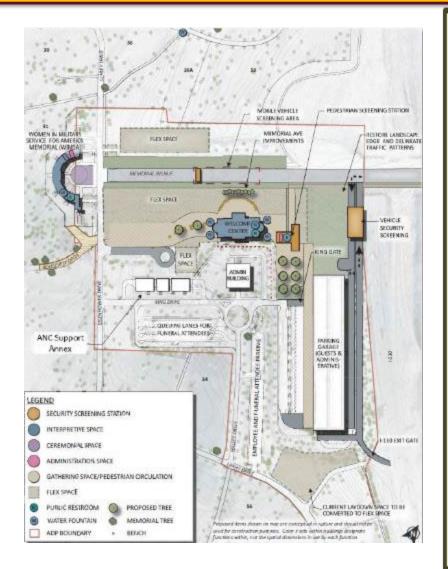
Southern Expansion connecting roads



Major Projects in Development FY23-25



Memorial Ave Entry Corridor – Feasibility, NEPA, Preliminary Design



- Background: 2020 NDAA transferred a portion of Memorial Ave and adjacent land from NPS to ANC ownership
- Issues:
 - Change in security requirements resulted in crowding in the Welcome Center and reducing the visitor experience space
 - Conflicts between vehicles and pedestrians amplified by increased visitorship
 - Change in eligibility increases demand for above ground inurnment
- Proposed Feasibility and NEPA studies to do the following:
 - > Transform undeveloped space north of Memorial Ave to Columbaria (above ground inurnments)
 - > Construct a separate visitor screening facility
 - Construct an alternate entrance to the parking garage to reduce vehicle/pedestrian conflicts
 - Improve the aging Tram Circle area and pedestrian crossing
 - > Total FY23 Request: \$2.5M
- Construction to begin ~FY28



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Questions & Discussion

