

Star-Spangled Banner National Historic Trail

Signage Package

Washington DC and Prince George's County, Maryland

Submitted by the National Park Service

Web Posting

Commission meeting date: March 6, 2014

NCPC review authority: Federal Projects in Washington DC (40 U.S.C. § 8722(b)(1) and (d))

Applicant request: Preliminary and final approval of site development plans

Delegated / consent / open / executive session: Delegated

NCPC Review Officer: C. Kelly

NCPC File number: 7554

Project summary:

The National Park Service has submitted preliminary and final site development plans for the installation of Star-Spangled Banner National Historic Trail signage. The Star-Spangled Banner National Historic Trail is a proposed 560 mile land and water trail in Washington DC, Virginia, and Maryland that commemorates events and the legacy of the War of 1812 in the Chesapeake area.

While the sign package includes a variety of signs and locations, based on NCPC's review authority, NCPC will only be reviewing the following signs:

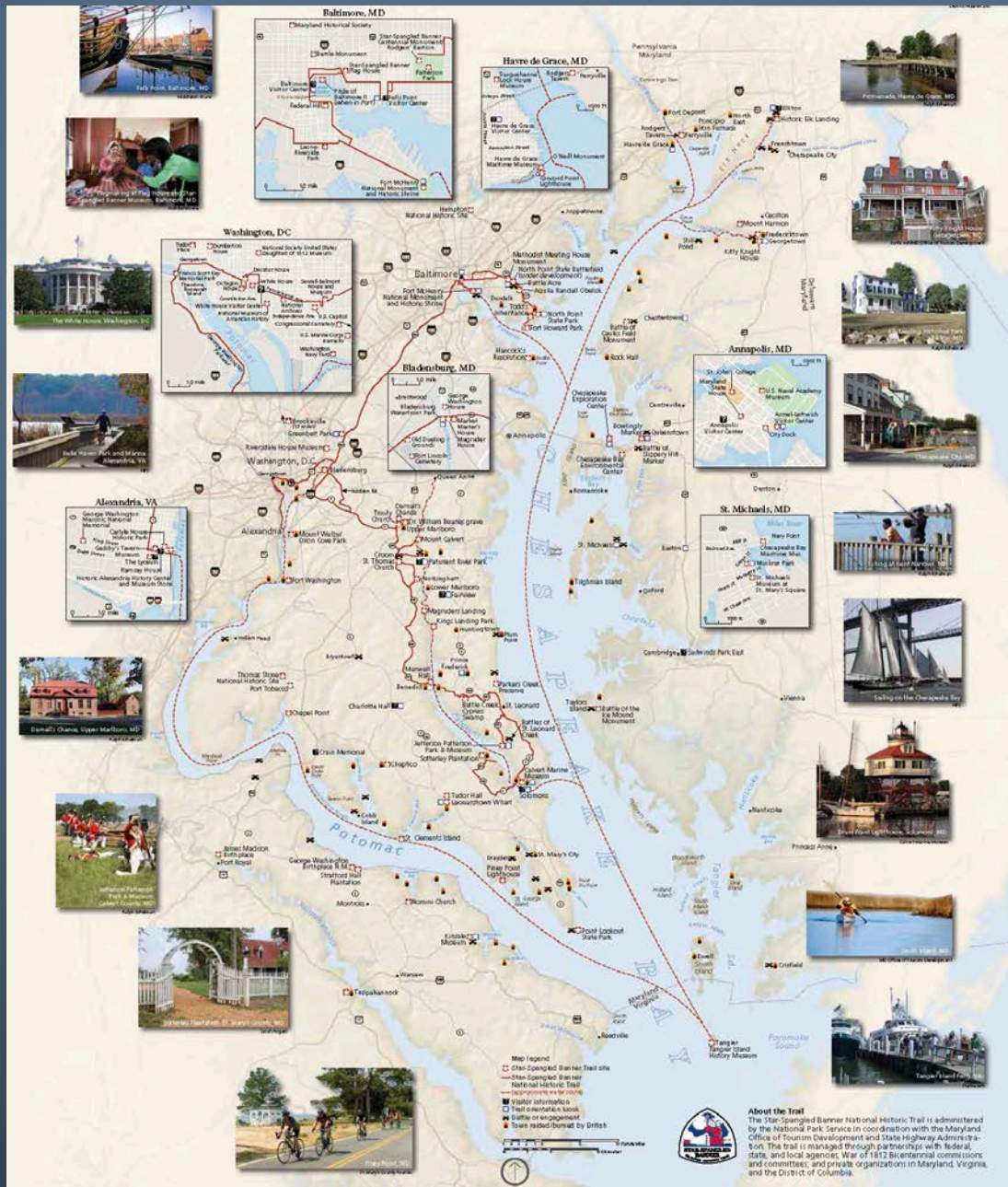
Signage in Maryland

- Orientation signage at Greenbelt Park
- Auto route markings on the Baltimore Washington Parkway
- An orientation sign Fort Washington
- An orientation sign at Oxon Hill Park




Signage in Washington DC

- Auto route markings
- Cultural Tourism signs
- Orientation signage along the Anacostia Riverwalk

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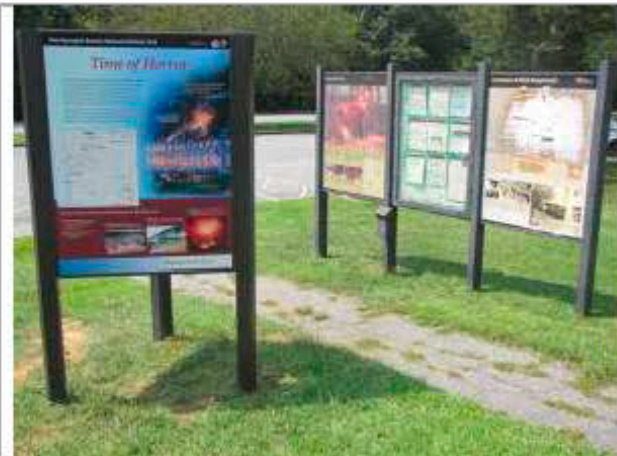
STSP Trail Markers

#	Segment	County	Traveling direction	GPS coordinates	Comments
 BW2	B/W Parkway	Prince George's	southbound	N 39 03.593 W 76 50.286	at 197 exit
 BW3	B/W Parkway	Prince George's	southbound	N 38 57.205 W 76 54.565	After Riverdale Rd exit (inside 495)
 BW4	B/W Parkway	Prince George's	northbound	N 38 55.231 W 76 55.924	just at split of Rts. 201 and 50
 BW5	B/W Parkway	Prince George's	northbound	N 38 59.820 W 76 52.411	after NASA 1/2 mile sign

Auto sign markings are installed on existing poles or signage and includes the Star-Spangled Banner Historic Site logo. The sign is 18 inches tall.

Greenbelt Park

STSP-1.1



6565 Greenbelt Road		
Greenbelt	MD	20770
38.993883	-76.894933	Prince George's

Sign Type	Size	Year Installed
kiask	36" x 48"	2012

Panel Title	Time for Horror
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Time of Horror

Sounds of battle could be heard here from Bladensburg, six miles away, on August 24, 1814. Victorious British troops then moved into Washington, D.C. The sky was already aglow above the city; Americans had torched the Washington Navy Yard to keep it from enemy hands. As the British burned the U.S. Capital and other public buildings that night, the glow could be seen for miles—striking fear and indignation throughout the region.

Expecting Baltimore to be the next target, bedraggled American troops made their way north. Instead of pursuing, the British returned to their ships at Benedict. By the time they attacked Baltimore three weeks later, the Americans were ready.

"The spectators stood in awful silence, the city was light and the heavens reddened with the blaze!"
—Eyewitness account, Margaret Bayard Smith, August 1814

The glow of burning buildings in Washington, D.C., 12 miles away, could be seen from here the night of British occupation.

Burning of the White House by British Soldiers in 1814 by Tom Freeman
IMAGE / WHITE HOUSE HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION



The orientation sign at Greenbelt Park is a three sign panel display. The display is 6 feet tall.

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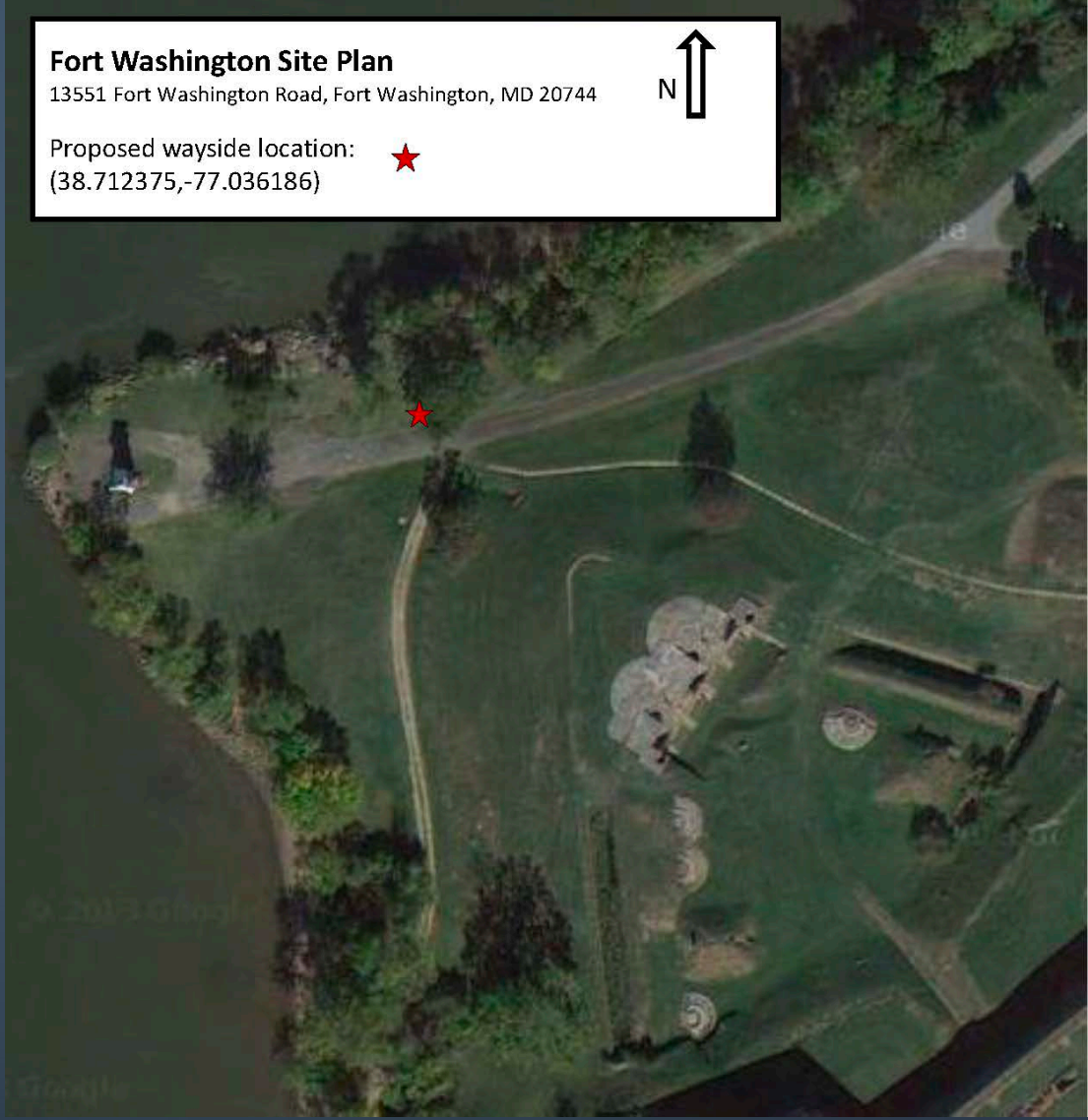


Fort Washington Site Plan

13551 Fort Washington Road, Fort Washington, MD 20744



Proposed wayside location:
(38.712375,-77.036186) ★



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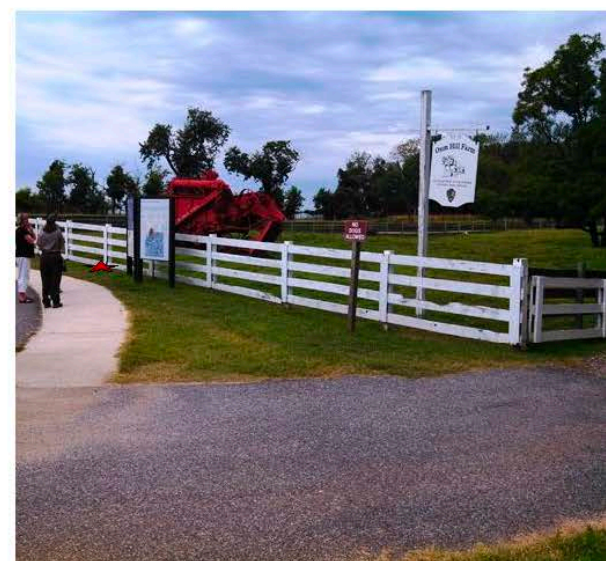
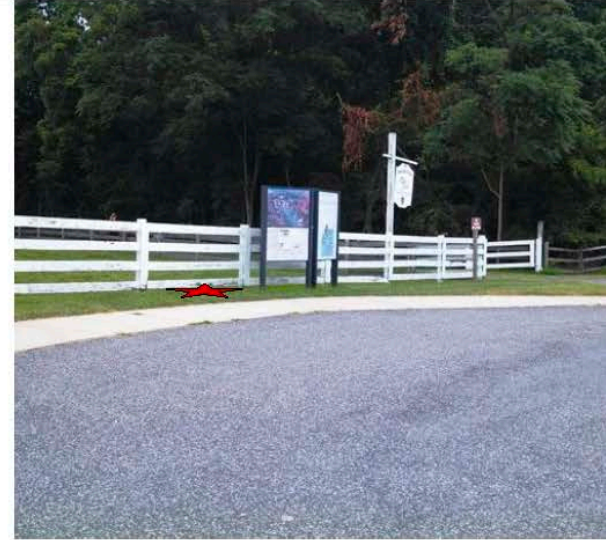
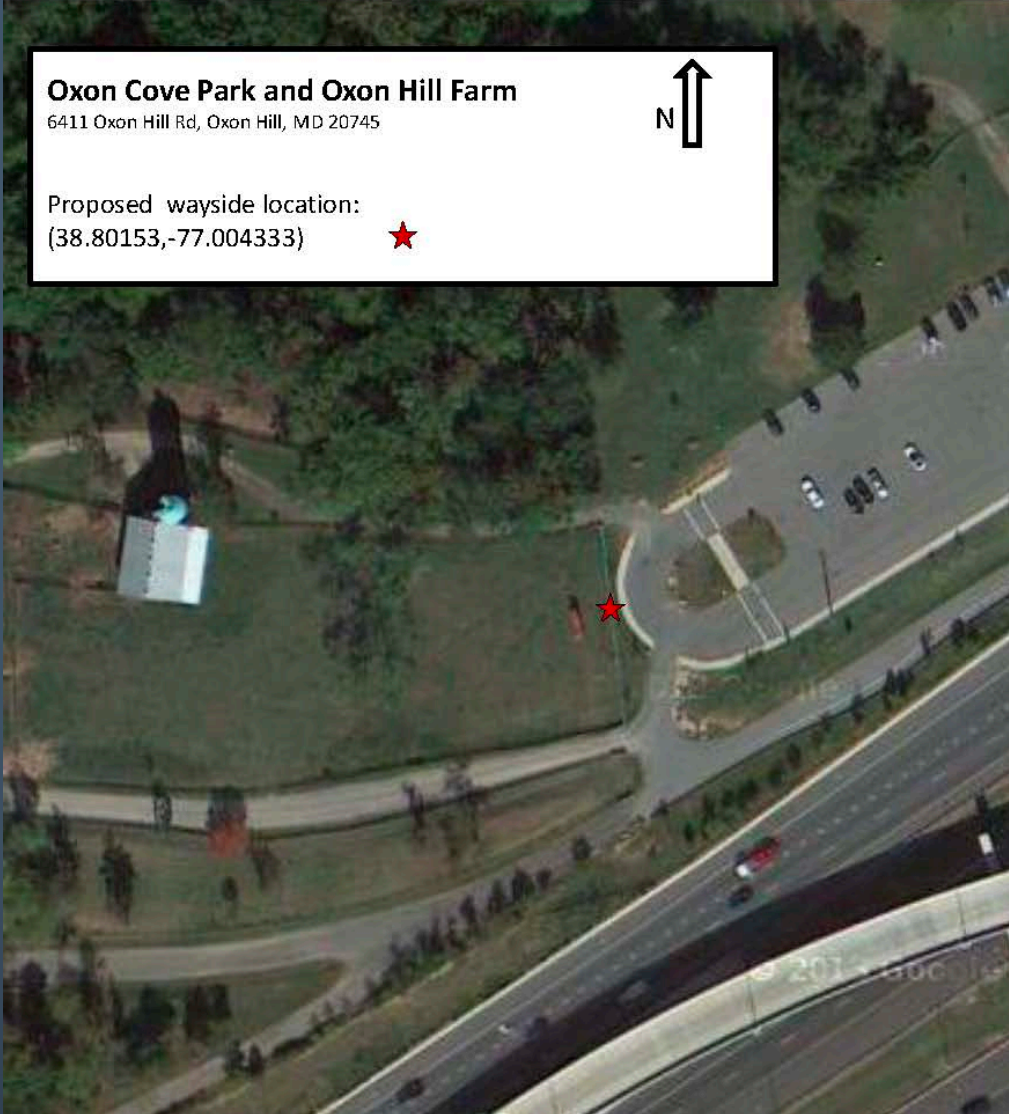


Oxon Cove Park and Oxon Hill Farm

6411 Oxon Hill Rd, Oxon Hill, MD 20745

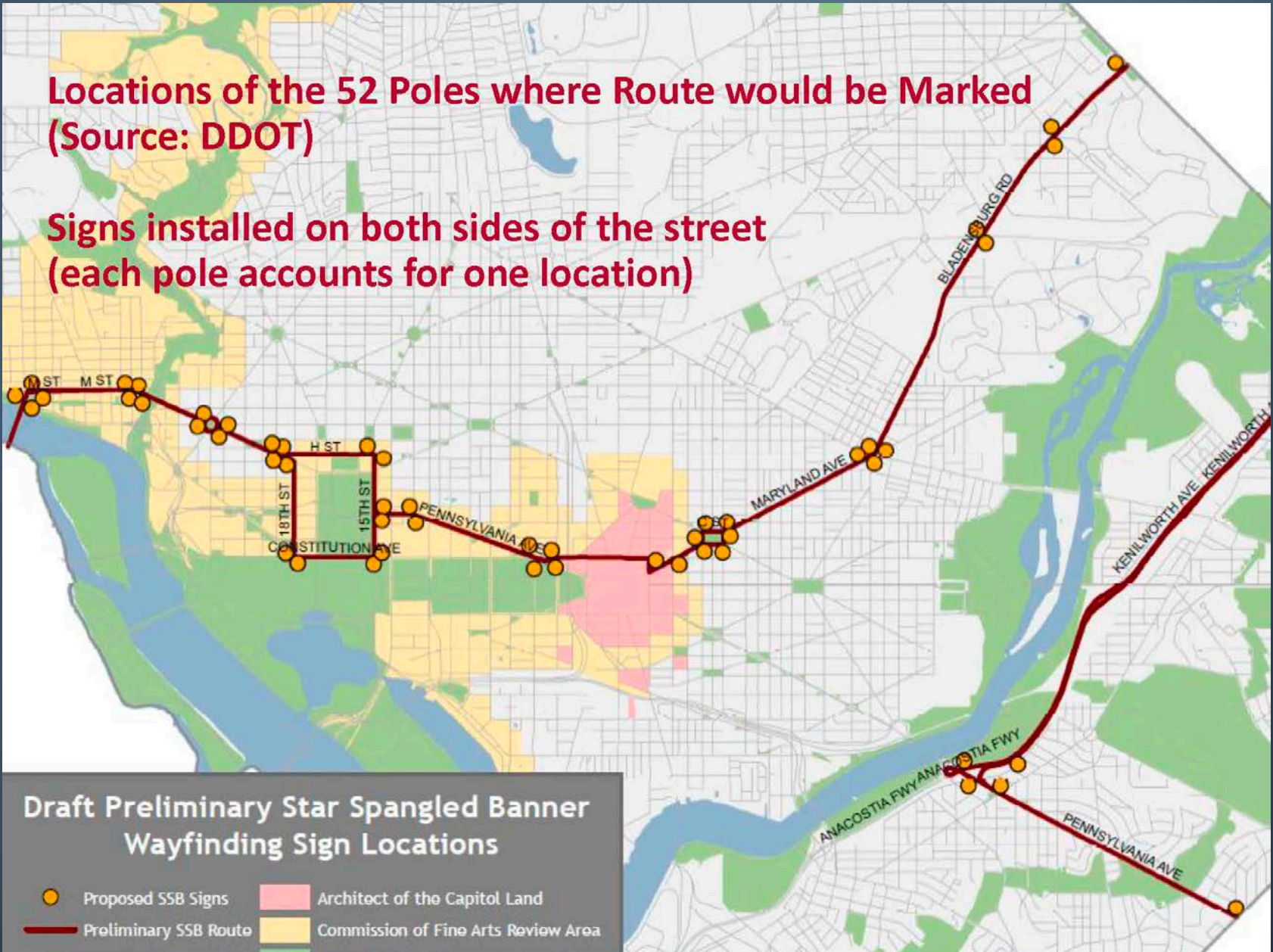


Proposed wayside location:
(38.80153,-77.004333) ★



**Locations of the 52 Poles where Route would be Marked
(Source: DDOT)**







**Signs installed on both sides of the street
(each pole accounts for one location)**



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Page 1 of 5: Sign Size, Type, Arrow Type, Location, Pole ID

Map ID	Sign Size	Sign Type	Arrow Type	Street Location	Side	Pole ID	Map Tile	Other
1	18"	confirmation		Bladensburg Road south of Eastern Avenue NE	west	51223	A	
2	18"	confirmation		Bladensburg Road south of South Dakota Avenue NE	west	50091	A	
3	18"	confirmation		Bladensburg Road south of New York Avenue NE	west	58435	A	
4	18"	turn	MS-2R 	Bladensburg Road north of Maryland/Florida Avenue NE	west	5M263	B	
5	18"	confirmation		Maryland Avenue south of H Street/Florida Avenue NE	north	6M722	B	
6	18"	turn	MS-2R 	Maryland Avenue east of 6th Street NE	north	62232	B	
7	18"	turn	MS-1L 	C Street NE east of 5th Street NE	north	62234	B	
8	18"	turn	MS-2R 	4th Street NE south of C Street NE	west	60326	B	
9	18"	turn	MS-2R 	Maryland Avenue NE west of 3rd Street NE (center island)	center	65065	B	
10	18"	turn	MS-2R 	Constitution Avenue NW west of 3rd Street NW	north	60284	C	yes
11	18"	confirmation		Pennsylvania Avenue NW west of 4th Street NW	north	60274	C	yes



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Signage in Washington DC – Cultural Tourism Signs

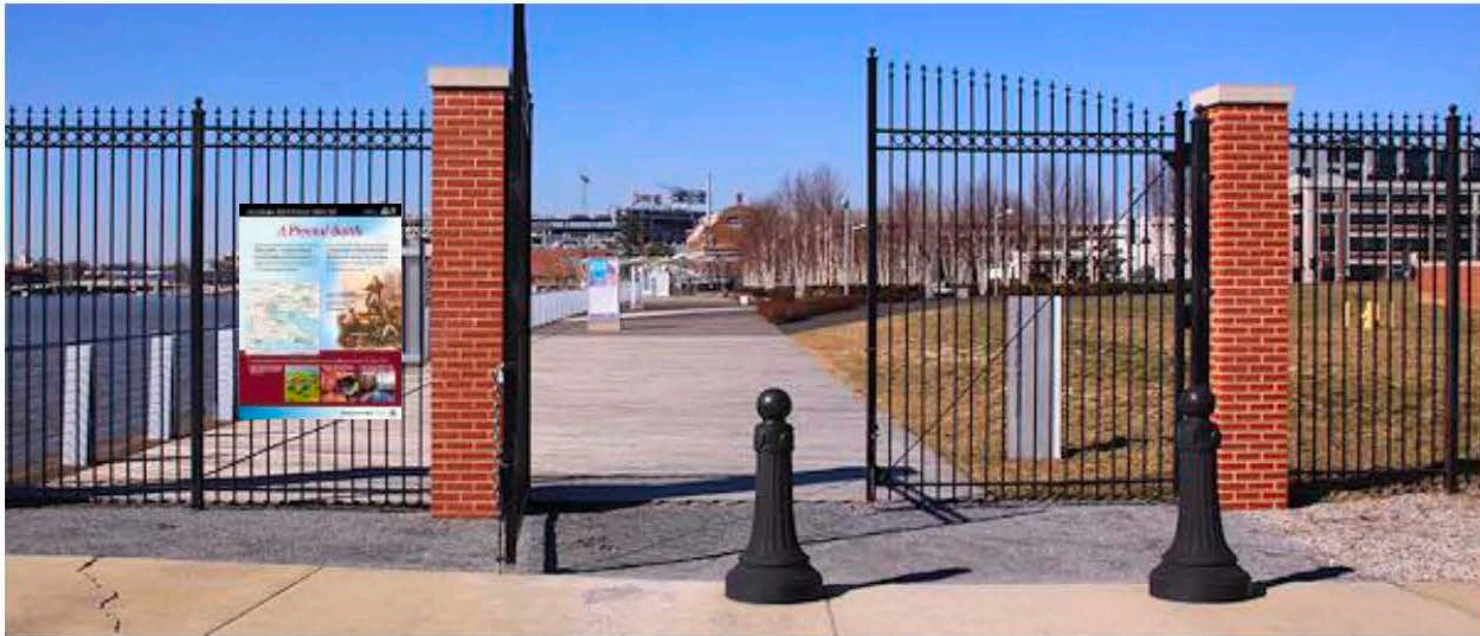


Signs modeled after the African American heritage Trail Markers

13 Proposed Cultural Tourism Signs – 6 will be in stalled on federal property. Those 6 sites are:

- NPS Reservation 37 at Independence Avenue, 3rd Street, and Pennsylvania Avenue, SE (2 signs)
- U.S. Forest Service railing at 14th and Independence Avenue, SW
- U.S. Court of Appeals at 700 Madison Place, NW
- Decatur House at 748 Jackson Place, NW
- Congressional Cemetery, SE

Proposed Orientation Signage on Anacostia Waterfront



NPS is proposing a 3-panel orientation signage that would be fence mounted at the Anacostia Riverwalk.