FMW Renovation Update

October 28, 2018

When it is obvious that the goals cannot be reached,
don’t adjust the goals;
adjust the action steps.
— Lao Tzu

Monday 🌞

A little quieter and less crowded than usual.

Continued disassembly in the Assembly Room.

The concrete crew continues to prepare the forms for the north Wall and alcove and makes some progress.

They are not ready for today’s scheduled pour, which is put off to Wednesday.

They also spend some time preparing the foundations north of Quaker House to receive the long-awaited waterproofing.
Tuesday ☀

Concrete workers continue to prepare forms for tomorrow’s retaining wall pour.

They also complete preparation of the foundation for waterproofing of the Storage Room north Wall.

The demolition crew completes its work in the Assembly Room and cuts channels in the floor slab for folding door tracks and electrical wiring.
Wednesday ☀️

After many weather delays the site is finally dry enough to complete the waterproofing of the Storage Room north Wall.

Ten concrete workers pour the curved center section of the north wall and continue to assemble the forms for the alcove section that connects to the Meeting House.
Thursday 🌞

Progress on several delayed items.

The waterproofing of the Storage Room wall proceeds, with the installation of the foundation drain, filter fabric, and crushed rock.

The drainage crew excavates the two previously installed manholes and installs the pipe to connect them — work previously delayed because the pipe did not have the required inspection stamp.
The concrete crew moves panels from the newly poured center section of the north wall to use for the east section.

**Friday**

The predicted rain held off until afternoon.

The concrete crew poured the east section of the north wall.
and started work on the forms for the west section. The drainage crew put the finishing touches on DC Water’s new manhole.
Looking Ahead

The retaining wall should be finished early in the week.

With the walls in place, drain connections will be completed, connecting the west side of the garden to the east.

Framing work will begin on the new Assembly Room ceiling.

Framing will also start on the bathroom, kitchenette, and janitors room on the ground floor of Quaker House and Carriage House.

Floor slabs will be poured for those spaces. The Quaker House patio Storage Room roof will also be poured.

The Meeting House will be noisy for a few days as beam pockets are cut into the stone on the west wall.