



New steel structure



CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

The project continues to progress work on all three levels of the Rotunda complex. At the roadway level, crews completed the concrete deck placement in the south half of the traffic circle. The demolition of the superstructure deck and steel removal in the adjacent north area is ongoing. The remaining sections of the roadway are anticipated to be completed by winter 2025. Traffic pattern changes will be announced in advance.

On the Plaza level, renovations are advancing steadily with multiple columns receiving concrete

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New concrete deck on roadway level

encasement and granite cladding. The fountain area is taking shape with new formwork installation, and the reconstruction of the historic Guastavino ceiling is underway.

In the underground garage level, crews have completed demolition of the existing garage floor slab, clearing the way for upcoming utility and foundation work.

Rehabilitation of W. 79th Street Rotunda and Bridge over Amtrak Spring 2025

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

The final phase of Stage 1 roadway construction is underway with the installation of new structural steel, marking a significant step toward completing the traffic circle level construction. Later this spring, the roadway construction will shift to Stage 2, which will involve a new traffic pattern. Stage 3, which involves a full closure of the traffic circle, is scheduled to occur this July and August.

The plaza level restoration will continue as the project's craftsmen work on encasing the columns in concrete and adding granite cladding, which will restore the historic character of this space while ensuring the steel columns are well protected. In addition, the reconstruction of the



Guastavino vaulted ceiling has begun. Twenty-five vaults that comprise the ceiling will be rebuilt in the coming months.

Below ground, the project team will continue the garage level restorations by completing the garage slab removal, followed by utility installation, leveling the base, then constructing the new garage floor slab.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Construction of the ADA-accessible ramps from W. 79th Street, through the plaza, to the waterfront, is still ongoing.
- The historic bronze turtle from the original fountain was successfully digitally scanned and reproduced. The turtles will be installed on the renewed fountain at the end of the project.



Inner circle parapet stones to be removed

Area for Guastavino vault reconstruction



Formwork for center fountain on plaza level

Crane lifting steel into place to support new deck



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