Excavation Yields a Geological Transplant

During excavation of the site for the Hospital’s new Center for Community Health about 30 large boulders were removed from the ground and donated to the Prospect Park Alliance.

The Park plans to use these transplanted pieces of quartz granite for its Parks without Borders initiative. According to Christian Zimmerman, vice president of capital and landscape management for the Prospect Park Alliance, the Parks without Borders plan includes adding a new entrance to Prospect Park on Flatbush Avenue, where the boulders will likely be placed long term.

“The boulders donated by the Hospital are an exact geological match for the rocks in Prospect Park because they come from the same terrain and appear identical aesthetically to what has been in the Park for 150 years,” said Mr. Zimmerman, who worked with the Hospital’s construction manager to organize the transportation of the massive rocks to the Park.

NewYork-Presbyterian Brooklyn Methodist Hospital has a longstanding partnership with the Prospect Park Alliance. In the 1990s, the Hospital provided a geological transplant when boulders were sent to Prospect Park during excavation of the Hospital’s current Medical Office Pavilion on Seventh Avenue. Those boulders were used in Prospect Park’s Woodlands Project.

NewYork-Presbyterian Brooklyn Methodist has also sponsored a number of Prospect Park initiatives, most recently the Connective Project, a public art installation that was part of the Park’s 150th anniversary celebration.
Upcoming Work

The current construction work hours are Monday through Friday, from 7:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. When there is a need to make up for delays due to weather or other unforeseen circumstances, work is done between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. on occasional Saturdays. No trucking, concrete pours or other noisy work occurs on Saturdays.

The steel installation phase of the project is scheduled to begin in the coming weeks.

September 17th—23rd

- Preparation for steel installation continues
- Site protection installation continues
- ConEd vault construction continues
- Tower crane West installation to commence

September 24th—30th

- Site protection installation continues
- ConEd vault construction continues
- Tower crane West installation to be completed
- Steel installation to commence

October 1st—7th

- Site protection installation continues
- ConEd vault construction continues
- Steel installation continues

October 8th—14th

- Steel installation continues
- Site protection installation continues

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In addition, a number of relevant documents, including the Building Monitoring Plan submitted to and accepted by the Landmarks Preservation Commission, can be accessed at: https://projects.lendlease.com/PrologConverge/WebClient/navigate.aspx?projguid=46778806-5e94-4f44-beb9-8e404a4bb6cf&Req=folder&nomsg=1&Key=26344.

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