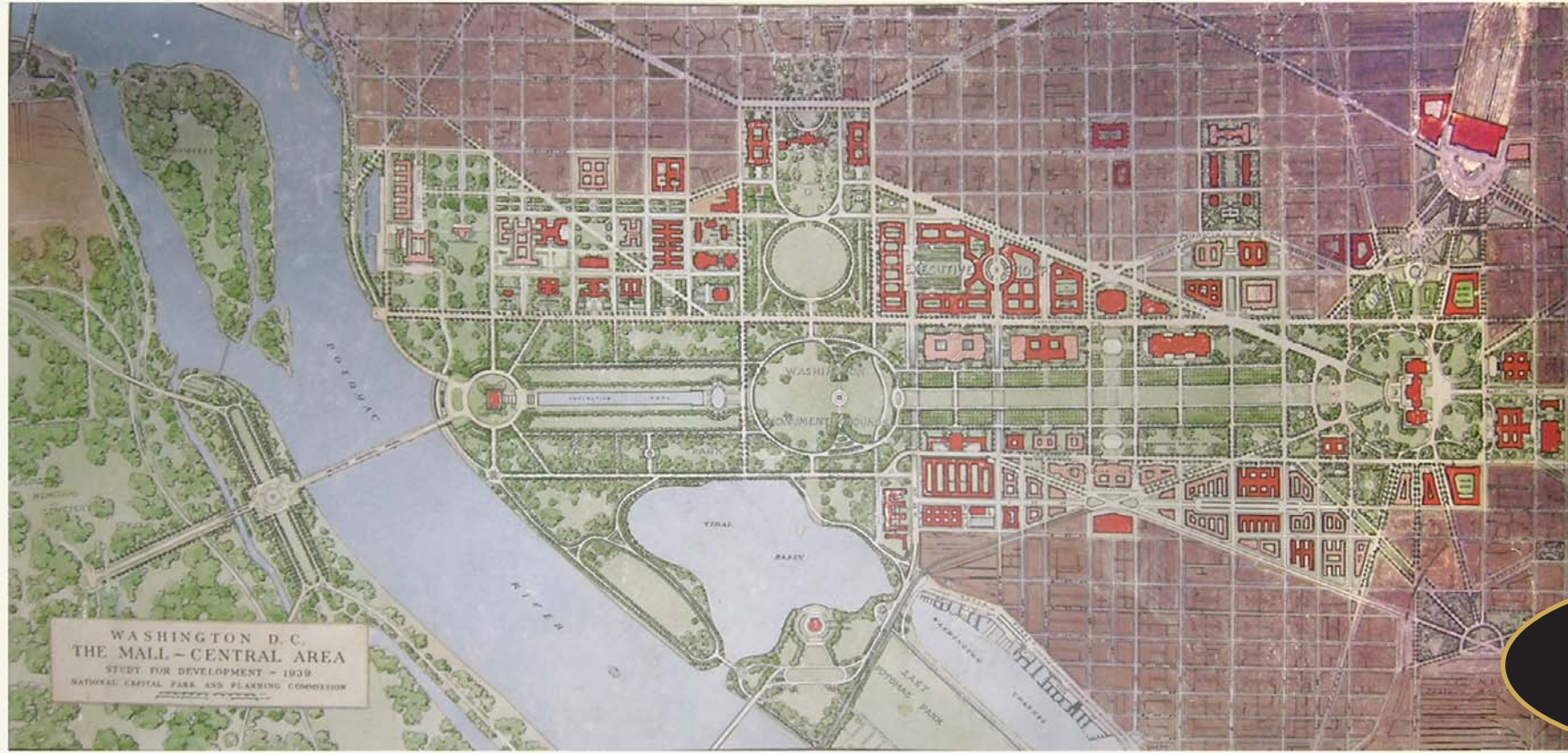


## WASHINGTON : 1939 - THE MALL



WASHINGTON D.C.  
THE MALL - CENTRAL AREA  
STUDY FOR DEVELOPMENT - 1939  
NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

### STUDY AREA ACTIONS:

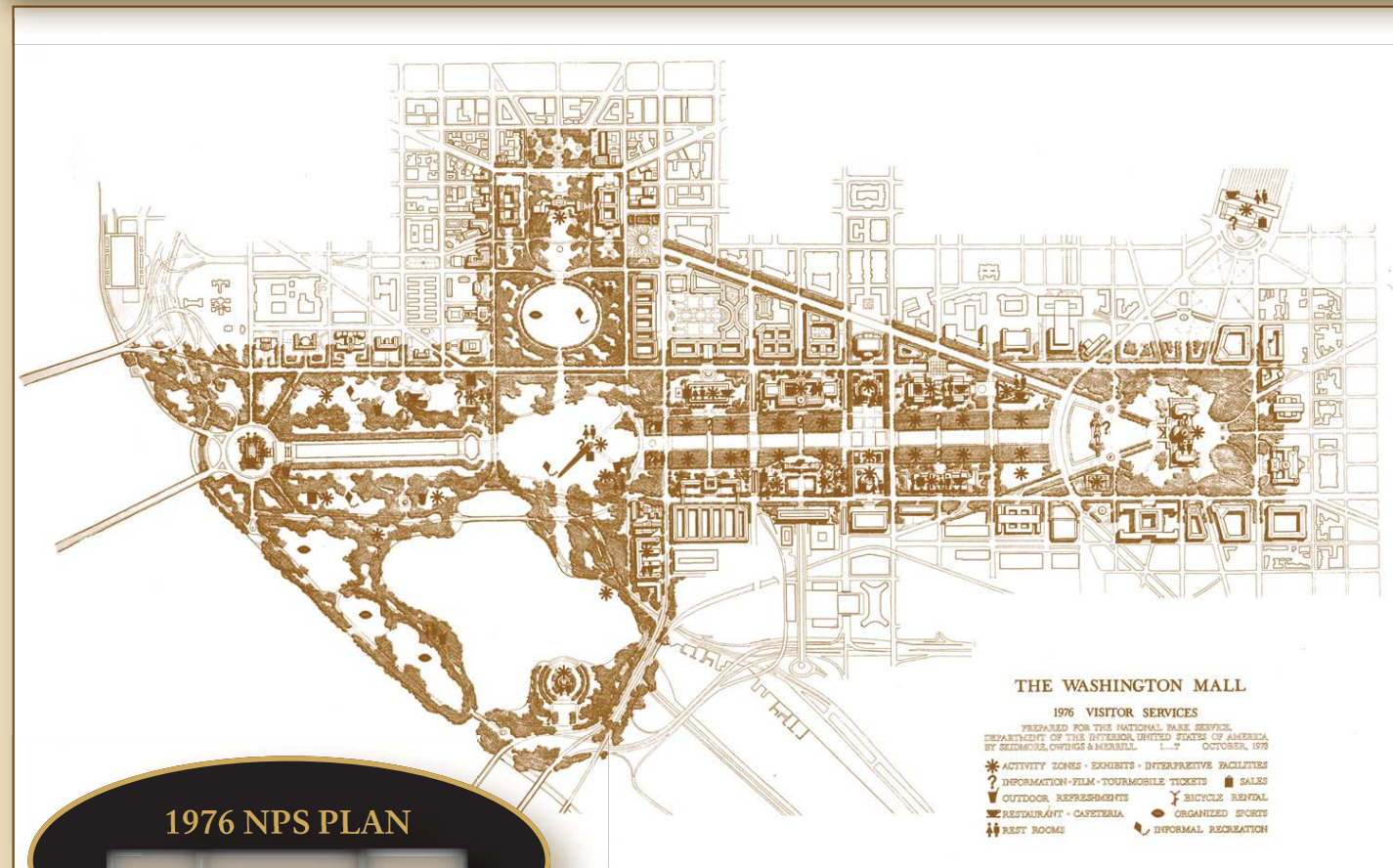
- The Mall
- Pennsylvania Avenue
- Washington Monument
- West Potomac Park

### OTHER:

- Miscellaneous events, legislation and construction
- The White House & President's Park

### THE 1939 PLAN

### THE NATIONAL MALL

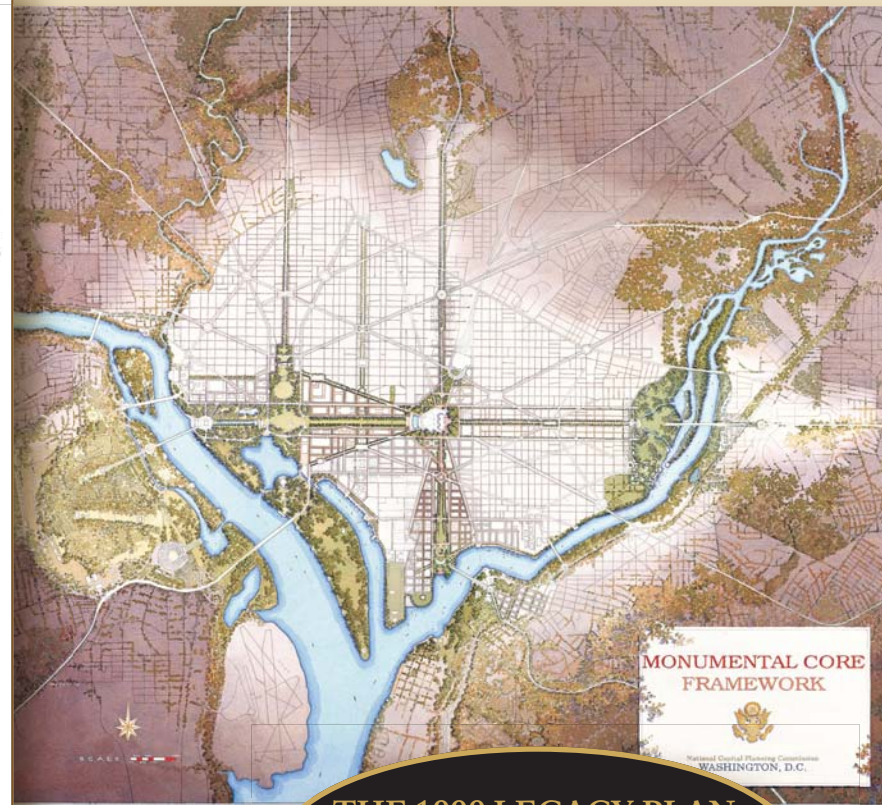


THE WASHINGTON MALL  
1976 VISITOR SERVICES  
PREPARED FOR THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
BY SEIDMULLER, OWINGS & MERRELL L.P. OCTOBER, 1976

- \* ACTIVITY ZONES - EXHIBITS - INTERPRETIVE FACILITIES
- ? INFORMATION - FILM - TOURMOBILE TICKETS - SALES
- OUTDOOR REFRIGERATORS
- RESTAURANT - CAFETERIA
- REST ROOMS
- BICYCLE RENTAL
- ORGANIZED SPORTS
- INFORMAL RECREATION

### 1976 NPS PLAN

### THE NATIONAL MALL



MONUMENTAL CORE  
FRAMEWORK  
National Capital Planning Commission  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

### THE 1999 LEGACY PLAN

### THE NATIONAL MALL

- 1933 • National Park Service takes control of the federal reservations
- 1934 • E Street south of White House constructed
- 1935 • Rock Creek and Potomac Parkway completed  
• First Cherry Blossom Festival
- 1938 • Jefferson Memorial completed
- 1939 • Marion Anderson concert on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial
- 1940 • National Gallery of Art constructed
- 1961 • Year 2000 plan developed by NCPC
- 1962 • Pennsylvania Avenue Plan developed
- 1963 • "I have a dream" speech by Martin Luther King on steps of Lincoln Memorial
- 1964 • National Museum of Natural History  
• Temporary buildings around Washington Monument - reflecting pool d
- 1965 • Pennsylvania Avenue designated a national historic site
- 1966 • National Historic Preservation Act
- 1967 • Smithsonian Folk Life Festival begins
- 1968 • National Gallery of Art-East  
• Riots following assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King
- 1969 • Subway construction begun  
• Tourmobile service begins
- 1970 • Sylvan Theater renovated
- 1971 • Kennedy Center opens
- 1972 • Pennsylvania Avenue Development Corporation established
- 1974 • Hirschhorn Gallery opens
- 1976 • Mall Circulation Plan developed • National Air and Space Museum opens • Nation's Bicentennial Celebration  
• Subway opens • Constitution Gardens opens
- 1978 • West Potomac Park Plan developed
- 1981 • Hirschhorn Sculpture Garden opens
- 1982 • Vietnam Veterans Memorial opens
- 1984 • Memorial to 56 Signers of the Declaration of Independence opens
- 1986 • Commemorative Works Act
- 1987 • Arthur M. Sackler Gallery opens • Penn. Ave. National Historic Site transferred to NPS jurisdiction • National Museum of African Art opens
- 1980s • Security bollards installed at The White House & President's Park
- 1990s • Security bollard and sidewalk replacement projects  
• 15th Street realignment
- 1990 • Memorial Day concerts begin
- 1993 • Washington Monument Grounds Plan developed  
• Vietnam Women's Memorial opens
- 1995 • Koren War Memorial opens  
• Penn. Ave. in front of the White House closed to traffic
- 1997 • Penn. Ave. Development Corporation disestablished  
• Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial opens  
• Million Man March
- 1999 • The Legacy Plan • The White House and President's Park Comprehensive Design Plan
- 2003 • The Reserve Act
- 2004 • World War II Memorial opens  
• National Museum of the American Indian opens
- 2006 • National Mall Plan begins
- 2008 • Planning together for Central Washington