

ROYAL EMBASSY OF SAUDI ARABIA WASHINGTON

1. West Façade - New Hampshire Avenue, N.W., West Compound Access Control (WCAC)



Fig. 1. West façade - Typical landscape bed at the base of willow oak (*Quercus phellos*) (LE03)



Fig. 2. Eroded and compacted soil conditions around existing willow oak trees; metal and rubber edging (LE04)



Fig. 3. Invasive plant species – English ivy (*Hedra helix*), Nandina (*Nandina domestica*); Non-native, variegated liriop (*Liriope muscari* 'Variegata') (LE09)



Fig. 4. Marble cheek walls with variegated liriop and English ivy groundcovers at WCAC entrance stairway (LE 09)



Fig. 5. View north from WCAC stairway to three mature willow oak (*Quercus phellos*) trees, liriope (*Liriope muscari* 'Variegata'), groundcover, and mature euonymus (*Euonymus kaiutschovicus* 'Manhattan') foundation plantings (LE09)



Fig. 6. Two Arborvitae trees (*Thuja occidentalis*) in marble planters on WCAC stairway entrance (LE013)



Fig. 7. Upturned anti-slip strips on stairs; green recessed lights in stairway cheek walls (LE010)

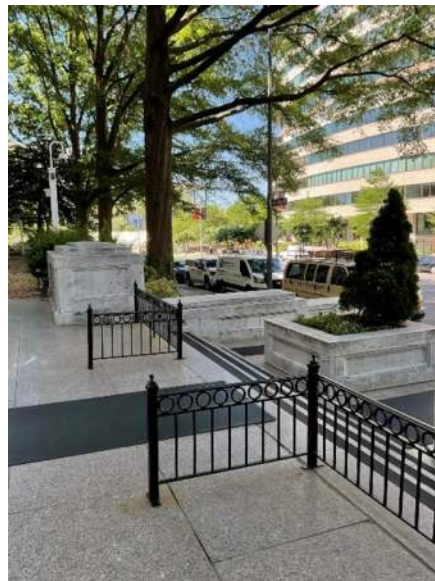


Fig. 8. 24" tall ornamental fences bordering the upper landing entrance stairway to WCAC (LE014)



Fig. 9. View north from WCAC entrance upper stairway landing toward loose aggregate strip at foundation (LE011)



Fig. 10. View north of loose aggregate strip at foundation – three concrete benches situated among the euonymus shrub border (LE011 & LE012)



Fig. 11. View south from loose aggregate strip toward the WCAC upper landing. Ash/trash can located on the north side (LE015)



Fig. 12. View north to loose aggregate strip south of WCAC entrance stairway landing (LE011)



Fig. 13. Hose bib connection and uplight in loose aggregate strip south of WCAC entrance (LE011)



Fig. 14. View south of loose aggregate strip at foundation - two concrete benches situated along the euonymus shrub border (LE011 & LE012)



Fig. 15. Marble wall at south side of WCAC stairway (LE010)



Fig. 16. View north of marble stairway at WCAC entrance; liriope groundcover at wall foundation; metal edging separating planting area from concrete sidewalk (LE010)



Fig. 17. Root system of willow oak at sidewalk, south of WCAC stairway (LE006)



Fig. 18. Willow oak canopy, tree south of WCAC stairway (LE006)



Fig. 19. Invasive English ivy climbing willow oak tree at south façade building corner; euonymus shrubs at the foundation, liriope groundcover, and dark green arborvitae shrub at the sidewalk edge (LE007)



Fig. 20. Invasive English ivy climbing into willow oak canopy; tree at south façade building corner (LE007)



Fig. 21. Plantings at south corner of west façade includes evergreen shrubs - arborvitae (*Thuja spp.*), limbed-up, mature holly trees (*Ilex spp.*), 'Gold Dust' Acuba (*Acuba japonica*), and Goshiki osmanthus (*Osmanthus goshiki*). Groundcovers include liriope (*Liriope muscari* 'Variegata'), English ivy (*Hedra helix*) and turf grass (LE017)



Fig. 22. View north toward five of the six mature willow oak trees (*Quercus phellos*) along the west facade (LE002 – LE009)

2. South Façade - Corner of New Hampshire Avenue, N.W. & F Street, N.W., Parking Compound Access Control (PCAC)



Fig. 23. PCAC Garage entrance with separate doors for vehicles and staff; sloping marble retaining walls (LE021)



Fig. 24. View toward New Hampshire Avenue, N.W. and the Watergate Complex; a low, single chain border separates the sidewalk from the planting area (LE020, LE025)



Fig. 25. Chartreuse Japanese false-cypress accentuate the corner planting bed surrounding a small urn and annual color (pansies); Holly trees are likely limbed up for visibility around the building (LE020, LE026-27).



Fig. 26. View looking east along F Street, N.W.; The largest tree on site, a 3.8 m (151 inches) circumference willow oak (*Quercus phellos*), frames the right side of the photo (LE018). A white security camera pole appears on the left. A car enters the garage drive and stops at the PCAC small guard house (LE029).



Fig. 27. View northwest toward the Watergate Complex. Shrubs and groundcovers in this planting bed have matured and maintaining a clean, formal design is challenging, as plants merge with neighboring plantings. Rubber edging forms a border around this amoeba-shaped bed (LE020).



Fig. 28. View east along F Street N.W. toward mature water oaks of Heritage and Special Tree stature. The sidewalk buckles in the foreground at the largest tree on site, a 3.8 m (151 inches) circumference willow oak (*Quercus phellos*), root flare capture at the bottom right corner (LE018).



Fig. 29. View east along F Street N.W. The sidewalk buckles at the largest tree on site, a 3.8 m (151 inches) circumference willow oak (*Quercus phellos*), root flare capture at the bottom right corner (LE018).



Fig. 30. View west along F Street N.W. Roots of the 3.8 m circumference willow oak tree envelop the curb along F Street, N.W. (LE018)



Fig. 31. View northwest along F Street N.W. at the 3.8 m (151 inch) circumference willow oak. The root flare lifts the adjacent concrete sidewalk (LE018).



Fig. 32. Planting bed at the base of the PCAC guard house at the garage entrance on F Street N.W. Mix of edging materials - wood plank, metal strip, and chain link border. Pansies and liriop groundcovers with an aggregate mulch; potted arborvitae with pansies (LE029)



Fig. 33. View west toward the planting bed at the southwest corner. Conical arborvitae form a border around mature, limbed up holly trees (LE017, LE026-27).



Fig. 34. View east along F Street N.W. toward mature water oaks and planting bed to the east of the garage entrance. A ring of variegated osmanthus shrubs encircle the liriop groundcover (LE022).



Fig. 35. View toward the southeast corner of the building. A potted arborvitae sits in the grass at the planting bed east of the garage entrance (LE022).



Fig. 36. View west along F Street N.W. toward the guard house and planting bed at the southeast corner of the building. English ivy and Virginia creeper climb the multi-stem crape myrtles and have an unkempt appearance. This location is too shady for crape myrtles (LE022).

3. Southeast Façade - F Street, N.W., and 25th Street, N.W., Business Compound Access Control (BCAC)



Fig. 39. View west on F Street, N.W. - Terrain slopes up to the north (LE040).



Fig. 40. View east toward 25th Street, N.W. - Parking at the top of the hill vegetated with turf grass and English ivy (LE040).



Fig. 41. View west on F Street, N.W. - Steep, vegetated hillside with parking lot at the top of the hill (LE040).



Fig. 42. View up toward the east façade from the public sidewalk on F Street, N.W. Mature water oaks are located to the north and south of the entrance (LE040).



Fig. 43. View west along F Street, N.W. from the guard house - Steep, vegetated hillside with parking lot at the top of the hill (LE032).



Fig. 44. View toward the southeast façade where the building emerges from the terrain. Non-native invasive English ivy vines cover the hillside and climb existing shrubs (LE039).



Fig. 45. View north from the public sidewalk toward the parking lot at the top of the hill. An aged wire fence stands at the edge of the parking lot (LE040).



Fig. 46. View toward the southeast façade from the public sidewalk. Water oak trees (*Quercus nigra*) provide shade. Invasive English ivy spreads into the trees and forms an unruly mass at the base (LE040).



Fig. 47. View east toward the corner of 25th Street and F Street, N.W. A mature water oak anchors the corner next to the guard house (LE032).



Fig. 48. View north toward the BCAC guard house from the sidewalk along F Street, N.W (LE032).



Fig. 49. View north toward the BCAC guard house and 25th Street, N.W., from the sidewalk along F Street, N.W. Mature willow oak at center. (LE032).



Fig. 50. View northwest toward the guard house. White concrete wall following the slope of the terrain and retaining a row of evergreen yews (LE041).



Fig. 51. View northwest from the corner of F Street, N.W., and 25th Street, N.W. toward the mature water oak (*Quercus nigra*) south of the BCAC guard house (LE032).



Fig. 52. View into the mature canopy of the 28" diameter water oak (*Quercus nigra*) south of the BCAC guard house (LE032).



Fig. 53. Pedestrian access stairway to the BCAC guard house does not meet ADA standards (LE041).



Fig. 54. Concrete wall north of the pedestrian access stairway, and south of the BCAC vehicle screening area (LE041).



Fig. 55. BCAC vehicle screening accessed at 25th Street, N.W. (LE041)



Fig. 56. View northwest to the southeast façade and concrete wall to the north of the BCAC vehicle screening area. View of the public sidewalk along 25th Street, N.W., at right (LE044).



Fig. 57. Concrete wall north of the BCAC vehicle screening area with Embassy Employee Parking sign. Seasonal color (pansies) and bare soil are bordered with concrete unit edging stones and low, single chain barrier (LE044).



Fig. 58. Existing mature water oak tree in the public space, shading the parking lot (LE036).



Fig. 59. Japanese holly (*Ilex spp.*) and euonymus (*Euonymus kaimtschovicus* 'Manhattan') shrubs soften the concrete wall at the perimeter of the parking lot when viewed from 25th Street, N.W. (LE044).



Fig. 60. View south along 25th Street, N.W., toward the BCAC and corner of F Street, N.W. Evergreen shrubs filter the view of the concrete wall and parking lot. (LE044).



Fig. 61. View north along 25th Street, N.W., toward the MCAC (Mail Compound Access Control). Evergreen euonymus shrubs filter the view of the concrete wall and parking lot. A mature water oak (*Quercus nigra*) provides some shade (LE044, LE037).



Fig. 62. View toward the mature water oak (*Quercus nigra*) (LE035) to the north of the southeast façade entrance. Euonymus (*Euonymus katuschovicus* 'Manhattan') shrubs obscure the view to the parking lot from the public sidewalk along 25th Street, N.W.



Fig. 63. View to the northeast corner of the building and a mature water oak (LE038)



Fig. 64. View from the public sidewalk on 25th Street, N.W. toward the evergreen shrub border at the terminus of the concrete perimeter wall surrounding the parking lot, south of the entrance to the MCAC. Mail screening building in the background (LE057).



Fig. 65. Cracked asphalt pavement near the flagpole in front of the southeast façade (LE043).



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66. Flagpole with marble base centered on the southeast façade within the parking lot (LE043).



Fig. 67. View east from the parking lot toward the BCAC vehicular screening area and guard house (at right). Cracks spread throughout the asphalt paving (LE055).



Fig. 68. View northwest to the southeastern façade main entrance (from the public sidewalk on 25th Street, N.W.) flanked by small magnolia trees in the front and mature water oaks at the sides (LE043, LE042).



Fig. 69. Saucer magnolia and liriopie planting bed to the north of the drop off. Exposed aggregate paving and concrete curb at the southeast entrance, and asphalt paving in the parking lot. MCAC at center left (LE042).



Fig. 70. Ivy covered roots of a water oak fill the small planting area in the parking lot, south of the entrance, near the dumpster area (LE034).



Fig. 71. Canopy of the mature water oak in the small planting area in the parking lot, near the dumpster area (LE034).



Fig. 72. Sloping terrain south of the parking lot, near the dumpster, with a dilapidated wire fence along the perimeter (LE056).



Fig. 73. View down toward F Street, N.W., from the parking lot and toward an existing water oak along the sidewalk (LE056, LE031).



Fig. 74. Exposed aggregate ramp at the south side of the main entrance at the southeast façade (LE046).



Fig. 75. Saucer magnolia and liriop planting bed to the south of the drop off. Exposed aggregate ramp pictured at right. Parking and two mature water oak trees in the background (LE046, LE042).



Fig. 76. Exposed aggregate paving and stone stairs to the main entrance at the southeast façade. Rubber mats for slip resistance are warping and creating a trip hazard. Stair railing does not meet accessibility standards (LE045).



Fig. 77. A wide gap between the stone stairs and exposed aggregate paving reveals settlement of the paving and deteriorating joint material (LE045).



Fig. 78. Exposed aggregate ramp to the south of the main entrance at the southeast façade (LE046, LE045). The stair handrail and yew foundation plantings are pictured at right. Parking and mature water oaks are in the background.



Fig. 79. View southwest toward parking at the southeastern façade main entrance. The BCAC guard house is pictured at left and flag pole (LE043) at center. No accessible parking spaces observed.



Fig. 80. View west toward a mature water oak (LE035) and parking to the north of the southeast façade main entrance.



Fig. 81. View toward the canopy of the mature water oak to the north of the southeast façade main entrance (LE035).



Fig. 82. Pavement at the corner of the parking lot, north of the southeast façade main entrance. Stairs lead to a door at the north side of this façade (LE048).



Fig. 83. Stairs lead to a door at the north side of this façade (LE048). A hose bib is located at the top landing. Aggregate paving is cracked and separating from the stair risers. Handrail does not meet accessibility standards. A concrete paver path meets the aggregate paving at right (LE049). A small shed sits in a bed of loose aggregate (LE050).



Fig. 84. A marble bench and hose sit near the façade, behind the shed in a loose aggregate bed (LE051).



Fig. 85. Parking along the southeast façade is separated from the narrow paver walkway by a white metal railing (LE052). The paver surface is uneven and likely upended by nearby oak roots (LE049). MCAC building and stairs to two separate doorways pictured in the background (LE053).



Fig. 86. View north toward the MCAC. Marble veneer on the stair wall is in disrepair, and the stairs do not meet accessibility standards (LE053).



Fig. 87. View south at the parking lot along the north side of the southeast façade. The concrete paver path (LE049) leads to the shed and stairway a single door. Branches have been removed from the water oak to maintain clearance from the building.



Fig. 88. Small holly at the foundation of the marble stair wall, north of the double doorways on the southeast façade (LE053).



Fig. 89. View to the canopy of the water oak north of the southeast façade main entrance. Limbs have been removed to provide clearance from the building (LE035).



Fig. 90. Walkway connected to the ramp at the north corner of the southeast façade, leading toward the MCAC (LE054).

4. Northeast Façade –25th Street, N.W., Mail Compound Access Control (MCAC)



Fig. 91. View south along 25th Street N.W. from the MCAC access drive. Narrow public sidewalk with shrub border (*Cleyera japonica* and *Nandina domestica*) (LE057)



Fig. 92. View northeast toward from the MCAC access drive toward 25th Street, N.W. A mature cleyera shrub and English ivy fill the planting bed (LE059).



Fig. 93. Vines along the foundation of the mail room façade viewed from 25th Street, N.W. sidewalk (LE059).



Fig. 94. View south along 25th Street, N.W., east of the mail room. A concrete curb defines the planting area border. Roots of the water oak engulf the concrete curb (LE060).



Fig. 95. 76 cm (30 in) diameter water oak to the east of the mail room meets the DDoT Urban Forestry Special Tree size qualifications (LE060).



Fig. 96. View south on 25th Street, N.W., toward the mail room. 76 cm (30 in) diameter water oak is at the building corner. Conical arborvitae, hollies, and blooming azalea compose the foundation planting. Turf grass and a single chain fence meet the public sidewalk (LE059-67).



Fig. 97. View south from the public sidewalk toward the east side of the mail room. Conical arborvitae, hollies, and flowering azalea are surrounded by aggregate mulch and metal edging forms a curvilinear planting bed (LE061-62).



Fig. 98. View south from the public sidewalk toward the north façade of the Embassy and the mail room. A row of arborvitae shrubs are framed by two water oaks (LE062-63, LE066).



Fig. 99. View southwest from the public sidewalk toward the north façade of the Embassy. An ash tree is pictured at right (LE068); a water oak at left (LE066); and a Kentucky coffee tree is in the background (LE069). Willow oaks line the streetscape in front of the Embassy along New Hampshire Avenue, N.W.

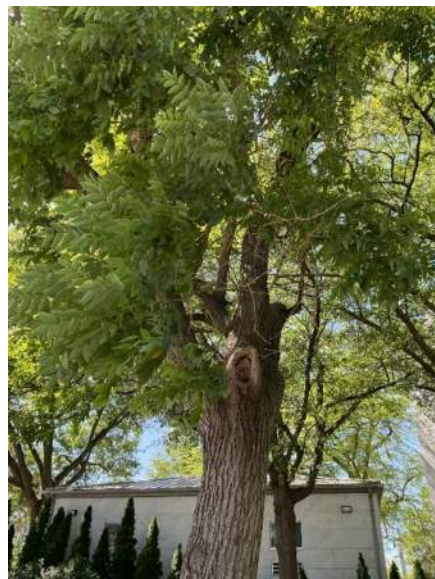


Fig. 100. View south from the public sidewalk toward the canopy of the ash tree (*Fraxinus* spp.) and north façade of the mail room. The tree was surveyed at 160 cm (63 in) in circumference, meeting the size qualifications for Special Tree designation (LE068).



Fig. 101. View southeast from the public sidewalk toward the mature water oak surveyed at 335 cm (132 in) west corner of the mail room (LE066). This tree meets the size requirements for Heritage Tree designation.



Fig. 102. View northeast from the public sidewalk on New Hampshire Avenue, N.W., toward two Kentucky coffee trees (*Gymnocladus dioica*) (LE069-70). A concrete pad with trash receptacle located +/- 14.6 meters (48 feet) from the north corner of the Embassy (LE074).



Fig. 103. View east toward the west façade of the mail room and north façade of the Embassy, from the public sidewalk. Row of conical arborvitae shrubs descends the terrain to a mature, limbed up holly tree. A/C unit pictured at the foundation of the Embassy (LE071).



Fig. 104. View east toward the west façade of the mail room and north façade of the Embassy, from the public sidewalk. Aggregate mulch covers the curvilinear planting bed formed with metal edging. A mature water oak (Heritage Tree) is pictured on the left (LE0 66) and a mature holly tree (Special Tree) is pictured at right (LE071).



Fig. 105. View southwest along the southwest façade of the Embassy (New Hampshire Avenue, N.W.) from the northern corner of the building. Access to the aggregate foundation area is blocked by a metal fence (LE071, LE011).

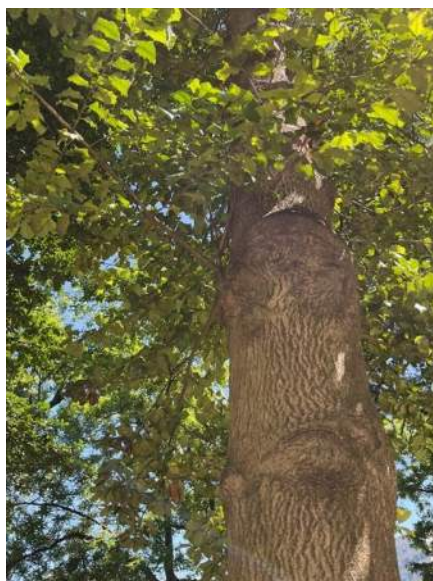


Fig. 106. View toward the canopy of the 127 cm (50 in) English holly at the north corner of the Embassy (LE071).



Fig. 107. Irrigation control valve box in the loose aggregate surface at the north corner of the Embassy (LE073).



Fig. 108. Metal gate to the utility area at the north façade of the Embassy. The gate does not have a latch, and it does not prevent access to the utility area (LE075).



Fig. 109. A/C unit and window well at the north façade of the Embassy (LE076).



Fig. 110. View west from the concrete walk near the mail room loading dock toward the A/C unit and window well along the north façade of the Embassy. Virginia creeper vines and ivy cover the sloping terrain and prevent erosion. The white concrete retaining wall is pictured at the top right, extending down toward New Hampshire Avenue, N.W. (LE076).



Fig. 111. View east from the utility area LE076), toward the west wall of the mail room. Virginia creeper and ivy cover the ground. A mature willow oak surveyed at 239 cm (94 in) circumference is pictured at left of the mail room (LE063).



Fig. 112. View toward the concrete retaining wall west of the mail room (LE077). Arborvitae form a row along the north side, and Virginia creeper covers the sloping ground behind the wall (LE076).

^[1] Note: Tree regulated status is an estimate based on 06/13/25 survey of tree diameter.

^[2] Source: <https://ddot.dc.gov/page/ddot-urban-forestry>