CONSTRUCTION PROJECT ALERT
MEMORIAL TO ENSLAVED LABORERS

Items of Interest: Geotechnical boring, Long Walk, Triangle of Grass

Project Background: Sited within the “Triangle of Grass” east of Brooks Hall, the Memorial to Enslaved Laborers seeks to formally acknowledge the work and the individual lives of the enslaved African Americans who built and sustained the every-day life of the University during the antebellum era. An 80’ diameter circular monument constructed of local granite, the Memorial will create a space to gather, reflect, acknowledge, and honor these enslaved people. The design is a collaboration between Höweler + Yoon Architecture, Dr. Mabel O. Wilson (Studio&), Gregg Bleam Landscape Architect, and Dr. Frank Dukes.

The Memorial is currently in design. Construction is tentatively planned for late-2018/early-2019. For more information, please visit the project website: http://www.virginia.edu/slaverymemorial/index.html

Imminent Construction Activity: To aid with structural footing design for the Memorial, a geotechnical engineer will be on site on November 20-21 to do soil analysis. This work will involve a large truck, which will pull up to the Triangle of Grass to take three 6” diameter soil cores. The truck will be positioned so as not to block pedestrian routes, and the cores will be backfilled immediately upon completion.

See attached site plan for detailed work location.

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