Phase 2B

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2nd Level Overview

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2nd level looking south at the new stair well (left) and elevator (right). The stair well will connect the 3rd floor to the 2nd floor, and the elevator connects the terminal level to both 2nd and 3rd floors. Elevator installation has been completed but the stair well is still under construction.
From the east wall looking west along the 2nd level balcony. Some plaster on this level has been removed for seismic upgrade.
Another view of 2nd floor
Massive new steel trusses have been installed as part of the seismic upgrade system to counter the weight of the tower.
2nd level looking north towards Jackson Plaza. There will be a new station entrance at the Plaza.
Location of a new stair well that connects the 2nd & 3rd floor beyond the new steel braces.
2nd level balcony looking down to the main waiting room.
The quarter round balcony is a prominent architectural feature of the station.
Quarter round balcony as seen from the 2nd level. All damaged ornamental plaster will be repaired or replaced.
Part of the 2nd level corridor will be opened to the public to view of the waiting room below. Original steel trusses have been exposed for inspection prior to construction.
A view of the exposed brick walls of an upper floor. All windows have been removed for off site restoration.
The curved concrete ceiling of the station provides structural support using limited materials. This has helped the station survived numerous earthquakes since 1906.
An acoustical ceiling that covered the 2nd floor windows as well as the balcony was installed at the station in the 1960s as part of a “modernization” effort. Holes in the ornamental plaster ceiling are results of this decision.
Holes and cracks in the ornamental plaster ceiling are currently being patched and repaired. Plaster molds are made and casted right on site.
These exit doors used to connect a 2nd level entrance from the Jackson Plaza supported by a walkway and an addition that closed off part of the Grand Stairs. This work has been removed.
The terrazzo floor is protected by plywood sheathing. All interior partition have been removed.
The original historic stairs are also protected by plywood from accidental construction damage.