

Chapter 25: Irreversible and Irretrievable Commitment of Resources

There are a number of resources, both natural and built, that would be expended in the construction and operation of the proposed project. These resources include the building materials used in construction of the proposed project; energy in the form of gas and electricity consumed during construction and operation of the proposed project; and the human effort (time and labor) required to develop, construct, and operate various components of the proposed project. They are considered irretrievably committed because their reuse for some purpose other than the proposed project would be highly unlikely. The proposed project constitutes a commitment of the project site as a land resource, thereby rendering the land's use for other purposes infeasible. However, the transformation of surface parking lots and a largely underutilized site with substandard conditions and substantial environmental degradation into a lively, mixed-use, sustainable community and regional destination would be an improvement to the District and areas surrounding CitiField. *