



# Walla Walla District completes HQ Building Environmental Sustainability Project



US Army Corps of Engineers

WALLA WALLA DISTRICT, NORTHWESTERN DIVISION

**WHO:** NWW District , Walla Walla WA

**WHAT:** Completed Landscaping Project

**WHEN:** June – Dec. 2021

**WHERE:** NWW HQ Bldg.

**WHY:** To reduce site operational costs, restore declining plant areas, update Antiterrorism Standards for Buildings, increase site safety, increase Americans with Disabilities Act/Architectural Barriers Act of 1968 (ADA/ABA) access and circulation, employ hardscape solutions and increase the NWW building presence.



**Top and Above:** Project Manager, Samantha Handcox and Kelli Zak, Tech Lead conduct a final walkthrough inspection on Dec. 15, 2021.



**Left:** Workers planting vegetation.

**Right:** East-West view of walkway and completed landscaping.



**Above (left/right):** Before and after photos of the north entrance construction.



## Summary:

At the start of Summer 2021 NWW officials began modifying the landscaping around its District office campus to improve cost efficiency, safety, and create a more inviting people-friendly experience. Project Manager, Samantha Handcox oversaw this effort with Kelli Zak, Tech Lead who conducted a final walkthrough inspection with her team on Dec. 15, 2021. This landscaping project incorporates environmental sustainability elements projected to save 967,000 gallons of drinking water every year for the city of Walla Walla. It also will reduce operational cost, restore declining plant areas, improve antiterrorism standards, increase site safety, will be more accessible for those who are physically impaired, and overall will enhance the NWW building presence.

