



# The New Oak Ridge Reservation Joint Information Center

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# Oak Ridge Reservation Joint Information Center (JIC)



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Serves the emergency public communications needs for  
DOE's Oak Ridge Complex



# Why a New JIC was necessary?

- Previous facility was inadequate for sustained operations
- Required extensive setup
- Mission incompatibility since 9/11



# Building the New JIC

- Search for a new JIC began in early 2003
- Team effort involved DOE and Contractor Real Estate, Public Affairs & Emergency Management Offices
- ORISE served as Project Manager
- 10-year lease signed in August 2003





# Building the New JIC, continued

- Design finalized in Fall 2003
- Construction completed in January 2004
- Move from the previous facility completed in February, with installation of new phone lines and DOE/State T-1 lines
- Staff orientation held on March 3, 2004
- New JIC declared operational March 15, 2004
- Equipping new facility continues

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Construction

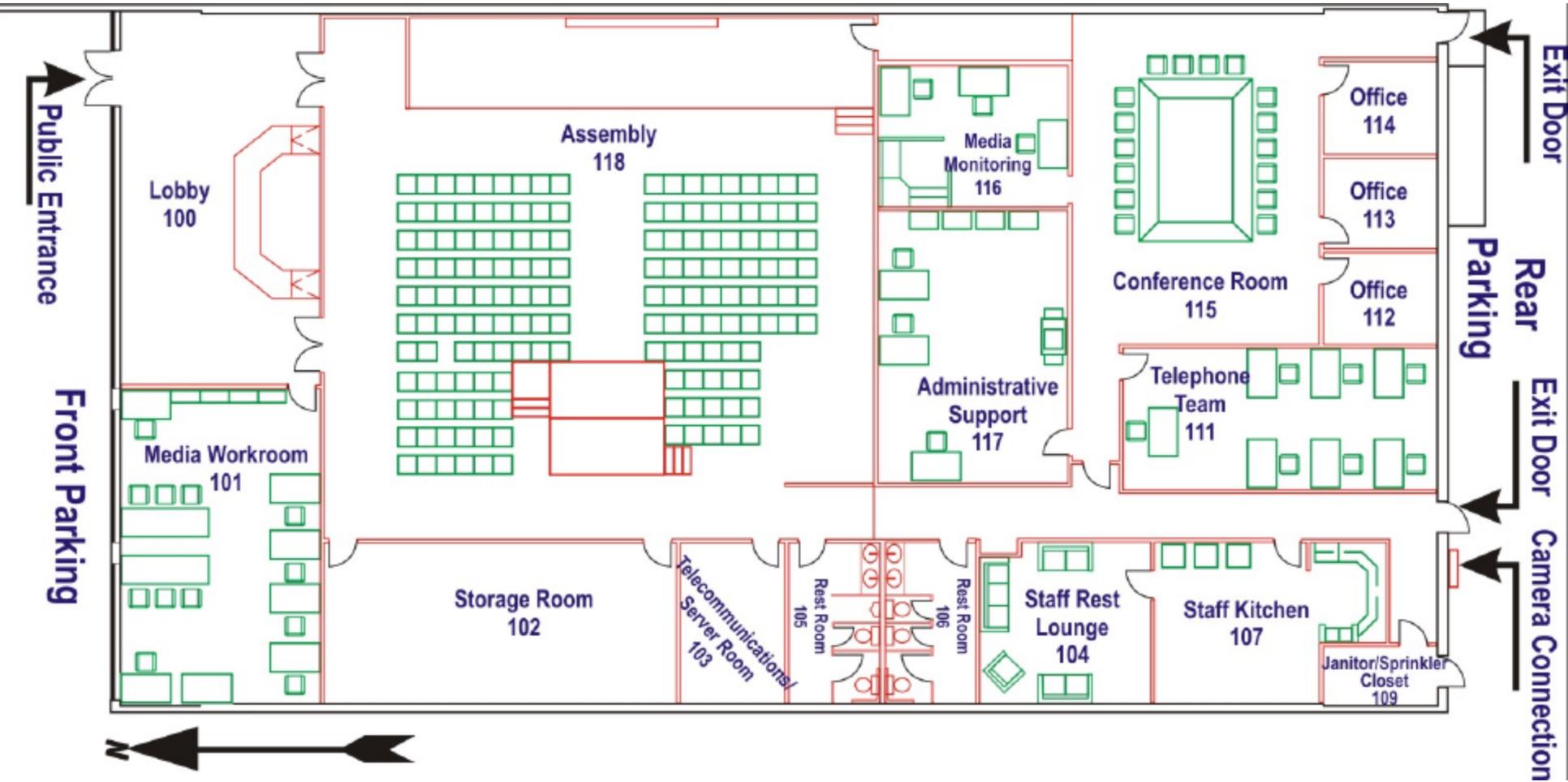


Staff Orientation



Moving In

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# Features of the New ORR JIC

- Location better meets needs of the media:
  - Located about 12 miles from the Oak Ridge Reservation in an area with excellent line-of-sight coverage for television satellite trucks
  - Separate work area available with reference materials (library)
  - Audio/video hookup for satellite trucks
  - Briefing room can serve a large number of reporters, with seating for 150



# Features of New ORR JIC, continued

- Location better meets needs of the staff:
  - New facility is set up and ready for action at all times
  - Built for sustained operations
  - Better work flow
  - Improved access control
  - Enhanced training capabilities in work areas
  - Expansion of electronic capability
  - Available for other uses



# Closing thoughts ...

- Planning, designing, building, and outfitting a new facility is not possible without:
  - Strong management support
  - A team approach
  - Project Manager
  - Attention to detail