COMMUNITY DESIGN REVIEW

September 21, 2023

Irishtown Bend Project Partners:

Irishtown Bend Project Supporters:

Irishtown Bend Project Funders:

PROJECT SUMMARY:

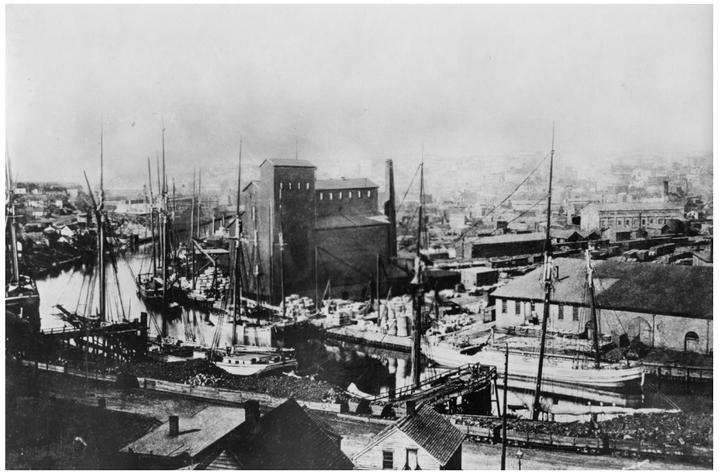
LOCATION: WEST 25TH STREET BETWEEN FRANKLIN AVENUE & COLUMBUS AVENUE TO THE SOUTH; VETERANS MEMORIAL BRIDGE TO THE NORTH; AND THE CUYAHOGA RIVER TO THE EAST.

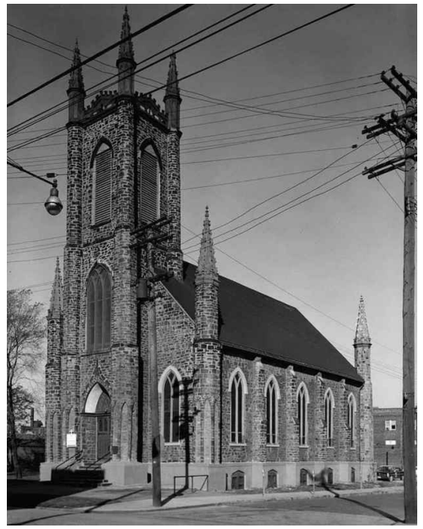
SCALE: 25 ACRES (EXCLUDING 25TH STREET & FRANKLIN R.O.W. IMPROVEMENTS & OHIO CITY FARM IMPROVEMENTS, WHICH ARE BY OTHERS AND UNDER SEPARATE DESIGN REVIEW).

INVESTMENT: $40M

PARKING: WHILE NO PARKING WILL BE PROVIDED WITHIN THE PARK BOUNDARIES, THE DESIGN TEAM IS COORDINATING WITH THE FRANKLIN AVENUE & WEST 25TH STREET REDESIGNS TO ADD STREET PARKING SPACES (APPROXIMATELY 17 & 25 RESPECTIVELY). IN ADDITION, THE DESIGN TEAM IS COORDINATING WITH THE CITY, CLEVELAND METROPARKS, & LUTHERAN HOSPITAL FOR USE OF THEIR EXISTING PARKING AREAS FOR PARK USERS. ALL OF WHICH ARE WITHIN A 5-10 MINUTE WALK TO THE PARK.

SUSTAINABILITY: SUSTAINABLE FEATURES FOR THE PARK INCLUDE: “GREEN” BULKHEAD ALONG THE RIVER; ECOLOGICAL RESTORATION; FLOOD CONTROL & STORMWATER TREATMENT WETLANDS; CARBON SEQUESTRATION THROUGH A REFORESTATION PLAN; REDUCTION IN HEAT ISLAND EFFECT; CLIMATE CHANGE-ADAPTIVE PLANT SELECTION; AND LOCALLY-SOURCED MATERIALS.





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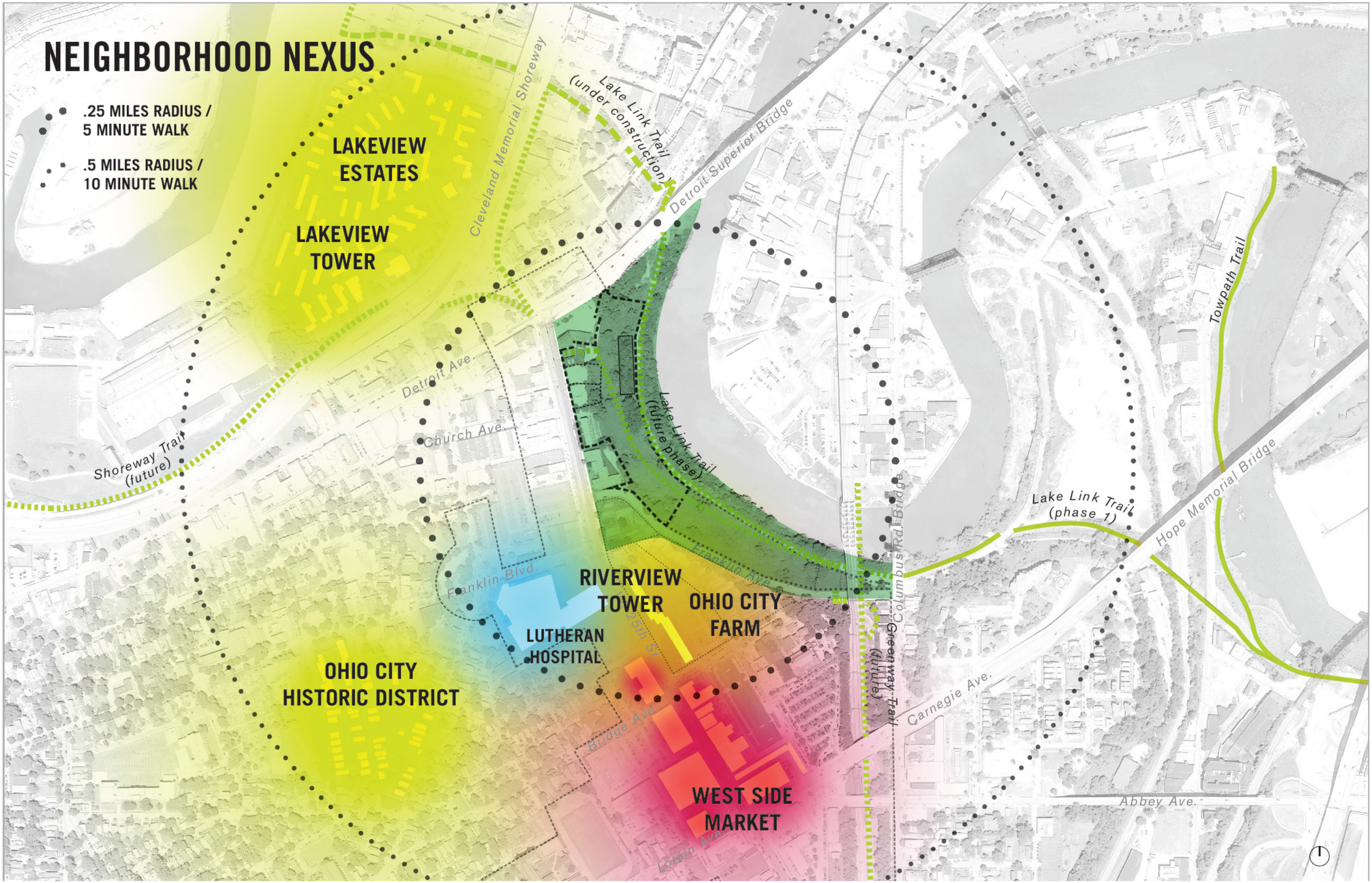
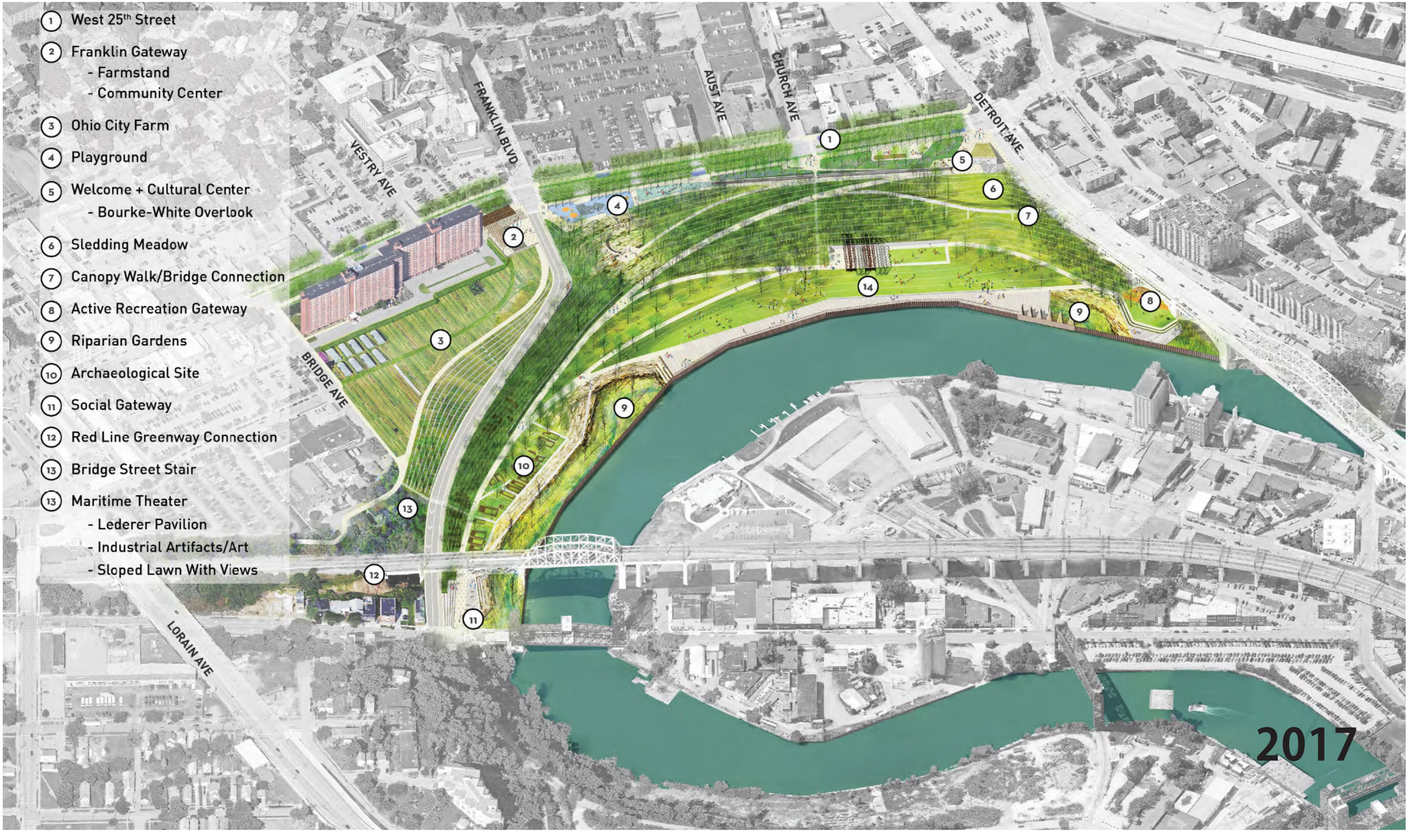
SITE LOCATION & CONTEXT PLAN



IRISHTOWN BEND PARK SITE BOUNDARY & EXISTING CONDITIONS PLAN

PREVIOUSLY APPROVED CONCEPT PLAN – 2017



North Cuyahoga Valley Corridor Plan — 1992

2007 — Irishtown Bend International Design Competition

2008 — Connecting Cleveland Flats Plan - Lake Link Trail conceived

2009 — Land Studio purchases land for the Lake Link Trail w/ grant from State of Ohio-Clean Ohio Fund

2013 — Port of Cleveland commissions geo-technical study of hillside stability

2016 — Irishtown Bend land acquisitions begin.

2017

The Cleveland Foundation Centennial Lake Link Trail opens, connecting the Towpath Trail to the lakefront!

Transportation for Livable Communities sponsors the Irishtown Bend Vision Plan

JAN-20

Port of Cleveland begins Irishtown Bend Stabilization & Rehabilitation Project in collaboration with Land Studio & Ohio City Inc. commencing schematic design for Irishtown Bend Park

FEB-20

Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority adopts West 25th Street Transit Oriented Development Plan

MAY-21

Irishtown Bend Committee of Champions forms

JUNE-21

Cleveland Metroparks opens Wendy Park Bridge & Whiskey Island Trail!

JULY-21

Irishtown Bend Committee of Champions & Block Club design update & programming charrette

AUG-SEPT-21

Irishtown Bend Committee of Champions park planning

OCT-21

Irishtown Bend Public Meeting & Committee of Champions Intergenerational Day

AUG-23

Irishtown Bend Stabilization & Rehabilitation Project breaks ground

OCT-23

Cleveland Planning & Landmarks Commissions review Irishtown Bend Park concept design update

SEPT-23

Community Design Review for Irishtown Bend Park concept design update

AUG-23

AUG-25

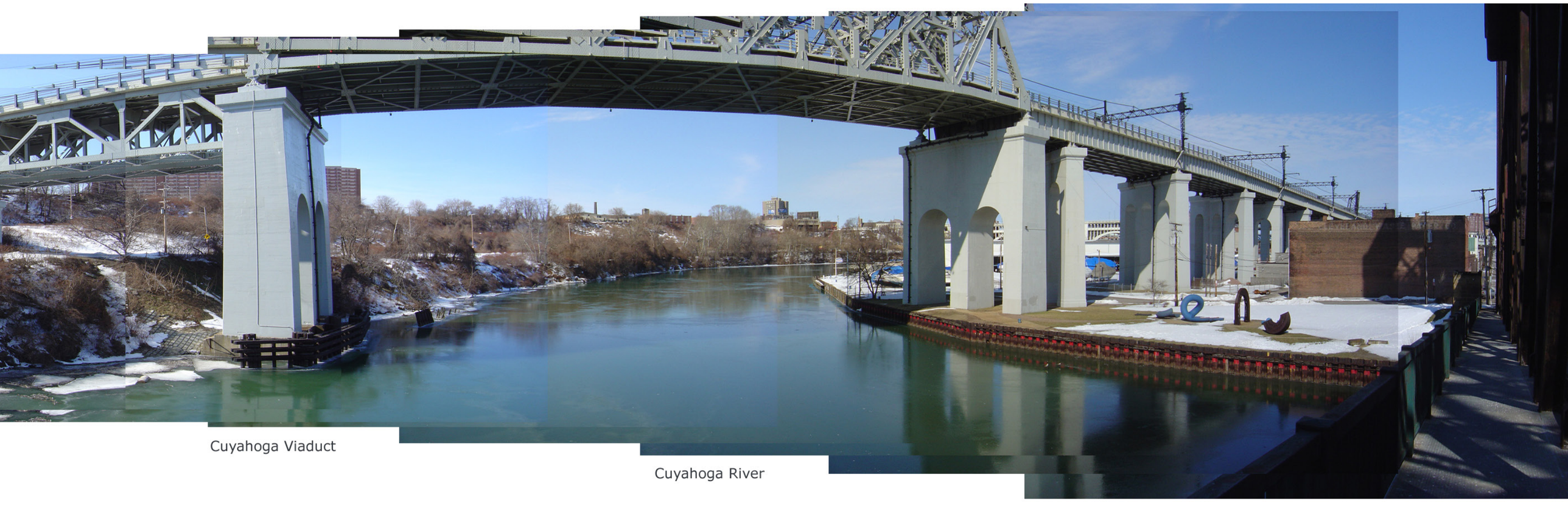
Port of Cleveland Irishtown Bend Stabilization & Rehabilitation Project - CONSTRUCTION

AUG-25

AUG-27

IRISHTOWN BEND PARK - CONSTRUCTION

IRISHTOWN BEND PARK



Cuyahoga Viaduct

Cuyahoga River

Columbus Road Bridge

Port Sector

BIG AND GROWING

THE PORT-DEPENDENT SECTOR OF REGIONAL ECONOMY IS BIG:

22,000+
Jobs dependent or supported

$4.7B
Annual economic value to the region

$1.8B
Annual total personal income

$240M
Annual taxes paid to local and state government

Our analysis is based on five characteristics of an effective park system: access, investment, acreage, amenities, and equity.

6% of Cleveland's city land is used for parks and recreation.

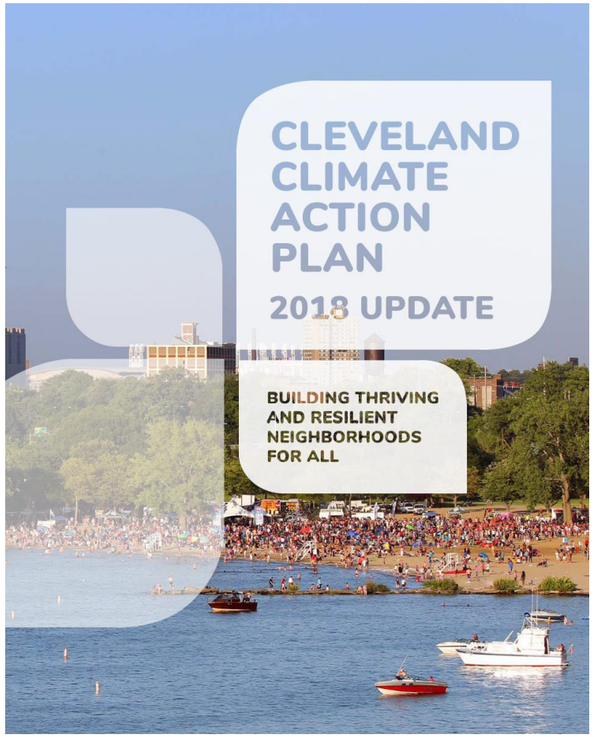
National median **15%**

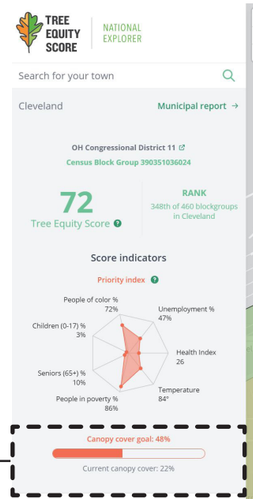
Steven Litt, The Plain Dealer

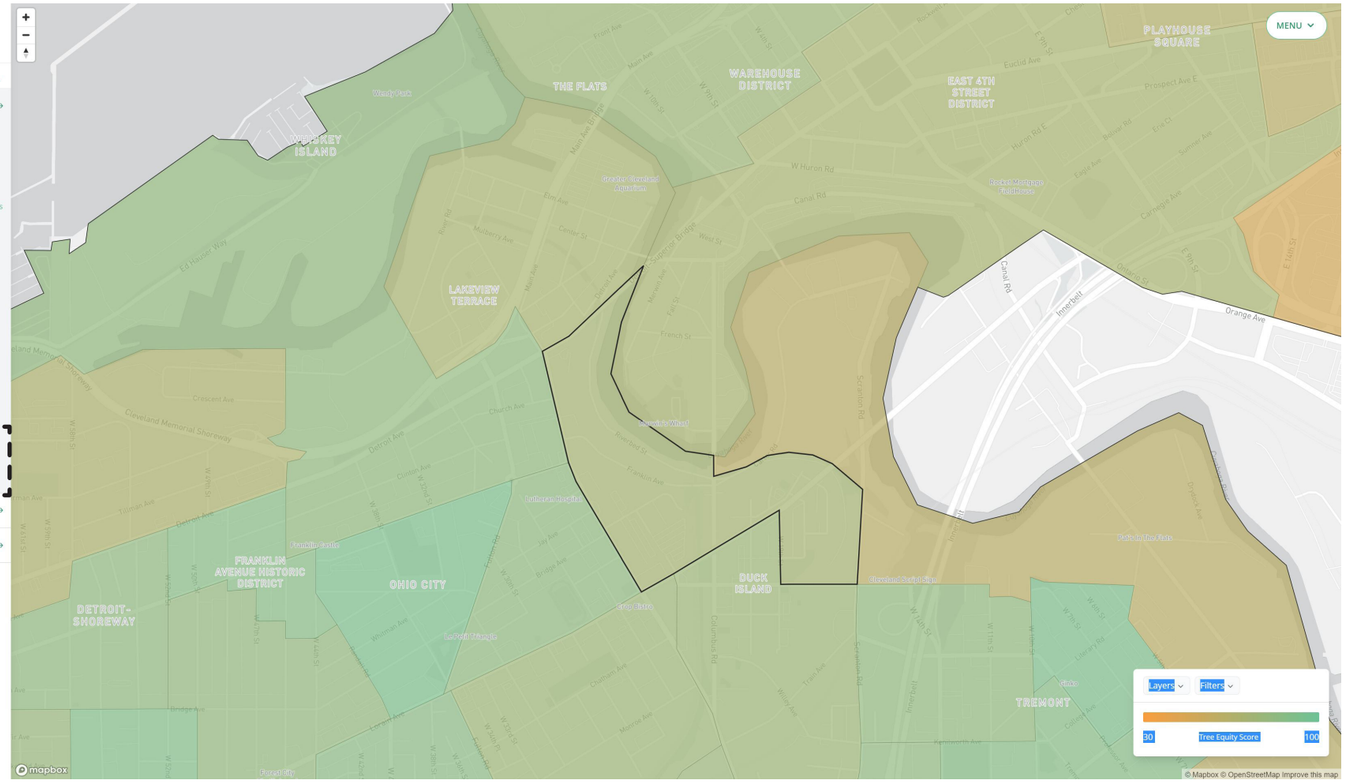
Lake Link Trail First Look

Roderic Benson, who lives at Lakeview Estates, was out on the new Lake Link Trail Tuesday before workers had a chance to stripe the 10-foot asphalt path. "It's easier to take your kids and dogs out here and you don't have to deal with traffic," he said.

EQUITY, CLIMATE & TREES







GOAL: *Provide high-quality recreation opportunities and facilities that meet the needs of Clevelanders of all ages, ability levels, incomes and interests*

Policies

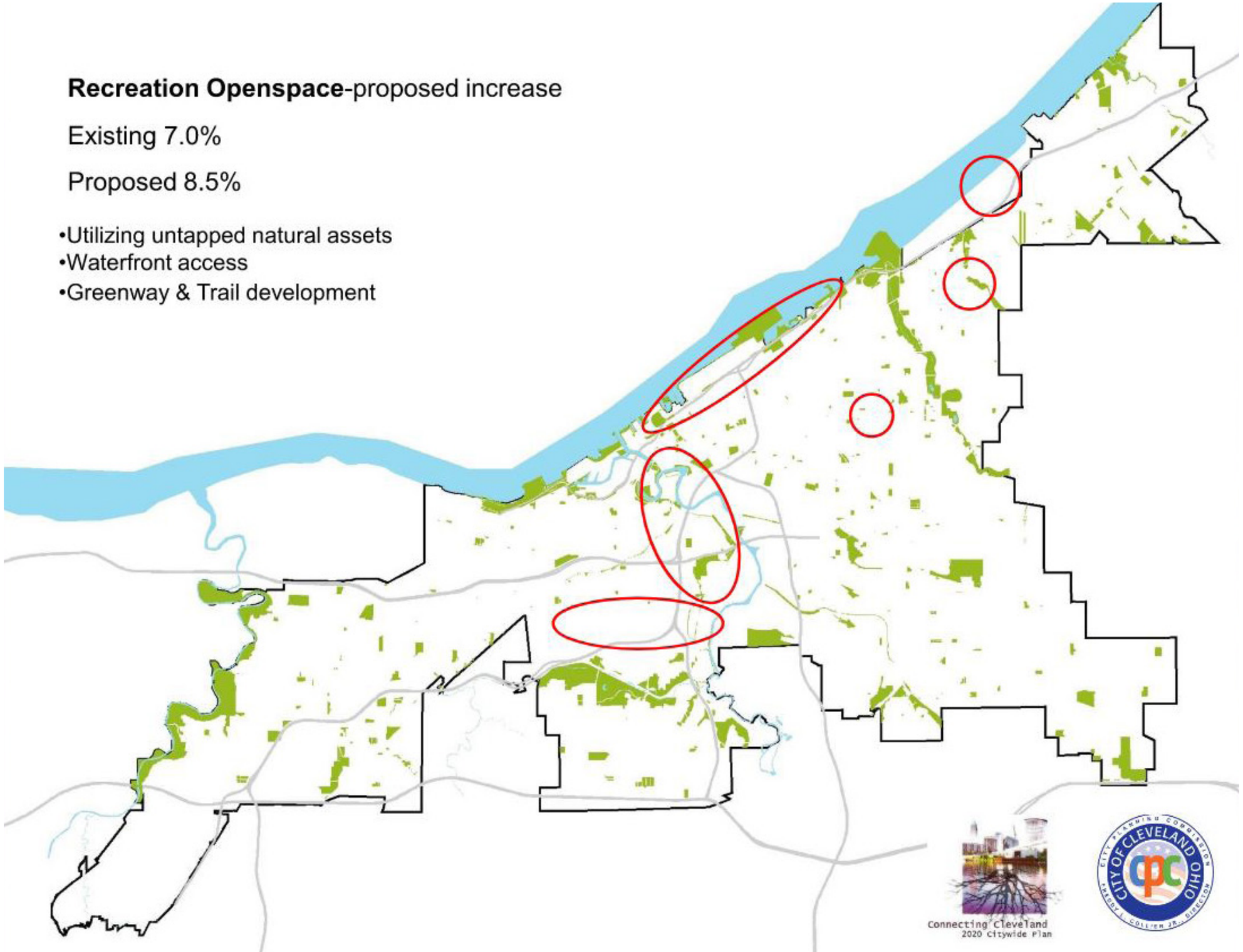
1. **Waterfront Access.** Maximize public access to the lakefront, riverfront and stream valleys, including safe and convenient access from nearby neighborhoods for pedestrians and bicyclists.
2. **Waterfront Recreation.** Develop and expand publicly accessible recreation sites along the lakefront and waterways.
3. **Bikeways.** Create a comprehensive network of bicycle routes, bicycle lanes and multi-purpose trails, safely linking neighborhoods to recreation sites, schools, shopping areas, places of employment and other destinations throughout the City and the region.
4. **Bicycle and Pedestrian Amenities.** Provide bicycle racks, benches, water fountains and other amenities to encourage bicycling and pedestrian travel throughout the City.
5. **Serving Neighborhoods.** Ensure that a wide range of recreation facilities are equitably distributed throughout the City, with playgrounds located within approximately ¼-mile (a 5-minute walk) of all residents.
6. **Quality of Facilities.** Provide recreation facilities competitive with the best available in the region, consolidating large-scale facilities at transit-accessible locations.
7. **Diverse Programming.** Offer a diversity of recreation programs to serve the recreation needs and interests of Clevelanders of all ages, incomes, lifestyles and ability levels.
8. **Serving Working Adults.** Provide recreation services and equipment geared to the interests and schedules of working adults, supplementing recreation services oriented principally to children and seniors.
9. **Sharing Resources.** Increase the availability and quality of recreation services through shared use of facilities owned by the City, School District, YMCA and other non-profit organizations.
10. **Sharing Responsibilities.** Improve maintenance at public parks and recreation centers through "adopt-a-park" programs and corporate sponsorships.
11. **Community Gardens.** Reserve land for both temporary and permanent use as community gardens in every neighborhood throughout the City.
12. **Preserving Natural Areas.** Identify and protect natural areas characterized by stream valleys, wetlands, hillsides, forests and other environmentally sensitive and valuable features.
13. **Urban Forest.** Protect and expand the supply of street trees and landscaped areas within Cleveland's urbanized districts, maximizing environmental and aesthetic benefits.

Recreation Openspace-proposed increase

Existing 7.0%

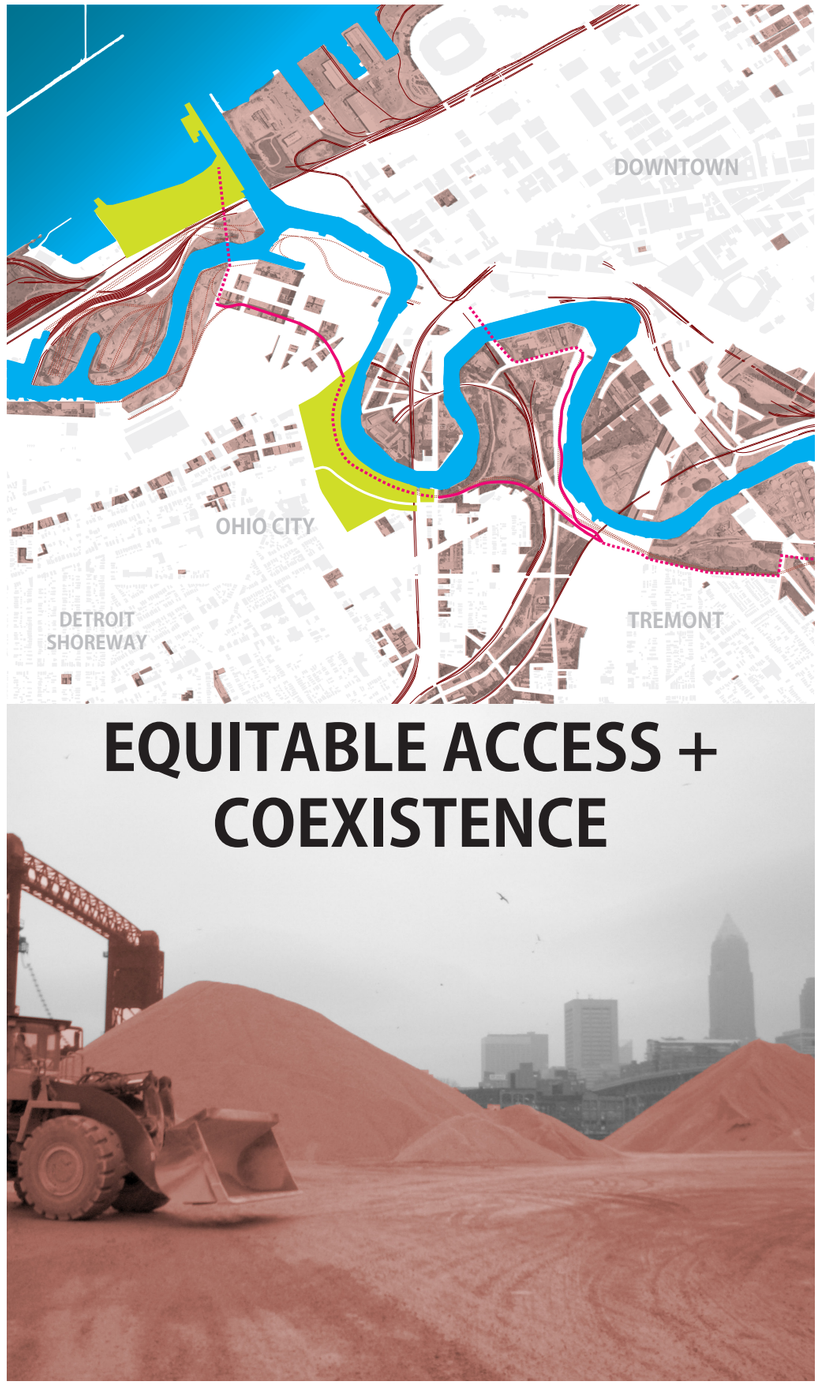
Proposed 8.5%

- Utilizing untapped natural assets
- Waterfront access
- Greenway & Trail development

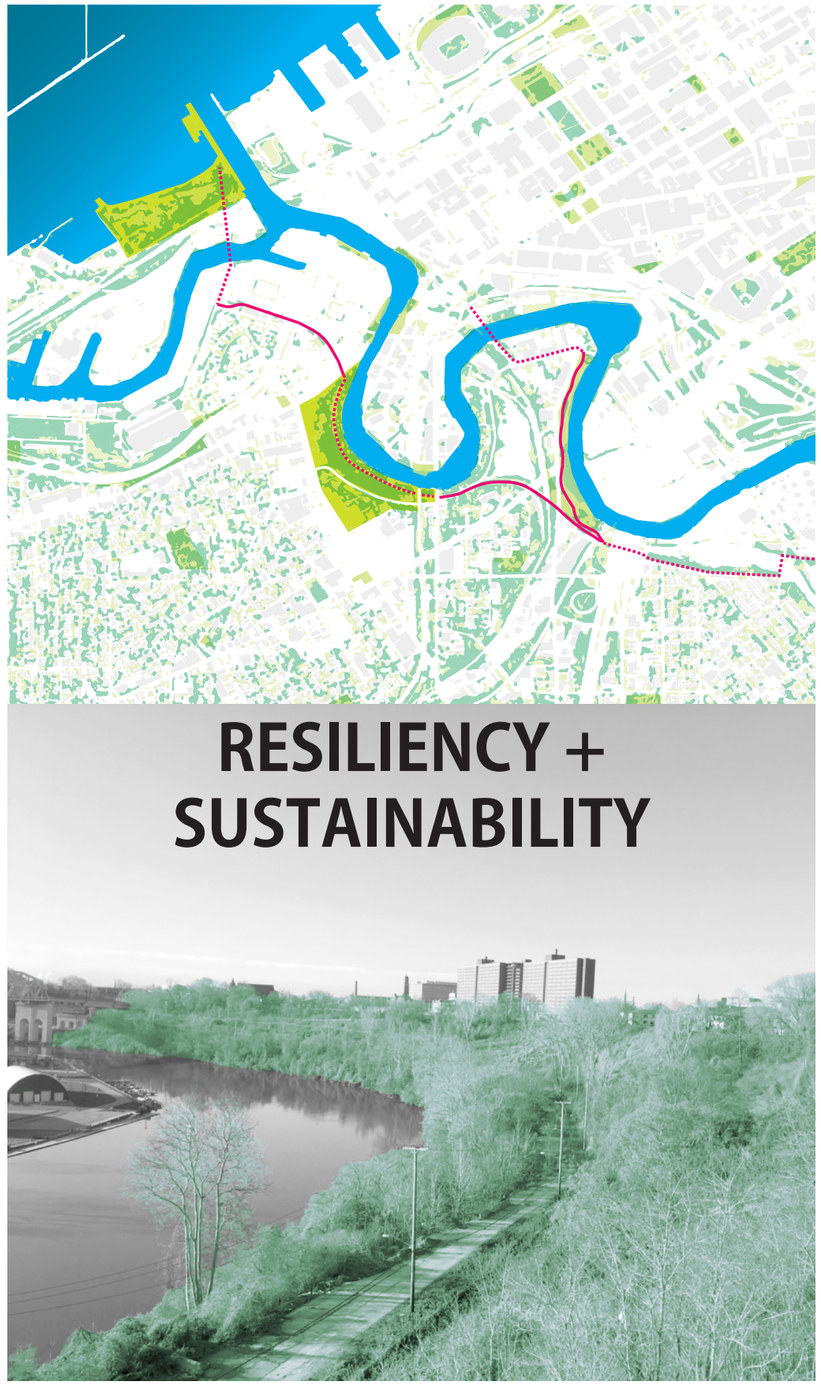


Connecting Cleveland
2020 Citywide Plan

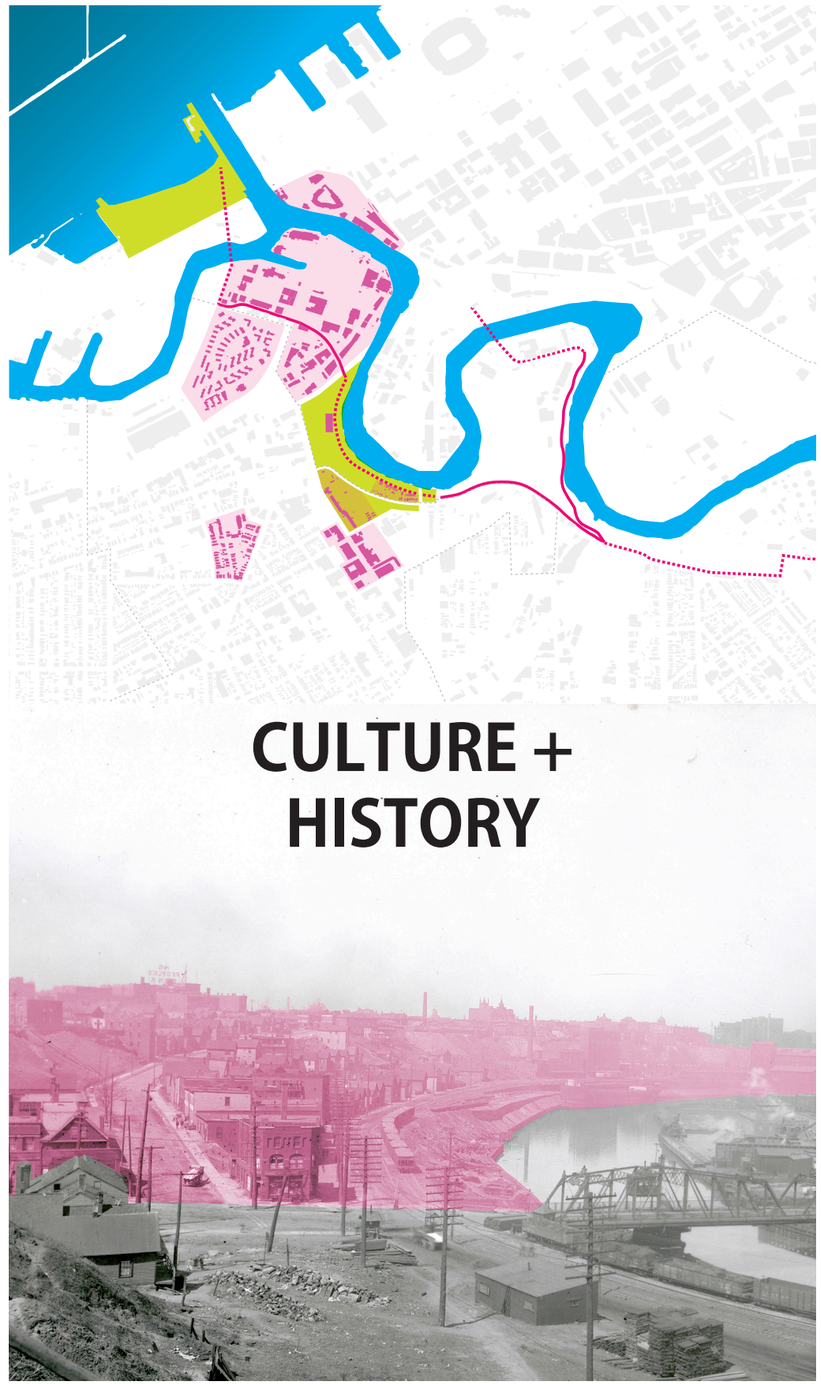
CITY OF CLEVELAND OHIO
CITY PLANNING COMMISSION



EQUITABLE ACCESS + COEXISTENCE



RESILIENCY + SUSTAINABILITY



CULTURE + HISTORY

Cleveland Metroparks

TIGER TRAILS

JUNE 2021

- TIGER Grant Funded Trails - Complete
- TIGER Grant Funded Trails - Planned
- Towpath Trail - Complete
- Towpath Trail - Funded
- Complete Trail
- Funded Trail
- Proposed Trail
- Cleveland Metroparks Trails
- Other Adjacent Trails
- Adjacent Bike Route
- Cleveland Metroparks
- Other Parks & Protected Areas

Miles
0 0.1 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.5

NORTH

WHISKEY ISLAND CONNECTOR

WENDY PARK BRIDGE

CANAL BASIN PARK CONNECTOR

CLEVELAND FOUNDATION CENTENNIAL TRAIL- NORTH

CLEVELAND LAKEFRONT BIKEWAY CONNECTOR

CLEVELAND FOUNDATION CENTENNIAL TRAIL- IRISHTOWN BEND

CLEVELAND FOUNDATION CENTENNIAL TRAIL - SOUTH

RED LINE GREENWAY

LAKE ERIE

COAST GUARD STATION

WENDY PARK

DOWNTOWN

FLATS EASTBANK

WATER TAXI

WAREHOUSE DISTRICT

Superior Ave

FLATS WESTBANK

CUYAHOGA RIVER

CANAL BASIN PARK

RIVERGATE

MERWIN'S WHARF

Columbus Rd

W.25th St

Lorain Ave

EDGEWATER PARK

EDGEWATER BEACHHOUSE

BATTERY PARK

EDGEWATER

Clifton Blvd

West Blvd

Lake Ave

GORDON SQUARE

Detroit Ave

Franklin Blvd

W.65th St

DETROIT SHOREWAY

OHIO CITY

WESTSIDE MARKET

Scranton Rd

Abbey Ave

W.14th St

TREMONT

Fulton Rd

Madison Ave

CUDELL

ZONE RECREATION CENTER

West Blvd

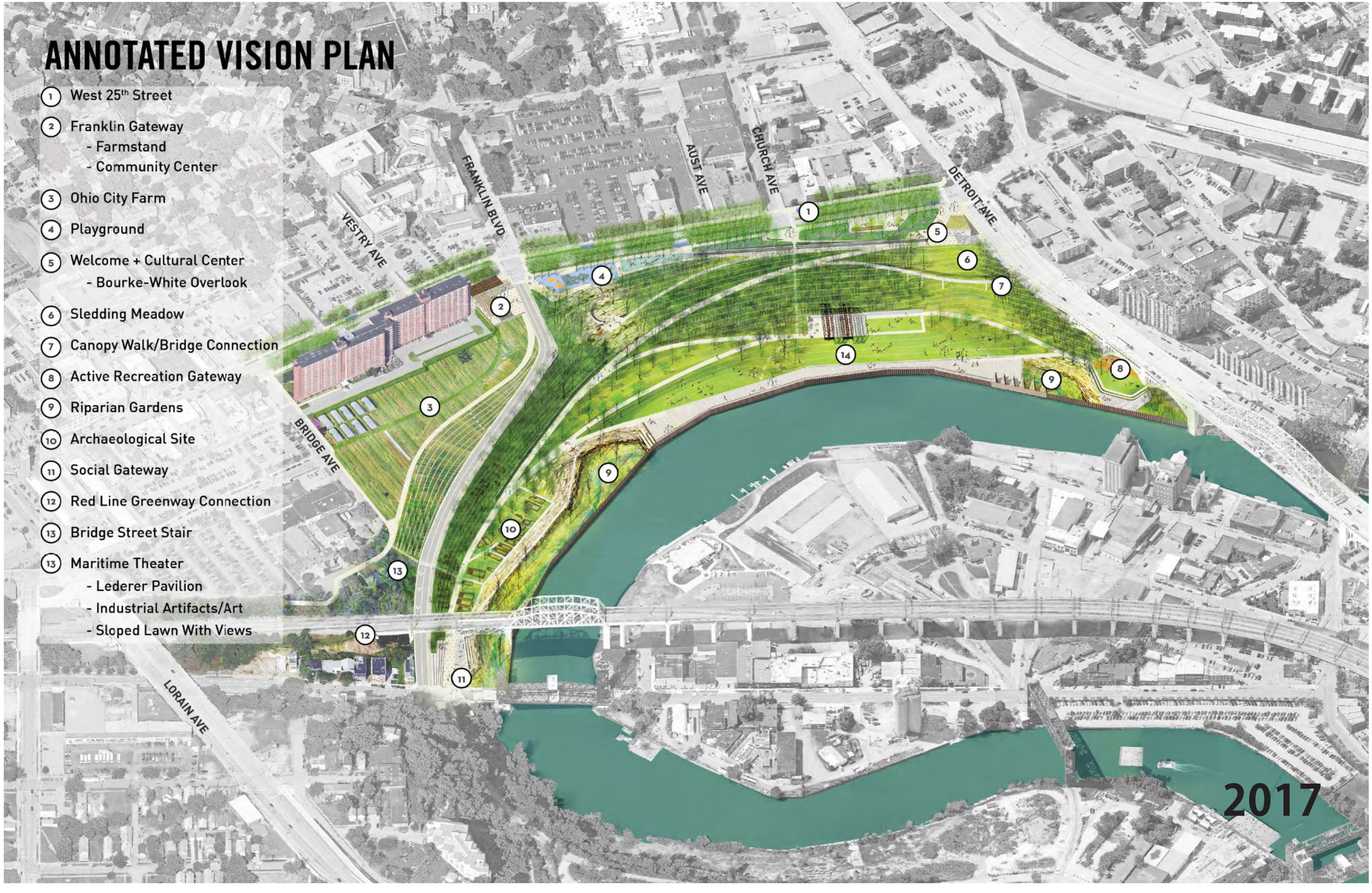
2

90

71

ANNOTATED VISION PLAN

1. West 25th Street
2. Franklin Gateway
   - Farmstand
   - Community Center
3. Ohio City Farm
4. Playground
5. Welcome + Cultural Center
   - Bourke-White Overlook
6. Sledding Meadow
7. Canopy Walk/Bridge Connection
8. Active Recreation Gateway
9. Riparian Gardens
10. Archaeological Site
11. Social Gateway
12. Red Line Greenway Connection
13. Bridge Street Stair
13. Maritime Theater
    - Lederer Pavilion
    - Industrial Artifacts/Art
    - Sloped Lawn With Views



SLOPE STABILIZATION UPDATE

250,000 CY / 25,000 TRUCK LOADS

AREAS WHERE EXISTING SLOPES WILL BE CUT

AREAS WHERE FILL CAN BE PLACED ON THE SITE

EARTHWORK CUT/FILL TABLE			
NUMBER	MIN. DEPTH	MAX. DEPTH	COLOR
1	-60.00	-50.00	
2	-50.00	-40.00	
3	-40.00	-30.00	
4	-30.00	-20.00	
5	-20.00	-10.00	
6	-10.00	0.00	
7	0.00	10.00	
8	10.00	20.00	
9	20.00	30.00	
10	30.00	40.00	

NOTES

1. THE CUT/FILL DEPTHS SHOWN HERE ARE FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY. REFER TO THE GRADING PLAN IN THIS SET FOR PROPOSED GRADES.
2. THE CUT/ FILL DEPTHS SHOWN HERE DO NOT ACCOUNT FOR SOIL EXPANSION/ CONTRACTION, STRUCTURAL OR CONTAMINATION UNDERCUT.

NORTH

GRAPHIC SCALE

100 0 50 100

(IN FEET)

1 inch = 100 ft.

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OVERALL EARTHWORK CUT-FILL PLAN

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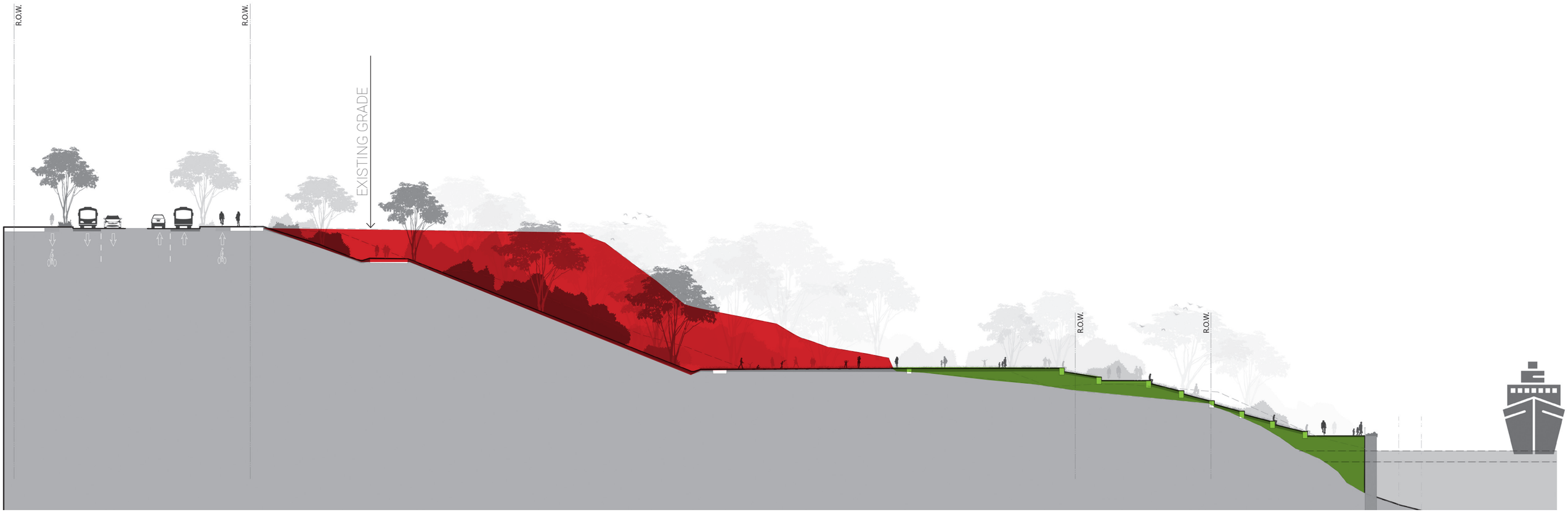

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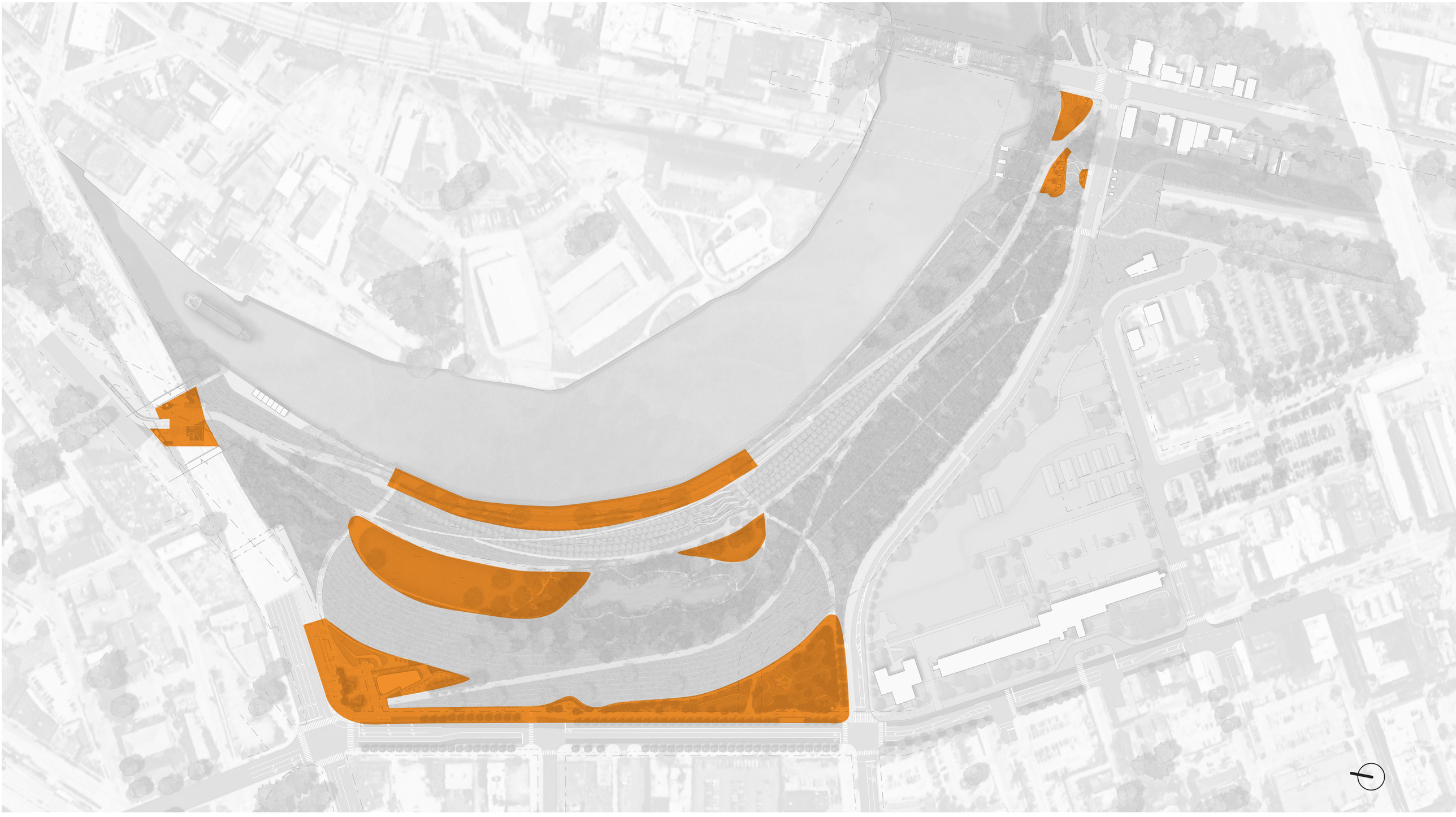
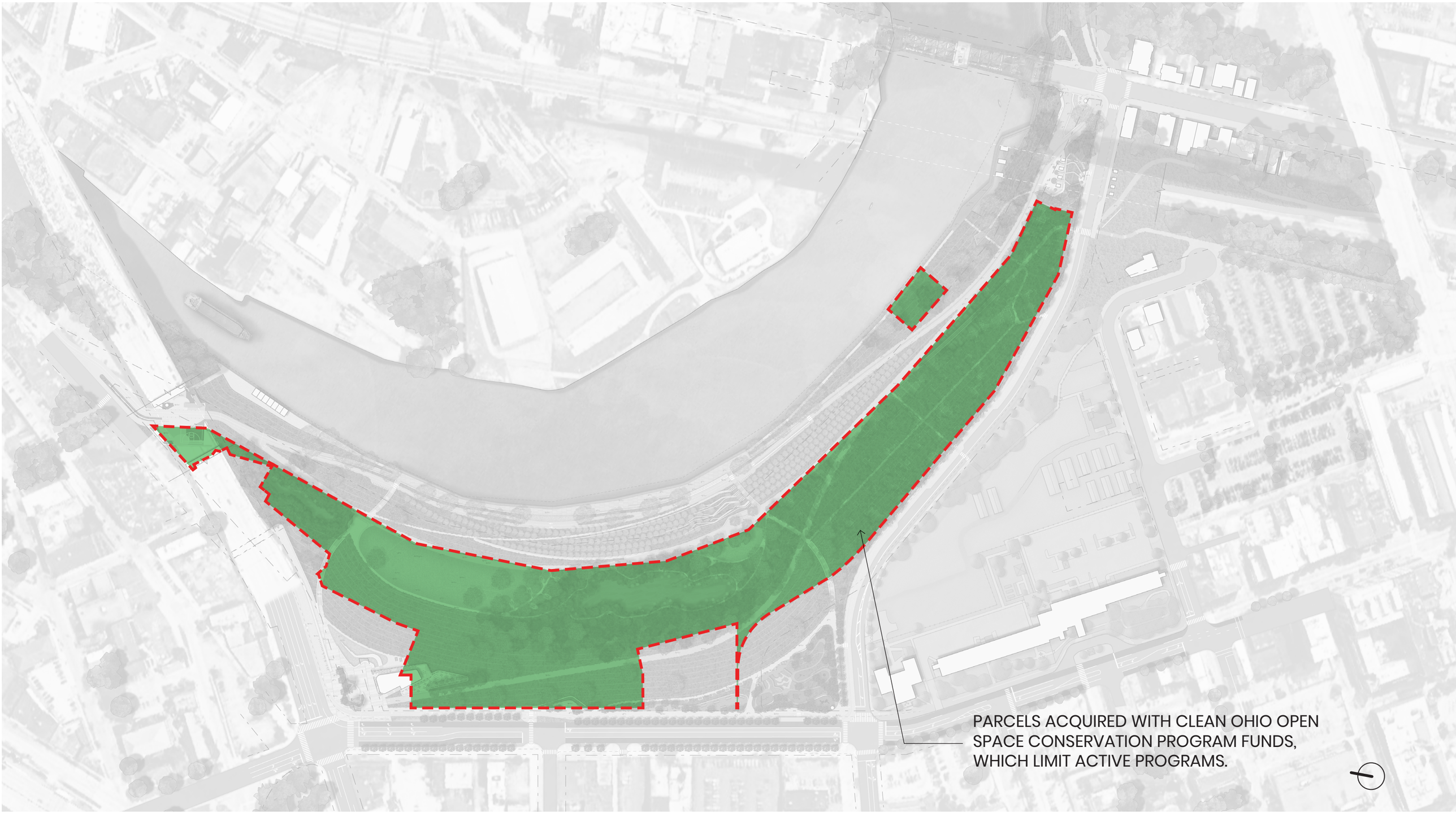
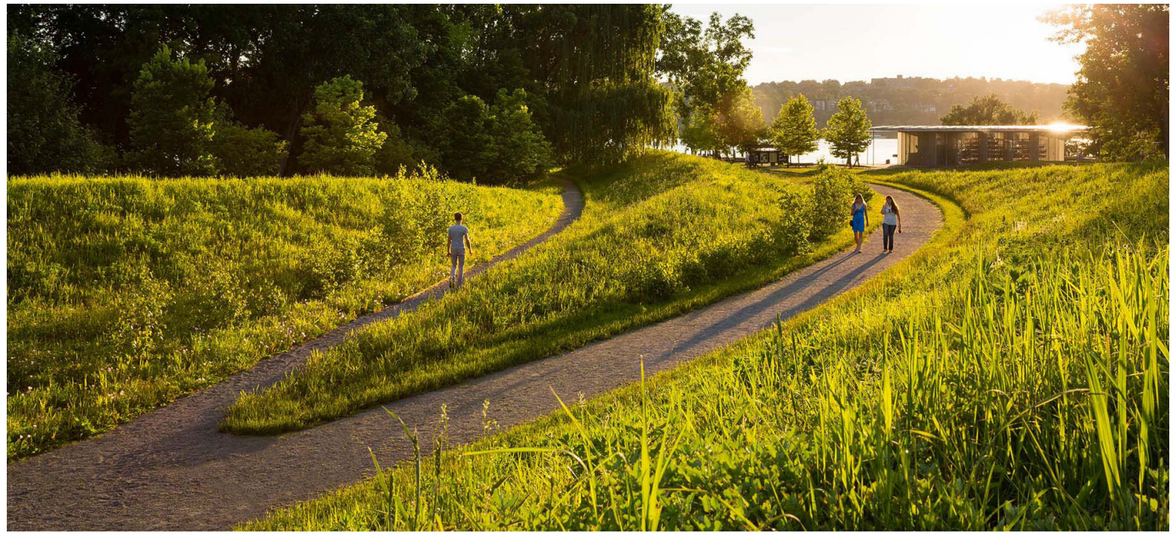
LEVEL-ISH AREAS FOR PROGRAM

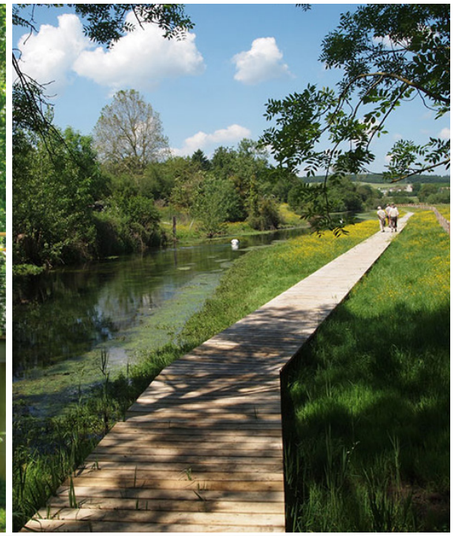
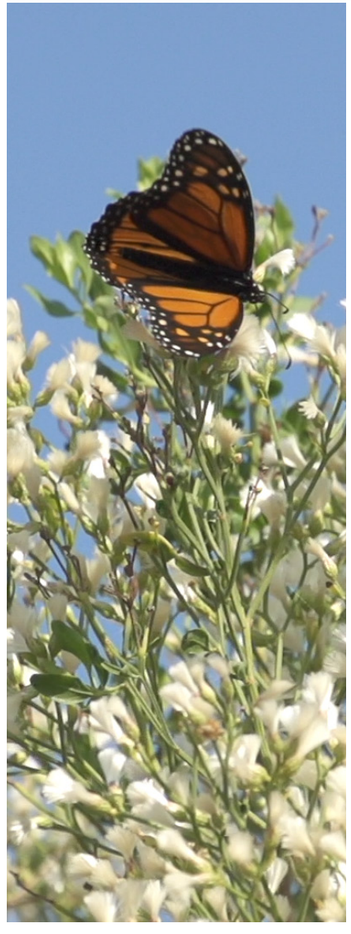


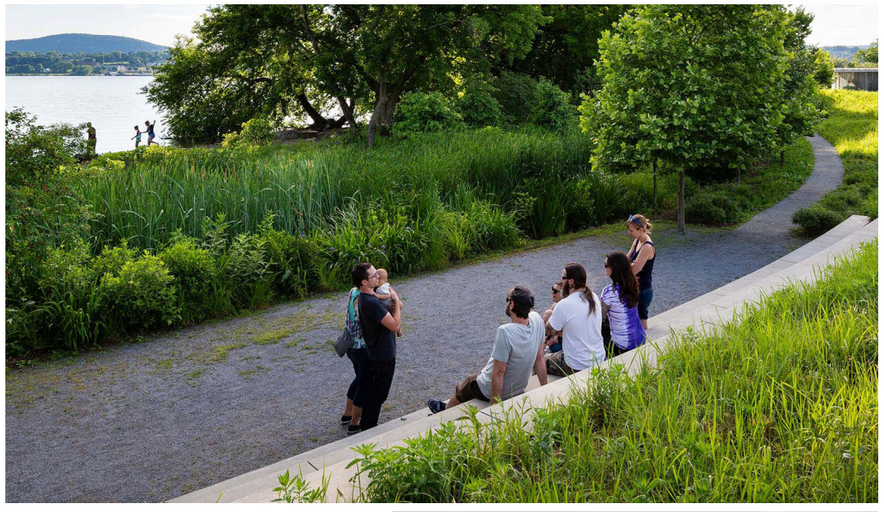
CLEAN OHIO OPEN SPACE CONSERVATION PROGRAM OVERLAY



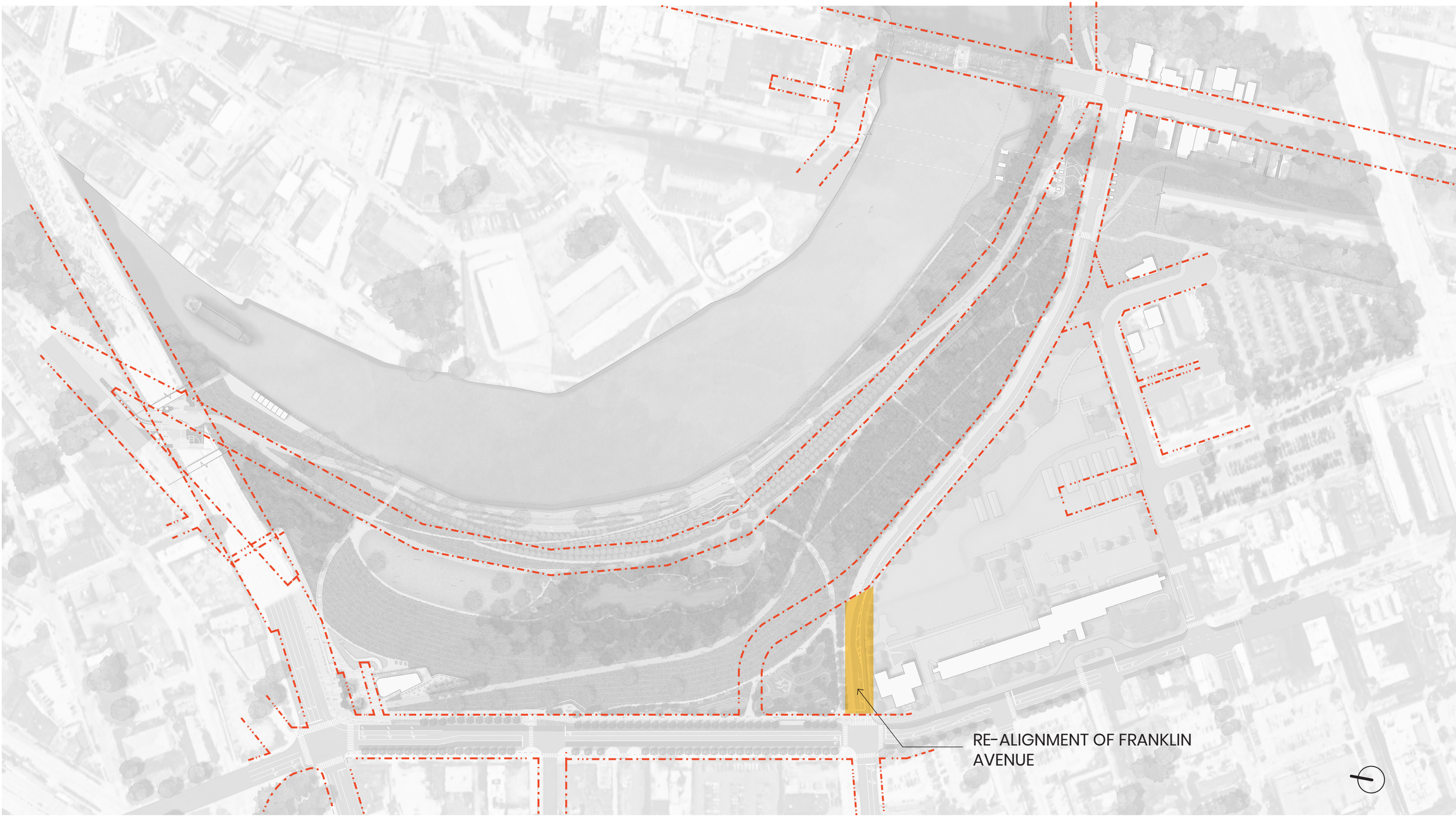
CLEAN OHIO OPEN SPACE CONSERVATION PROGRAM - ACCEPTABLE USES





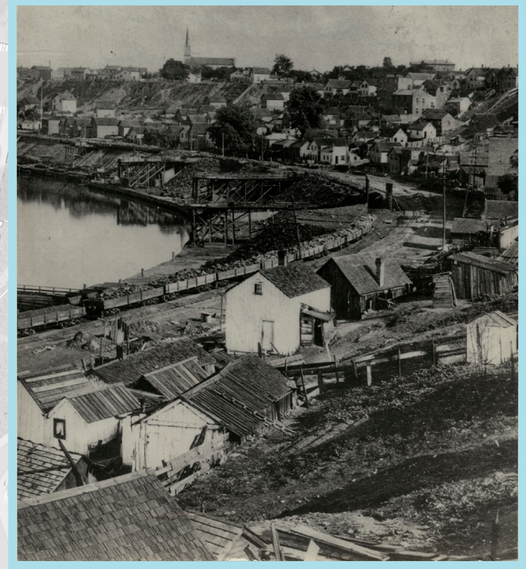
CITY RIGHTS-OF-WAY & UTILITY EASEMENTS



SITE REMNANTS & OPPORTUNITIES FOR INTERPRETATION

CLEVELAND & MAHONING RAILROAD TUNNELS

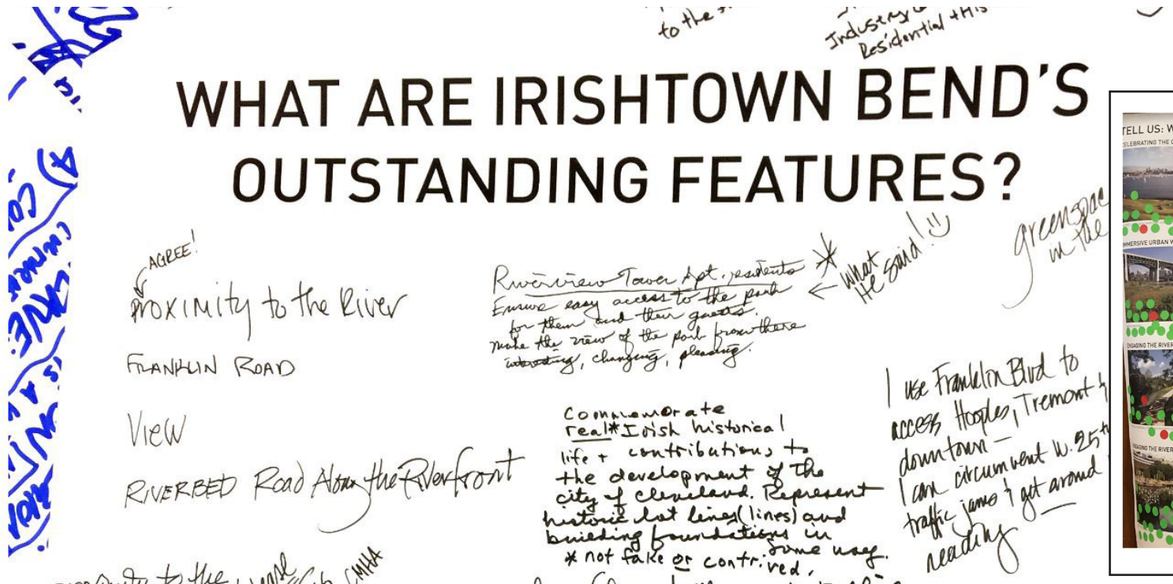
IRISHTOWN BEND
ARCHAEOLOGICAL DISTRICT



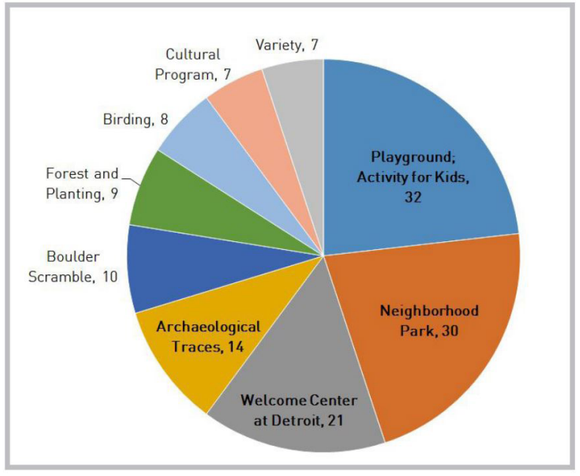
COAL DOCK REMNANT

PRECEDENTS

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT (2016 – PRESENT)

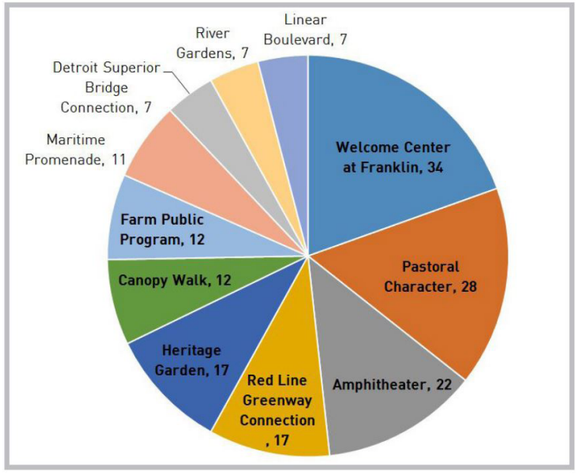


Favorite Elements of Option A



- Playground / Activity for Kids
- Programming and Neighborhood Emphasis
- Entrance at W. 25th and Detroit
- Archaeological site treatment (traces)
- Topographic play / Boulder Scramble
- Ecological program: canopy forest, bird blinds
- Culture Walk/History
- Variety

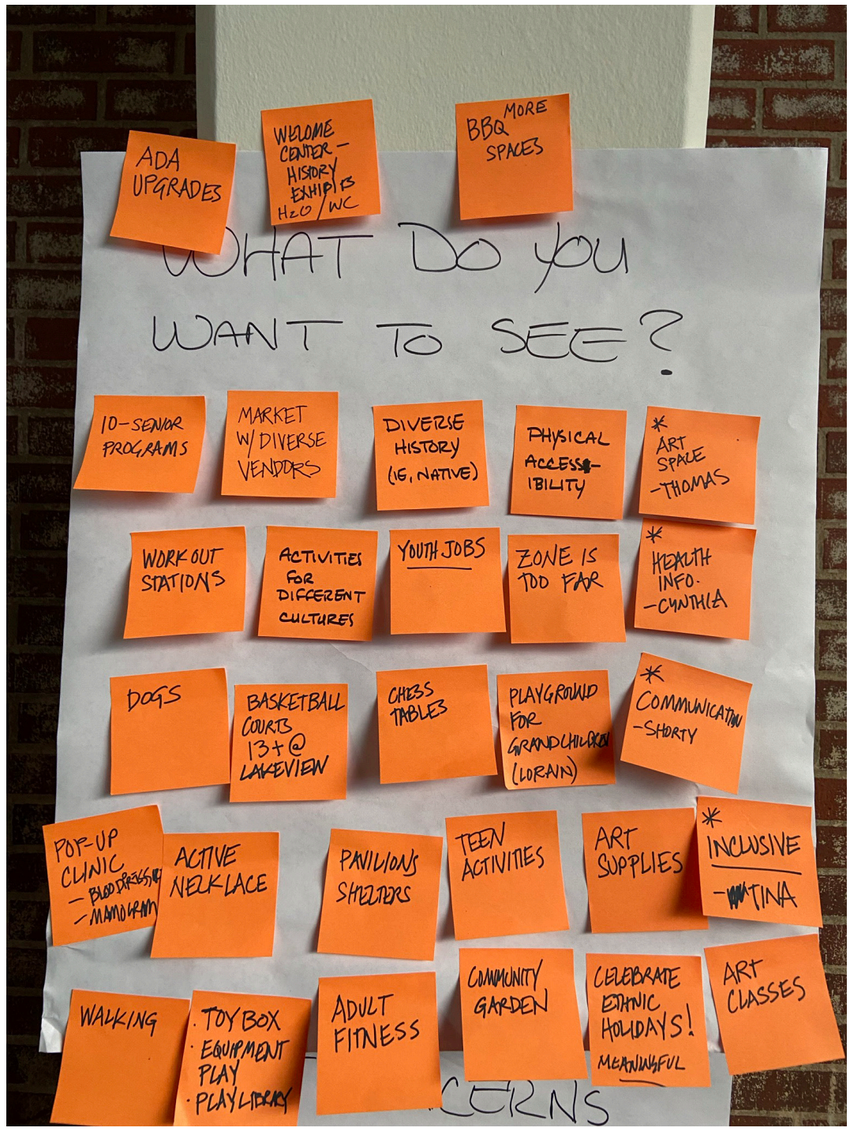
Favorite Elements of Option B

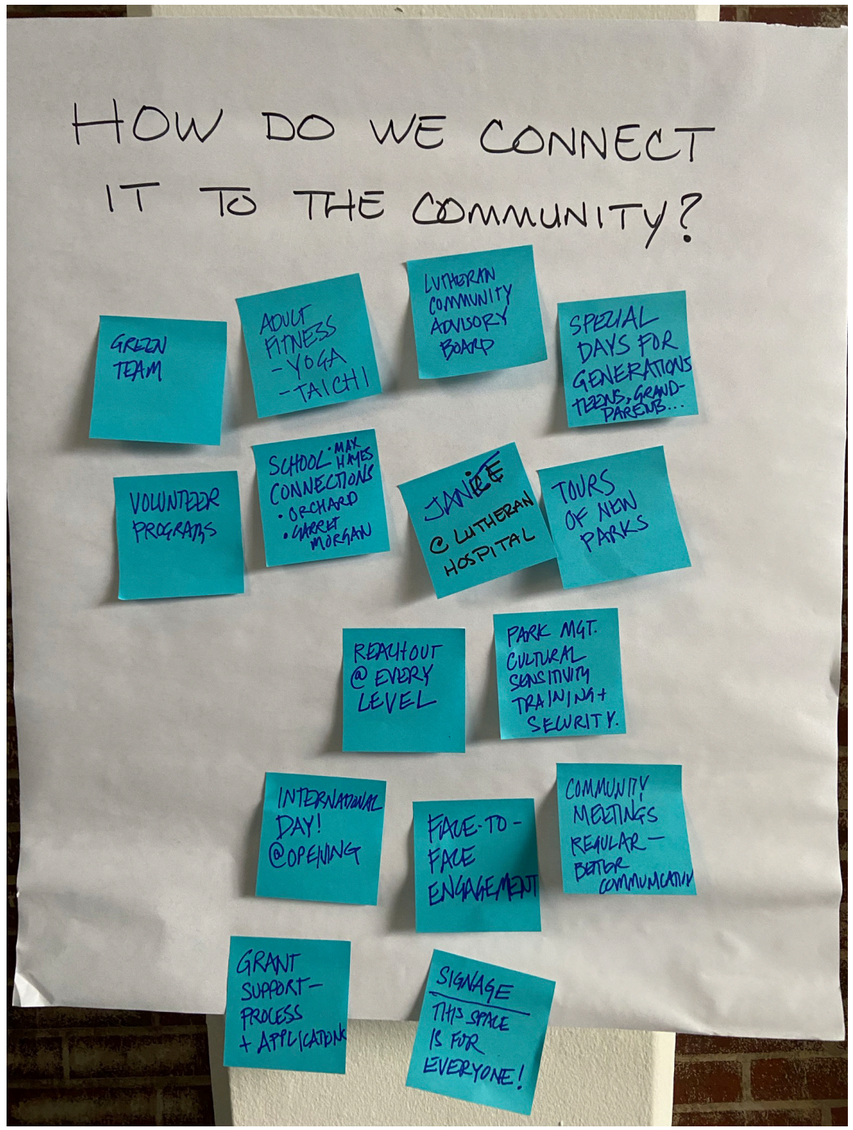


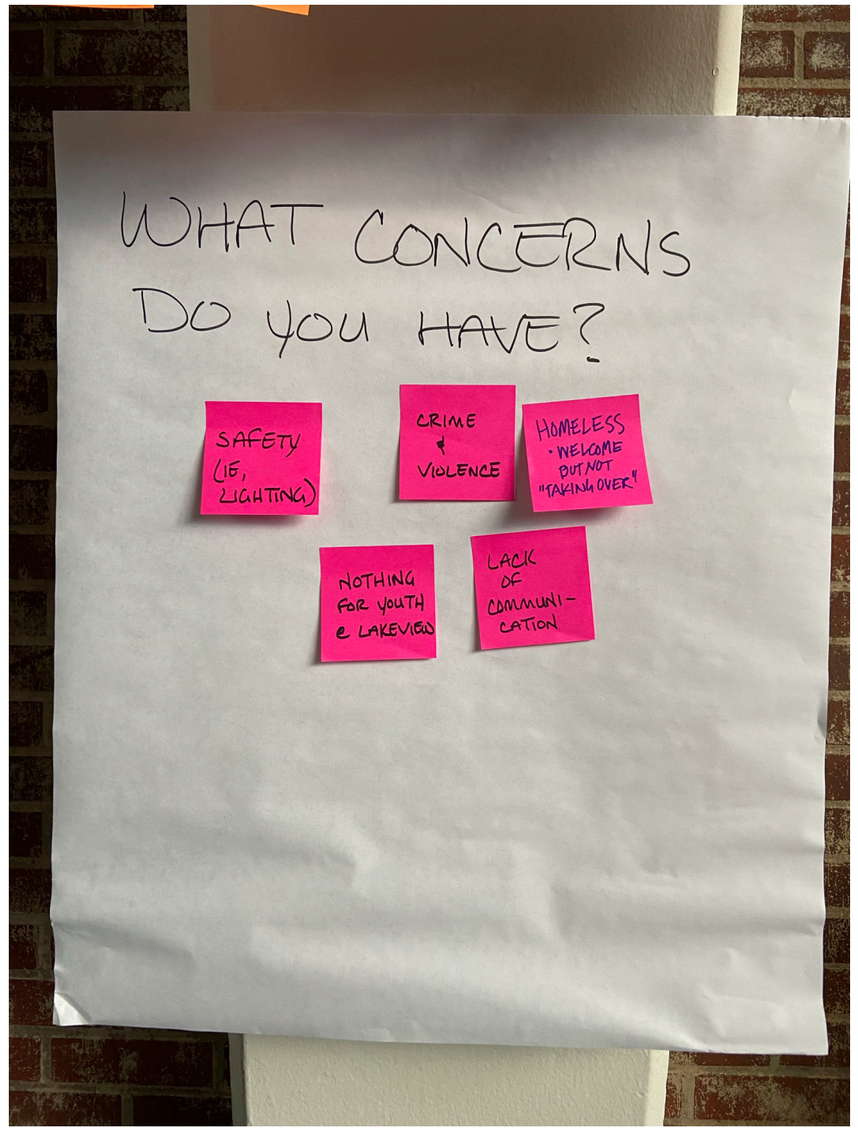
- Welcome Center at Franklin (centrally located)
- Pastoral Character (more ecologically focused)
- Amphitheater
- Bridge Connections to Trails
- Heritage Gardens
- Canopy Walk and Bridge Connections
- Farmstand / Public-facing Farm Program
- Maritime Promenade and Riparian Gardens

COMMITTEE OF CHAMPIONS

COMMITTEE OF CHAMPIONS FEEDBACK

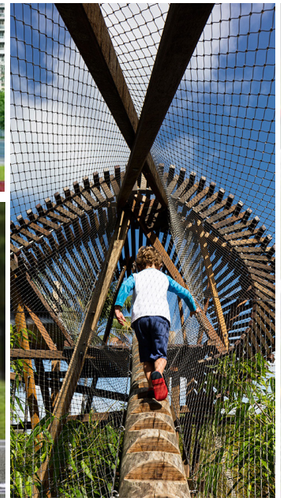


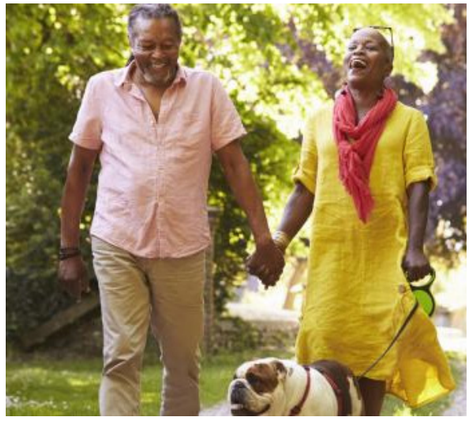




1. Multi-generational spaces, especially spaces for teens.
2. Inclusive process with open communication for residents to share ideas and to stay informed.
3. Programming for diverse users. Include adult fitness & wellness classes, art classes & supplies, markets, and international festivals.

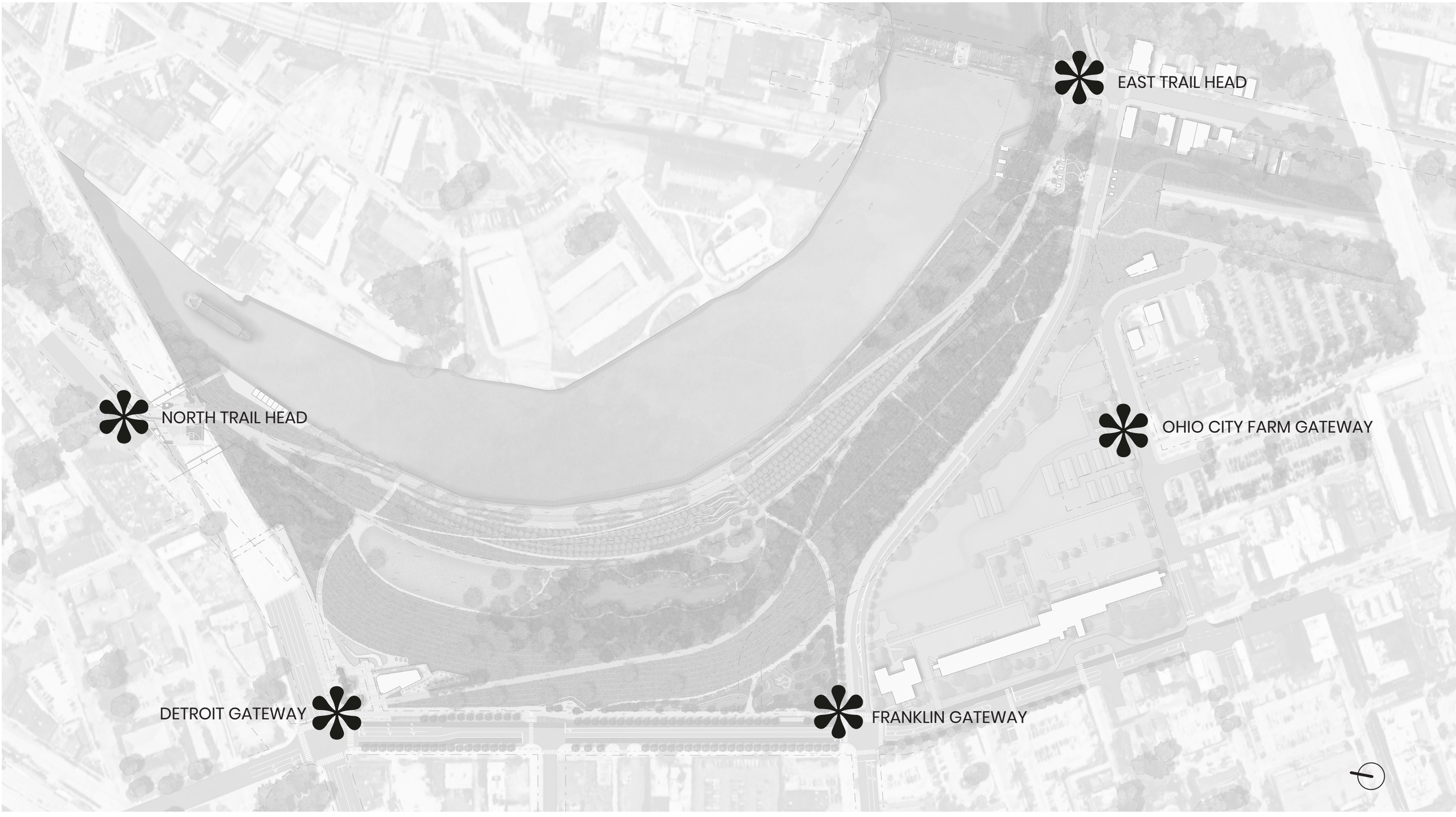
COMMUNITY PROGRAM CONFIRMATION





DESIGN UPDATE

NEIGHBORHOOD GATEWAYS



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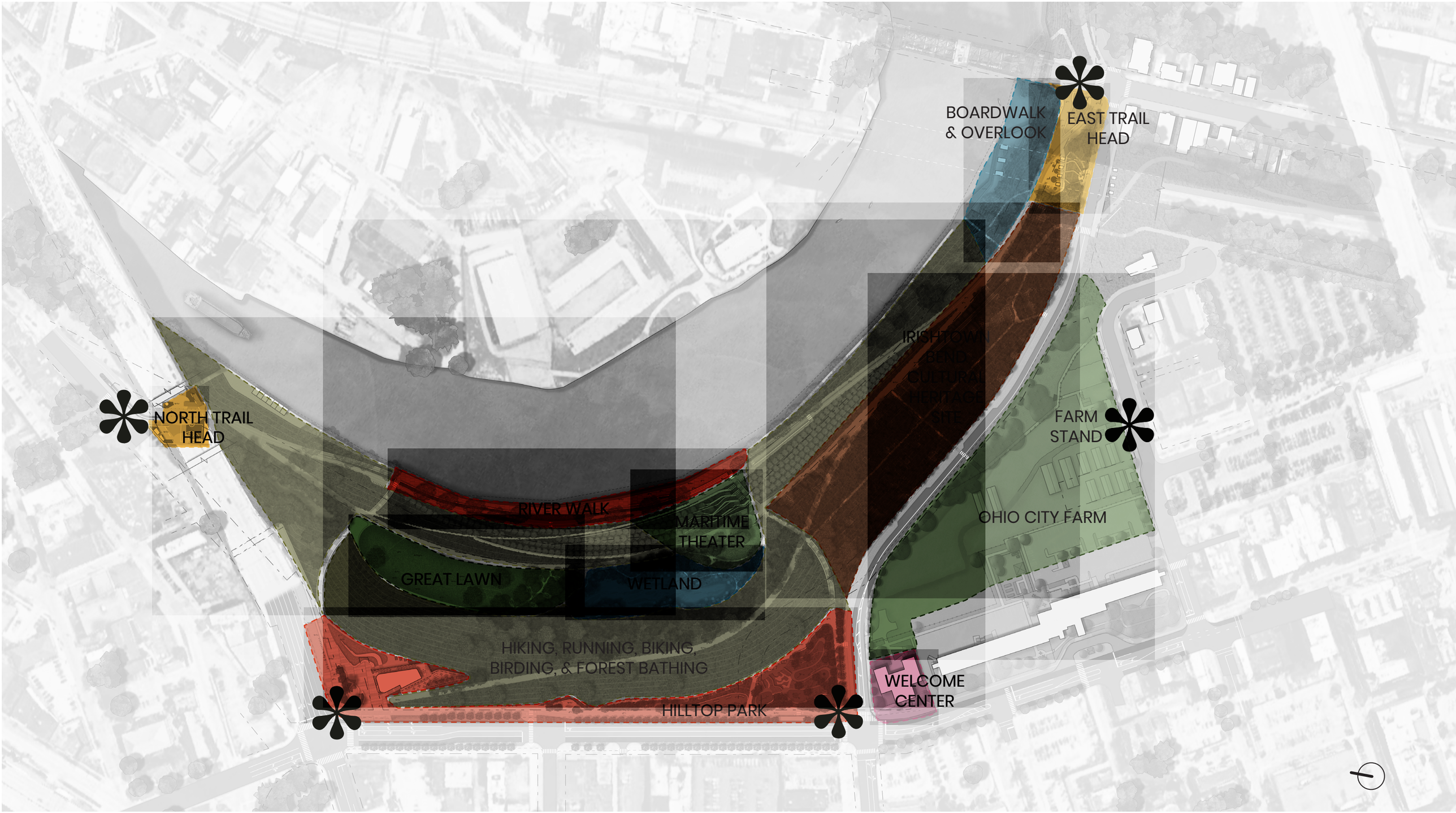

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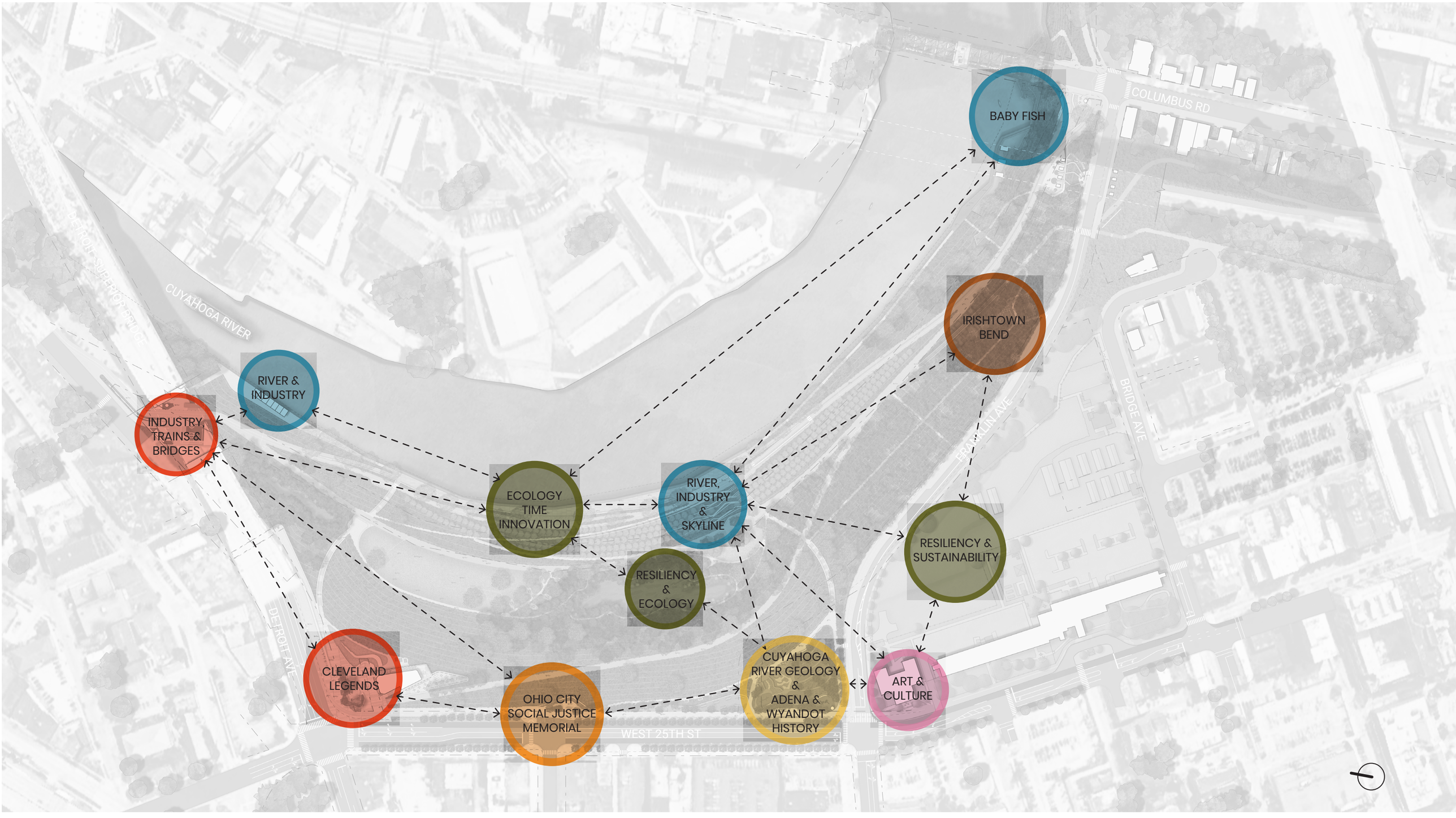

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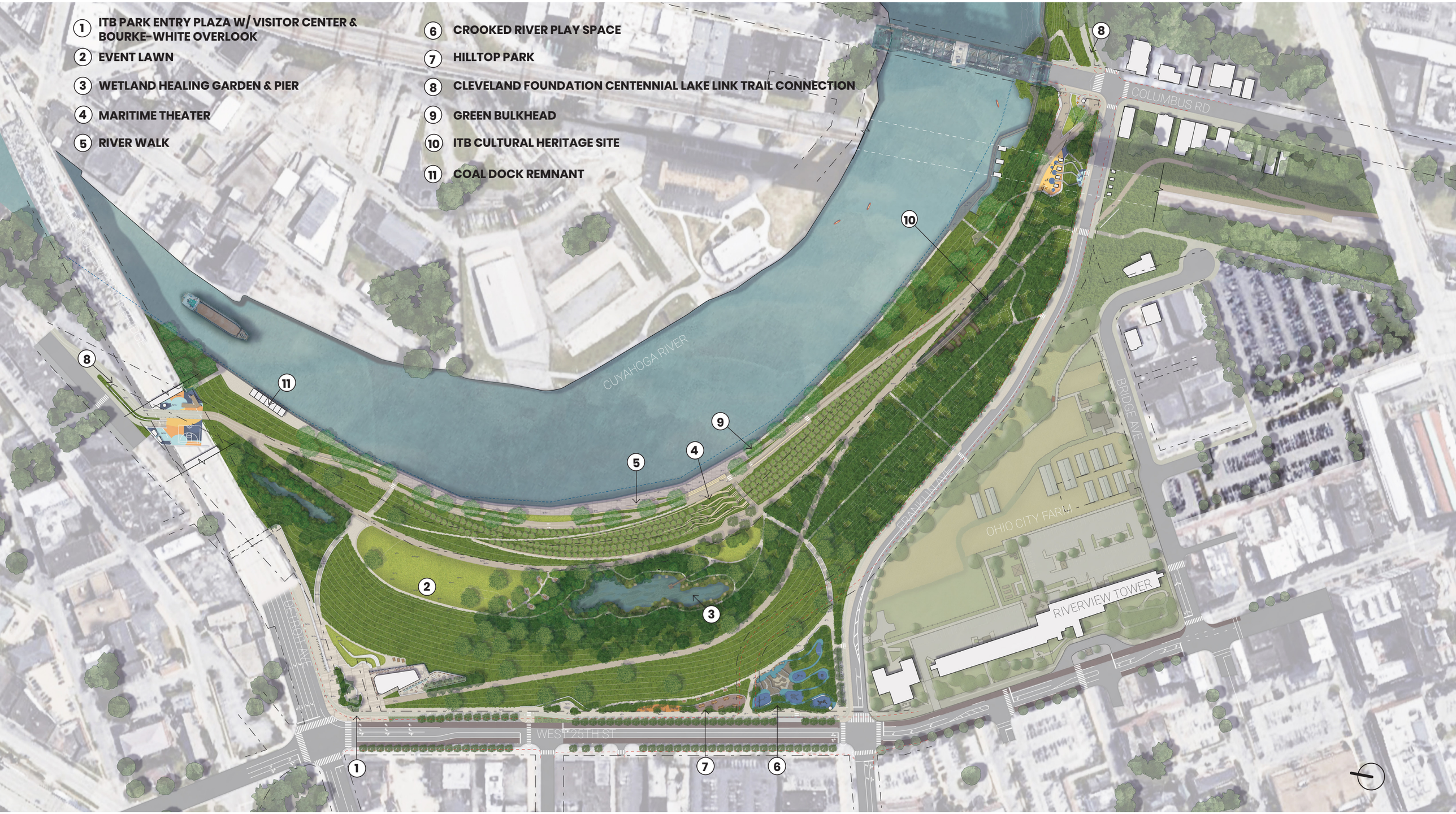

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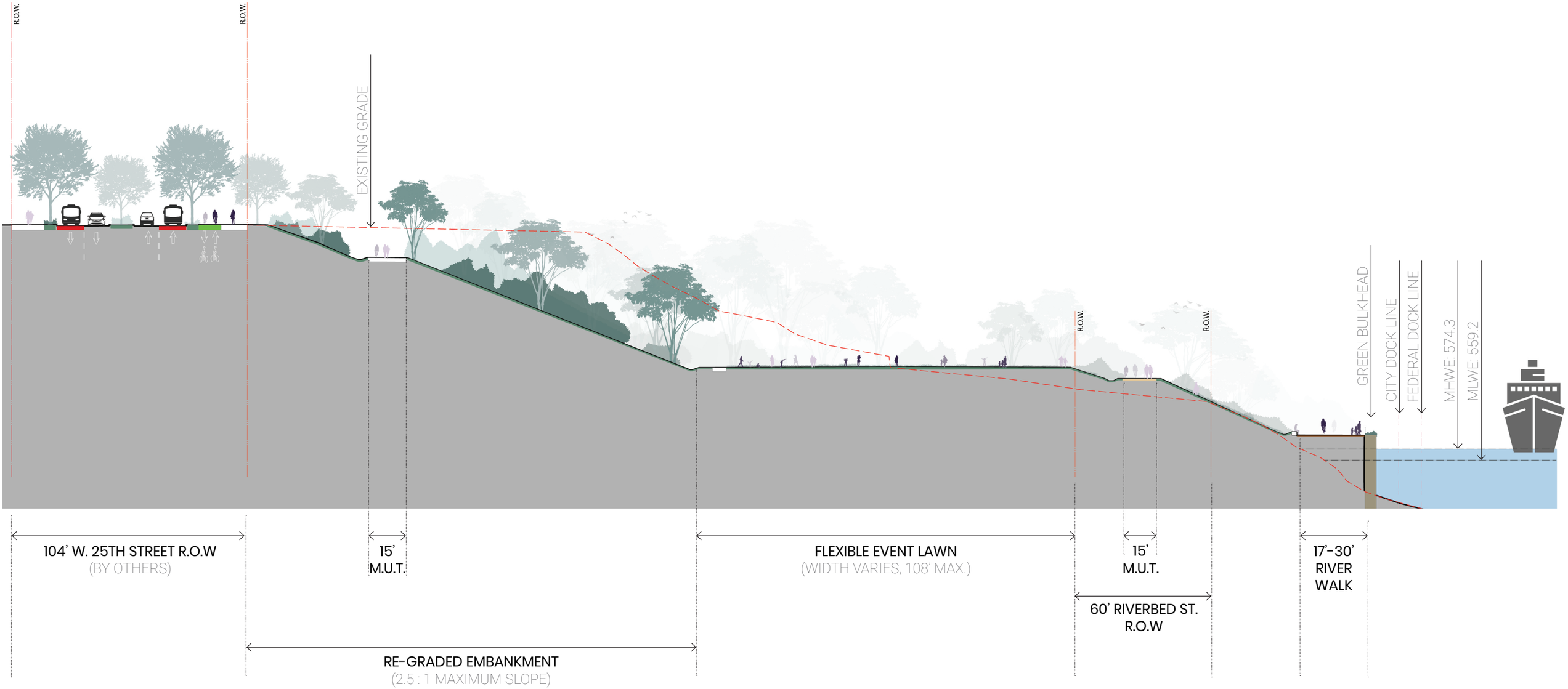

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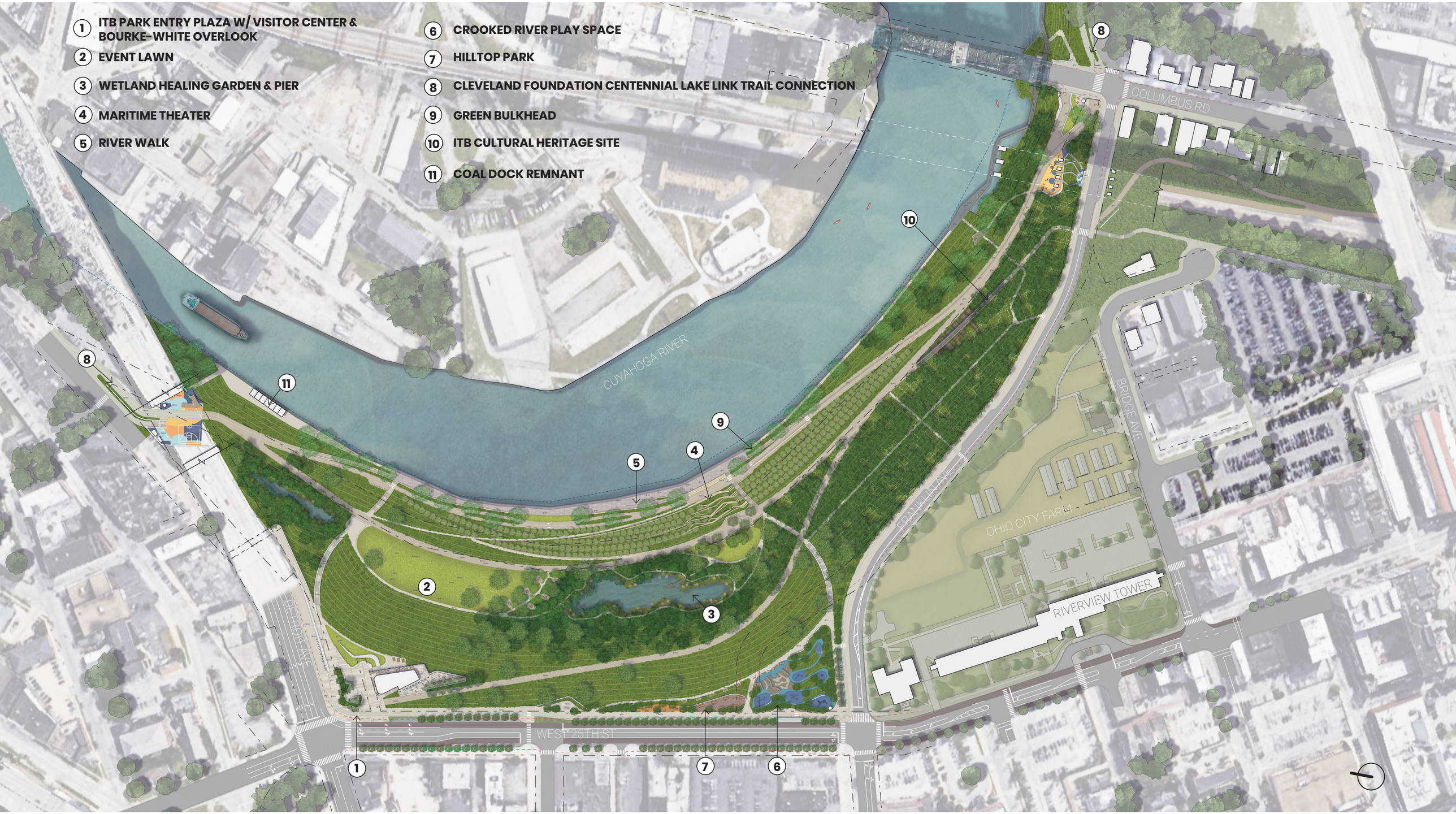

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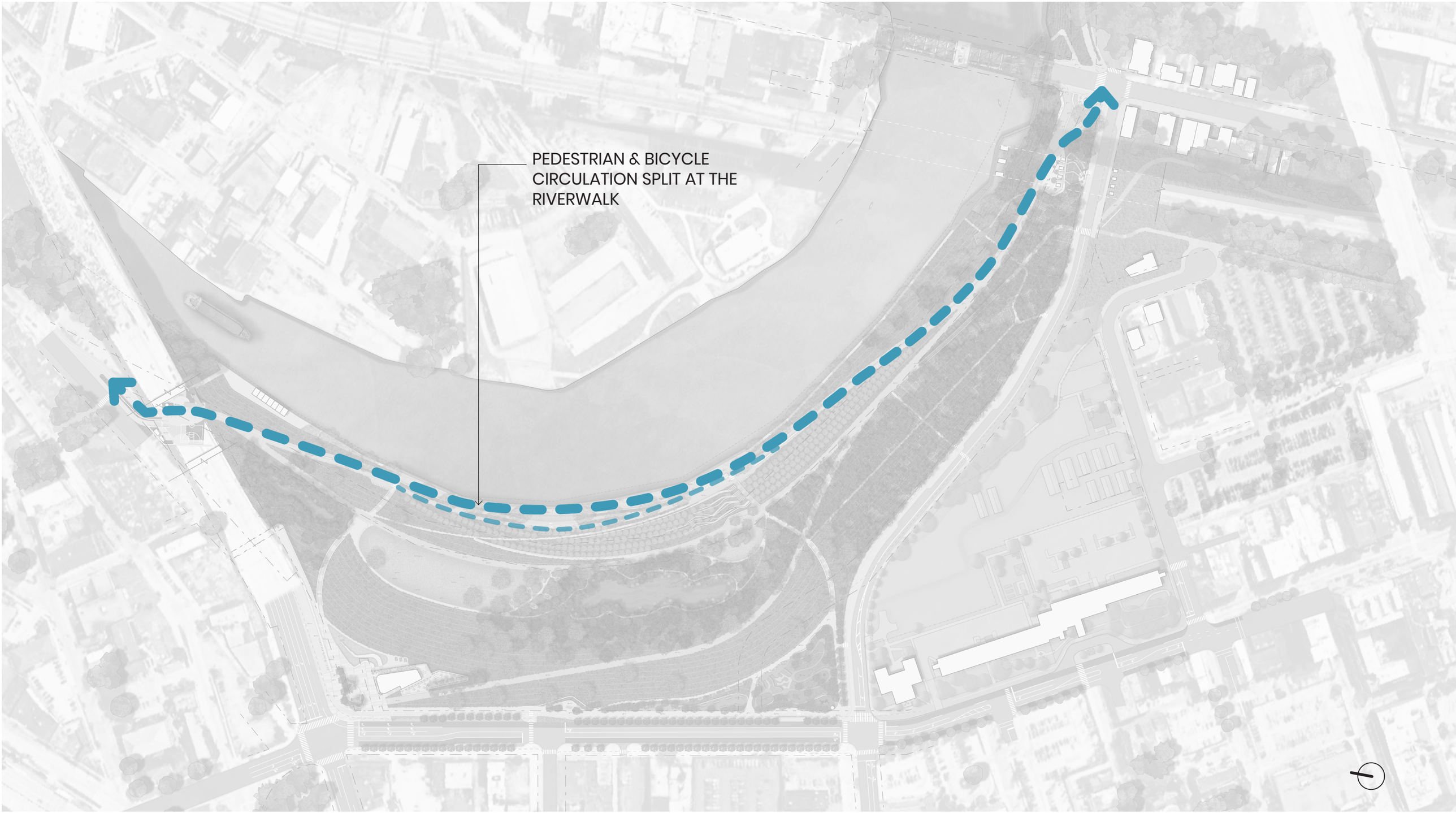

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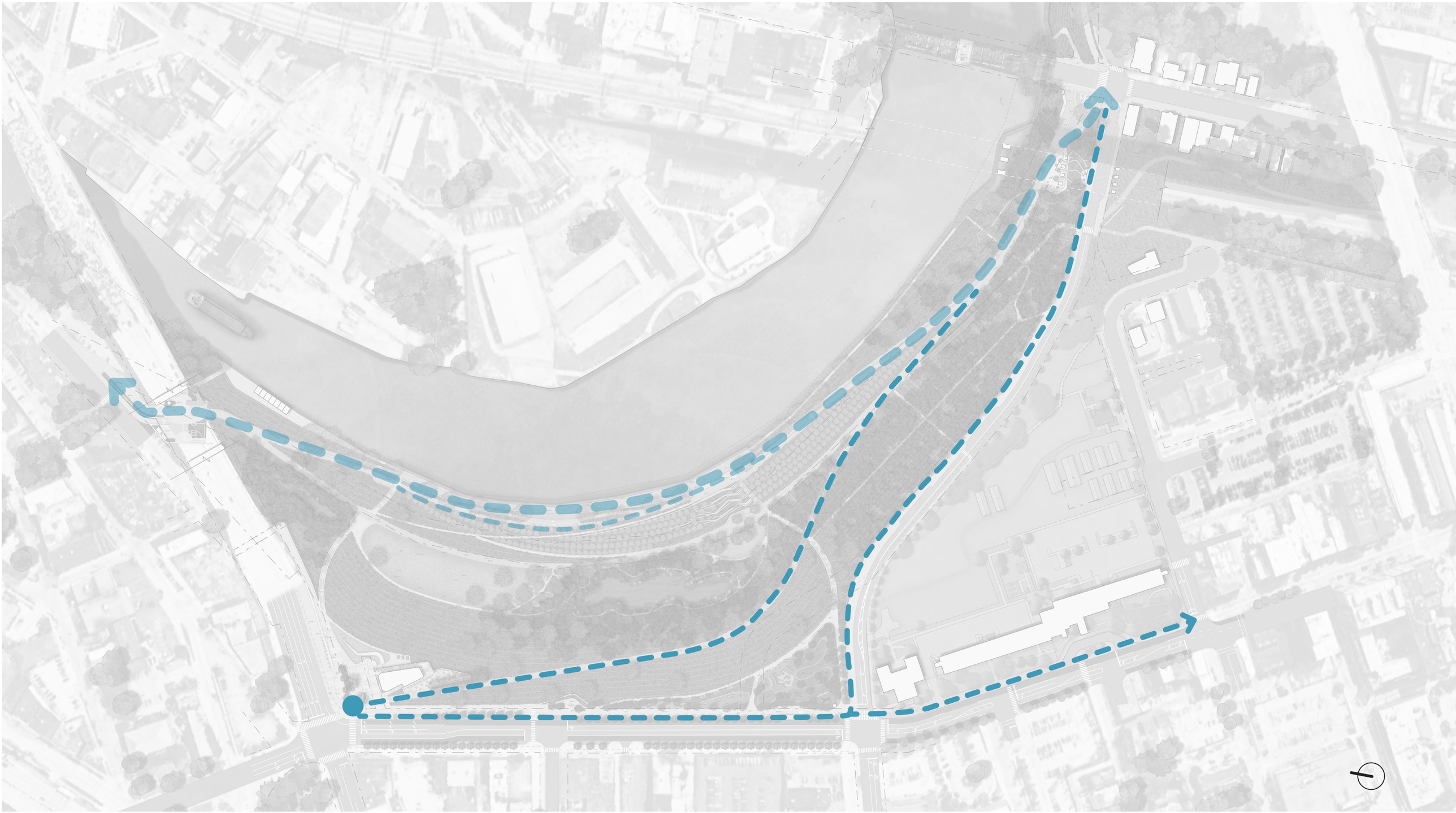

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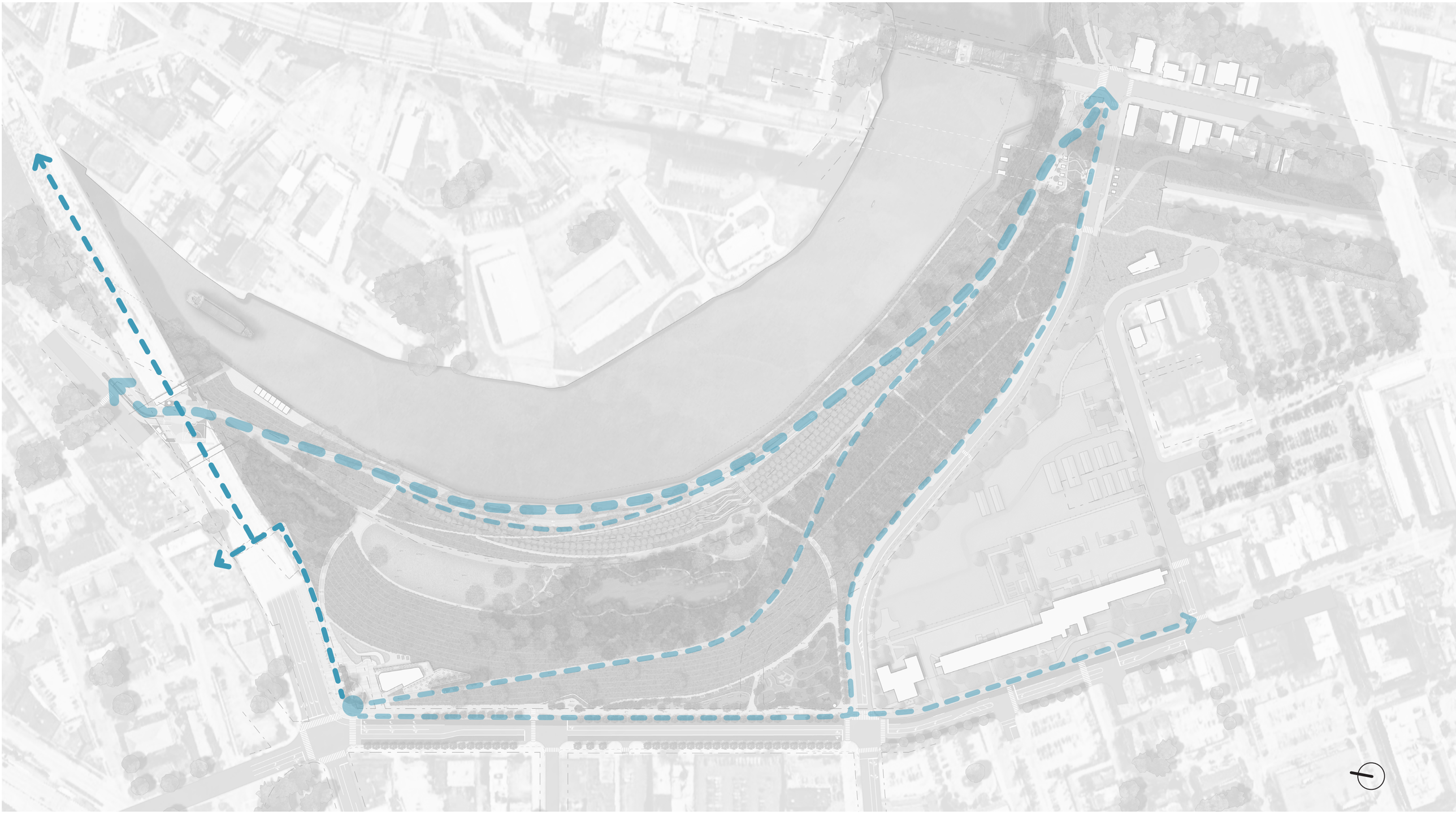

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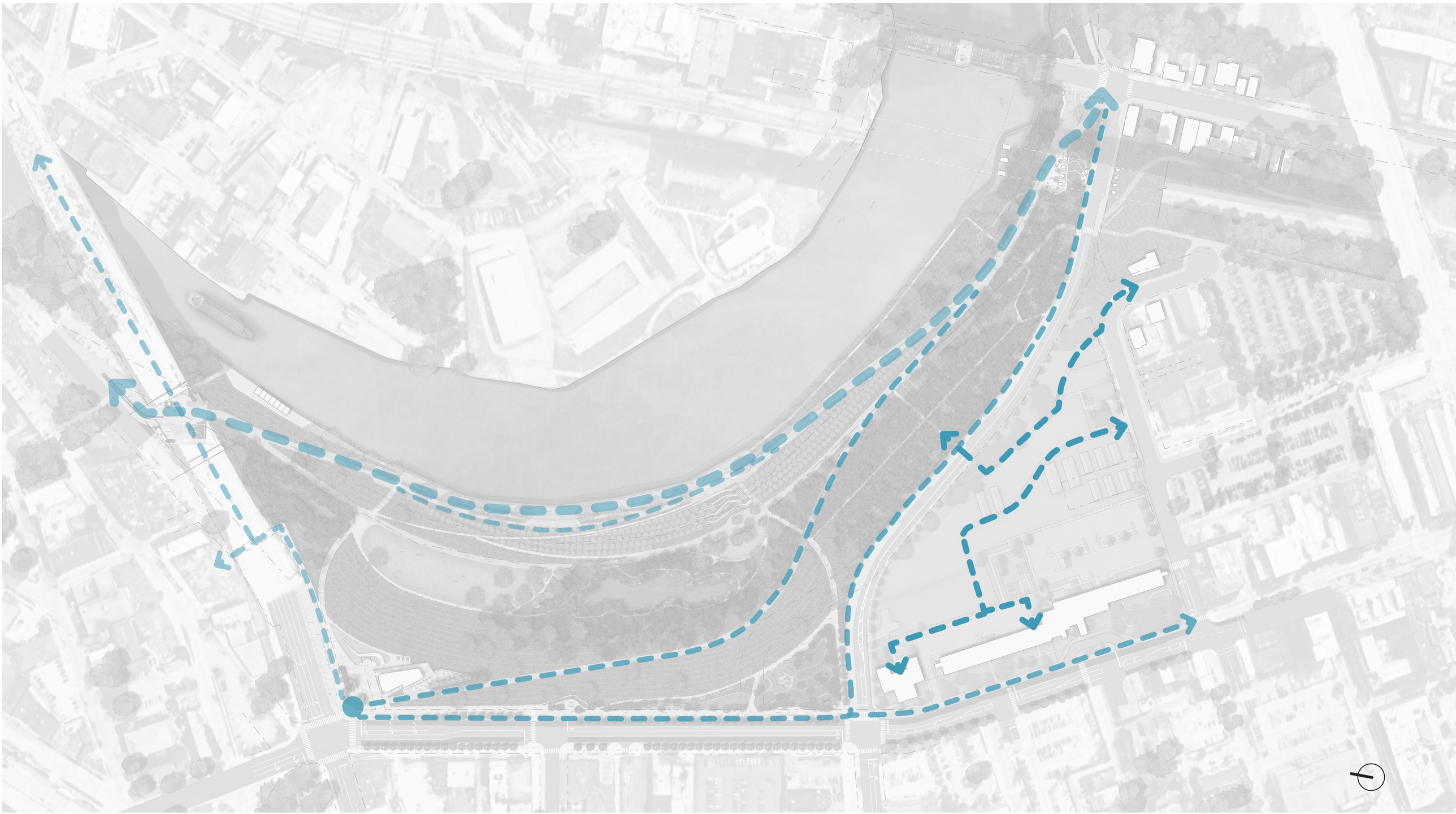

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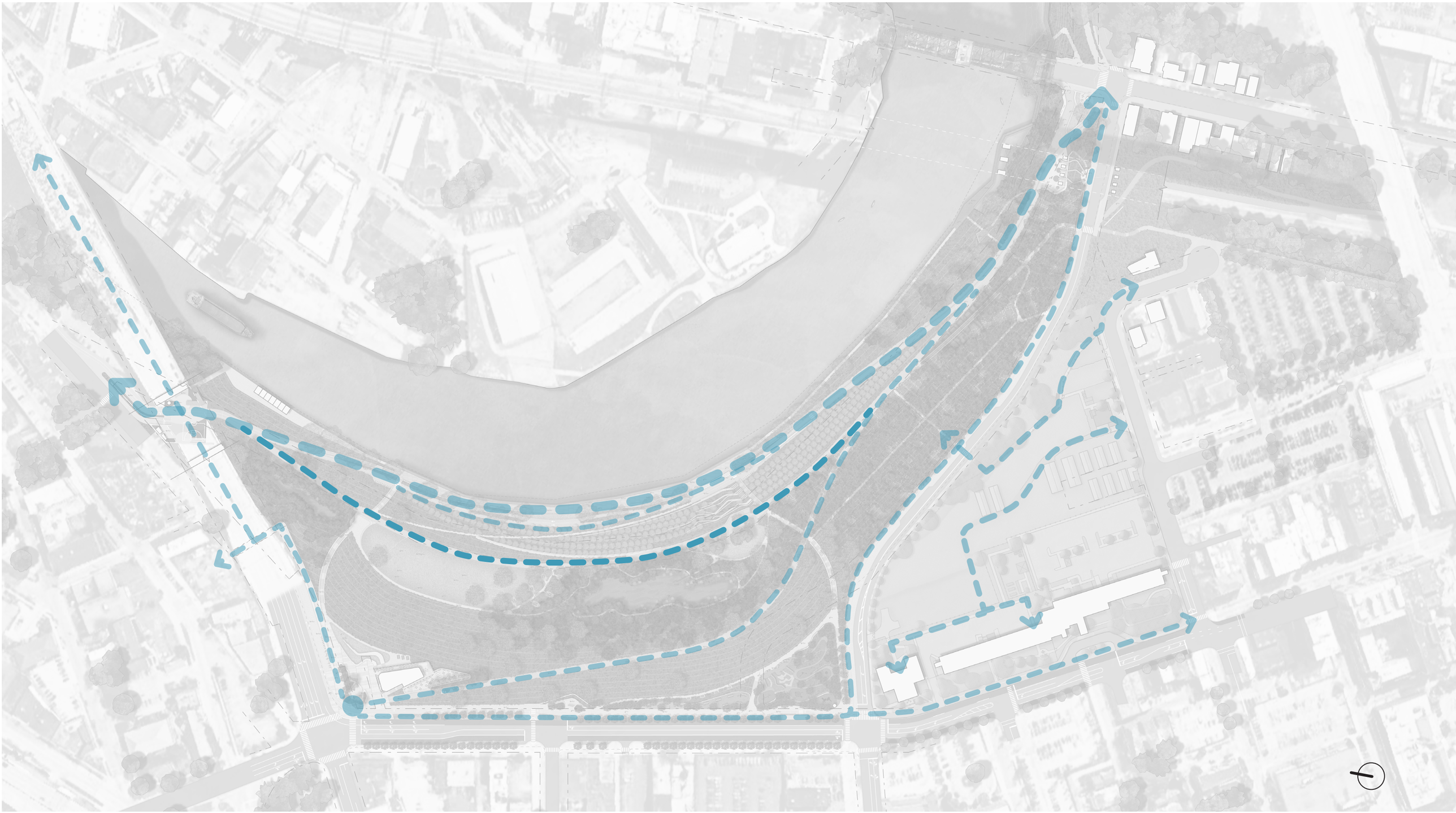

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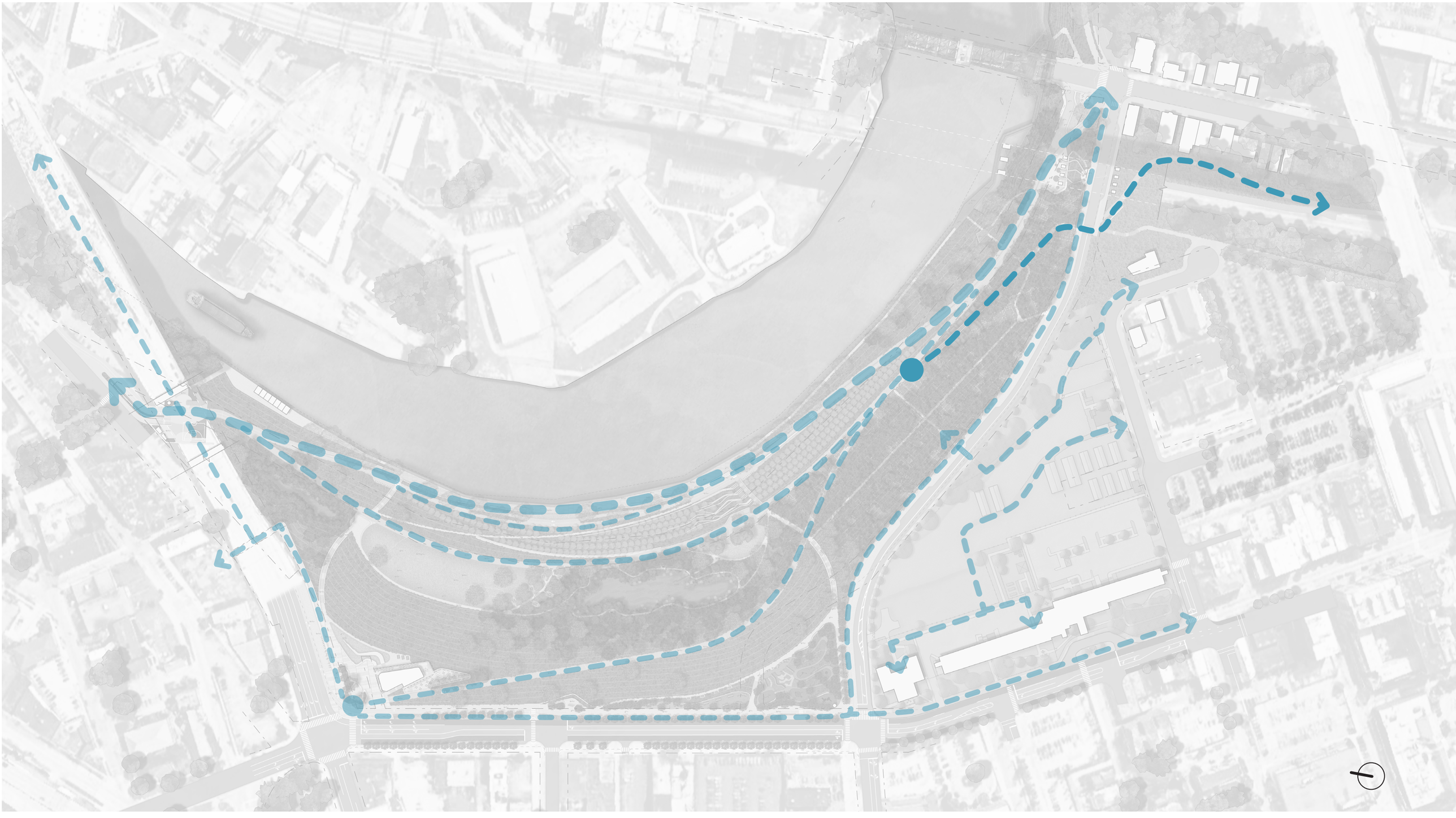

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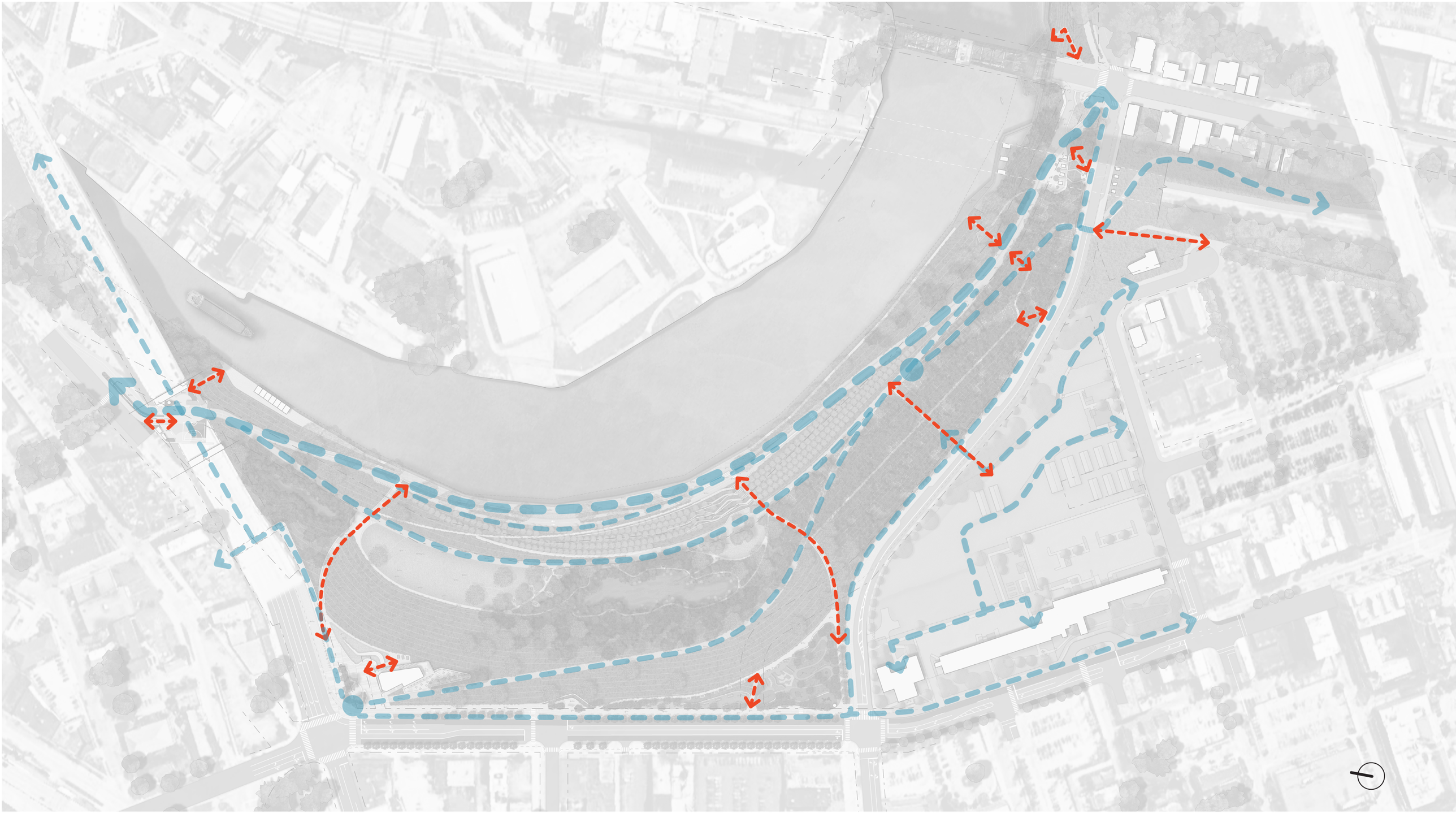

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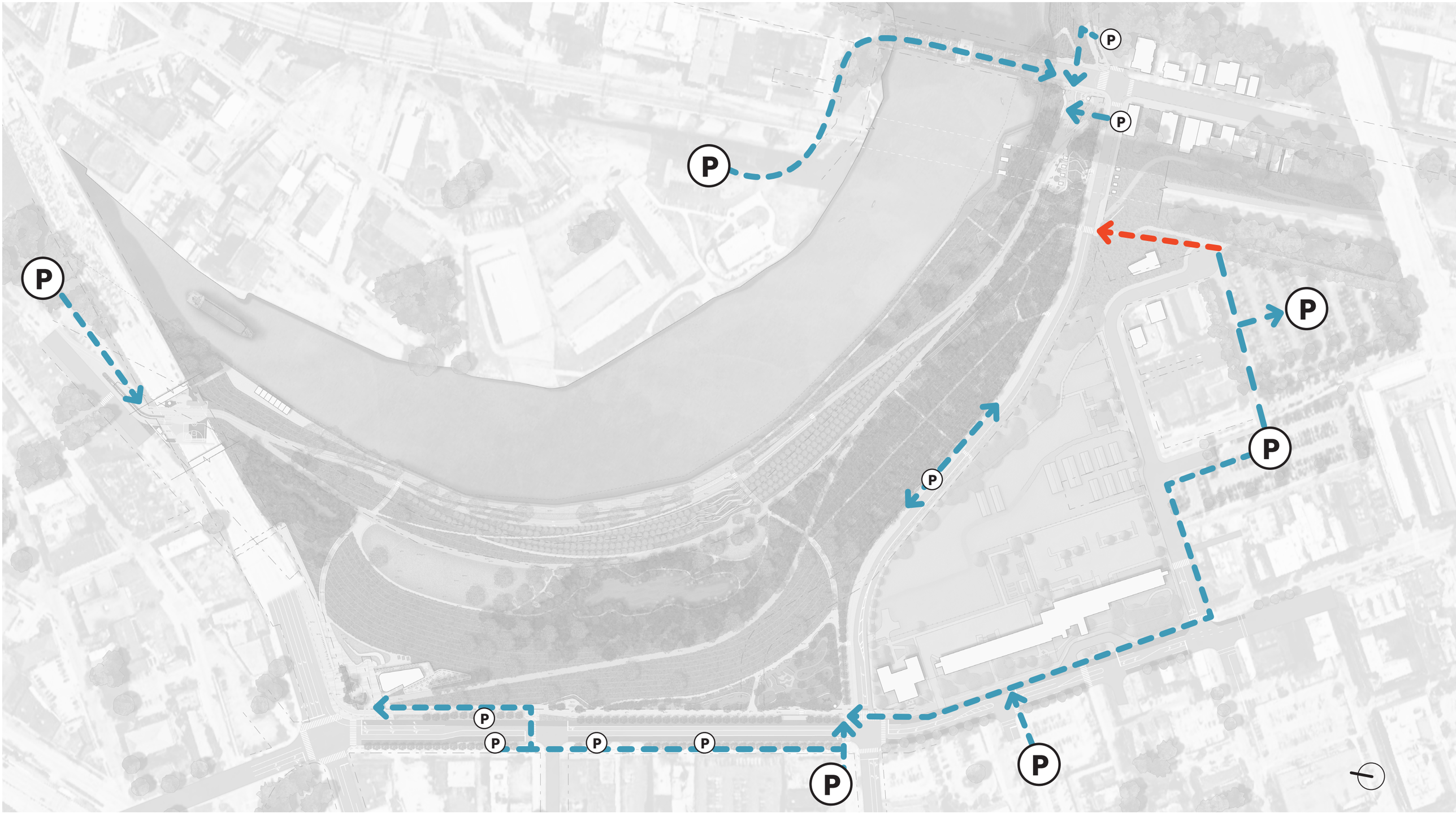

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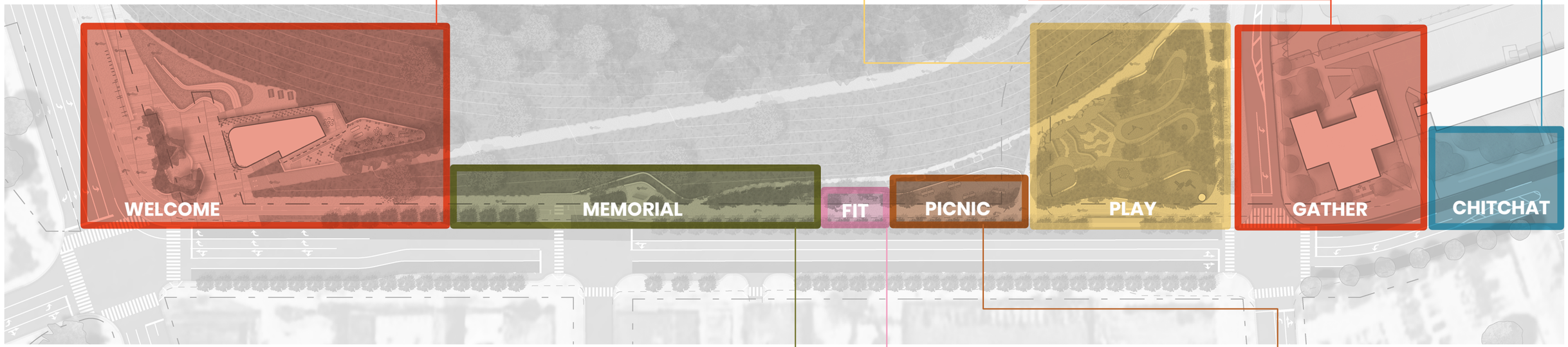
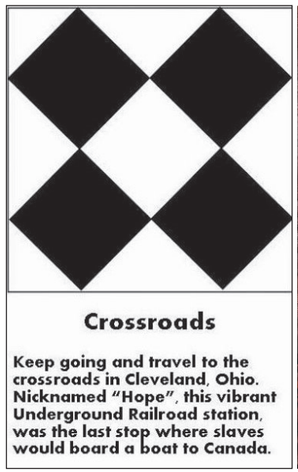
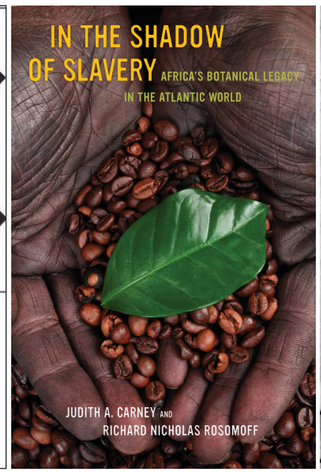
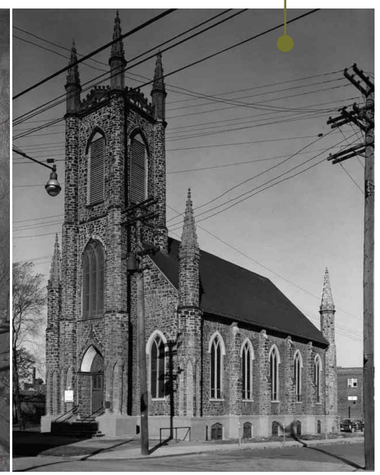
MARGARET BOURKE-WHITE OVERLOOK & WELCOME CENTER CAFE









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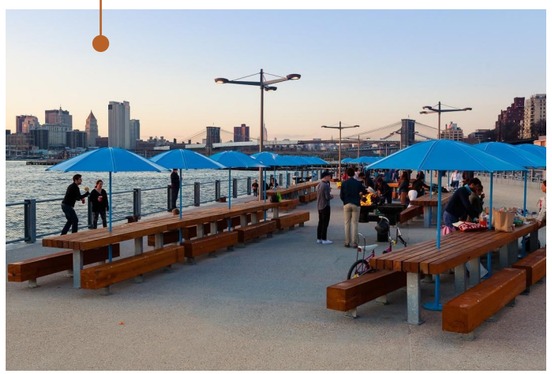

CROOKED RIVER PLAY SPACE @ ITB PARK

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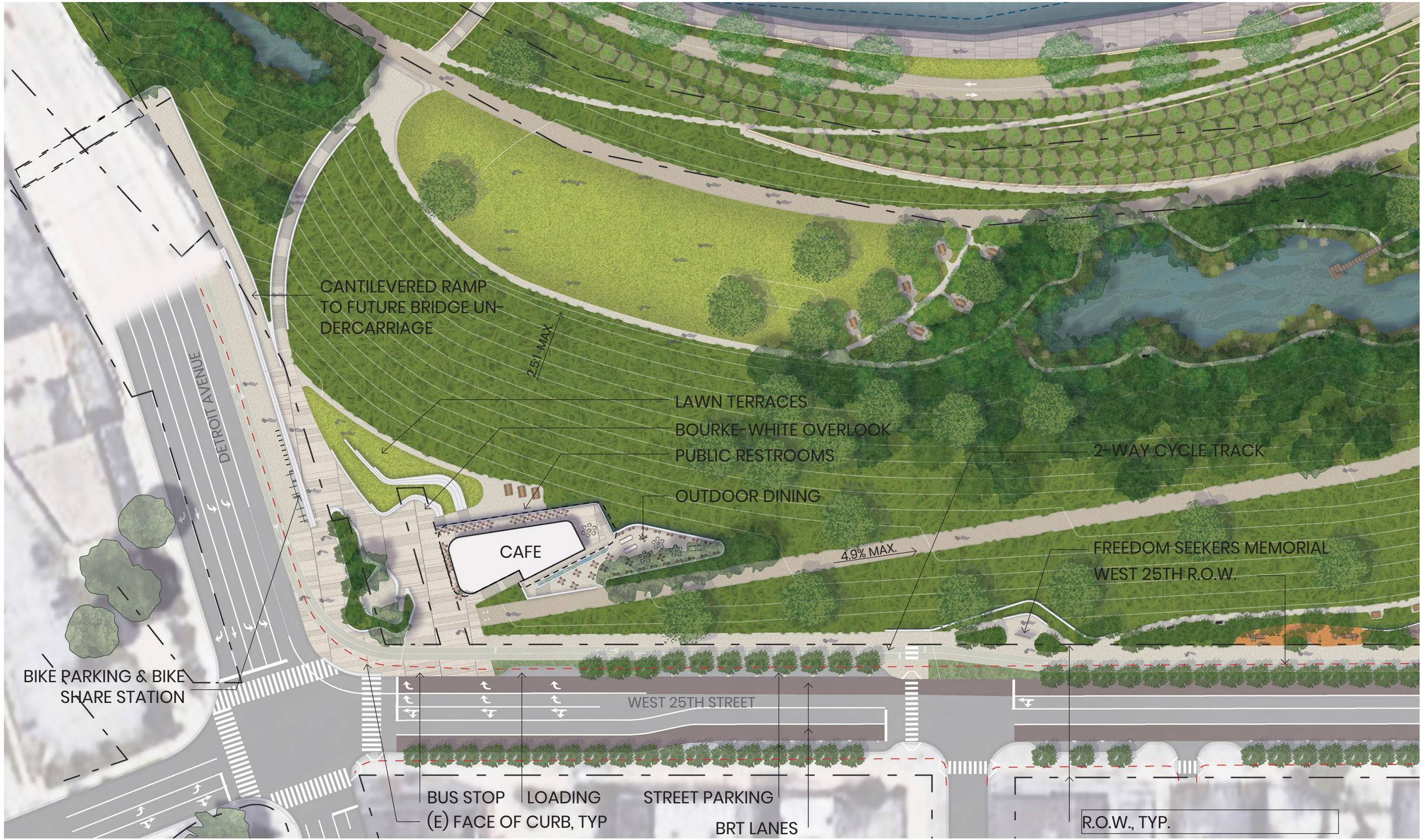

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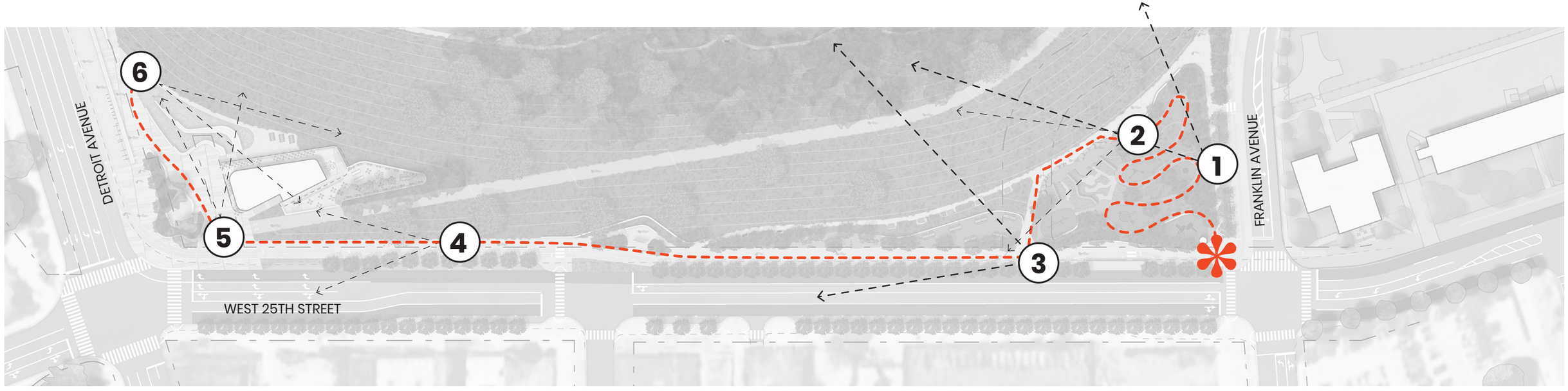

EXISTING CONDITION

CROOKED RIVER PLAY SPACE @ IRISHTOWN BEND PARK

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HILLTOP GRILL GARDEN @ IRISHTOWN BEND PARK

WEST 25TH “COMPLETE STREET” ALONG IRISHTOWN BEND PARK

KEY DIMENSIONS

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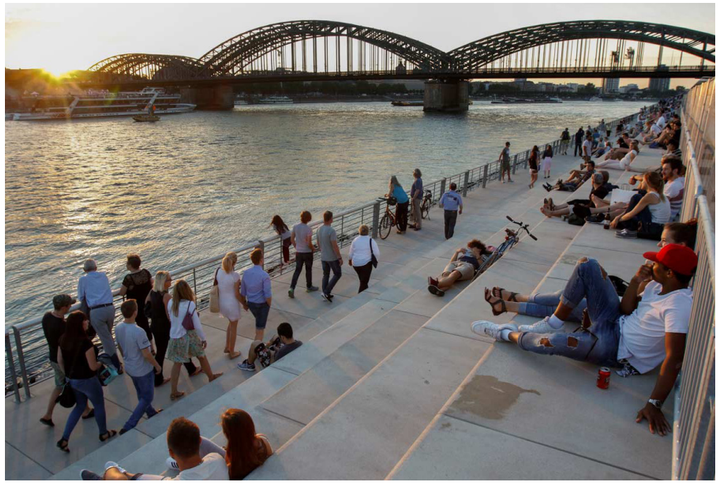

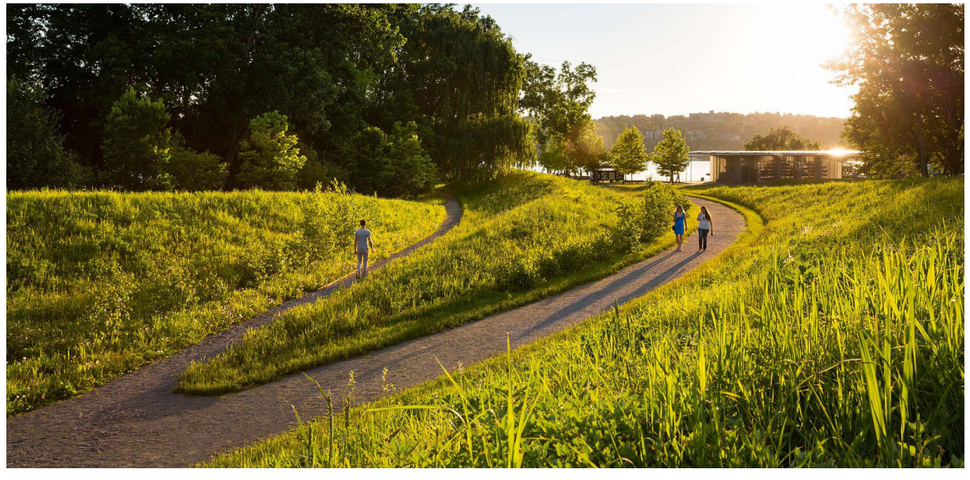

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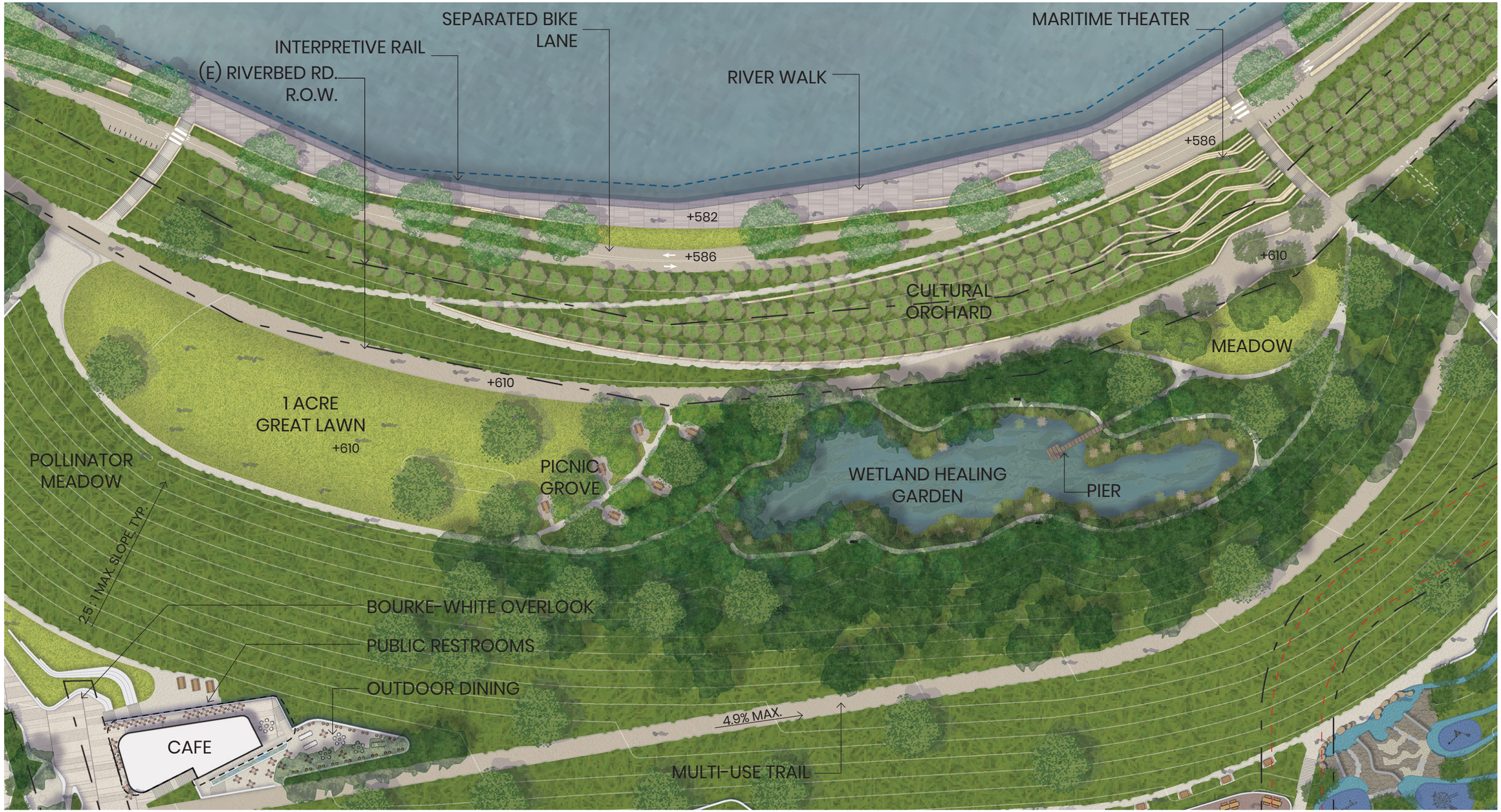

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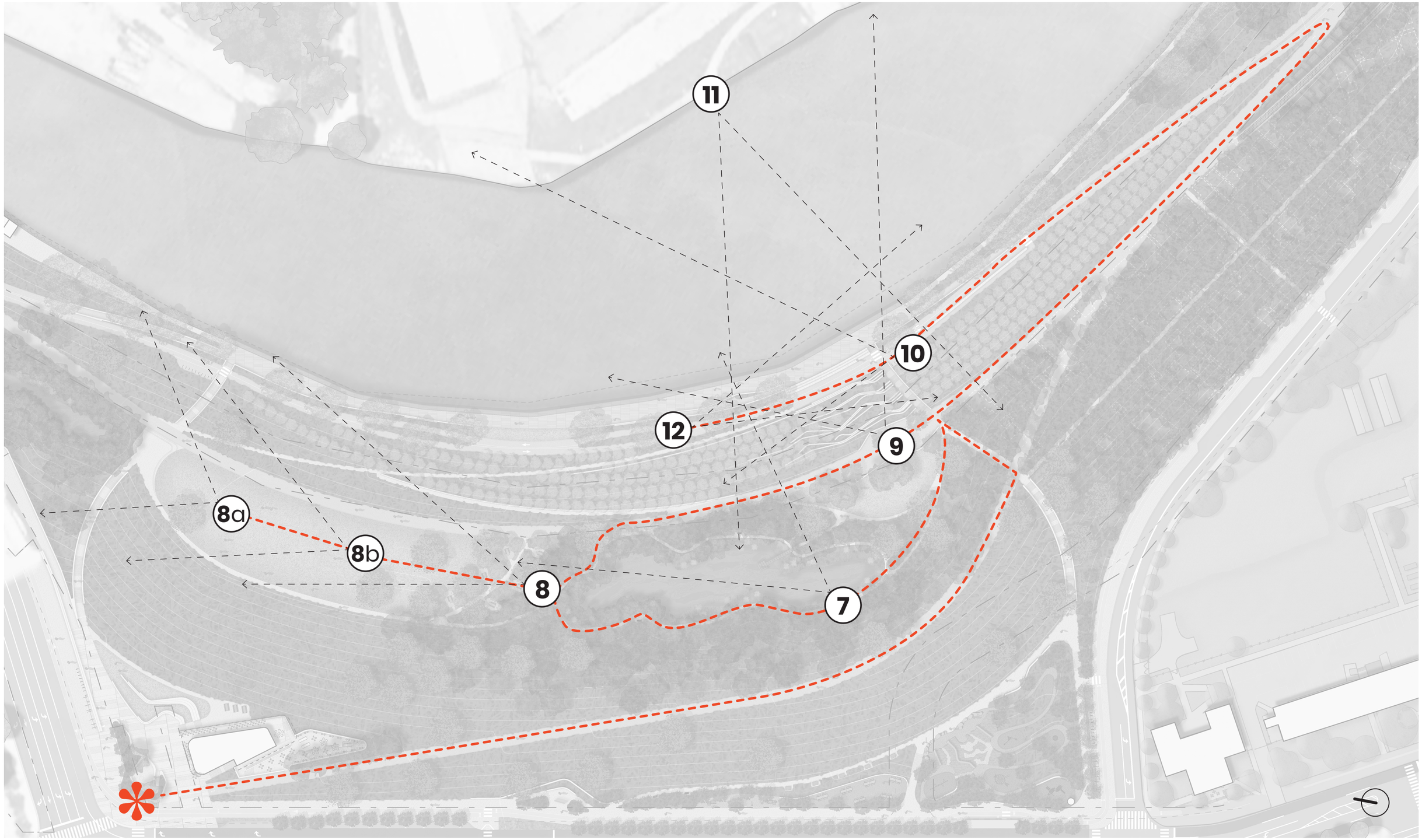

WETLAND HEALING GARDEN – LOOKING NORTHEAST

PICNIC GROVE & GREAT LAWN – LOOKING NORTH

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MARITIME THEATER OVERLOOK - LOOKING NORTHEAST

MARITIME THEATER & RIVER WALK – LOOKING NORTH

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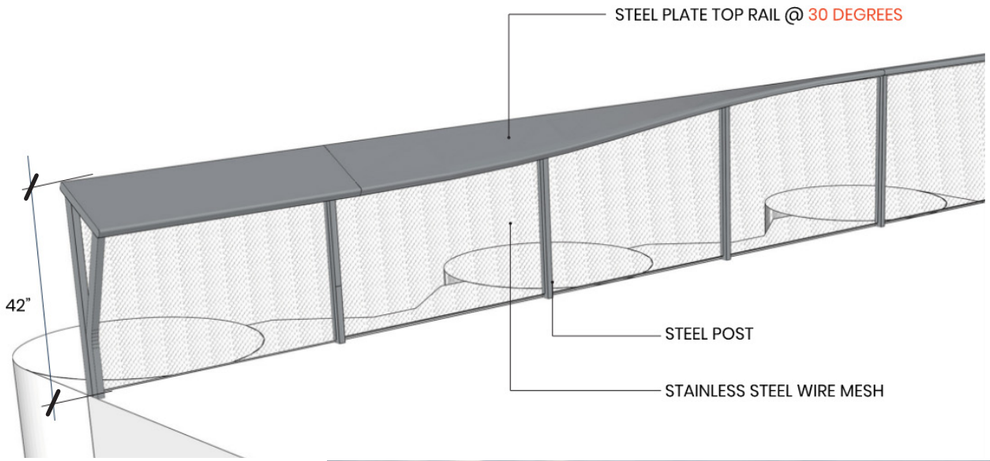

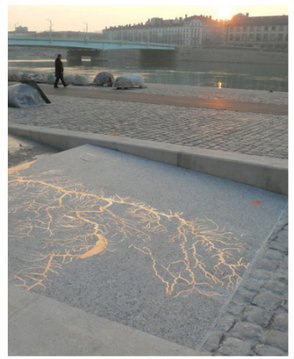

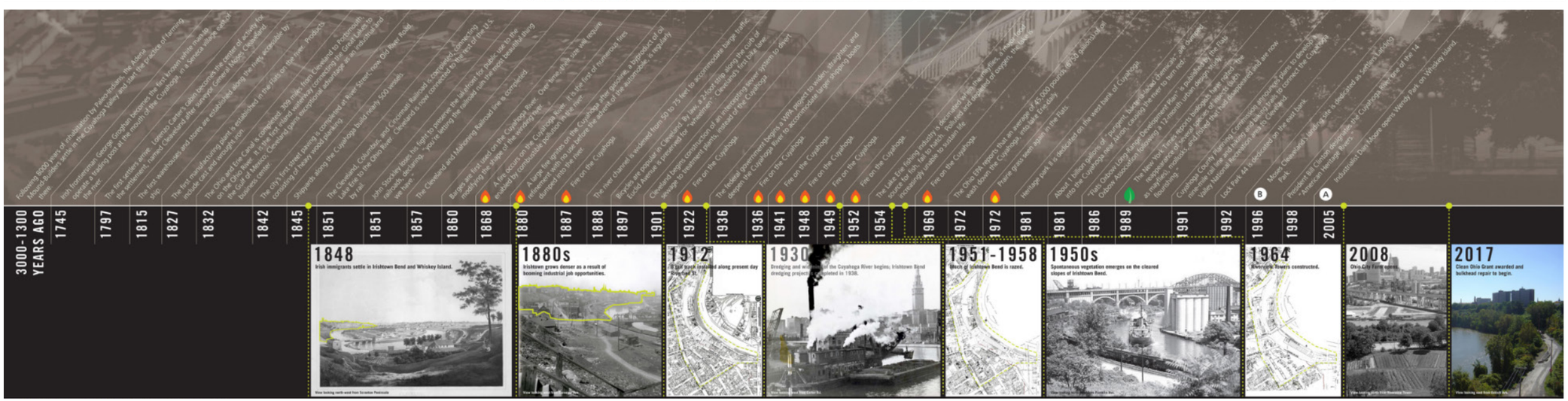

MARITIME THEATER & RIVER WALK – LOOKING WEST

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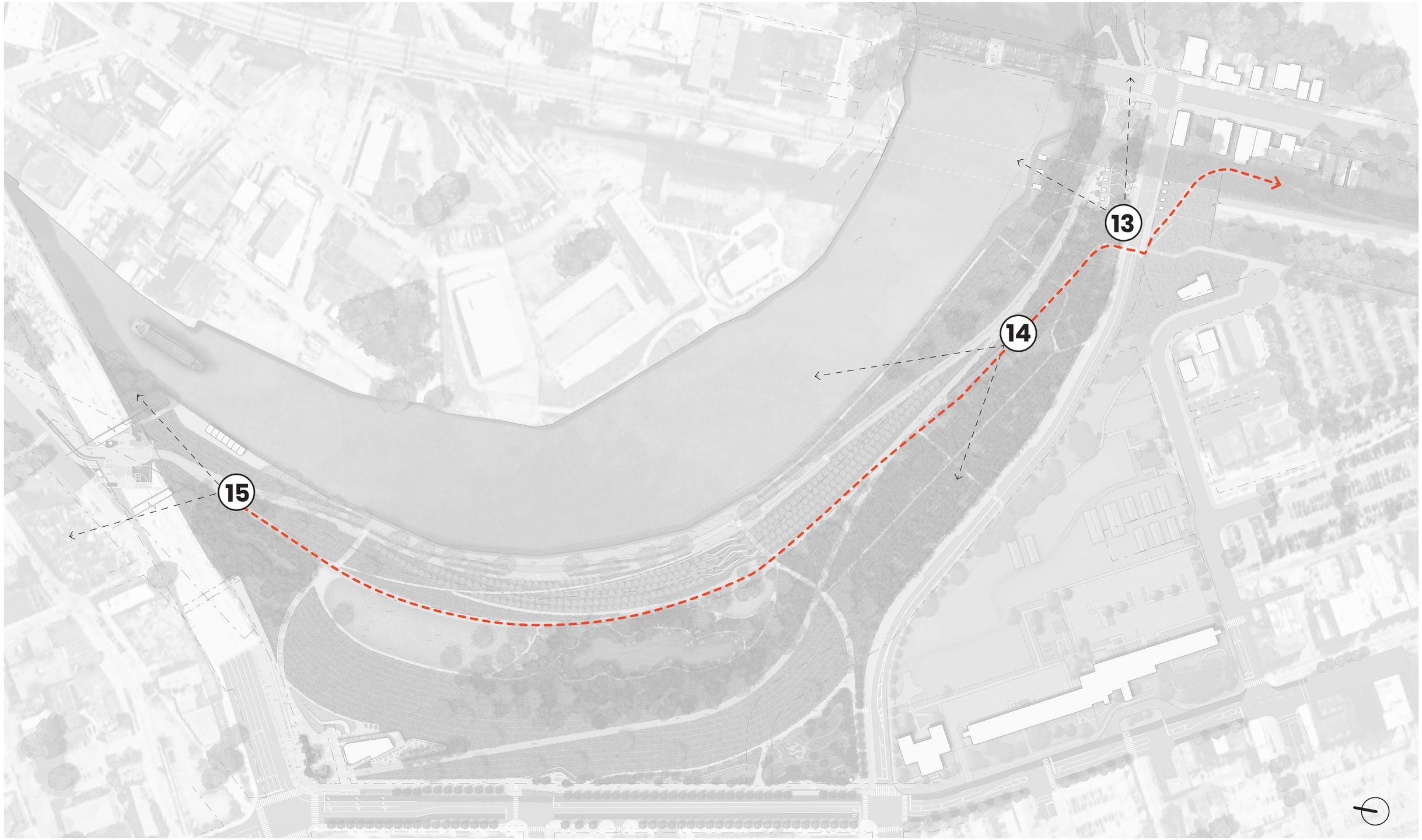
KEY DIMENSIONS

LAKE LINK TRAILHEADS & ITB CULTURAL HERITAGE SITE – KEY PLAN FOR VIEWS 13-15



LAKE LINK TRAIL-HEAD -EAST

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POTENTIAL UNDER BRIDGE BOARDWALK CONNECTION TO 2021 CARTER SLOPE STUDY DESIGN (BY OTHERS)

REALIGNED LAKE LINK TRAIL

RESTROOM & ENTRY PYLON

RIVER OVERLOOK

LAWN TERRACES

OLD RIVERBED ROAD R.O.W.

RTA VIADUCT OVERHEAD

SLIDES

POTENTIAL BOARDWALK TO CONNECT ITB RIVERWALK TO PROPOSED 2021 CARTER SLOPE STUDY (BY OTHERS)

FEDERAL DOCK LINE

ITB CULTURAL HERITAGE SITE

STAIR TRAIL TO WEST SIDE MARKET

CARTER ROAD

COLUMBUS ROAD

FRANKLIN AVENUE

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LAKE LINK TRAIL-HEAD -EAST

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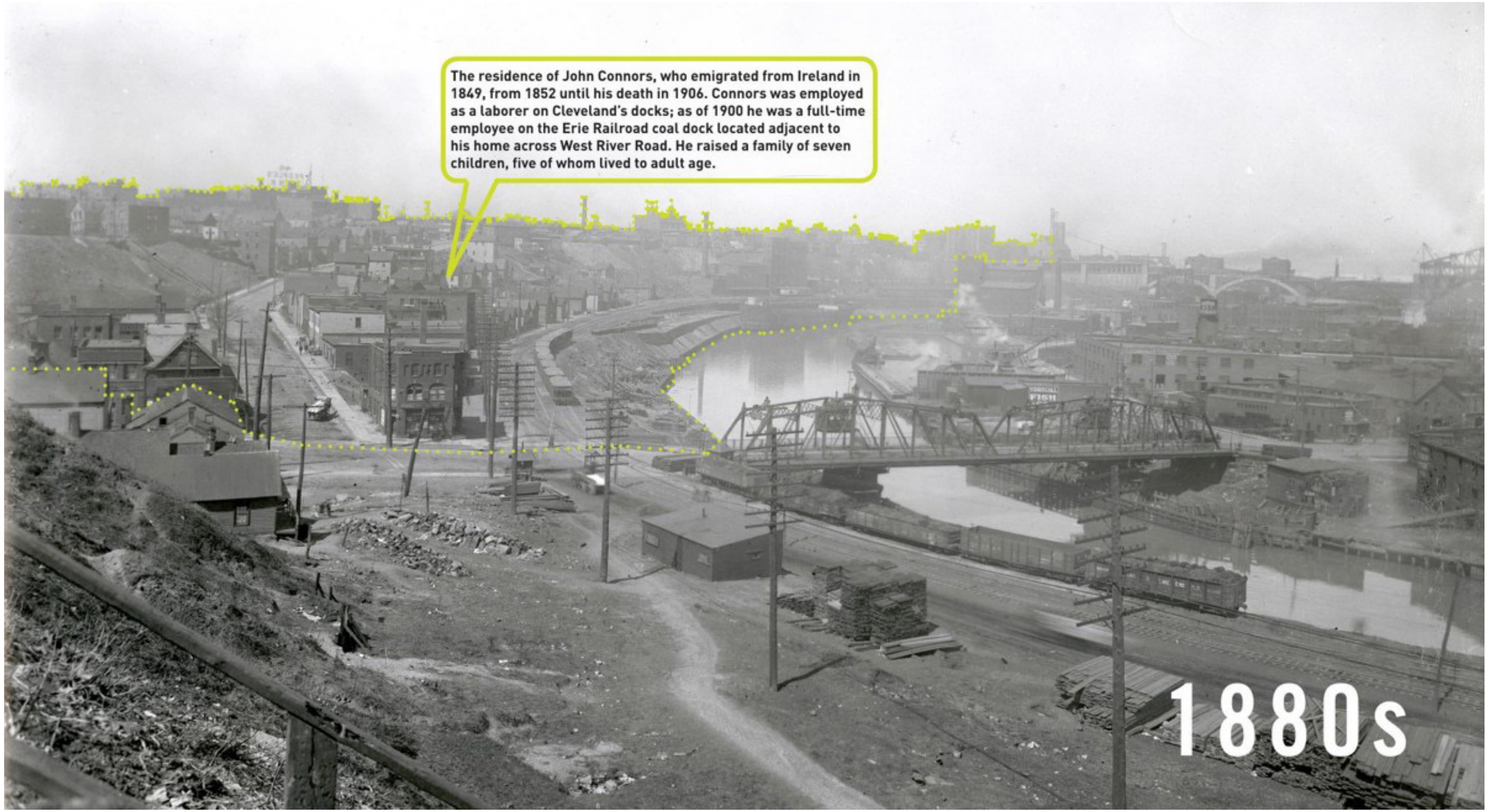

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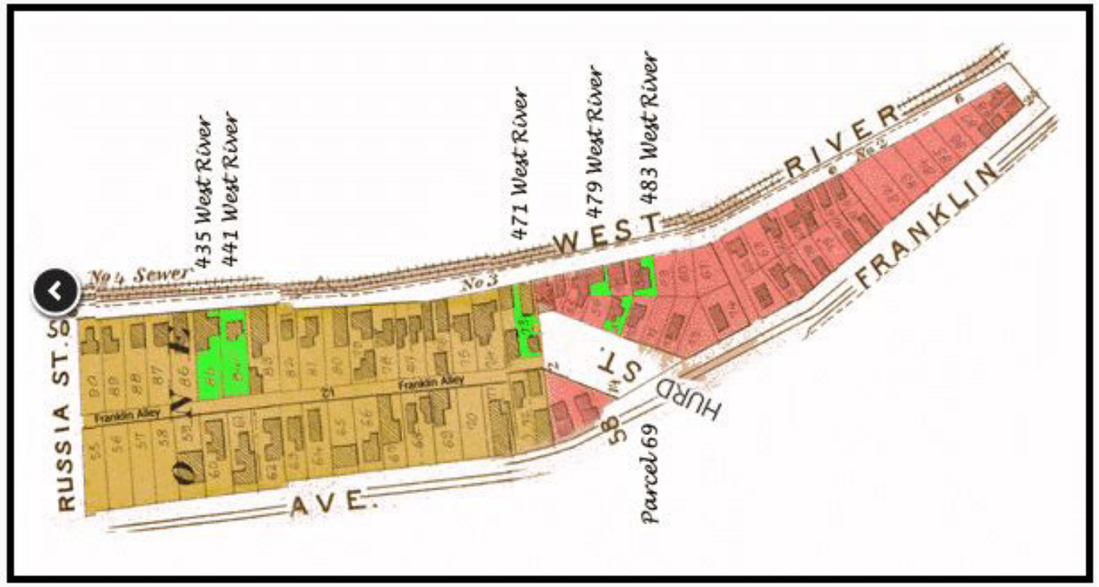

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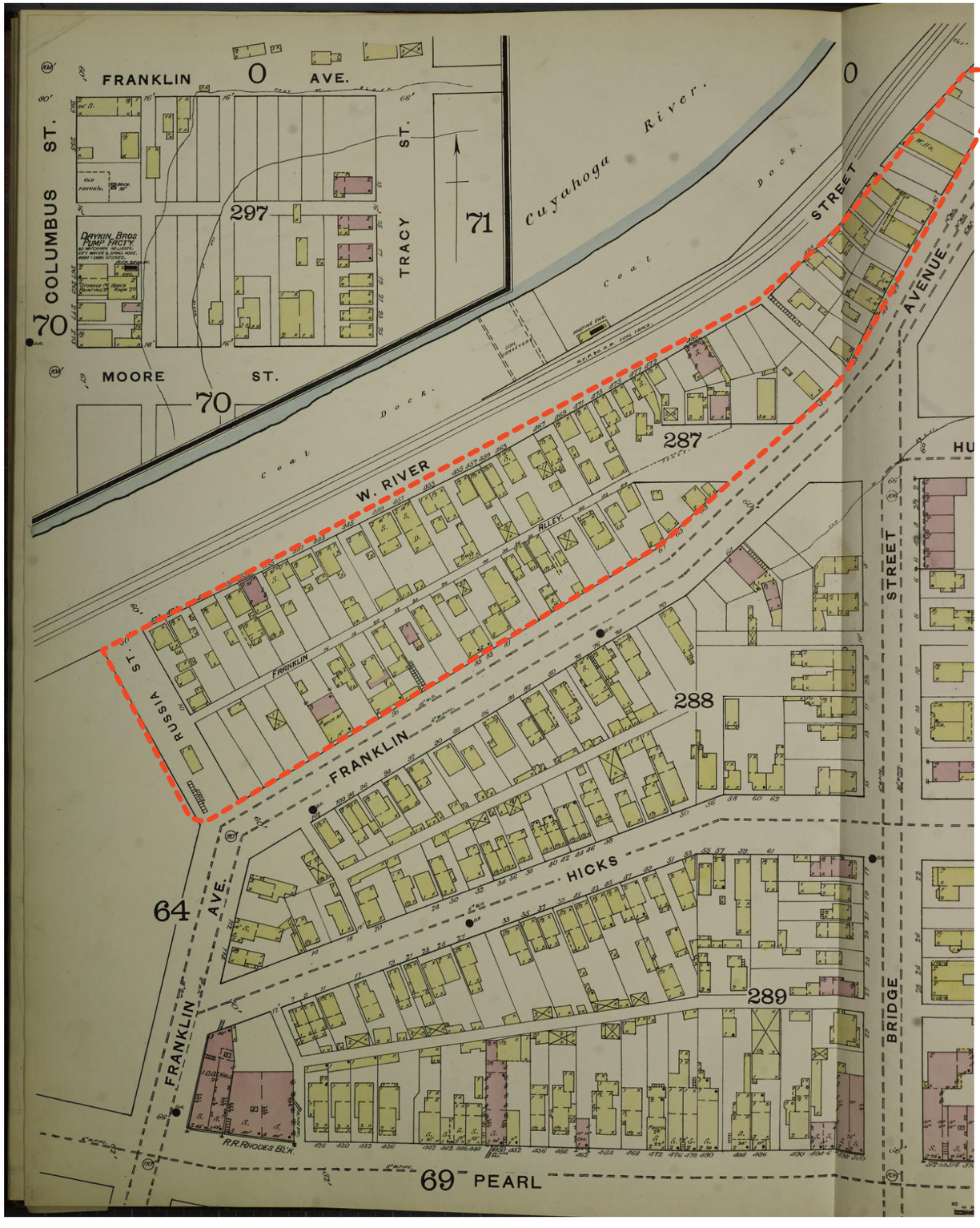

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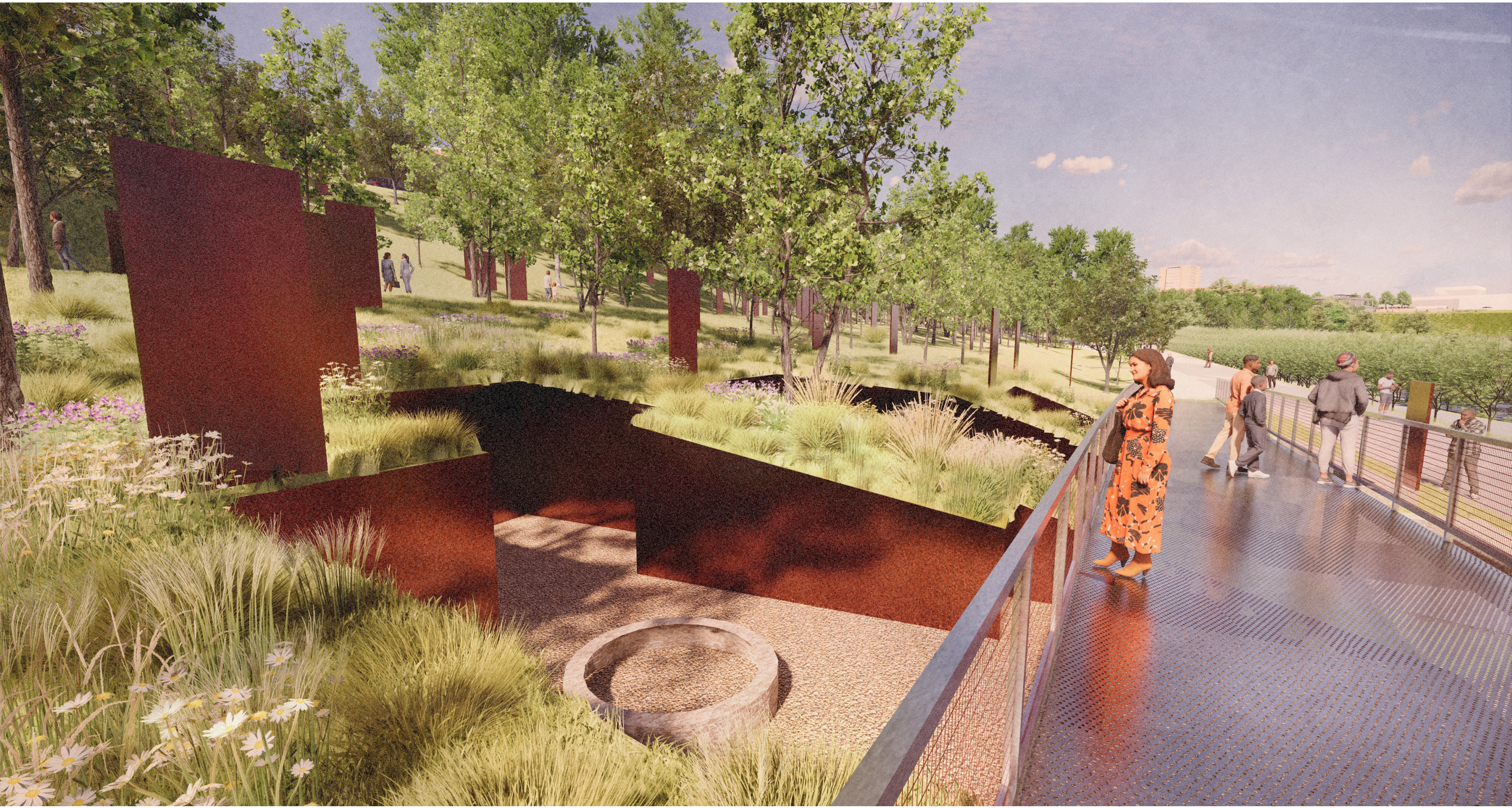

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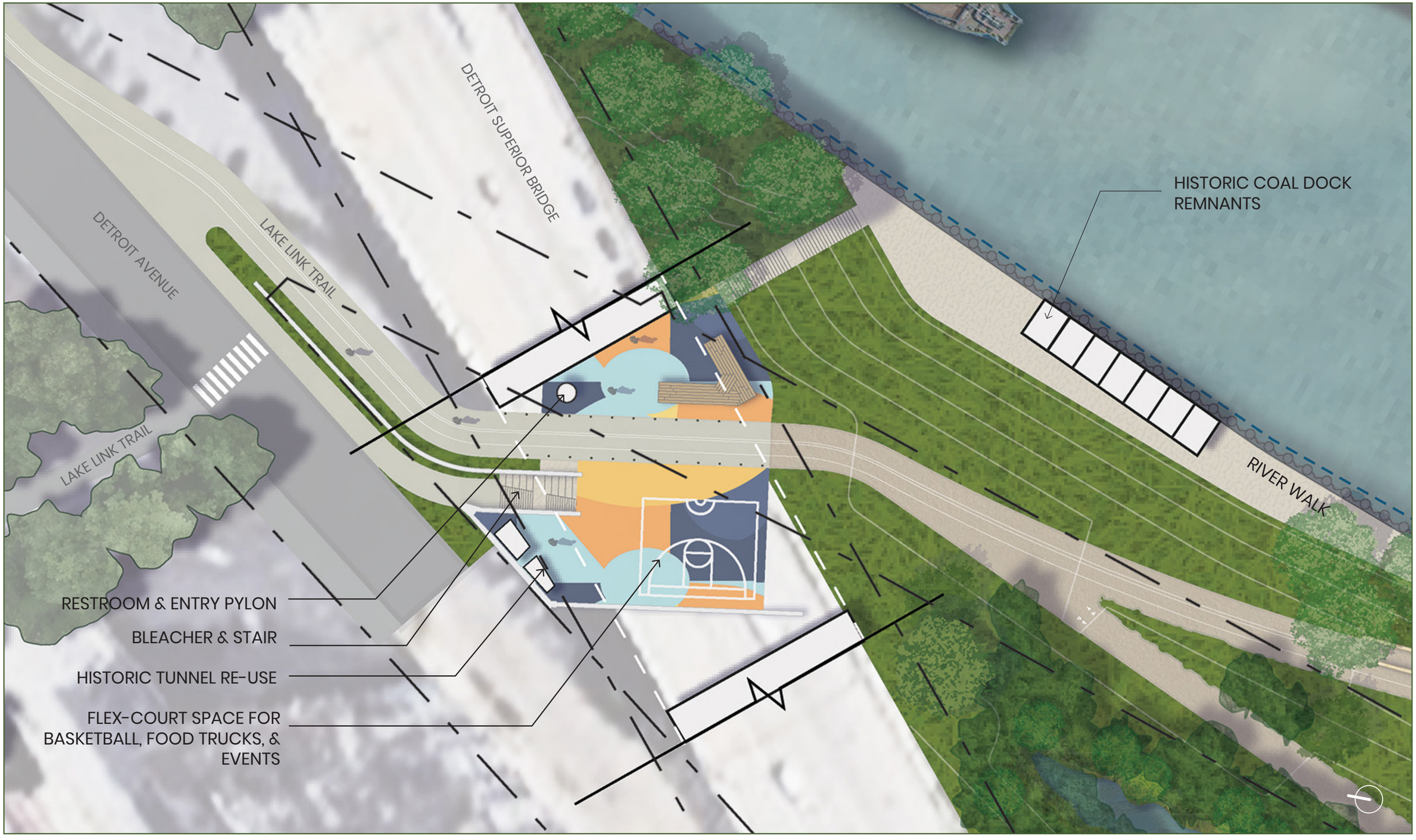

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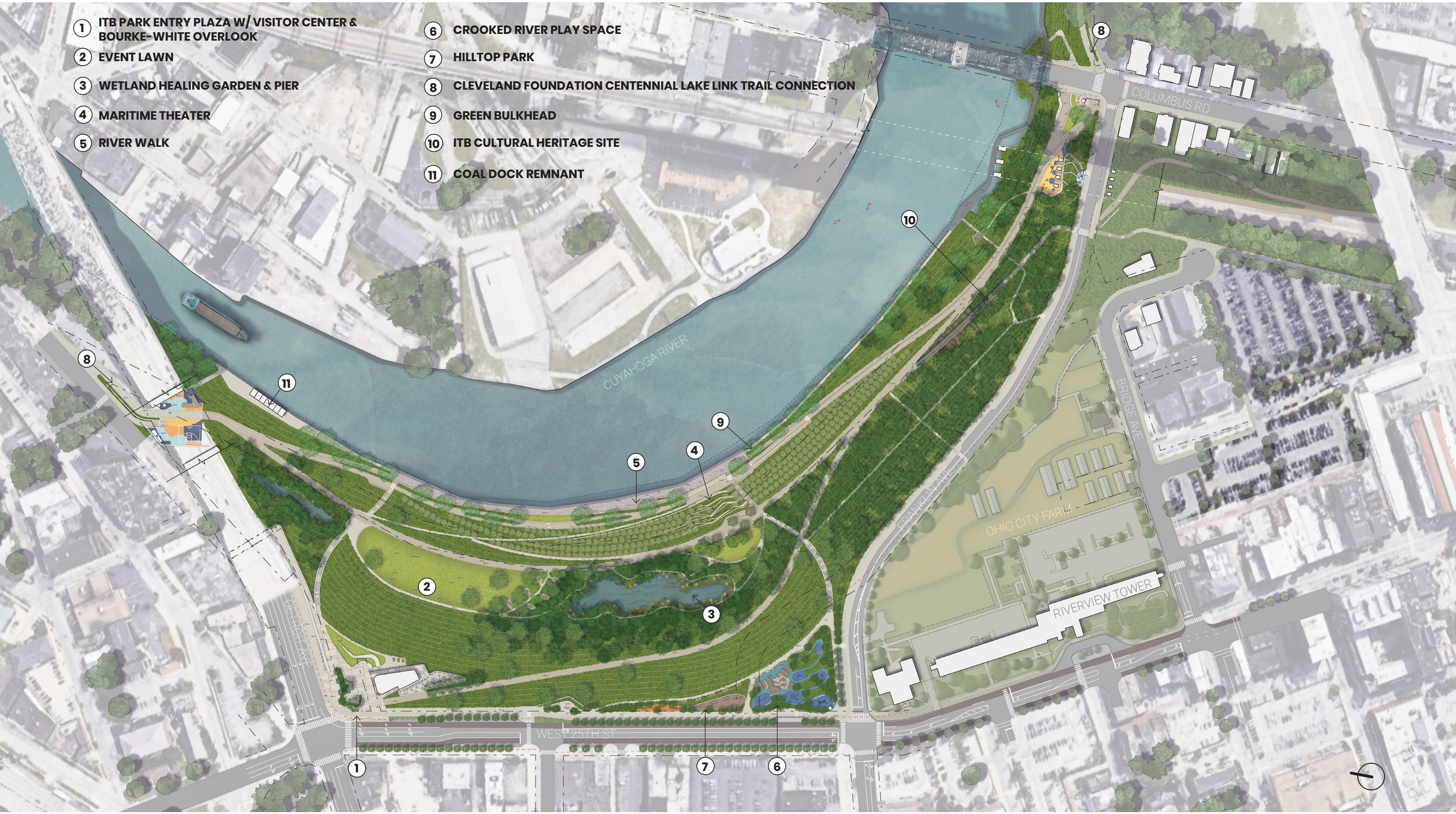

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