

CALAHAN PARK

Public Workshop

December 1, 2021







Agenda

Introduction / Agenda

10 Min.

Community Outreach

5 Min.

Master Plan Goals

30 Min.

Master Plan

15 Min.

Community Feedback / Q&A

CALAHAN PARK COMMUNITY

CITY WORKING GROUP



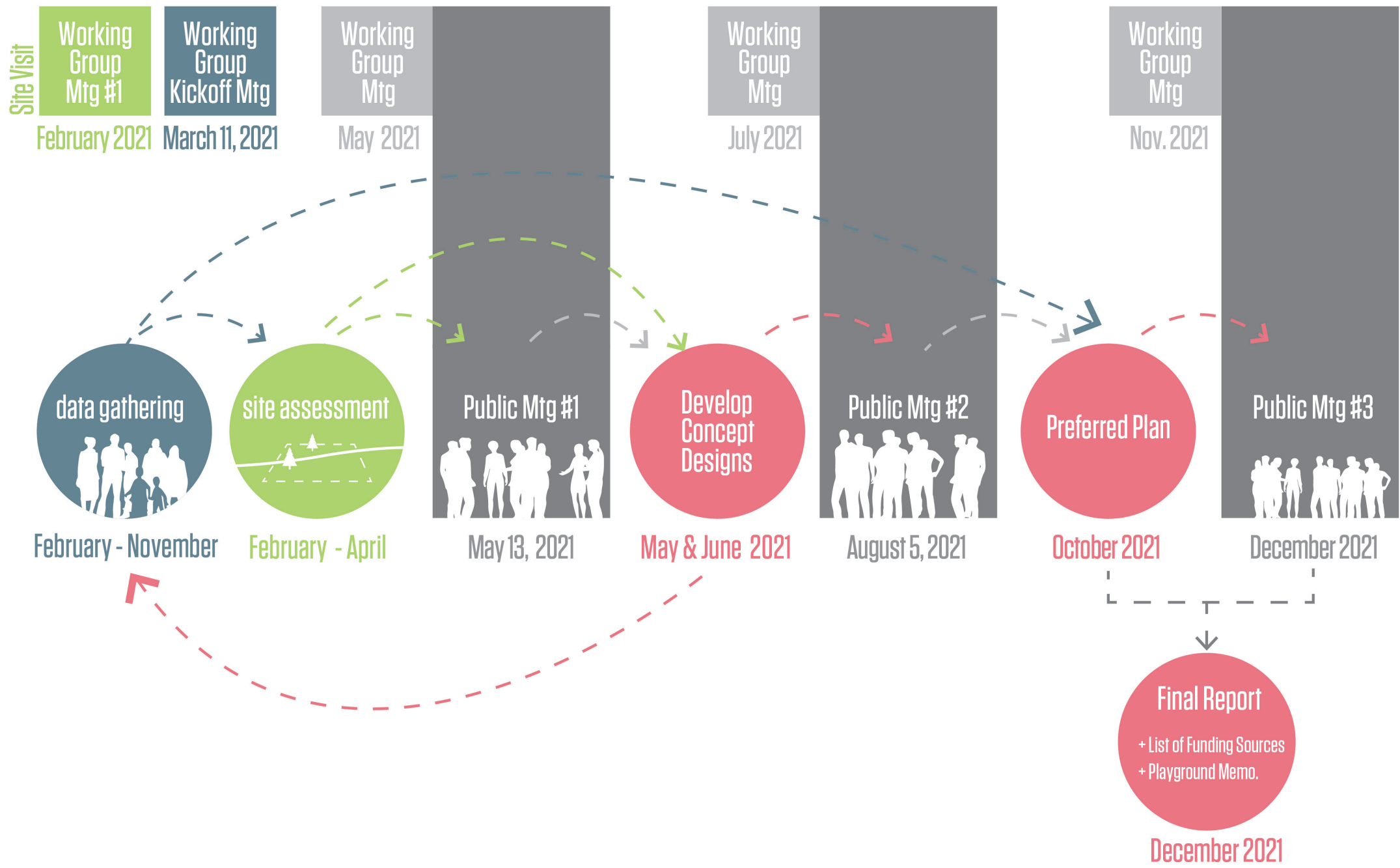
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DESIGN TEAM - SUB CONSULTANTS



bi-weekly check-in meetings - - - - ->





Community Outreach



Community Questionnaire (188 Responses)

Focus Groups (16 Attendees)

Virtual Public Workshop #1 (40 Attendees)

Virtual Public Workshop #2 (22 Attendees)

Online Concept Survey (103 Individuals)

On site Concept Survey (25 Forms) - 6 days

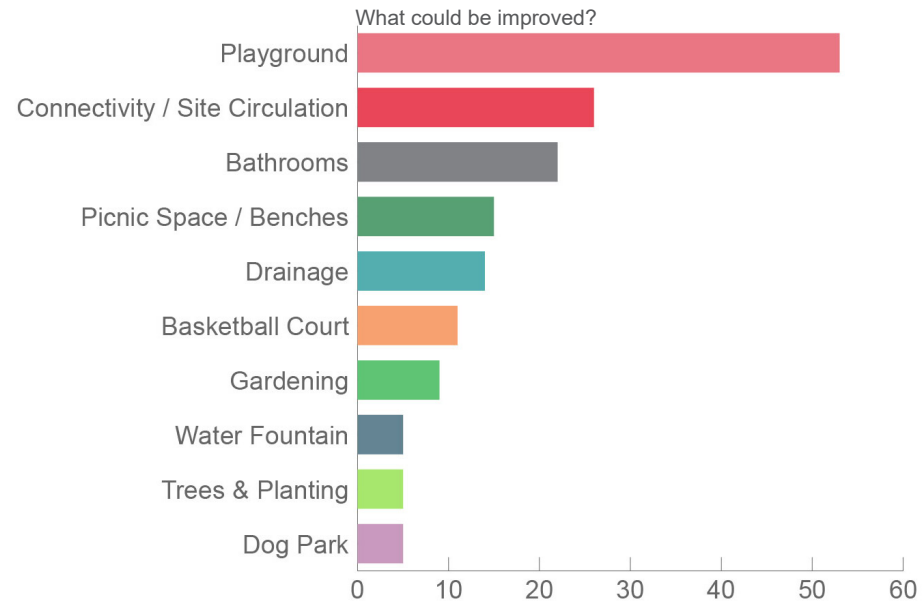
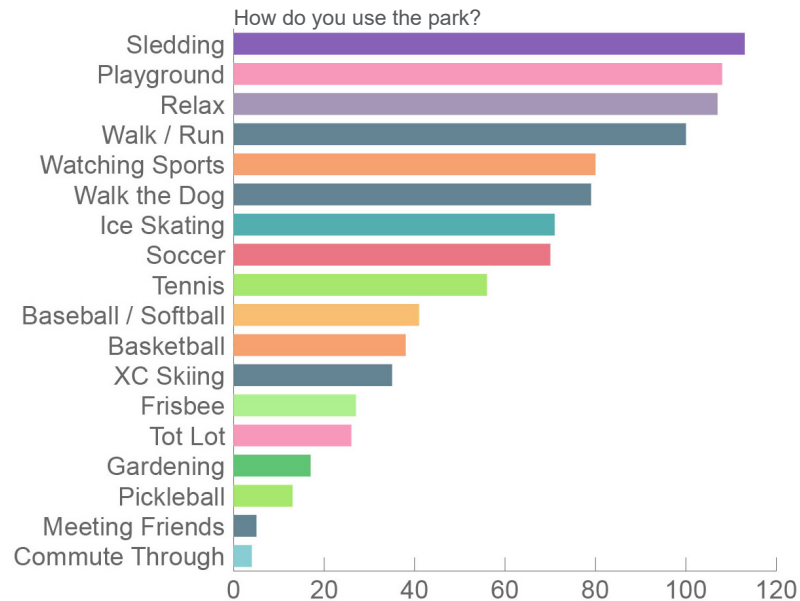
BPRW Additional Small Group Outreach

Questionnaire

Community Outreach

188 Community Responses

When you think of the park what words or phrases come to mind?



Focus Groups

Community Outreach

Concessions/Restroom Building:
- has small storage area for baseball in need of repair
- winter use would be nice

Burlington American Little League - South End Little League
- If lighting is added back in - night use for sledding?
- No overhang to block

Burlington Football Club (BFC)
- Adult pickup league
- Greater B.ton Girls Soccer GBGSL - 6 weeks spring, 6 weeks fall
- Burlington Recs Soccer League
- Edmunds

Courts in very bad shape
- Trying to raise funds to repair hoops, surface (cracks, pitted) - safety concerns
- Primarily use 2 courts - use is increasing (smaller than regulation but work for their needs, need about 10' to get to regulation)
- large court is non reg, oversized
- would like to add evening programming and lights accommodate that - lighting desired (LED? Shine down for dark sky etc.)
- when lights are on, they are used

NOTE:
- BHS looking for lax space in south end - in need of practice fields
- Ultimate frisbee is growing as well

The East - Burlington American Little League maintains field
- Not a regulation size and can't hold tournaments (short by about 15')
- Consider adding a permanent booth? scoreboard, pa system? currently bring everything in and out

Pickleball
- Tennis - Edmunds
- Rice
- Lighting?

Writer - Dark at 4
- Using park to walk dog, walk through - lights were missing this year and felt different/ maybe less safe to folks moving through

SD Island Field:
- 30' diamond - One of 2 in the city
- Middle School Baseball
- High School Baseball
- Burlington Babe Ruth
- Legion
- Mens League
- Mater Christi
- Field of Dreams org. - fundraising name (raised 120k, sd island 100k, 2008)

Babe Ruth etc. teams do not use concessions/restroom
- sometimes bring in a porta potty

Cardinals (over 40)
- stopped using it due to how often games needed to be canceled.

Overhang?

Champlain Parkway - shared use path on west side

will connect to path as part of master plan

Consistent path or sidewalk on south side?

Maintenance access point

heavily used bus stop

South side parking all along Locust

potential opportunity for connection with new roundabout foot traffic

Note: A 14' mower is used wherever possible, would need a 10' gate

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See potential for connection here! Especially with new shared use path coming across from Lakeview

current storage area - each has a different in/fill, use a small loader to bring here currently

storage - potentially move? to road west of courts difficult to get truck in/out

too wet to access via truck

Safety Concerns (bikes, driving)

Sledding - Incentive

Water for spring challenge

PE Class (especially covid)

Spring challenge - DJ

Rotary project footprint will use some of their open space

Joe Resigovic, Champlain Elementary School, Principal:
- Playground - accessible/inclusive
- Bike Loop
- Got to park as part of their positive behavior incentives to picnic, sled etc.
- pack in and pack out, do not bring water or use restrooms
- Both O'Keefe, Christ the King, Athletic Director:
- Interest in Potential Partnership?
- Ultimate Frisbee clinics, softball clinics etc.
- Attach hose at Concessions for Spring Challenge

Champlain does not use the informal paths

Christ the King - Ecological Labs - Middle School Students (have found some undesirable things)

Spring Challenge (field day)
- 1 full day, track outside with center - each grade has an activity - whole school (use school bathroom), parents etc. - on a Friday (before memorial day)

Star Base Rocket Launch

After school tennis clinic (fall) (Rice in Spring)

FOCUS GROUP: Calahan Park
EDUCATORS 4/13/21

16 Attendees

Athletic Groups
Babe Ruth, Little League, GBGSL, BHS, VT Elite Basketball

Academic
Christ the King, Champlain Elem.

Community Gardeners

Site Maintenance / Operations

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75-80% Walk (5 Sisters of Birchcliff)
- Some drive - park in the 3 spaces (especially at start of season or harvest)
- All day, lots at sunset

Greenhouse would extend season

Planting season not delayed by water, is well drained

Pollinator garden at current western edge

Plots - 10x30 Half Plots plots 10x10 down center (lots of people like the small plots) - Kitchen Garden (option for splitting a half plot)

Demand would dictate expansion plot size (likely maintain same sizes)

Material footprint + selection

Document - Climate Change/Action
- Agriculture/food security
- Need to be building capacity
- Raising the blade, opportunity to update at Calahan?

Pollinator? Meadow West of garden?

Fruit/Nut outside of fence could potentially become a part of a larger "foraging" or production map or walking tour for public use

Potential for terraced beds

Open informal space, mowed

Rain catchment/ tool shed

Fruit/Nut perennials, trees

compost at center

Interest in Small Greenhouse at loc. of greenhouse/tool shed to extend season (Intervale example)

Currently 2 upper and 2 lower water spigots - would need additional water in expanded area

Pollinator Garden

Slope - Well used by younger sledders

Elderberries planted in this edge

Currently 26 families, could add 10-14 with expansion

No electricity currently, no strong need currently, use extension cord from north neighbor

FOCUS GROUP: Discussion

Public Workshop #1

Community Outreach

5/21/2021- 40 Attendees

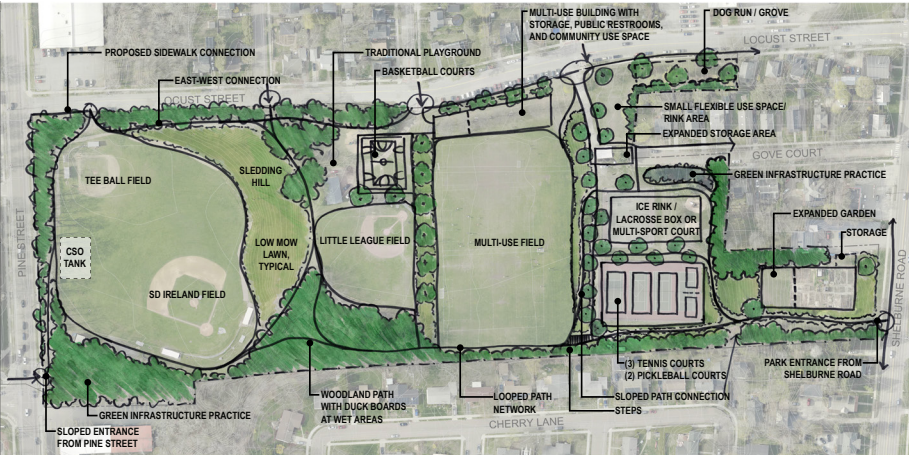


Public Workshop #2

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8/5/2021 - 22 Attendees

Concept Menu Presented
Zoom Poll - Concept Menu

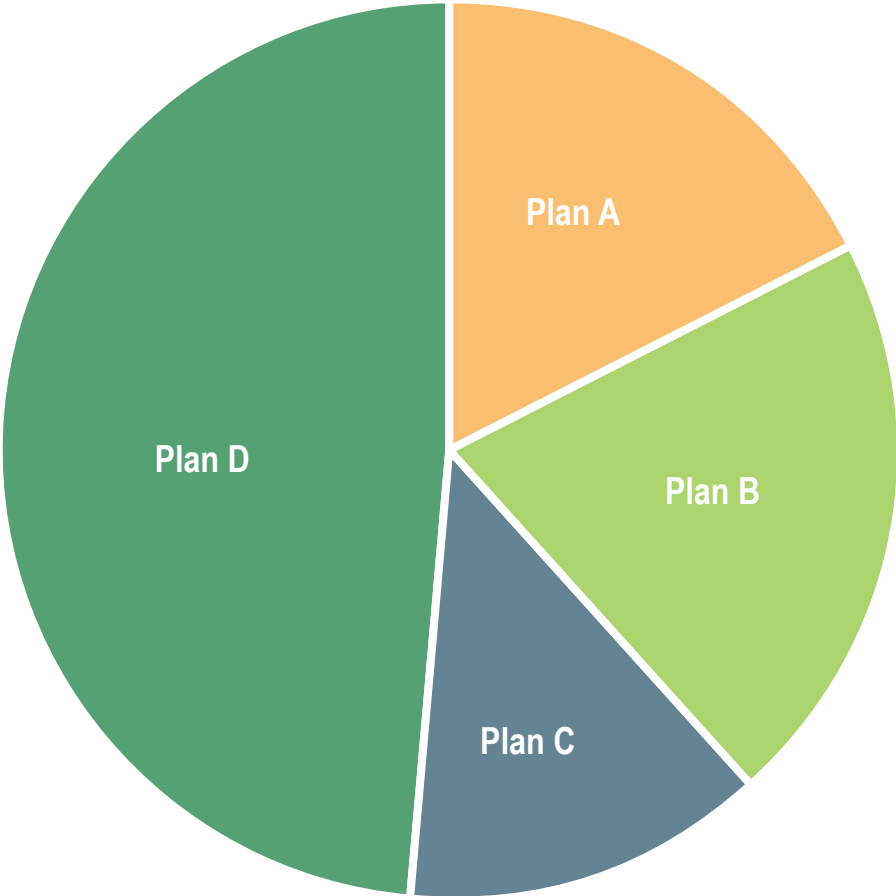


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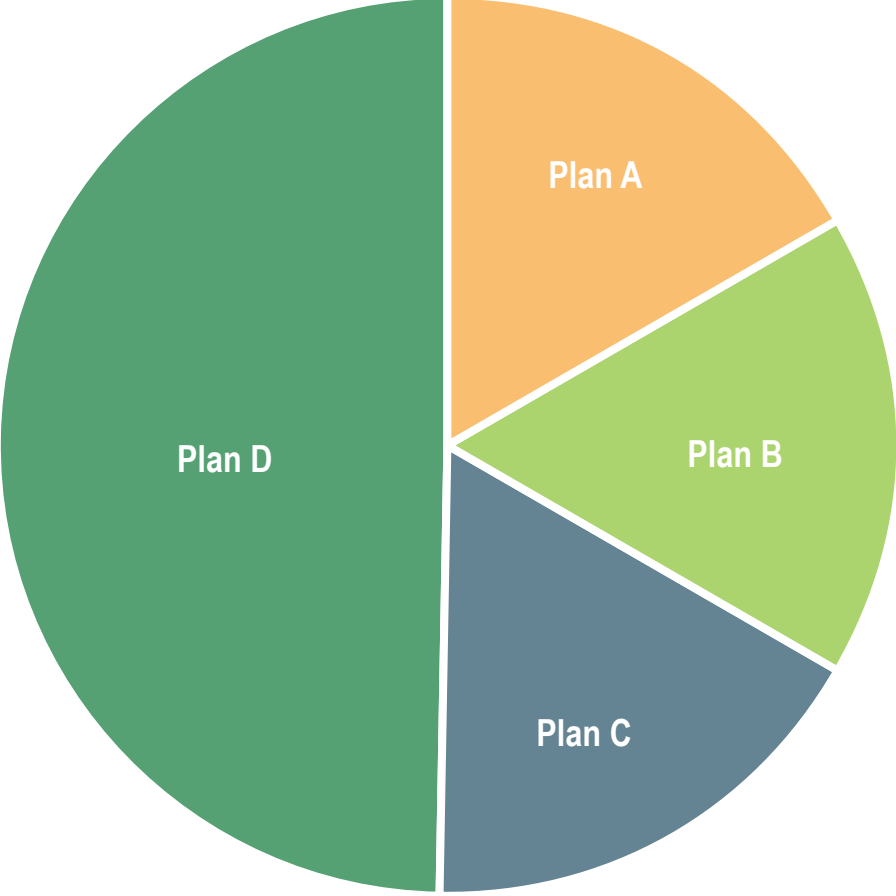
Community Outreach

25 Responses





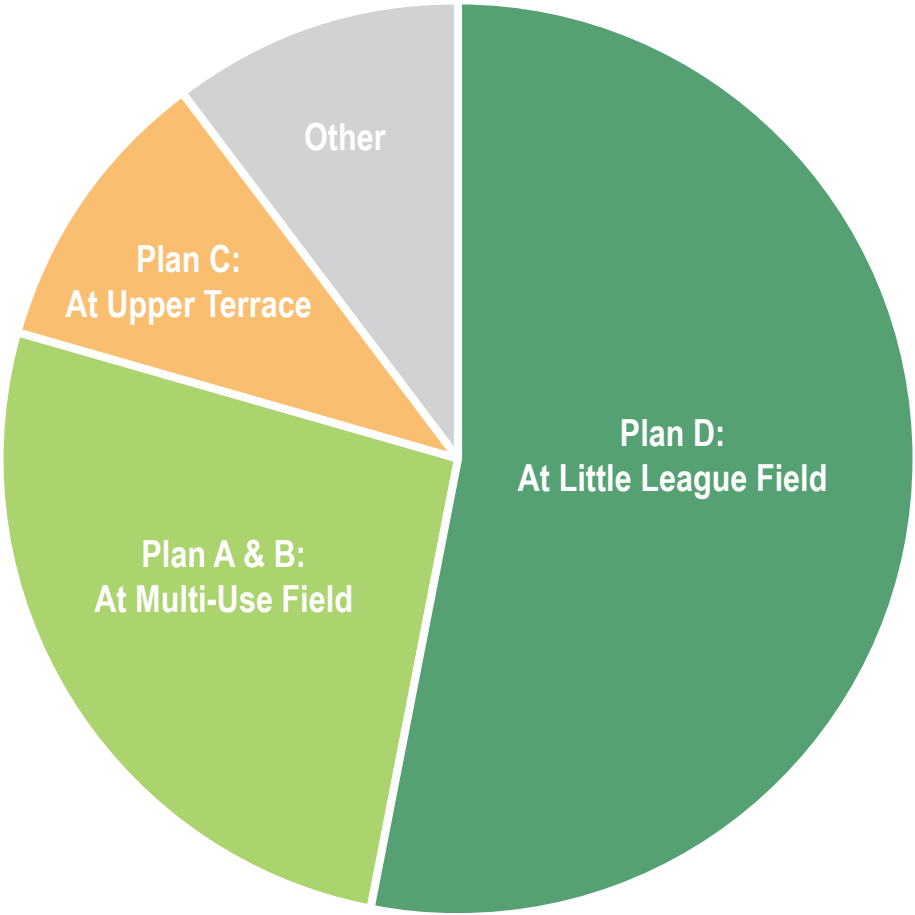
ATHLETIC FIELDS:
WHICH LAYOUT COMBINATION DO YOU PREFER?



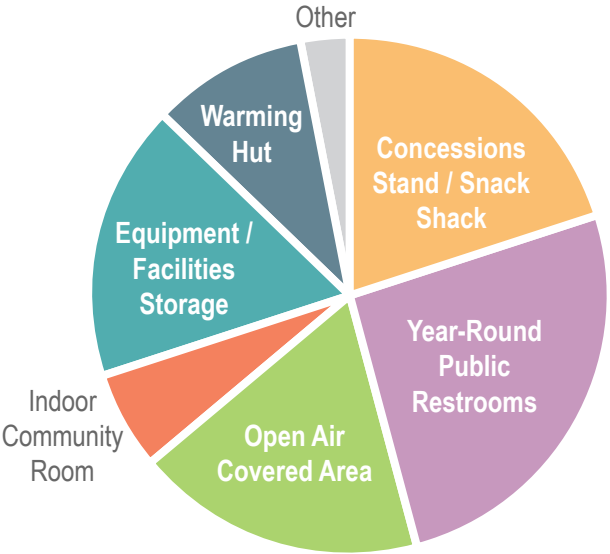
OVERALL FEEDBACK:
IF YOU HAD TO SELECT JUST ONE PLAN, WHICH PLAN DO YOU PREFER?

Desired Building Location

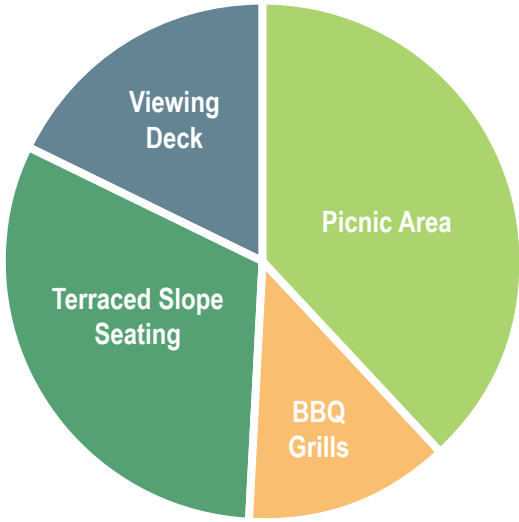
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BUILDING LOCATION: WHICH LOCATION DO YOU PREFER?



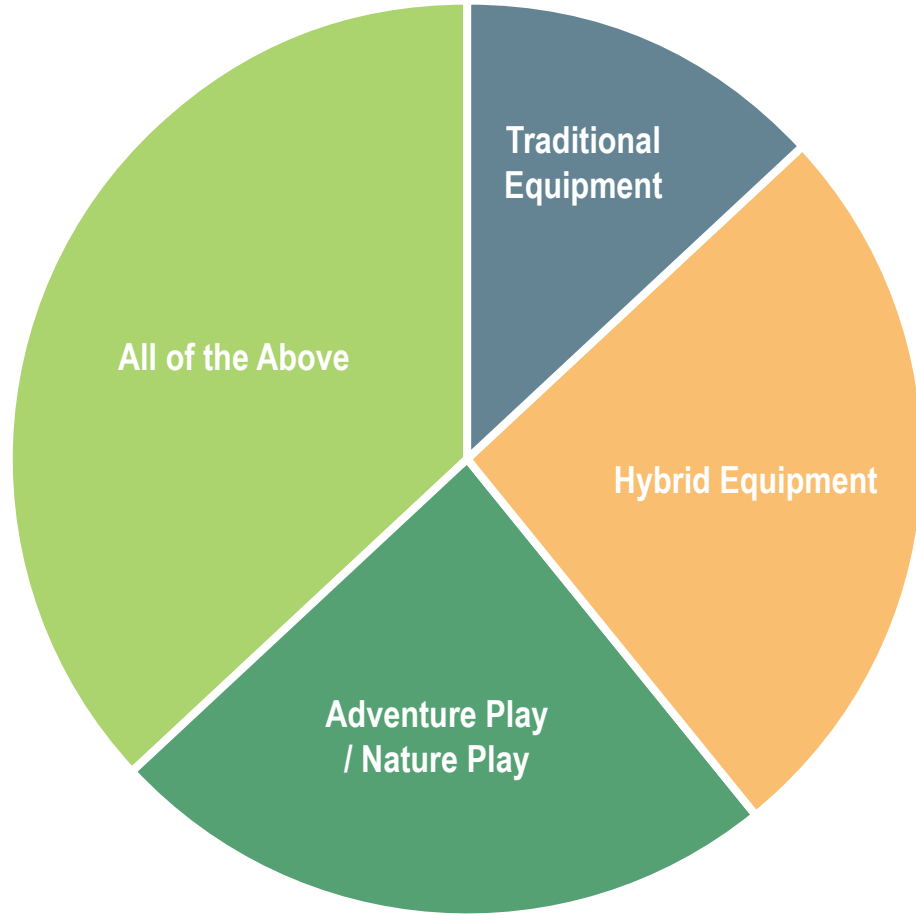
BUILDING AMENITIES



GATHERING SPACES & SITE AMENITIES

Playground Type

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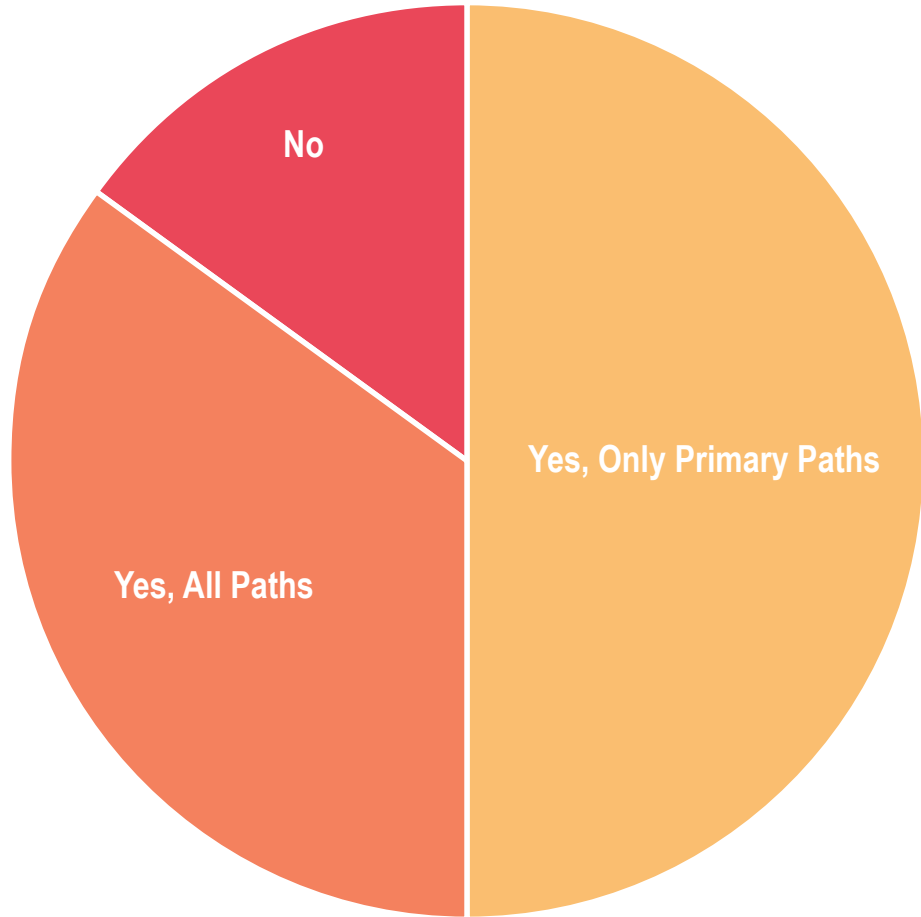


PLAYGROUND TYPE:
WHAT TYPE OF PLAYGROUND WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE?



Formalized Path Network

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FORMALIZED PATHS:
DO YOU LIKE THE IDEA OF A FORMALIZED NETWORK OF PATHS?



Site Lighting

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Along the Locust St E-W Connection

Along All Primary Paths (including Locust St. E-W Connection)

Throughout All Paths in Park

Lower Ball Field

Courts: Basketball, Tennis, Pickleball, Ice Rink

No

SITE LIGHTING:

HOW MUCH LIGHTING ARE YOU INTERESTED IN HAVING AT THE PARK?



Master Plan Goals

+ Improve Circulation / Entrances



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- + Improve/ Expand Athletic Resources
(program, courts, backstops, drainage)



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Calahan Park

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Goal: Improve Circulation / Entrances

Upcoming Adjacent Work

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Champlain Parkway



Shelburne Road Roundabout

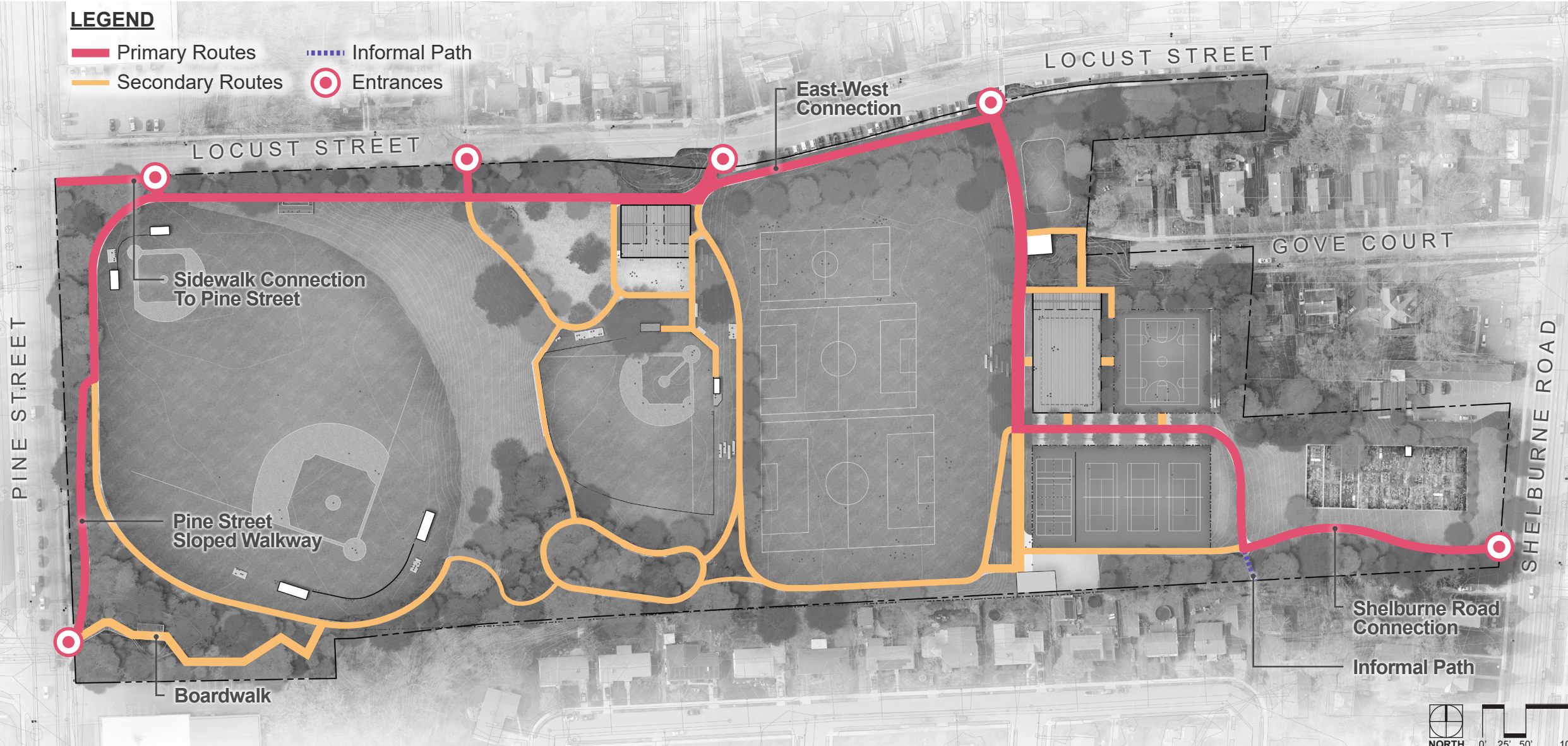
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Formalize Path Network

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LEGEND

- Primary Routes
- Secondary Routes
- Informal Path
- Entrances



PINE STREET

LOCUST STREET

LOCUST STREET

GOVE COURT

SHELburne ROAD

Sidewalk Connection To Pine Street

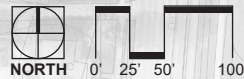
East-West Connection

Pine Street Sloped Walkway

Shelburne Road Connection

Boardwalk

Informal Path



Goal: Improve Circulation / Entrances

Accessible Routes

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LEGEND

- Accessible Routes
- - - Accessible Ramps
- Non-Accessible Routes



Goal: Improve Circulation / Entrances

Materials

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Boardwalks



Stonedust



Paved Paths



Goal: Provide New Building / Restrooms

Proposed Layout

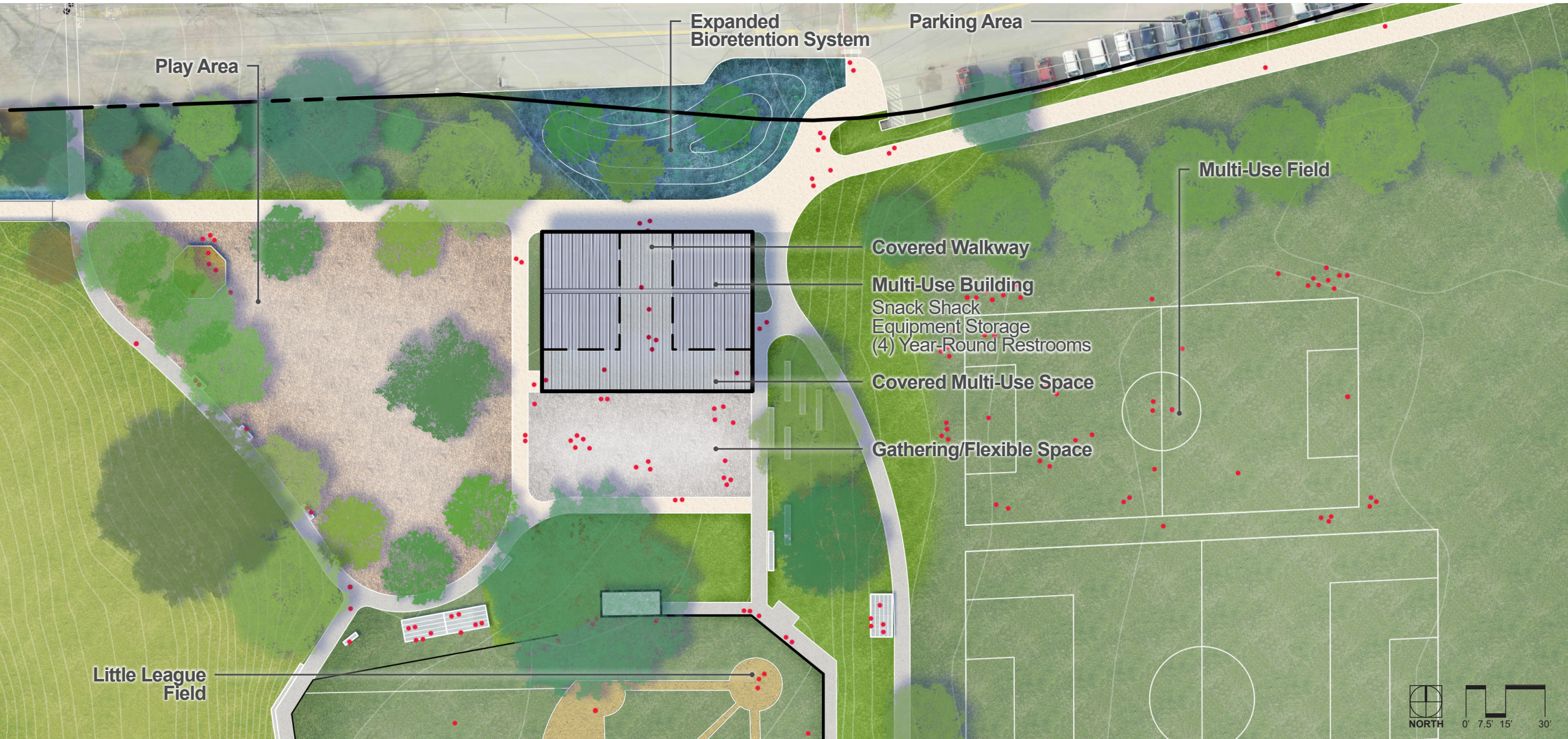
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Goal: Provide New Building / Restrooms

Proposed Multi-Use Building

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Play Area

Expanded Bioretention System

Parking Area

Multi-Use Field

Covered Walkway

Multi-Use Building

Snack Shack

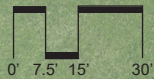
Equipment Storage

(4) Year-Round Restrooms

Covered Multi-Use Space

Gathering/Flexible Space

Little League Field



Goal: Provide New Building / Restrooms

Proposed Multi-Use Building Amenities

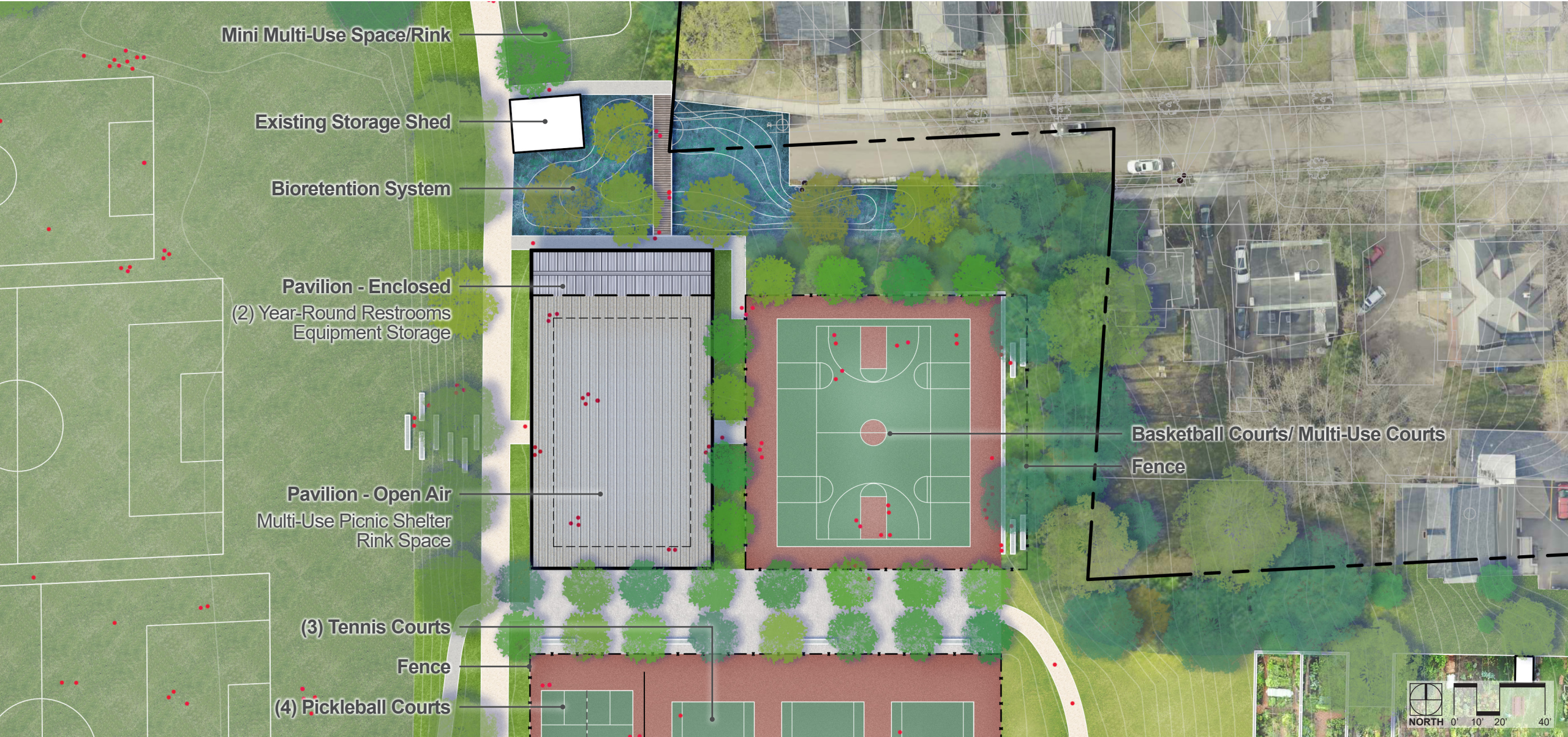
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Goal: Provide New Building / Restrooms

Proposed Picnic Pavilion/Rink

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Mini Multi-Use Space/Rink

Existing Storage Shed

Bioretention System

Pavilion - Enclosed
(2) Year-Round Restrooms
Equipment Storage

Pavilion - Open Air
Multi-Use Picnic Shelter
Rink Space

(3) Tennis Courts

Fence

(4) Pickleball Courts

Basketball Courts/ Multi-Use Courts

Fence



Goal: Provide New Building / Restrooms

Proposed Pavilion Amenities

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Restrooms (Year-round)



Winter - Covered Skating Rink



Equipment Storage (Year-round)



Summer - Picnic Pavilion / Event Space

Goal: Provide New Playground

Proposed Playground Location

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Gaga Pit

Play Area

Multi-Use Building
Snack Shack
Equipment Storage
(4) Year-Round Restrooms

Covered Walkway

Covered Multi-Use Space

Gathering/
Flexible Space

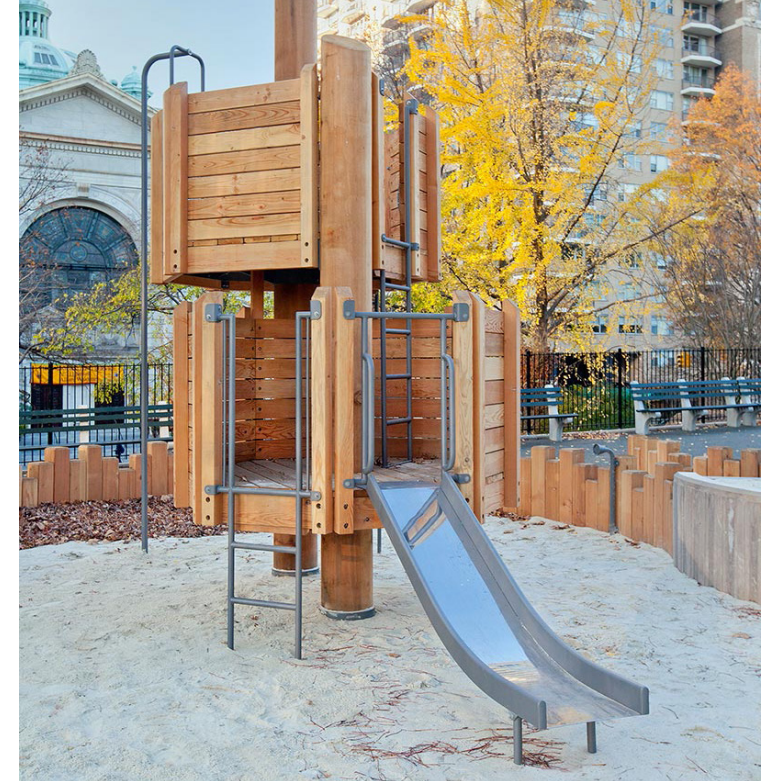
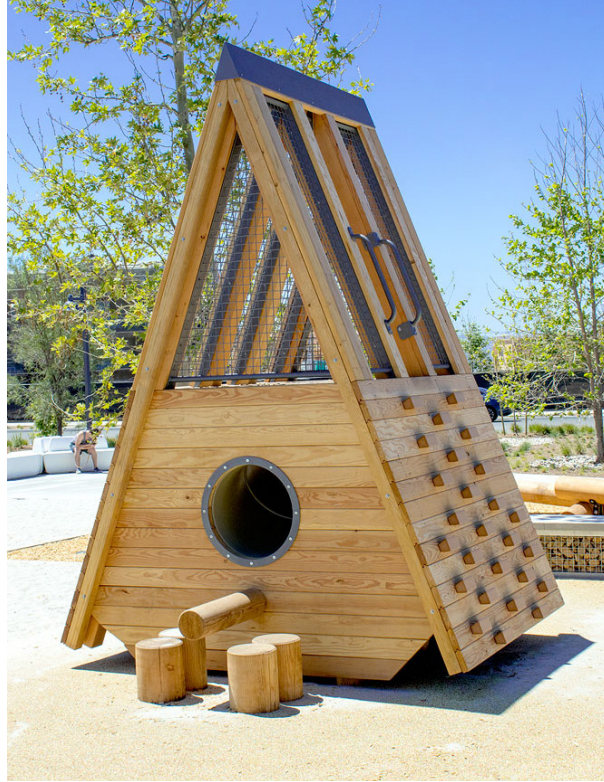
Shelby Chapman-Hale, Offshoots



Goal: Provide New Playground

Hybrid Playground Materials

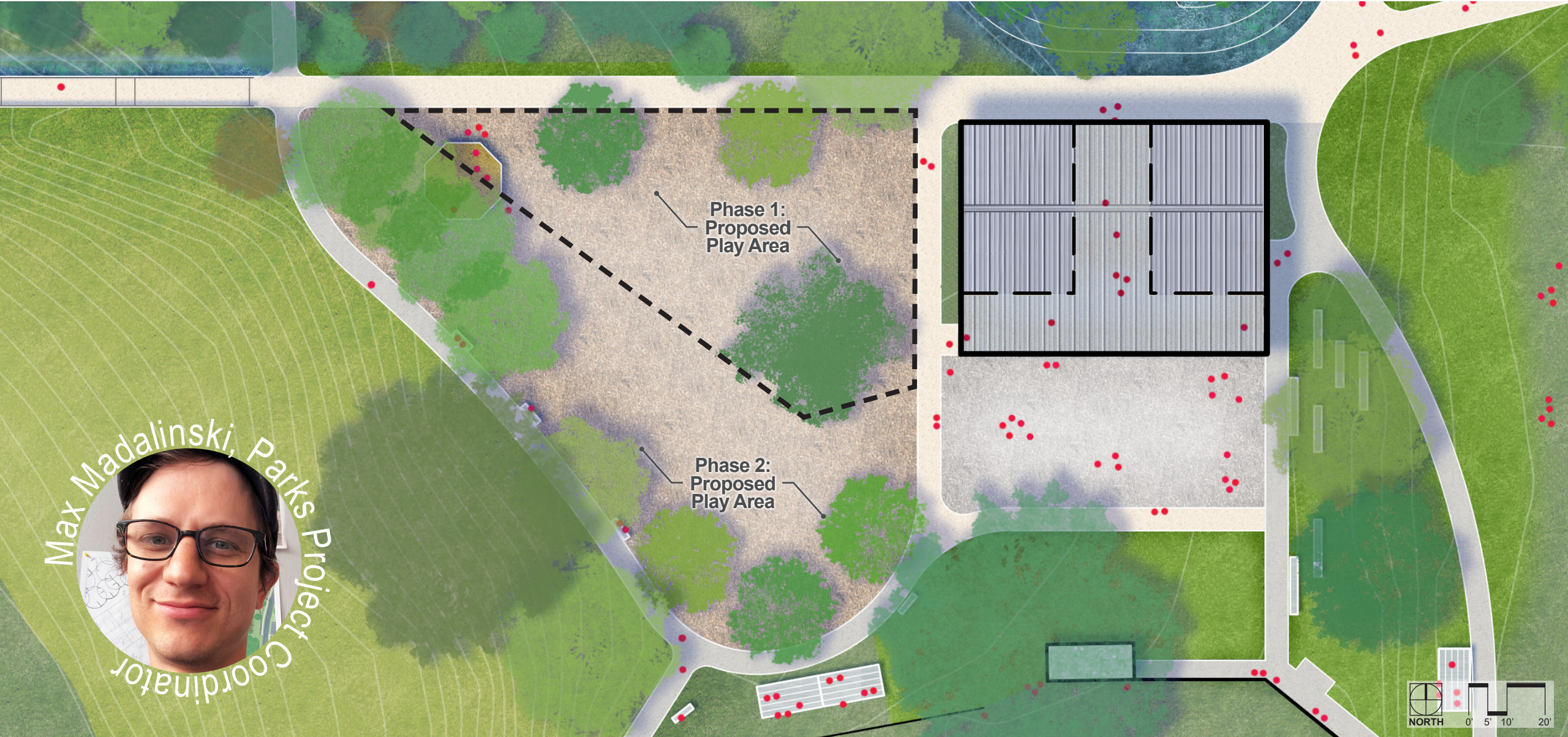
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Goal: Provide New Playground

Playground Phasing/ Timing

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Goal: Expand Community Garden

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Community Open Space
(Open Lawn)

Proposed Storage

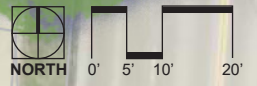
Shed

Existing
Shrubs

Existing
Garden

Terraced Garden Extension
(10' x 30' and 10' x 10' Garden Plots)

Compost



Goal: Improve / expand Athletic Resources

Proposed Layout

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Bentley Field

LOCUST STREET

PINE STREET

Little League Field

Recommended Angled Backstop

Multi-Use Field

LOCUST STREET

Mini Multi-Use Field/Rink

GOVE COURT

Covered Rink

Basketball Courts/
Multi-Use Courts
with Fence

SHELburne ROAD

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SD Ireland Field

(3) Tennis Courts

(4) Pickleball Courts

CHERRY LANE



Goal: Create Multi-Functional Spaces / Seasonal Program Expansion

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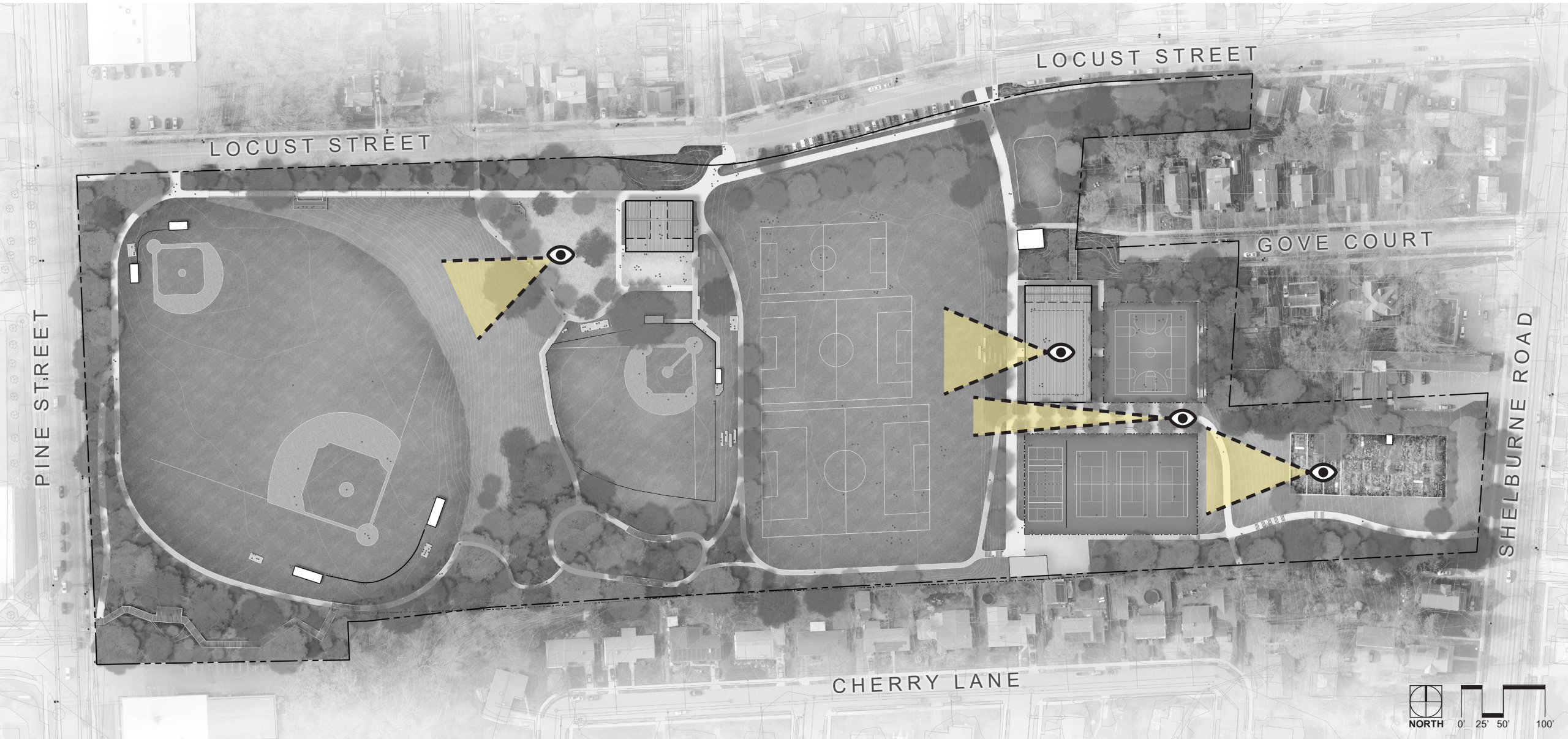
Goal: Create Gathering Spaces

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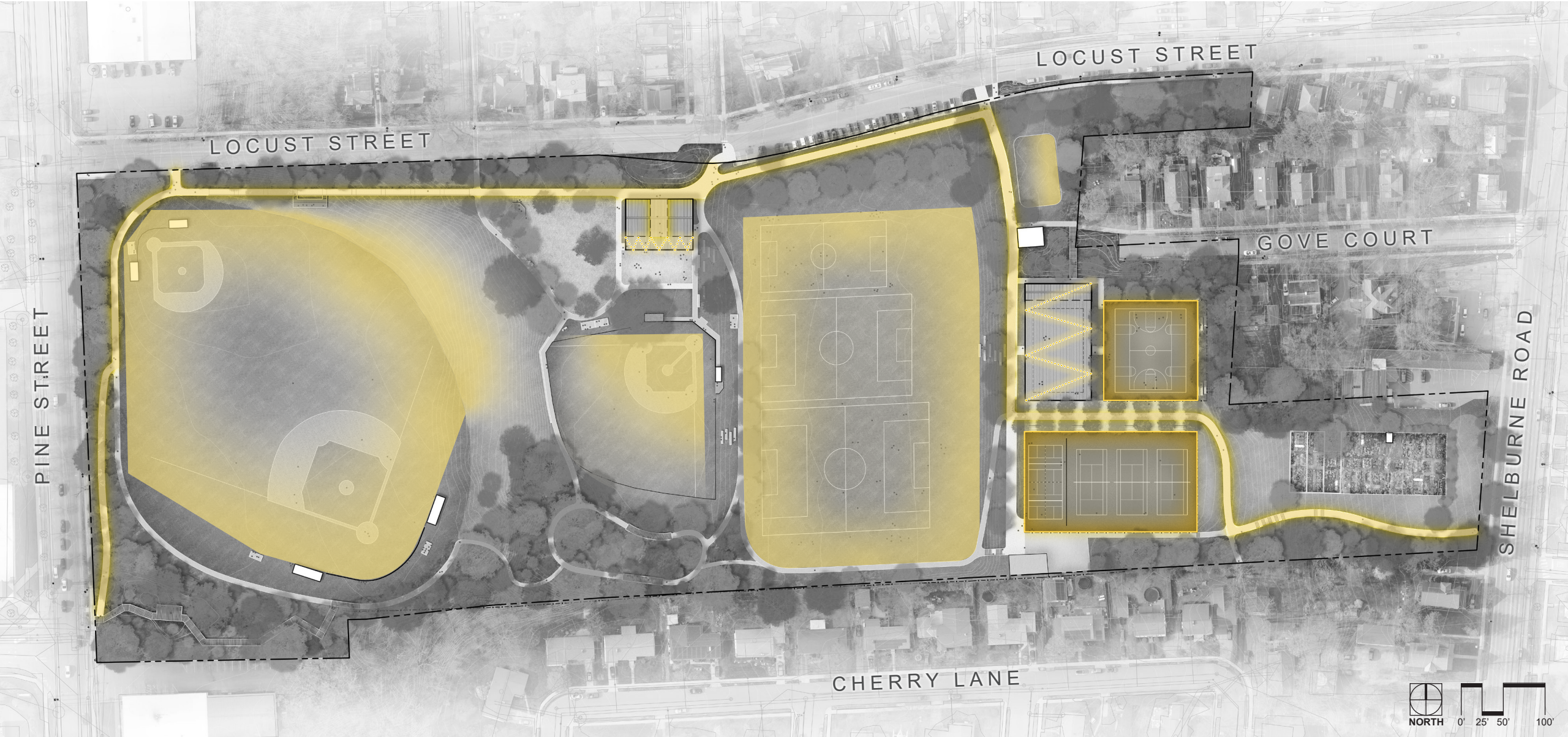
Goal: Preserve/Celebrate Views

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Goal: Improve Site Utilities

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Brian Kuchar, Horsley Witten Group

Goal: Improve Site Ecology and Access

Existing Drainage Problems

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Basketball / Rink



Tot Lot Swings



Upper Pathway



Upper Woodland



Gaga Ball



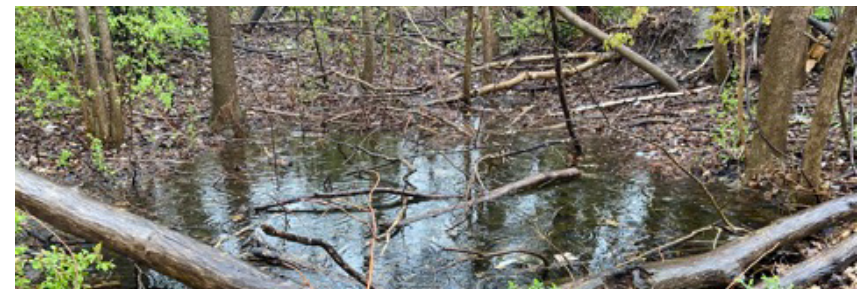
Lower Pathway



Bentley Field Path



S.D. Ireland Field

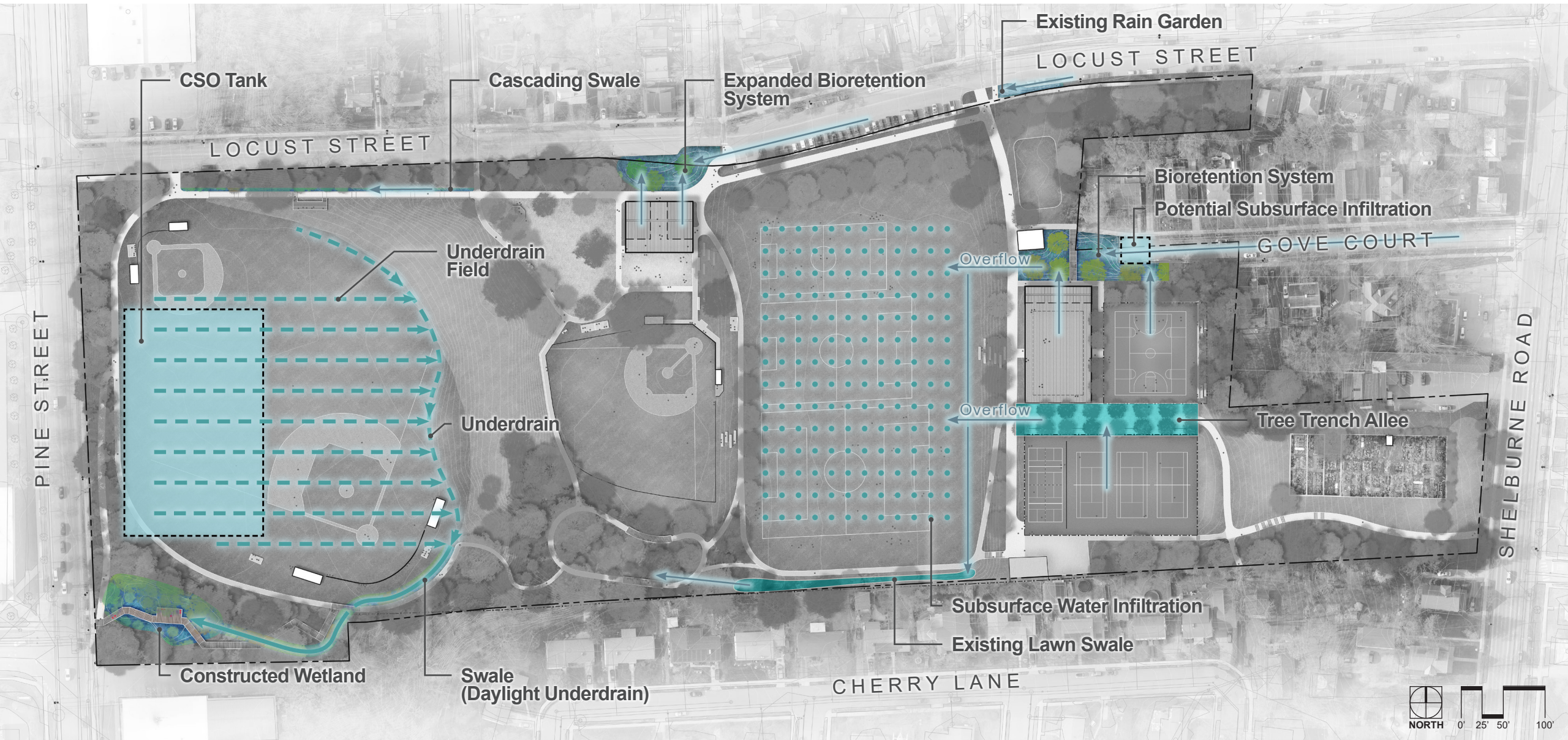


Pine Street Woodland

Goal: Improve Site Ecology and Access

Stormwater Concept

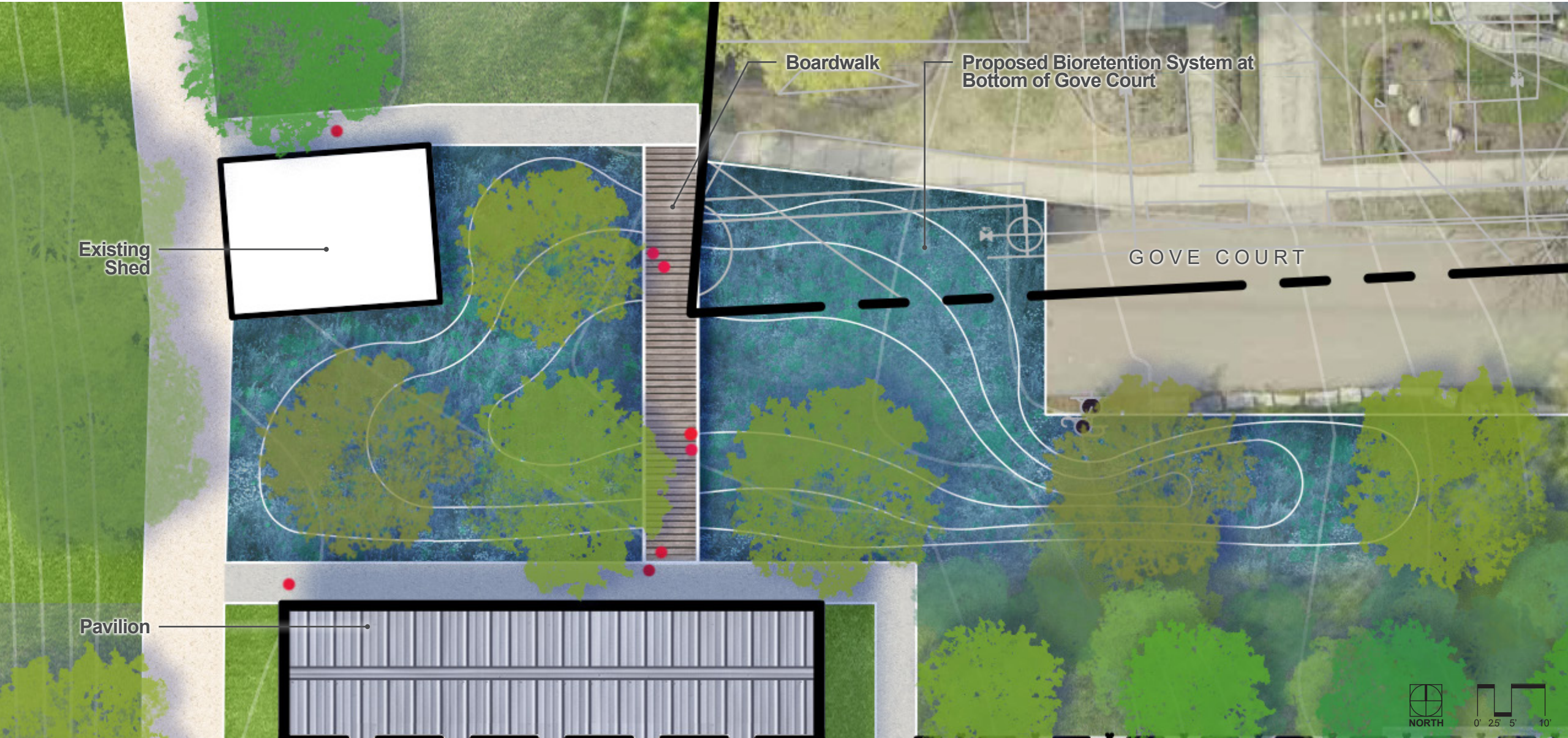
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Goal: Improve Site Ecology and Access

Stormwater Concept - Bioretention System

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Existing Shed

Pavilion

Boardwalk

Proposed Bioretention System at Bottom of Gove Court

GOVE COURT



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Stormwater Concept - Bioretention System

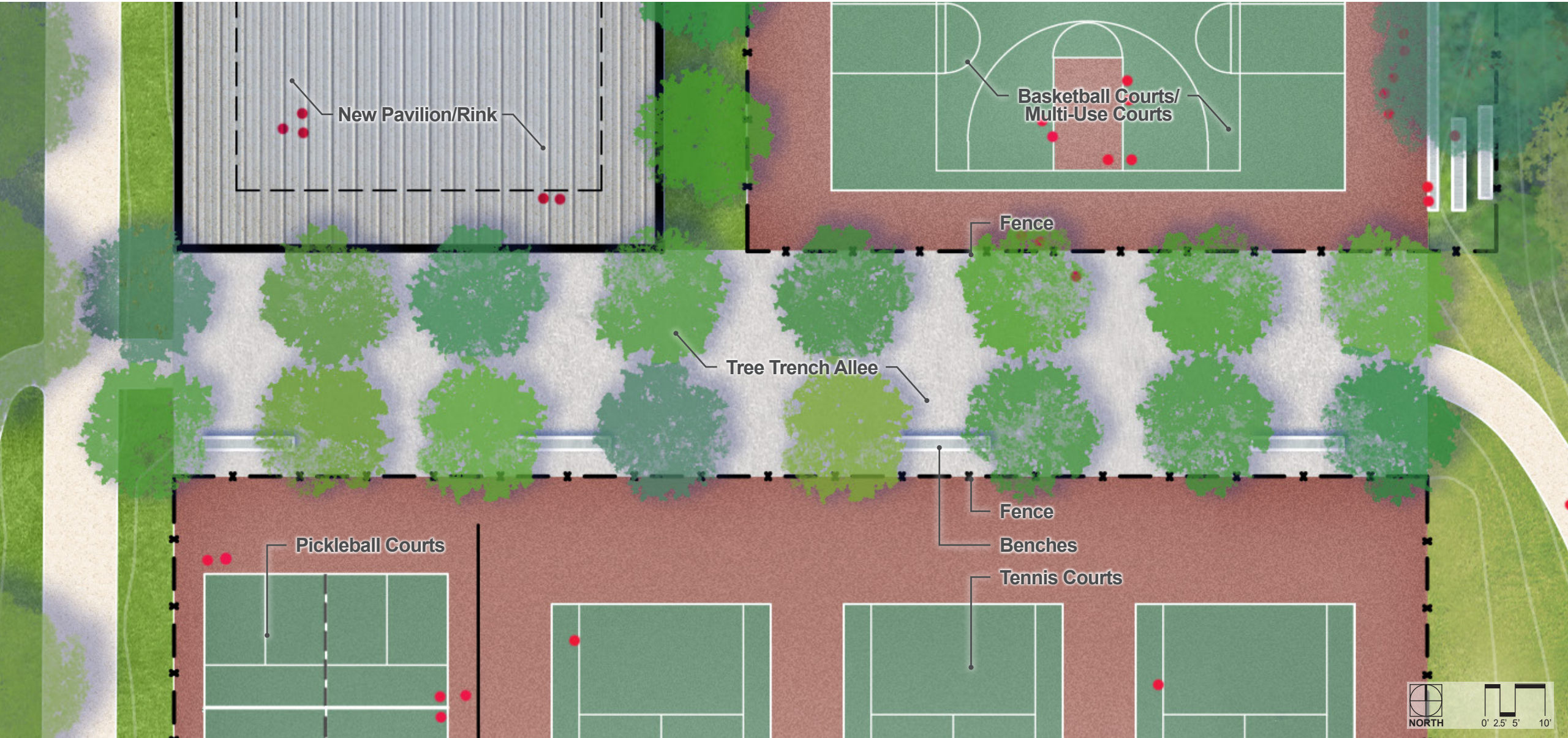
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Stormwater Concept - Tree Trench Allee

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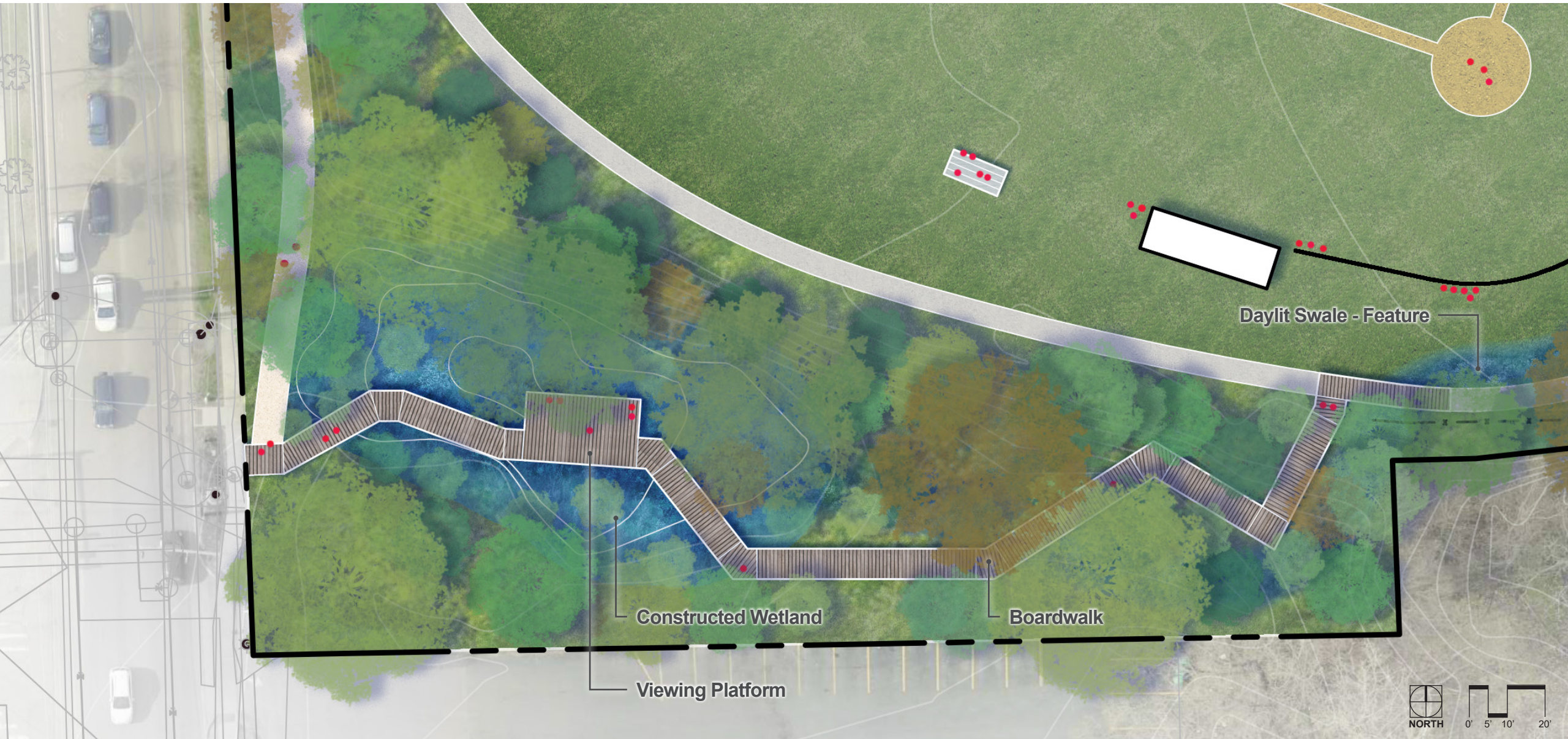
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Stormwater Concept - Constructed Wetland

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Kate Kennen, Offshoots



Low-Mow Lawn

Goal: Improve Site Ecology and Access

Plant Communities

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Native Meadow



Thicket/ Buffer



Pollinator Meadow



Constructed Wetland



Existing Woodland

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Plant Communities

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LEGEND

- Lawn
- Low-Mow Lawn
- Native Thicket
- Woodland
- Meadow
- Wetlands Rain Gardens



Expanded Bioretention System

Existing Rain Garden

LOCUST STREET

Low-Mow Lawn

Native Shade Meadow

LOCUST STREET

Cascading Vegetated Swale

Bioretention System

GOVE COURT

PINE STREET

Native Thicket

SHELburne ROAD

Low-Mow Lawn

Pollinator Meadow

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Existing Woodland

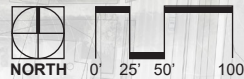
Existing Lawn Swale

Native Thicket

Native Meadow

Vegetated Swale

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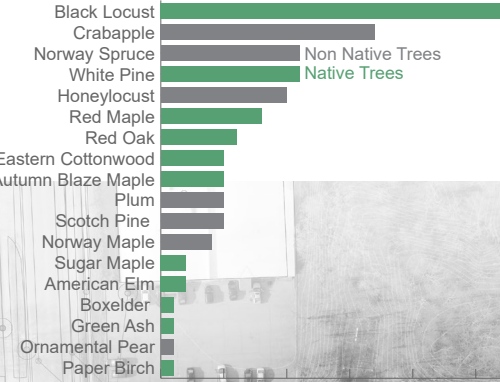


Goal: Improve Site Ecology and Access

Existing Trees

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Calahan Park Existing Tree Inventory



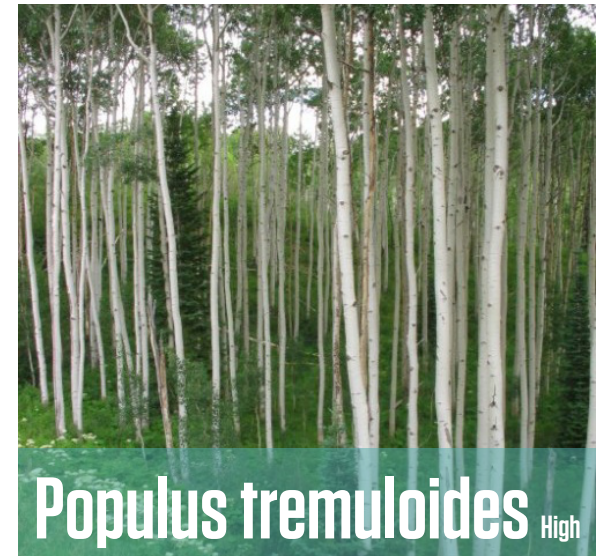
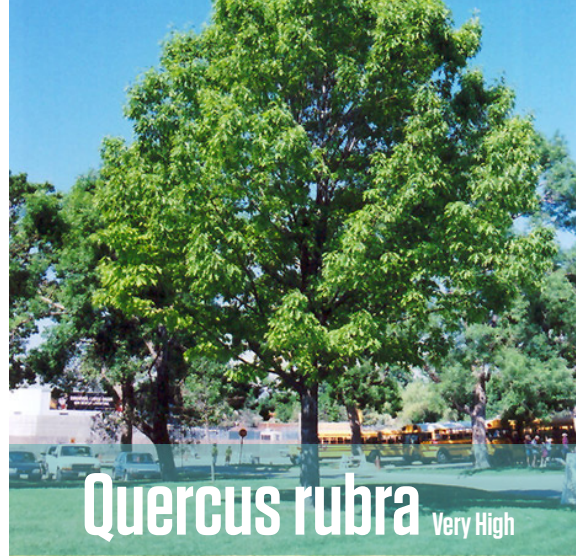
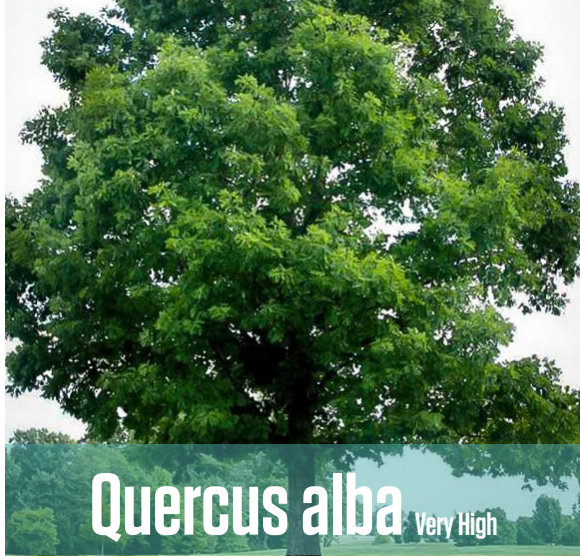
Existing Trees



Goal: Improve Site Ecology and Access

Proposed Trees

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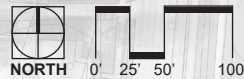
PINE STREET

GOVE COURT

SHELburne ROAD

Proposed Trees

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Goal: Improve Site Ecology and Access

Proposed Adventure Trail

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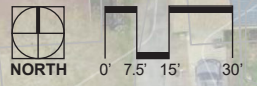


Daylit Swale - Feature
SD Ireland Field

Adventure Trail

Existing Woodland
Boardwalk

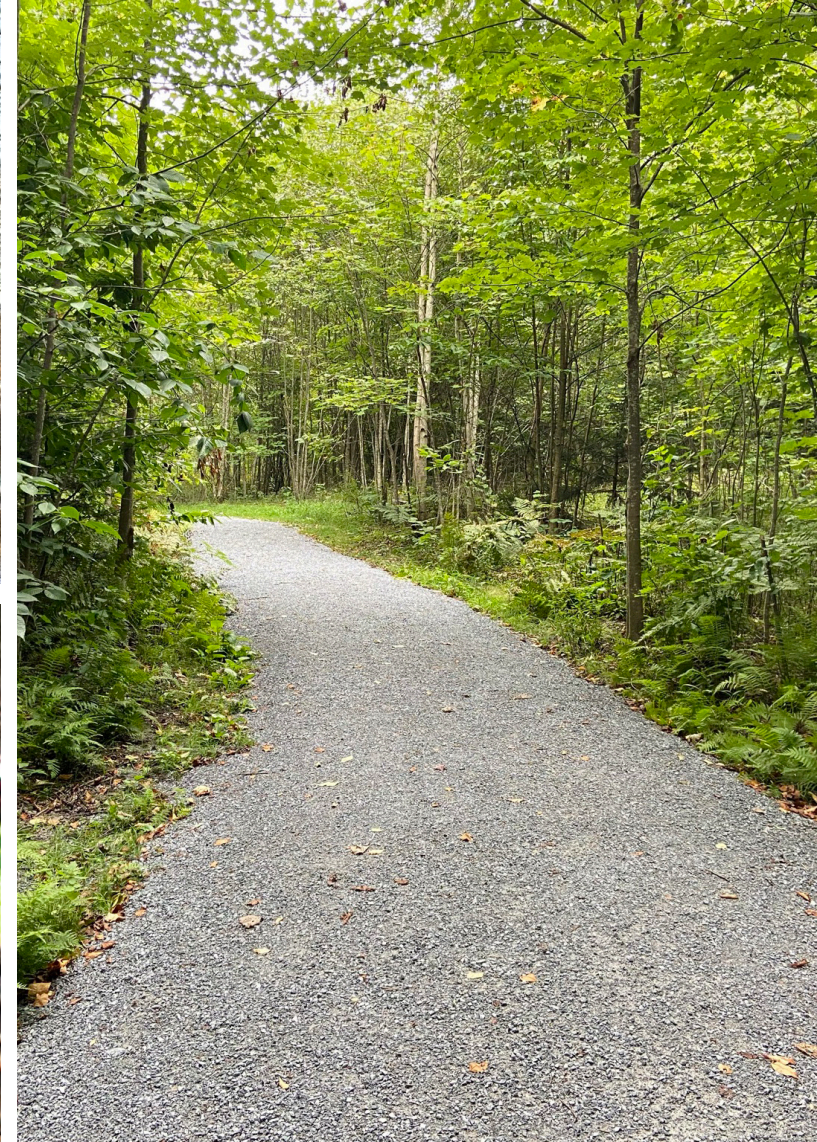
Multi-Use Field



Goal: Improve Site Ecology and Access

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Community Feedback

Questions & Answers



Thank you!

Thank you for participating! Feel free to reach out to Sophie with any additional project related questions!

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