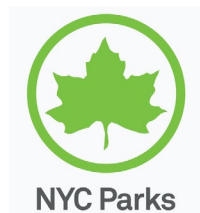


Tibbetts Brook Daylighting Project

Tibbetts Advisory Group Meeting #7

February 29, 2024



Agenda

- **Project Status and Updates**
 - **Phase 1:** Lake (Hester & Piero's Mill Pond) Restoration
 - **Phase 2:** Full Daylighting Design Updates
 - Environmental Review & ULURP Update
 - MTA-MNRR Coordination
 - CSX Acquisition Update
- **Questions**

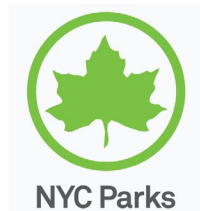
Stakeholder Engagement

- **Past Tibbetts Meetings**

- Dec 15, 2021: CB8 Meeting
- Mar 10, 2022: Kick-off Meeting with Tibbetts Advisory Group (TAG)
- Apr 19, 2022: TAG Meeting on Conceptual Design
- Apr 21, 2022: TAG Site Visit to VCP and along CSX corridor
- May 25, 2022: CB8 Meeting
- Jul 11, 2022: PDC Conceptual Review Public Meeting
- Oct 17, 2022: TAG #3
- Nov 9, 2022: DCAS Public Hearing on CSX Acquisition
- Dec 14, 2022: TAG #4 Advanced Conceptual Design
- Apr 27, 2023: TAG #5 & Site Visit to CSX Corridor
- May 2023 TBD: CB7 Committee Update - MTA ULURP
- May 24, 2023: CB8 Meeting
- Aug 14, 2023: PDC Preliminary Review Public Meeting
- Dec 2023: TAG #6 Feedback on Stream Inlet Design

- **Upcoming Tibbetts Meetings**

- April 2024: Interim PDC Review (TBD)



Project Overview

Permitting & Approvals

Winter 2021 - Spring 2024

Advanced
Conceptual
Design

Fall 2022

Preliminary
Design

Summer 2023

Final Design

Fall 2024

Start of
Construction

Late 2025

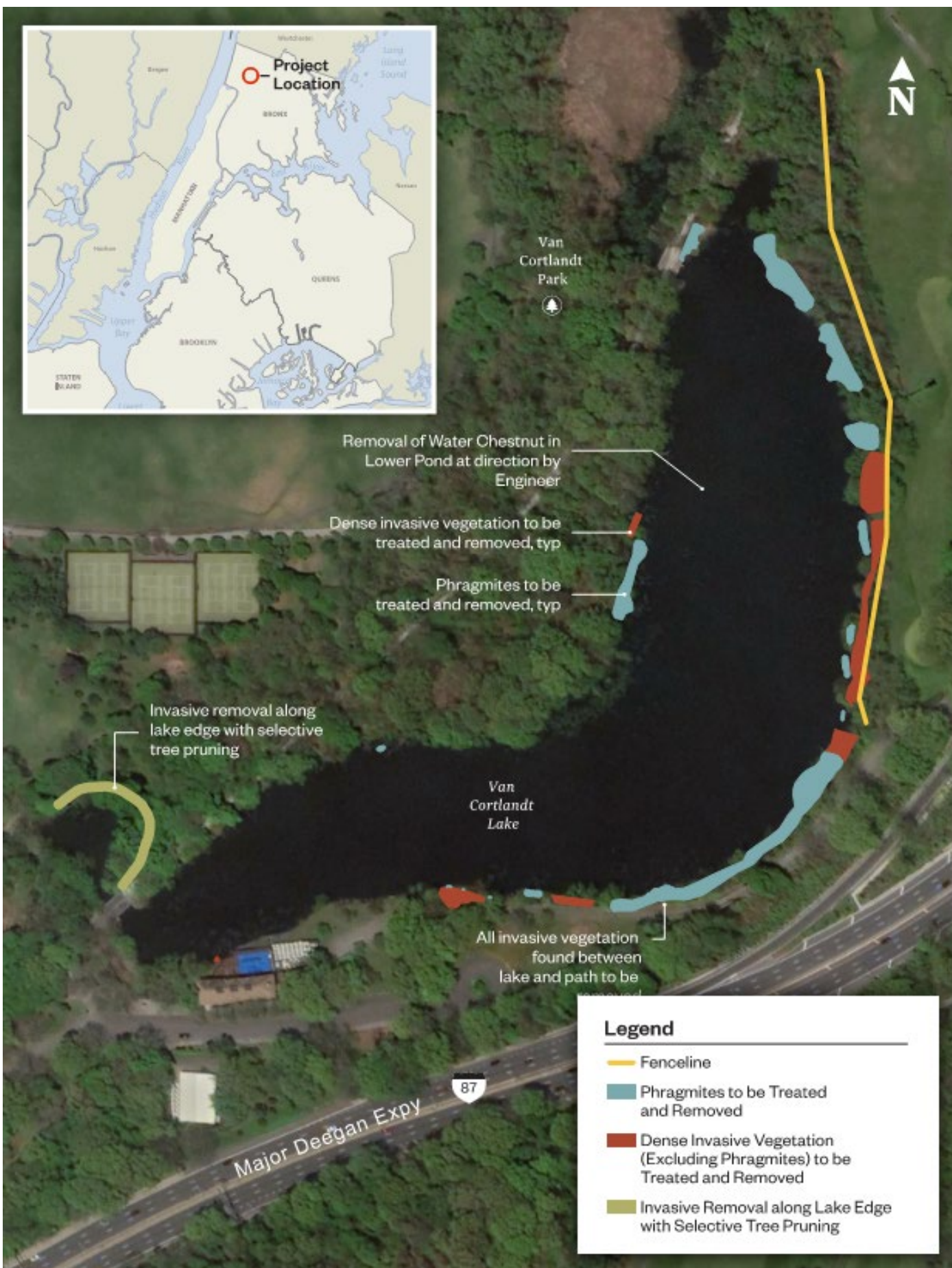
- TAG Meeting #7
February 2024
- Interim PDC Review
April 2024 (TBD)

Project Timeline & Milestones

- **March 2024:** Metro-North Railroad (MNR) Easement Acquisition ULURP Public Review & Approval *Begins*
- **Spring 2024:** Phase 1 Lake Restoration Construction Begins
- **August 2024:** Anticipated Closing on CSX Property
- **Fall 2024:** Anticipated Design Completion
- **Fall 2024:** Anticipated MNR Easement Acquisition ULURP Public Review & Approval *Ends*
- **Summer 2025:** Anticipated Advertise for bid
- **Winter 2025:** Anticipated Construction Notice to Proceed

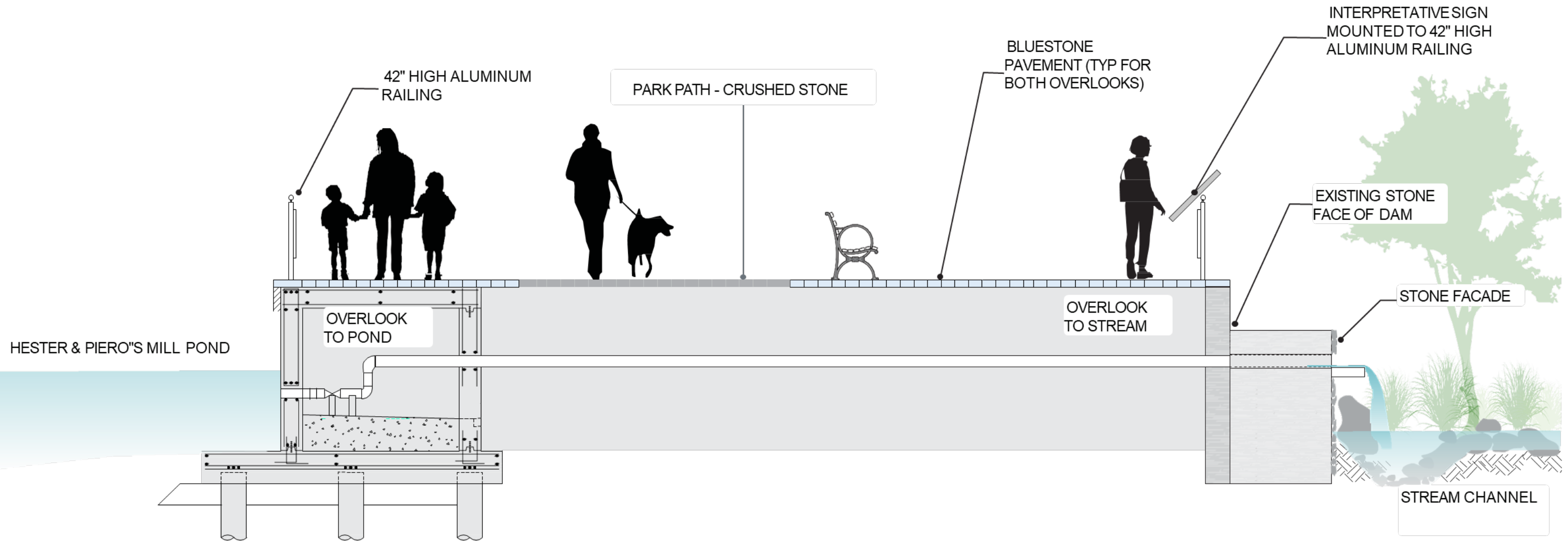
Phase 1 Restoration: Current Status and Updates

- Controlling and disposal of nearly 1 acre of *phragmites* and other invasive shoreline vegetation
- Controlling and disposal of water chestnut and other invasive floating aquatics within the lake
- NYSDEC and USACE Wetland Applications Submitted & Permits Received
- Contract Registered – Steven Dubner Landscaping, Inc.
- Will include additional scope for floatable boom installation
- Work Scheduled to begin late spring/early summer 2024
- Total Cost: \$1.5M

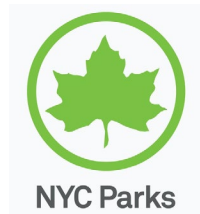


Current Status of Daylighting

✓ Coordinated with TAG and Parks to refine outfall design



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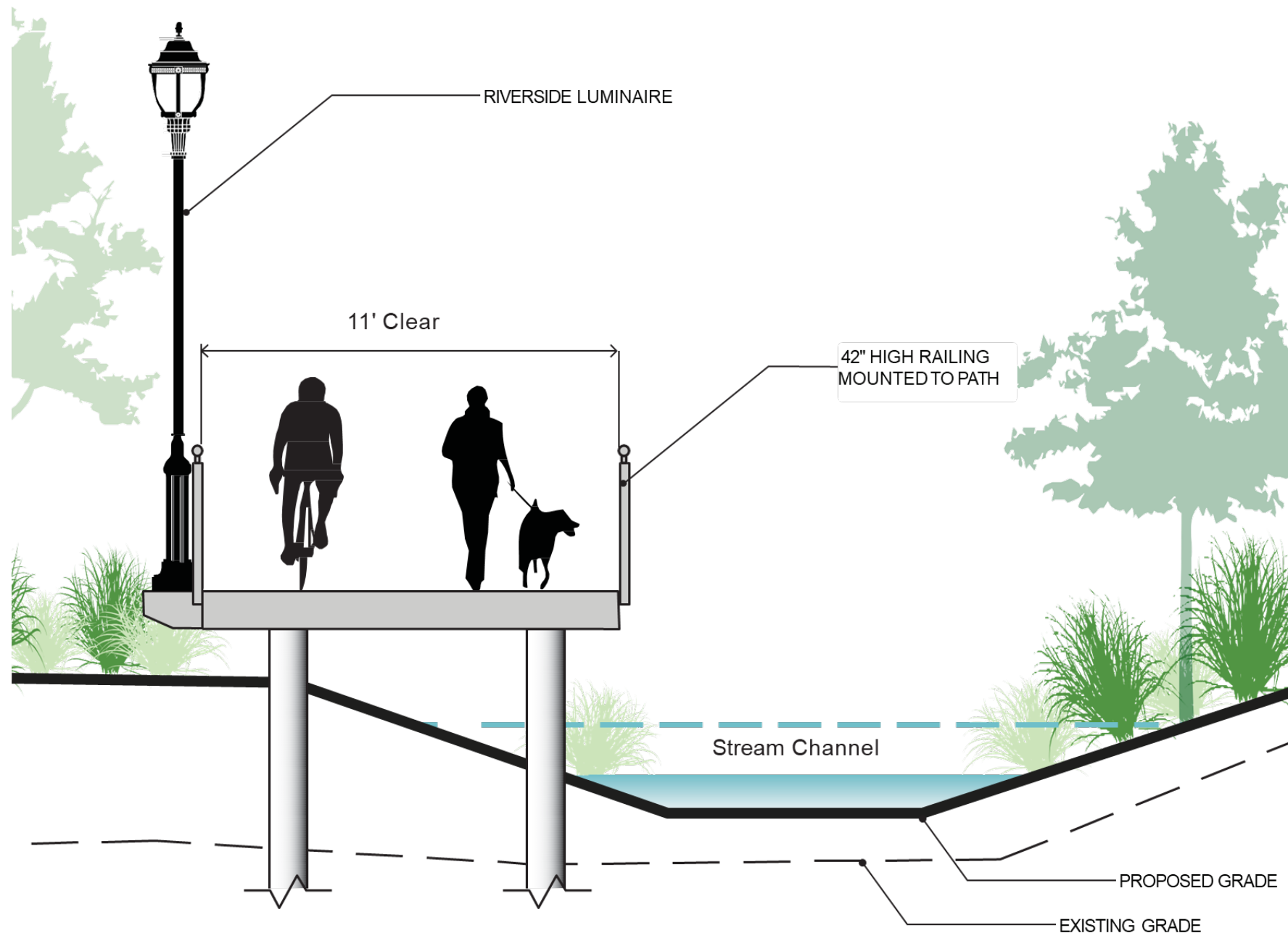
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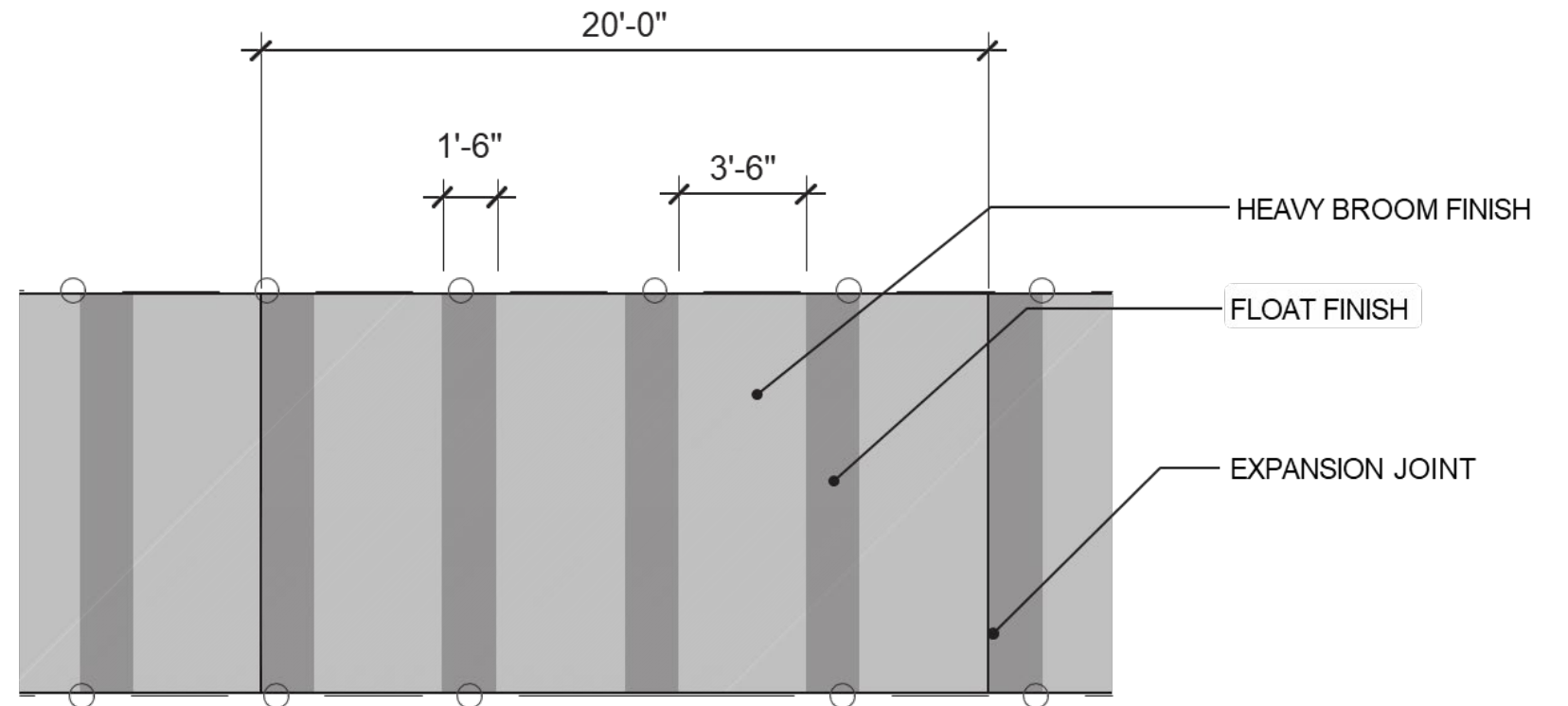
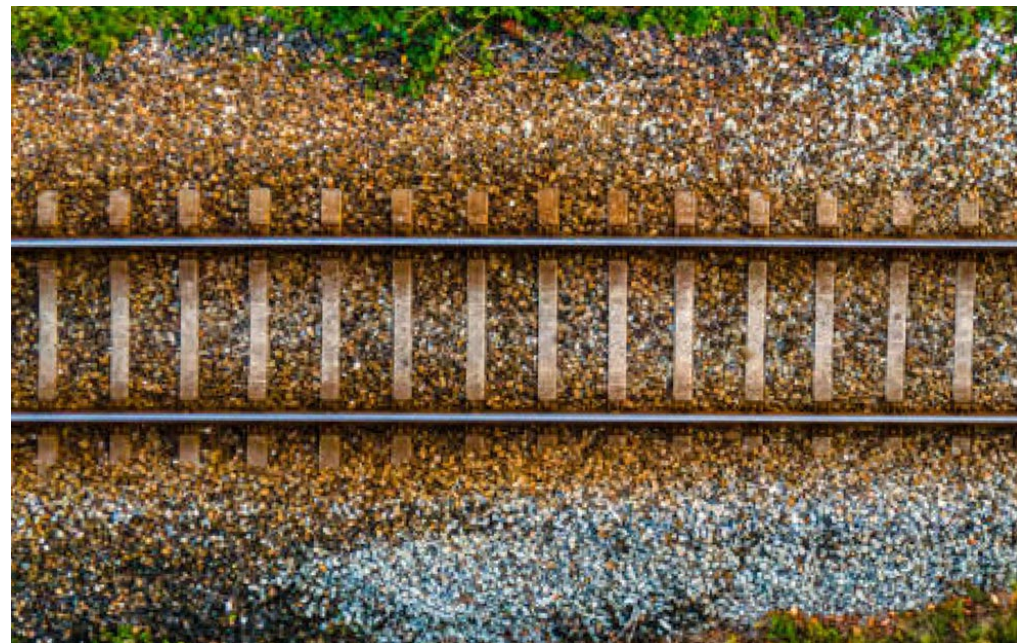
Current Status of Daylighting

- ✓ Refined lighting selection/greenway integration



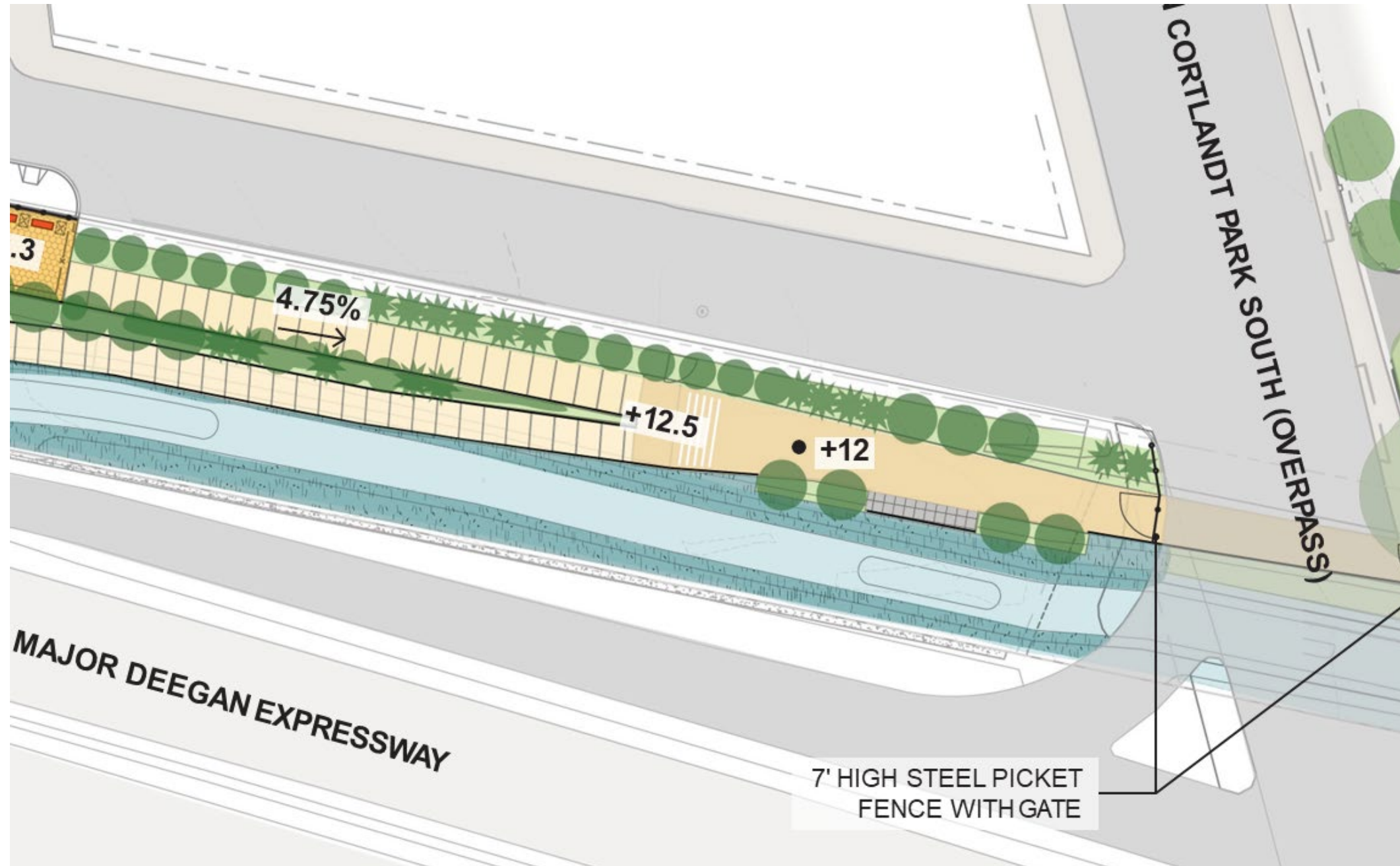
Current Status of Daylighting

✓ Refined pathway design elements



Current Status of Daylighting

- ✓ Coordinated with Parks to refine W. 239th St overlook

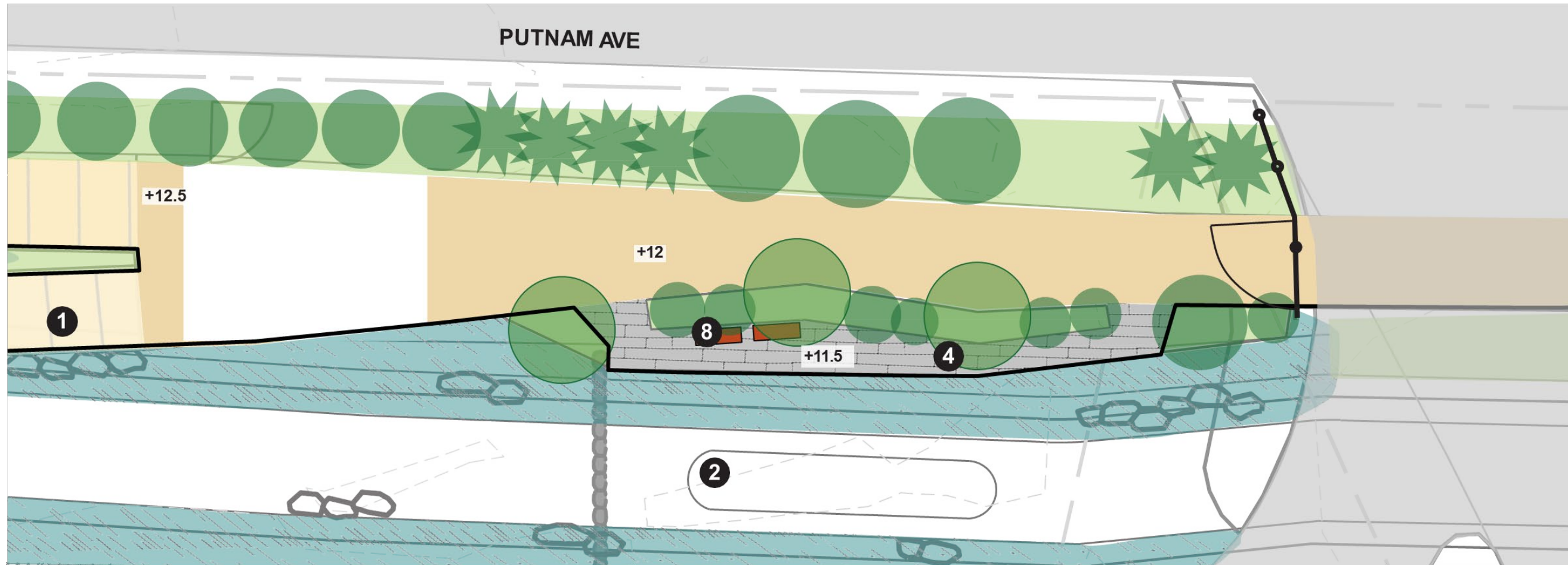


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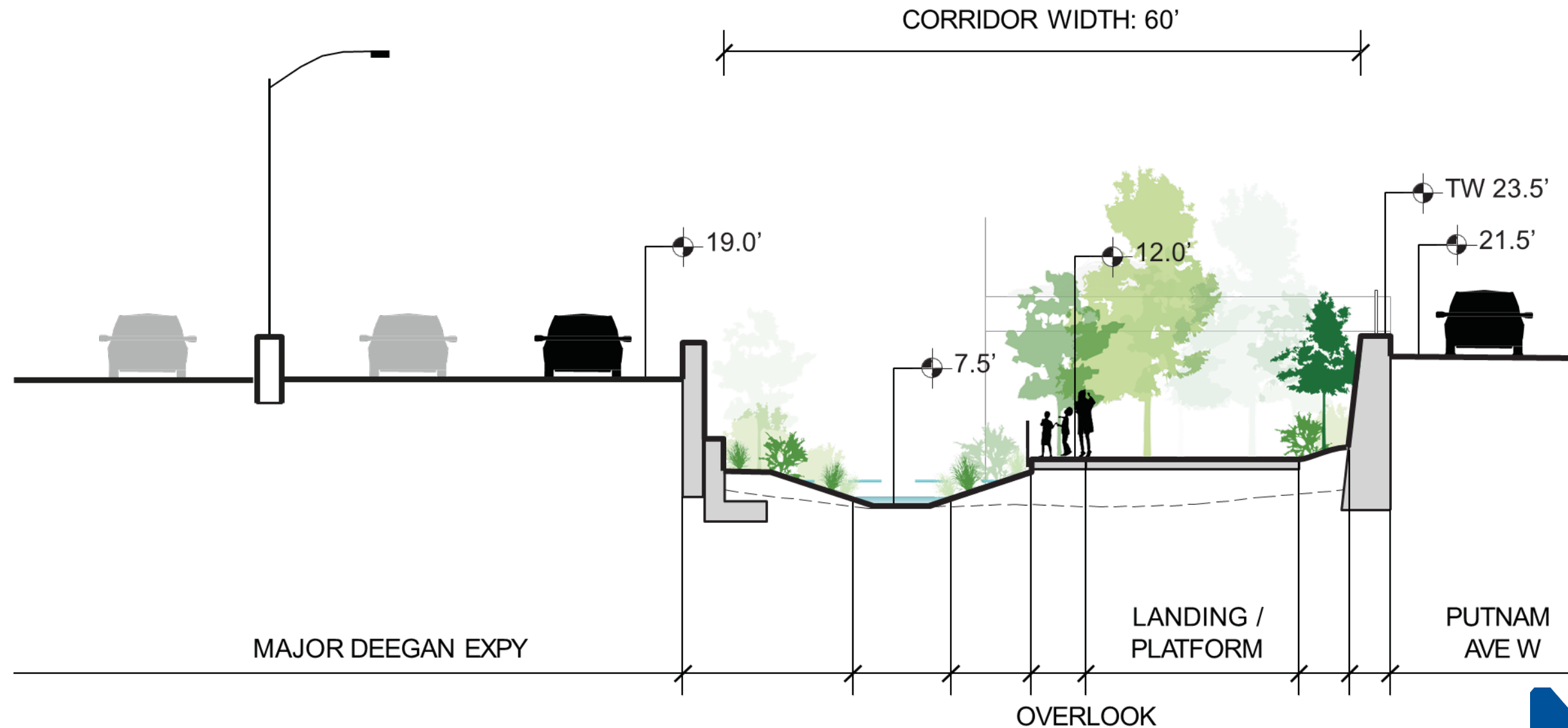
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REVISED DESIGN

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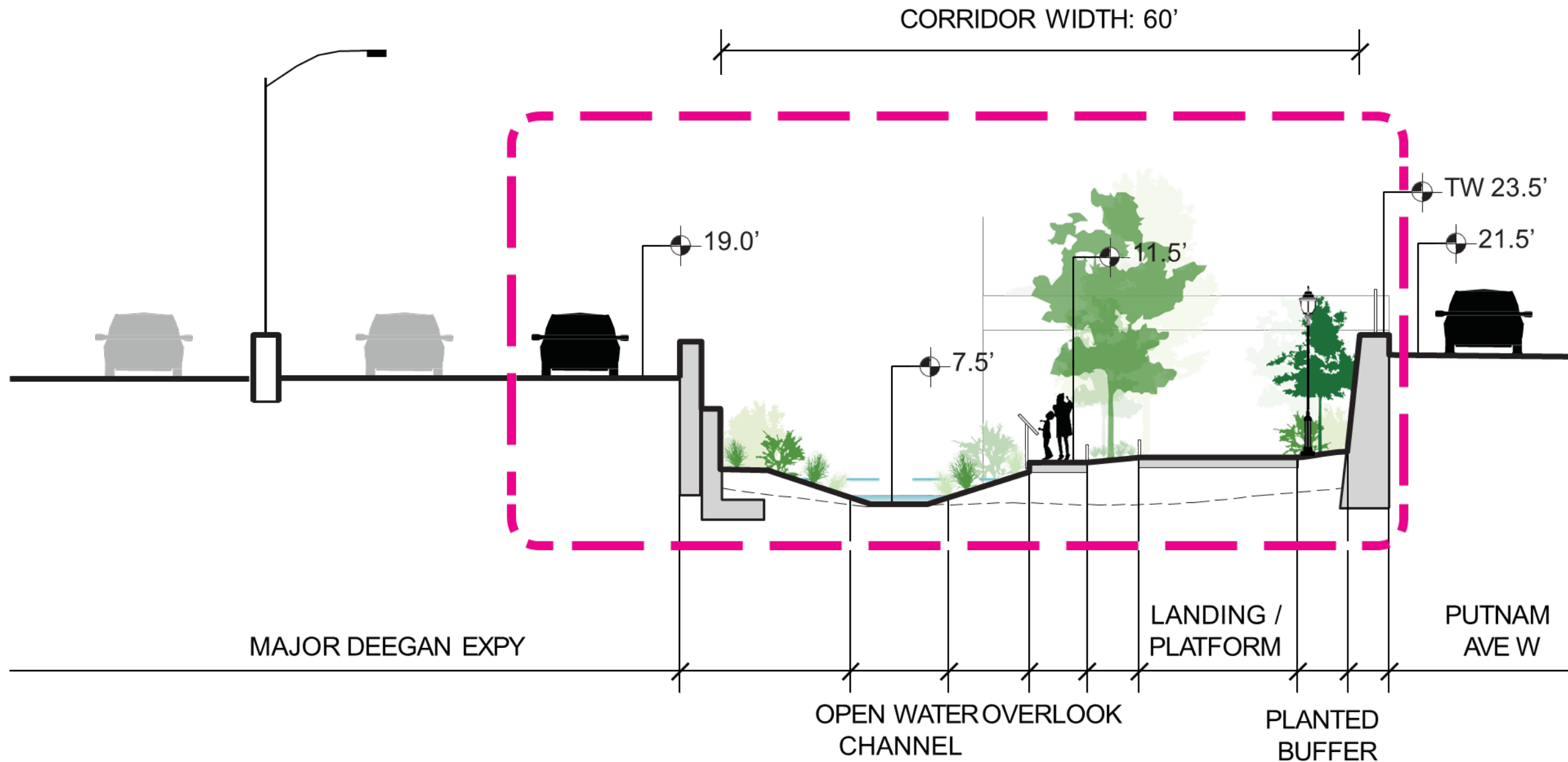


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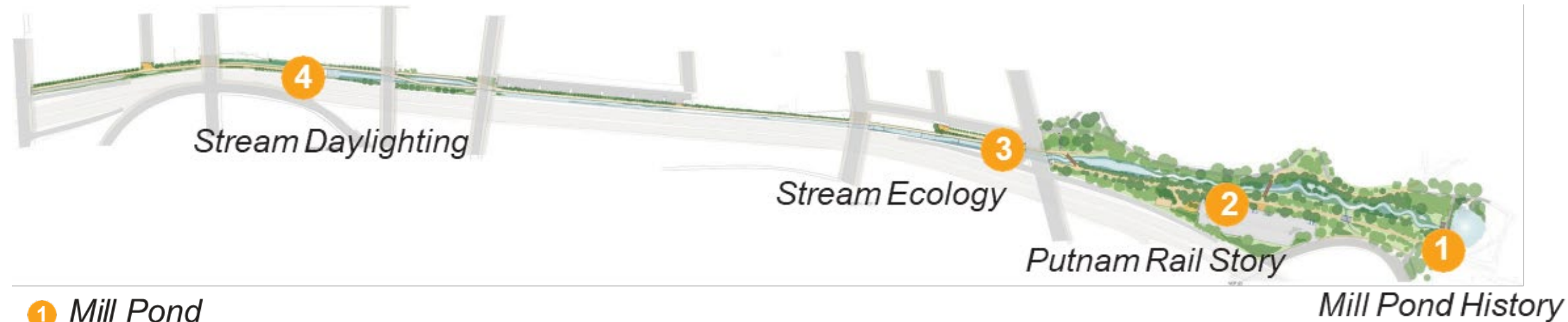
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REVISED DESIGN

Refined Signage Strategy



1 *Mill Pond*

Share the history of the damming of Tibbetts Brook at the Mill Pond to power the saw and grist mills owned by Jacobus Van Cortlandt and operated with slave labor in the early 18th Century.

2 *Putnam Rail*

Tell the story of the Putnam Railroad "Old Put" ran through the park connecting the Bronx to Brewster, New York.

3 *Stream Corridor Ecology*

Describe the flora and fauna which are present in the park and stream corridor and their ecological function

4 *Stream Daylighting*

Highlight the environmental benefits of the stream daylighting

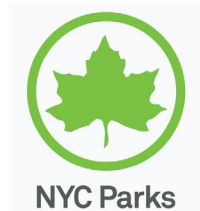


Environmental Review & MTA ULURP Update



Task	Date	Status
CEQR: EAS Negative Declaration	February 12, 2024	Complete!
ULURP Certification (MTA-MNRR Site)	February 20, 2024	Complete!
*ULURP Public Review & Approval (MTA-MNRR Site)	March 2024 – Sept. 2024	<i>In progress</i>

*Timeline pending DCP Coordination

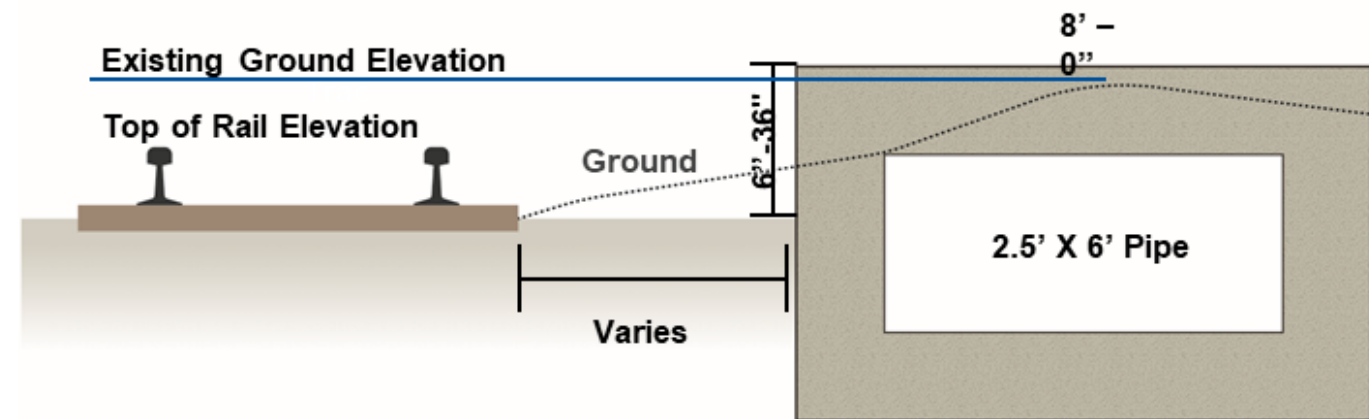


MTA-MNRR Coordination

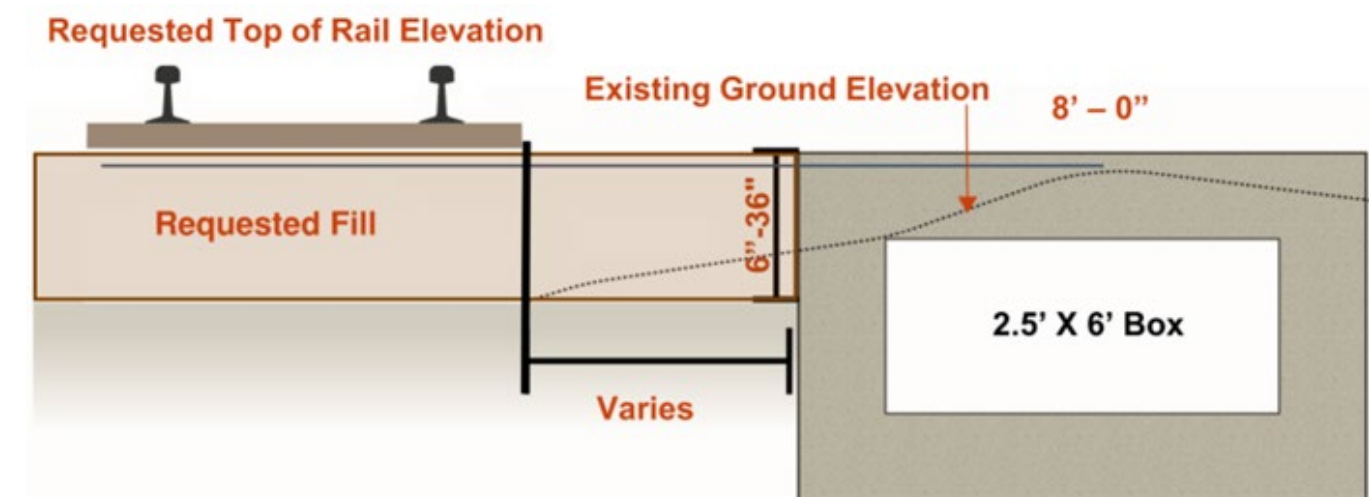


Existing Conditions: Bronx Metro-North Railyard

DEP Initial Proposal:

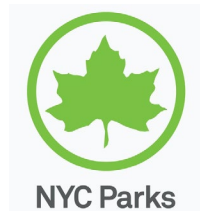


Updated Design:



CSX Acquisition Update

- January 18, 2023: Purchase and Sale Agreement (PSA) Signed – the City and CSX must follow the procedural steps established in the PSA:
 - April 11, 2023: CSX filed the Notice of Exemption to abandon the premises to the Surface Transportation Board (STB)
 - May 11, 2023: City request that the STB issue a Notice of Interim Trail Use (NITU)
 - May 26, 2023: STB approved the trail use agreement
 - CSX and DEP are working to finalize all requirements during the Due Diligence period
- **August 2024:** Closing for the City to acquire the property



Ongoing Activities



- Ongoing coordination w/ City and State DOT
- Ongoing coordination with MTA-MNRR
- Interim PDC Review
- Finalize Design

Questions?

Harlem River Greenway



Closing Gaps Along the Bronx Waterfront

NYC DOT is planning a 7-mile greenway along the Bronx side of the Harlem River, creating a continuous cycling and walking path between Van Cortlandt Park and Randall's Island Park. When complete, the greenway will better connect Bronx residents to their waterfront and provide a critical north-south commuting corridor.

DOT needs community members' input to help shape the Harlem River Greenway Implementation Plan. Join us at upcoming public workshops to discuss the different routes the Greenway could take.

Public Workshops: Route Alternatives

North Stretch: Van Cortlandt Park to High Bridge

In-Person: Wednesday, March 13th, 6-8 PM, Bronx Community College

Virtual: Wednesday, April 3rd, 6-8 PM

South Stretch: High Bridge to Randall's Island Park

In-Person: Tuesday, March 19th, 6-8 PM, Bronx Brewery

Virtual: Monday, April 8th, 6-8 PM

Register Here



Visit nycdotprojects.info/harlem-river-greenway-bronx by scanning the QR code.

Contact Holly Malone at 212.748.6680 or hmalone@dot.nyc.gov to request accessibility accommodations.



Existing: Exterior Street at Depot Place



Proposed: Shore Blvd at Astoria Park, Queens



A continuous greenway in the Bronx!

Van Cortlandt Park to High Bridge

High Bridge to Randall's Island Park