



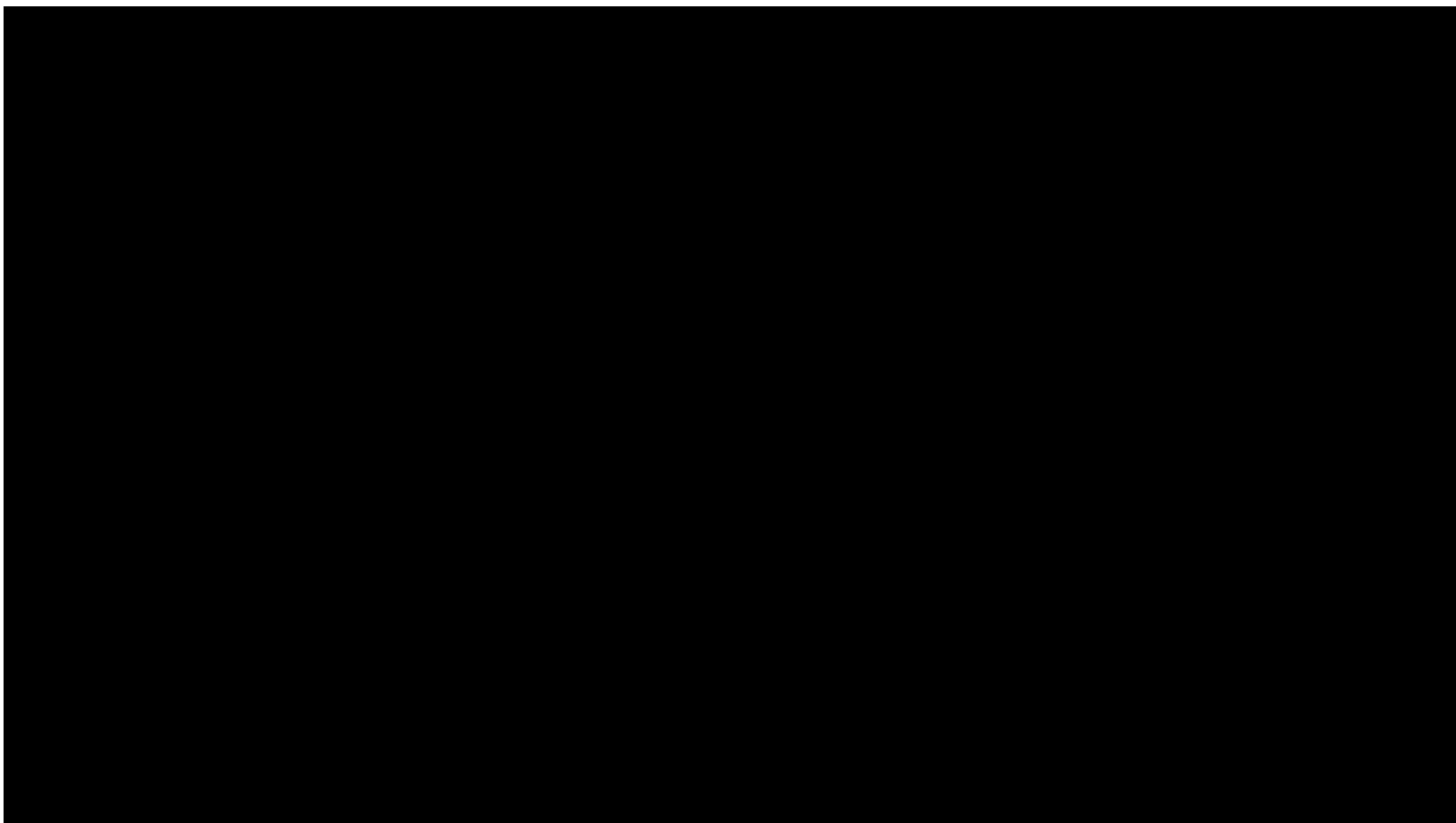
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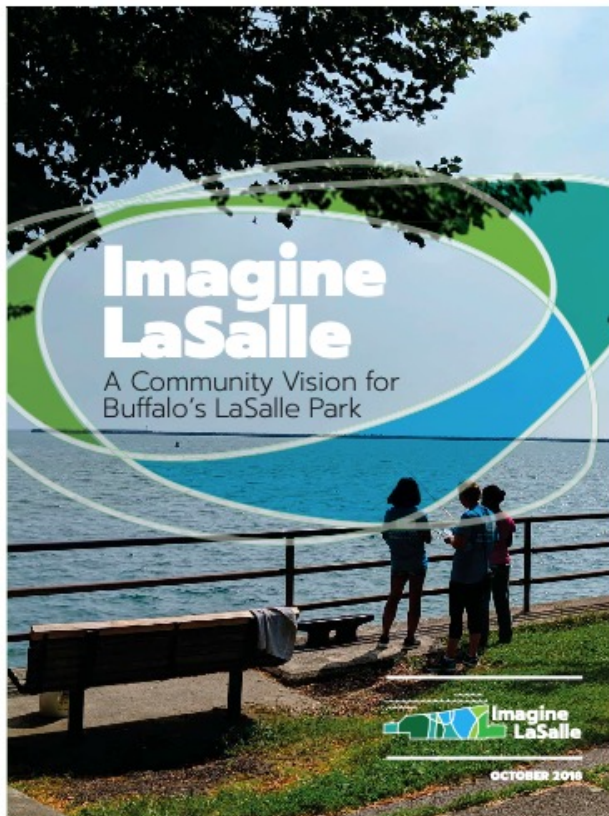
Ralph Wilson's biggest gift yet: \$100M to transform LaSalle Park, trails

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1,164 Survey Responses

Big ideas for LaSalle Park

“...more **family friendly** activities, add a large playground for young children, also play areas for teens to use.

“ More **community art**, get the **youth involved** from community.

Bring the imagination back. ”

“ Have **more concerts** here, more events, it's so big, it's **great**.

“ ...a **waterfront boulevard** connecting LaSalle with the Marina and with the outer harbor.

“ More **garbage and recycling cans and more trees**.

“ Add a **LOT MORE benches**.

Something with **refreshments**, maybe a **beer garden** for adults. Help get people here and involved.

“ More vegetation - more trees... more **wildflower meadows**.

“ A building for **bathrooms** where you can wash your hands.

“ Make a **gateway entrance** to enhance the importance of the park.

“ More **concession options**, maybe **food trucks**.

“ **Light fixtures** around the soccer fields, baseball fields, and skate park. ”

“ Add a **beach!**

“ More **shaded, sitting areas**. Add more fun and colourful features in the splash pads.

“ Build a **turf field** for soccer.





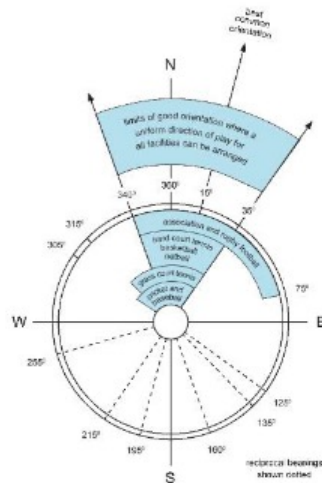
4 Years of Community Engagement



Improved Facilities



BPS Standards



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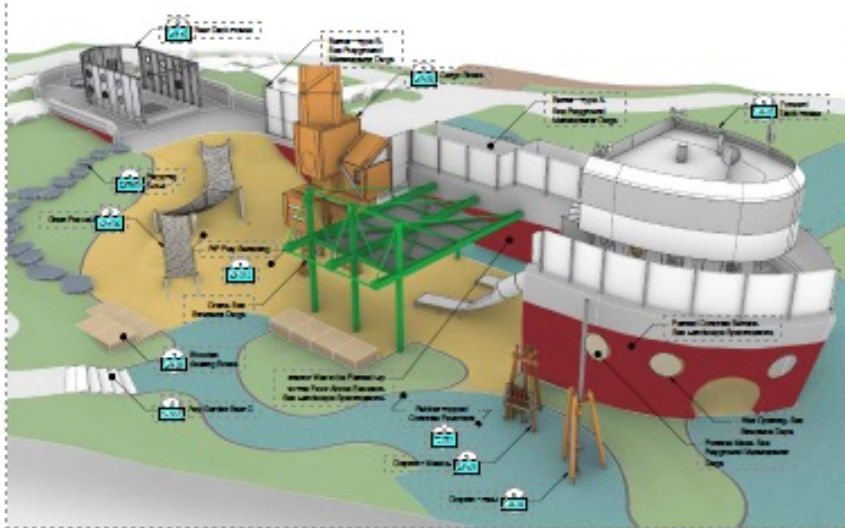
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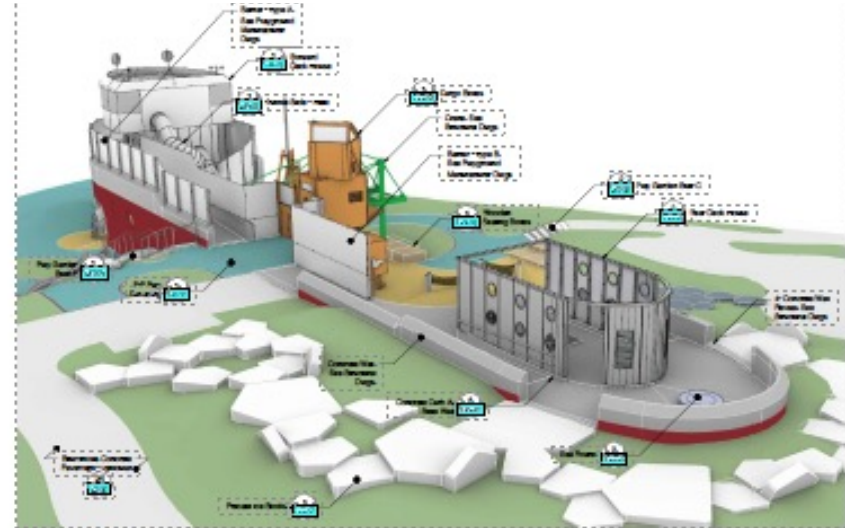
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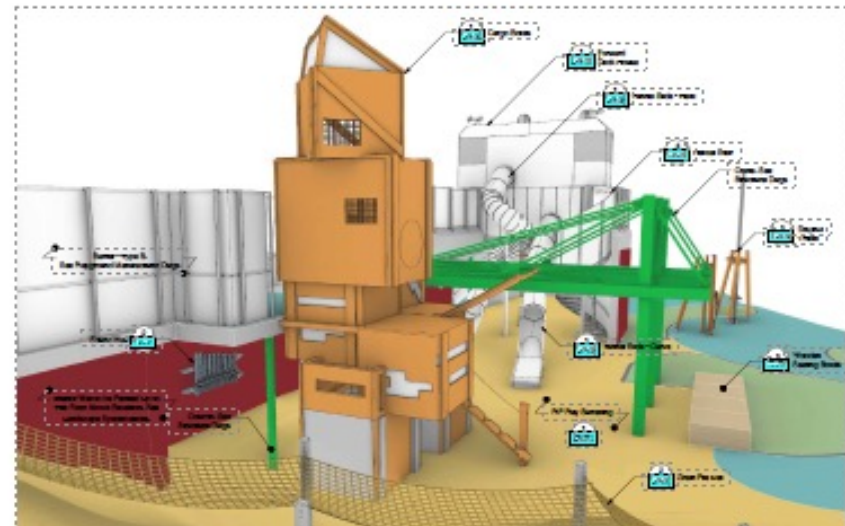
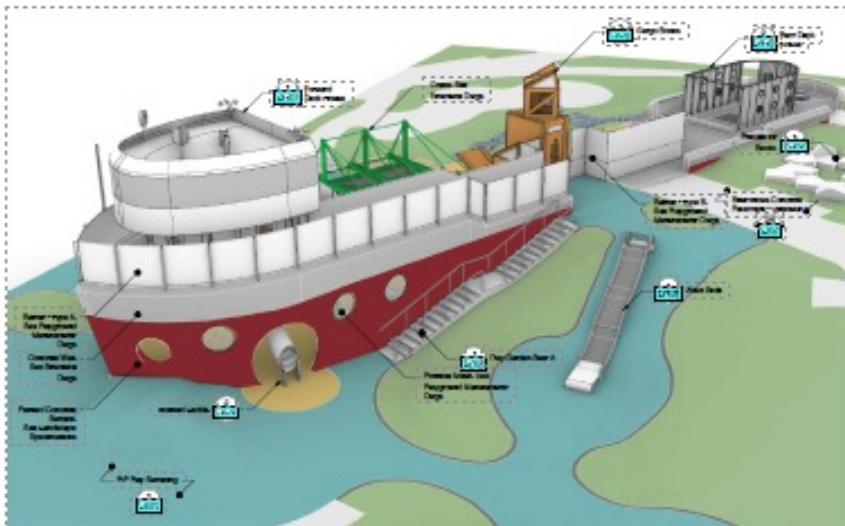




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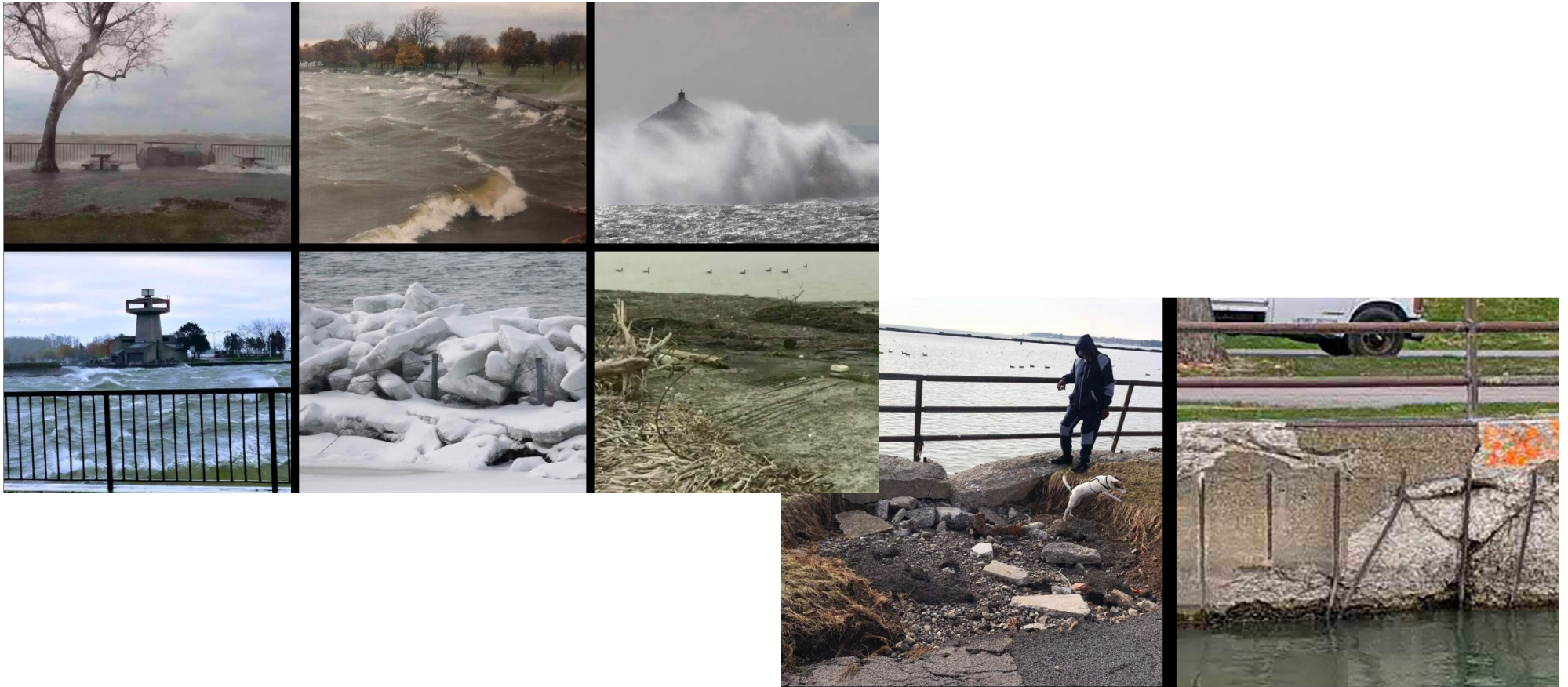


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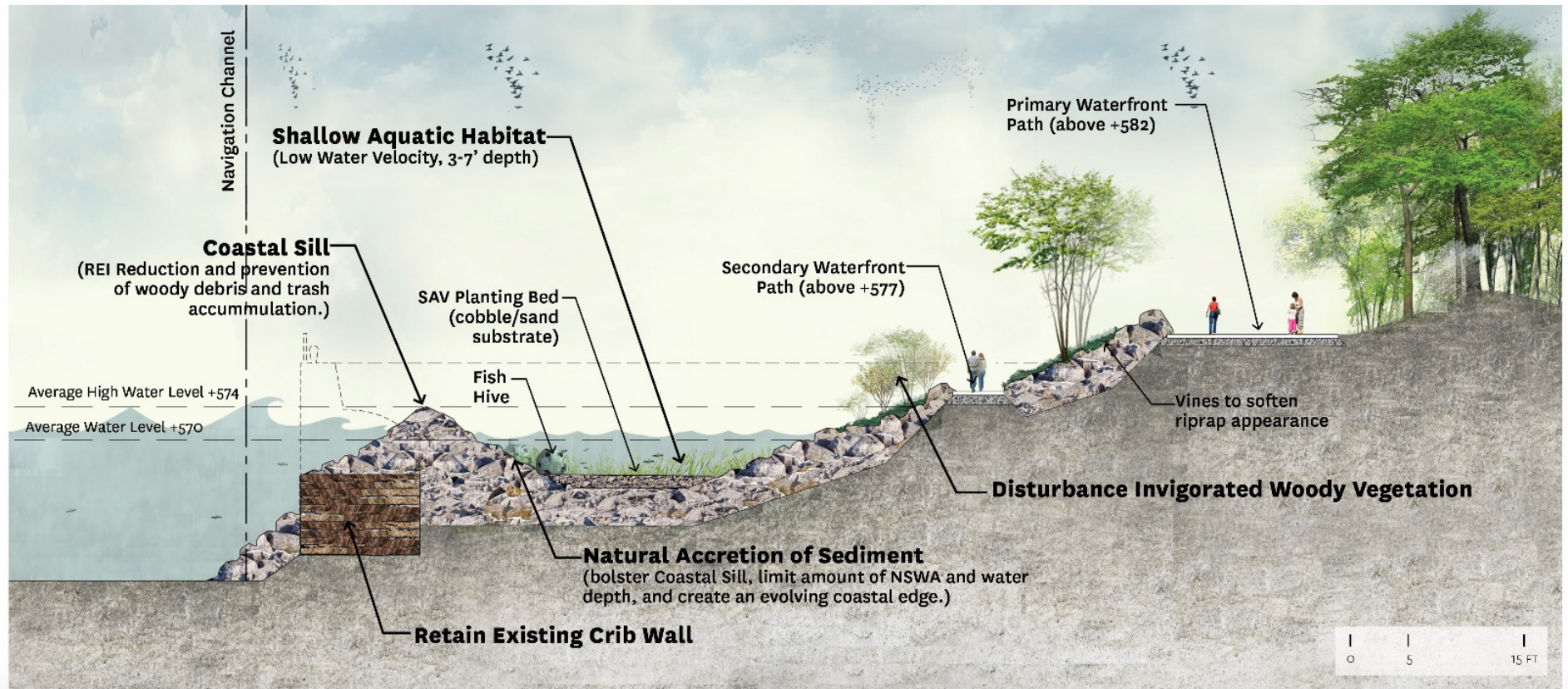


Deteriorating Shoreline





Shoreline Edge Strategy: Layered Armored Edge





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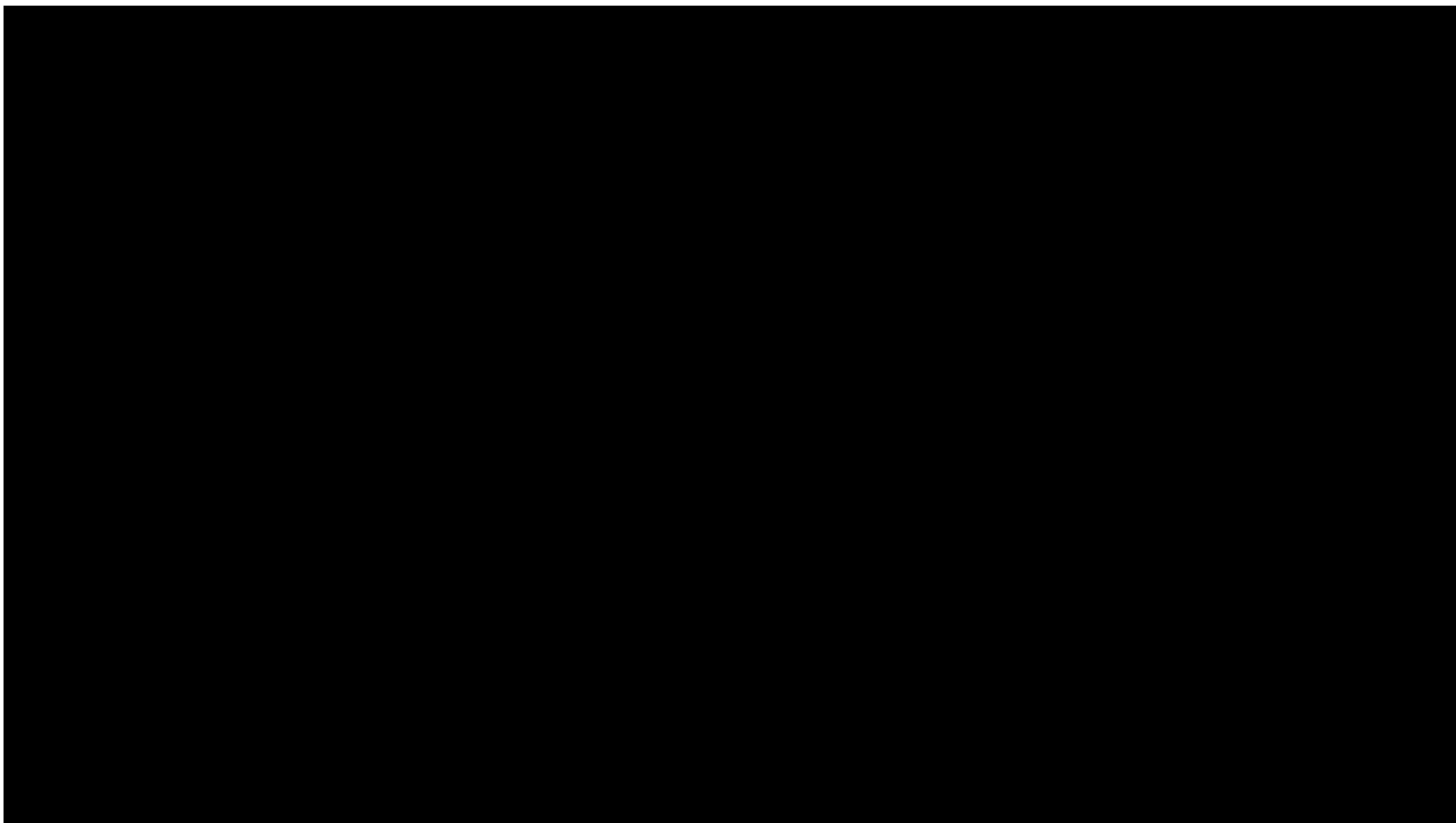
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Phased Opening Plan



■ Opening Summer 2026

■ Construction Begins Summer/Fall 2025



