

Bradfield Development Authority

Building Two Advanced Manufacturing Research Facility

Section 4.55 Modification Report
Appendix D – Landscape Report

21 November 2025

AMRF BUILDING 2 LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

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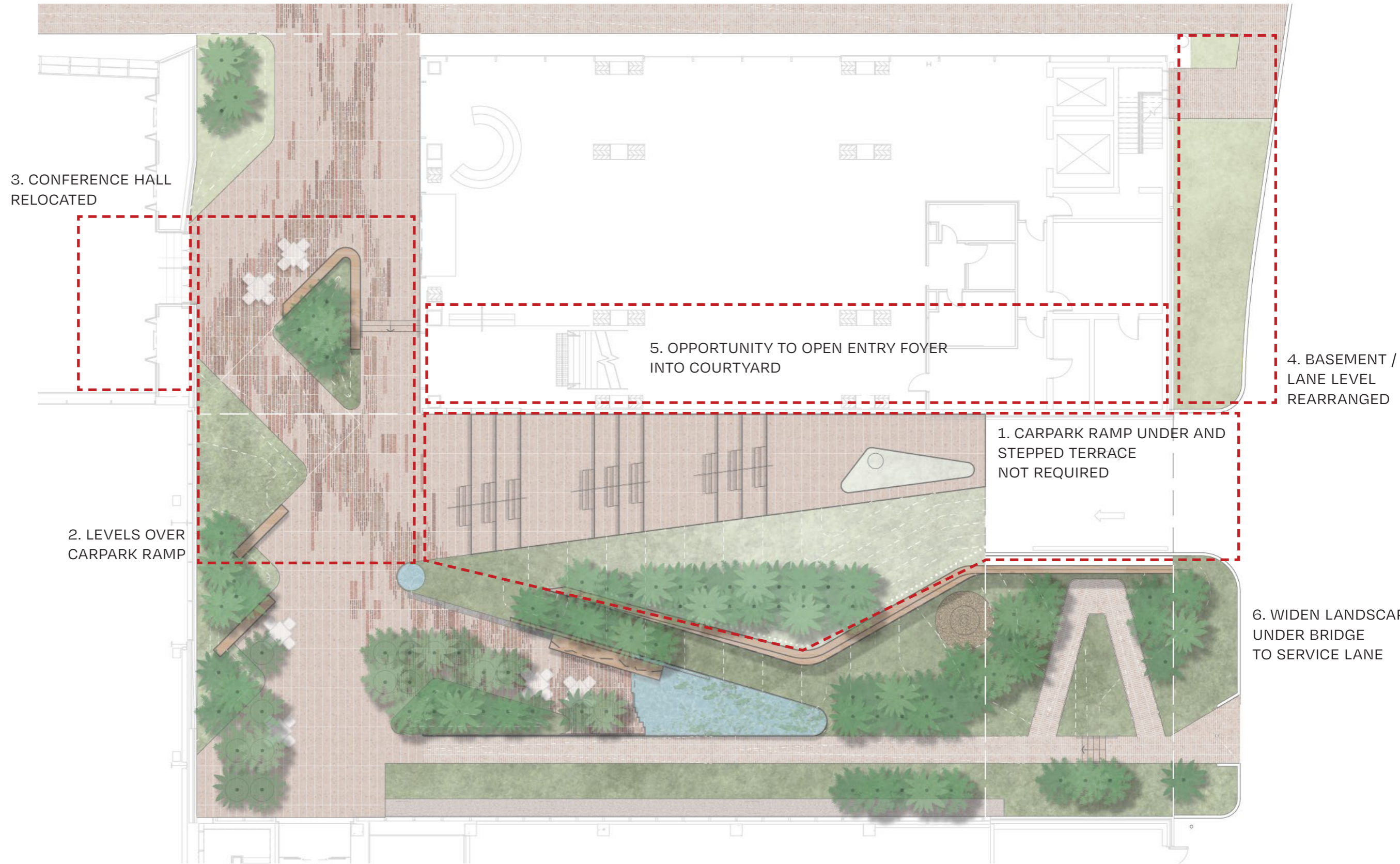
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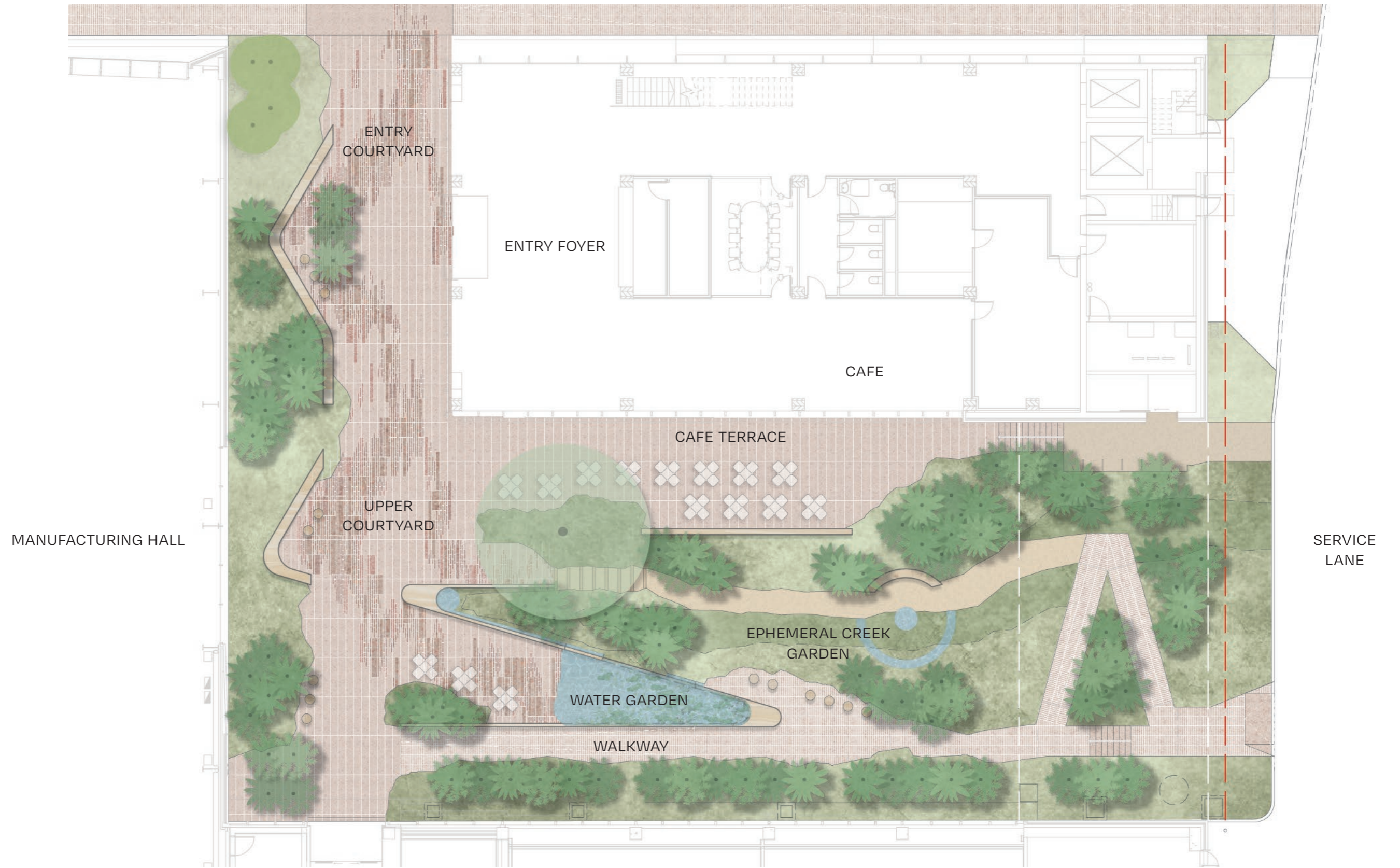
INTRODUCTION

Original SSDA



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Stage 2



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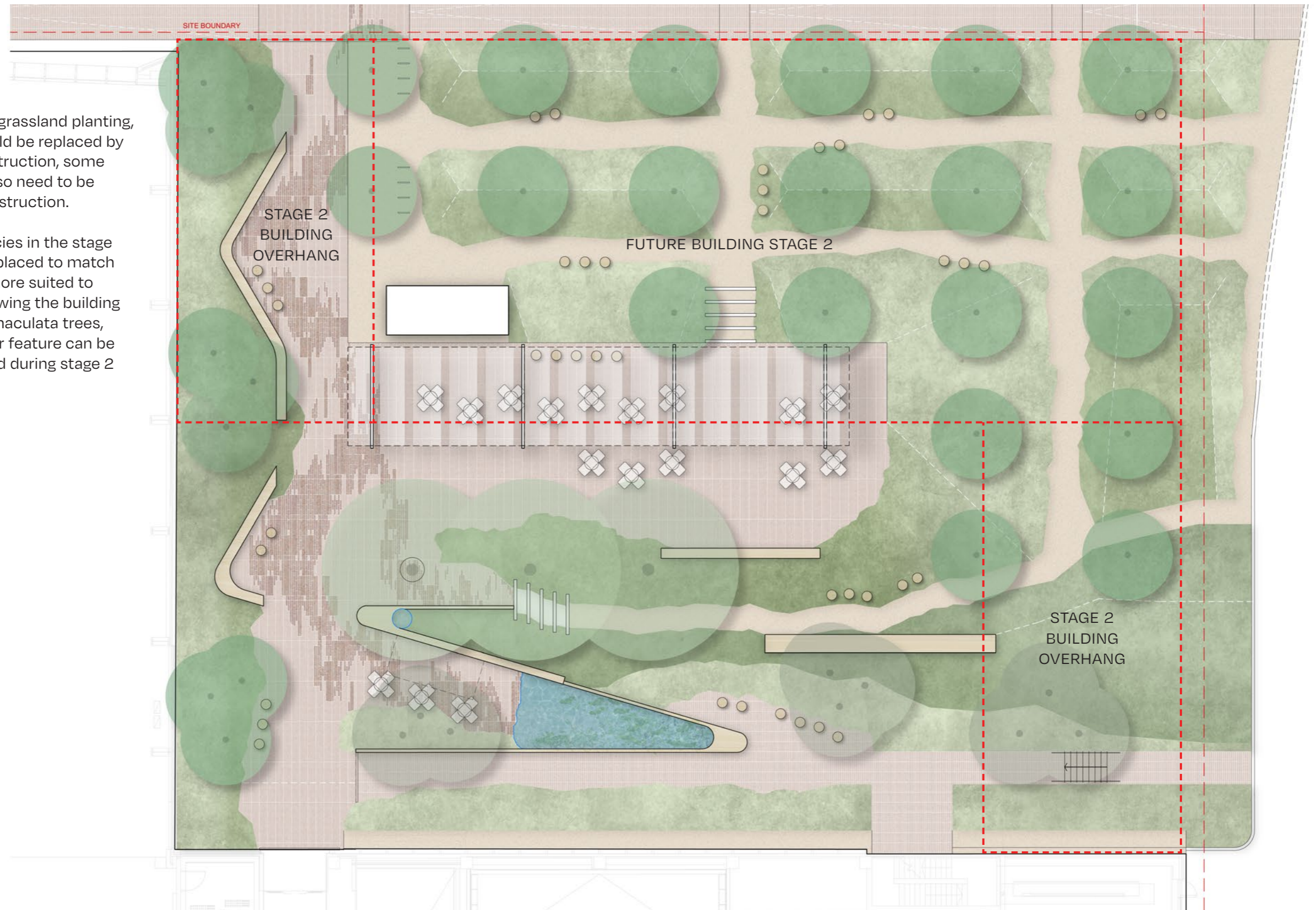
Stage 1



Landscape Plan Comparison between Stage 1 & 2

In stage two the grid of trees, grassland planting, shade structure and cafe would be replaced by the new building. during construction, some of the adjacent paving may also need to be removed and re-laid after construction.

The understory planting species in the stage 2 courtyard will need to be replaced to match the stage 2 scheme, and be more suited to the shaded environment following the building construction. the *Corymbia maculata* trees, central paving, walls and water feature can be protected within the courtyard during stage 2 construction.



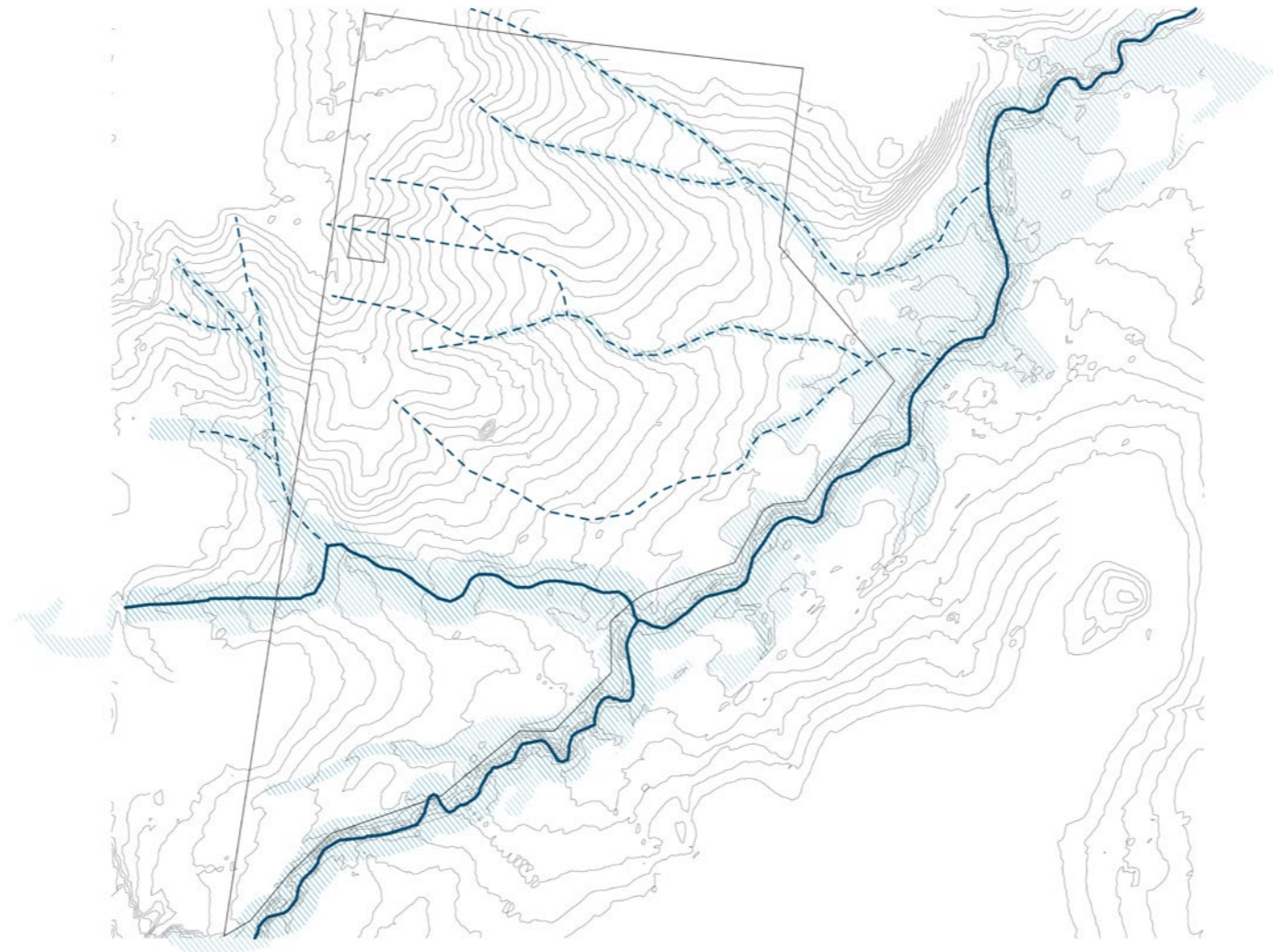
LANDSCAPE CONCEPT

Landscape Concept Ephemeral Ponds and Creeks

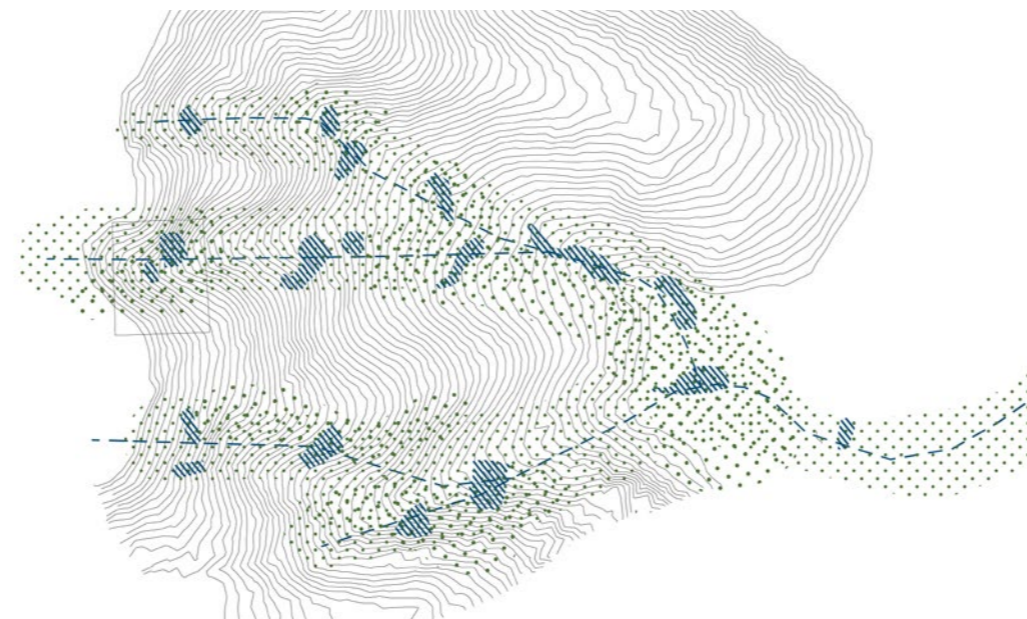
The broader setting of the Western Sydney landscape is of gently undulating terrain, peppered with farm dams and intermittent watercourses.

The typically dry landscape responds to water, with ephemeral ponds and creeks that fill after rain. The rain carves out creeklines that follow the contours of the landscape as the water drains into the larger watercourse.

Dark greens and rusty tones of the rushes mark the path the creek takes through the otherwise dry landscape as an echo of ephemeral creekline and ponds.



Ephemeral creek lines leading into Thompson's Creek



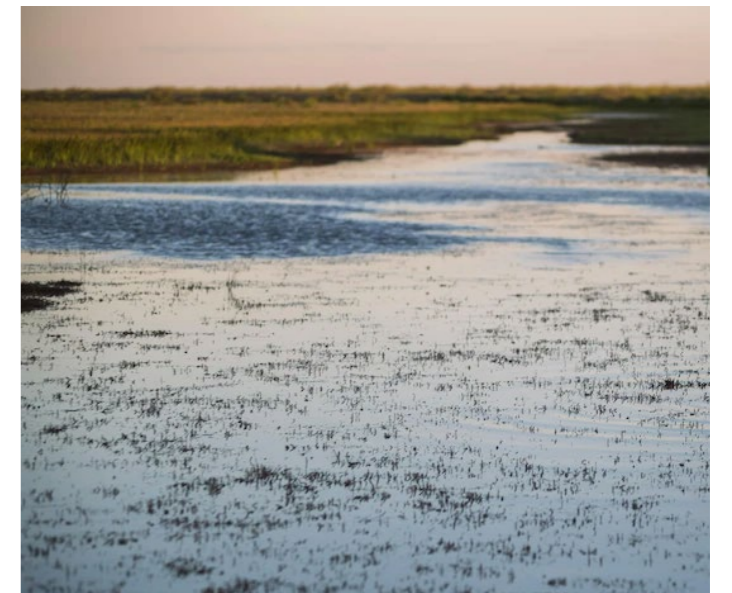
A sequence of dams and ponds form along creeklines after rain



Rust-coloured reeds and sedges mark intermittent creeklines



Lush character of creeks after rain



Broad water courses across floodplains

Landscape Concept

Geology: Wianamatta Shales

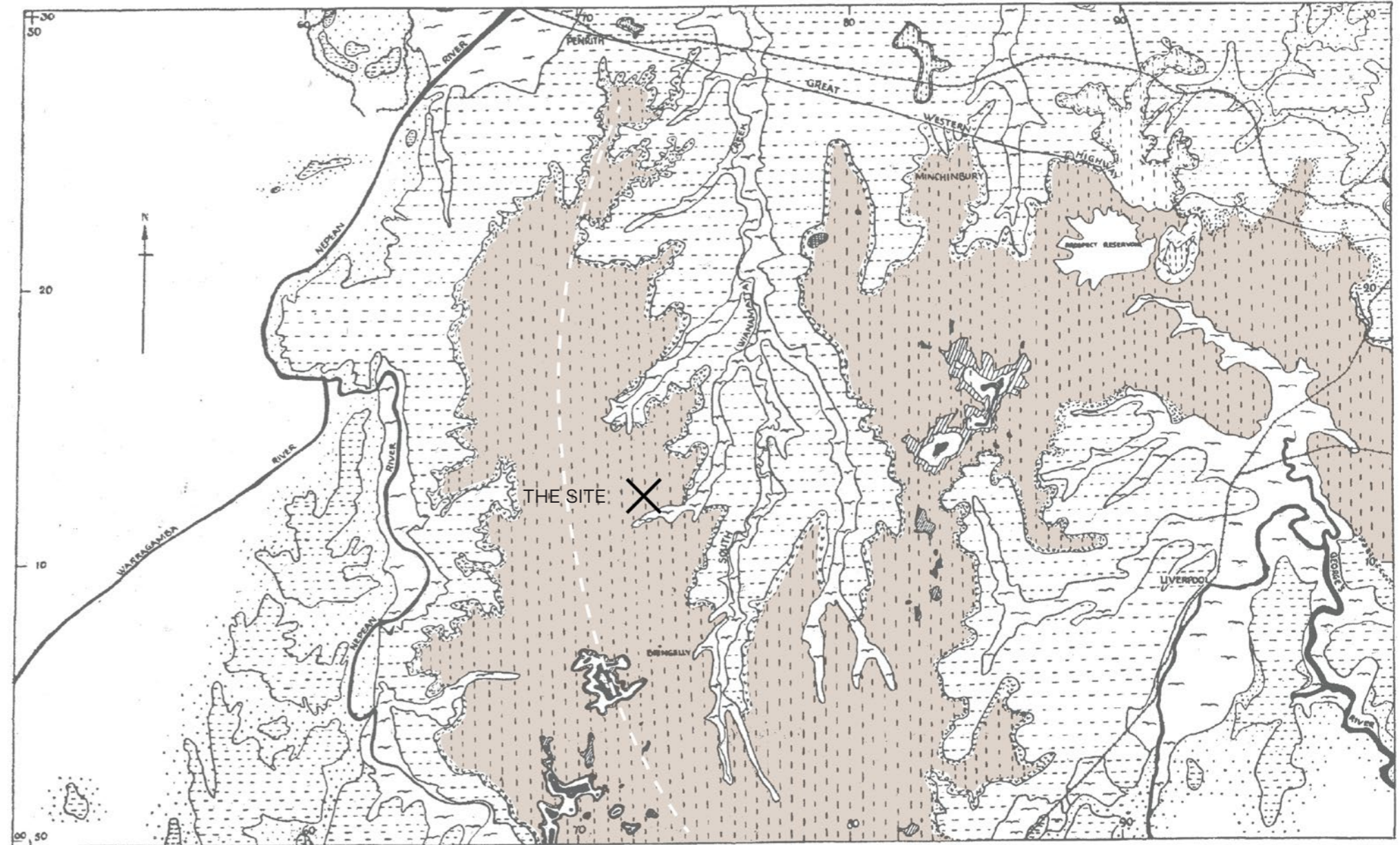
The Wianamatta Group is the youngest geological layer overlaying the Hawkesbury Sandstone that forms much of the Sydney Basin. Formed from the deposits of the historic delta during the Triassic, the Wianamatta Group is comprised of fine grained sedimentary rocks in three distinct layers:

Bringelly Shale formed from the alluvium of the marshy plains.

Minchinbury Sandstone formed from the deposition of sand from historic coastlines.

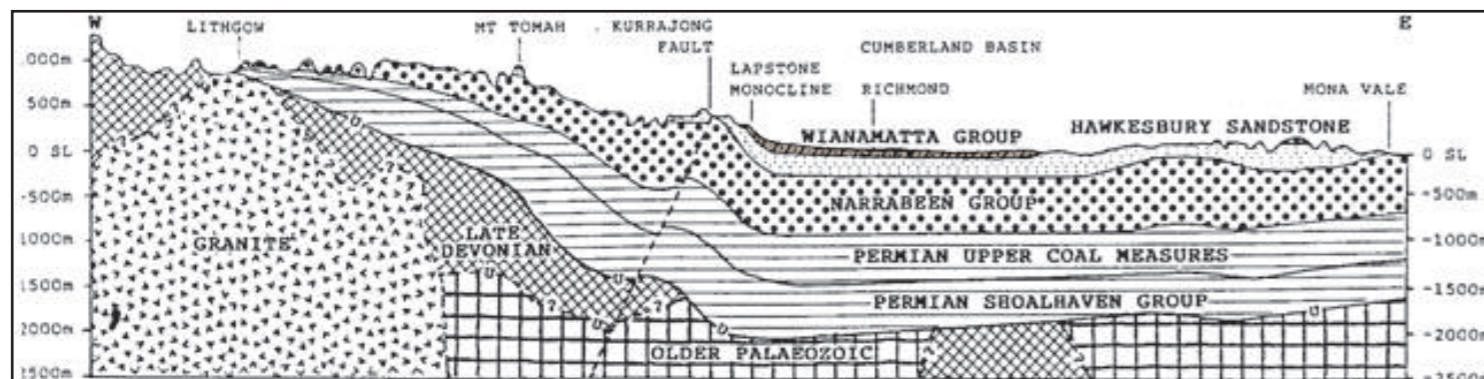
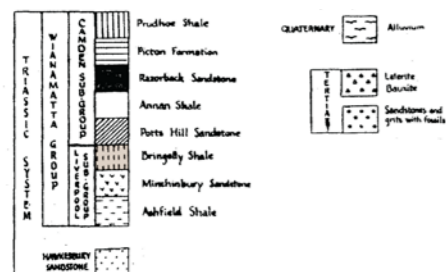
Ashfield Shale formed from clayey marine depositions.

The weathering of the Wianamatta group produces fine clayey soils that characterise the Cumberland Plain. The resulting soil are often red (haematite) in well drained slopes or yellow (goethite) in poorly drained locations. The Parkland City and AMRF site lie on the Bringelly Shales, coloured brown in the plan.



MAP 4 LIVERPOOL SHEET
0 1 2 3 miles

SEDIMENTARY



Bringelly Shale



Minchinbury Sandstone

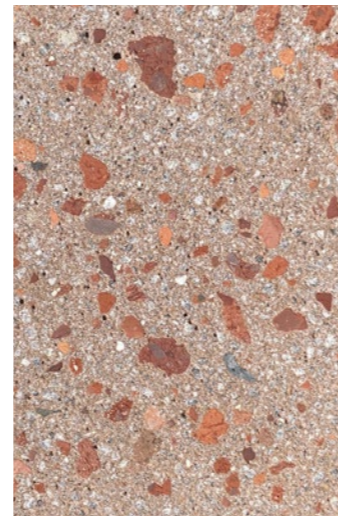


Ashfield Shale

Landscape Concept: Paving
Wianamatta Shales and Western Sydney Soils



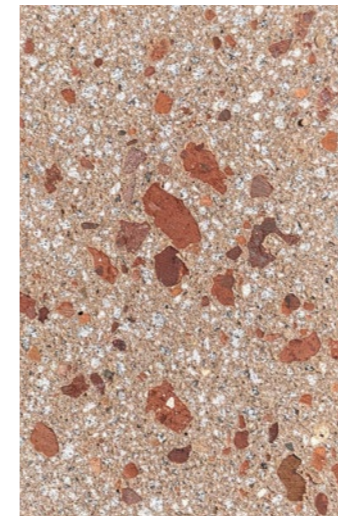
CUSTOM 1:
 Burnt Umber - 4.15% Grey
 Cement



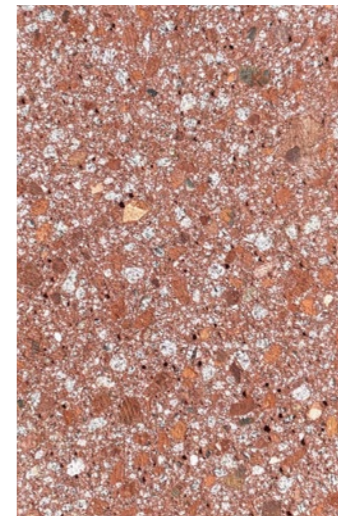
CUSTOM 2:
 Tan FAJ - 4.15% Grey Cement



CUSTOM 3:
 Tan FAJ - 8.3% Grey Cement



CUSTOM 4:
 Cinnamon Buff - 4.15% Grey
 Cement



CUSTOM 5:
 Red BBB-A1 - 4.15% Grey
 Cement



CUSTOM 6:
 Terra Cotta - 8.3% Grey
 Cement

Stonekast - Recycled brick
 aggregate with custom colour oxides



Bringelly Shale



Minchinbury Sandstone

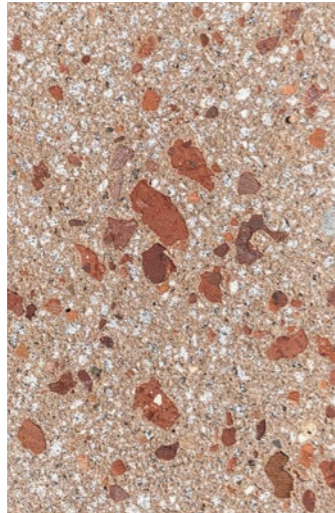


Ashfield Shale

**Landscape Concept: Paving
Colours and Sizes**



CUSTOM 2:
Tan FAJ - 4.15% Grey Cement



CUSTOM 4:
Cinnamon Buff - 4.15% Grey Cement

Stonekast - Recycled brick aggregate with custom colour oxides
PV1A and PV1B Preferred Pavers



CUSTOM 2,4
PV1A
100x500mm units



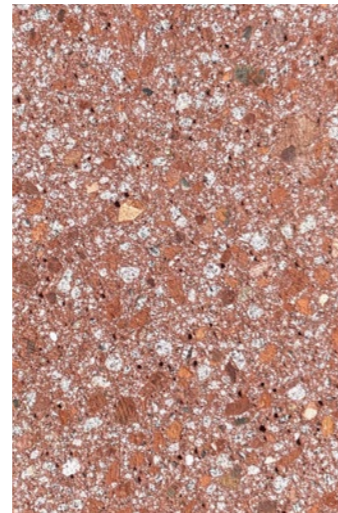
CUSTOM 2,4
PV1B
400x2000mm units



CUSTOM 1:
Burnt Umber - 4.15% Grey Cement



CUSTOM 3:
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CUSTOM 5:
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CUSTOM 6:
Terra Cotta - 8.3% Grey Cement

Stonekast - Recycled brick aggregate with custom colour oxides
PV1C Preferred Pavers



CUSTOM 1,3,5,6
PV1C (size varies)
1000x200mm units
100x500mm units
250x100mm units

Stonekast Sustainability

Material Supply Chain and Production Methods

Australian Made

All products are made in Australia.

Australian Sourced

98% of material is sourced within Australia, with over 75% of raw materials sourced within 130km.

Material Recycling

Fine waste is recycled back into the product and concrete is crushed for road base.

Water Recycling

Water used in production is used over and over again with the water filter plant.

Energy

All machinery in the plant uses PLC technology to keep power usage at a minimum.

Product Lifecycle

Concrete has a long life cycle, and when required, is accepted back free of charge to be recycled.

Sustainability

Award winning for its Sustainability systems.

Reuse and recycling



FINE WASTE RECYCLING:

STONEKAST recycles fine waste. Fine waste is created during the finishing cycle of the production process. STONEKAST has incorporated equipment in our plant to capture this material and then it is recycled back into the production process to manufacture new material. By re-using these super-fine materials we have been able to reduce our cement usage while improving the strength and quality of the product.

CONCRETE WASTE RECYCLING:

During the production process damage to material can occur creating a defective product. These materials are recycled by STONEKAST in two ways. Firstly, if the damage is minor the product can be processed into a smaller tile through our cutting system therefore reducing the waste created. Secondly, if any material cannot be re-worked then it is crushed into a workable material which is re-used commonly for road base.

WATER RECYCLING:

STONEKAST has installed a new Water Recycling Plant in 2022. This plant is able to recycle water used in the process of finishing and re-use this in the manufacture of new material. We are also able to reuse water over and over again during the finishing of material. All new material is now made with recycled water.

Landscape Concept: Planting Cumberland Plain: Entry Courtyard and Rooftops

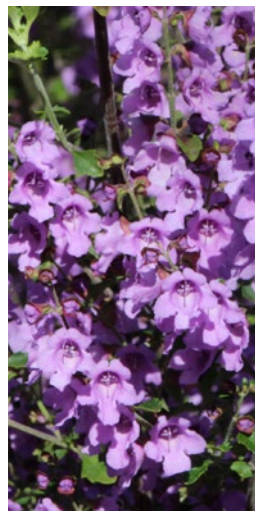
Colourful shrubs and grasses

The entry foyer open space is co-located with the AMRF Park. It faces north and acts as an arrival space and entry into the AMRF Stage 2 building.

The planting design will draw the parkland character into this space by using native flowering shrubs at the point of arrival into the building. This space acts as a transition from the Cumberland Plain landscape of the park, into the dry rainforest character of the courtyard beyond.



Fiona Brockhoff's garden in Sorrento arranges native shrubs and grassy tussocks in gravel to invite sitting and walking.



Native Thyme
Prostanthera incisa



Narrow-leaf Myrtle
Austromyrtus tenuifolia



Australian indigo
Indigofera australis



Tree Violet
Melicytus dentatus



Coffee Bush
Breynia oblongifolia



Rice Flower
Ozothamnus diosmifolius



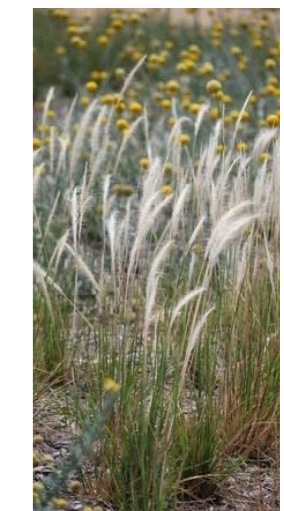
Wedge Guinea Flower
Hibbertia diffusa



Winter Apple
Eremophila debilis



Tussock Grass
Poa labillardieri



Short-hair Plume Grass
Dichelachne micrantha

Landscape Concept: Planting

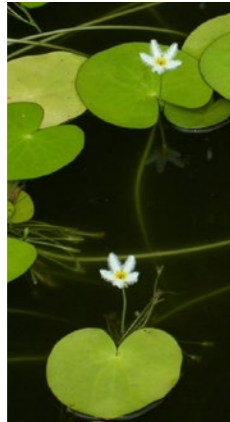
Dry Rainforest: Courtyard

Lush, layered planting

The central courtyard is protected from the northern sun by the administration and workplace building, offering the opportunity for a cooler microclimate, an ideal respite from the often hot and exposed Western Sydney landscape.

The courtyard draws on the character of Western Sydney's ephemeral waterways, with pools of connected water, lush planting of ferns and other species related to the creeklines of the region. This planting type is now rare in the Western Sydney landscape, due to agricultural expansion. This courtyard offers an opportunity to return this character to Country and tell the story of the former ephemeral pond landscape of these creeklines.

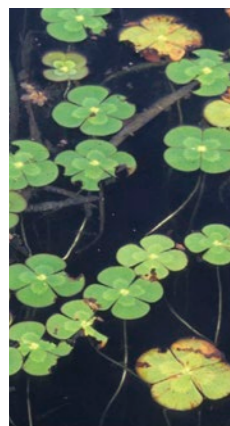
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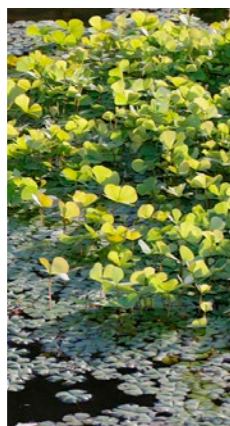
Water Snowflake
Nymphoides indica



Entire Marshwort
Nymphoides geminata



Rainbow Nardoo
Marsilea mutica



Rough Water Clover
Marsilea hirsuta



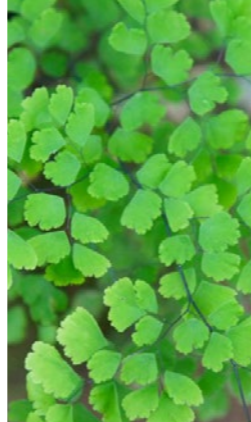
Variable Water Milfoil
Myriophyllum variifolium



Spotted Gum
Corymbia maculata



Lacy Tree Fern
Cyathea cooperi



Common Maidenhair
Adiantum aethiopicum



Narrow-leaf Myrtle
Austromyrtus tenuifolia



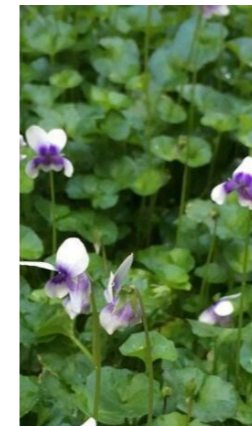
Australian Indigo
Indigofera australis



Necklace Fern
Asplenium flabellifolium



Kidney Weed
Dichondra repens

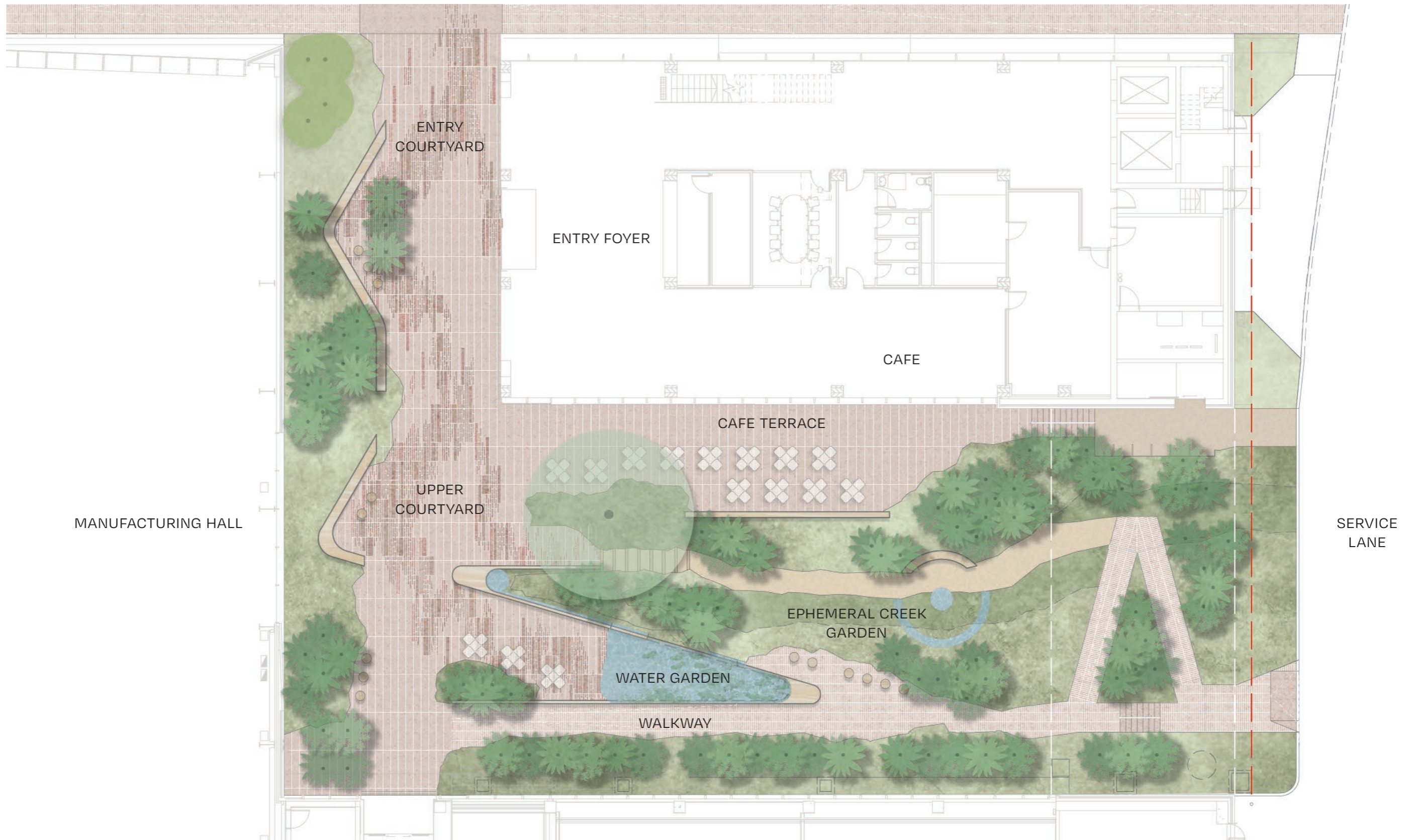


Native Violet
Viola hederacea

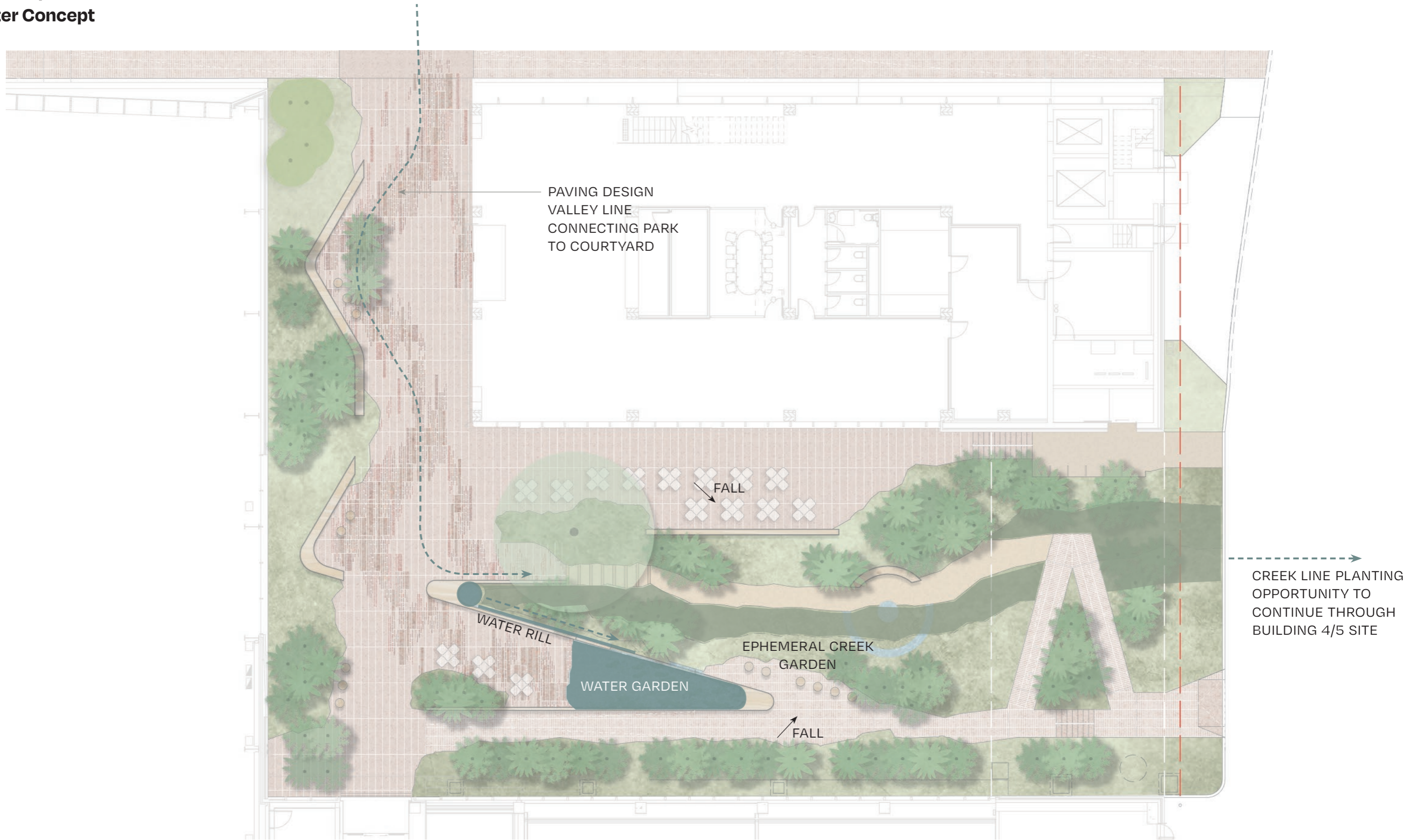


The Ford Foundation Atrium, New York by Dan Kiley
Layering of canopy trees above, protecting tree fern understorey, and groundcovers below.

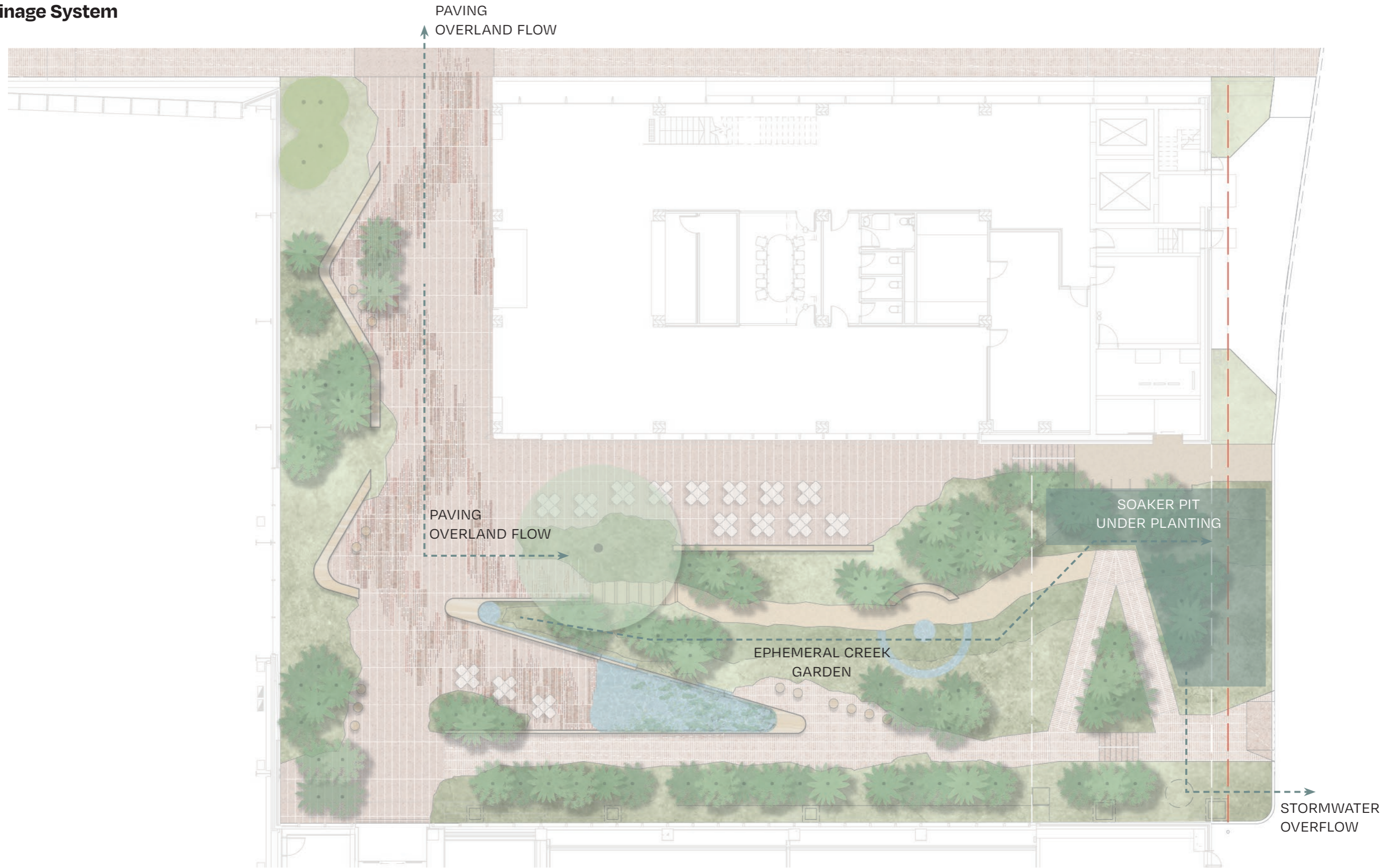
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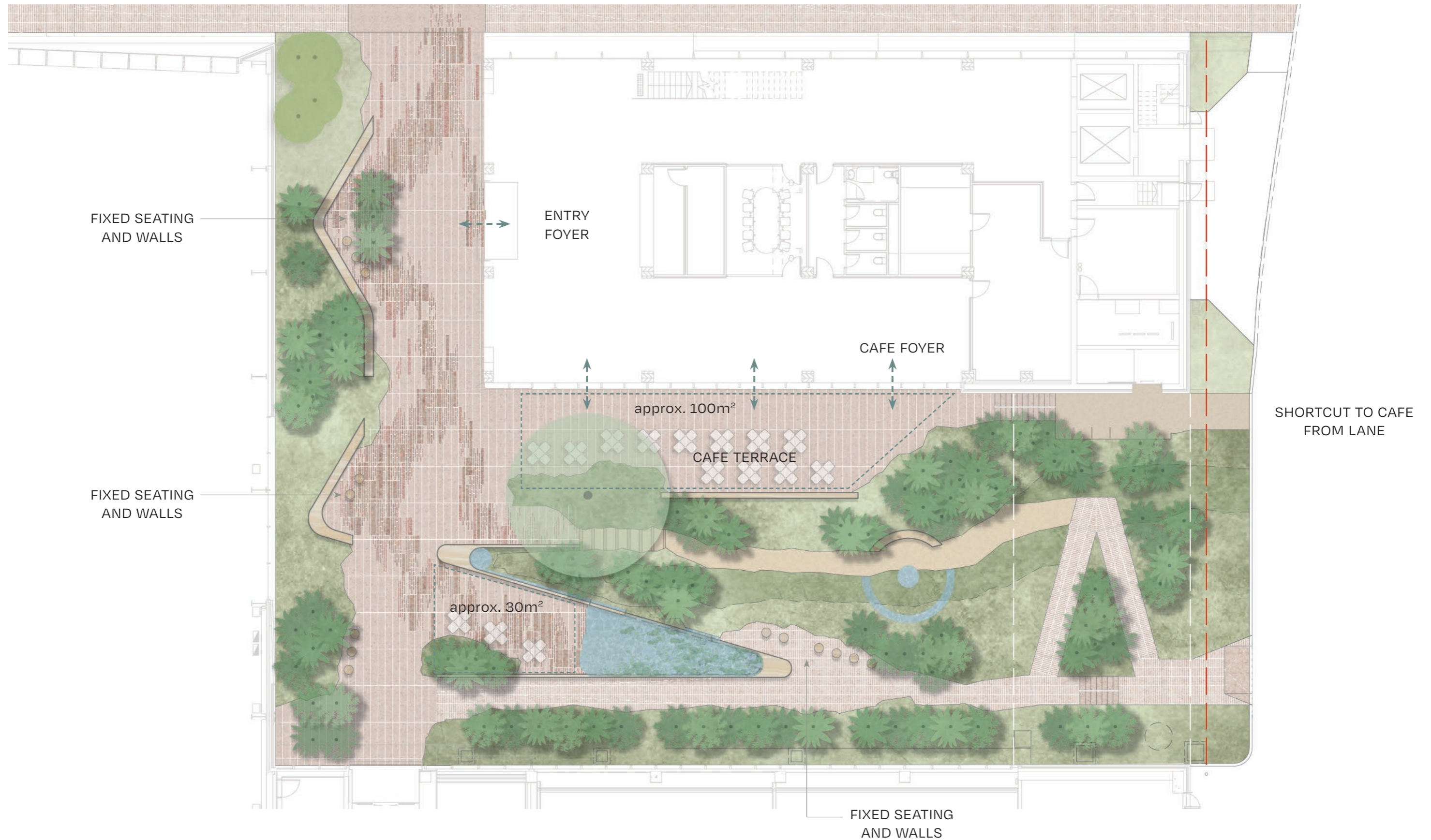
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Water Concept



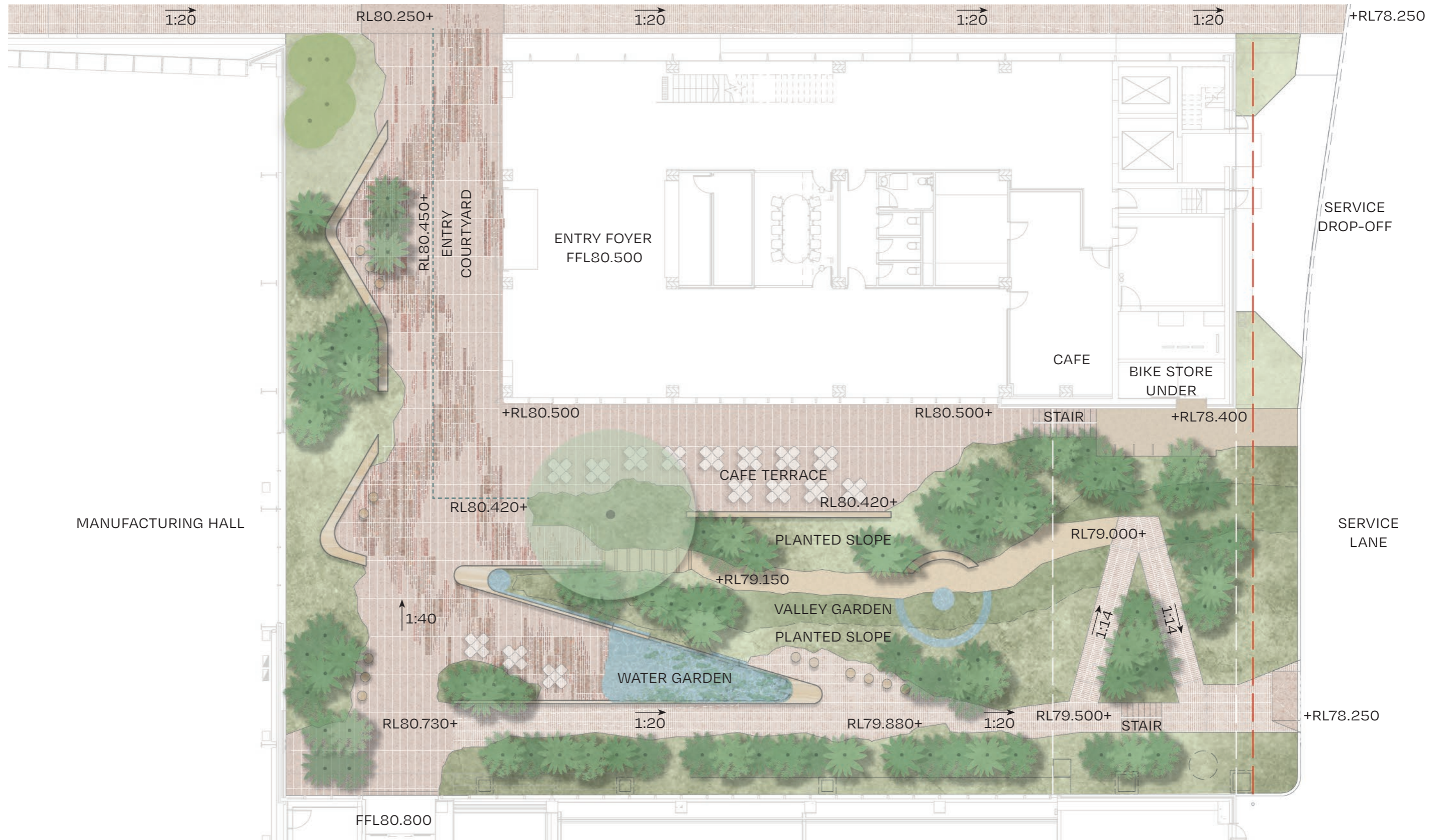
**Landscape Plan
Drainage System**



Landscape Plan
Cafe and Seating Areas



**Landscape Plan
Servicing and Levels**



Landscape Views
Upper Courtyard looking east



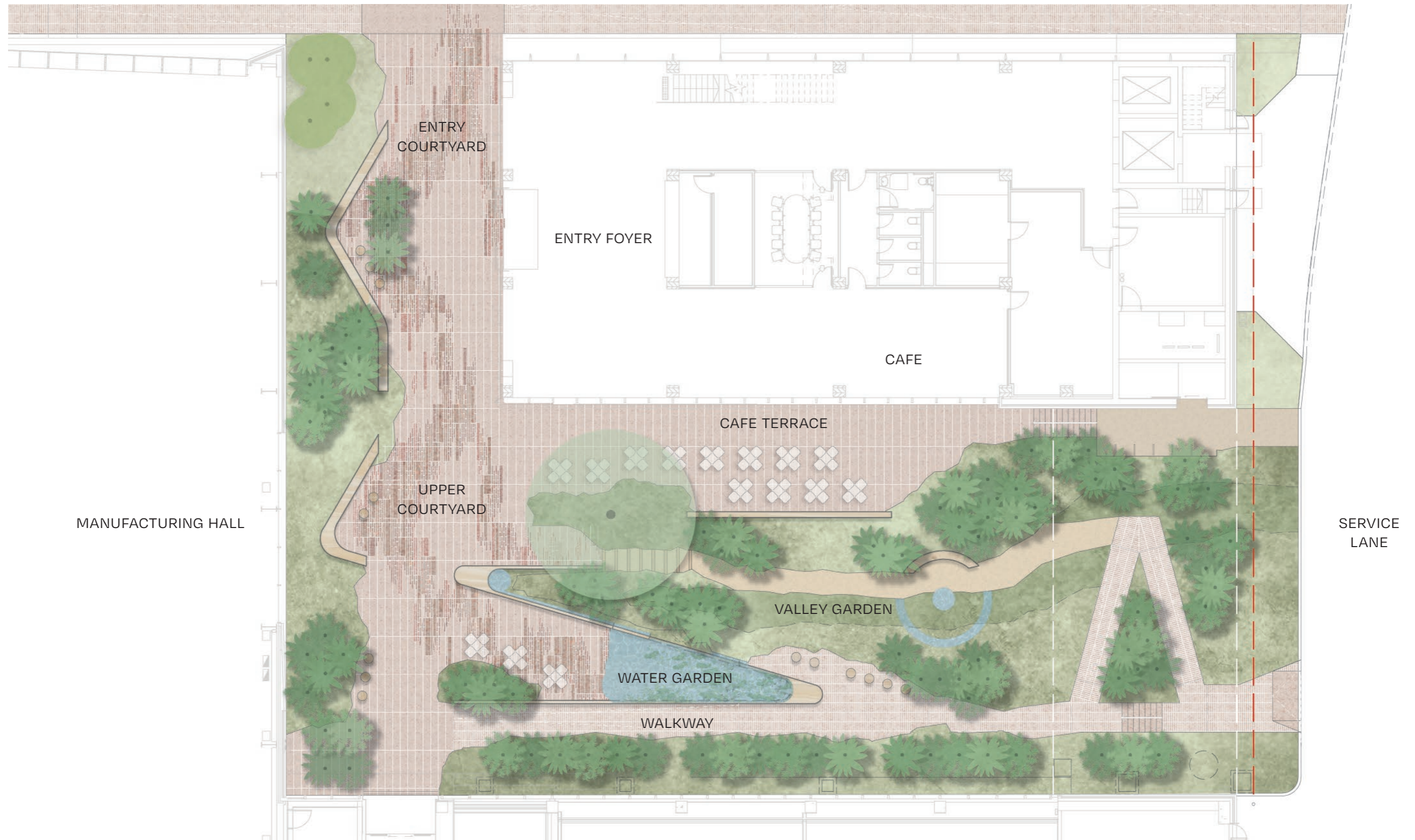
Landscape Views
Courtyard looking west



Landscape Views
Research Labs entry into courtyard



Illustrated Landscape Plan



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Stage 2 Site Porosity Plan

This plan shows the area breakdown for porous areas within the site. The breakdown considers deep soil, areas over structure, building undercrofts, and whether the ground treatment is planted or hardscape. Total site area is 5996sqm.

Zone	Area (sqm)	Porosity Factor (%)	Porous Factor Area (sqm)
AMRF2 Site Area	5996		
Courtyard			
Planting Areas			
Planting Over Deep Soil	347	100%	347
Planted Building Setback Edges Over Deep Soil	51	100%	51
Planting In Undercroft Over Deep Soil	214	100%	214
Planting Over Structure	0	50%	0
Planted Water Feature	23	0%	0
Paving Areas			
Paving Over Structure/On Slab	32	0%	0
Unit Paving Over Ground	510	50%	255
Permeable Paving Over Deep Soil Zones	34	50%	17
Permeable Paving In Undercroft Over Deep Soil Zones	51	50%	26
Paved Building Setback Areas	64	50%	32
Rooftops			
Biosolar Roof Planting	964	50%	482
Total Porous Area (sqm)			1423
Site Porosity (%)			23.7%
Total Open Space Area (sqm) (not incl. roof)	1326		
Open Space Area Percentage of Site (%)	22.1%		



Stage 2 Tree Canopy Plan

This plan shows the area breakdown for tree canopies within the site.

ZONE	Area (sqm)	AMRF2 Site (%)	Total (AMRF1+AMRF2) Site (%)
AMRF2 Site Area	5996		
AMRF1 Site Area	6251		
Total Site Area (S1+S2)	12247		
Tree Canopy Areas			
Tree Canopy - AMRF2 Stage 2 In Courtyard	399	6.7%	3.3%
Tree Canopy - AMRF1	1575		12.9%
Tree Canopy Total	1974	6.7%	16.1%



AMRF2 STAGE 1

Landscape Concept: Planting Cumberland Plain: Entry Courtyard and Courtyard

Cumberland Plain Native Grassland

The variation in microclimates requires a shift to a temporary landscape planting palette that is based on the Cumberland Plain Woodland.

Grassland mounds mimic the rolling hills of the Cumberland plain framed with a band of trees, framing the courtyard in the clearing.

In the temporary absence of the administration and workplace building the grid of trees will offer some shade and cooling, as well as a defensible space for the building. Furthermore, they establish and define a clearly traced edge between park and building site, which in turn creates smaller usable spaces within the grid nestled in and amongst dense grasses.



Bluberry Ash
Elaeocarpus reticulatus



Flowing grassland in the Cumberland Plain framed by mown paths accentuate the topography of the landscape



Plumegrass
Dichelachne micrantha



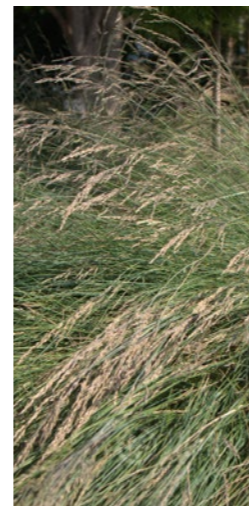
Purple Wiregrass
Aristida ramosa



Little Grasstree
Xanthorrhoea minor



Grass Lily
Murdannia graminea



Grey Tussock Grass
Poa sieberiana



Common Everlasting
Chrysocephalum apiculatum



Pale Vanilla Lily
Arthropodium milleflorum



Yellow Rush Lily
Ticoryne elatior



Chocolate Lily
Arthropodium stricta



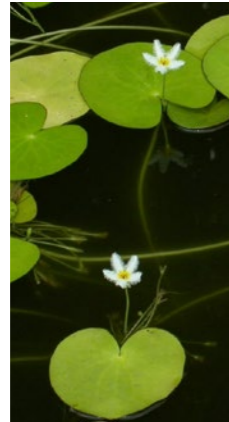
Native Parsnip
Trachymene incisa

Landscape Concept: Planting Ephemeral Creek Garden

Ephemeral Creek Garden

The Valley Garden draws on the character of Western Sydney's ephemeral waterways, with pools of connected water, lush planting of ferns and other species related to the creeklines of the region. The sedge planting cuts through the courtyard planting scheme, establishing a dichotomy between the dense grasses and sedge planting. This planting type is now rare in the Western Sydney landscape, due to agricultural expansion, offering an opportunity to return this character to Country and tell the story of the former ephemeral pond landscape of these creeklines.

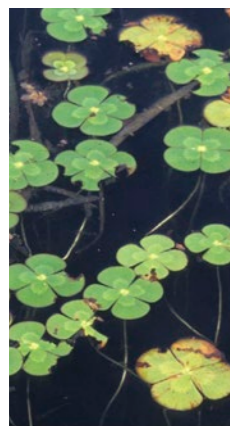
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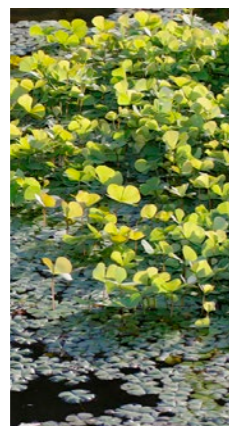
Water Snowflake
Nymphoides indica



Entire Marshwort
Nymphoides geminata



Rainbow Nardoo
Marsilea mutica



Rough Water Clover
Marsilea hirsuta



Variable Water Milfoil
Myriophyllum variifolium



Spotted Gum
Corymbia maculata



River Sheoak
Casuarina cunninghamiana



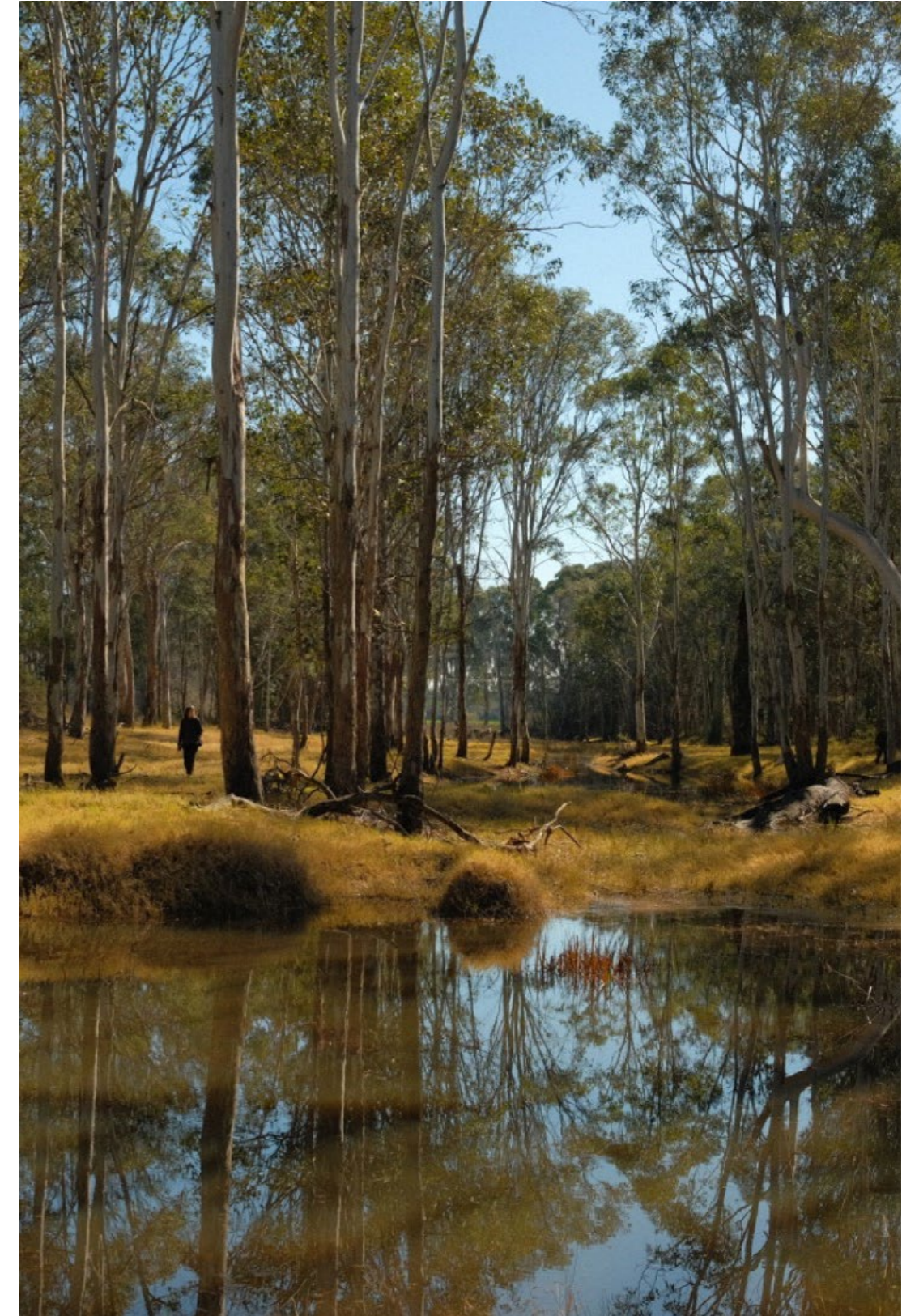
Knobby Clubrush
Ficinia nodosa



Common Rush
Juncus usitatus

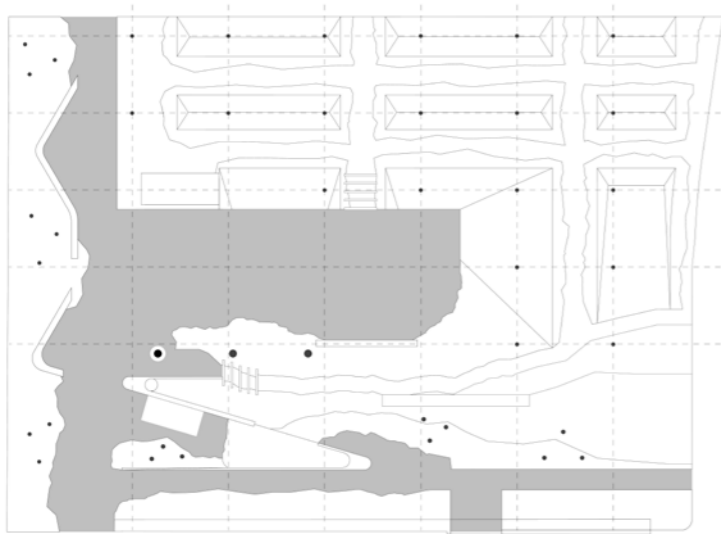


Tall Sedge
Carex appressa



Stage 1 Landscape Concept

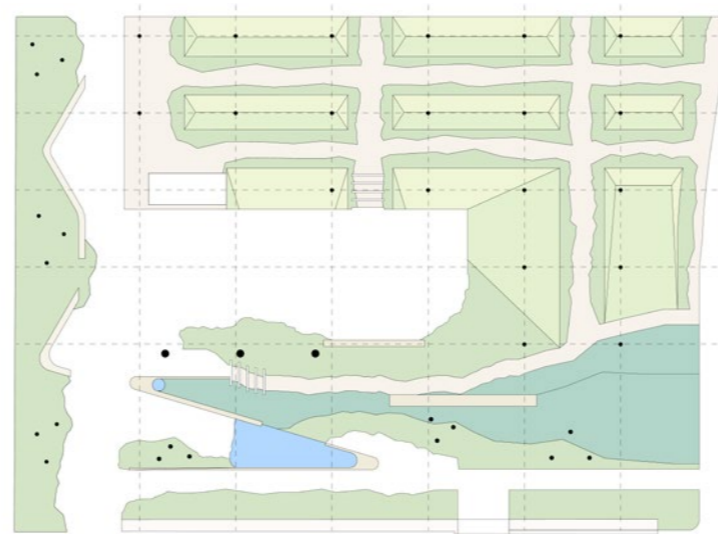
Maintain central courtyard elements



Maintain components of courtyard design.

Linking Research Labs to the AMRF Park and maintaining parts of the ridge and valley concept.

Set in a field of the Western Sydney Cumberland Plain landscape

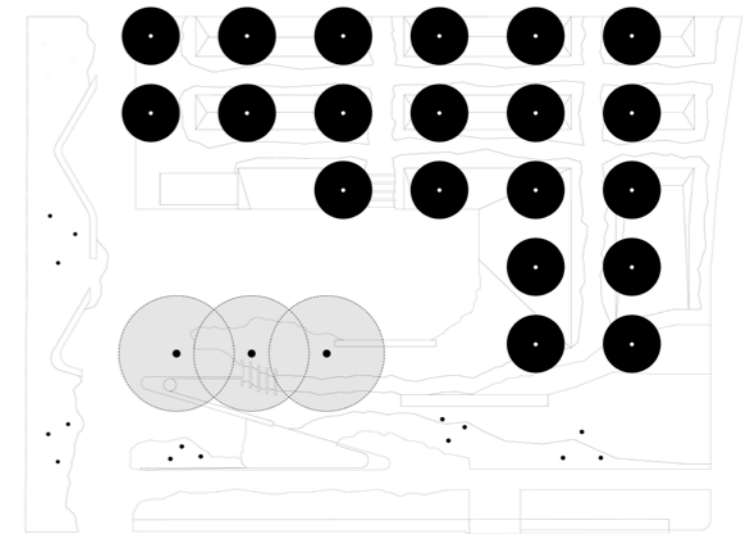


Frame with a field of gentle landform mounds to evoke the undulating Western Sydney landscape beyond.

Creating subtle shaded spaces within the planted areas that people can use.

Microclimates requires a shift to a temporary landscape planting palette that is based on the Cumberland Plain Woodland.

Courtyard protected by a frame of temporary trees



Frame with a band of trees, framing the courtyard in the clearing.

Trees will offer:

- some shade and cooling
- a defensible space for the building
- a clearly defined edge between park and building site
- smaller usable spaces within the grid

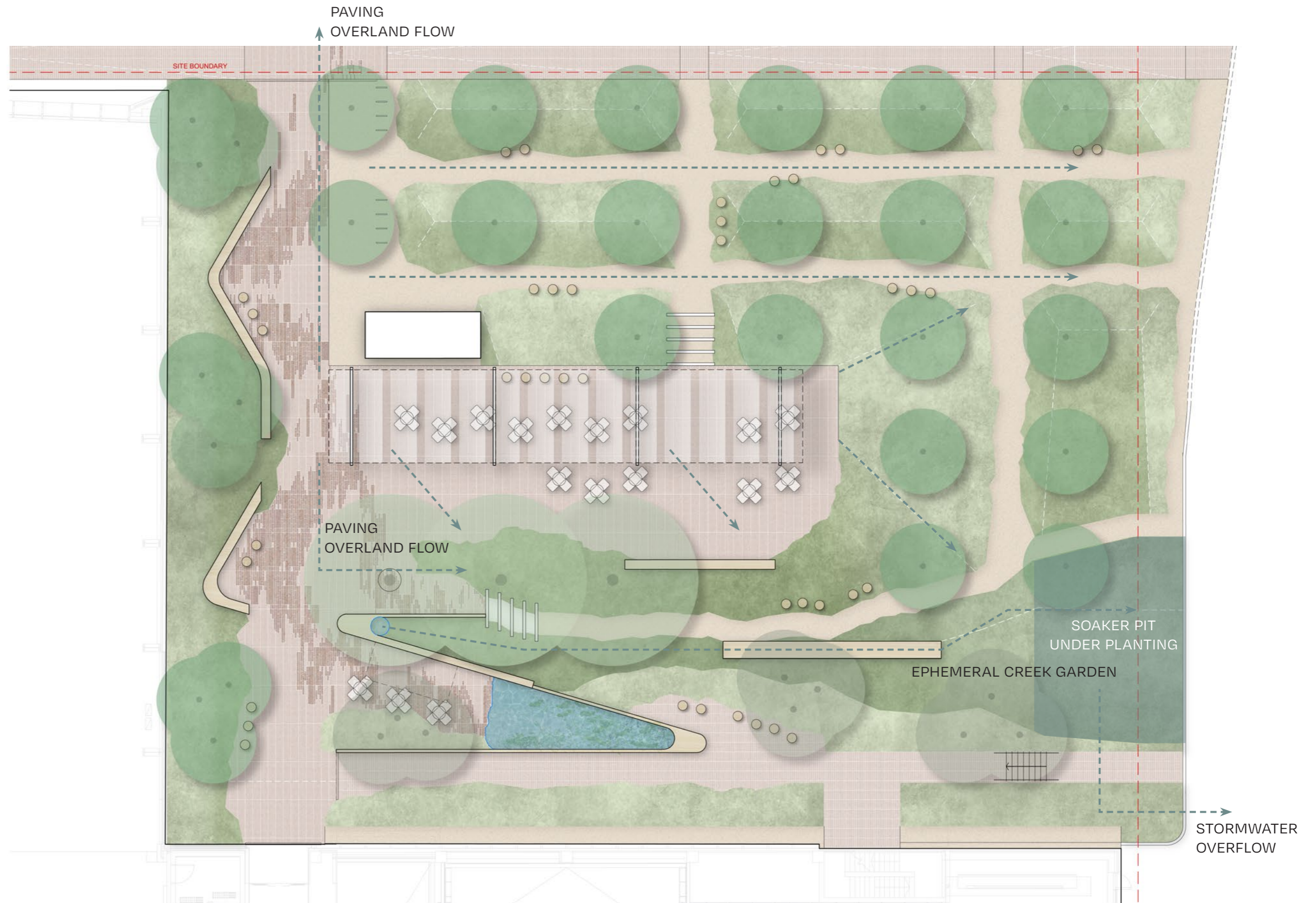
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Stage 1 Scheme Design



**Landscape Plan
Water Concept**



**Landscape Plan
Drainage System**

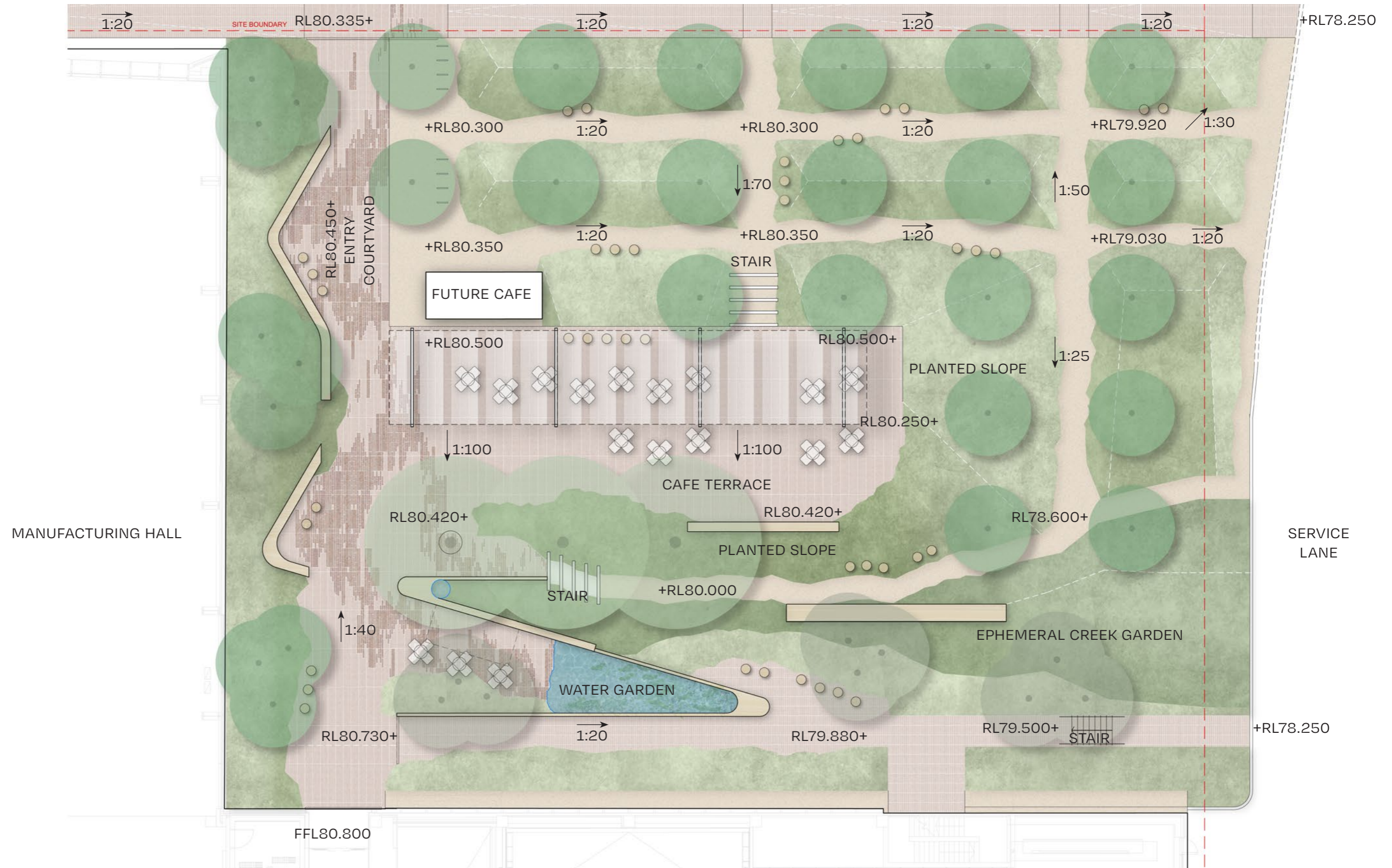


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Landscape Plan Cafe and Seating Areas



**Landscape Plan
Servicing and Levels**



Landscape Views
Cafe Terrace, looking west



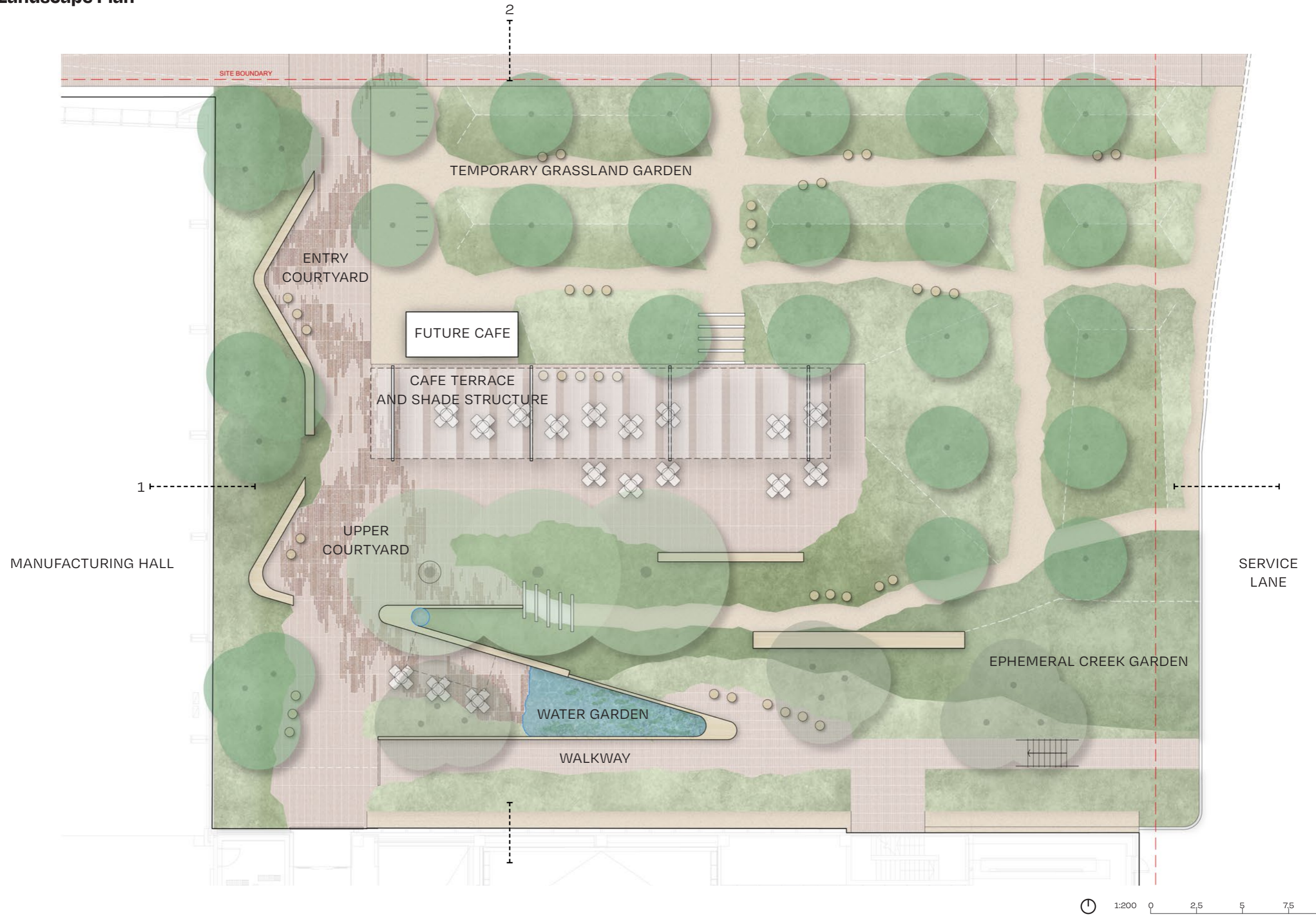
Landscape Views
Upper Courtyard, looking north east



Landscape Views
Ephemeral Creek Garden walk, looking west



Illustrated Landscape Plan



Landscape Section 1



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Landscape Section 2



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AMRF2 Site Area	5996		
Courtyard			
Planting Areas			
Planting Over Deep Soil	1097	100%	1097
Planted Building Setback Edges Over Deep Soil	0	100%	0
Planting In Undercroft Over Deep Soil	0	100%	0
Planting Over Structure	0	50%	0
Planted Water Feature	23	0%	0
Paving Areas			
Paving Over Structure/On Slab	9	0%	0
Unit Paving Over Ground	560	50%	280
Permeable Paving Over Deep Soil Zones	292	50%	146
Permeable Paving In Undercroft Over Deep Soil Zones	0	50%	0
Paved Building Setback Areas	21	50%	11
Rooftops			
Biosolar Roof Planting	964	50%	482
Total Porous Area (sqm)			2016
Site Porosity (%)			33.6%
Total Open Space Area (sqm) (not incl. roof)	2002		
Open Space Area Percentage of Site (%)	33.4%		



Stage 1 Tree Canopy Plan

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AMRF2 Site Area	5996		
AMRF1 Site Area	6251		
Total Site Area (S1+S2)	12247		
Tree Canopy Areas			
Tree Canopy - AMRF2 Stage 1 In Courtyard	374	6.2%	3.1%
Tree Canopy - AMRF2 Stage 1 Tree Grid	320	5.3%	2.6%
Tree Canopy - AMRF1	1575		12.9%
Tree Canopy Total	2269	6.2%	18.5%



