

# Elliott Bay Connections

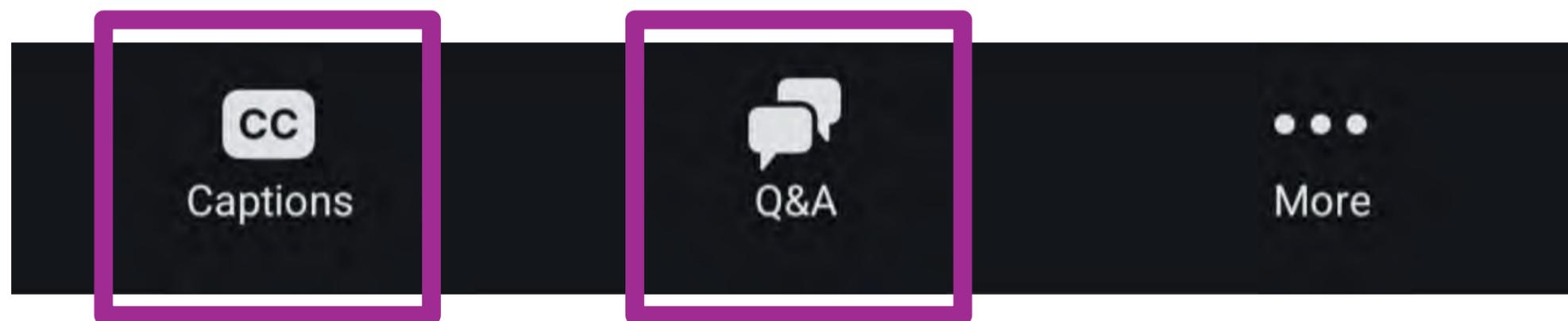
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The Seattle Waterfront is situated on the land of the Coast Salish Peoples, who have resided here since time immemorial and continue to thrive.

With respect and humility, we acknowledge the history of the waterfront, the dispossession of land from the Coast Salish people, and, most importantly, the strength and resilience of the Native people and their culture through this history to the present.

This acknowledgment serves only as a first step in honoring the land that we occupy and the first peoples of this land.

# AGENDA



1. WELCOME &  
INTRODUCTIONS

2. OVERVIEW

3. WHAT YOU TOLD US

4. DESIGN UPDATES

Greenway Trail

Myrtle Edwards  
+ Centennial Parks

13 Moons Storywalk

Public Amenities Building

5. WHAT TO EXPECT

6. Q&A

# PROJECT TEAM



## PROJECT SPONSOR

**DOWNTOWN SEATTLE ASSOCIATION**

## PROJECT MANAGEMENT

**SHIELS OBLETZ JOHNSEN**

## DESIGN TEAM

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**CIVIL ENGINEER + GREENWAY LEAD | MIG**

**ARCHITECT | FORMLINE ARCHITECTURE + URBANISM**

**LIGHTING DESIGN | DARK LIGHT DESIGN**

**INDIGENOUS + PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT | HEADWATER PEOPLE**

**INDIGENOUS PLANTING + INTERPRETATION | TAHOMA PEAK SOLUTIONS**

**PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT | ENVIROISSUES**

**SIGNAGE | STUDIO MATTHEWS**

## PUBLIC PARTNERS

**CITY OF SEATTLE | OFFICE OF THE WATERFRONT, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, PARKS AND RECREATION**

**PORT OF SEATTLE**

# CONNECTED ELLIOTT BAY WATERFRONT



**WATERFRONT PARK**

**FUTURE GREENWAY TRAIL  
ON EAST SIDE OF ALASKAN  
WAY AT VINE ST**

**OLYMPIC SCULPTURE PARK  
POCKET BEACH**

**MYRTLE EDWARDS PARK**

**CENTENNIAL PARK**



# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT: OVERVIEW

## **Nov-Dec 2023: Introduce the project and opportunities**

- Live online public presentation and Q&A
- User survey

## **May-June 2024: Share concept design**

- Live online public presentation
- Concept design survey

## **October 2024: Share final design**

- Live online public presentation
- Construction overview and ways to stay informed

## **January 2025 – September 2026: Construction**

- Regular progress updates and notifications

# SUMMER 2024 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT: OVERVIEW



## Share your thoughts!

The Elliott Bay Connections project team wants to hear from you. **Take the survey** through early June and help shape the future of Seattle's waterfront parks.

[www.ElliottBayConnections.org](http://www.ElliottBayConnections.org)

- **Survey** open from May 13 to June 9, 2024, with more than 700 completed responses
- **Live online presentation** on May 16, 2024, attended by 82 participants
- **A-frame signs** reached park users where they are
- **More than 4,300 mailers** to neighbors of Myrtle Edwards and Centennial Parks and the future greenway trail
- More than 3,000 visits to **[www.elliottbayconnections.org](http://www.elliottbayconnections.org)** from May 13 to June 9, 2024
- Outreach to **residents, businesses and user groups** through our many partners, public and private

# WHAT YOU TOLD US: THREE KEY PRIORITIES

Improved sense of safety for pedestrians and cyclists on multi-use trails and separated pathways

Increased access to public restrooms, food, and other amenities

Enhanced green spaces, landscaping and native plantings



CENTENNIAL PARK TODAY

## WHAT YOU TOLD US: SENSE OF SAFETY FOR PEDESTRIANS AND BICYCLISTS

Respondents value the separation between bicyclists and pedestrians in the parks and requested improved navigational signage, enhanced lighting, and clearer guidance on multi-use trails.

*“Separation for biking/rolling and walking is always nice, or very clear indications regarding designated space or shared space!”*

*“Clear signage between pedestrian/biking paths.”*

*“Lack of lighting along both the bike and pedestrian paths has been my biggest pain point”*



## WHAT YOU TOLD US: INCREASED ACCESS TO AMENITIES

Respondents highlighted the importance of restrooms, food, and other public amenities in making these parks more inviting and enjoyable.



*“I would like to see more benches. Places to sit and have lunch or hangout.”*

*“Public restrooms are a must!”*

*“Clear Indigenous representation in design and construction and signage” and “Honoring the Coast Salish peoples.”*

## WHAT YOU TOLD US: ENHANCED GREEN SPACES

Respondents expressed support for more native plants, more trees, and more spaces to enjoy the park.

Respondents advocated for *“protected spaces for native plants, pollinator friendly plants, and trees.”*

*“Less lawn, more native plants!”*

*“Please focus on green spaces and bike lanes, those make such a difference!”*



# CURRENT DESIGN



GREENWAY

MYRTLE EDWARDS  
PARK

CENTENNIAL  
PARK

WATERFRONT  
PARK

LENORA ST

BELL ST

WALL ST

VINE ST

CLAY ST

BROAD ST

OLYMPIC  
SCULPTURE  
PARK

ELLIOTT AVE W

THOMAS ST



# GREENWAY (PARTIAL PLAN)



# MYRTLE EDWARDS PARK



ELLIOTT AVE W

THOMAS ST



# CENTENNIAL PARK



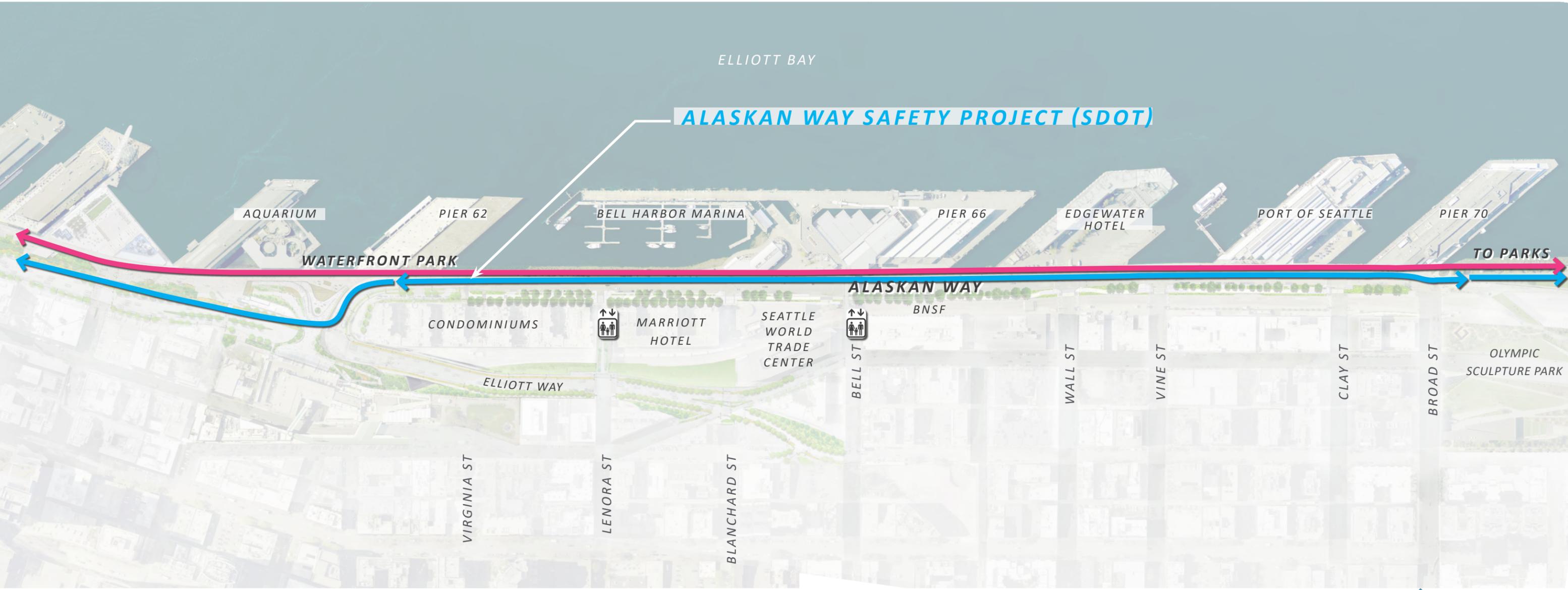
# CENTENNIAL PARK



# DESIGN RESPONSE

1. Improved Safety of Pedestrian and Bicyclist Spaces
2. Public Restrooms, Food, and other Amenities
3. Green Space, Landscaping and Native Plantings

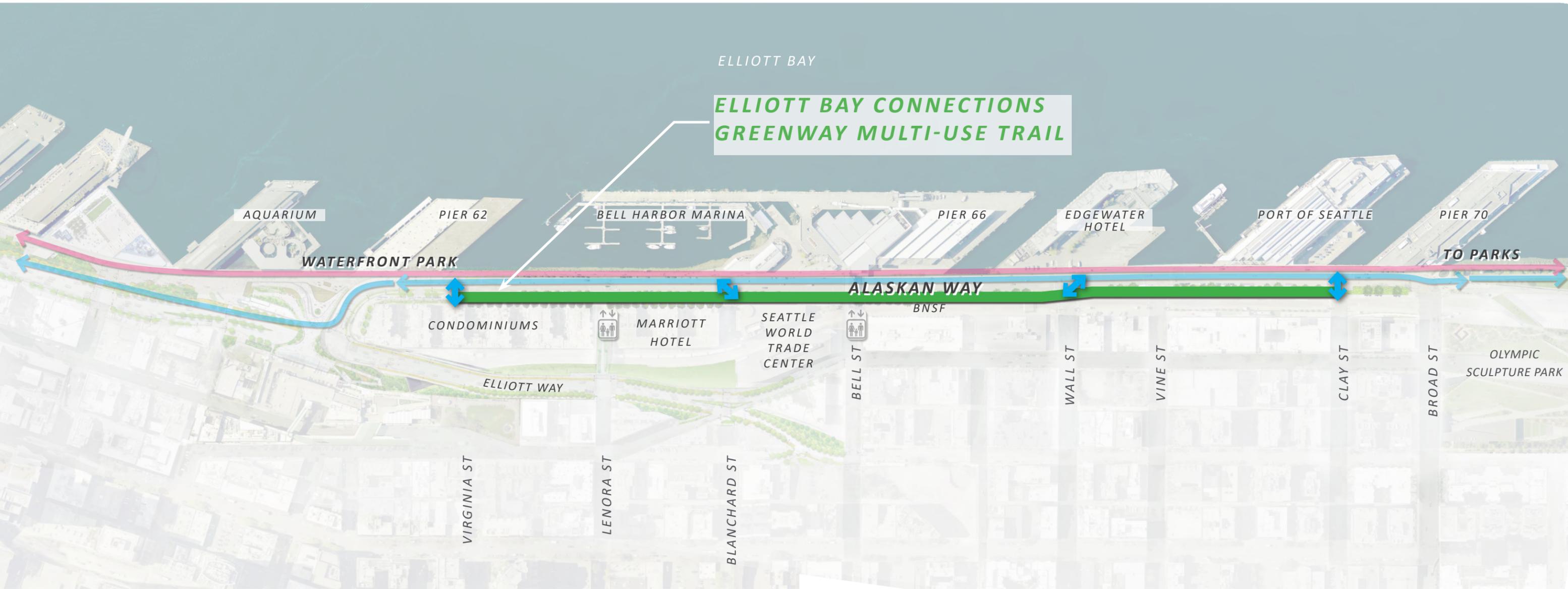
# DEDICATED BIKE & PEDESTRIAN ROUTES ON ALASKAN WAY



**ALASKAN WAY SAFETY PROJECT (SDOT)**

-  SIDEWALK
-  PROTECTED 2-WAY BIKE LANE
-  ELEVATOR AND PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE

# GREENWAY MULTI-USE TRAIL



ELLIOTT BAY

**ELLIOTT BAY CONNECTIONS  
GREENWAY MULTI-USE TRAIL**

AQUARIUM

PIER 62

BELL HARBOR MARINA

PIER 66

EDGEWATER HOTEL

PORT OF SEATTLE

PIER 70

WATERFRONT PARK

TO PARKS

CONDOMINIUMS

MARRIOTT HOTEL

SEATTLE WORLD TRADE CENTER

ALASKAN WAY

BNSF

ELLIOTT WAY

BELL ST

WALL ST

VINE ST

CLAY ST

BROAD ST

OLYMPIC SCULPTURE PARK

VIRGINIA ST

LENORA ST

BLANCHARD ST

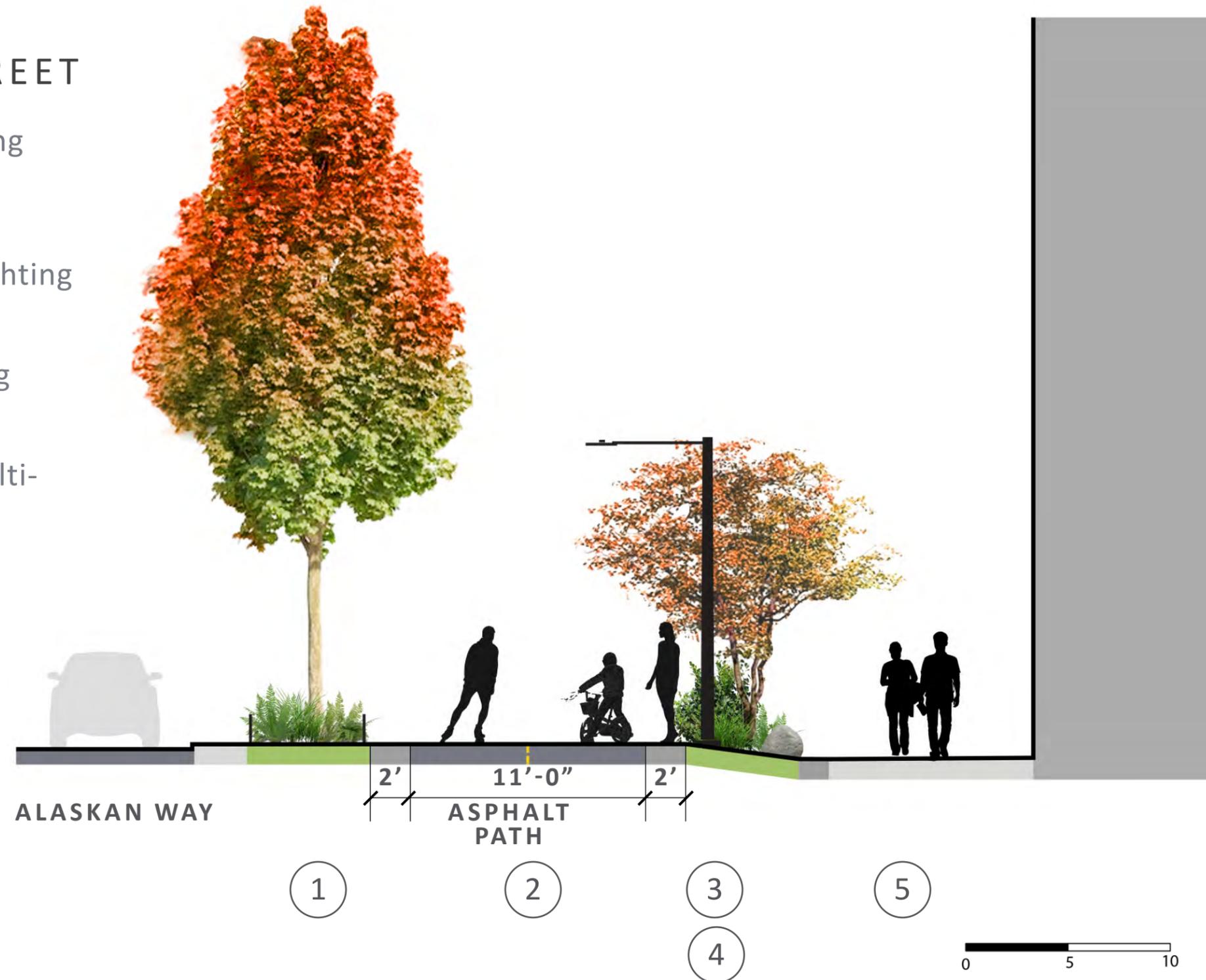
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-  ELEVATOR AND PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE
-  ELLIOTT BAY CONNECTIONS GREENWAY MULTI-USE TRAIL

# GREENWAY MULTI-USE TRAIL

## CHARACTER FROM VIRGINIA TO BELL STREET

1. Existing trees and new planting
2. New, wider multi-use trail
3. Light Poles consistent with lighting in Waterfront Park
4. "Seamless Seattle" wayfinding signs
5. Improved sidewalk where multi-use trail used to be



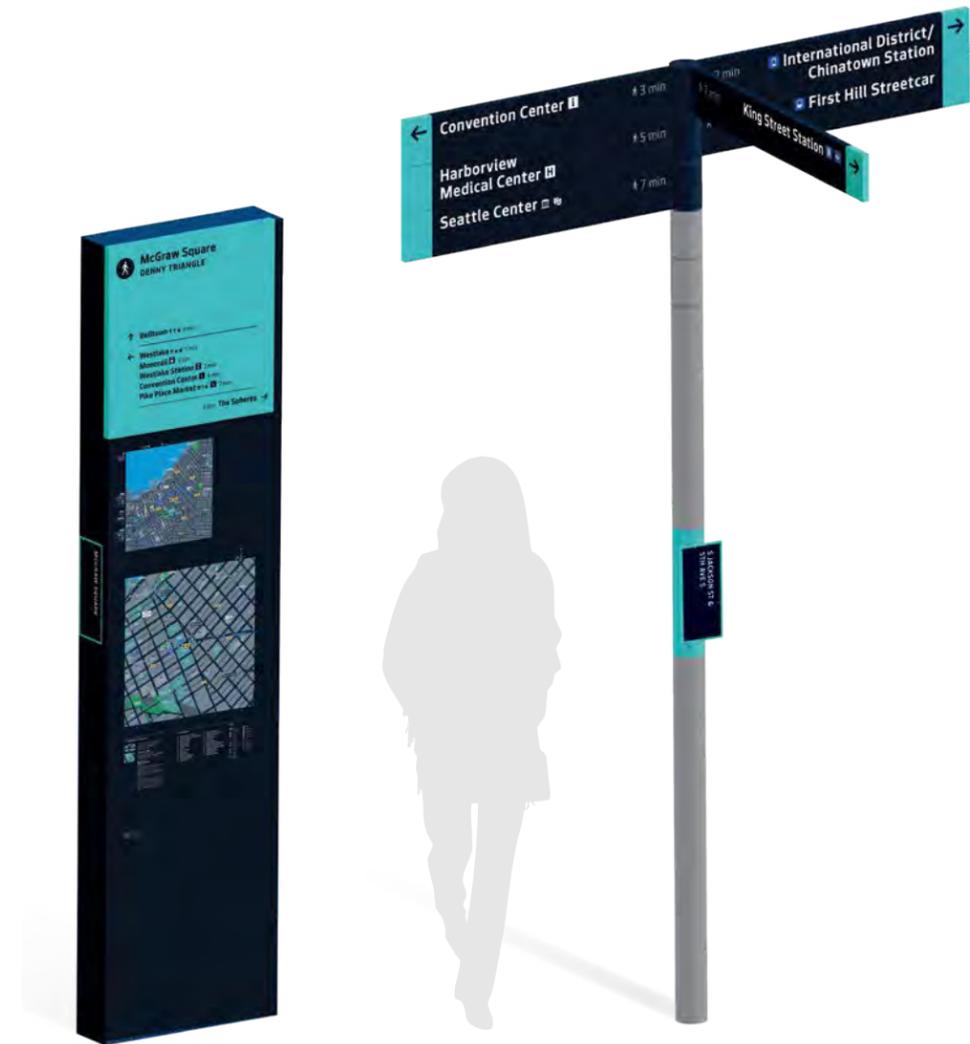
# GREENWAY MULTI-USE TRAIL

## CHARACTER FROM WALL TO CLAY STREET

1. New trees and planting
2. Seating areas
3. Multi-use path (width varies to accommodate some existing trees and other conditions)
4. Railroad tracks



# GREENWAY SAFETY AND WAYFINDING



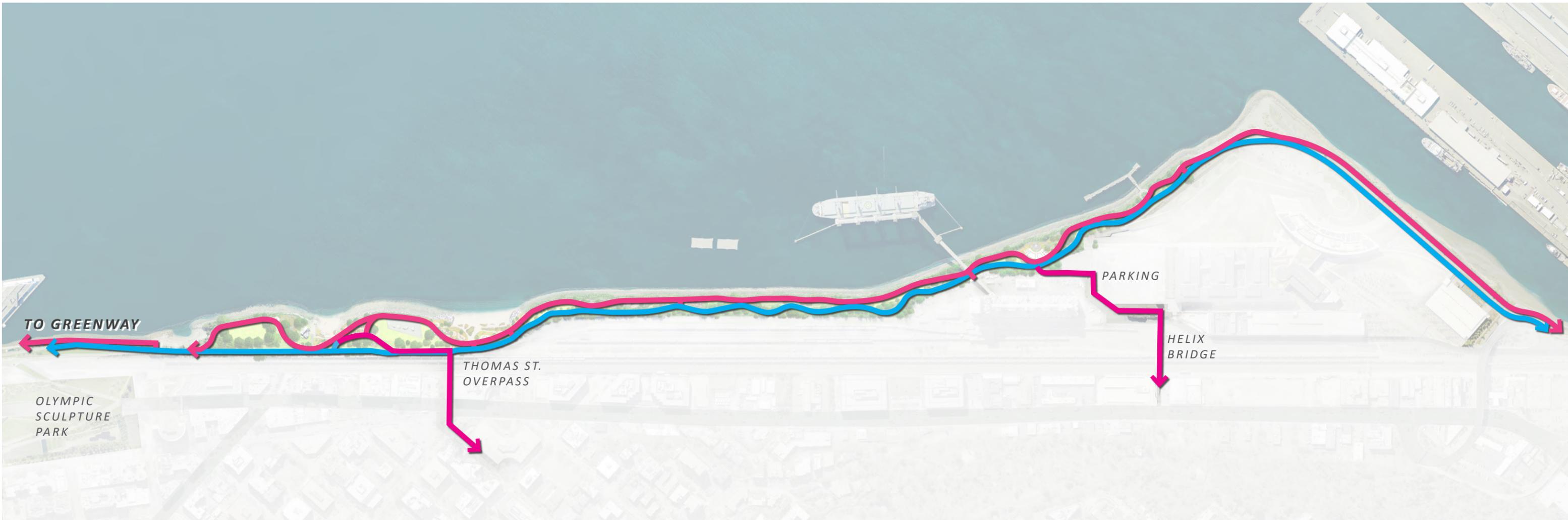
Area Sign

Nudge Sign

*SDOT REGULATORY AND  
WARNING SIGNS AND MARKINGS*

*SEAMLESS SEATTLE*

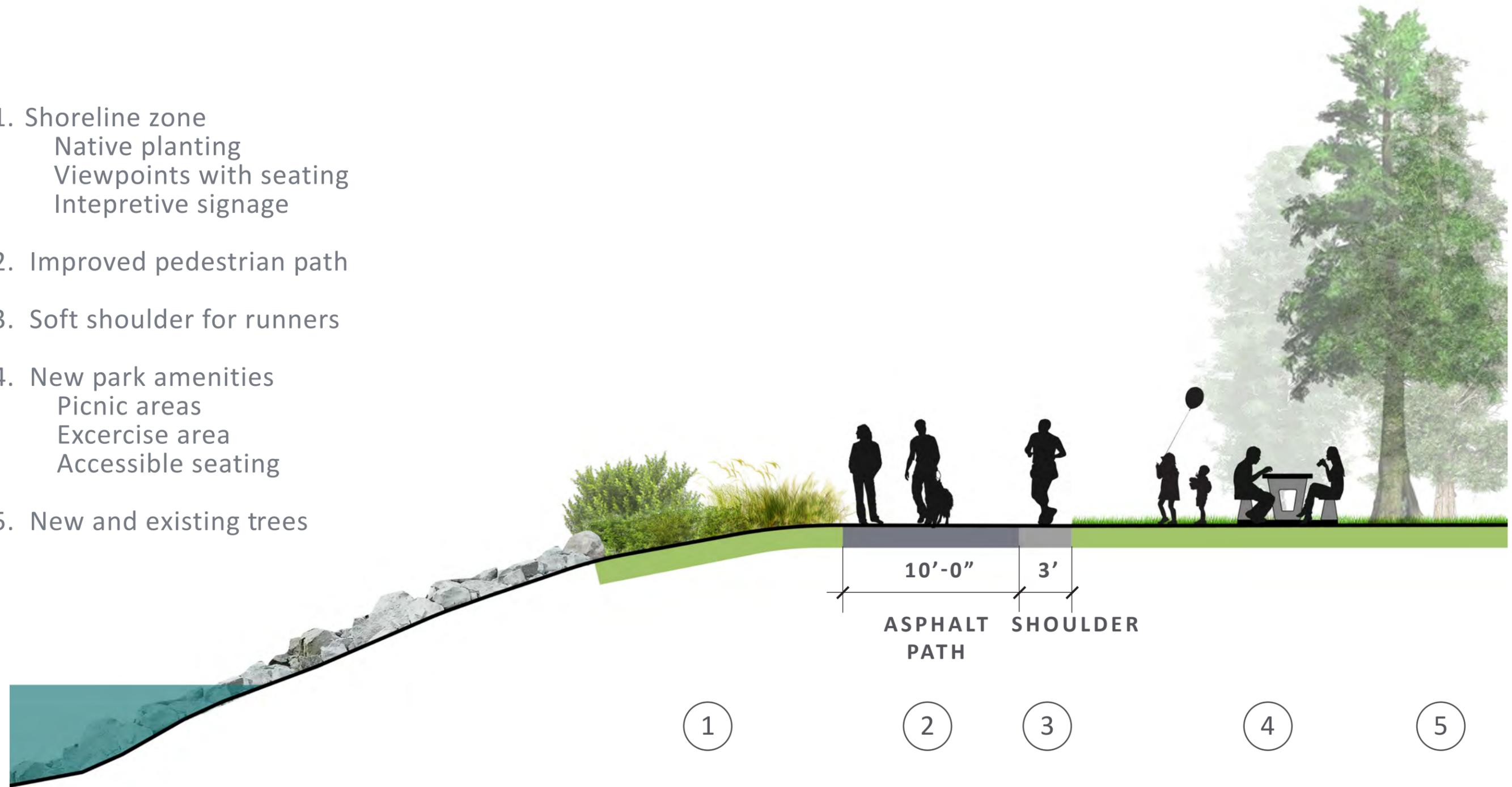
# BIKE & PEDESTRIAN ROUTES IN THE PARKS



- PEDESTRIAN PATH
- BIKE TRAIL

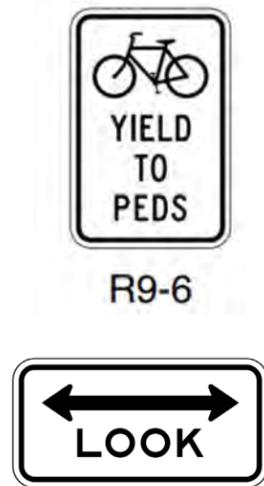
# PEDESTRIAN PATH

1. Shoreline zone  
Native planting  
Viewpoints with seating  
Intepretive signage
2. Improved pedestrian path
3. Soft shoulder for runners
4. New park amenities  
Picnic areas  
Excercise area  
Accessible seating
5. New and existing trees





# PARK SAFETY AND WAYFINDING



SDOT SAFETY  
SIGNS AND  
MARKINGS



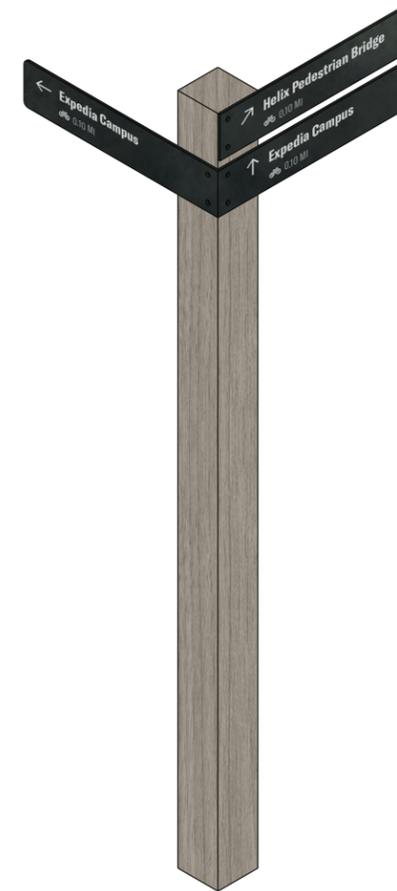
INTERPRETATION  
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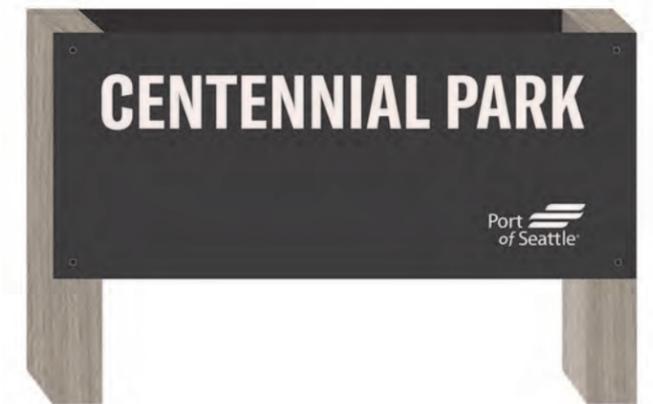
DIRECTIONAL MAP  
~7' tall x 2-3' wide



DIRECTIONAL SHORT  
~3' tall x 1-3' wide



DIRECTIONAL TALL  
~10' tall x 3-4' wide



WELCOME AND IDENTITY  
~3' tall x 4-6' wide

ADAPTED WATERFRONT PARK SIGNAGE

# PUBLIC RESTROOMS, FOOD, AND OTHER AMENITIES

## AMENITY BUILDING

Food concessions  
Restrooms / places to change  
Covered outdoor eating spaces

## RECREATION

Children's exploration area  
New fitness equipment in Centennial Park

## SEATING

Benches to stop and rest along the way  
Platform seating for watching the sunset with friends  
Chairs for lounging and looking at the water  
Picnic tables for eating and gathering with friends & family  
Movable tables & chairs for quick bites from the concession

## BIKE AMENITIES

Bike racks  
Bike repair stations  
Scooter parking

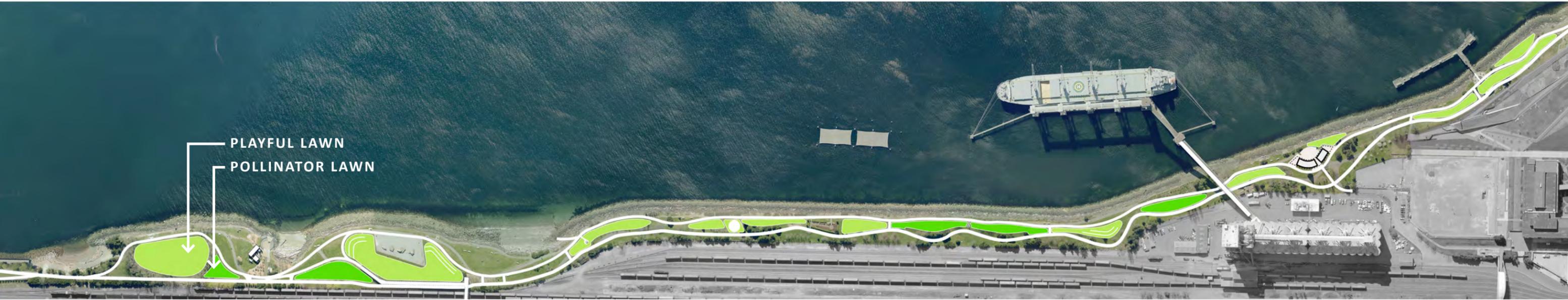
## OTHER AMENITIES

Drinking fountain/ bottle filler  
Dog drinking fountain  
Waste & recycle bins

## SIGNAGE

Welcome  
Wayfinding  
Signage for bikes & peds  
Interpretation

# DESIGN UPDATES: LAWNS



0' 80' 320' N



● PLAYFUL LAWNS



● POLLINATOR LAWNS



# DESIGN UPDATES: TREES AND PLANTS



● OVER 700 EXISTING TREES

130 NEW NATIVE TREES & SHADE TREES:  
CONIFERS, OAKS, DOGWOOD AND MORE



● BEACH GRASSES & SHORELINE HABITAT



● UPLAND MEADOW & ETHNOBOTANICAL PLANTING



● UNDERSTORY SHRUBS & BUFFER PLANTING

DESIGN UPDATES: THE 13 MOONS OF THE COAST SALISH



Artist: Herbert Shane Hartman

# DESIGN UPDATES: THE 13 MOONS OF THE COAST SALISH



*Moon of the Windy Time*  
*Moon When the Frog Talks*  
*Moon of the Whistling Robins*  
*Moon of the Digging Time*

*Moon of the Salmon Berry*  
*Moon of the Blackberry*  
*Moon of the Salal Berry*  
*Moon of the Silver Salmon*  
*Moon of the Elk Mating Cry*

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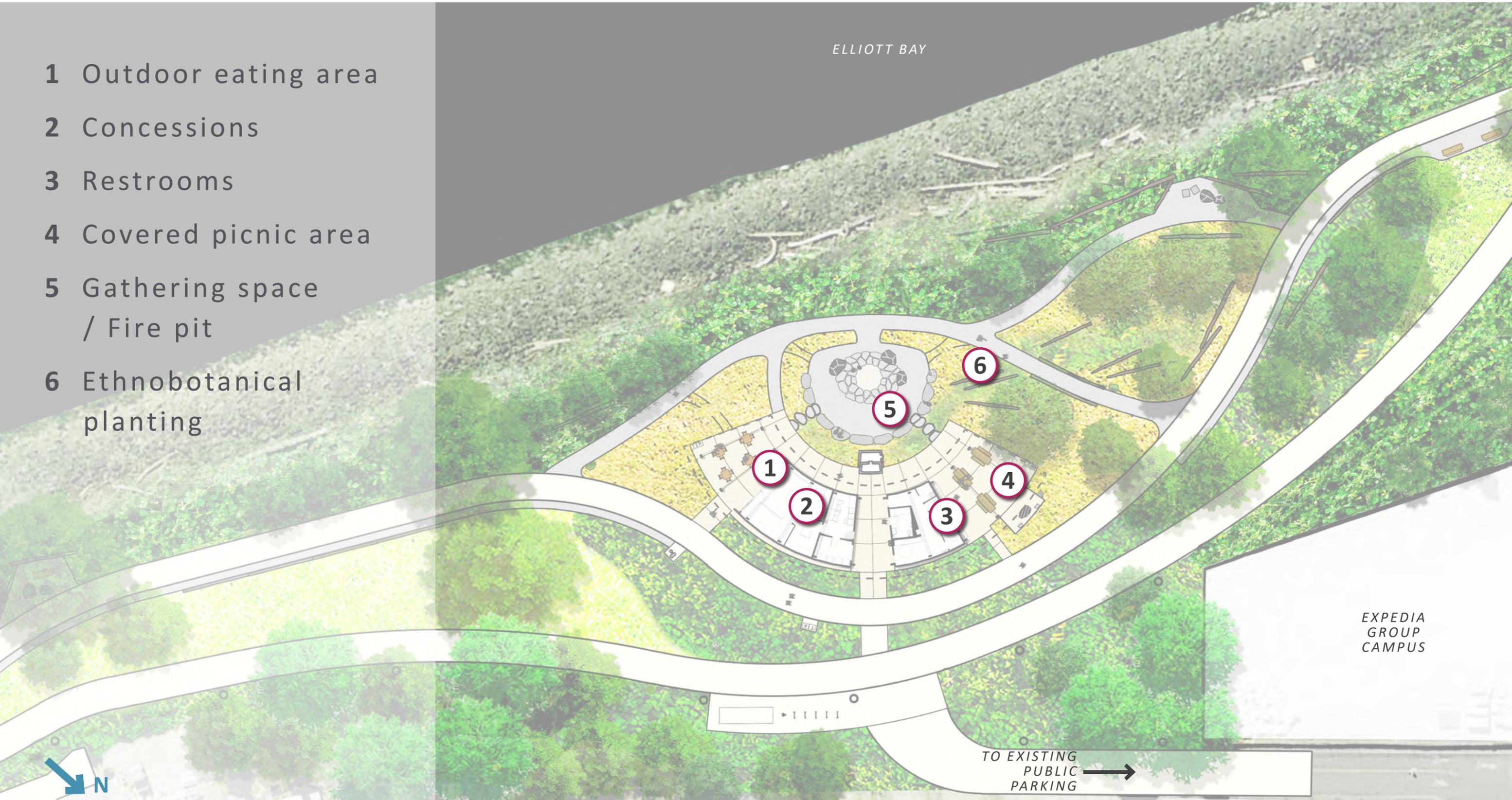
- ***Moon of the Falling Leaves***  
*Moon of the Dog Salmon*  
*Moon to Put your Paddles Away*  
*Moon of the Sacred Time*

# DESIGN UPDATES: ETHNOBOTANICAL PLANTING



# DESIGN UPDATES: AMENITY BUILDING

- 1 Outdoor eating area
- 2 Concessions
- 3 Restrooms
- 4 Covered picnic area
- 5 Gathering space / Fire pit
- 6 Ethnobotanical planting



# DESIGN UPDATES: AMENITY BUILDING



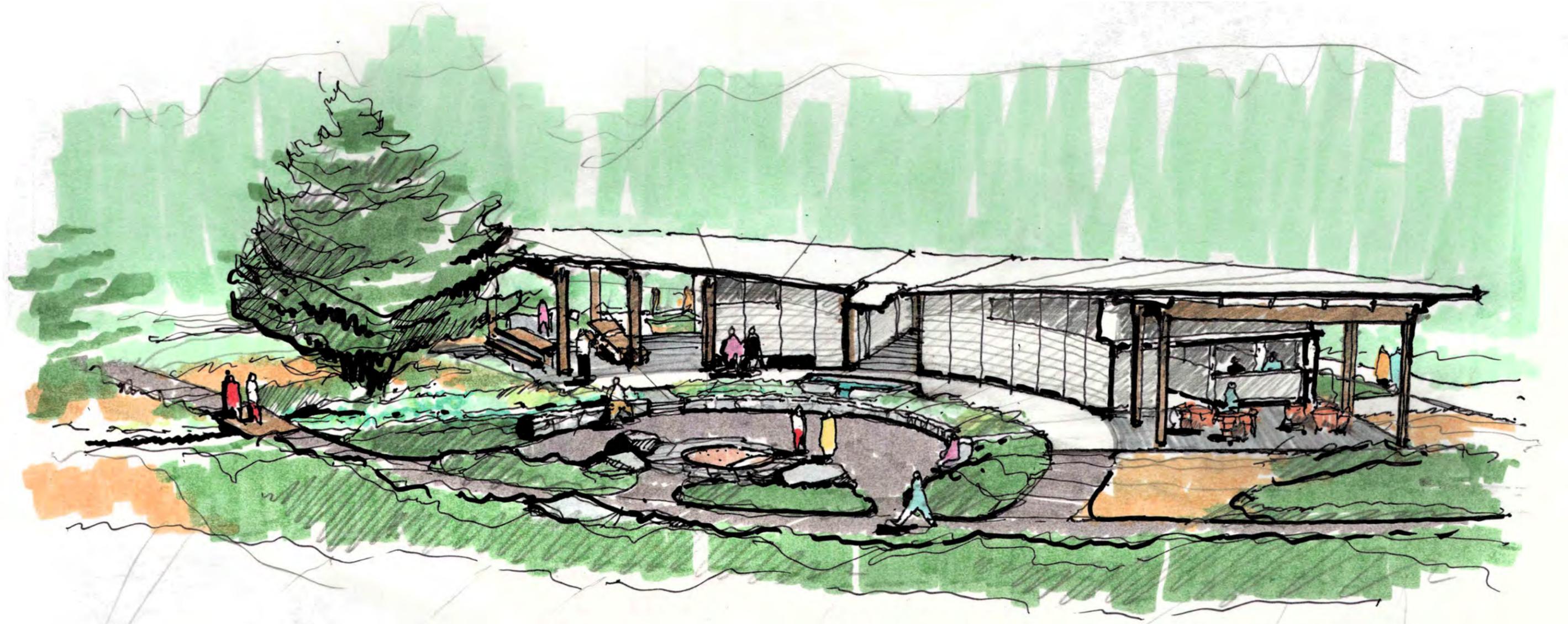
# AMENITY BUILDING WATER FEATURE



# AMENITY BUILDING - GATHERING AND EATING AREAS

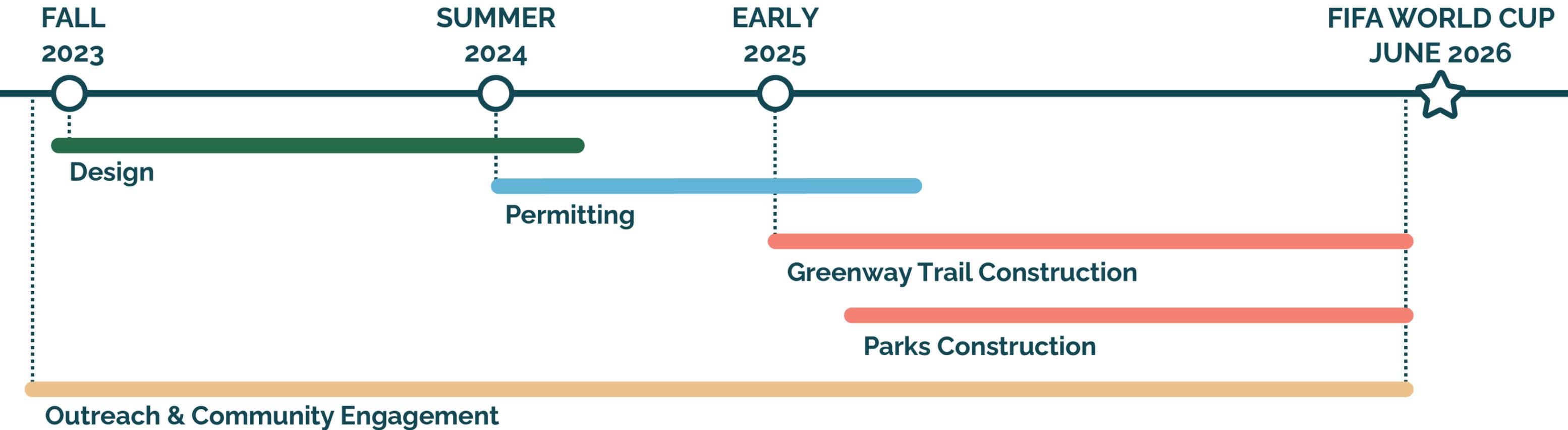


# AMENITY BUILDING - SITE



# PROJECT SCHEDULE

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## STAY INFORMED

- Regular email updates on construction
- Project updates on [ElliottBayConnections.org](https://ElliottBayConnections.org)
- Impact notification emails to neighbors
- Construction hotline: [\(206\) 462-1275](tel:(206)462-1275)
- Project inbox: [info@ElliottBayConnections.org](mailto:info@ElliottBayConnections.org)

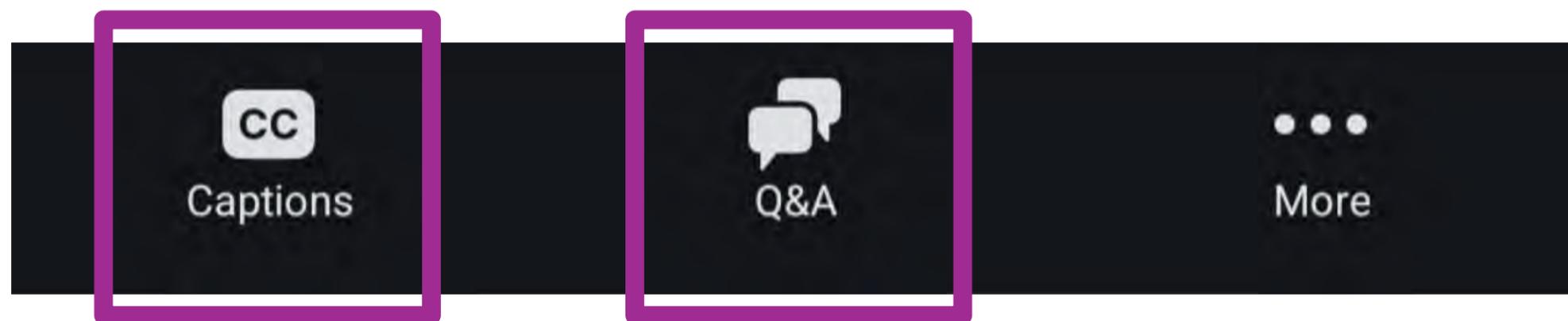
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