

# GRAY'S LAKE IMPROVEMENTS



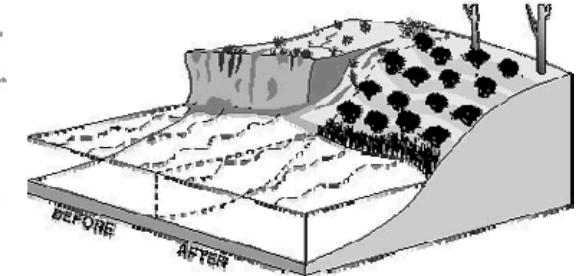
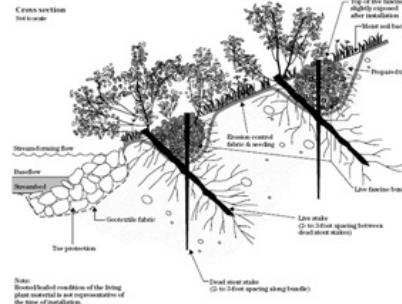
## Cottonwood Plantings



## Railing Modifications



## Erosion Prevention Methods



## Existing Trails



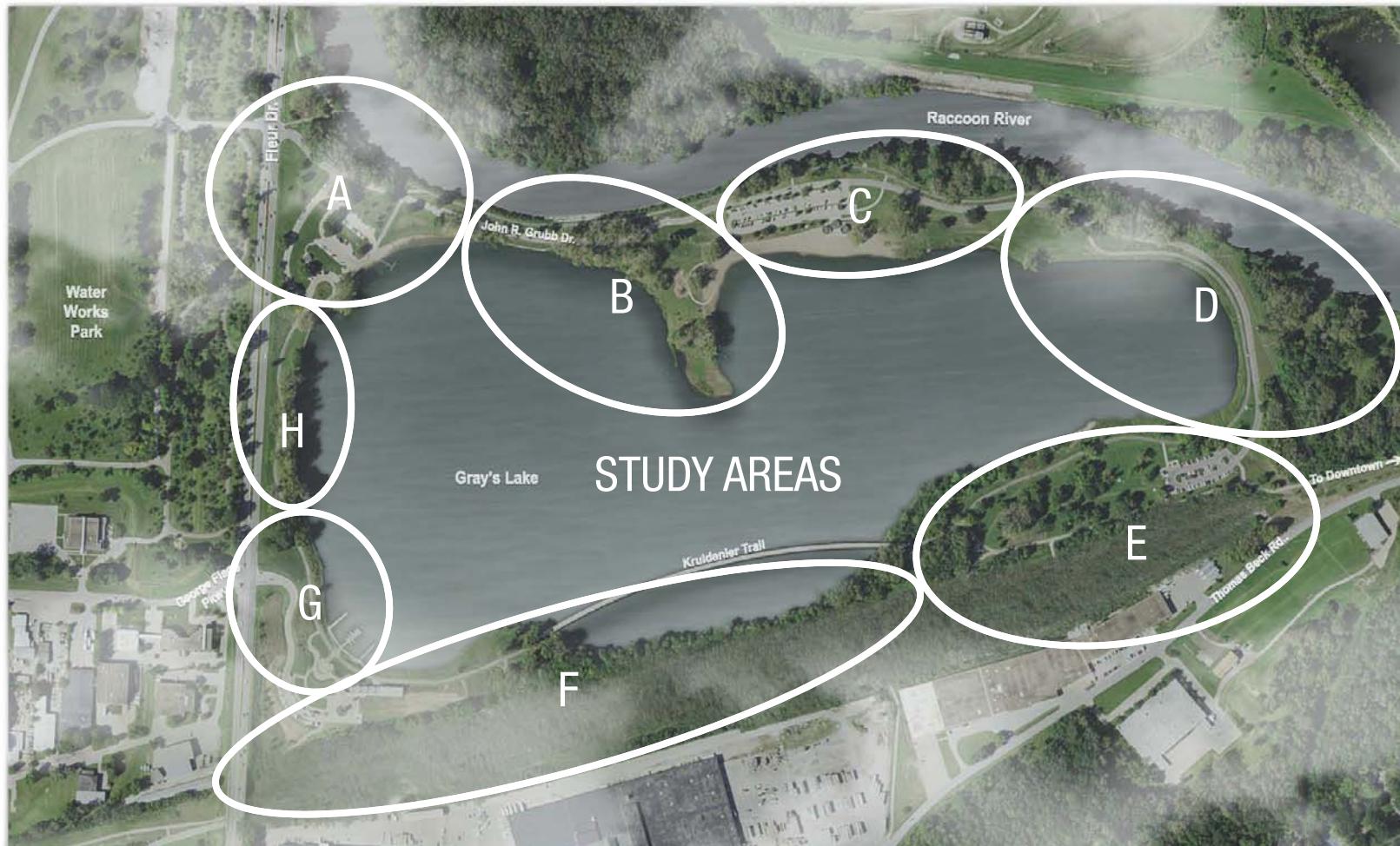
## Amenities

# General Improvements

# Major Areas of 'Outside' Influence:

- *Water Works Park Planning*
  - *Breezeway*
  - *Main Entry*
- *Riverpoint West Development*
  - *Raccoon River Pedestrian Bridge*
  - *Shared Parking*
  - *Added Activity*
- *Southwest Connector*
  - *City of Des Moines Transportation Study – Currently taking place*

Outside Influences:



## GRAY'S LAKE STUDY AREAS



## Area A Considerations

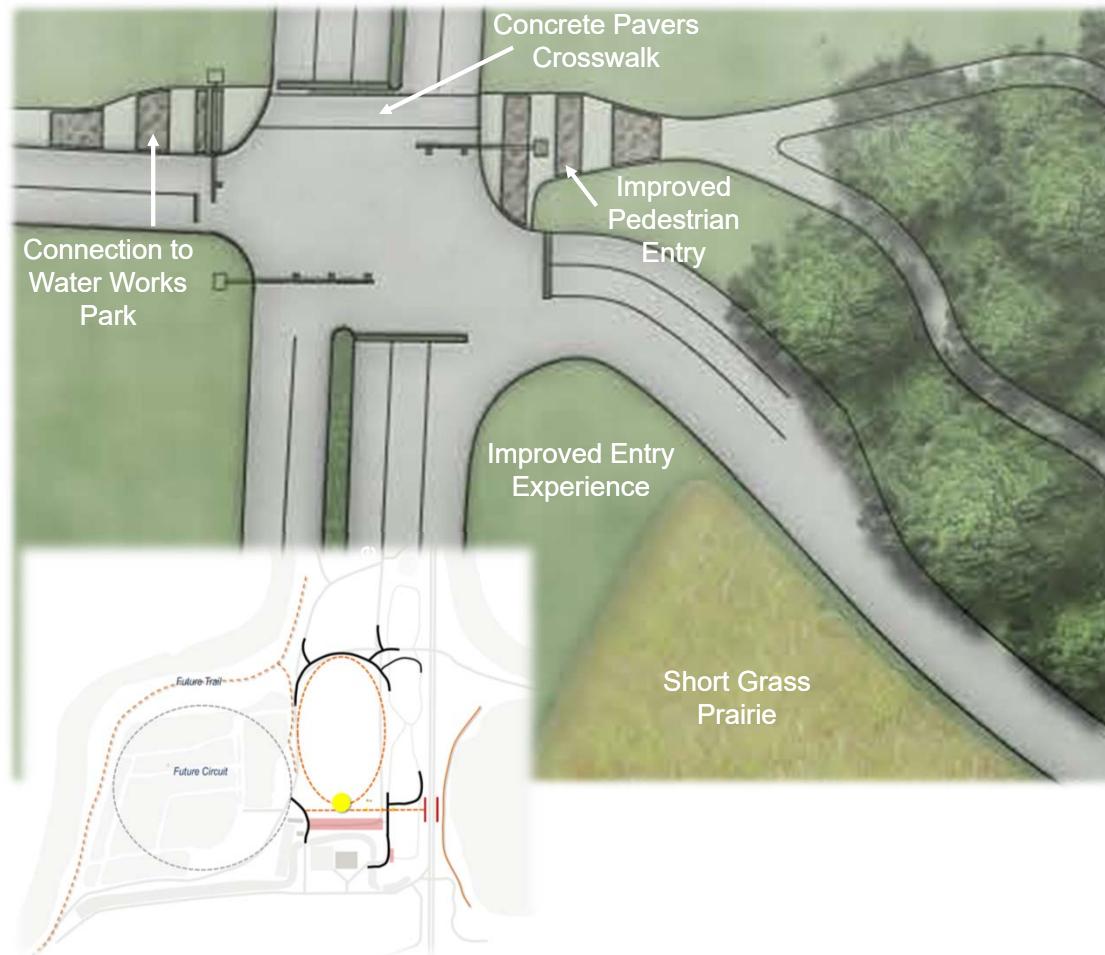
- *Trail Conflict / Boat Ramp*
- *Water Works Connection*
- *Parking Adjustment*
- *Shoreline Repair*
- *Re-Forestation*
- *Planting Updates*
- *Entry Experience*
- *Updated Signage*



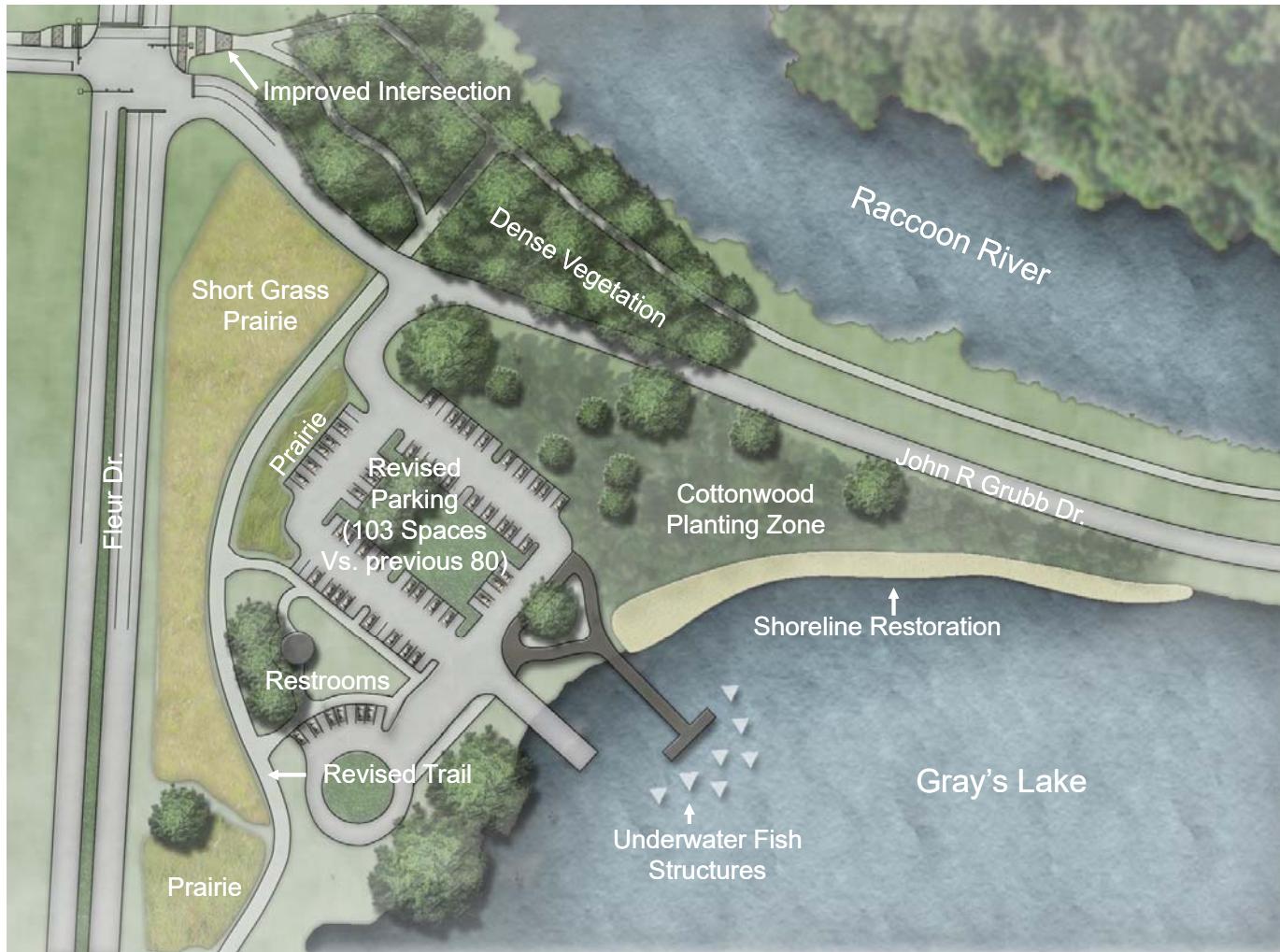
Area A: Introduction



## Area A: Existing Conditions



## Area A: Intersection Enlargement

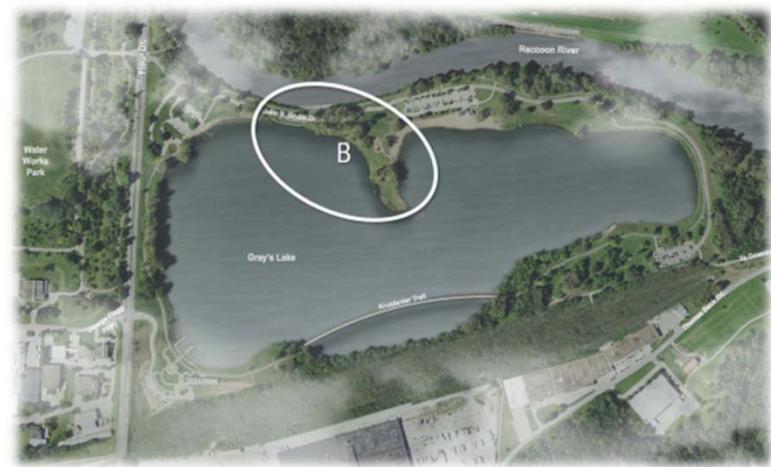


Area A: Plan Rendering



## Area B Considerations

- *Remove Playground*
- *Naturalize Area*
- *Preserve Views / Capture them (Lithia Park, Oregon)*
- *Flood Control*
- *Cottonwood Trees*
- *Prairie Edge*
- *Silos?*



Area B: Introduction



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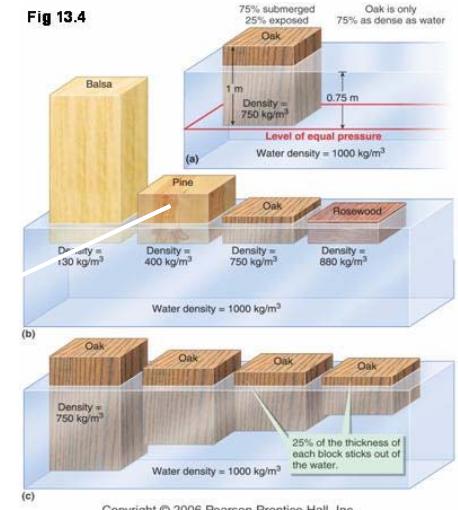
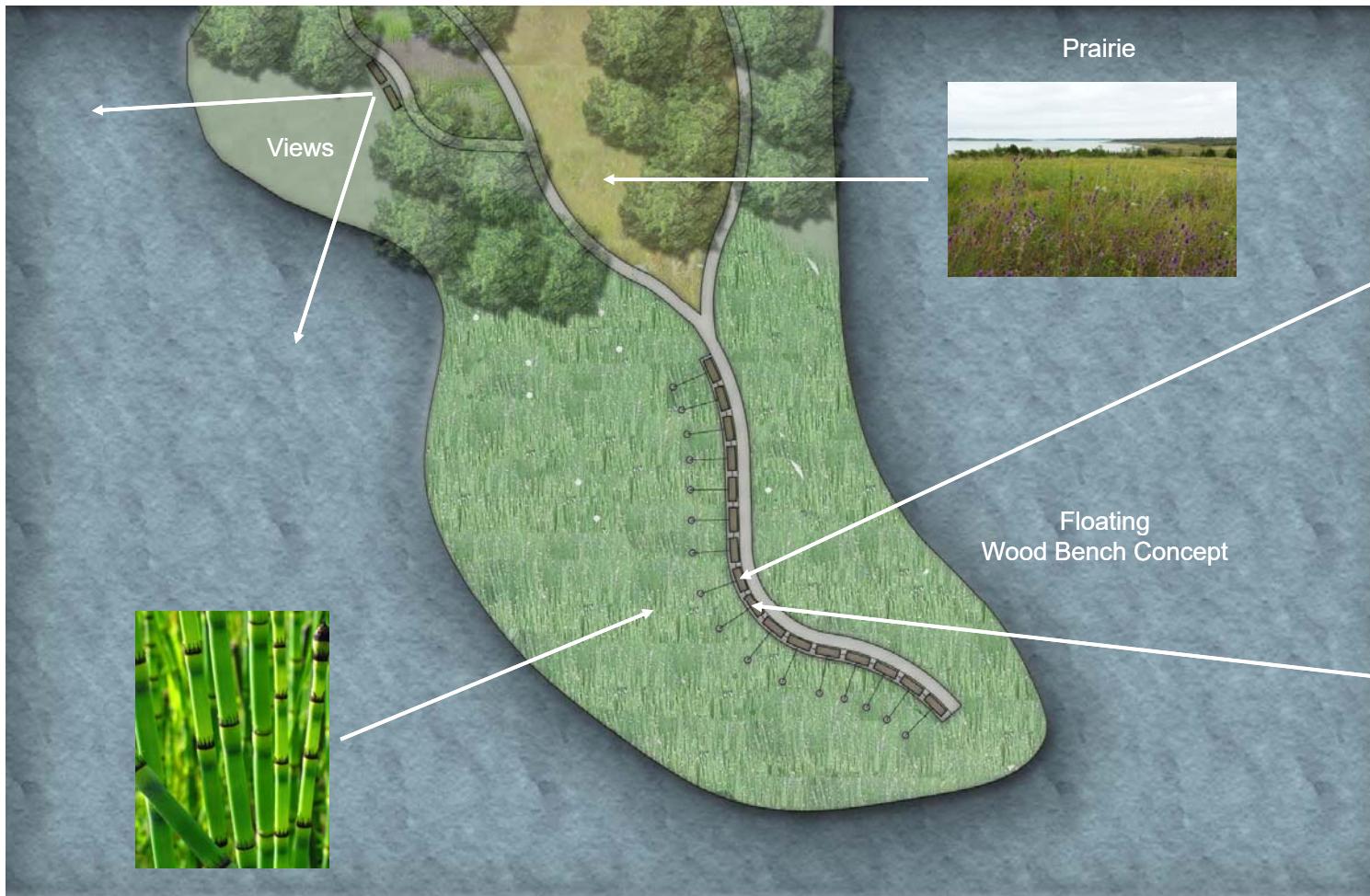
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Area B: Existing Conditions



Area B: Plan Rendering



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Area B Zoom-In



Area B Zoom-In: Specific Goals



## Area C Considerations

- *Understand Beach Study*
- *Add Playground East of Restrooms*
- *Add Splash Pad*
- *Removable Shade Structures*
- *Connection to River*
- *Bridge over the River*



Area C: Introduction



## Area C: Existing Conditions



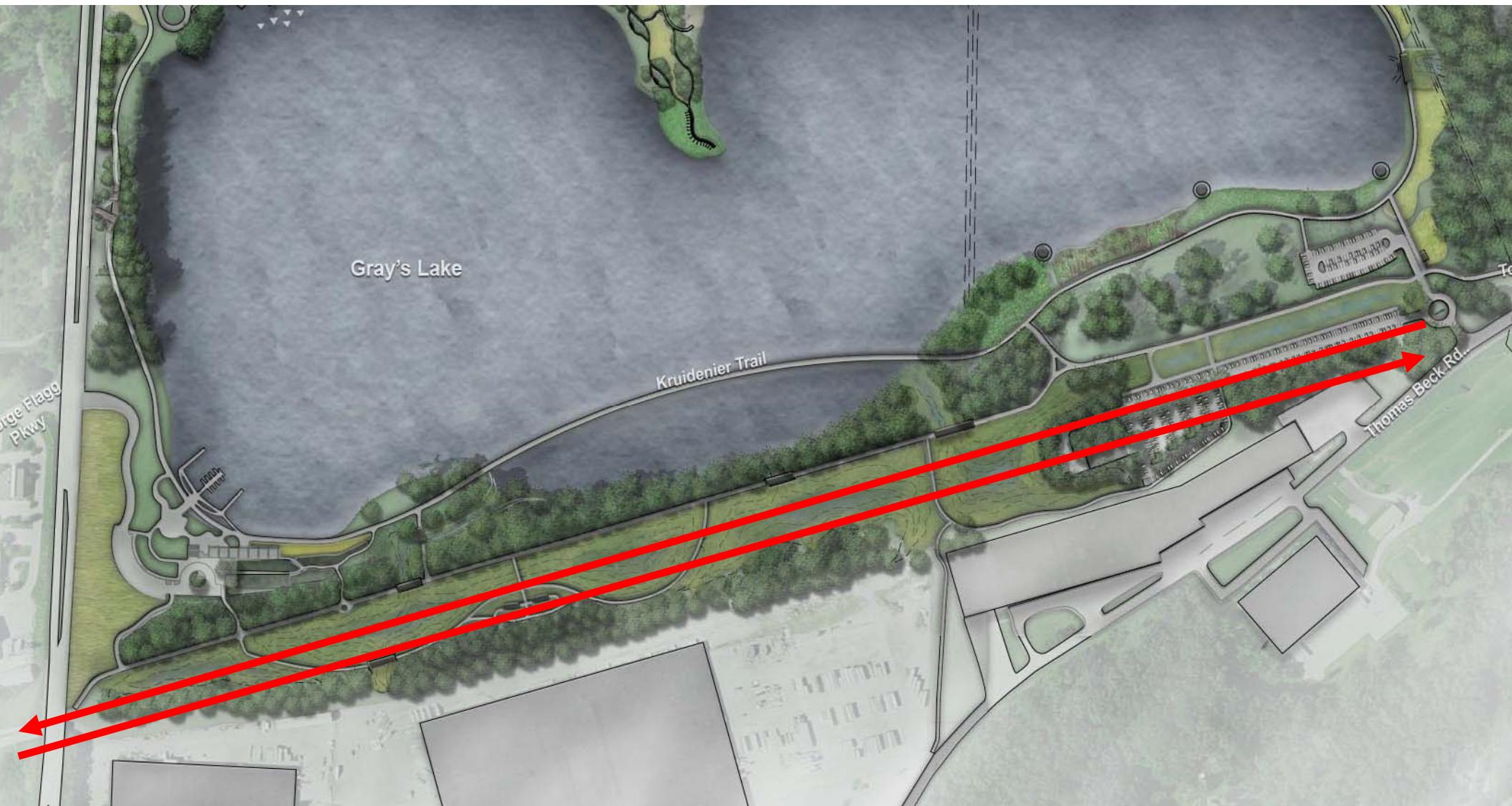
## Area C: Plan Rendering



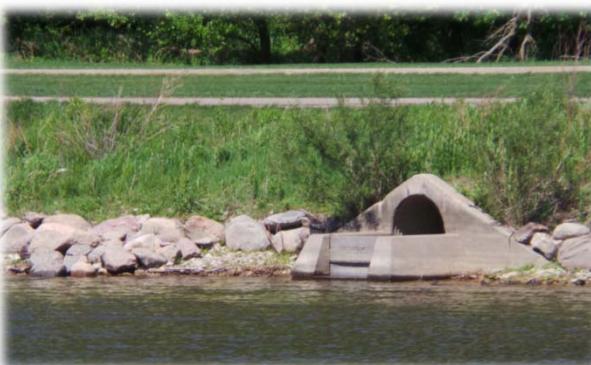
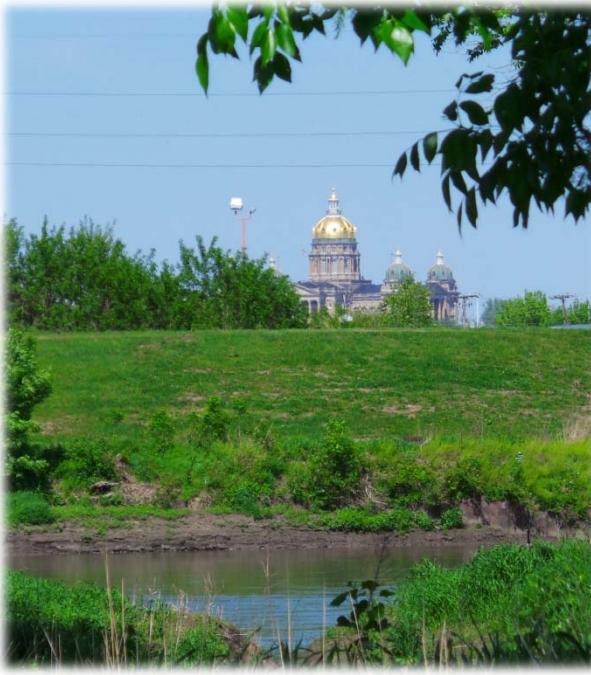
Beach Area: Before Conditions



Beach Area: After Conditions



Gray's Lake – South Side



## Area D Considerations

- *Remove Roadway*
- *Reforestation / Planting*
- *Shoreline Restoration, Lawn - Sloan Lake, Denver, CO*
- *Fishing Areas*
- *Views to Downtown*
- *River Access*
- *Bird Watching*
- *Boardwalk / Bridge*
- *Outflow Structure*



Area D: Introduction



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Area D: Existing Conditions



Area D: Plan Rendering



## Area E Considerations

- *New Entrance off of Thomas Beck Rd.*
- *More Parking*
- *Trail Access / New Restroom Facility*
- *Fishing Docks / Butterfly Garden*
- *Maintenance Shop Plus Access*
- *Confluence Brewery Access*
- *Yoga in the Park*



Area E: Introduction



Area E: Existing Conditions



Area E: Plan Rendering



## Area F Considerations

- *Create a Wetland*
- *Water Quality is Key*
- *Find Outlets – Determine Route*
- *Bike Path / Boardwalks*
- *Views to – Access to*
- *Make it part of the Park*
- *Highlight Nature's Filtration System*



Area F: Introduction



Area F: Existing Conditions



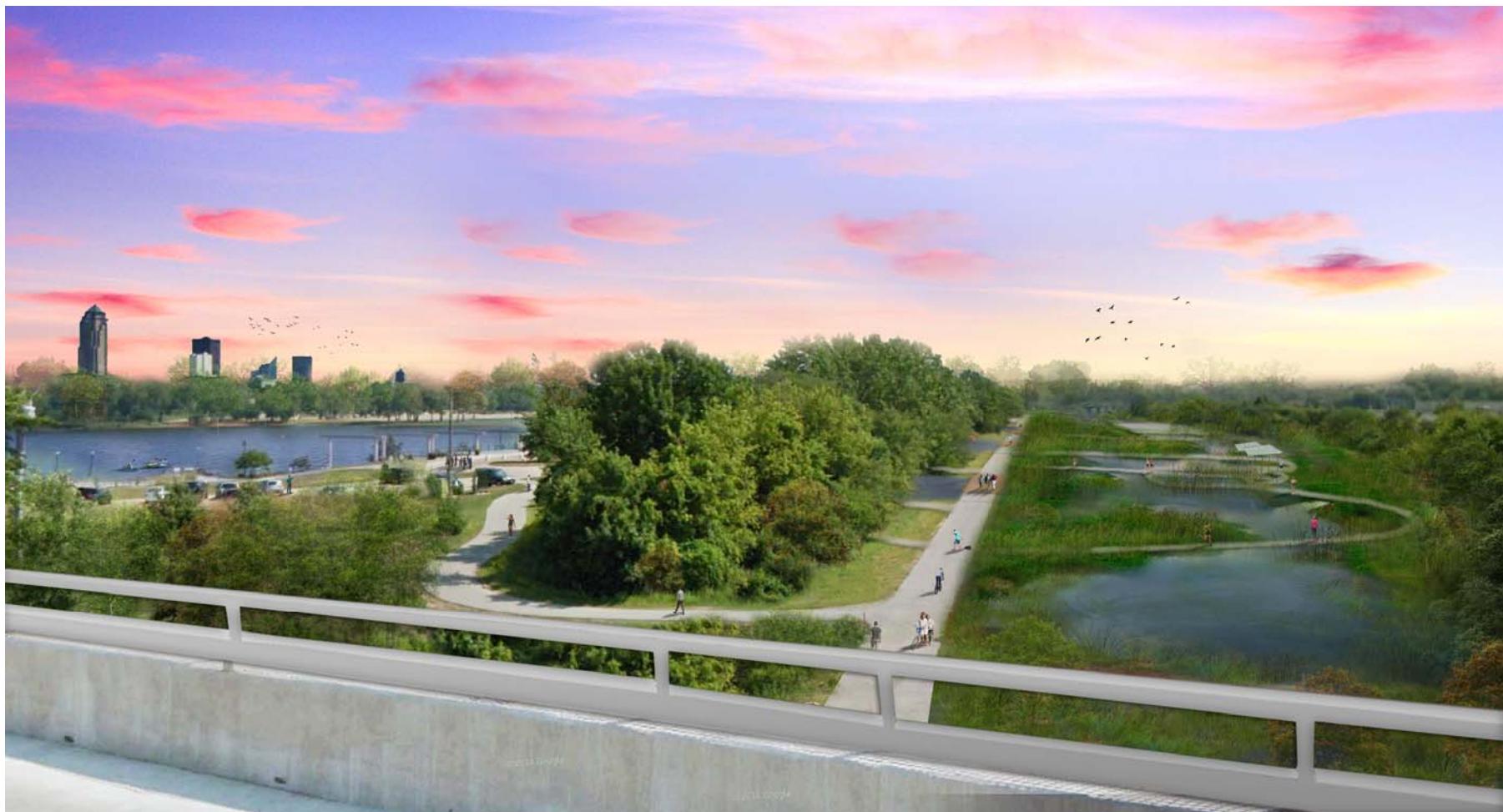
## Area F: Plan Rendering



Wetland Area: Before Conditions



Current View



Wetland Area: After Conditions



Wetland Area: Perspective Rendering



## Area G Considerations

- *Better Use of Structure*
- *Dock Access*
- *Restaurant / Coffee / Snacks*
- *Events Space*
- *Water Quality*
- *Better Use of Space – Activate*
- *Cottonwood Plantings (Few)*



Area G: Introduction



Area G: Existing Conditions



Area G: Plan Rendering



# Area H Considerations

- *Cottonwood Restoration*
- *Breezeway*
- *Plaza Area*
- *Trail Conflict*
- *Floodway – Erosion Issues*
- *Tunnel Configuration*
- *Wall Materials*
- *Make it Cool / Natural*
- *Visible from Above*
- *View through Tunnel*



Area H: Introduction

## MASTER PLAN – PARK ASTHETIC



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PLANNING DESIGN

Water Works Design

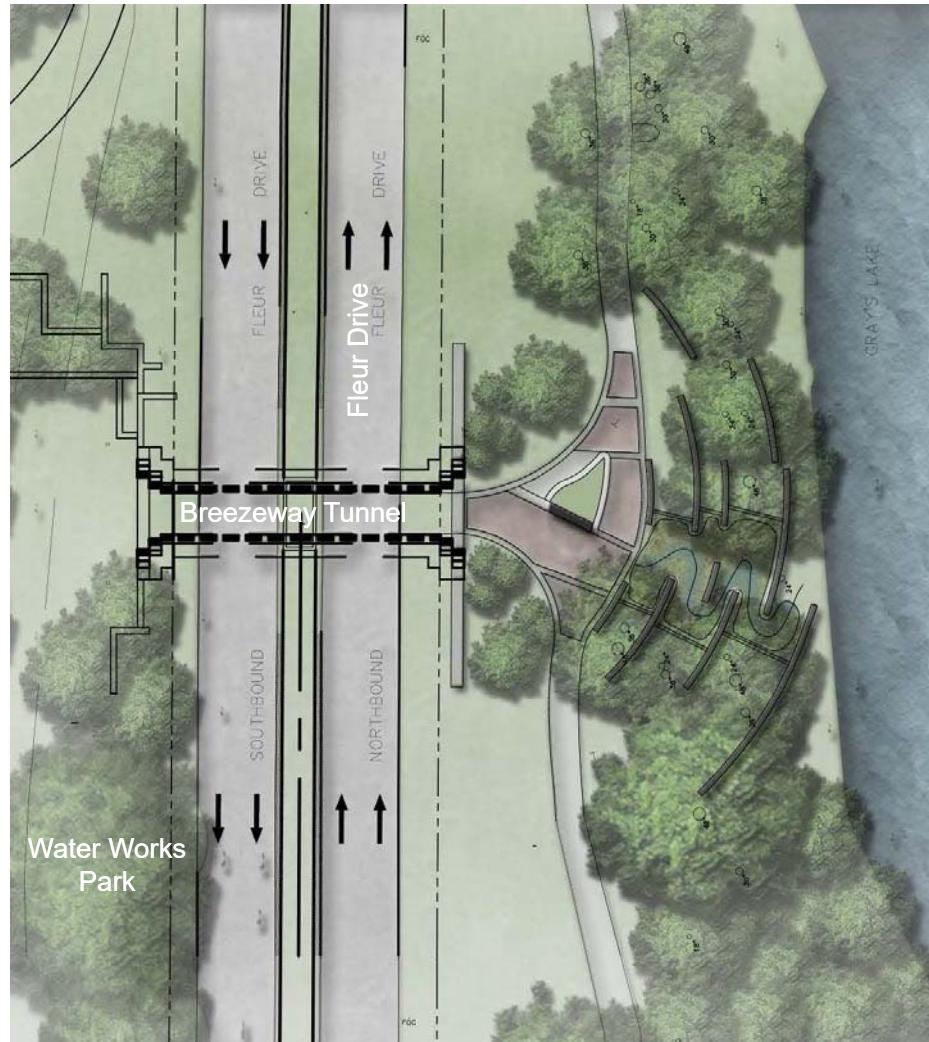


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PLANNING DESIGN

## Water Works Design



Breezeway Area: Precedent Images



Gray's Lake

Zoom-In



## Area H: Plan Rendering



## Granite Benches / Weir / Tree Protection



Breezeway Area: Before Conditions



Breezeway Area: After Conditions

