



SYMBIOTIC WATERSCAPES

*Interdependent water management in the urbanized
and cultivated landscape of the Rhine basin*

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RHINE IN BACKYARD CLIMATE CRISIS IN DELFT

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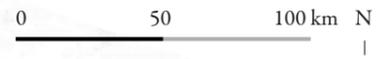
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THE RHINE

OVERVIEW OF THE RHINE BASIN



Legend

Natural water system

- Rhine + primary tributaries
- Secondary tributaries
- Lakes

Water quantity

- ▨ Flood plains
- Tributary discharge
- Rhine section discharge

Land use

- Urban landscape
- Cultivated landscape

Political

- Country borders

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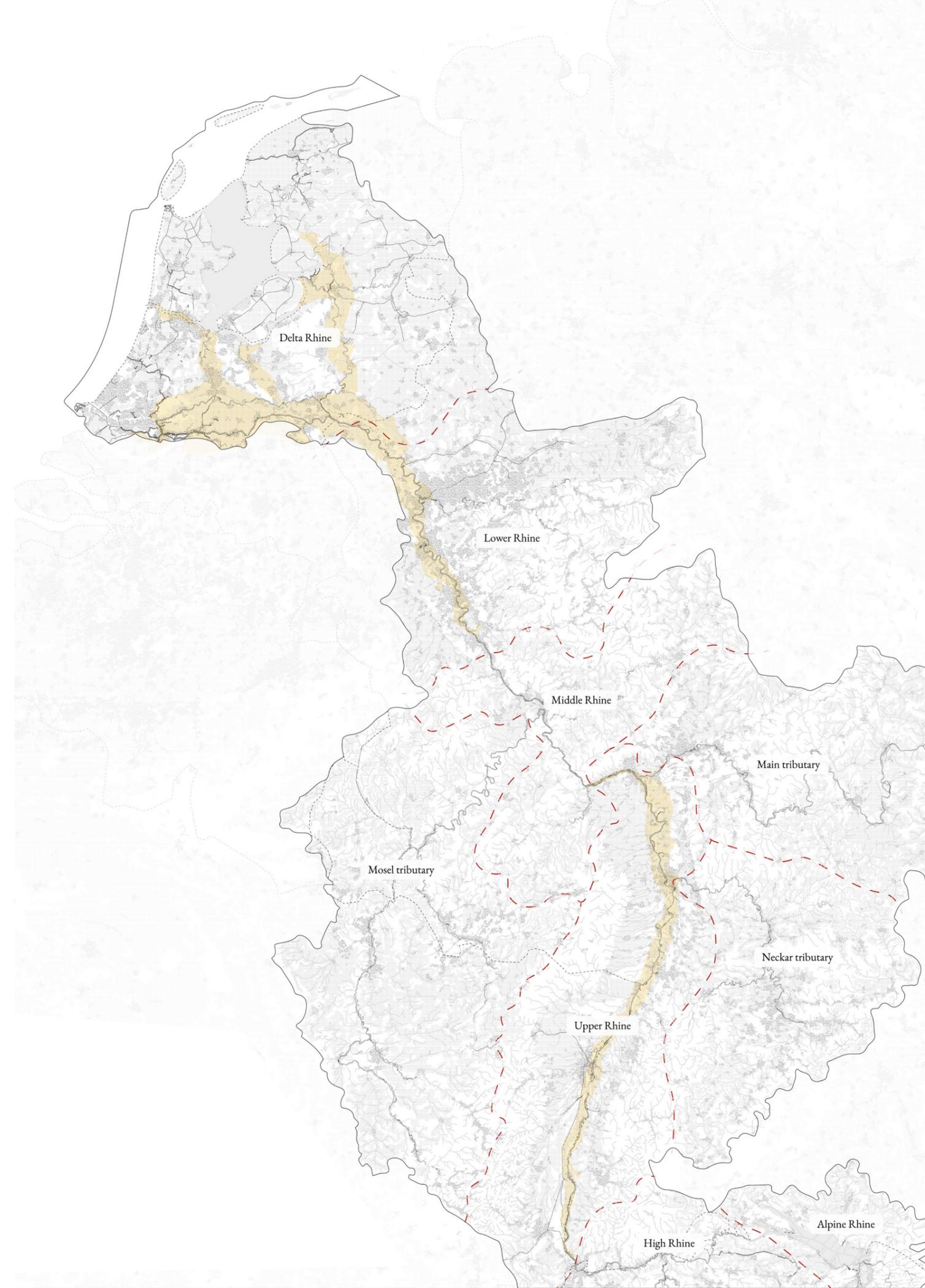


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THE RHINE

ANTHROPIC ALTERATIONS

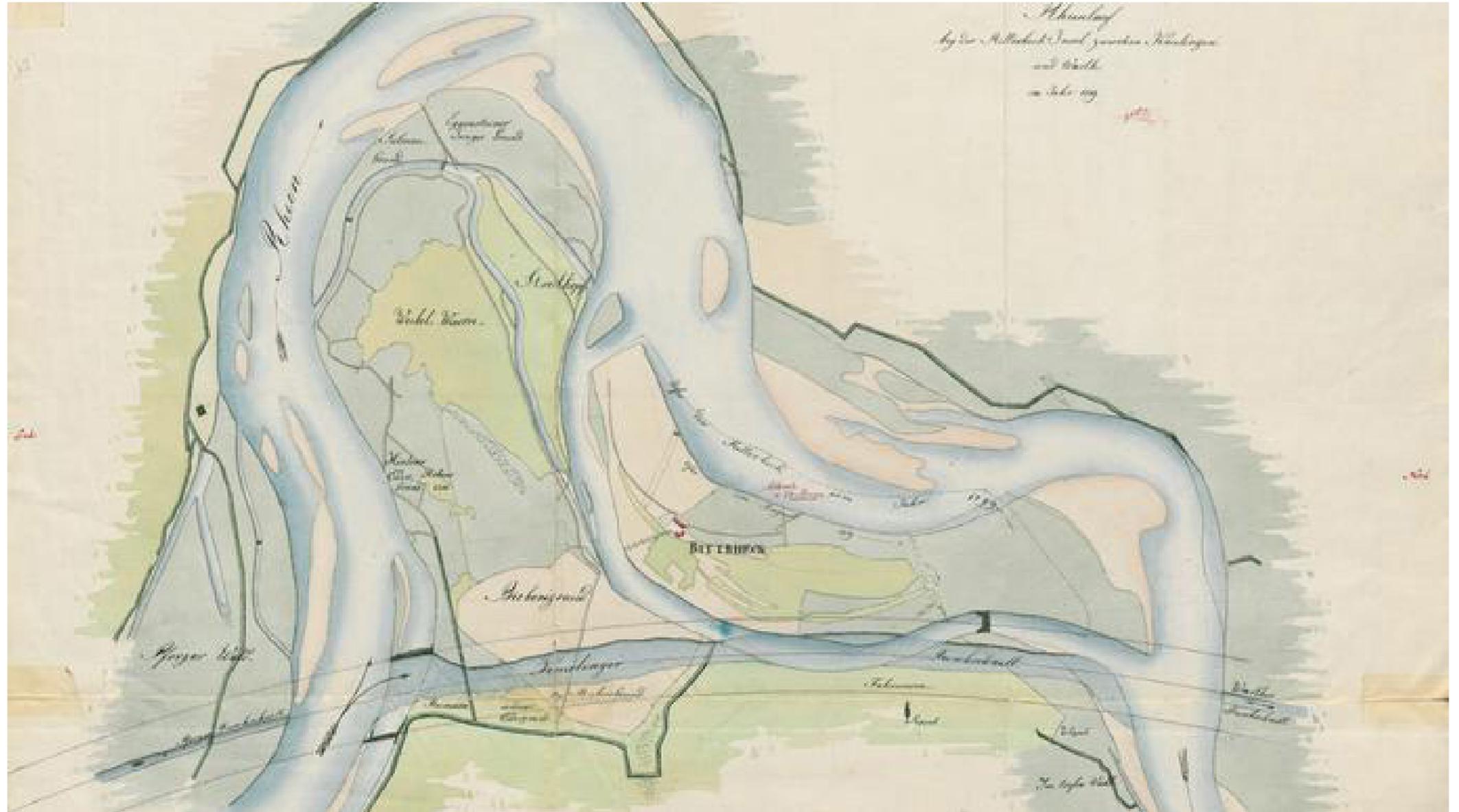


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HUMAN - WATER RELATIONSHIP

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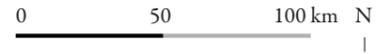
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THE REGIONAL ISSUE

HOW THE WATER FLOWS



Accumulation : Matter : Composition

Natural water system

- Rhine + primary tributaries
- Secondary tributaries
- Lakes

24h extreme rainfall, 10 year return period

- 60 mm
- 72 mm
- 84 mm
- 96 mm

Water quantity

- Flood plains
- Tributary discharge
- Tributary discharge peak
- Rhine section discharge
- Rhine section discharge peak

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- Urban landscape
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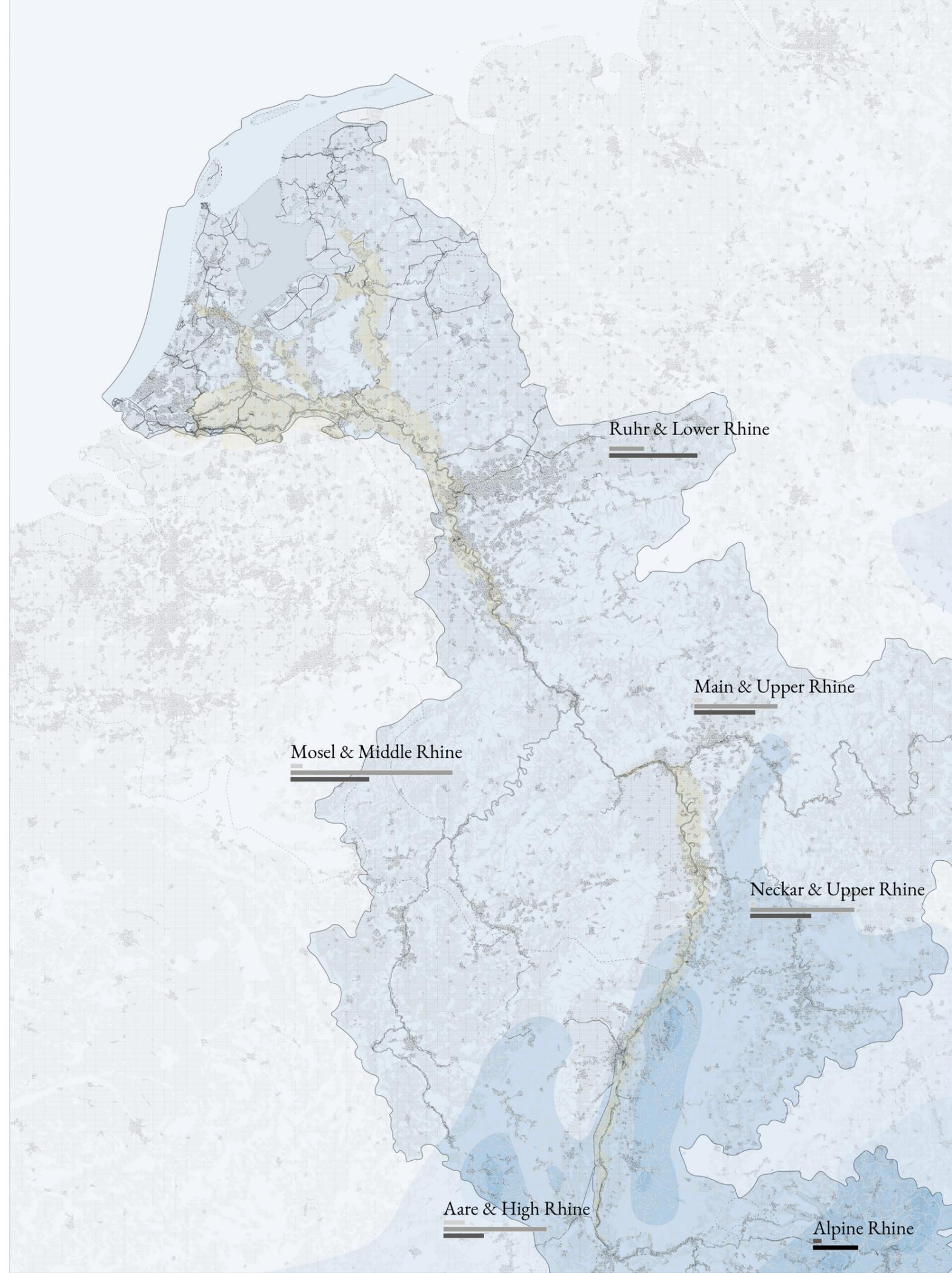


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THE REGIONAL ISSUE

DROUGHTS IN THE FLOODPLAINS



THE REGIONAL ISSUE

WATER DISCHARGING LANDSCAPES

0 50 100 km N

Accumulation : Topos : Composition

Natural system

- Rhine
- Lakes
- Annual rainfall > 1000mm
- Annual rainfall > 1800mm
- Broadleaved forest
- Coniferous forest
- Mixed forest
- ▨ Topography
- ▨ High water absorption capacity

Political system

- Country borders

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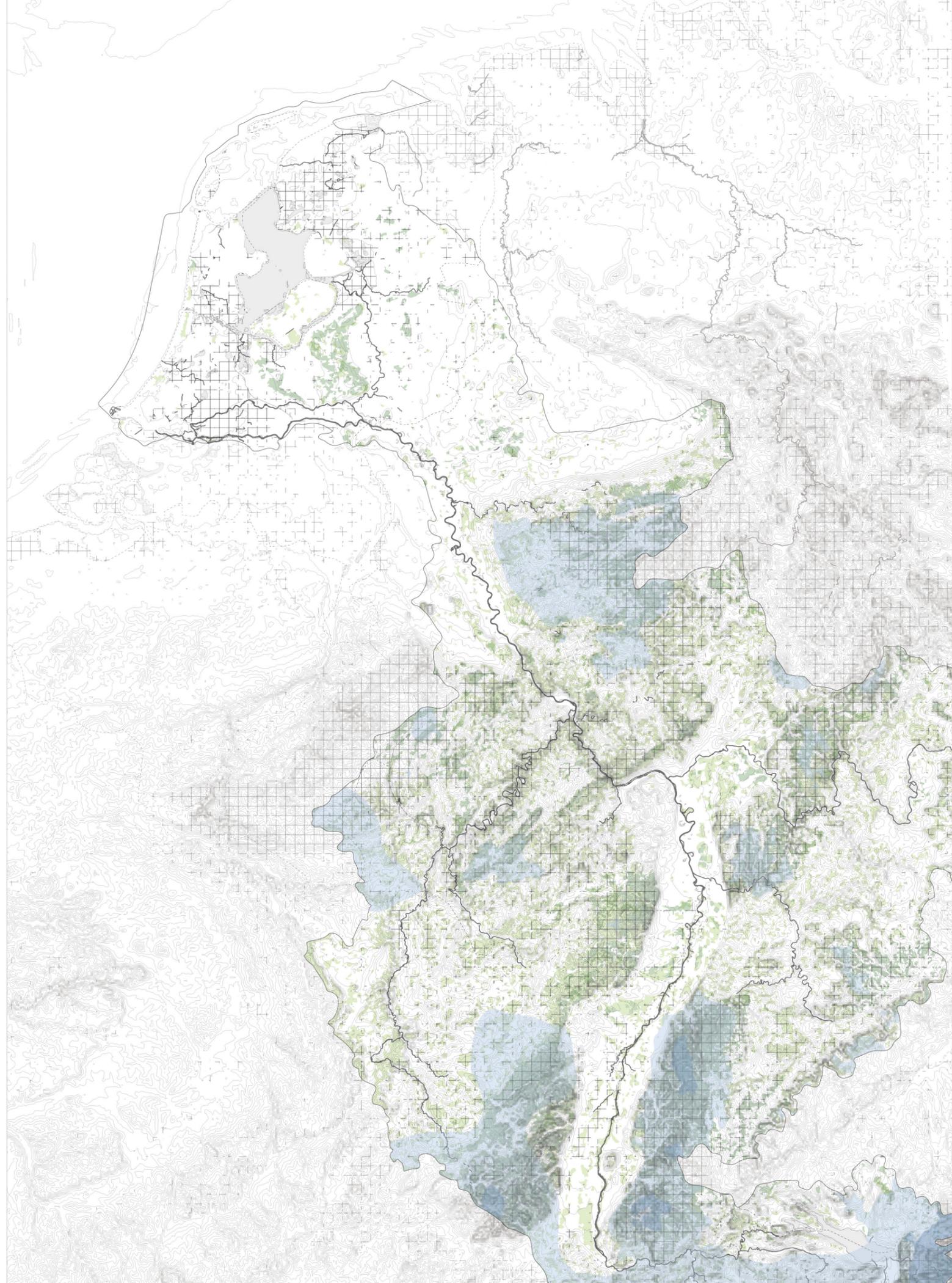


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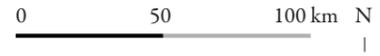
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DEGRADED SOIL



THE REGIONAL ISSUE

WATER POLLUTION



Accumulation : Habitat : Composition

Waterworks

- Dams and barrages
- Dams with fish passage
- Canals

Water pollution

- Microplastics
- AMPA
- Diuron
- Glyfosaat
- Isoproturon
- Mecoprop
- HCH
- Endosulfan
- Cybutrine
- Heptachloor
- Dichloorvos

Land-use

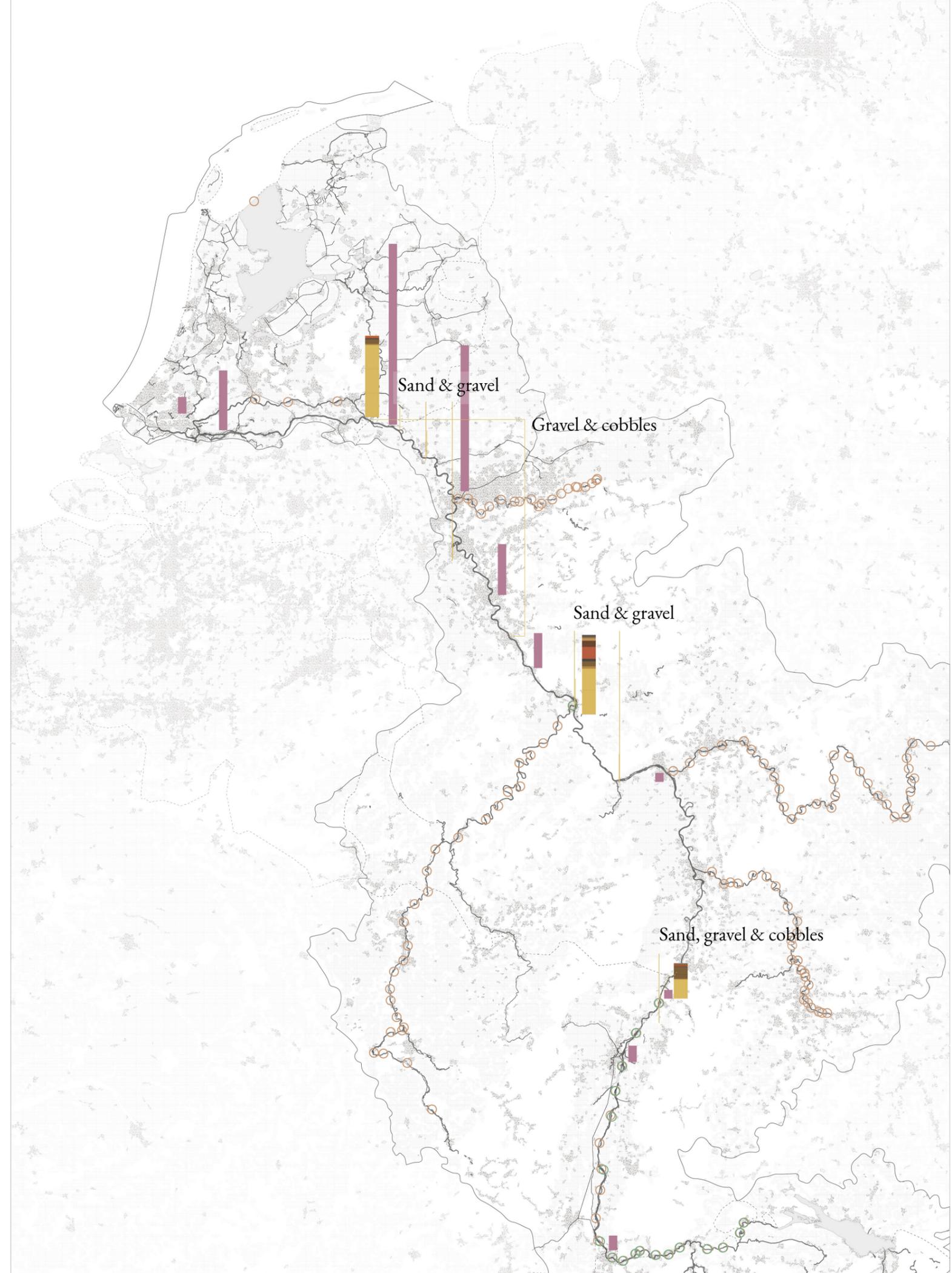
- Urban landscape
- Cultivated landscape

Natural system

- Rhine and main tributaries
- Lakes

Politics

- Country borders



THE REGIONAL ISSUE

LOST HABITATS

Accumulation : Habitat : Alteration

Longitudutal sediment flow

- █ Water level
- | Dam
- █ Clay and sand sediment flow
- █ Sand sediment flow
- █ Gravel and cobble sediment flow

Sediment influx

- ① Mosel
- ② Main
- ③ Neckar
- ④ Nourishment Iffezheim
- ⑤ Mine effluent
- ⑥ Basel

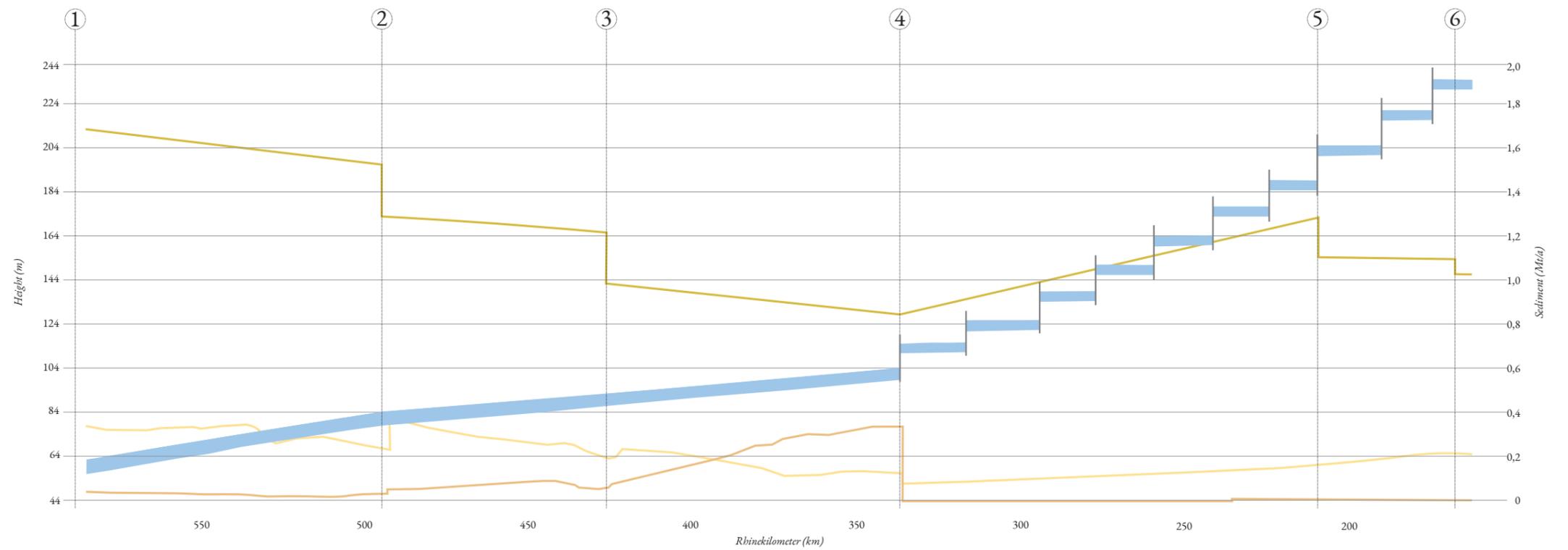


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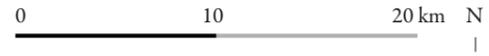
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PROJECT LOCATION

NORTHERN UPPER RHINE VALLEY



LEGEND

- Rhine water system
- Floodplains
- Local water system
- Cultivated landscape
- Urban landscape
- Topobathy: low > high



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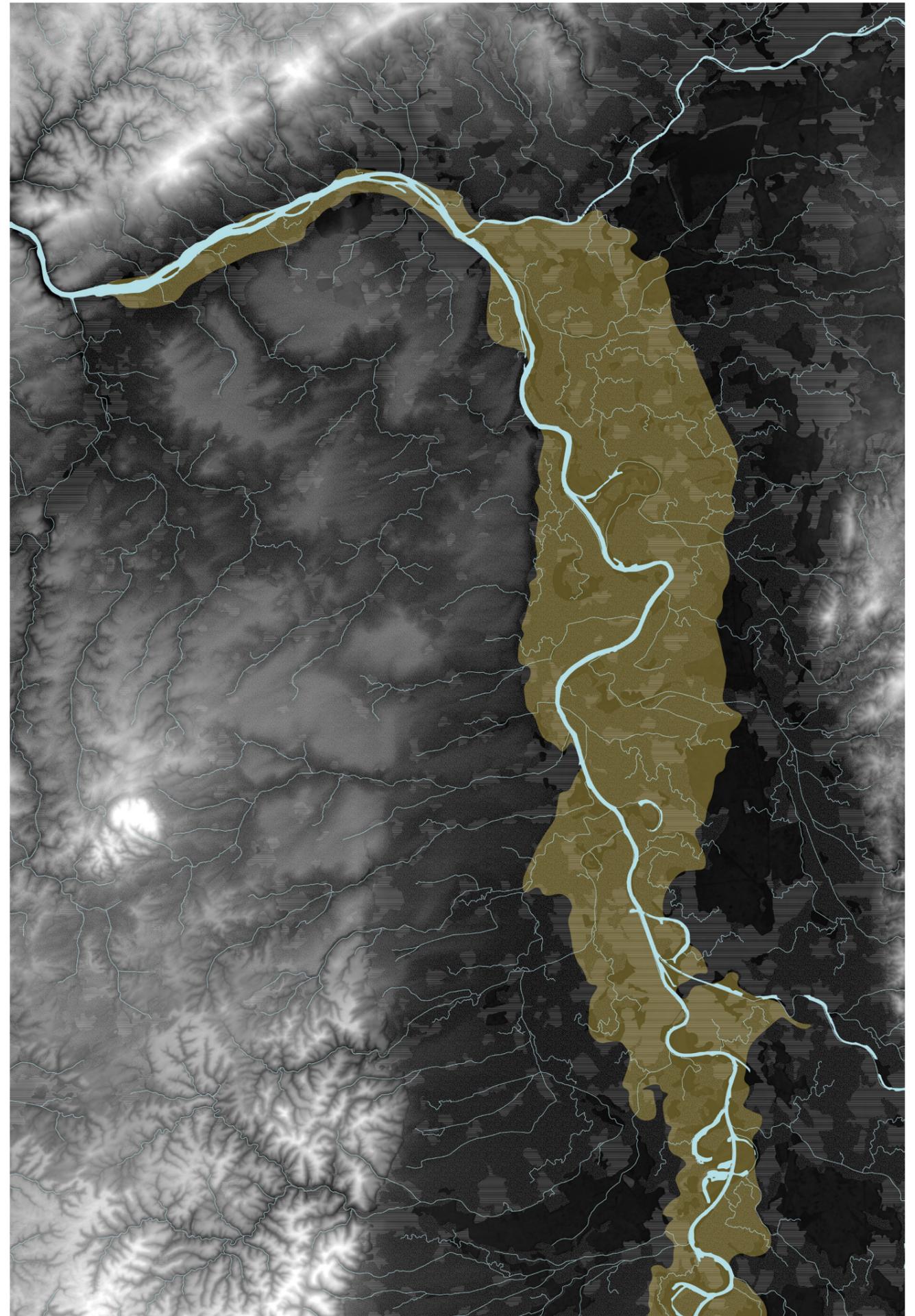


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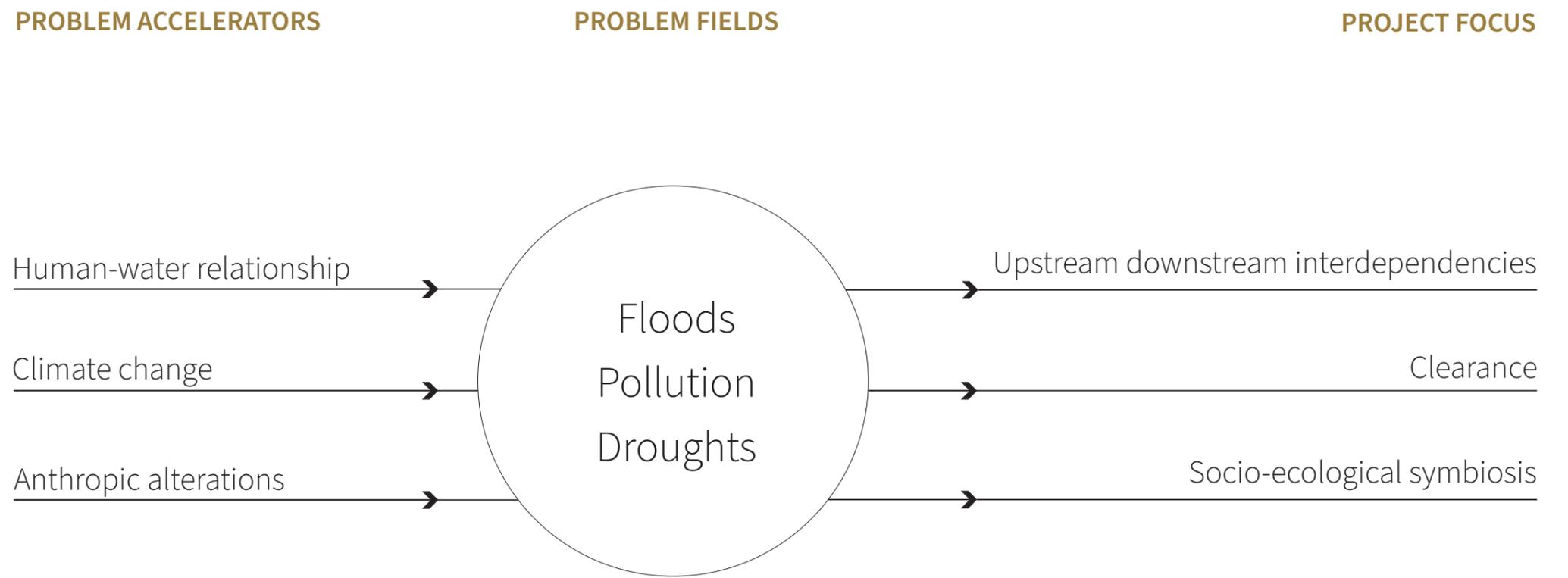


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CONCEPT

UPSTREAM-DOWNSTREAM INTERDEPENDENCIES

0 50 100 km N

Accumulation : Geopolitics : Composition

Politics

- Main water governing regions
- ▨ Powerful waterboards
- ▤ No powerful waterboards
- ⊕ Centralized water management
- ⊗ River entry point

Interdependencies

- ↗ High quality - Low quantity water
- Low quality - High quantity water
- ▨ Downstream flood risk
- Drinking water extraction

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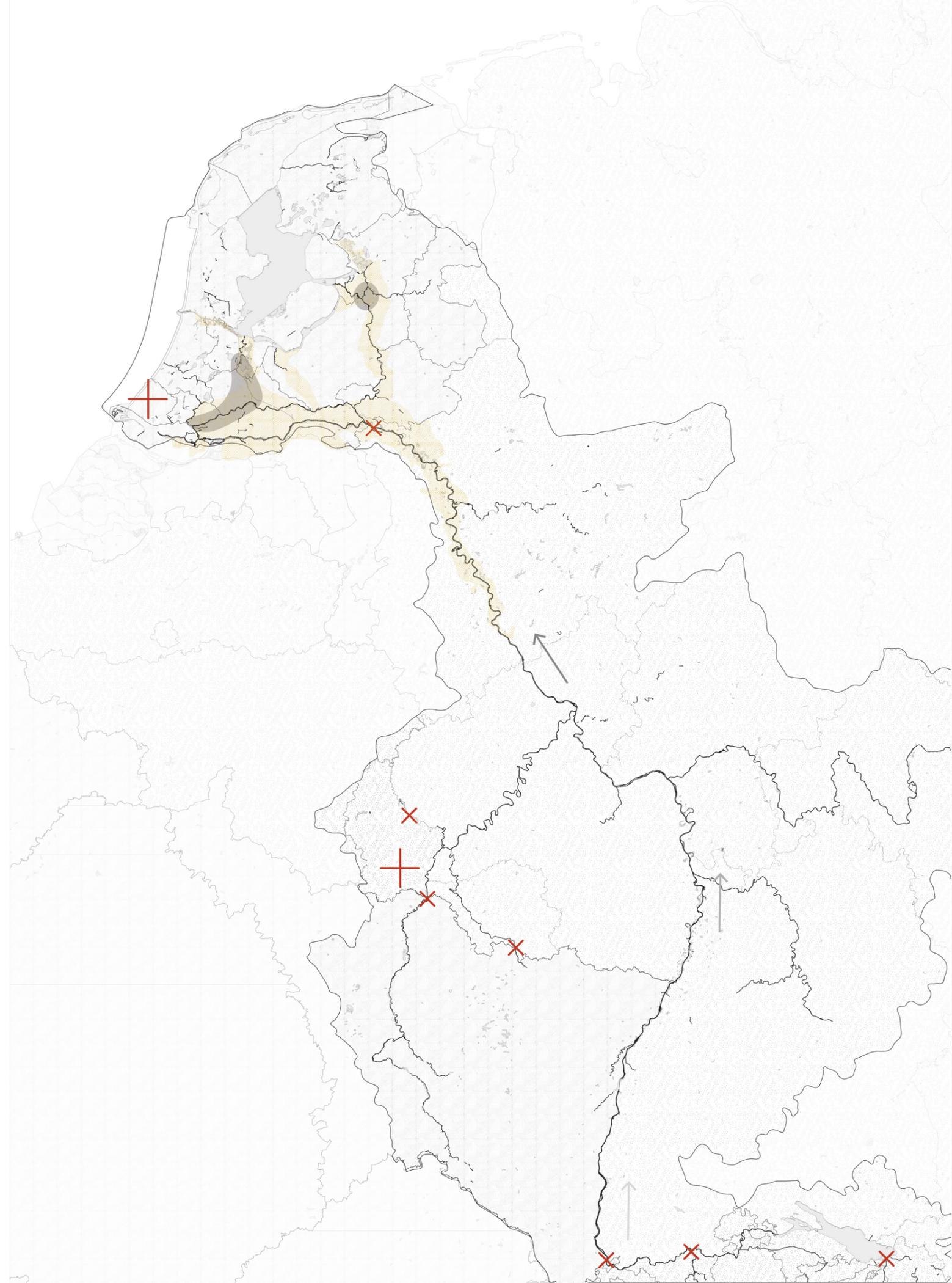


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CONCEPT

CLEARANCE

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CONCEPT

SOCIO-ECOLOGICAL SYMBIOSIS



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RESEARCH QUESTION

How could water safety downstream be supported by upstream design interventions in the Northern Upper Rhine Valley, based on methods in which socio-ecological symbiosis and clearance are central?

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THREE TYPOLOGICAL PROJECTS

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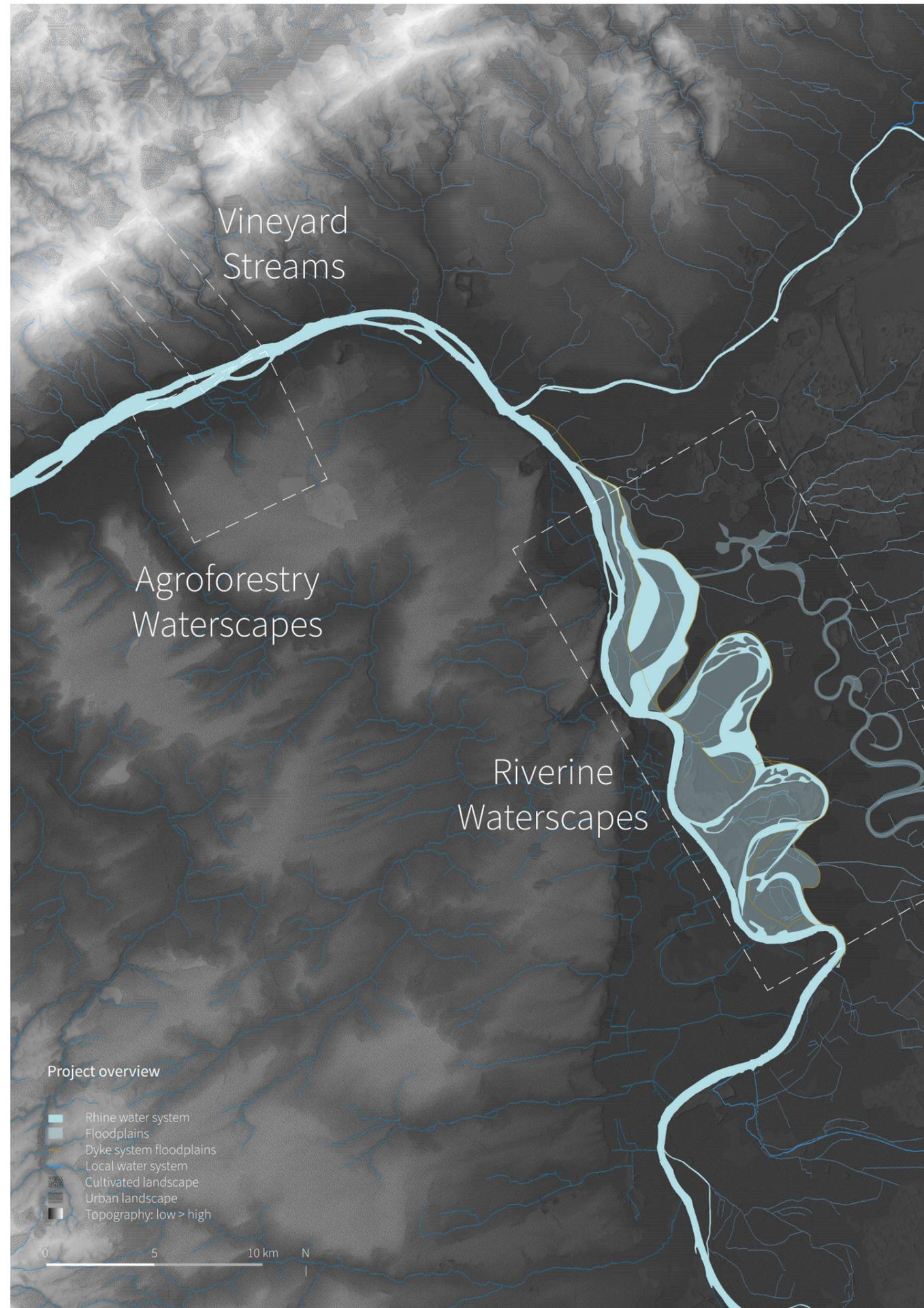


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PROJECT OVERVIEW

VINEYARD STREAMS

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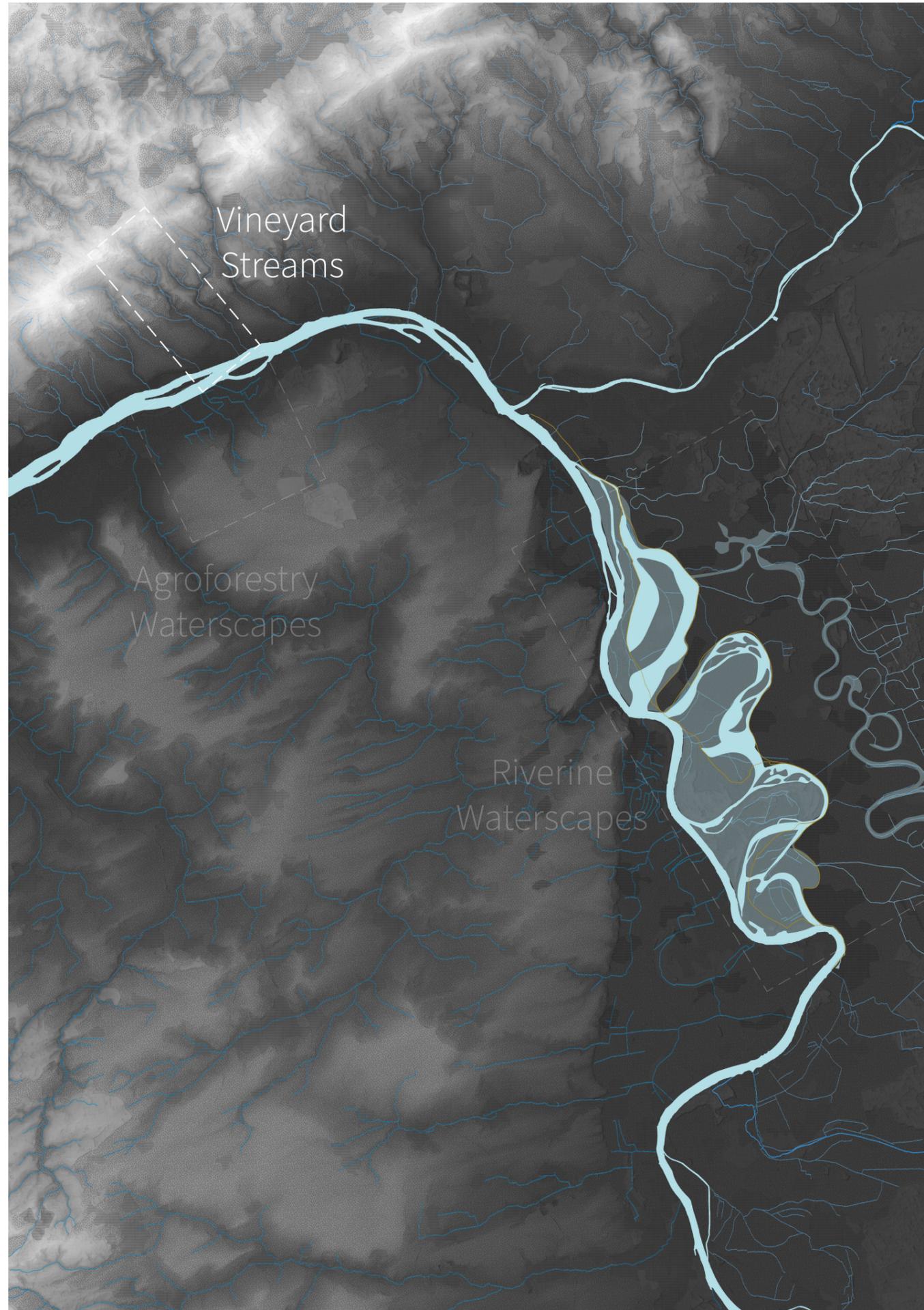


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VINEYARD STREAMS

ANALYSIS



LEGEND

- Vineyards
- Streams
- Kiedricher Bach
- Rhine
- Urban area
- Other land use
- Shrubs
- Forest
- Roads
- Landscape contours

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DESIGN OVERVIEW



I The Vineyard

II Retention Valley

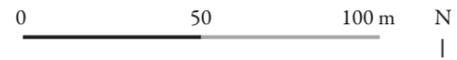
III Drainage City



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DESIGN THE VINEYARD



LEGEND

- Vineyards
- Hedges
- Vineyard trench
- Water ladder
- Kiedricher Bach (river)
- Landmarks
- Landscape contours
- Urban area
- Forest
- Roads

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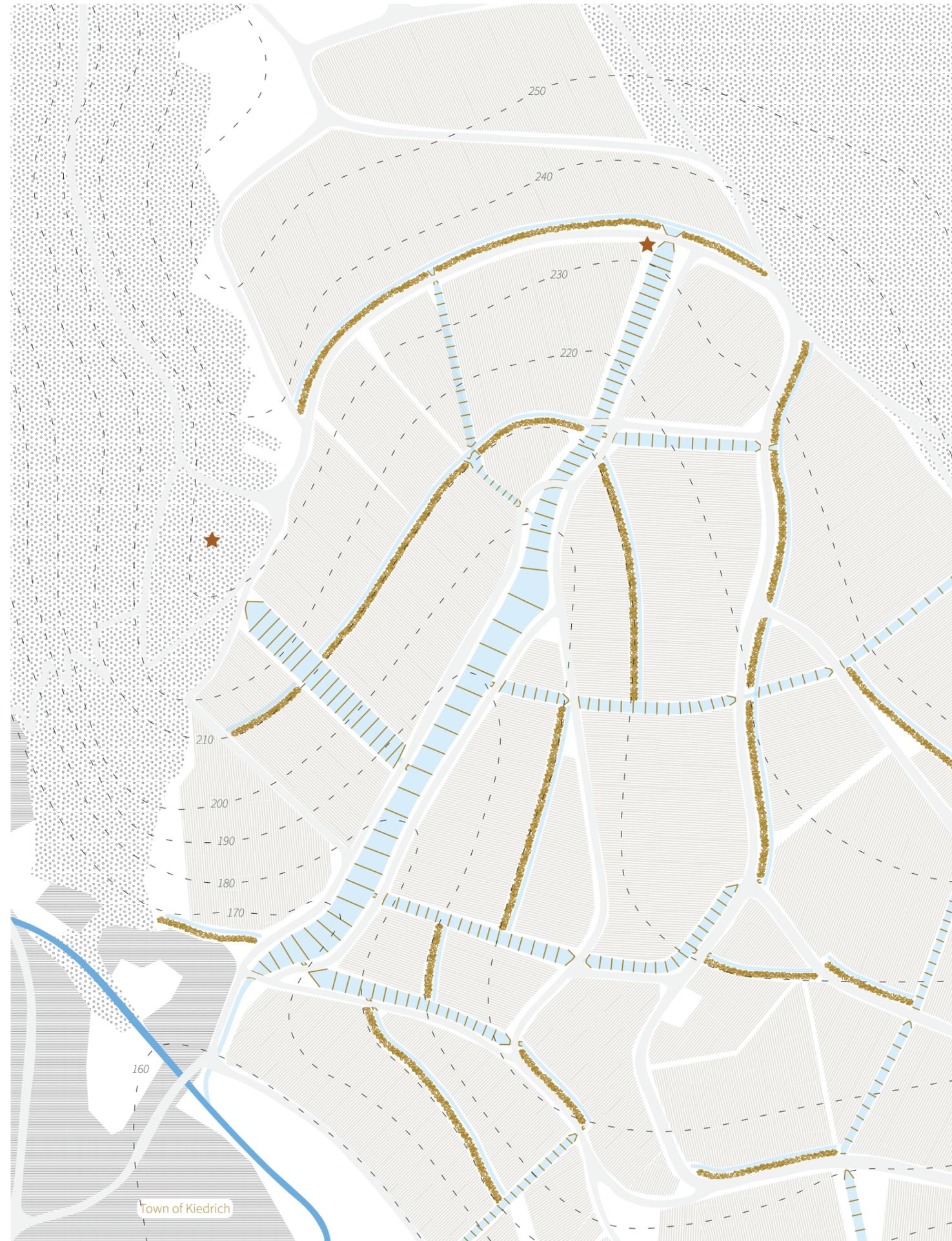


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HEDGES - HIGH WATER

0 2,5 5 m

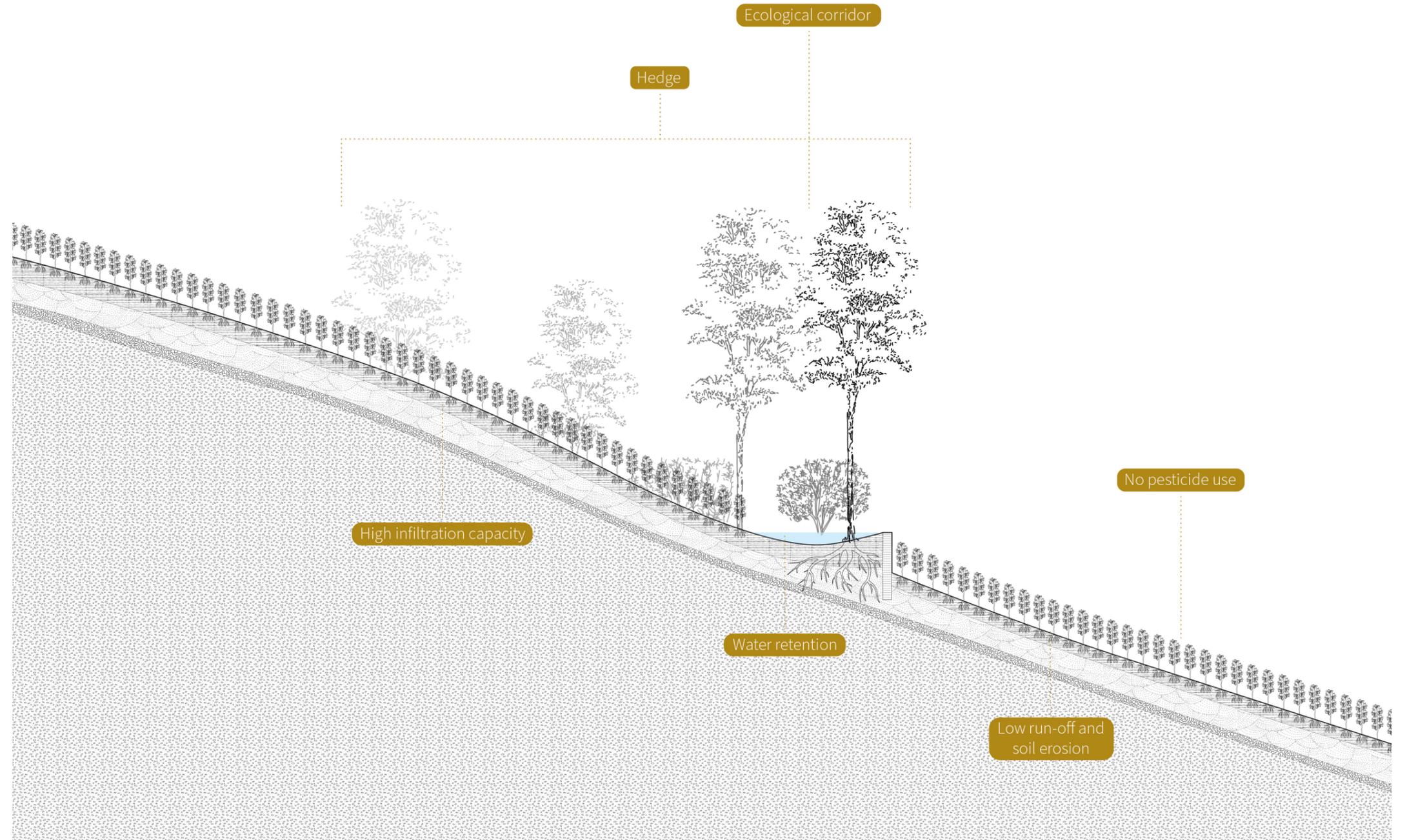


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HEDGES - LOW WATER

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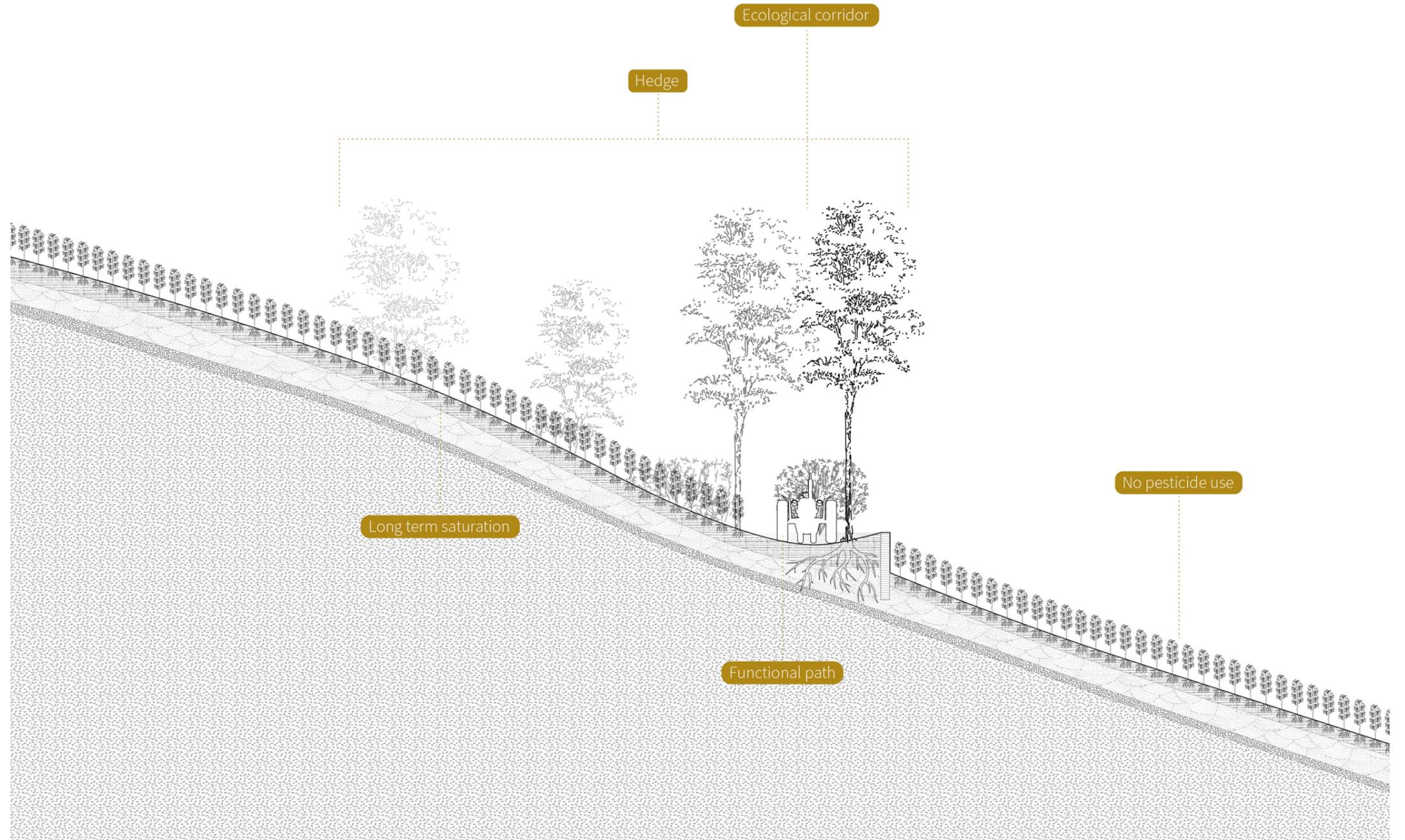


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CURRENT VIEW OF LANDMARK



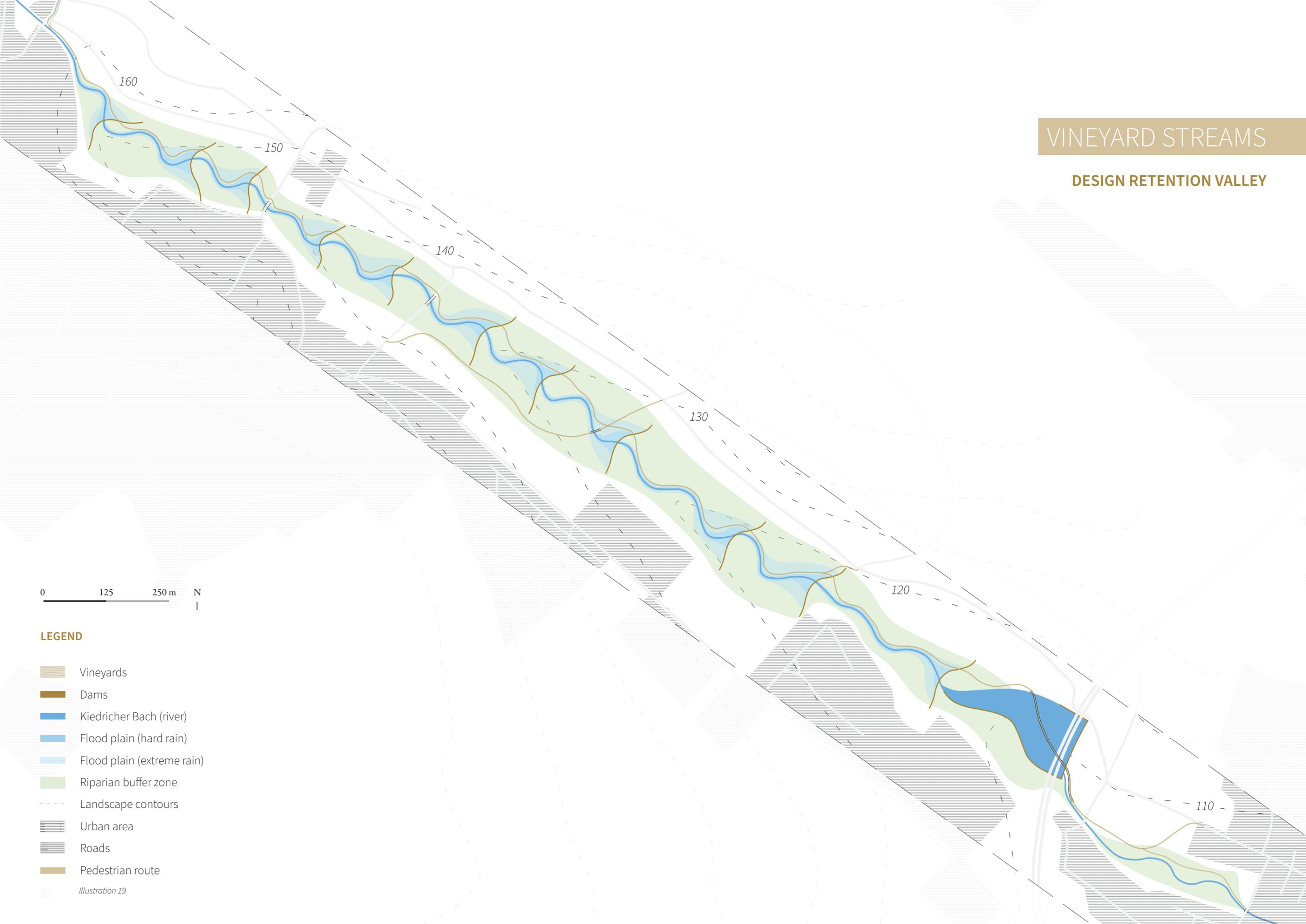
VINEYARD STREAMS

WATERLADDER TO LANDMARK



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DESIGN RETENTION VALLEY



0 125 250 m N
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LEGEND

- Vineyards
- Dams
- Kiedricher Bach (river)
- Flood plain (hard rain)
- Flood plain (extreme rain)
- Riparian buffer zone
- Landscape contours
- Urban area
- Roads
- Pedestrian route

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RETENTION VALLEY LOW WATER - HIGH WATER

0 2 4 m



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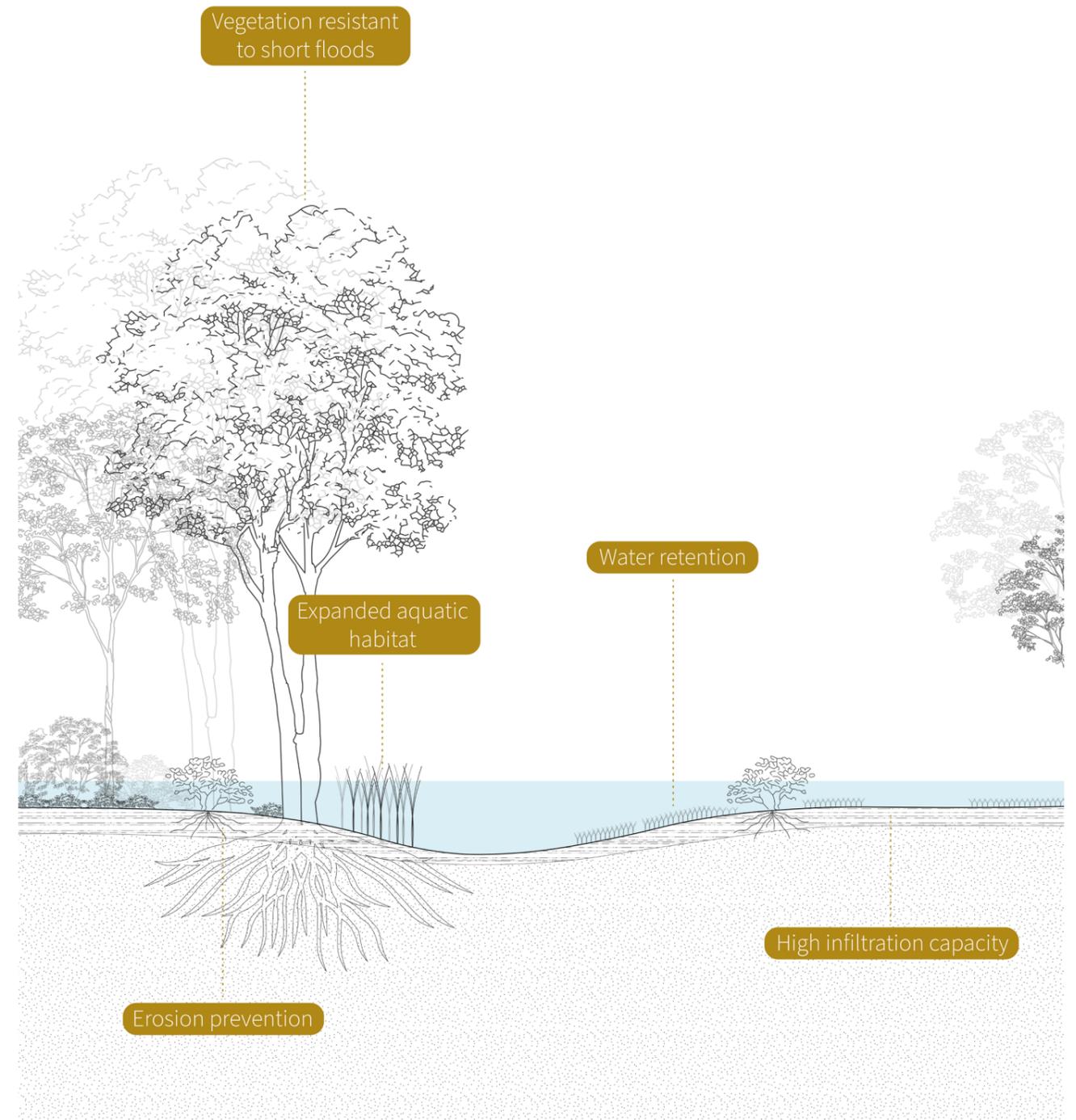


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VINEYARD STREAMS

DESIGN DRAINAGE CITY



LEGEND

- City river access
- Kiedricher Bach (river)
- Underground river
- Drainage street profiles
- Pedestrian route
- Landscape contours
- Buildings
- Roads
- Railway

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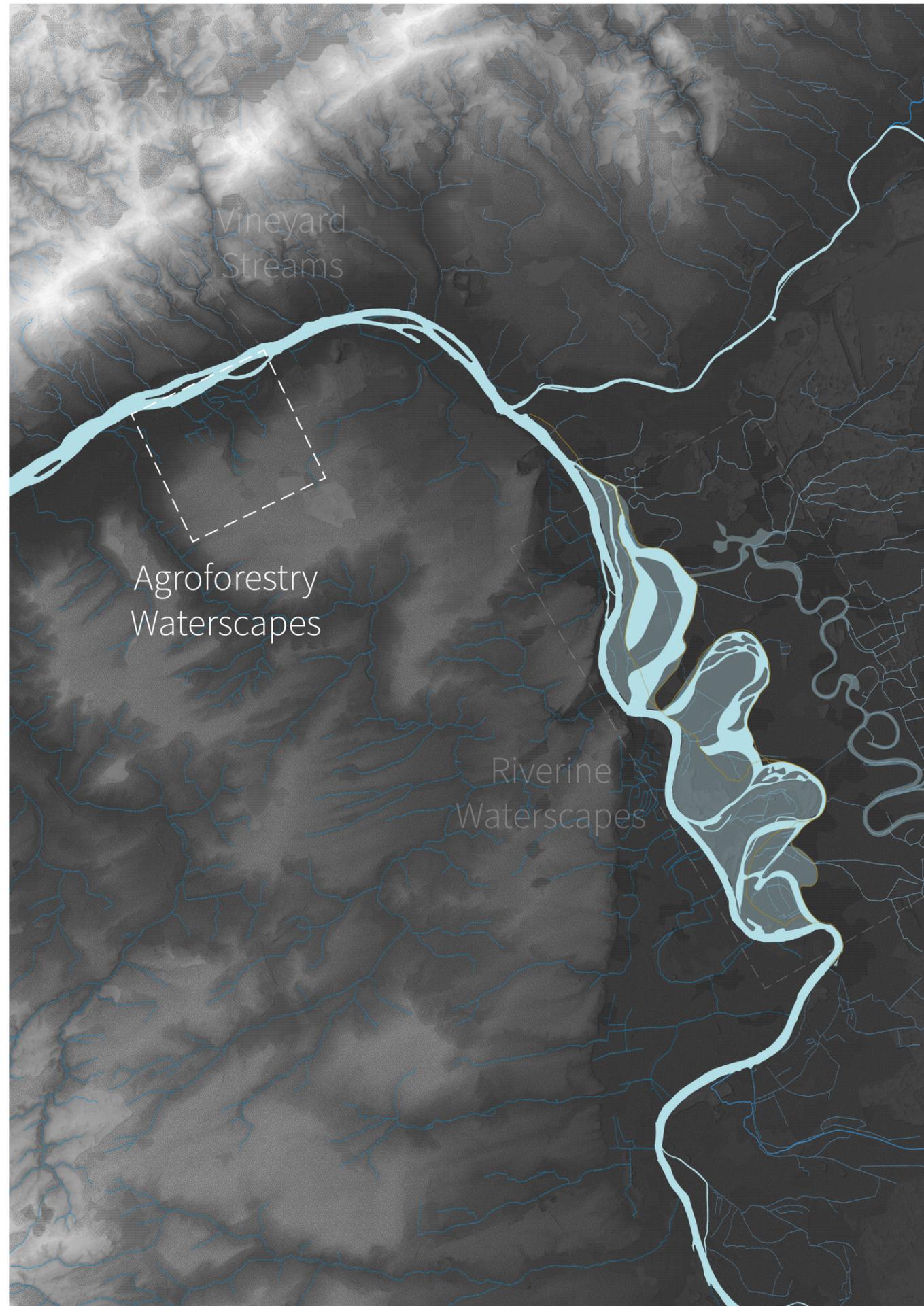
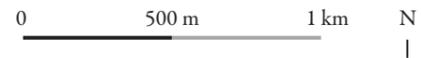


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ANALYSIS



LEGEND

- Rhine
- Stream
- Vineyard
- Orchard
- Cropland
- Pasture
- Urban area
- Main roads
- Railway
- Forest
- Nature reserve
- Topobathy: low > high
- Landscape contour

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DESIGN LAND USE TRANSFORMATION



LEGEND

-  Rhine
-  Stream
-  Vineyard
-  Silvopasture or food forest
-  Alley cropping or food forest
-  Food forest
-  Urban area
-  Main roads
-  Railway
-  Forest
-  Nature reserve
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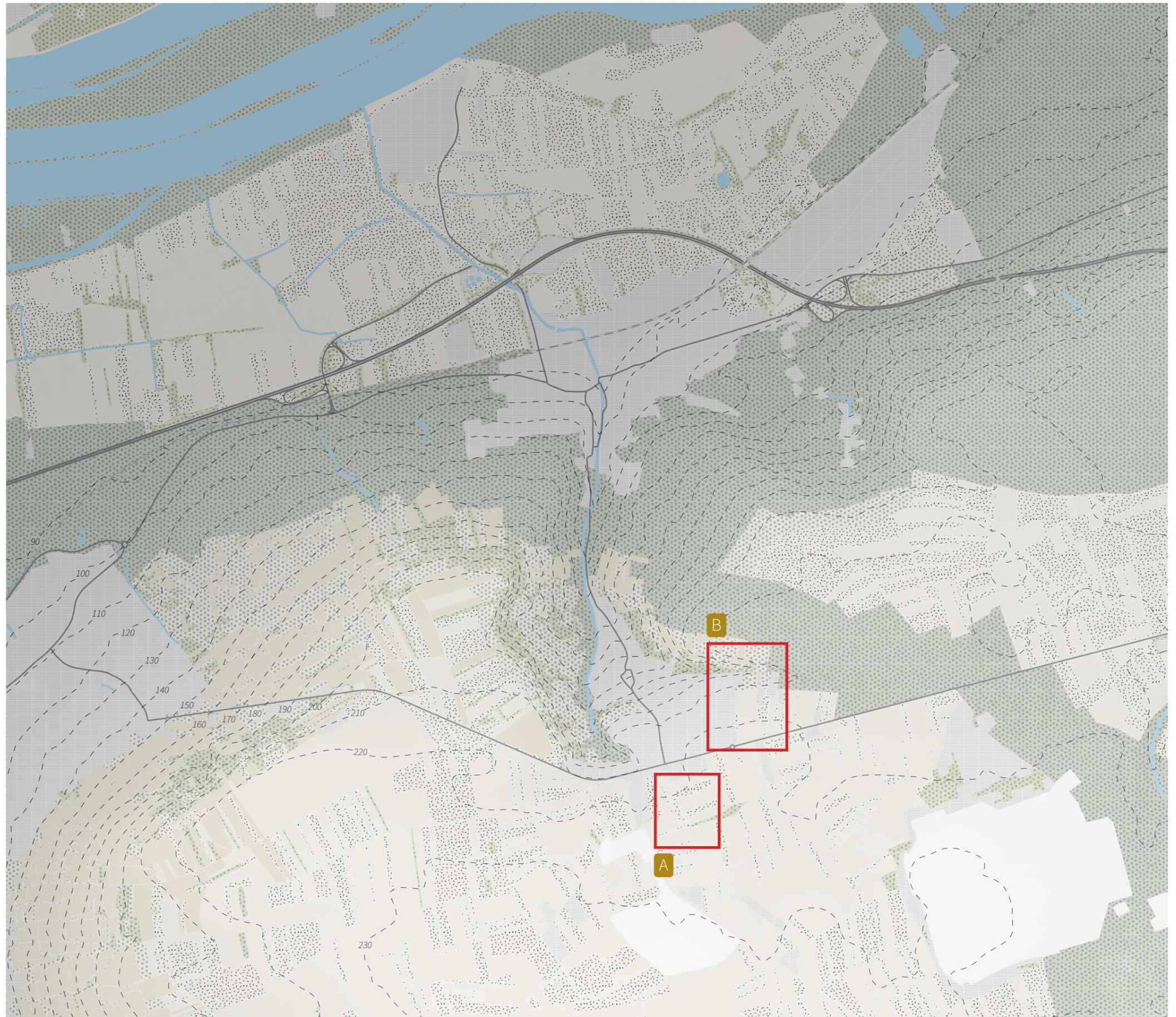
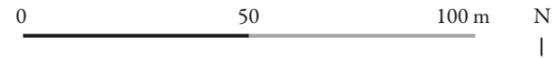


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AGROFORESTRY WATERSCAPES

URBAN AGROFORESTRY: A



LEGEND

- + Romantic food forest
- + Regular food forest
- + Alley cropping
- + Silvopasture
- Shrubs
- Trees
- Large trees
- Open water
- Wadi
- Houses
- Roads
- Pedestrian paths
- Landscape contours

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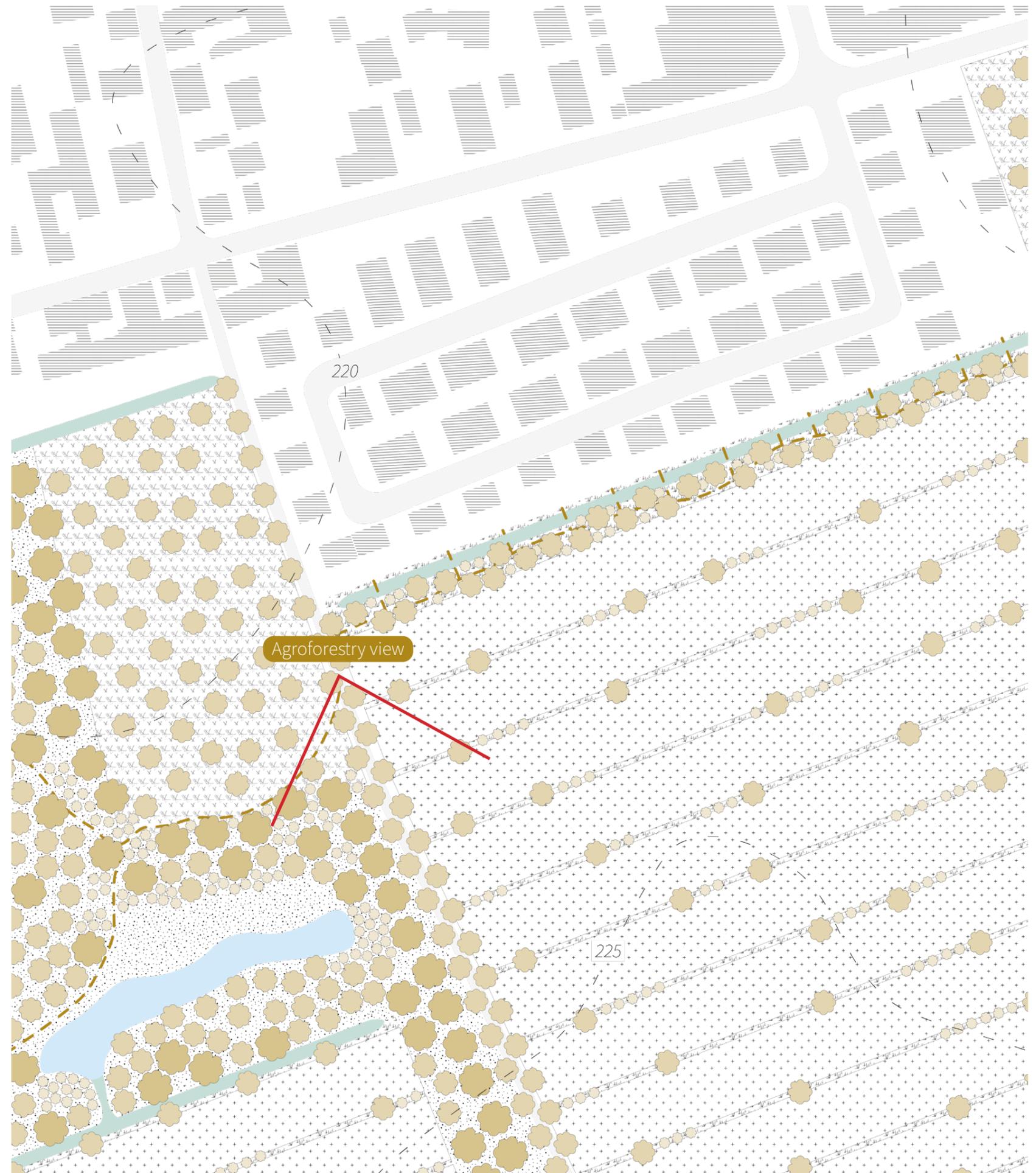


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CURRENT AGRICULTURAL LANDSCAPE



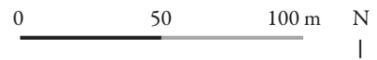
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AGROFORESTRY LANDSCAPE



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URBAN AGROFORESTRY: B



LEGEND

- + Romantic food forest
- + Regular food forest
- + Alley cropping
- Vineyard
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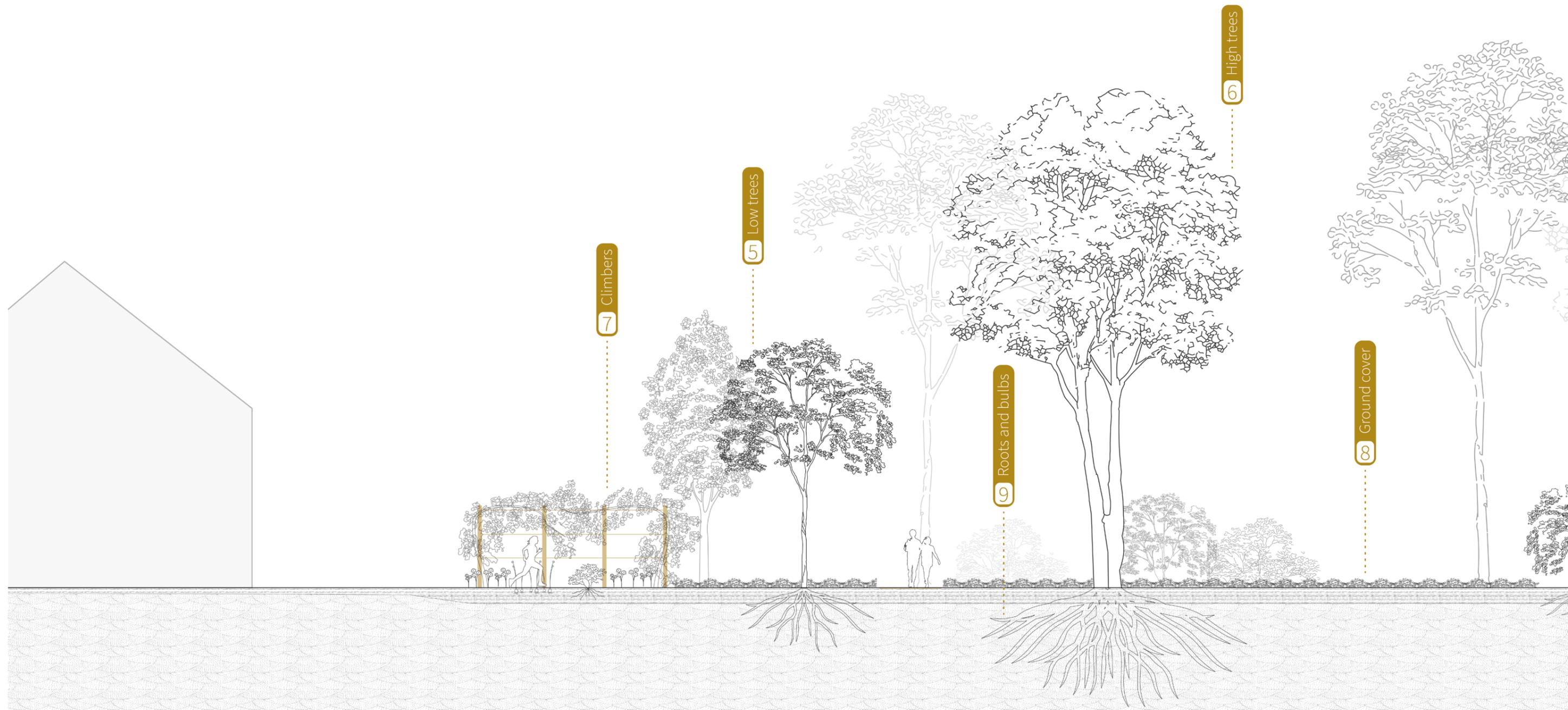


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ROMANTIC FOOD FOREST

0 2,5 5 m



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ROMANTIC FOOD FOREST

0 2,5 5 m



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CURRENT VIEW



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FOREST VIEWPOINT



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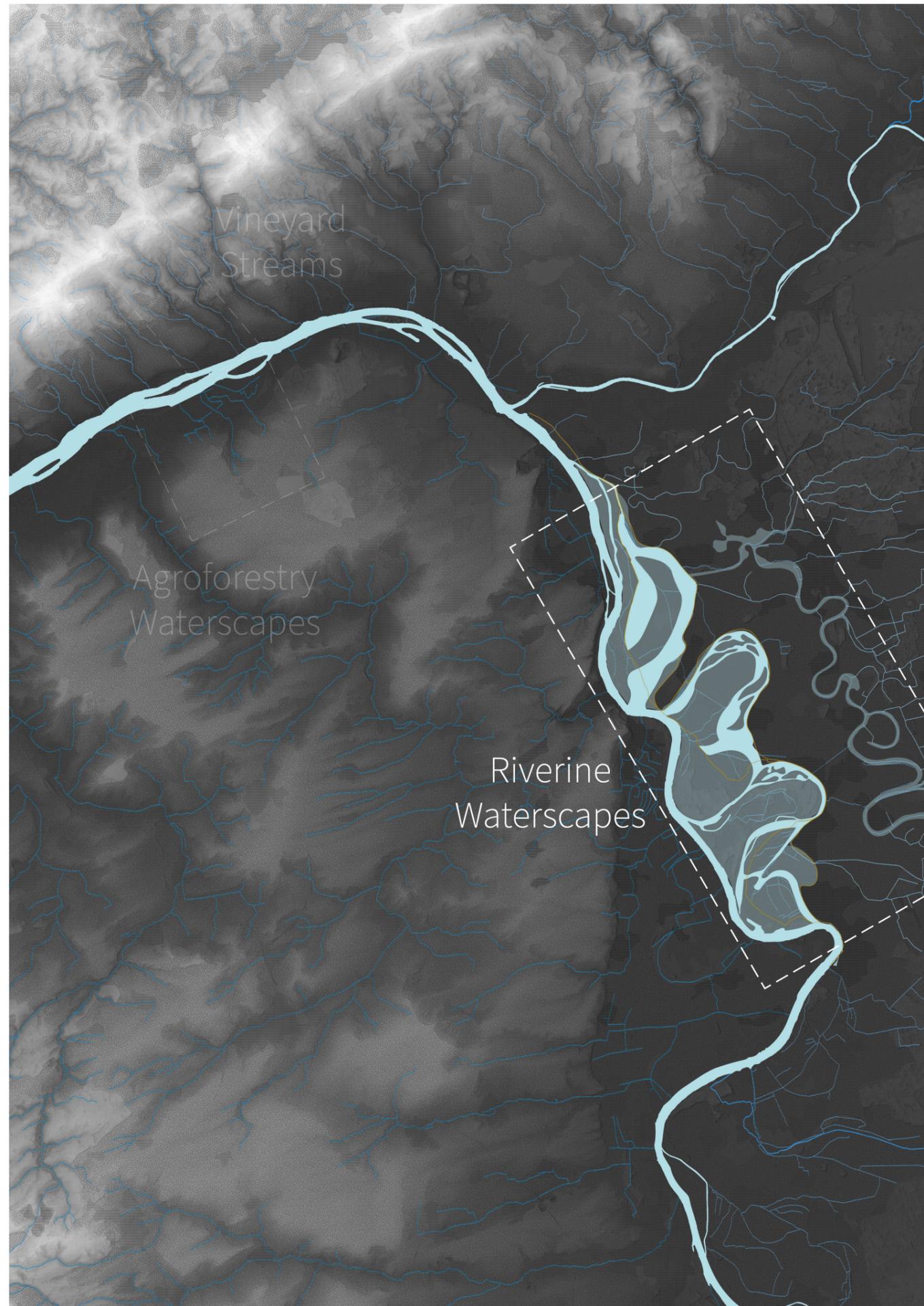


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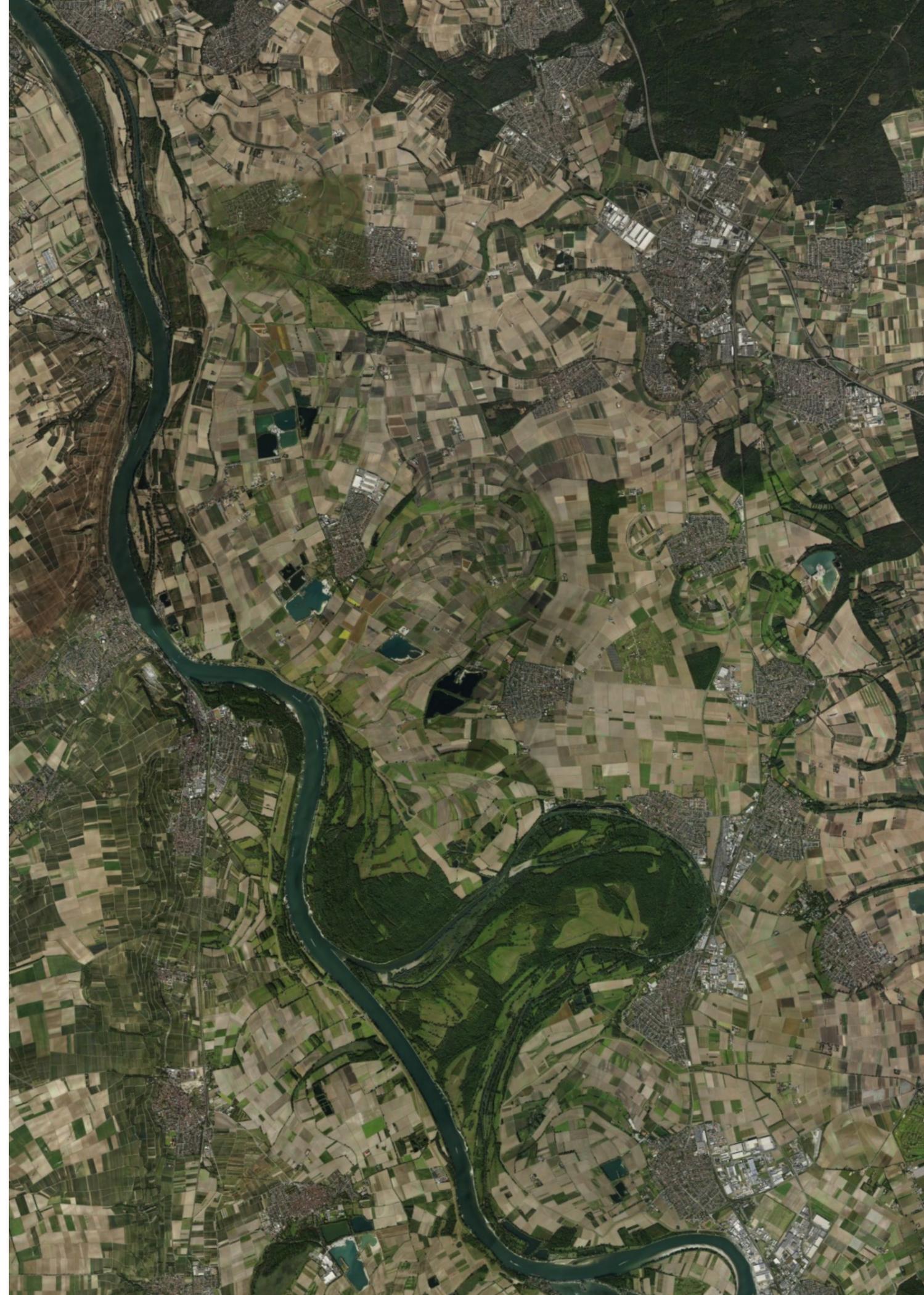


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REINTRODUCING MEANDERS



LEGEND

- Rhine river system
- New Rhine floodplains
- Local floodplain
- Urban area
- Water flow
- Lock
- New dyke
- Old dyke

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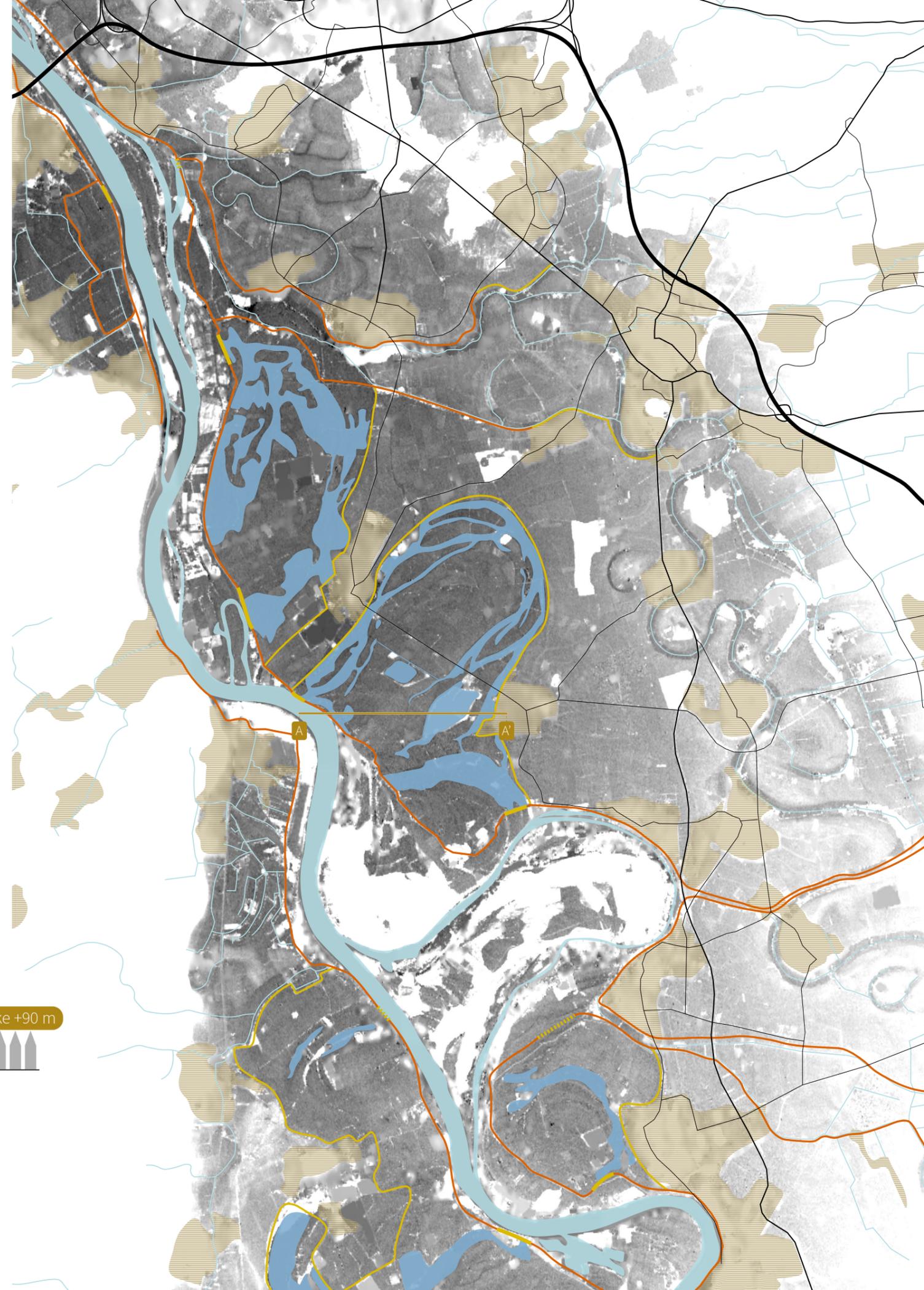
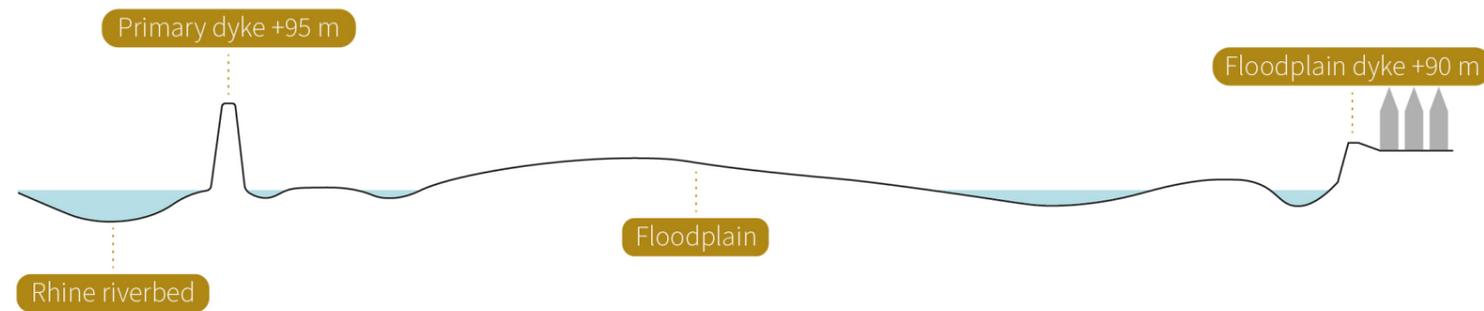
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LOW WATER SCENARIO



LEGEND

- Rhine river system
- New Rhine floodplains
- Hessen water system
- Main road network
- Topobathy: high - low
- Urban area
- Lock open
- Lock closed
- New dyke
- Old dyke



RIVERINE WATERSCAPES

AVERAGE WATER SCENARIO



LEGEND

- Rhine river system
- New Rhine floodplains
- Hessen water system
- Main road network
- Topobathy: high - low
- Urban area
- Lock open
- Lock closed
- New dyke
- Old dyke



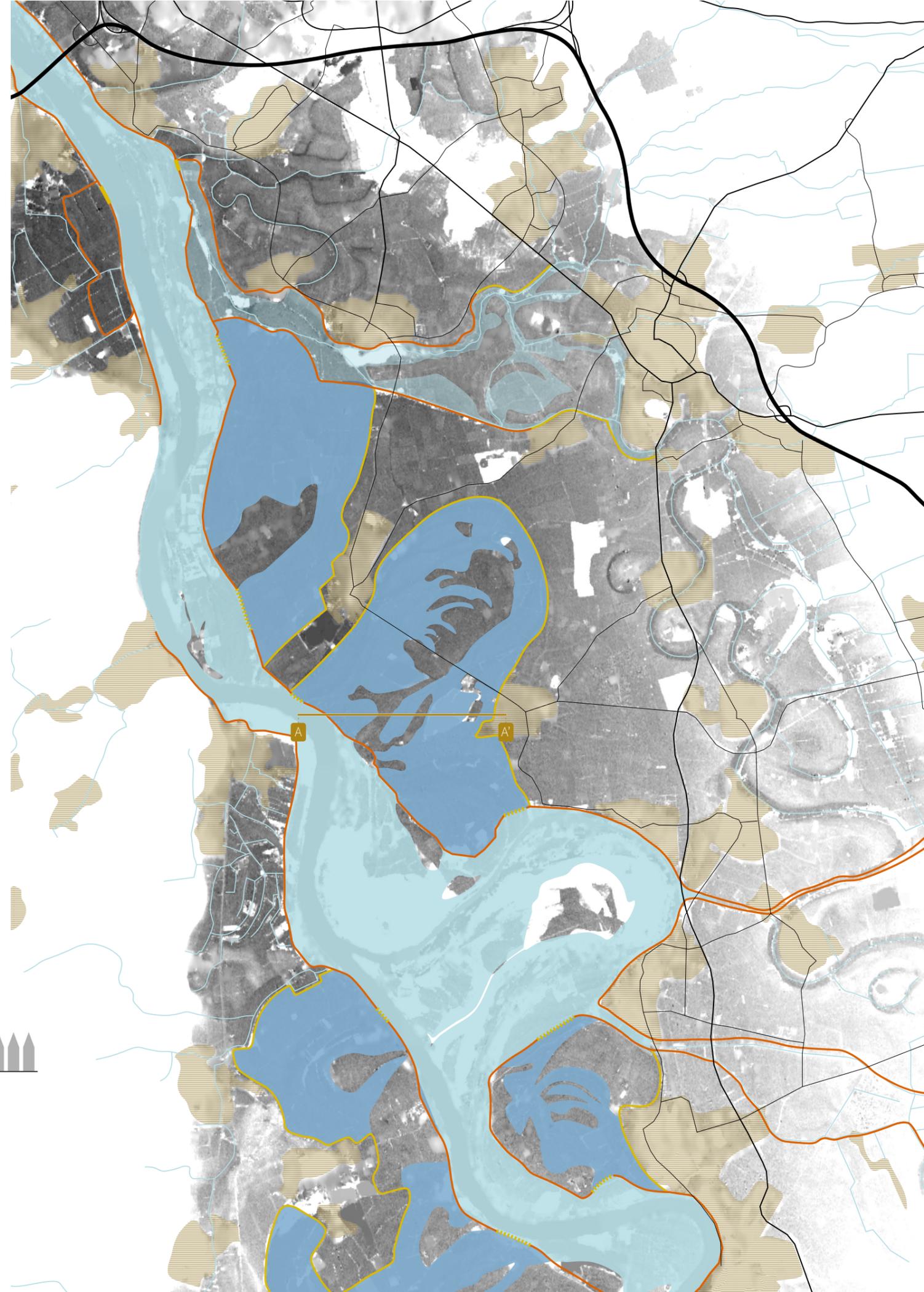
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HIGH WATER SCENARIO



LEGEND

- Rhine river system
- New Rhine floodplains
- Local floodplain
- Hessen water system
- Main road network
- Topobathy: high - low
- Urban area
- Lock open
- Lock closed
- New dyke
- Old dyke



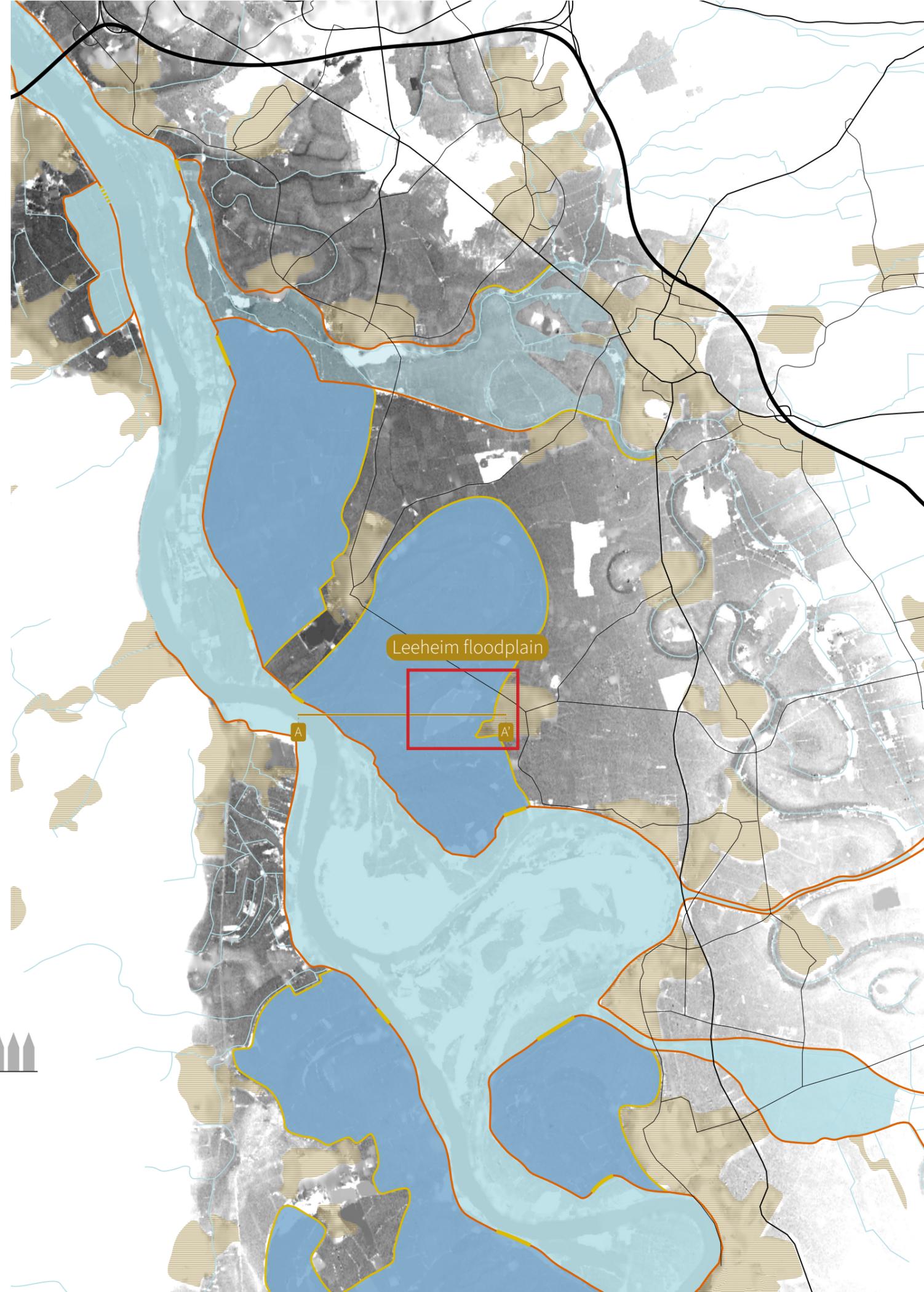
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EXTREME HIGH WATER SCENARIO



LEGEND

- Rhine river system
- New Rhine floodplains
- Local floodplain
- Hessen water system
- Main road network
- Topobathy: high - low
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- Lock closed
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LEEHEIM ANALYSIS

0 150 300 m N
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AVERAGE WATER SCENARIO

0 150 300 m N

LEGEND

- Inundated land
- Dry land



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FLOATING NEIGHBOURHOOD AVERAGE VS EXTREME HIGH WATER

0 20 40 m

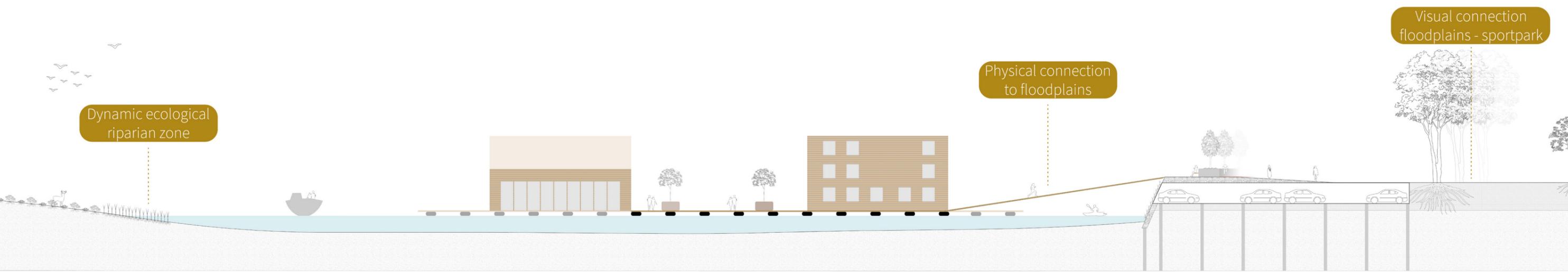


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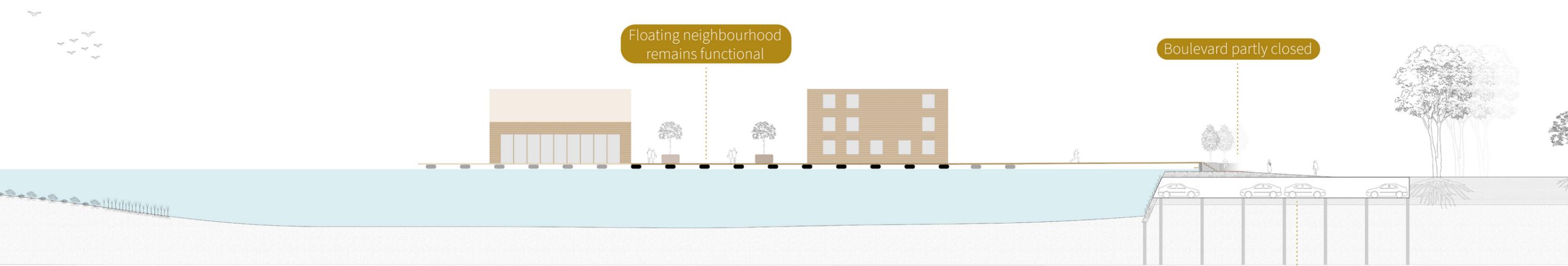


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HIGH WATER SCENARIO

0 150 300 m N

LEGEND

- Inundated land
- Dry land



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FLOATING NEIGHBOURHOOD
HIGH WATER SCENARIO



RIVERINE WATERSCAPES

EXTREME HIGH WATER SCENARIO

0 150 300 m N

LEGEND

- Inundated land
- Dry land



UPSCALING TO THE BASIN

VINEYARD STREAMS



LEGEND

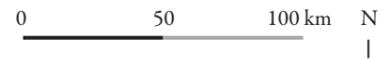
- Rhine river system
- Canals
- Vineyards
- Small streams
- Rhine basin border
- ≡ Landscape contours

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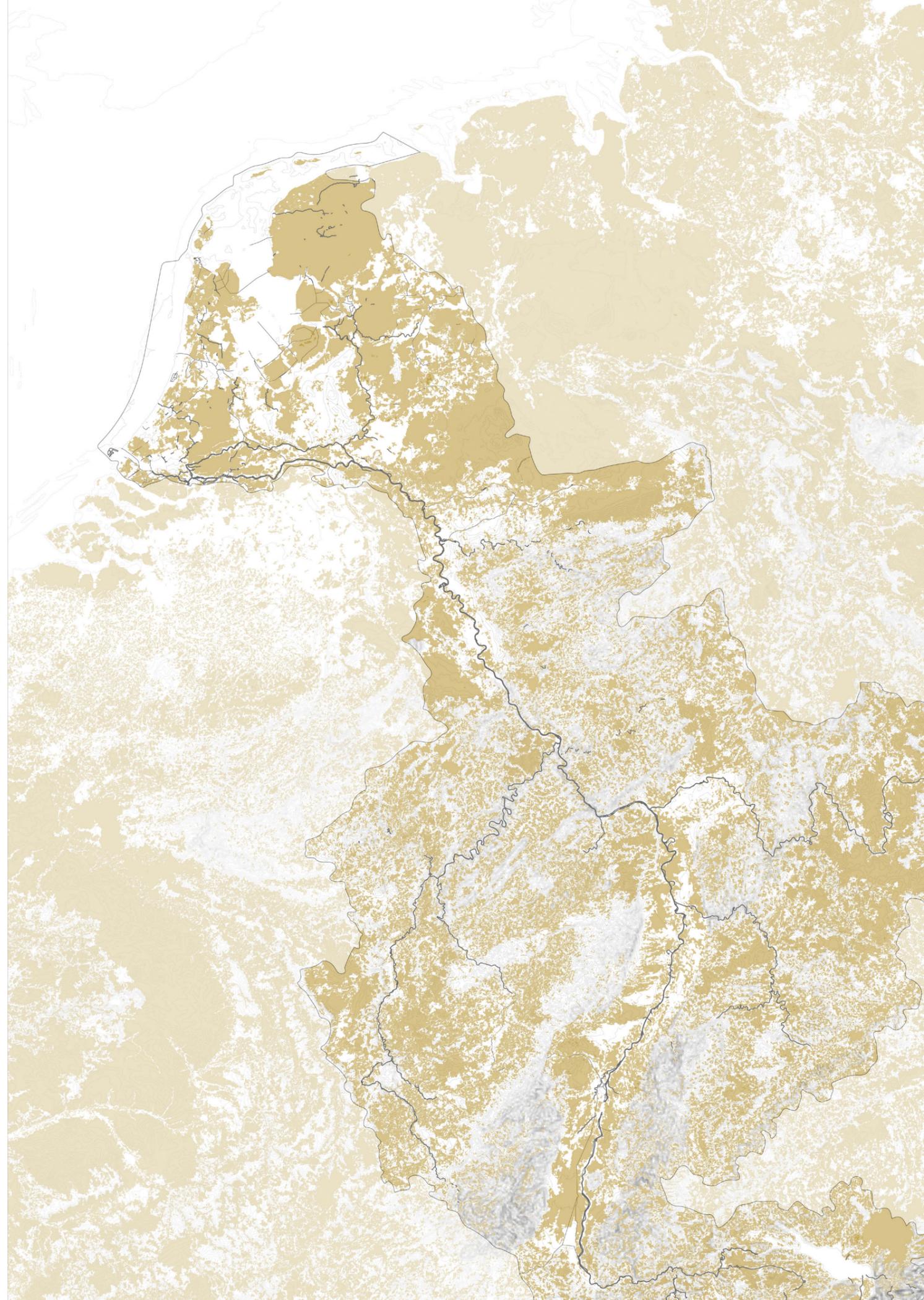
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LEGEND

- Rhine river system
- Canals
- Agroforestry Waterscapes
- Rhine basin border
- ≡ Landscape contours

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- Rhine basin border
- ≡ Landscape contours

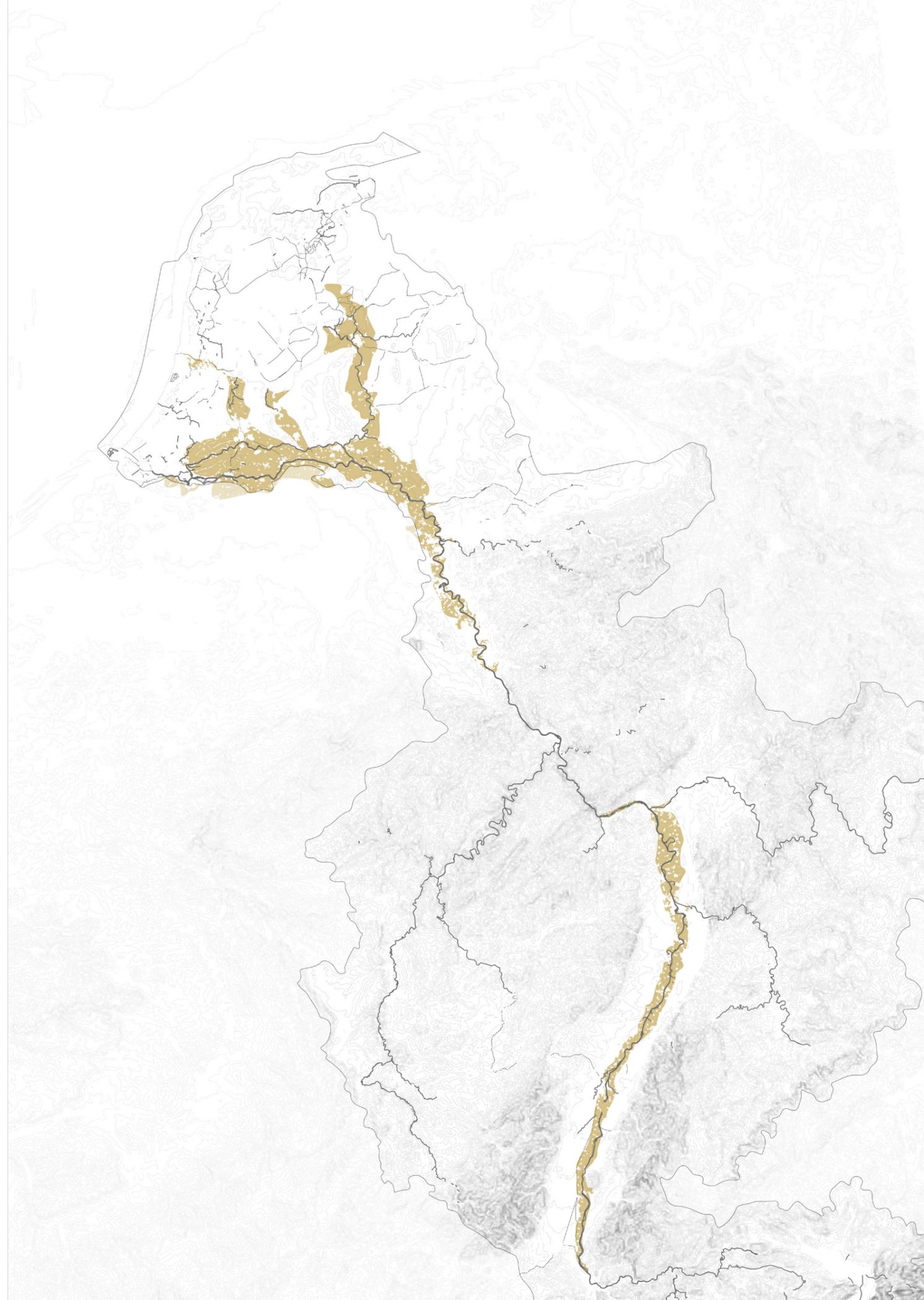
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