



TOWARDS A MEMORISED PERSPECTIVE

MONUMENTALISING THE DAILY

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The true color of Valparaiso is in the hills.

Joaquín Edwards Bello

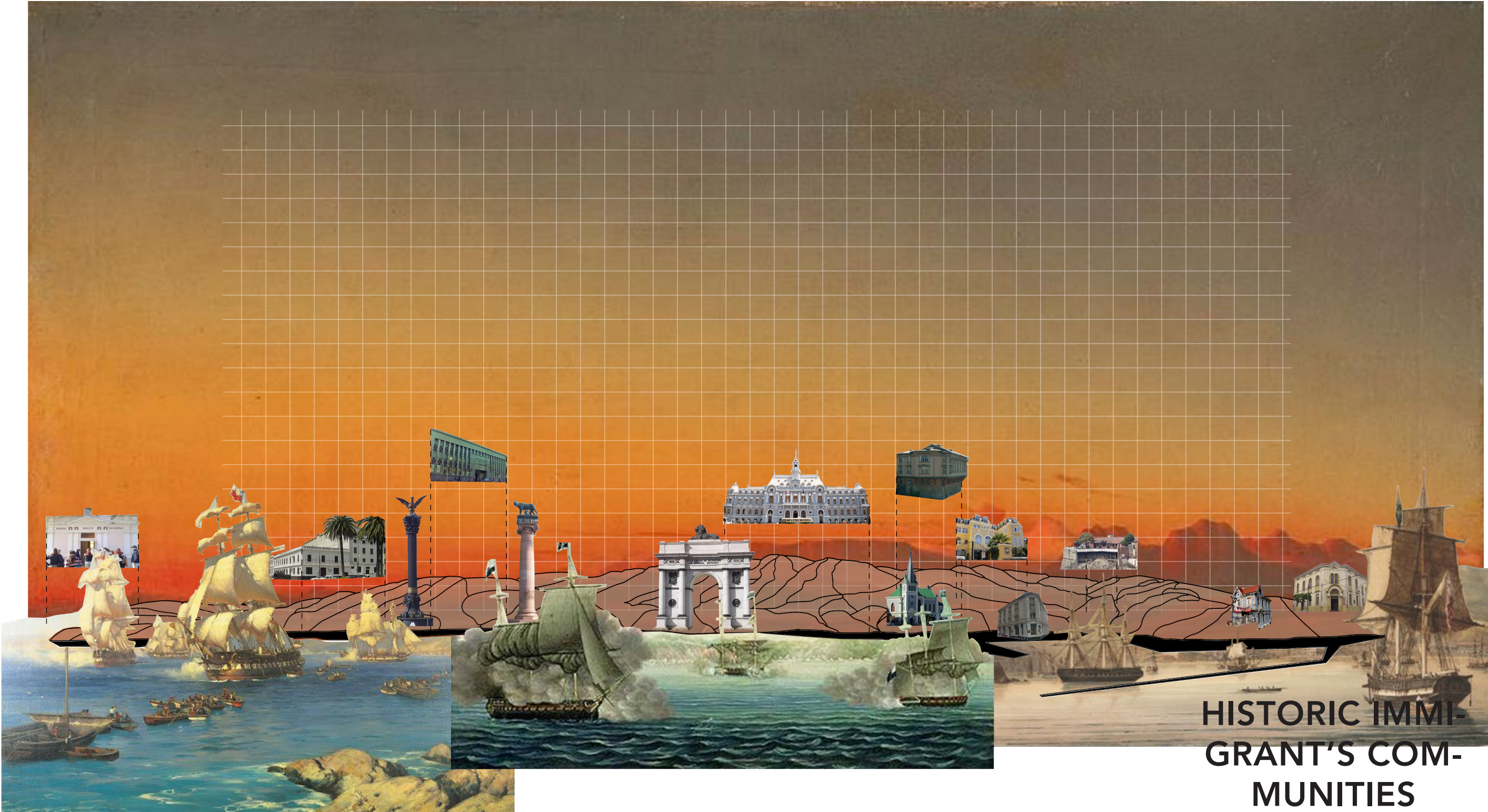
PHASE 1.

Historical Frame-
work

Theoretical research



Different ethnic groups came,
settled and
left their marks in the port city



HISTORIC IMMIGRANT'S COMMUNITIES

The research went out within the theme of the communities of Valparaiso. Before the visit to the city I mainly researched the historic immigrant's communities.

A woman with grey hair, wearing a dark short-sleeved shirt and a patterned skirt, is bent over and digging with a shovel in the rubble of a destroyed building. The scene is set at sunset, with a bright orange sun in the upper right corner casting a warm glow over the scene. Thick smoke or dust fills the air, obscuring the background. To the left, there is a pile of debris and a small fire burning. The overall atmosphere is one of devastation and resilience.

THE POWER OF COMMUNITIES

In history there has been minor appearance of large frictions between the different communities. The life in the hills remained quite isolated and separately, along each other. What has remained from this community life today? And what are the signs of it today. A recent but also quite frequent happening within the city, are the fires. These are mostly affecting the hills. Like mentioned before, every community used to have their own fire department. A lot of them still exist today. In the coming paragraph will be explained why these are so characteristic for the community life in Valparaiso and still of an extremely need.



Fire that celebrates negligence as a political tool

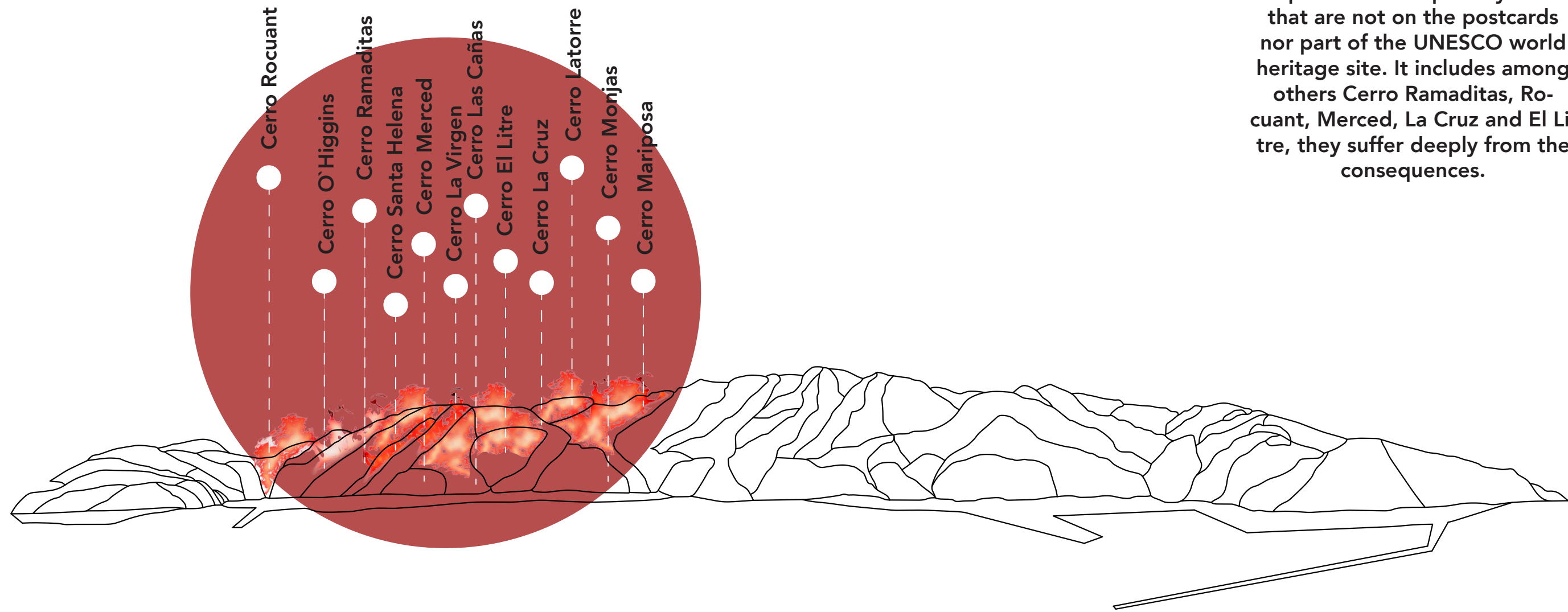
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What happened is very underestimated, a bad management for the civil protection. That happened with a fire that was completely foreseeable that could have happened at any given time and, by the way, it could still happen anytime soon. The same phenomenon could happen again because nothing has been built, no fire blockades, none, nothing. They call cutting off the weeds a fire blockade, and people only sometimes do it.



BURNING HILLS

The recent fire is an incident that has affected the hills of Valparaiso and especially those that are not on the postcards nor part of the UNESCO world heritage site. It includes among others Cerro Ramaditas, Rocuant, Merced, La Cruz and El Litre, they suffer deeply from the consequences.



Hills highest in risk



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*Here in Valpo people are really attached to their cerros.
If you want to work there, you have to collaborate with them in
order to be trusted.*

Paz, Minga Valpo



PHASE 2.

SOCIAL NET-
WORKS

Fieldwork



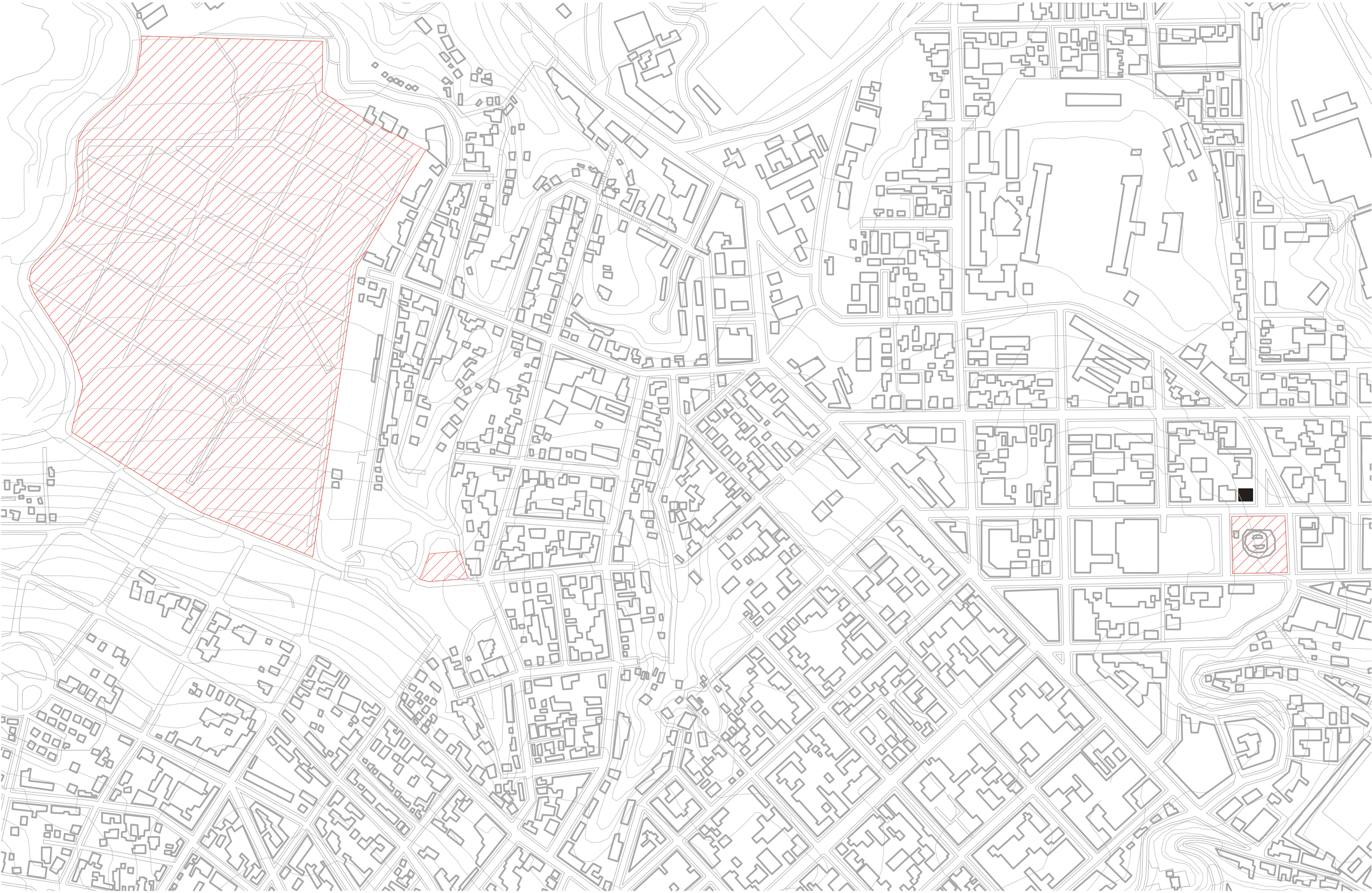
Before the trip to Valparaíso we were already aware that our main goal would have been to get involved in the real dynamics of the city. We wanted to understand how the city is shaped by its inhabitants and experience the power of the communities by transforming our theoretical
Research into a more social practice.

ture of how the city works, how it is perceived by the different communities that inhabit the place and whether or not they cooperate to achieve different or shared goals. These tools eventually allowed us to draw a different map of the city: the one structured by the community networks within the city.

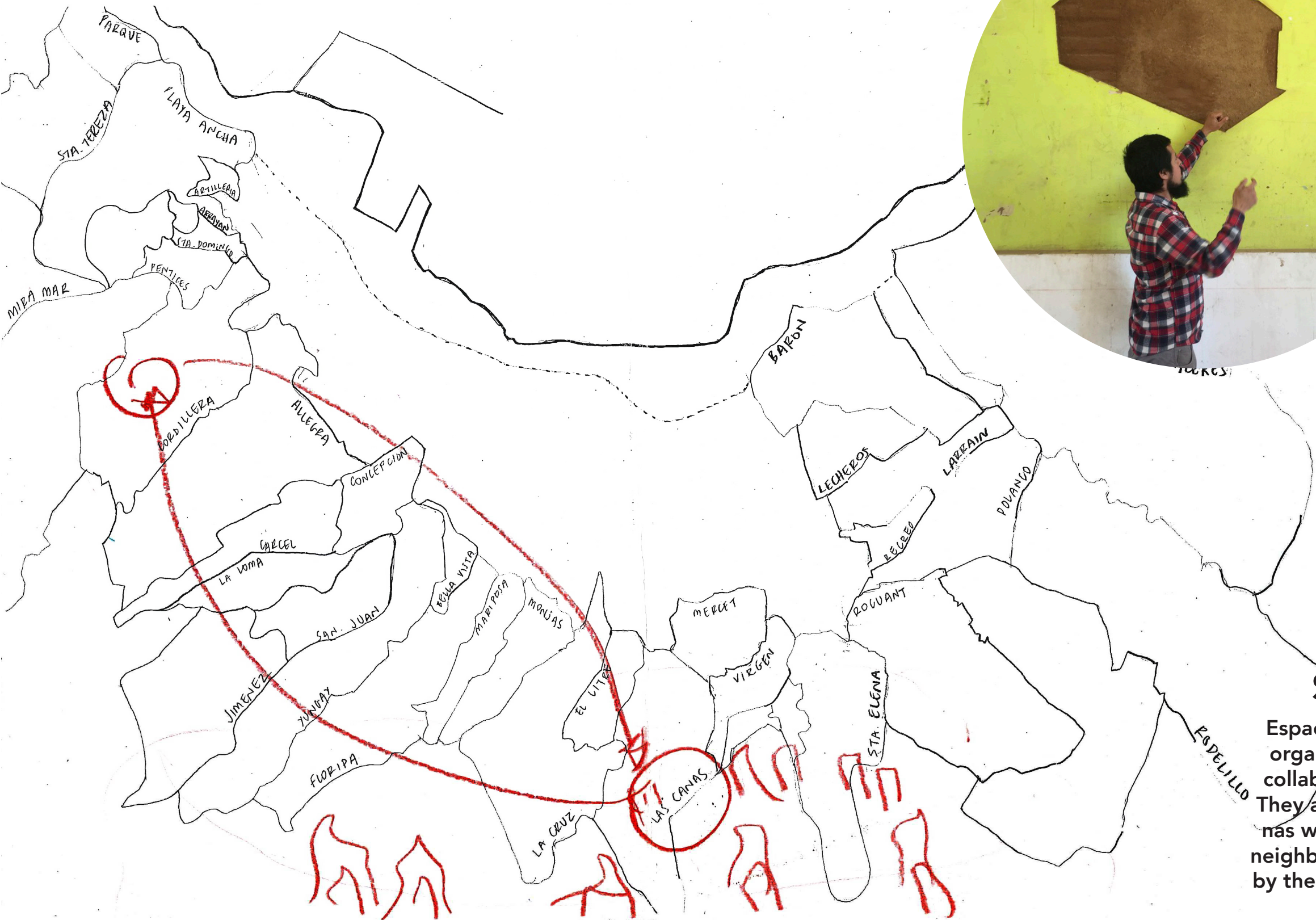


RECONSTRUCTION IN PLAYA ANCHA

One night at a café, we met some architects who are working on the reconstruction and the built of fire resistance housing in Playa Ancha. This organization was already set up after the fire in 1906. They are trying to work with new and advanced technology.



Plan drew by Ronald.
It shows the fire of 2014 and where
it came from and the collaboration
that it brought between his
organization and the ones in the
cerro Las Canas.



ESPACIO SANT'ANA

Espacio Sant' Ana is the only organization we met, that is collaborating at the moment. They are helping Cerro Las Canas with the rebuilding of the neighborhood that got affected by the fire. Cerro Las Canas ask them for help.

Rui at work in one of its project: a community garden in a site where a decayed house used to be.



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If you ask the inhabitants to come on a Sunday morning to clean the street they would come. But in a Cerro which is not Cordillera this won't happen.”



RE+01

We met architecture students in Cerro Cordillera who are doing small projects in the neighborhood within the organization of RE+01, most of all the revitalization of communal spaces.

RE+01 and Espacio Sant'Ana in
Cerro Cordillera



Plan drew by Paz where she pointed out the green spaces and her “comfort zone” in Valparaíso. The black point indicates where she lives, pretty close to where we were located at that moment: in the Ludoteca in the Cerro La Merced.

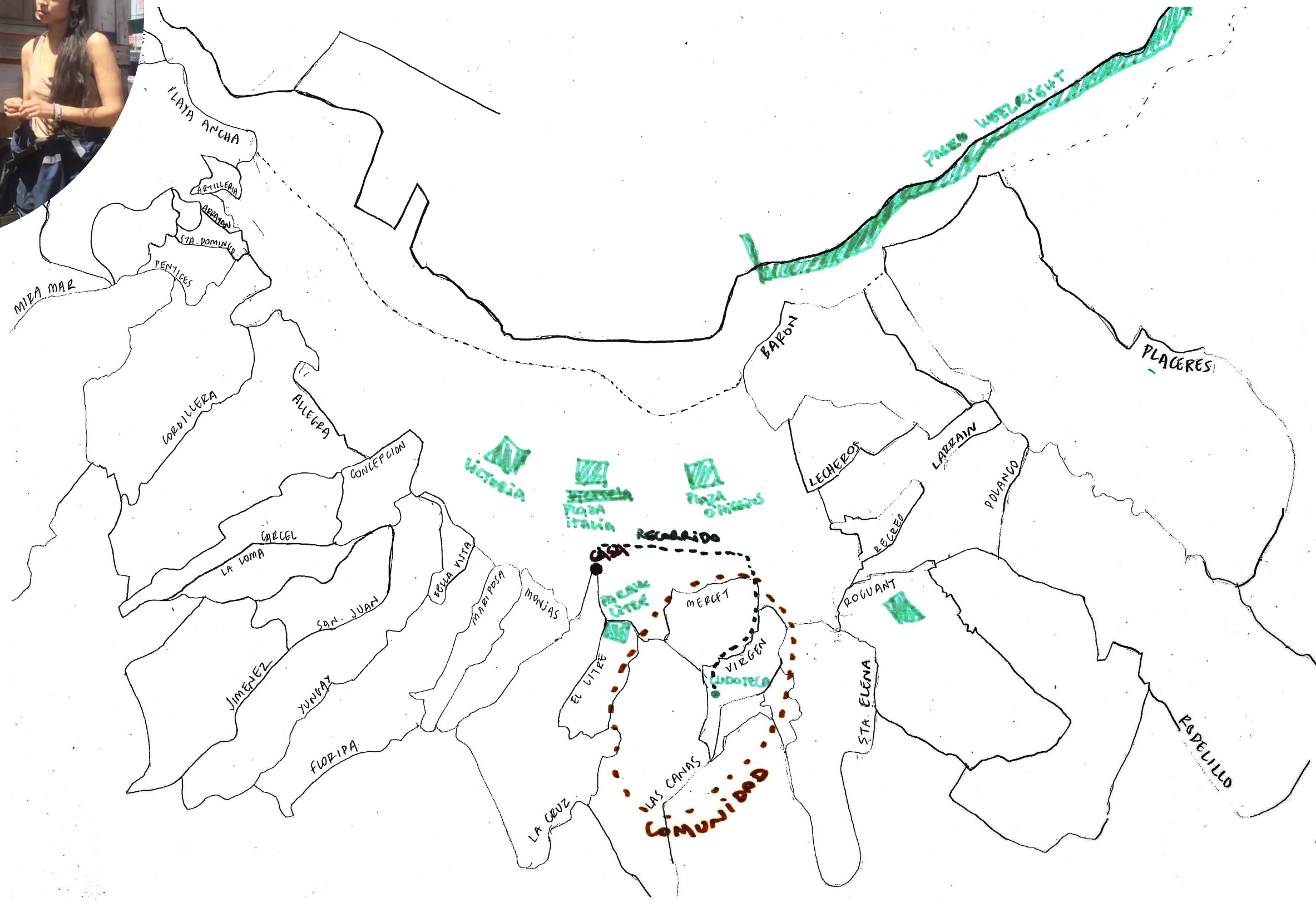


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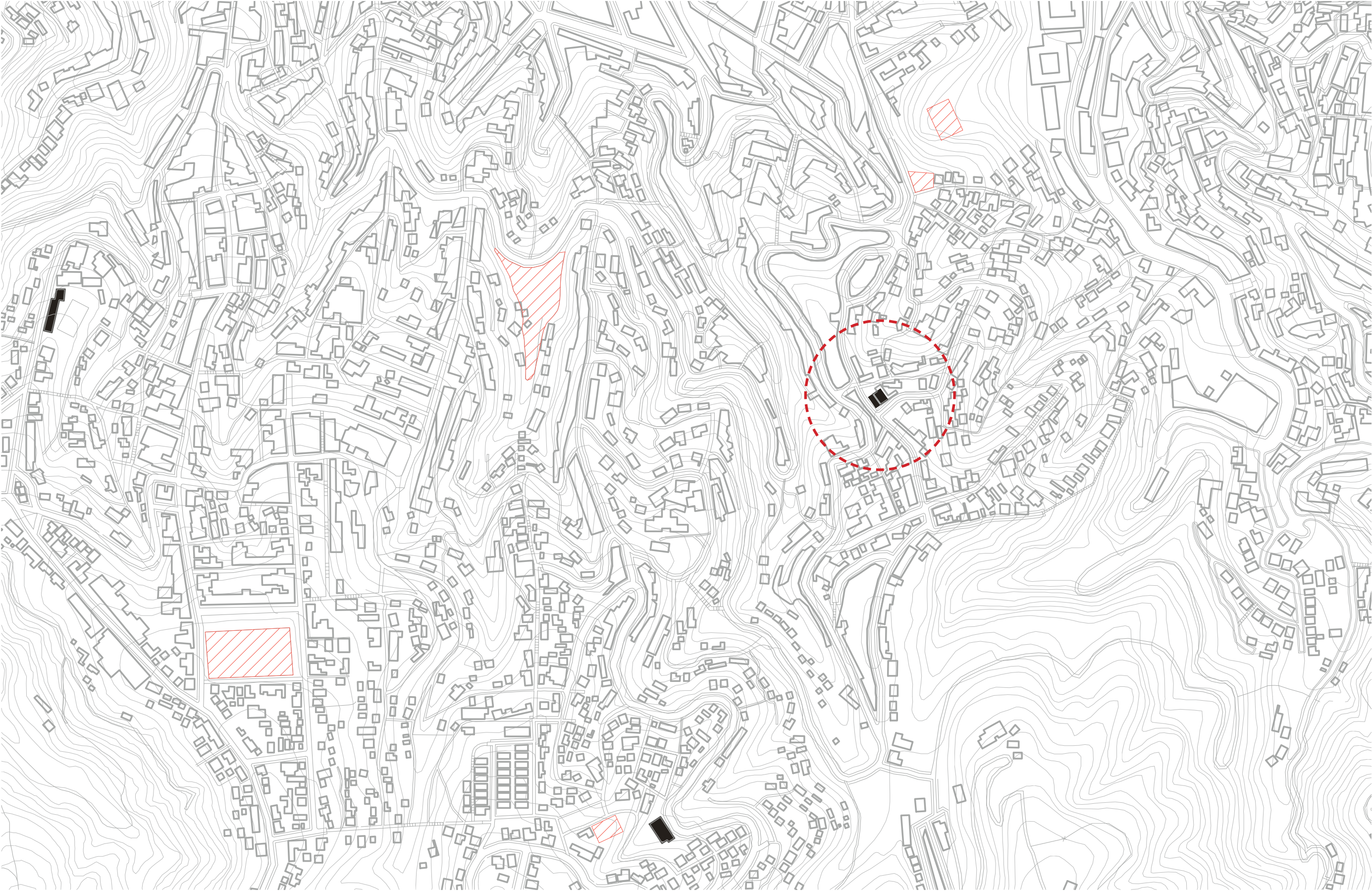
We do not really collaborate with other organisations, this is related with the strong attachments that inhabitants have towards their cerros.

MINGA VALPO

Minga Valpo is a group of young architects who decided to collaborate after the fire of 12th of April 2014, in order to tackle the problems of the affected neighborhoods. Their work is based on the use of sustainable construction with local materials, collaborative works and children's education



Minga Valpo in Cerro Merced





PHASE 3.

COMMON PER-
CEPTION

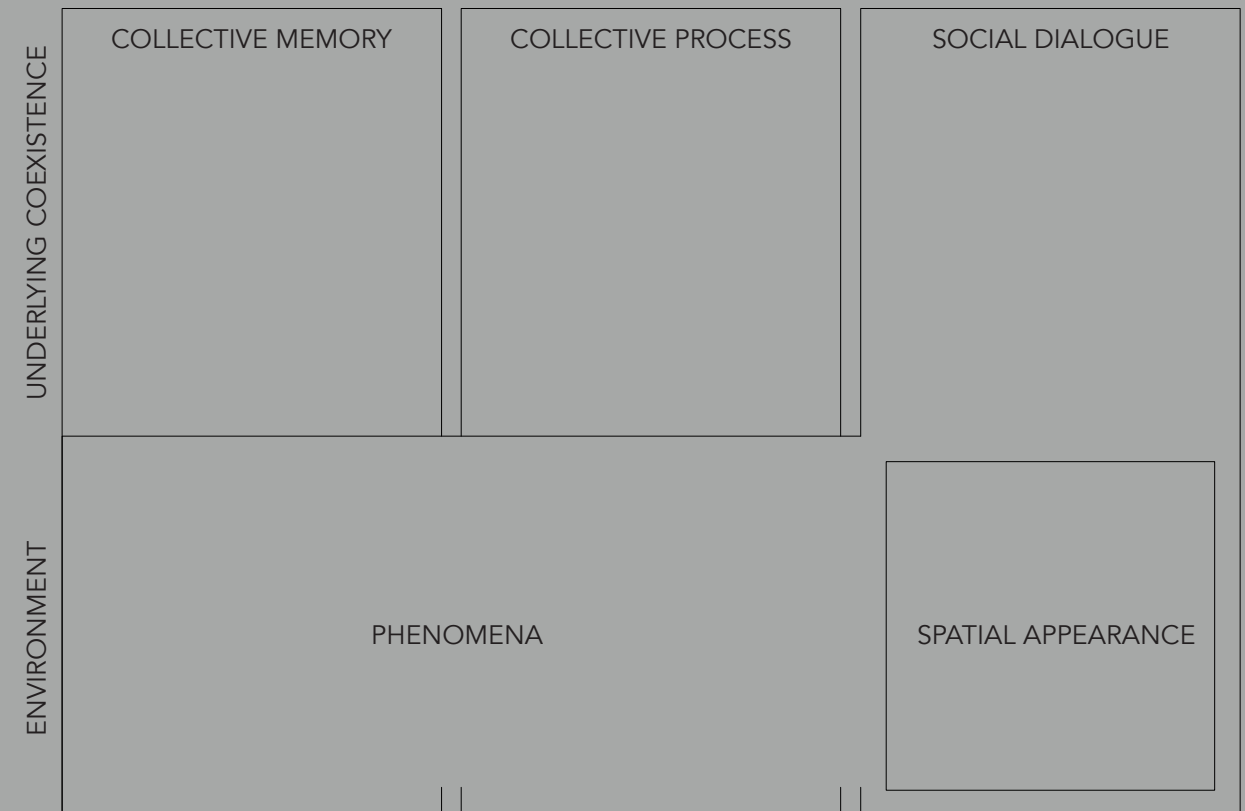
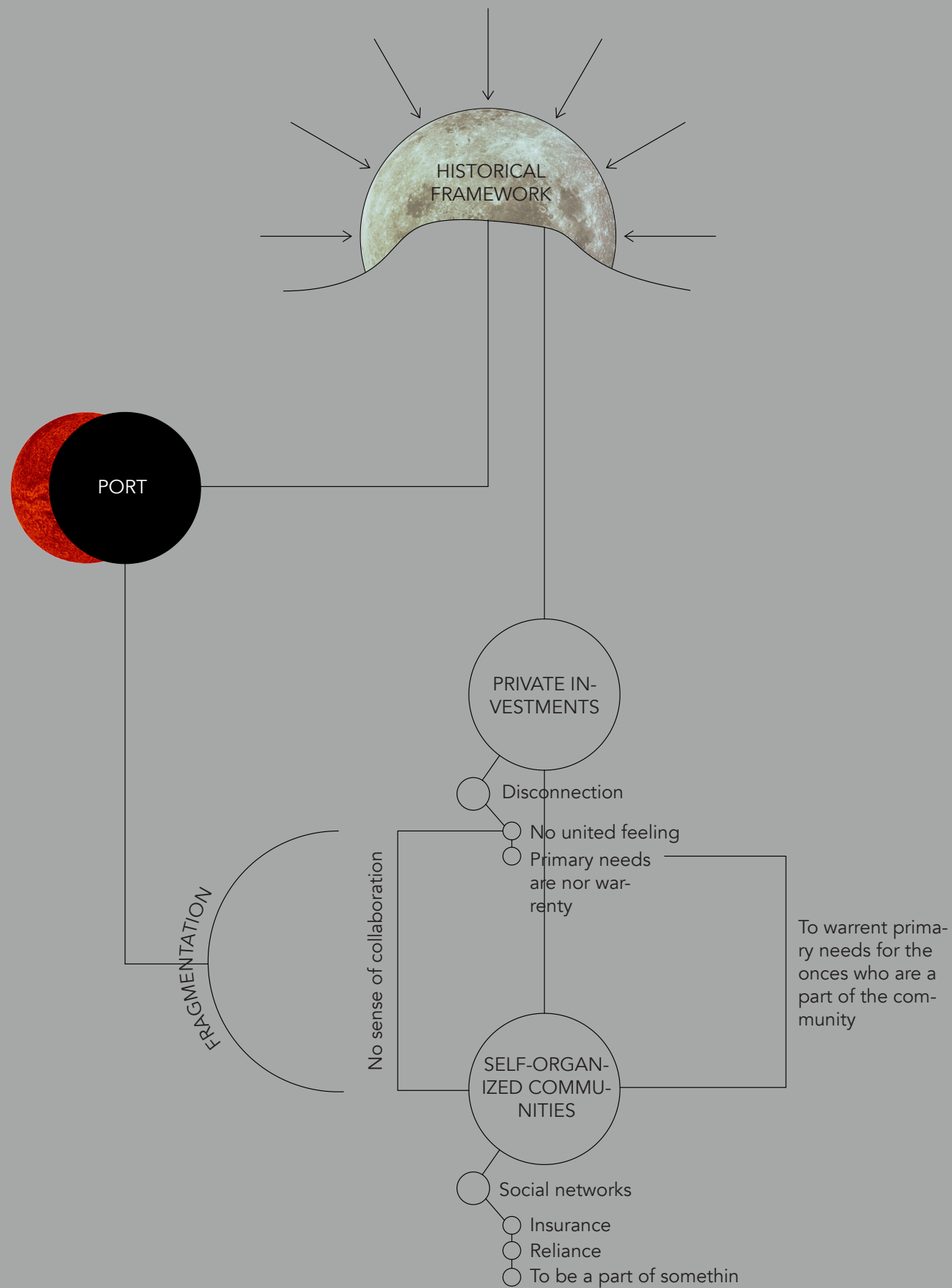
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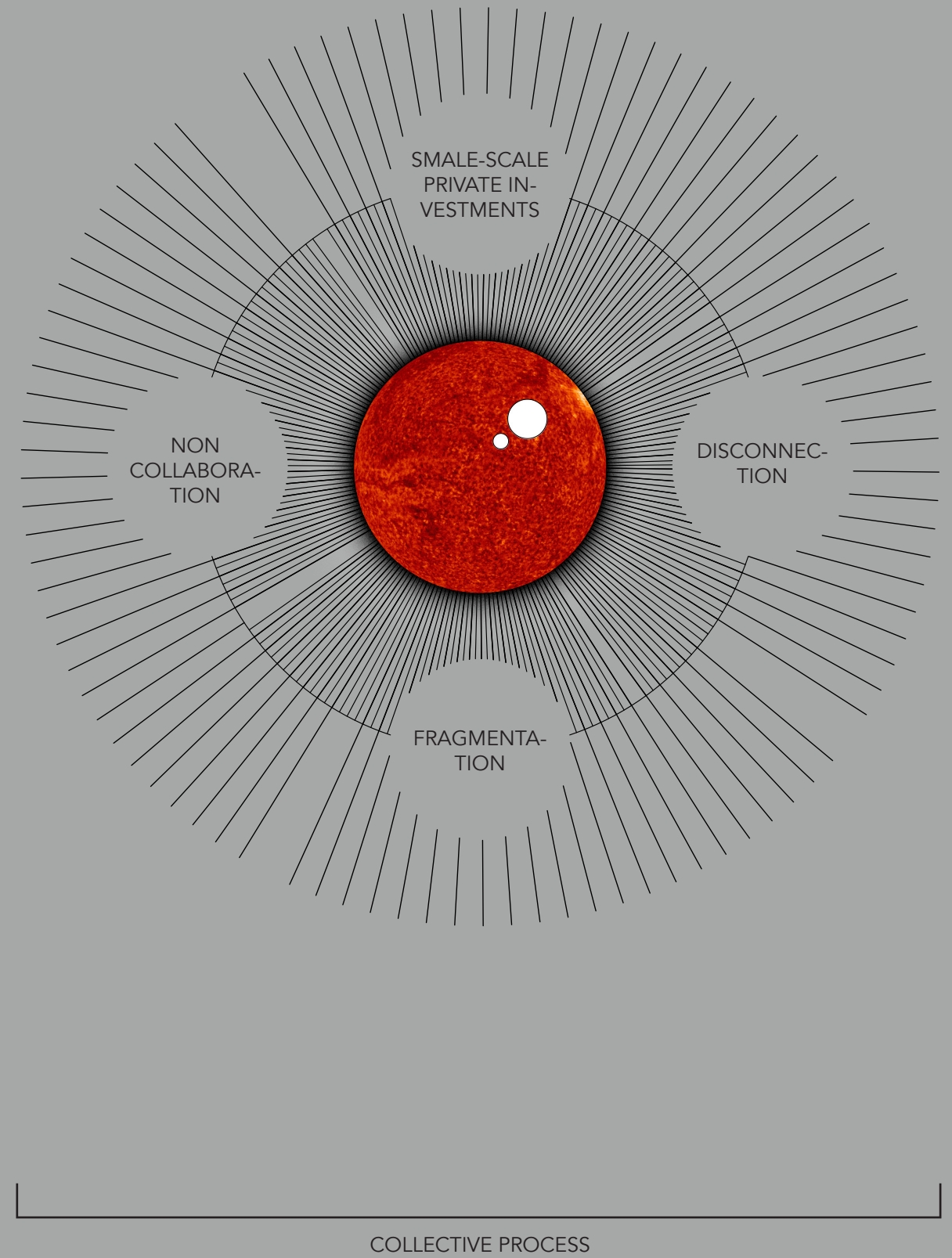
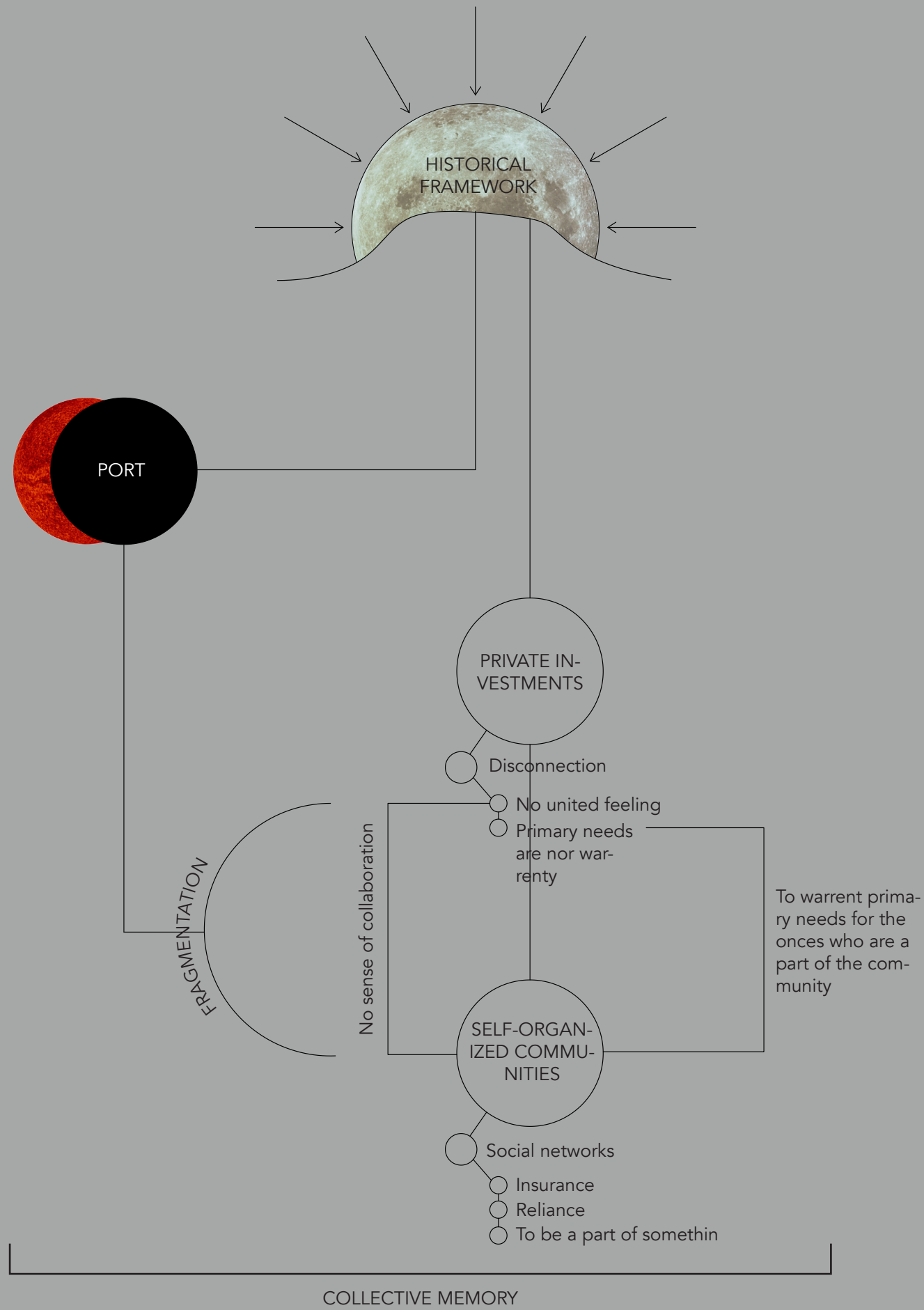
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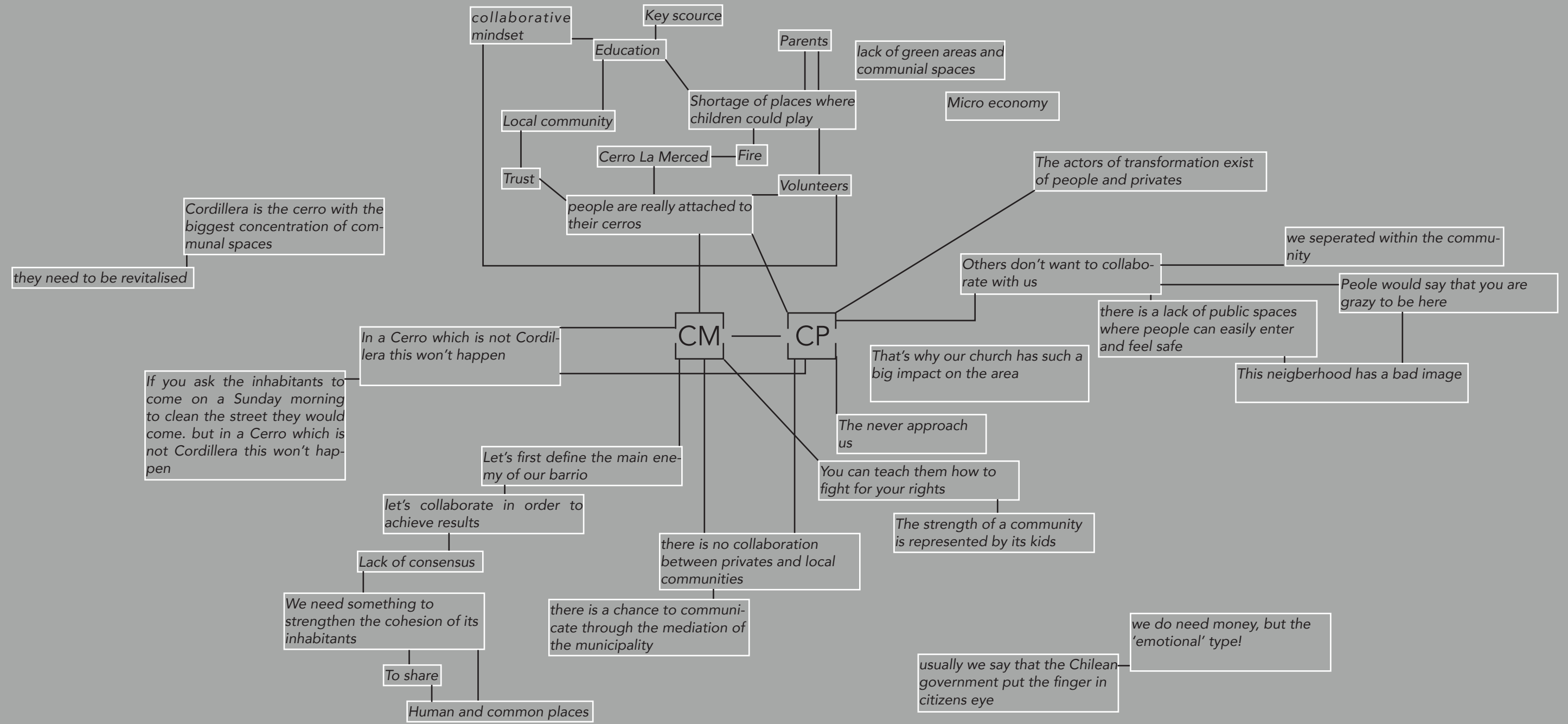
Postcards are sent from cities, but this one departs from something else. This postcard is sent from a fragmented existence defined by inaccessible borders, between ocean and hills.

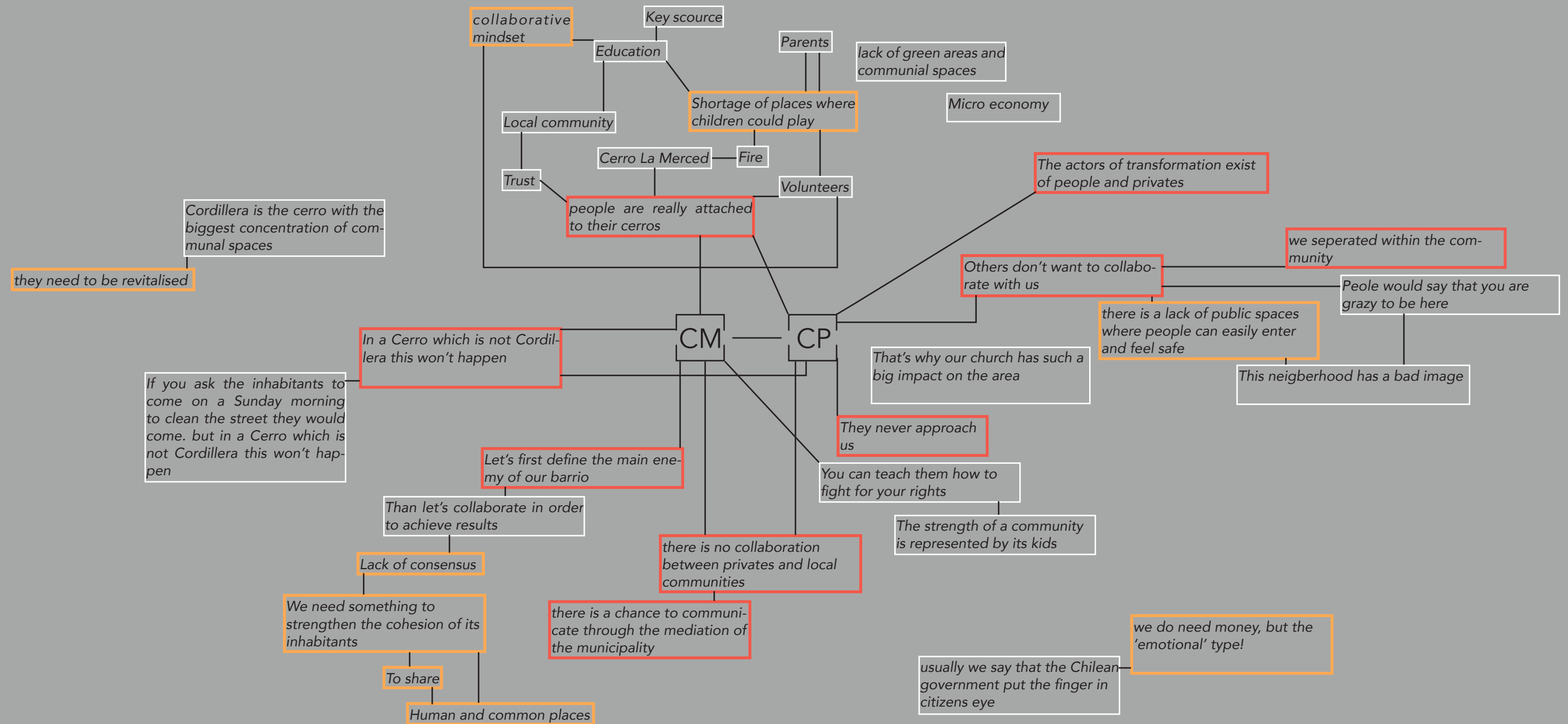


COMMON PERCEPTION

To understand what in these days is on people's mind I developed my own strategy. It's about the common perception and consist out of three elements; the collective memory, the collective process and the social dialogue in relation with phenomena and the first two elements. The results will evoke the condition of place and eventually will help me to find reasons for intervention.









PHASE 4.

**URBAN FRAME-
WORK**

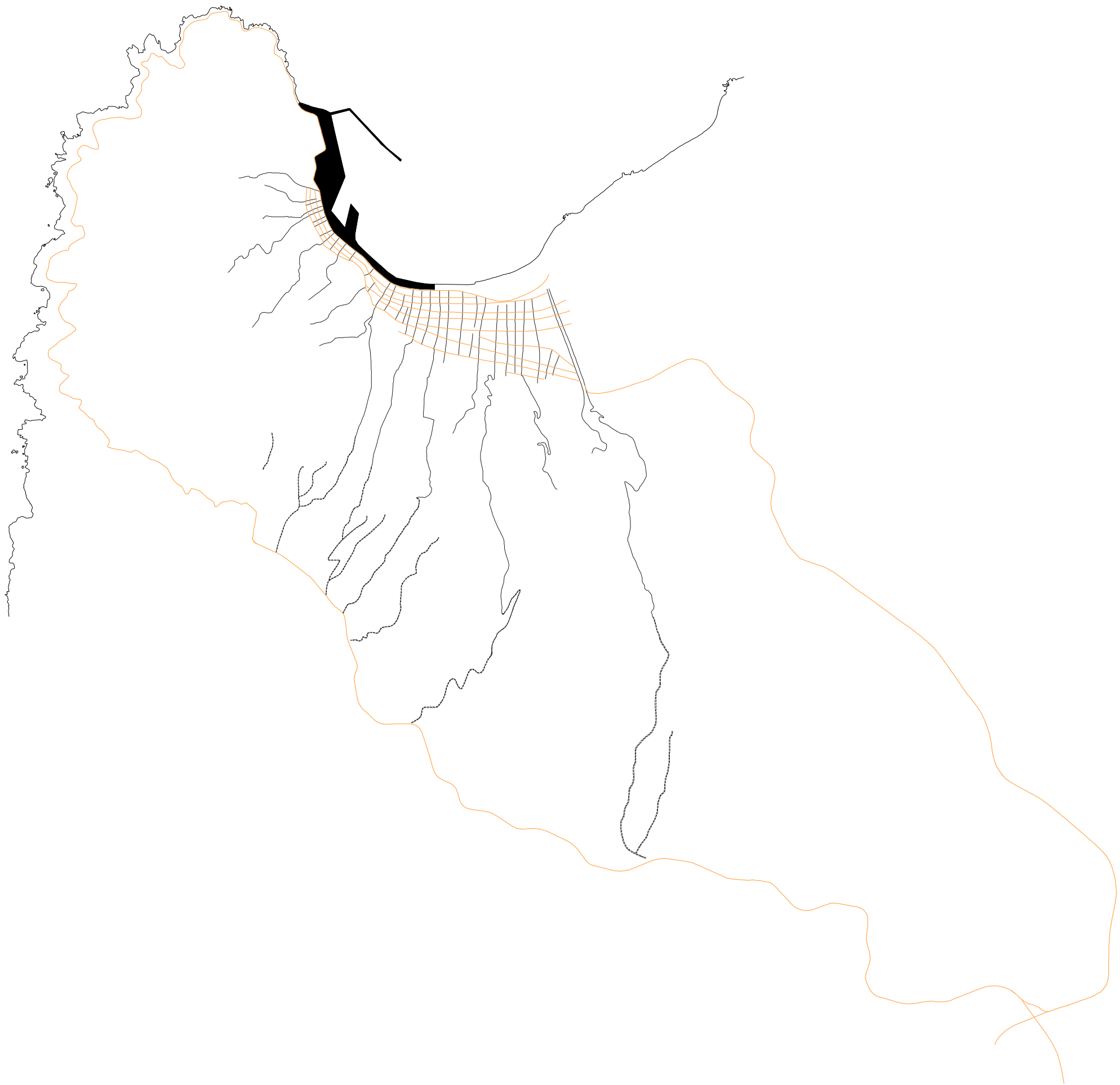
URBAN STRATEGY





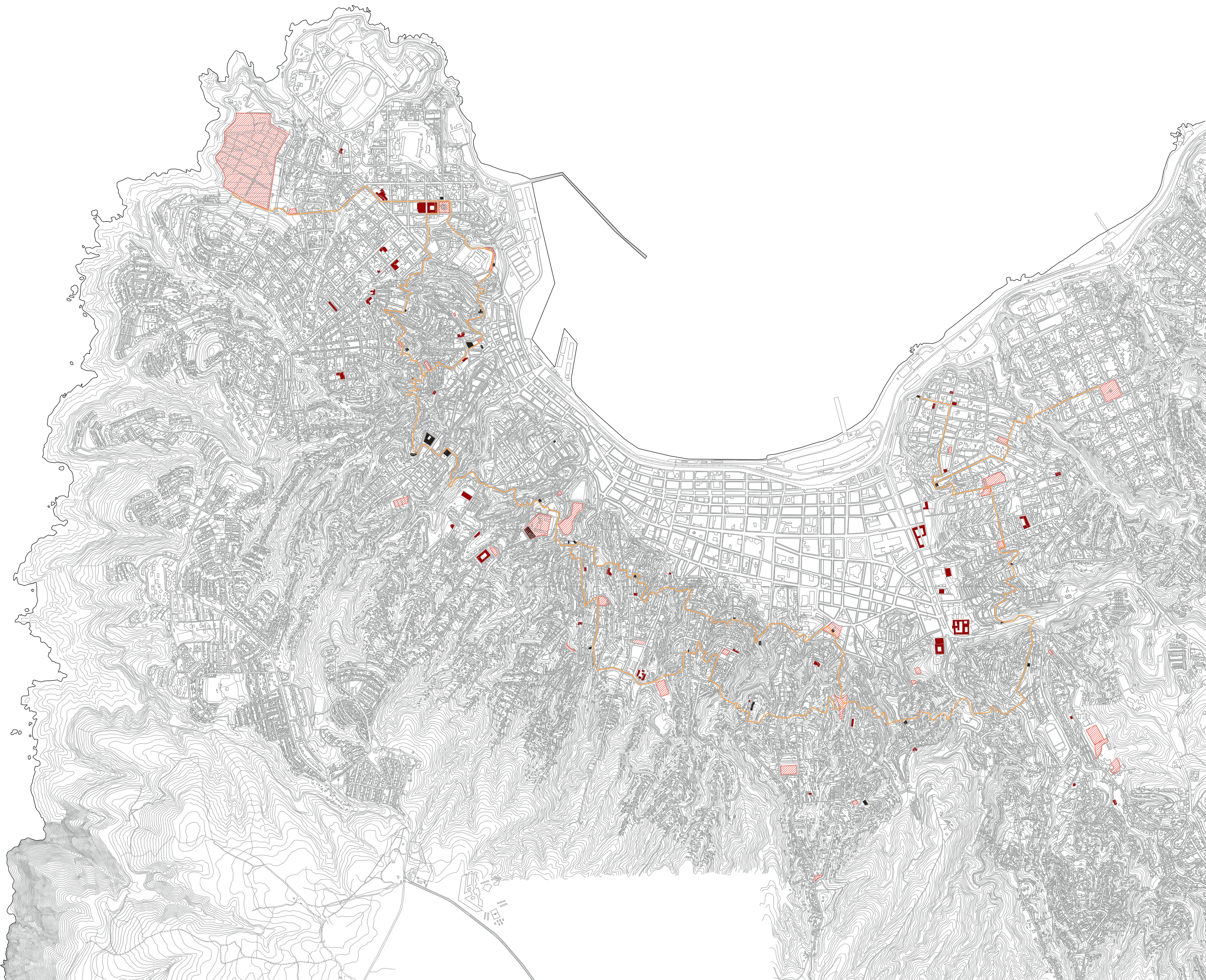
Map, Valparaíso infrastructural
connections



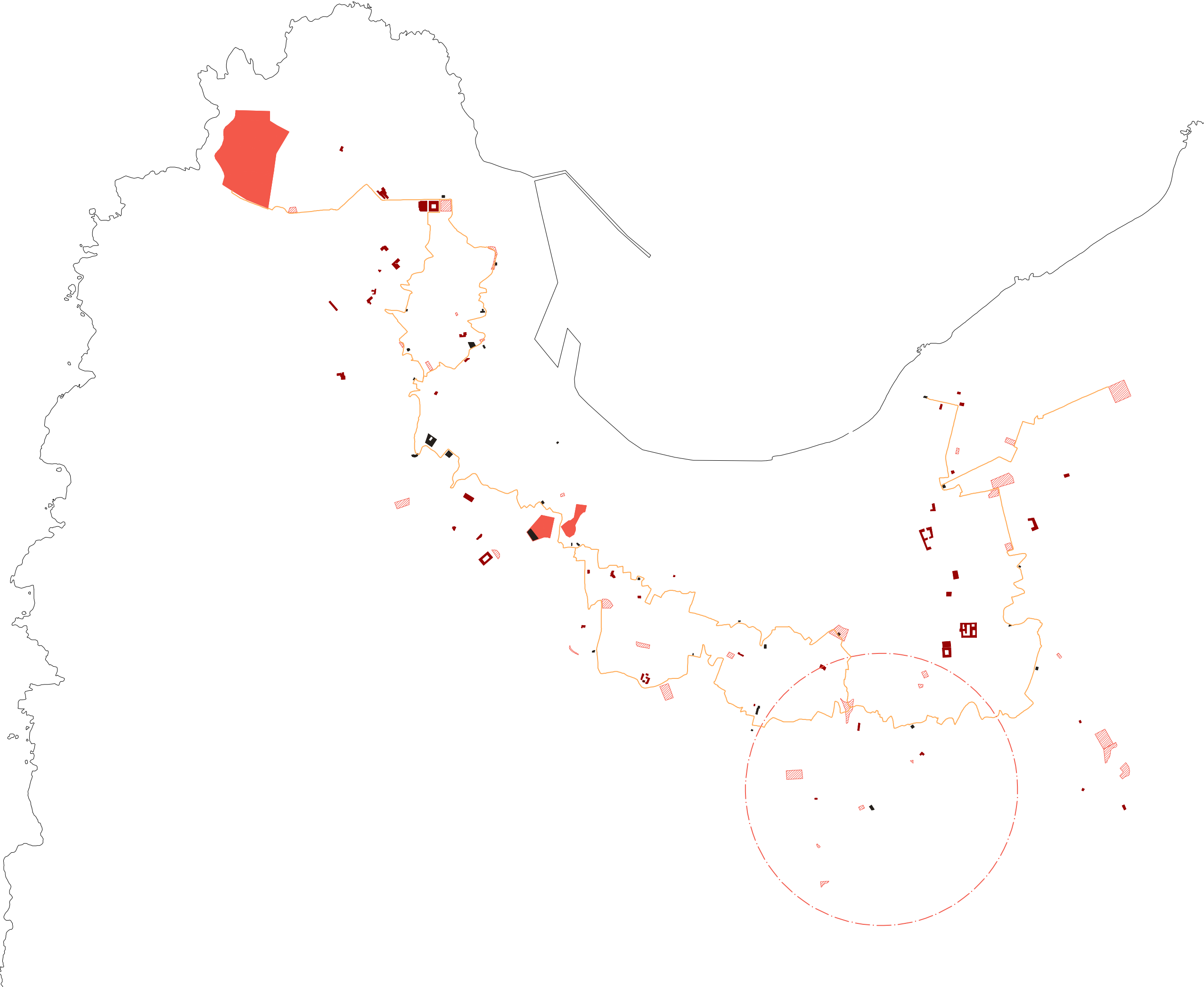


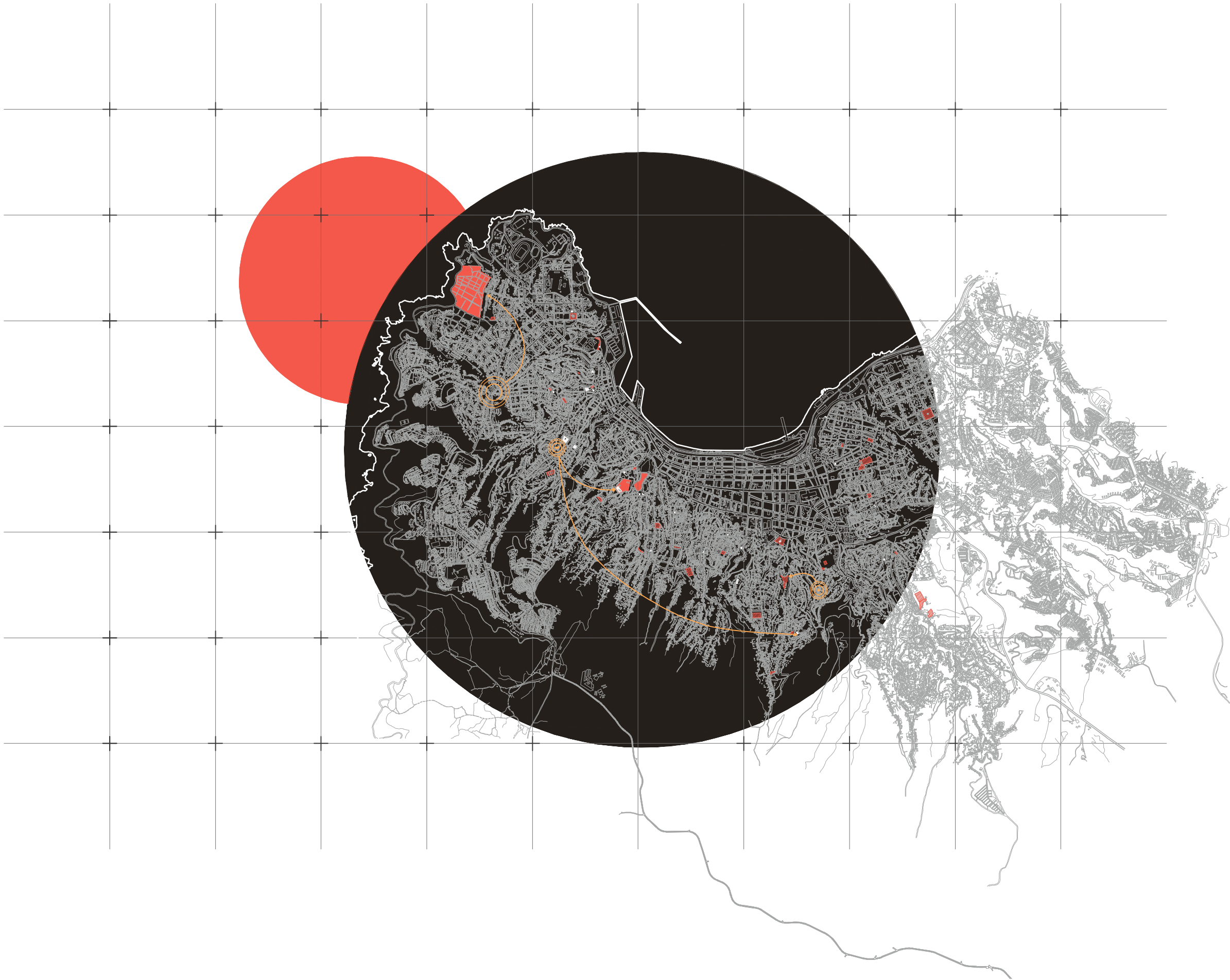
Map, Valparaíso horizontal and vertical connections

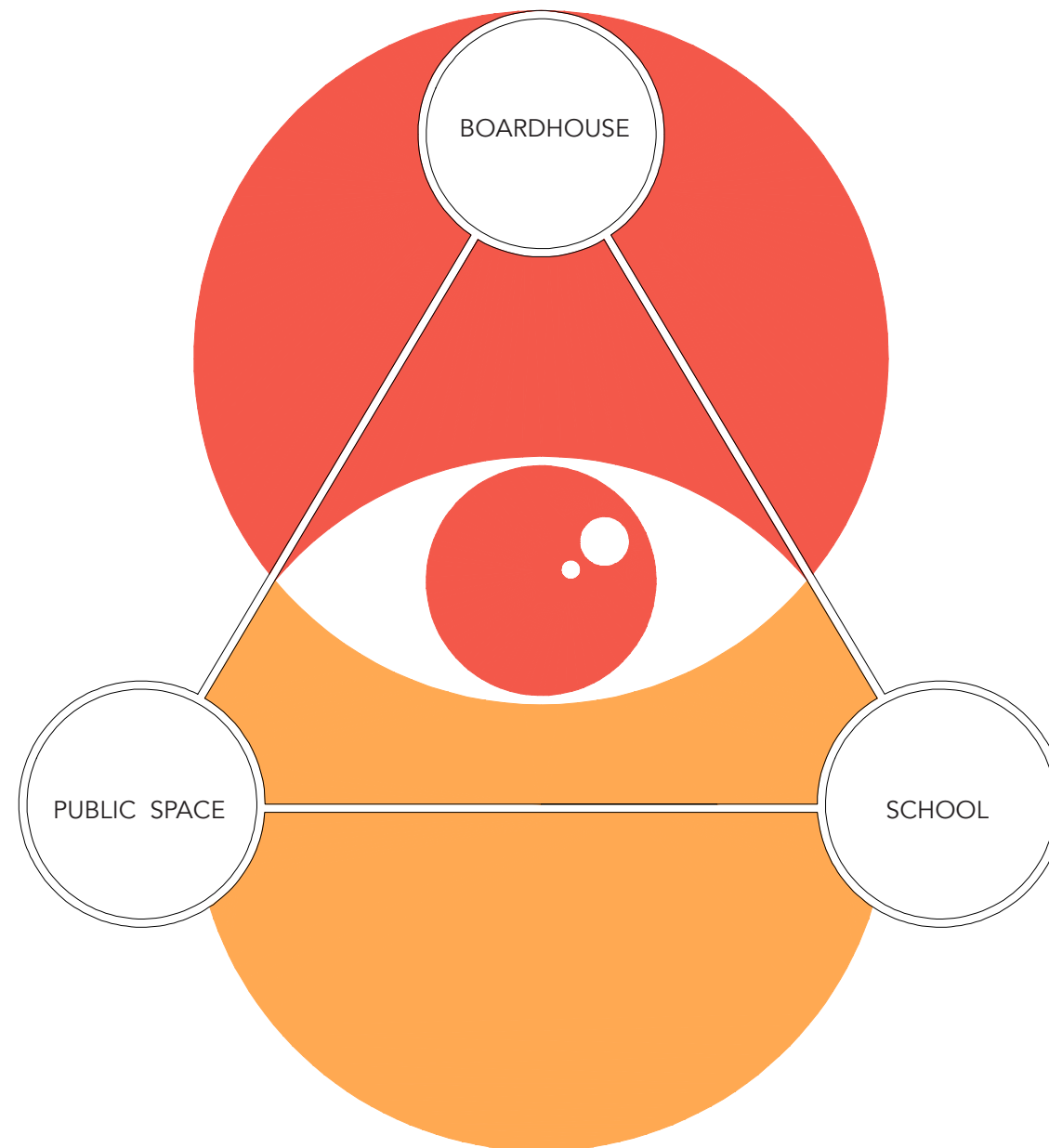
Map, Valparaiso connections com-
Map, Valparaiso community centers
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Map, Valparaiso urban framework



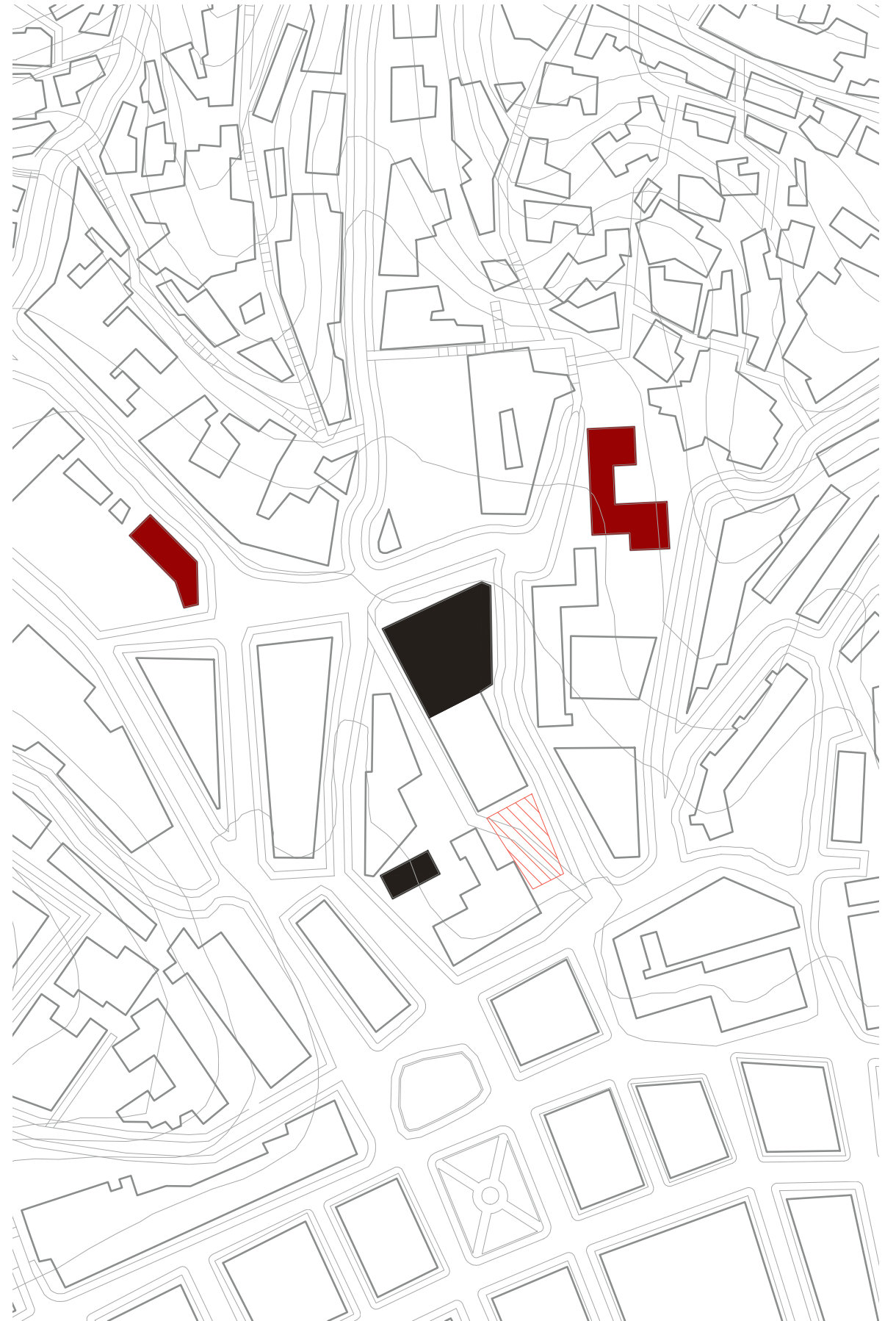




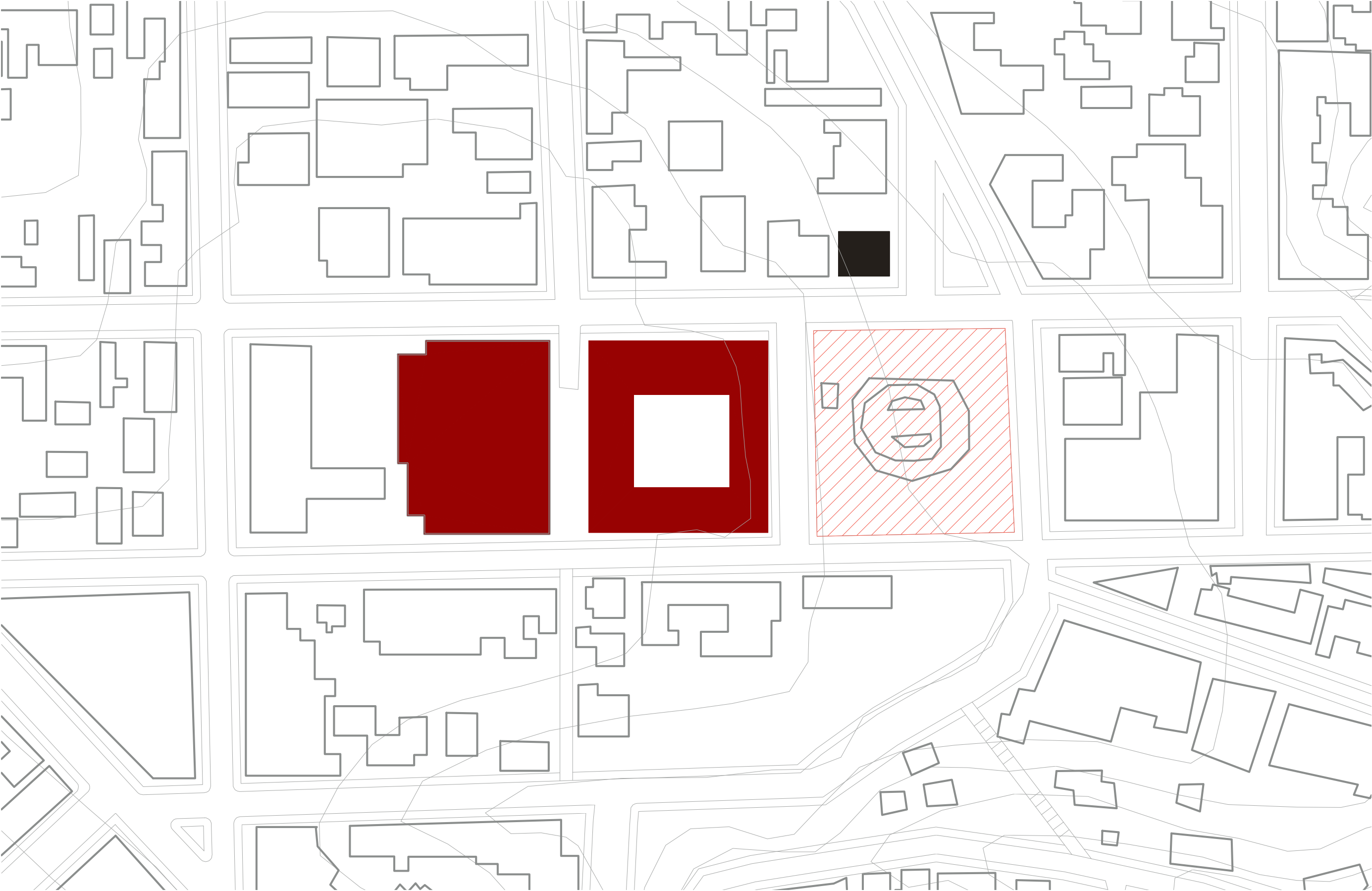
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*The strength of a community is represented by its kids.
you can teach them how to
fight for your rights”*

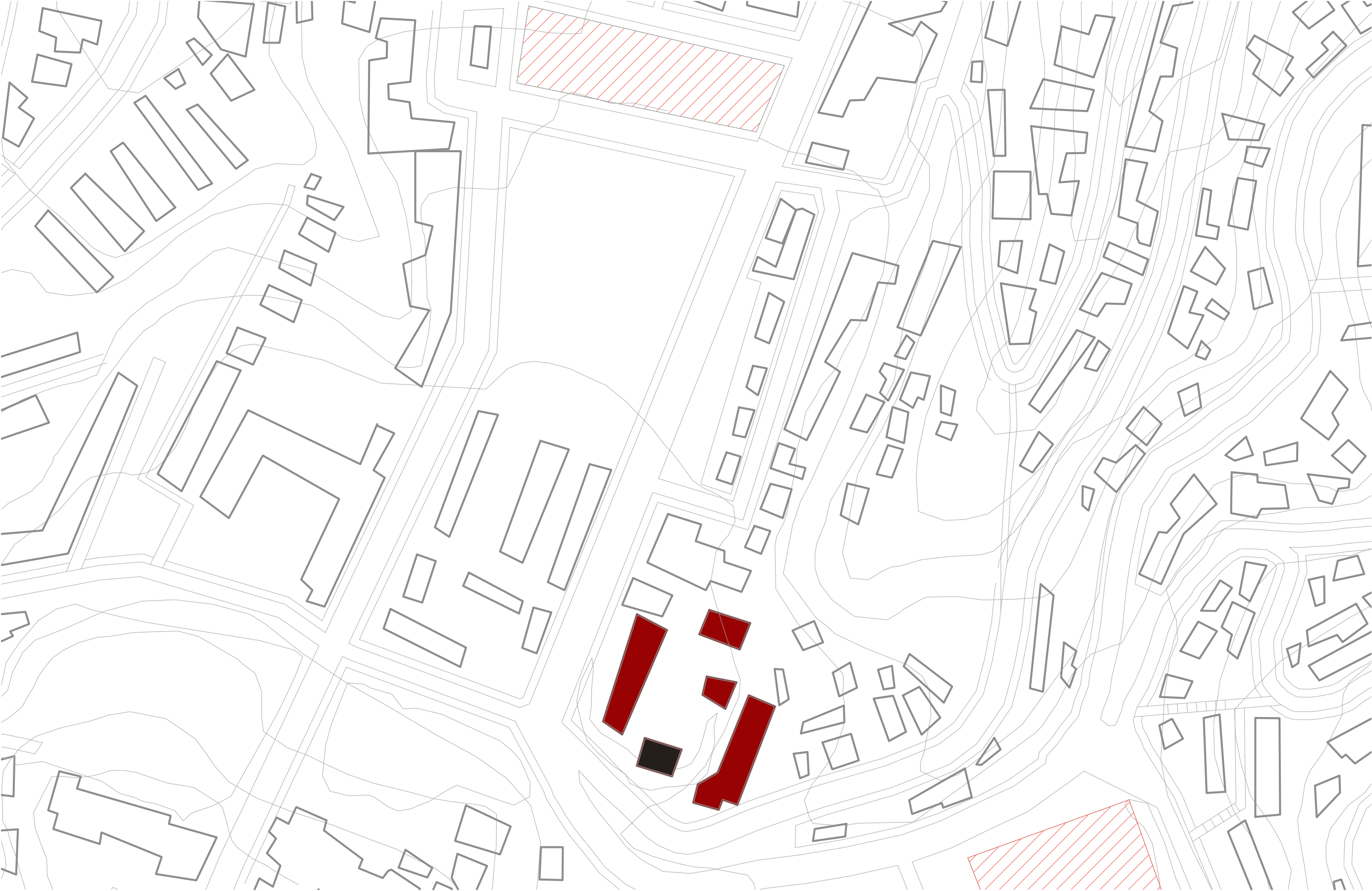
Ronald, Espacio Sant’Ana.



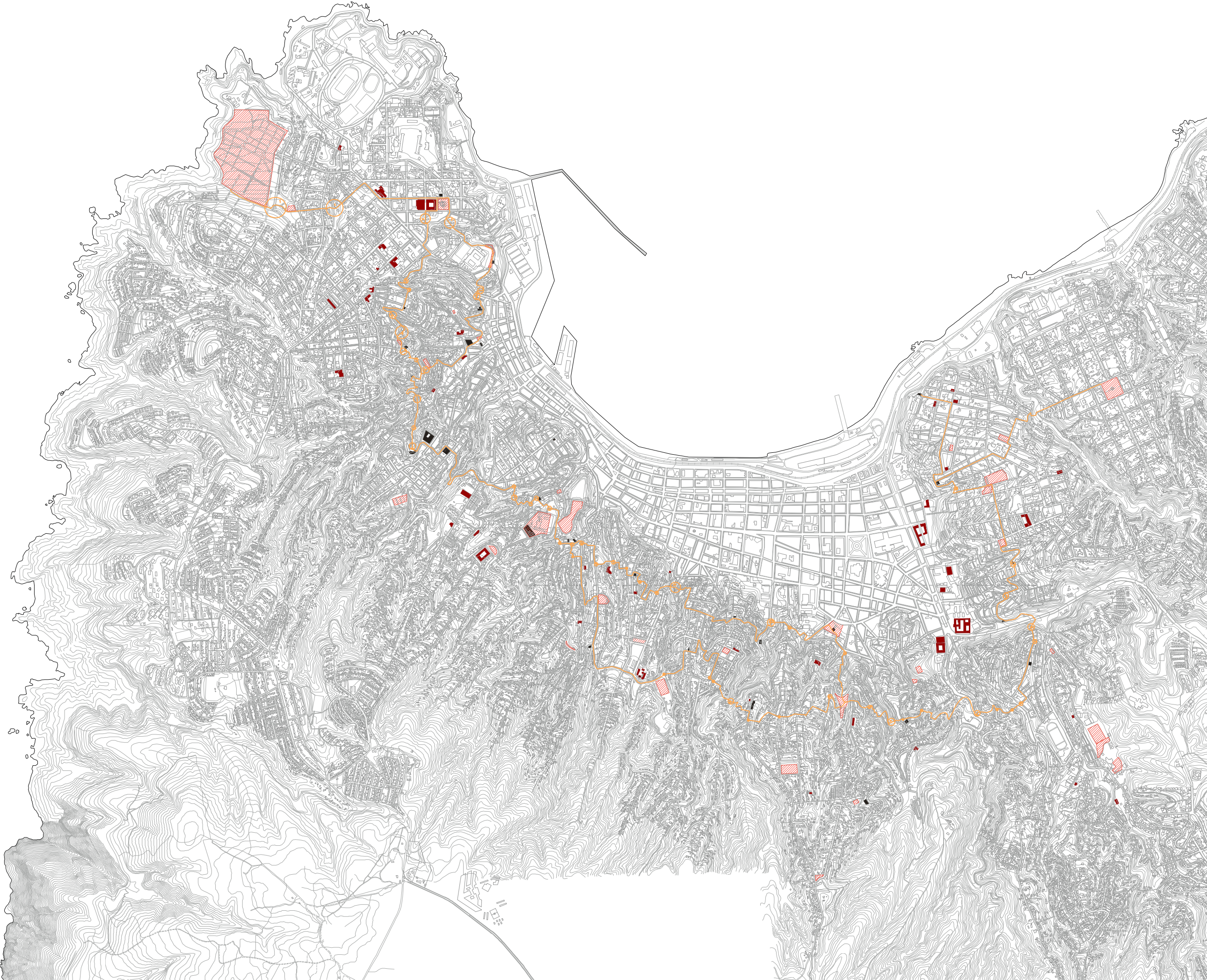
Map, Valparaiso community center
Playa Ancha

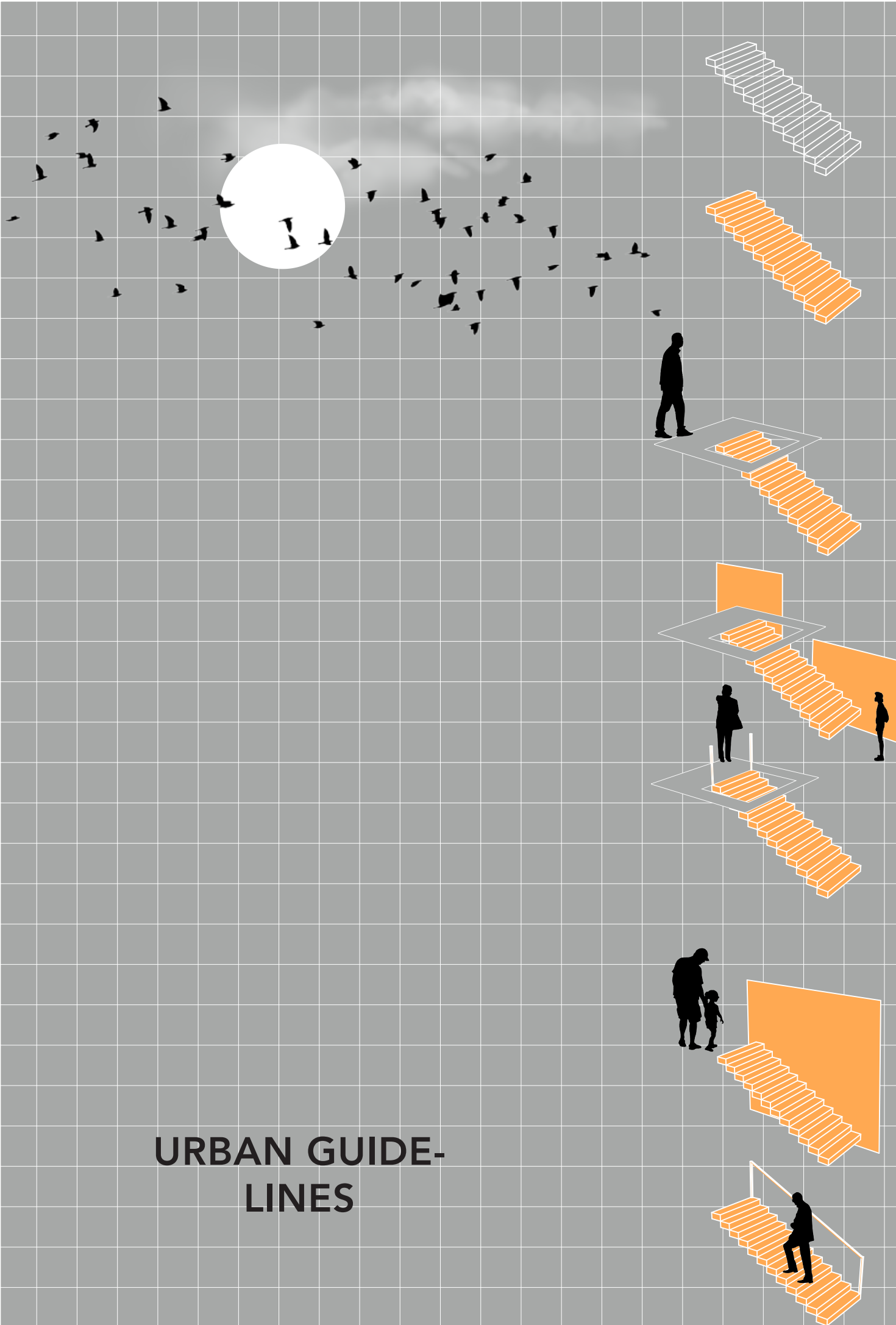


Map, Valparaiso community center
Cerro Florida



Map, Valparaiso importants connec-
tion points on route





URBAN GUIDE- LINES

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Connection

Stairs provide horizontal connections.

+1

Recognition

The color makes this stair recognizable within the urban frame work. In this way, people will be informed that the stair is accessible, save and lead to one of the points on the framework.

+2

Visibility

The stair must be visible from a distance of 5 meters for at least 3 steps.

+2.1

If this is not the case, screens must be added. These screens reach for at least 1,5 meters above the first step or the last step of the stairs.

+2.2

If there is not an element available to guarantee the screen, two vertical elements must be placed at the beginning of the stair.

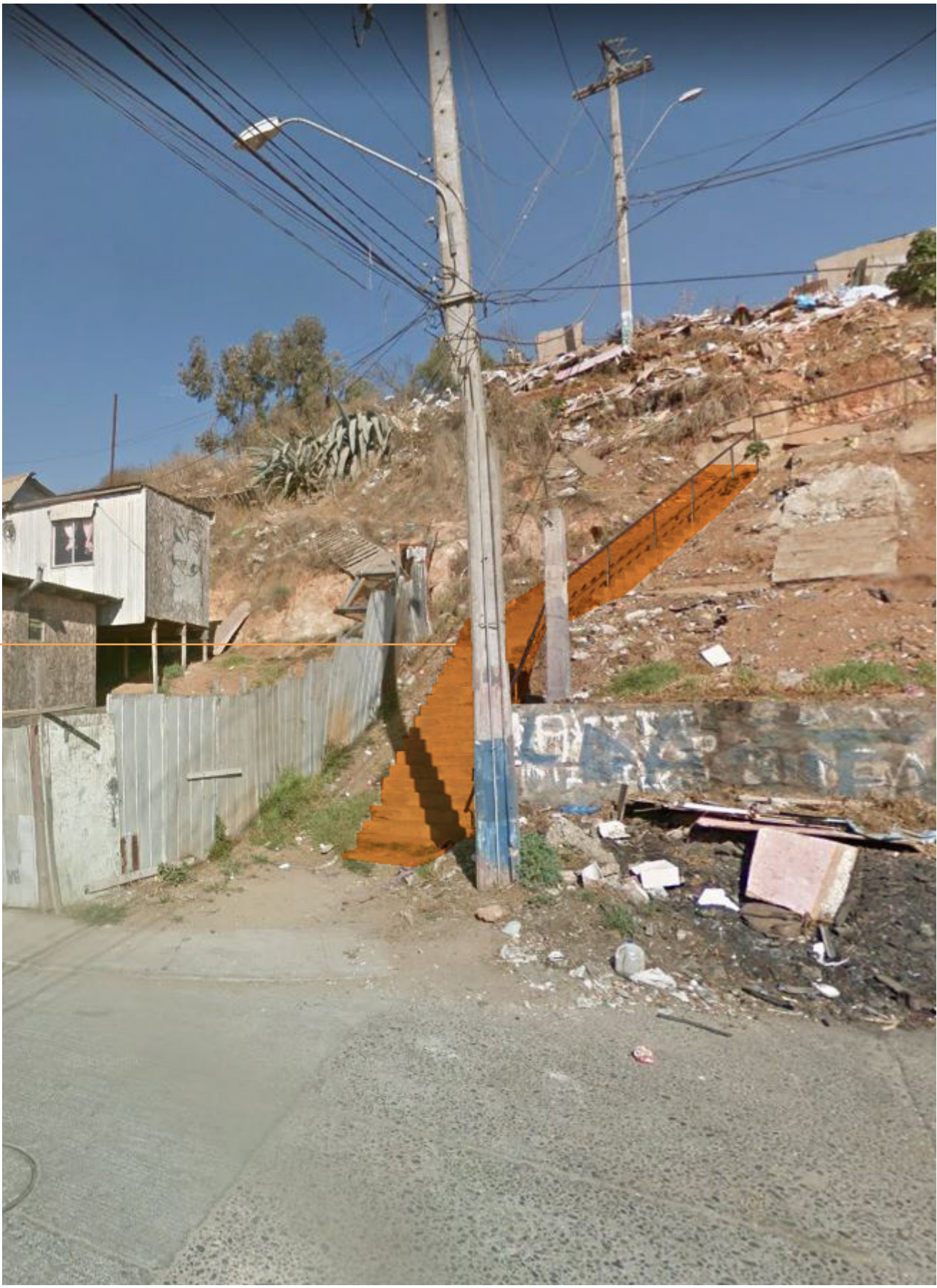
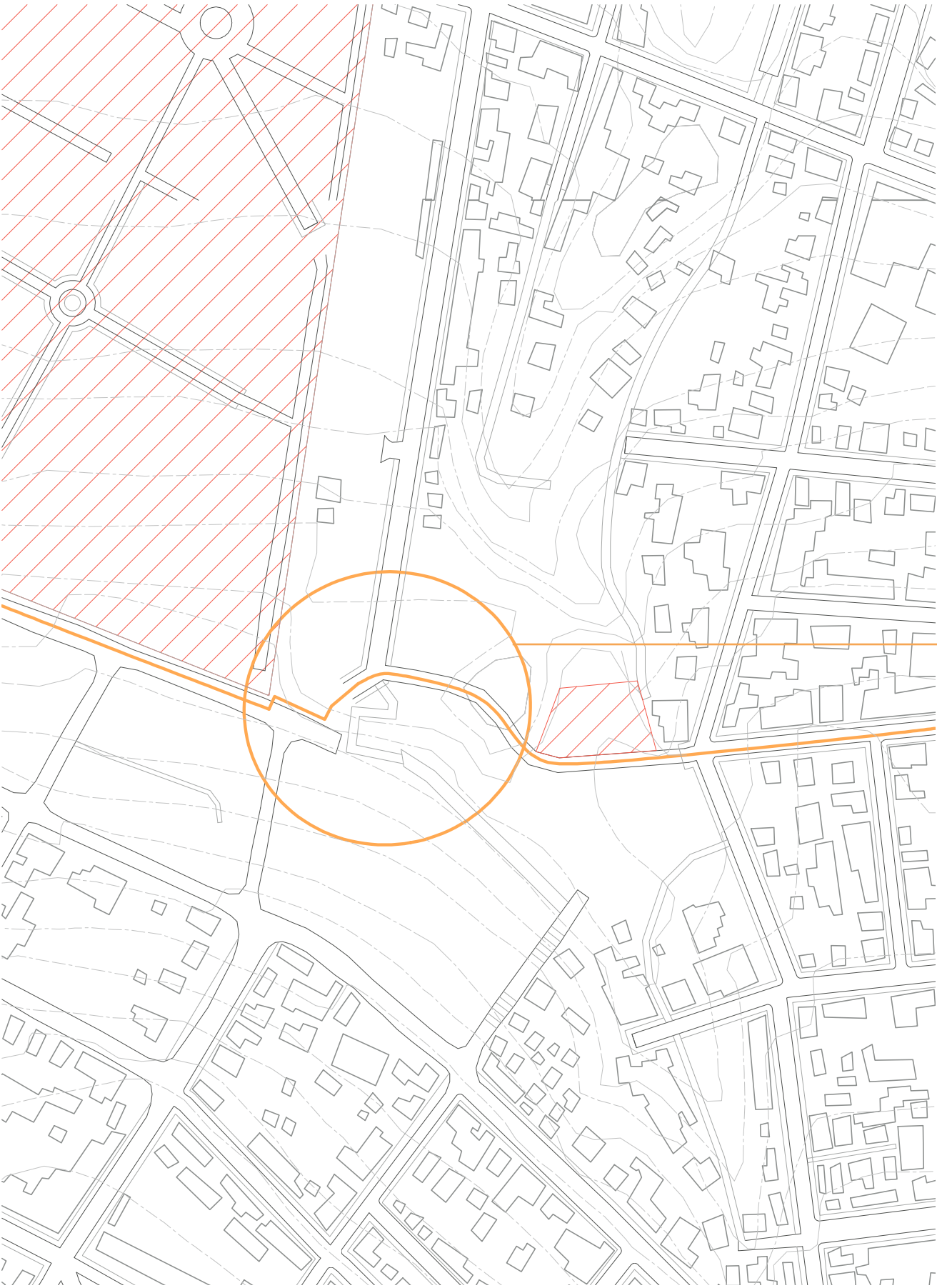
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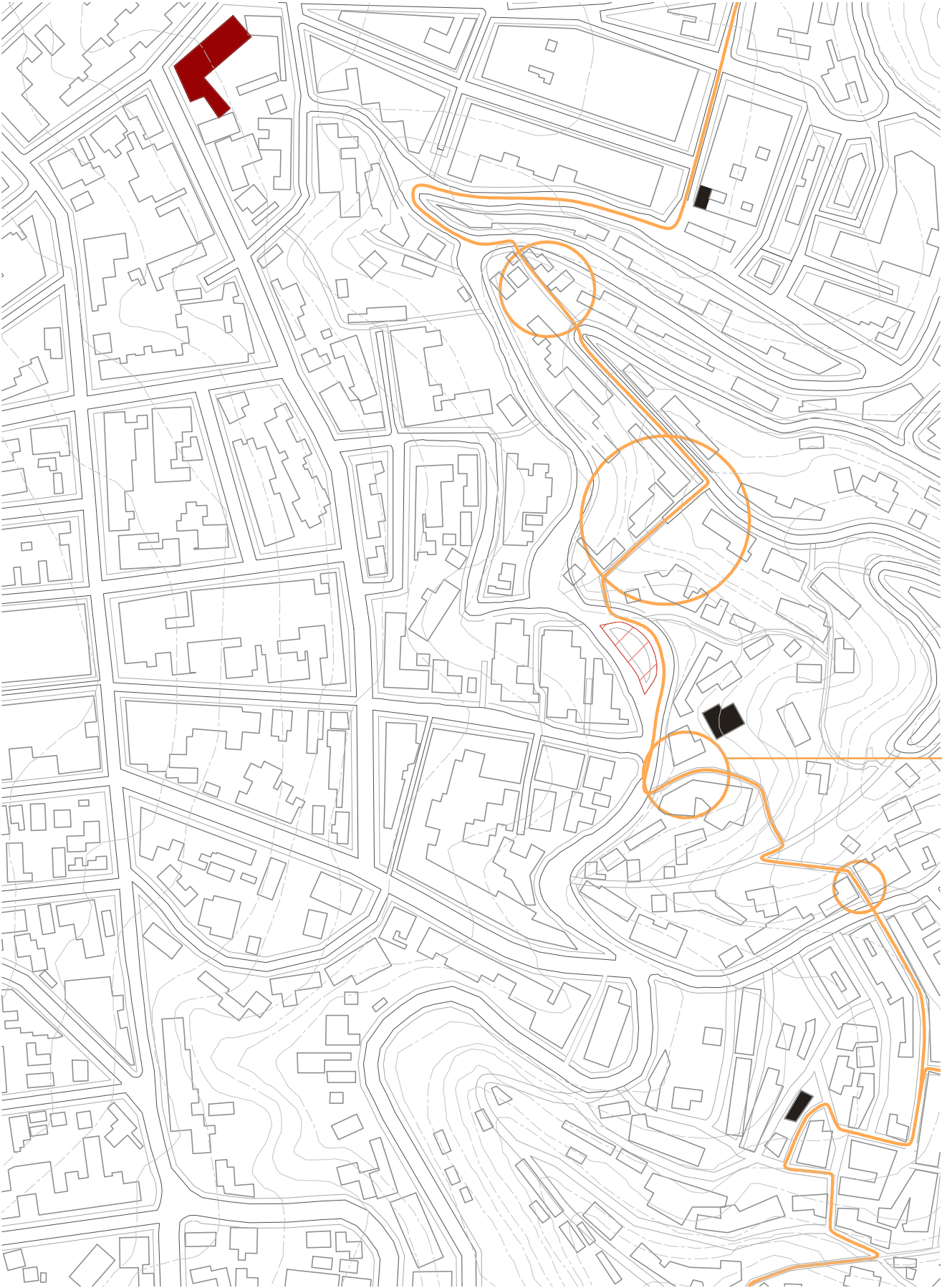
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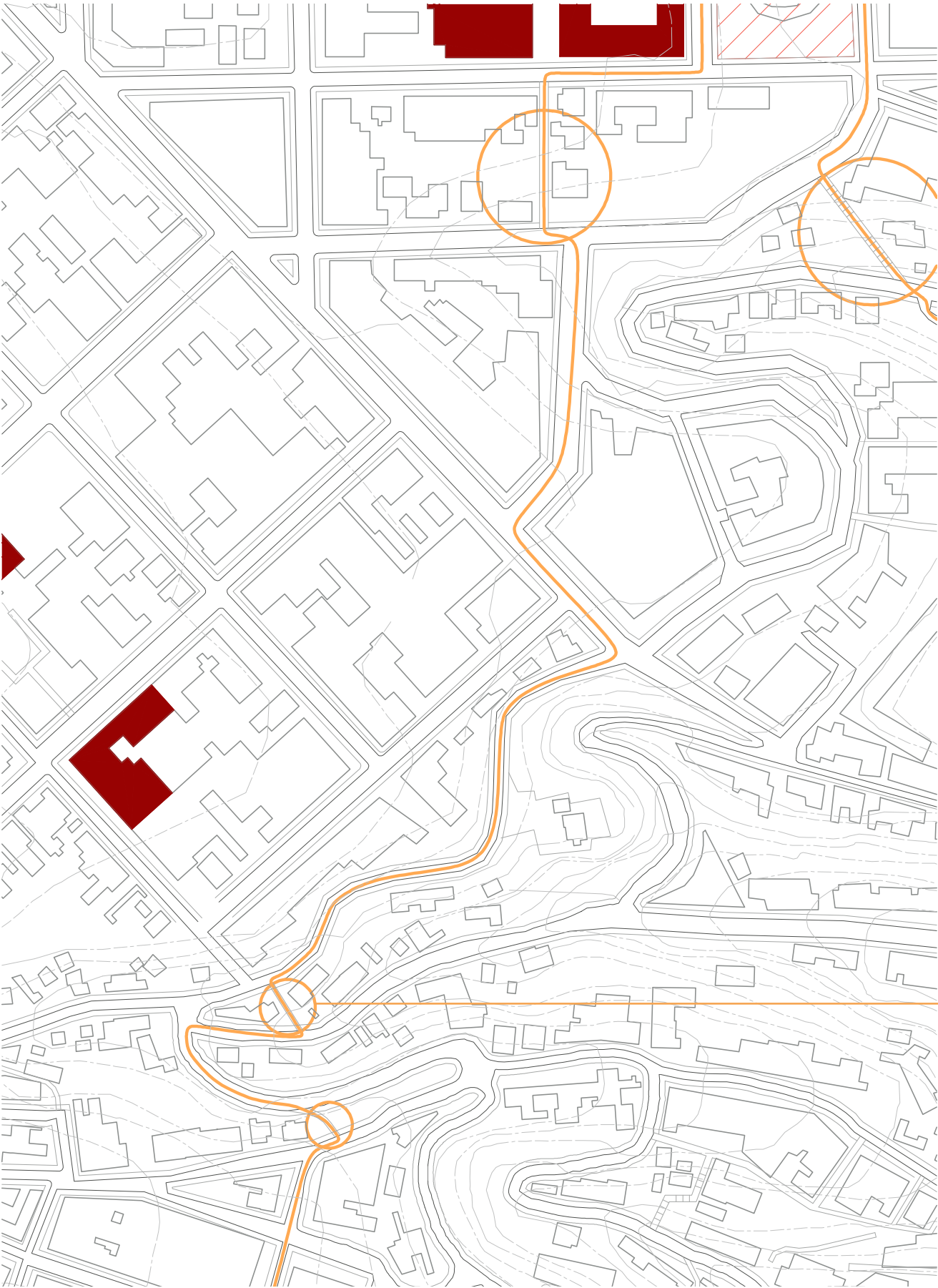
Existing elements can be used as railing for the stair.

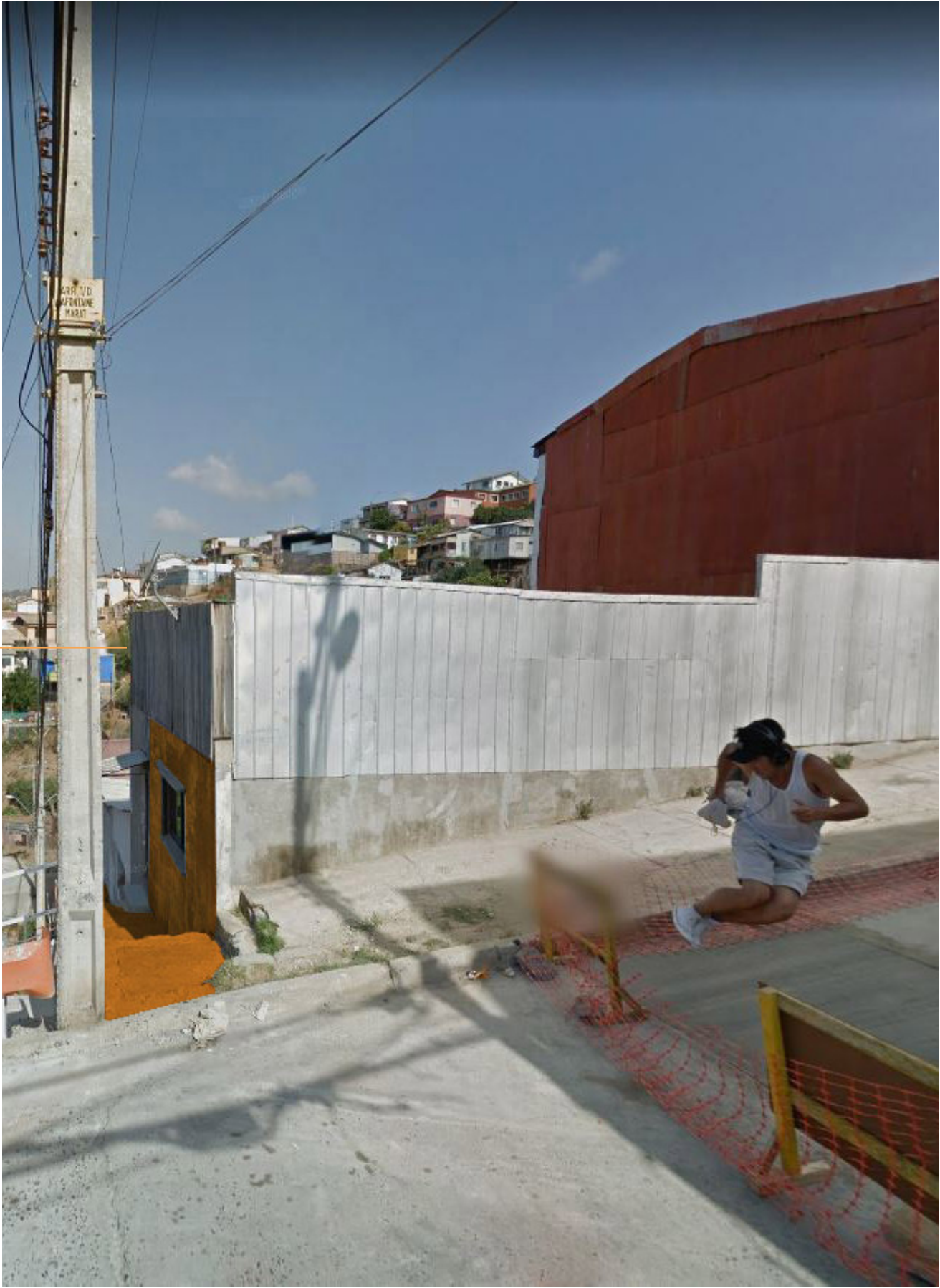
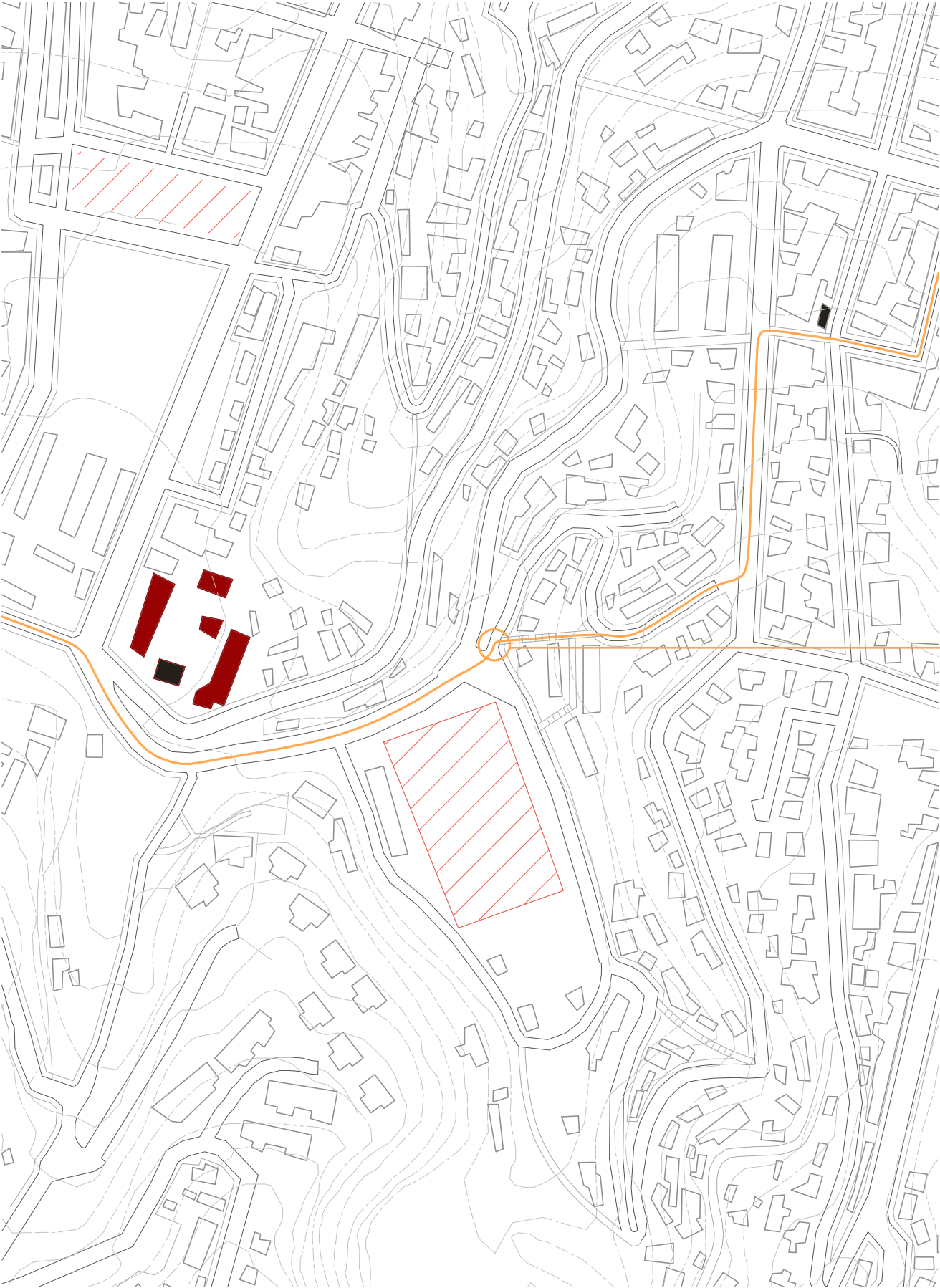
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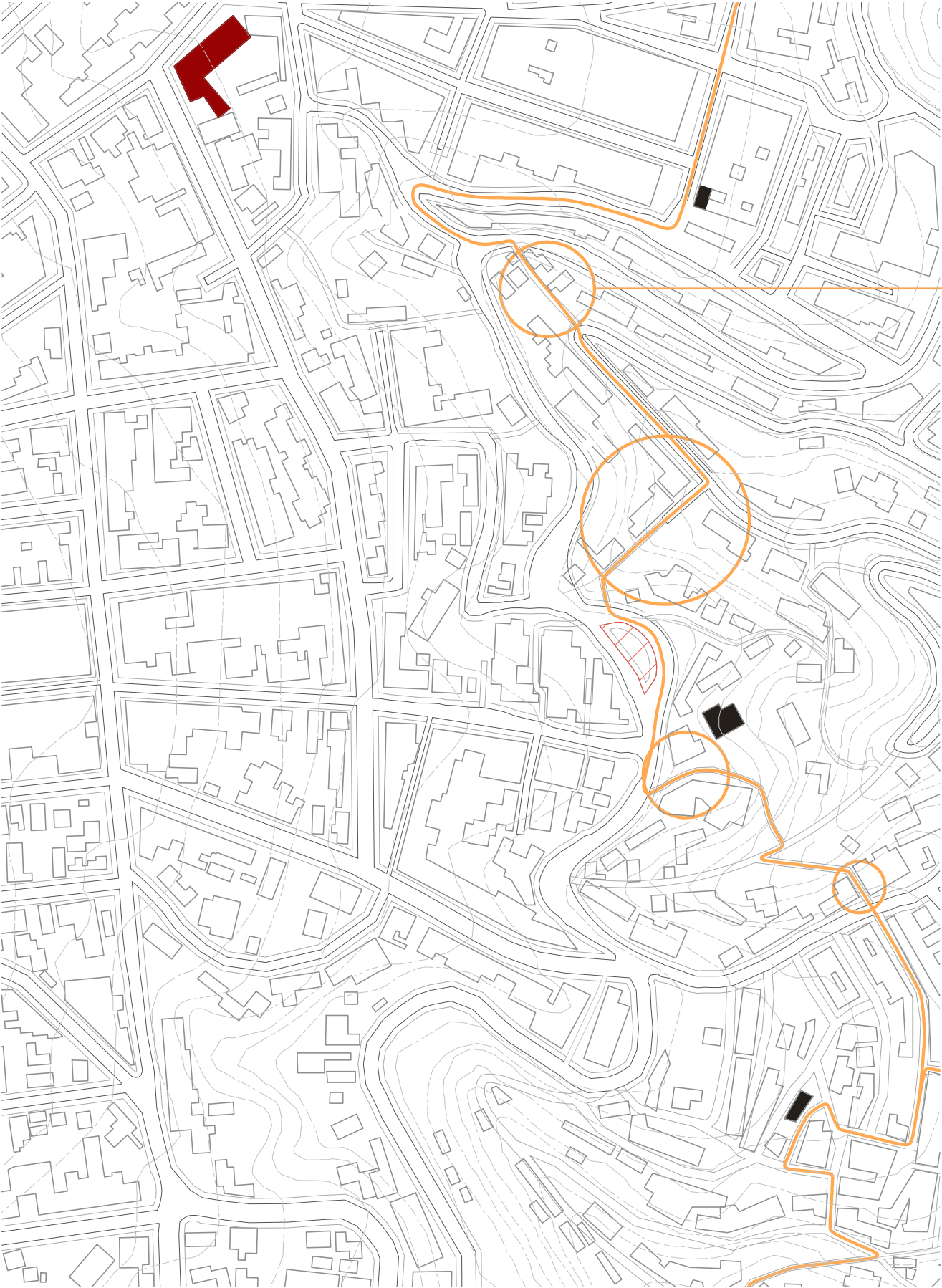
If there is nothing to hold, a railing must be add.

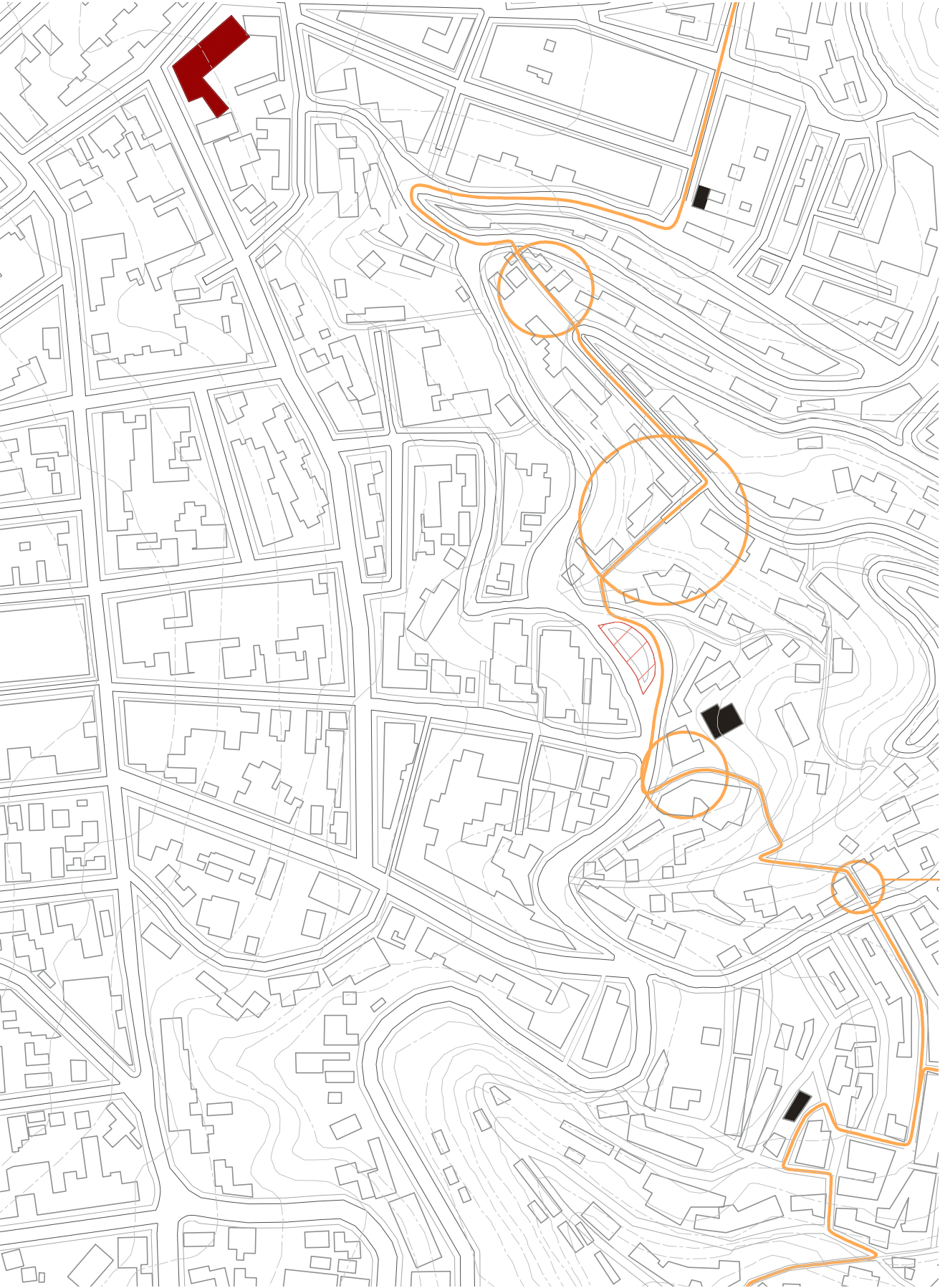




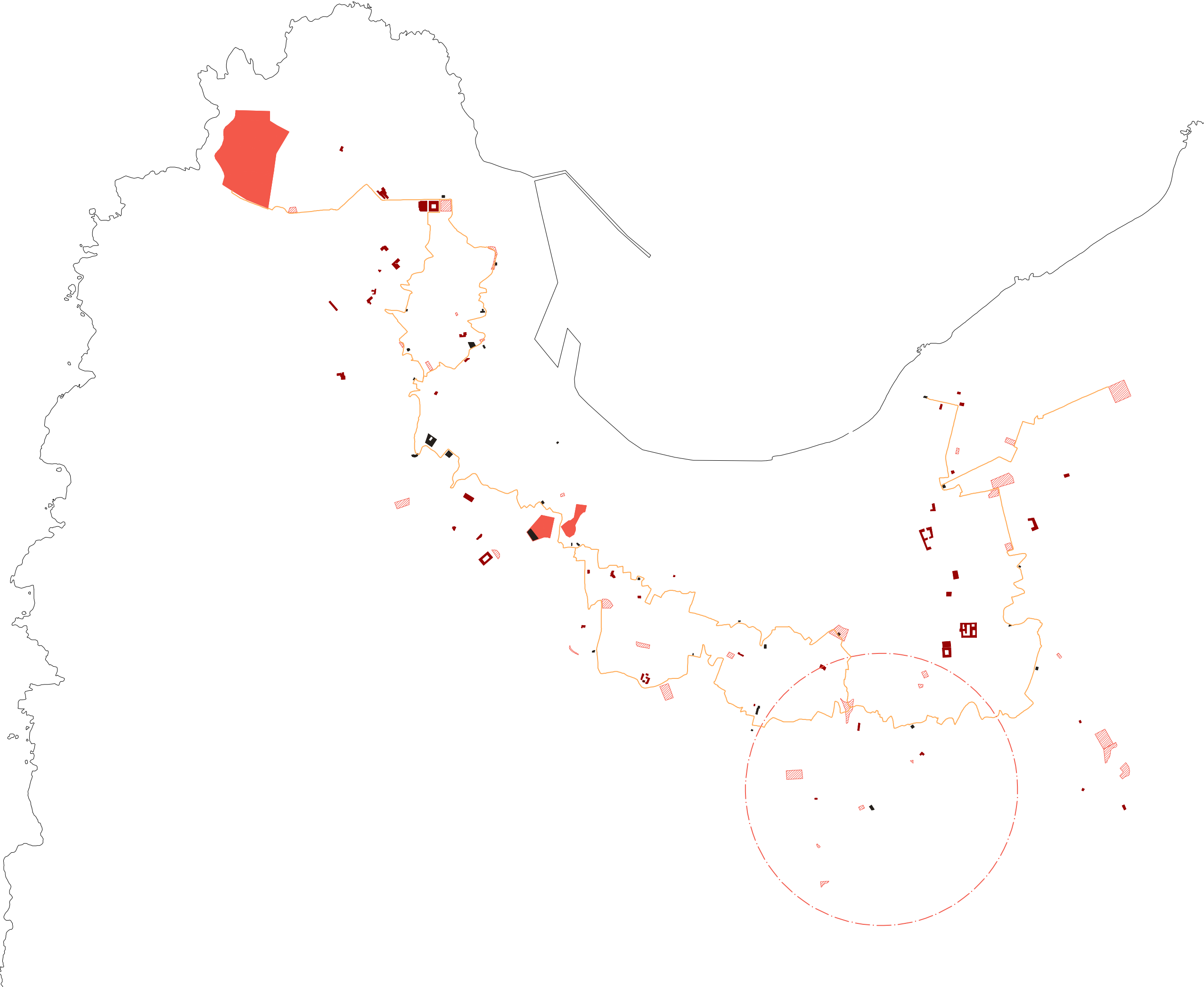








Map, Valparaiso urban framework



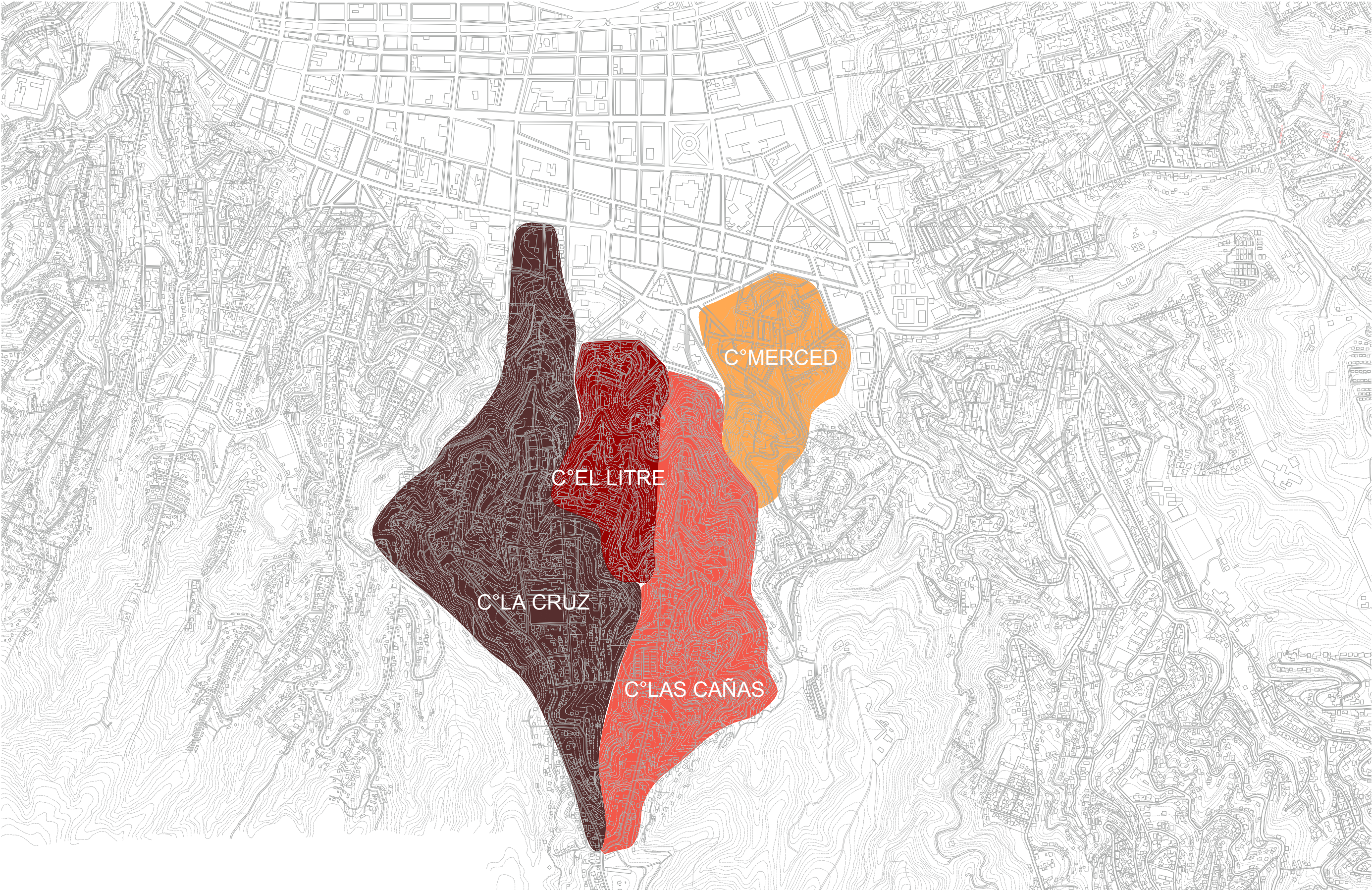
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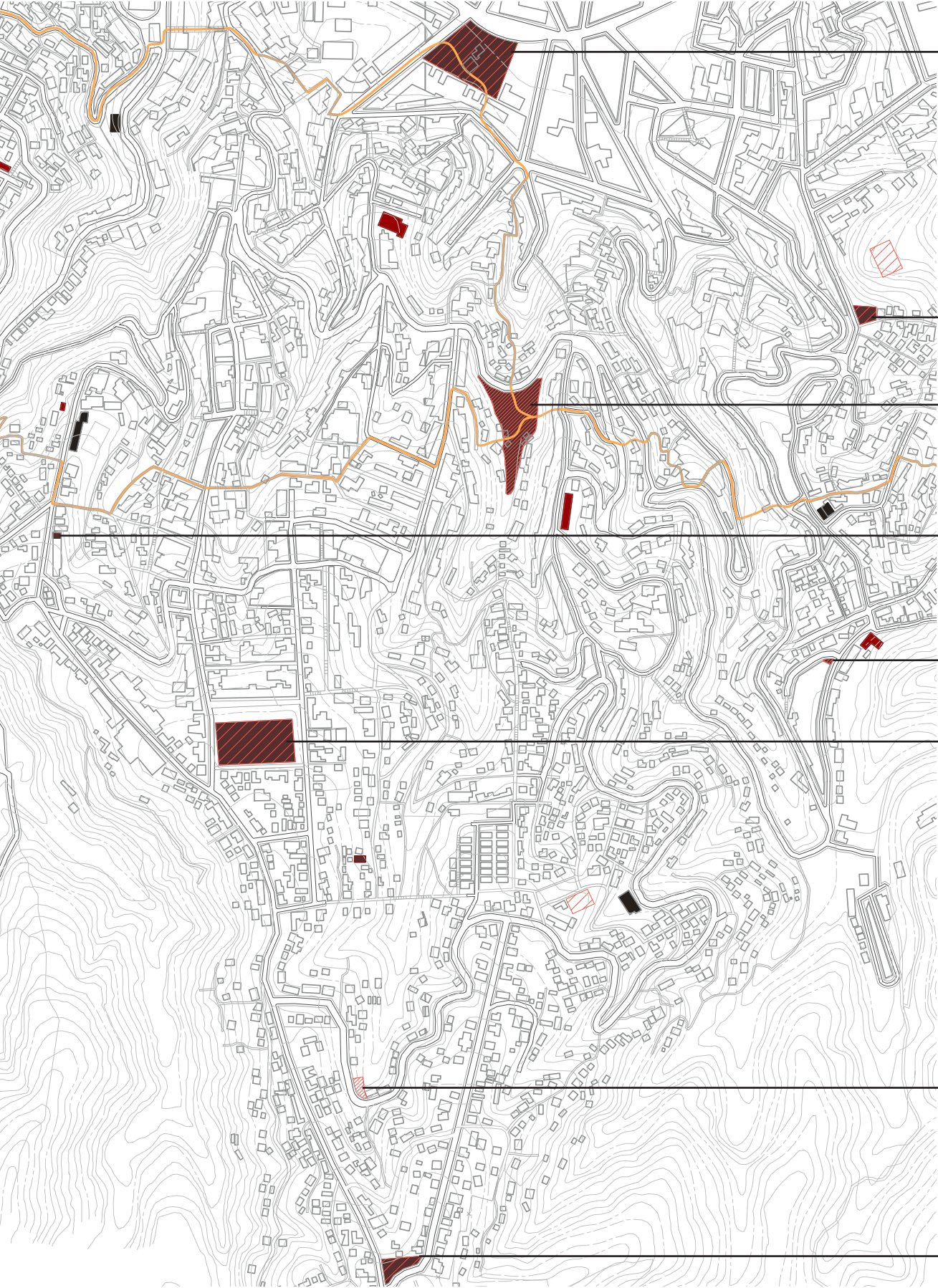
The neighbors will have these spaces to face possible disasters, but also to use them for the neighborhood meeting, so that the children get together, play, and for the adults to share.



QUIERO MI BAR- RIO

The Ministry of Housing and Urban Development aims to reconstruct the neighborhoods that got most affected by the fire. The program implements security zones as places for the neighborhood to meet in case of an emergency





Parque Público El Litre

Plaza La Virgen

Parque Merced

Plaza Pajaritos

Plaza De Los Recuerdos

Auditorio Pedro Aguirre Cerda

Los Chonos

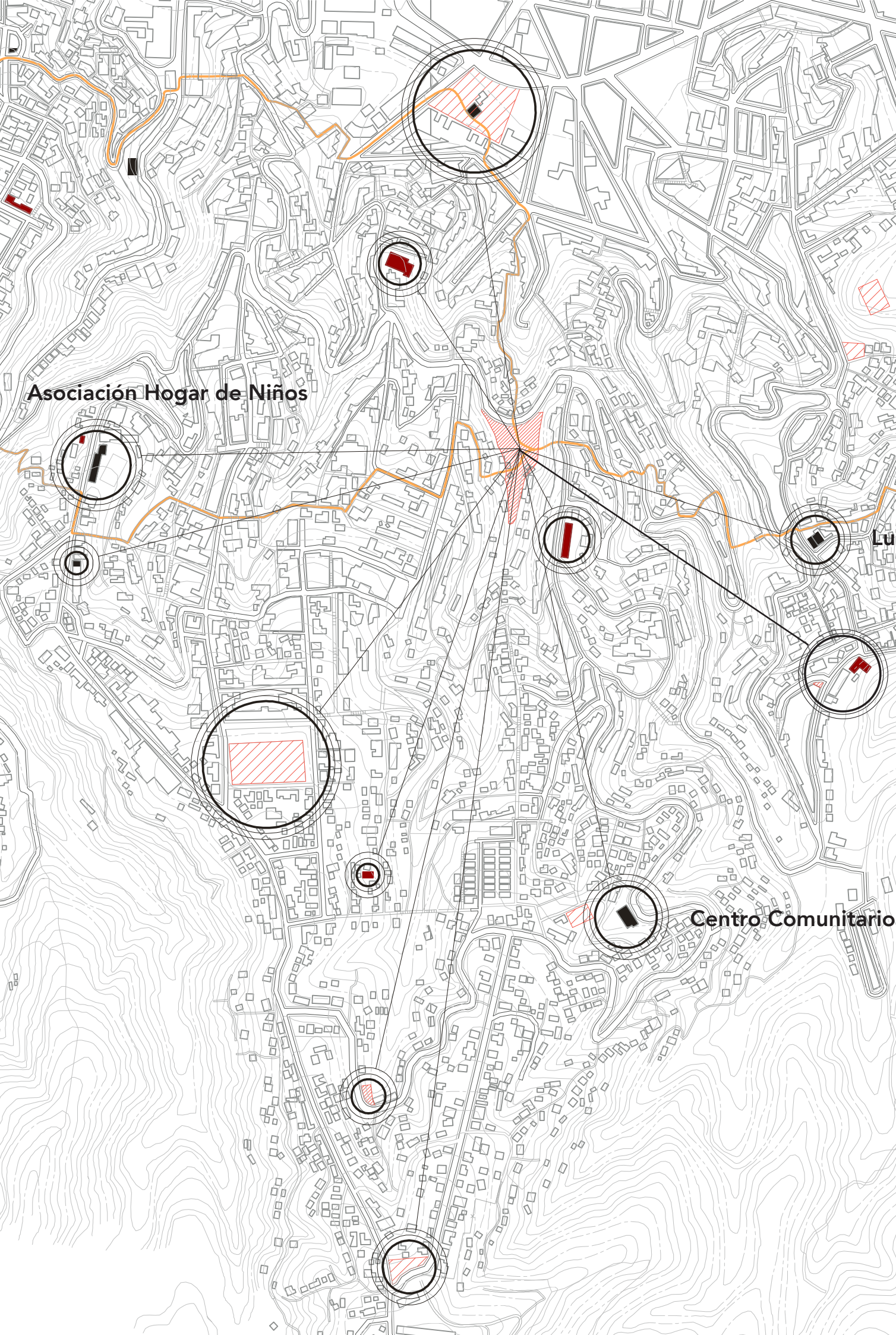
Plaza El Vergel Alto

SECURITY ZONES

The program implements so called; security zones. The main purpose is that they want to create an emergency platform for the neighborhood to meet in case of an emergency, such as fires, earthquakes and tidal waves. So The neighbors will have these spaces to face possible disasters, but they also can use them for the neighborhood meeting, so that the children get together, play, and for the adults to share.



The initiative includes most of
all the revitalization of existing
spaces.



Center of local organisations

Asociación Hogar de Niños

Ludoteca Minga Merced

Colectivos Linea Trece Cerro Merced

Centro Comunitario Las Cañas

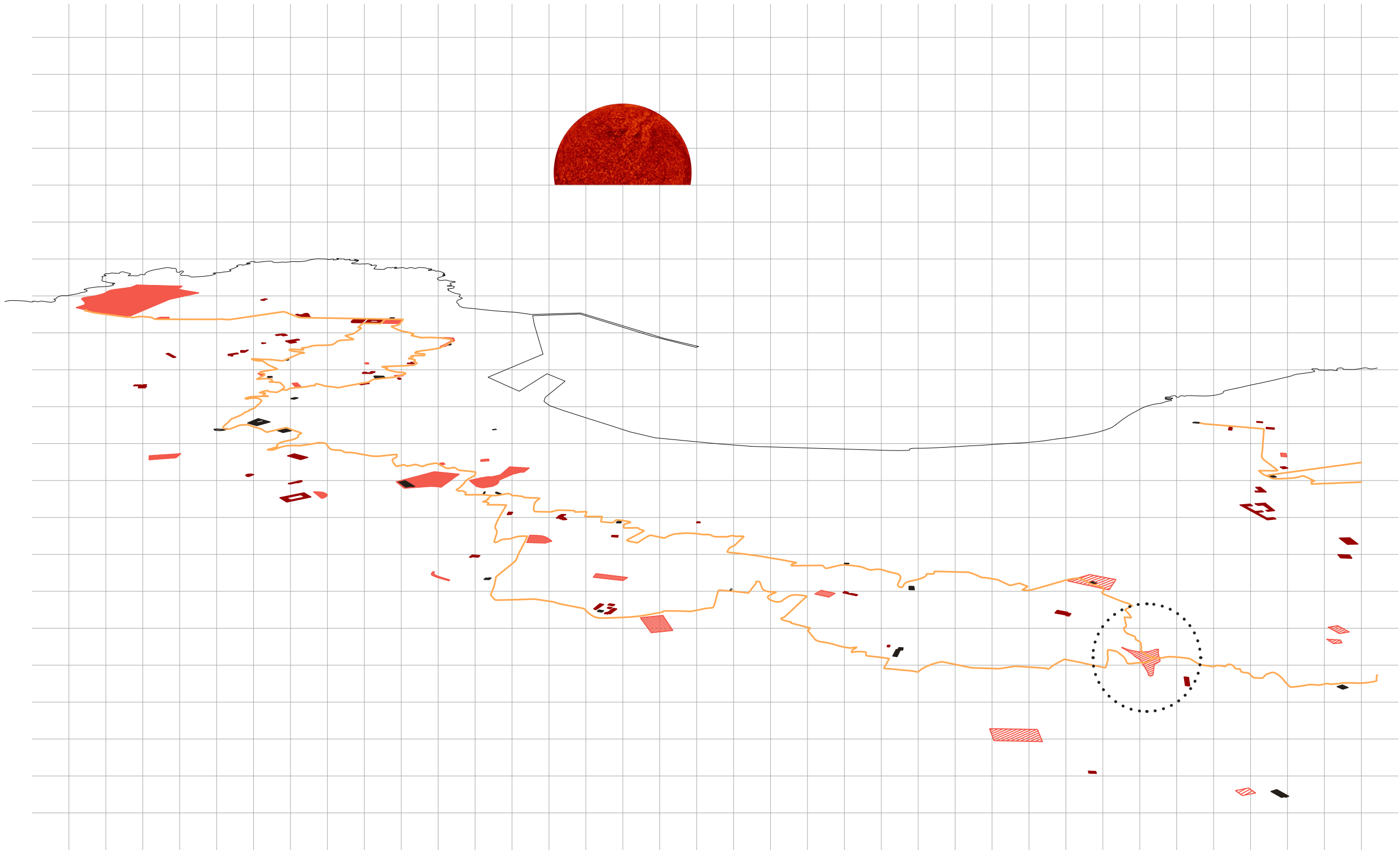


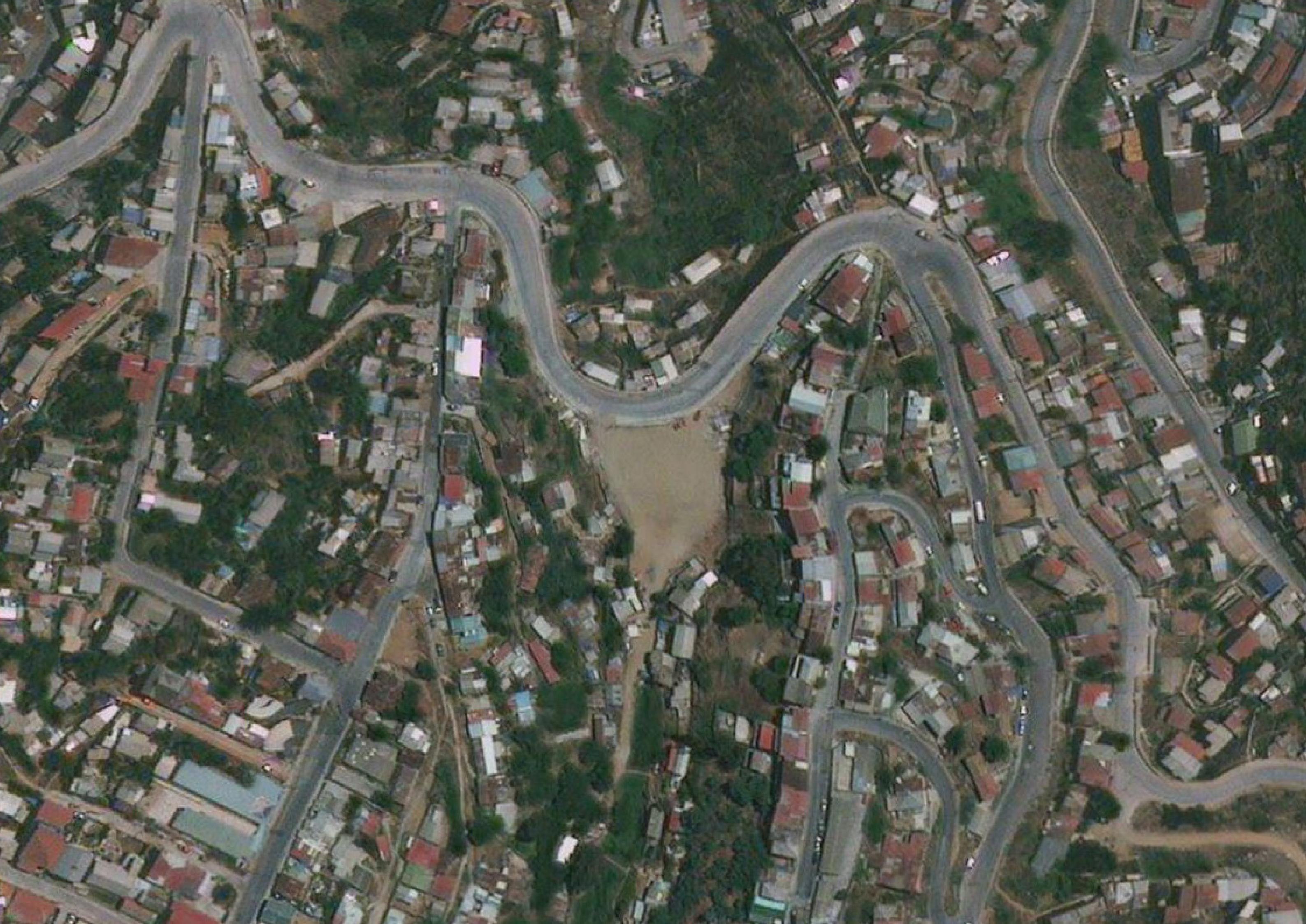
PHASE 4. INTERVENTION

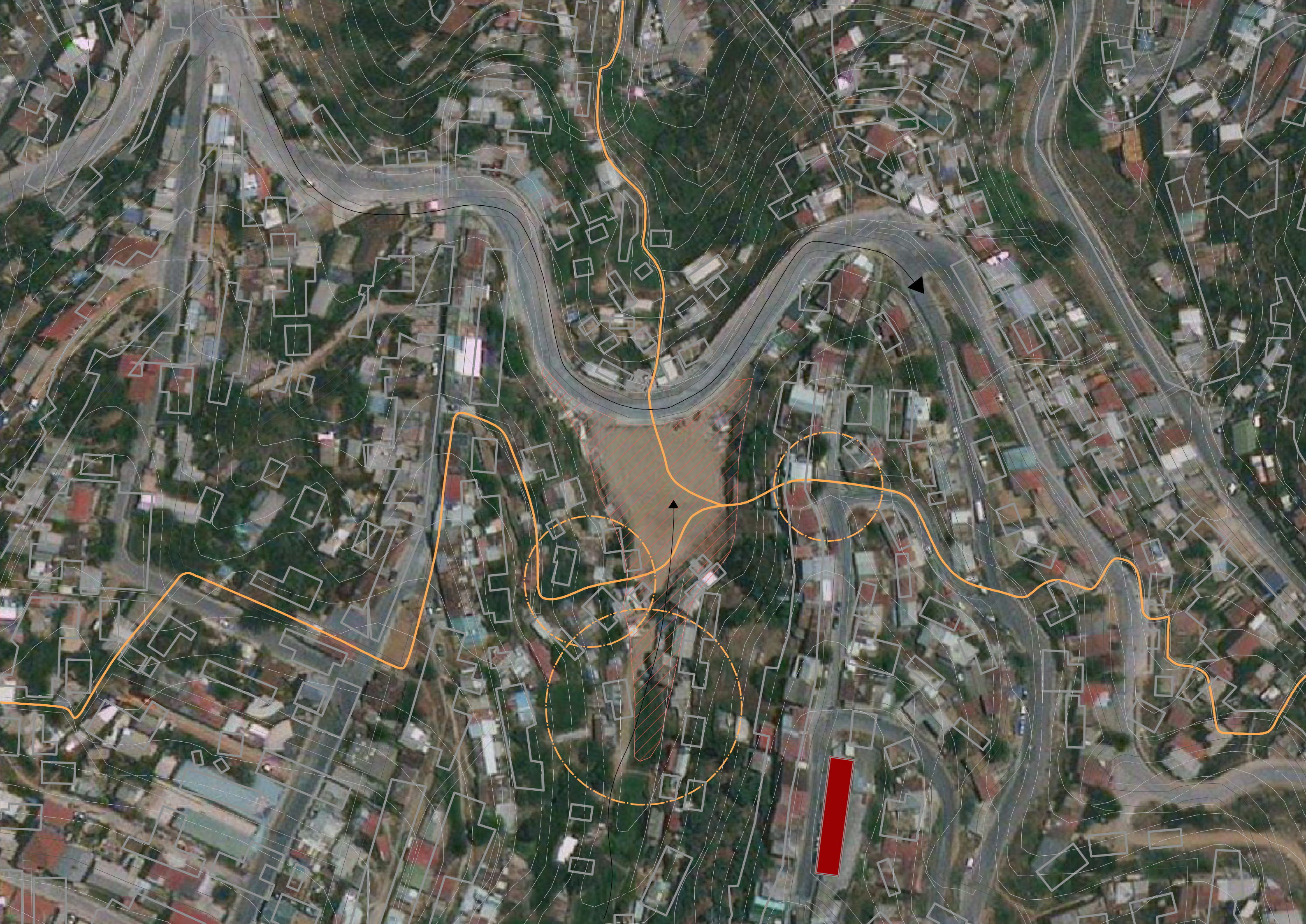
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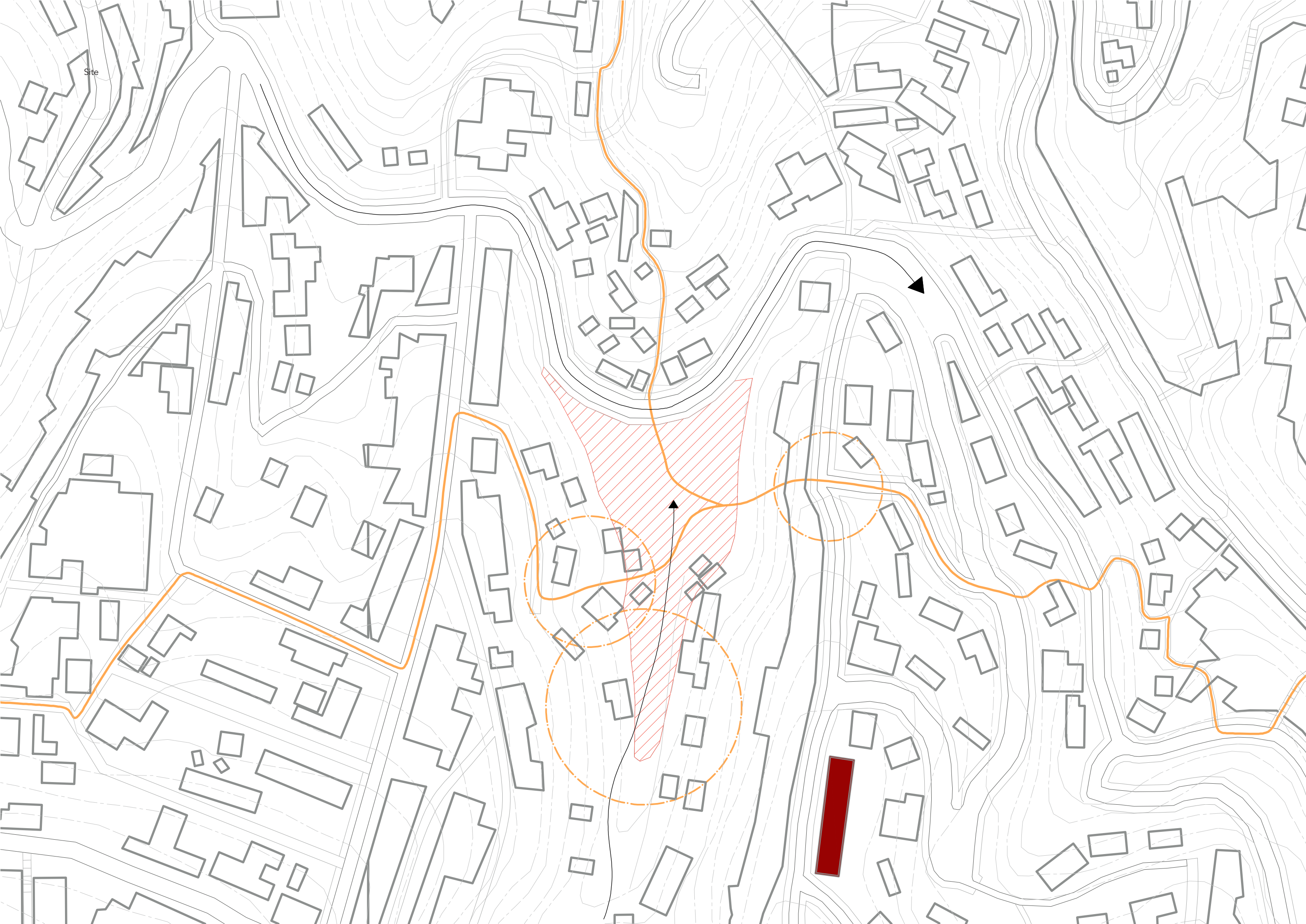


Collage, Valparaiso intervention on
Urban framework



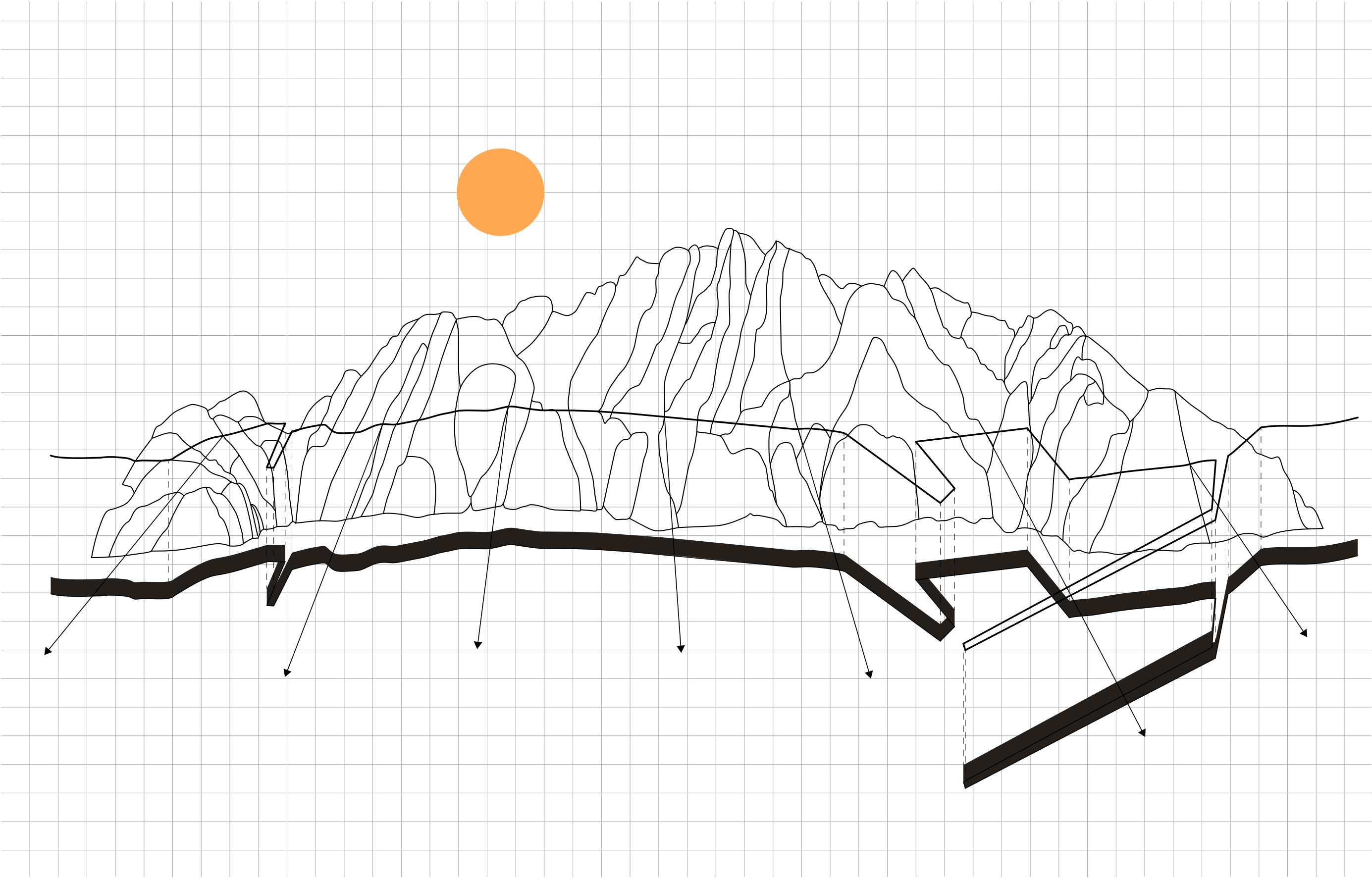






Site

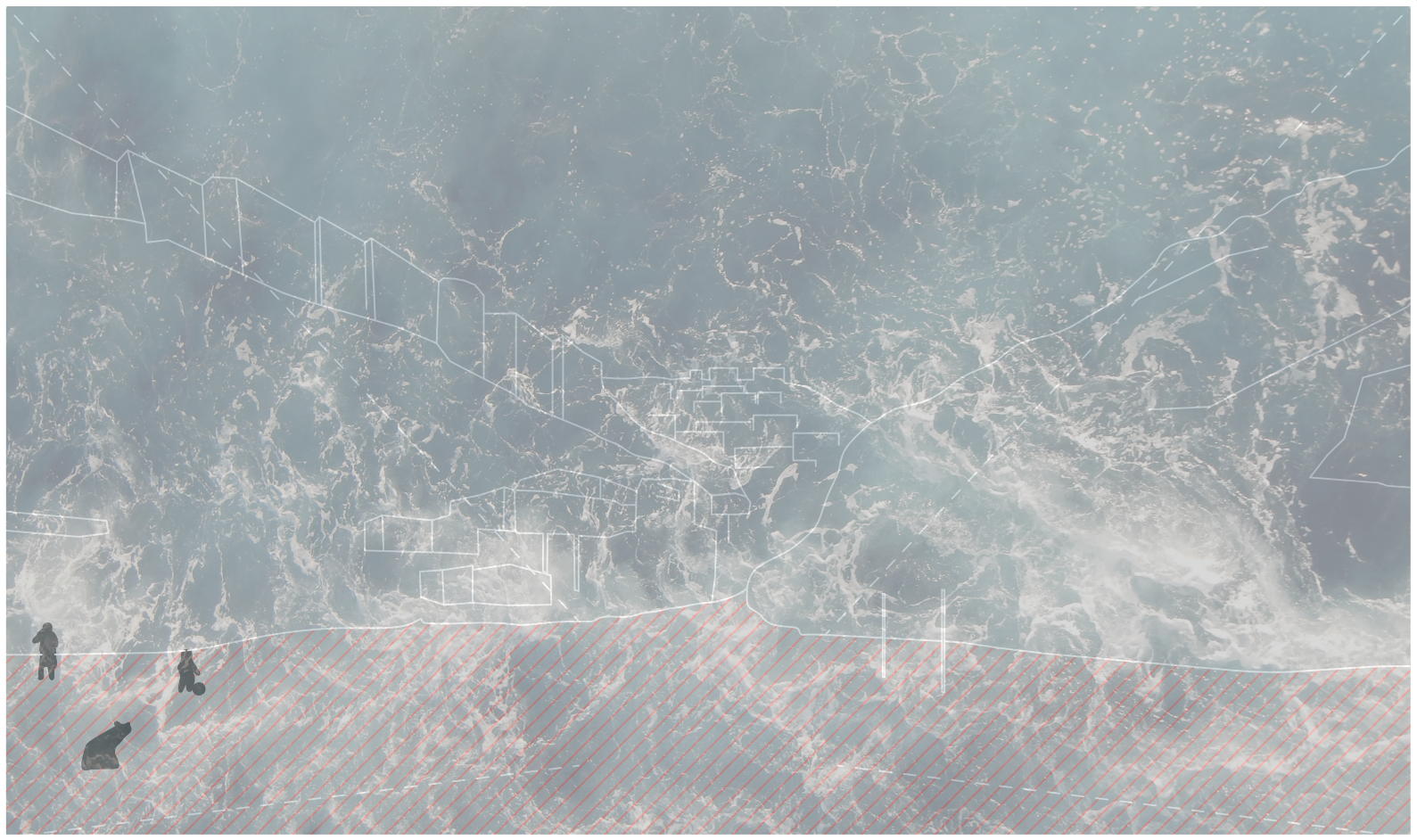
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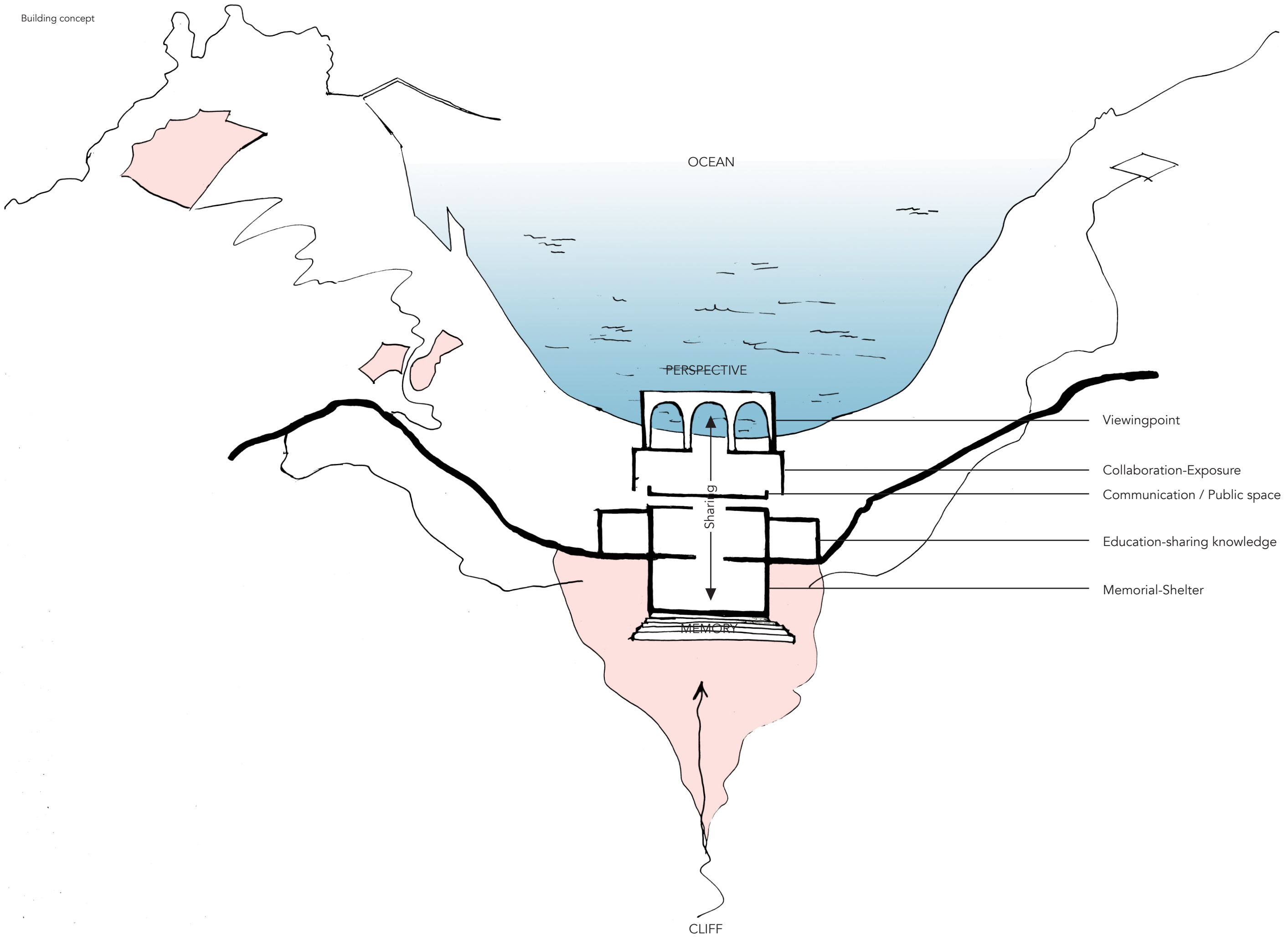
Site view



Capture Ocean view



Building concept



OCEAN

PERSPECTIVE

Viewingpoint

Collaboration-Exposure

Communication / Public space

Education-sharing knowledge

Memorial-Shelter

Sharing

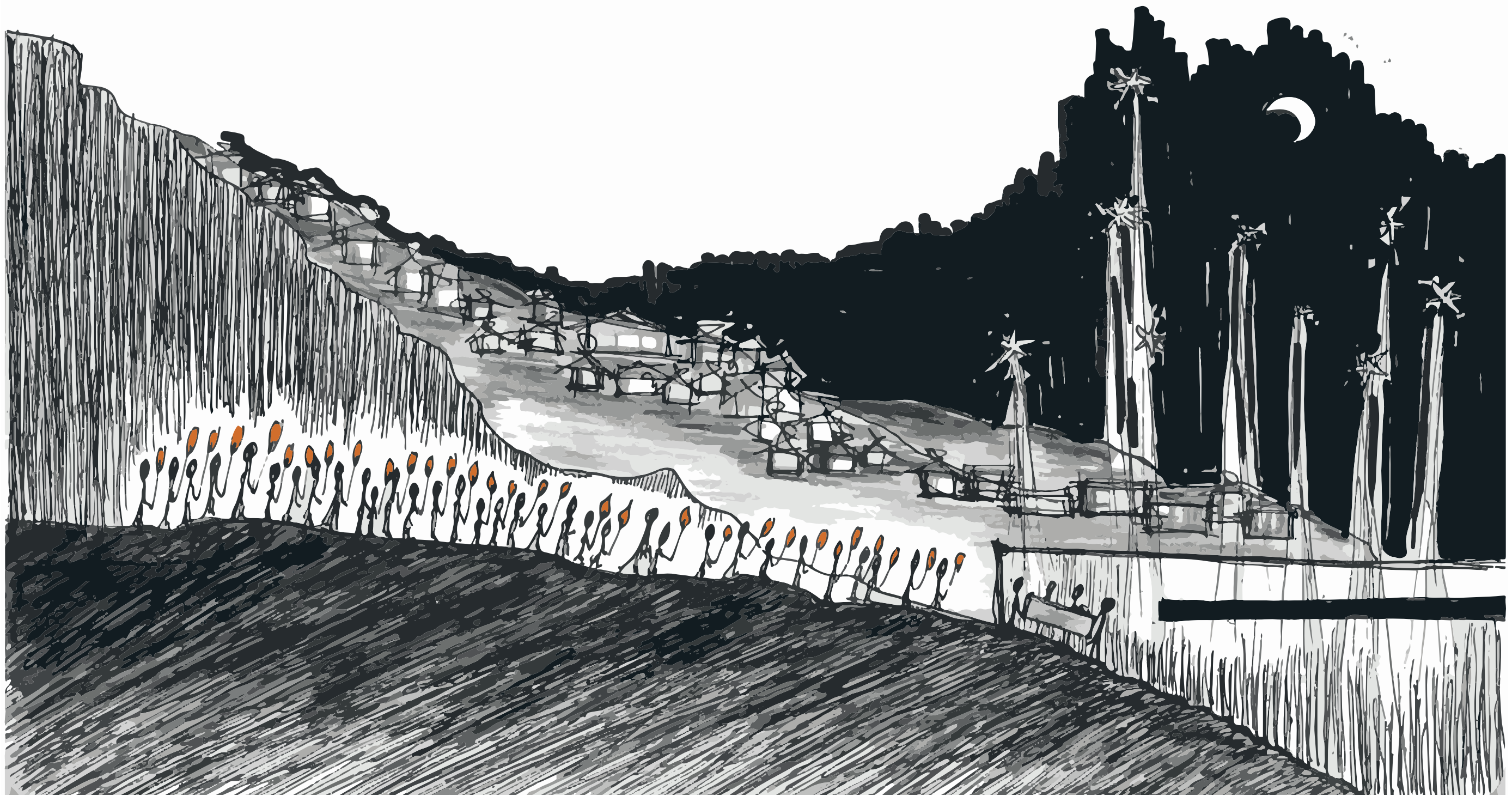


MEMORY

CLIFF







The ritual

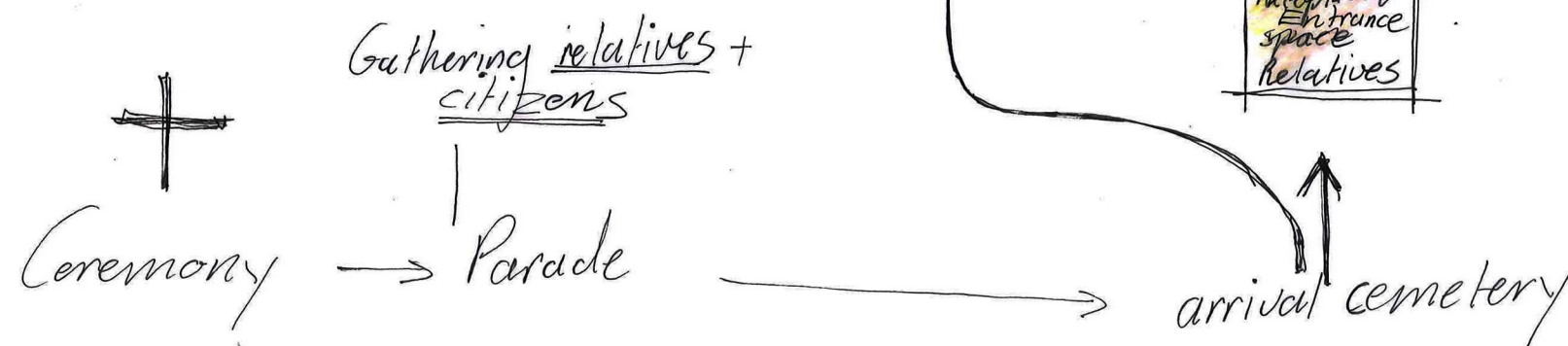
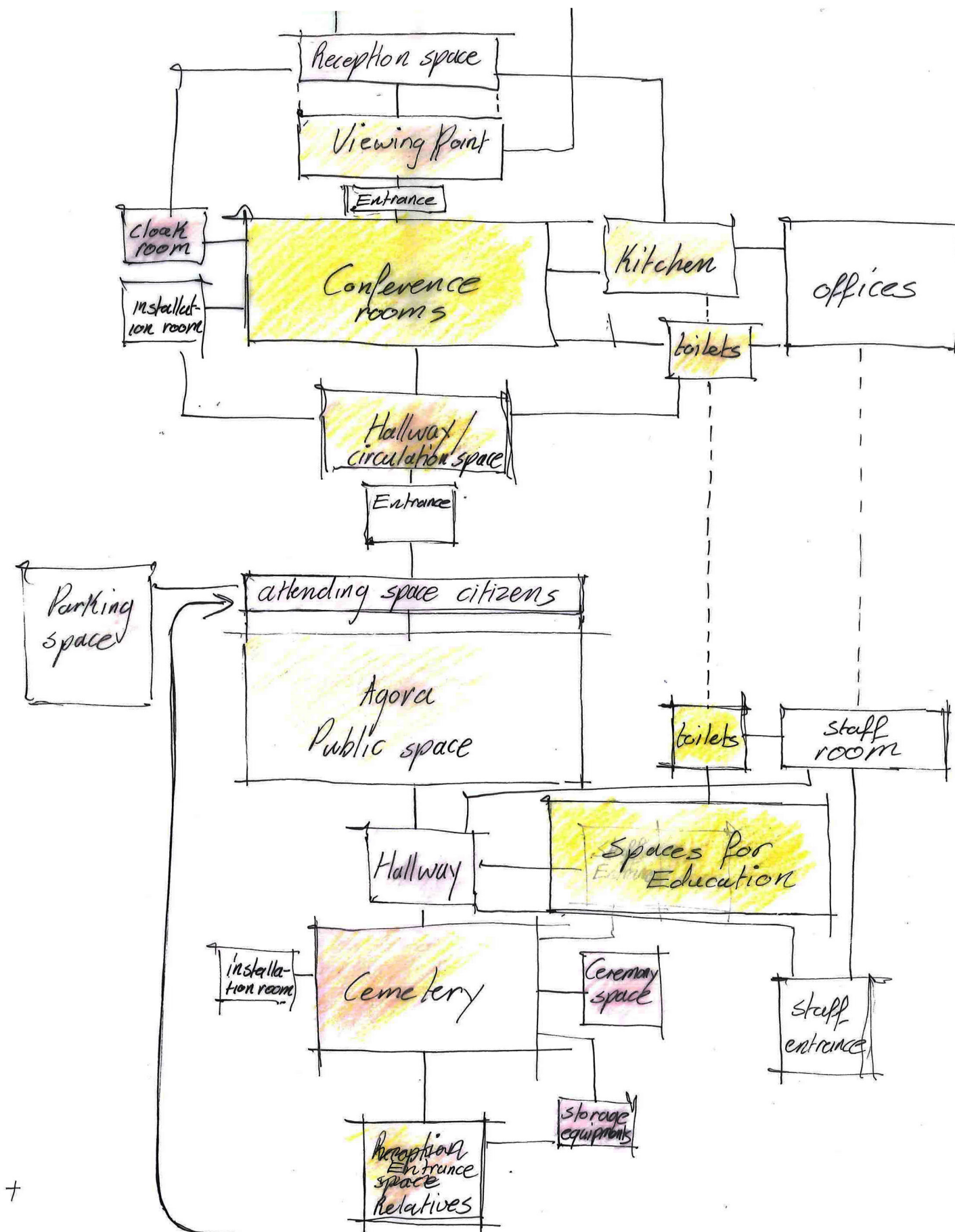


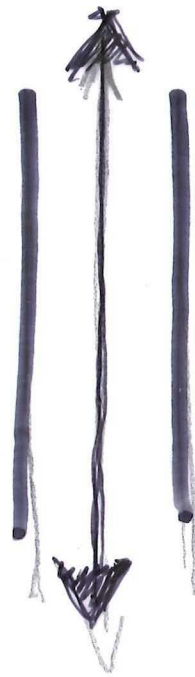
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PROJECT

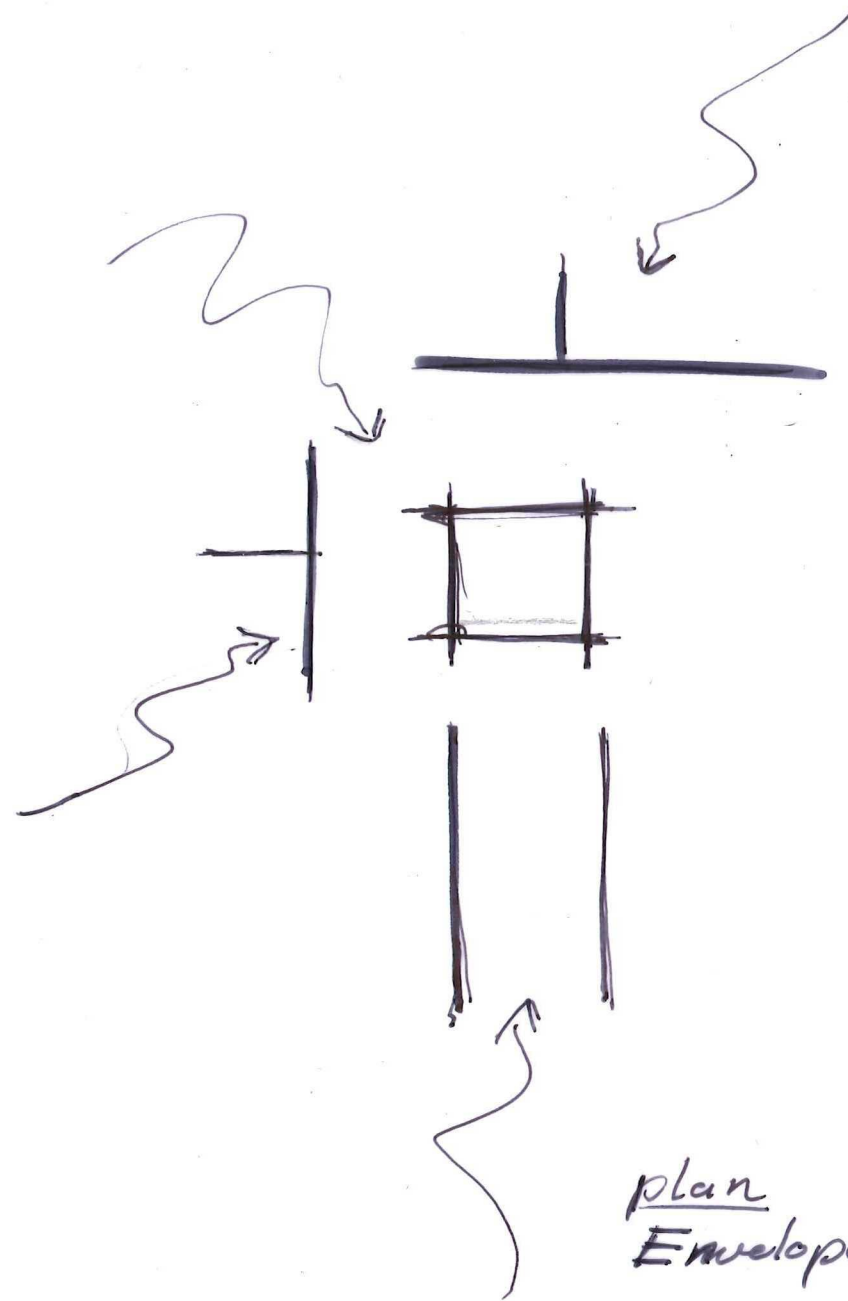
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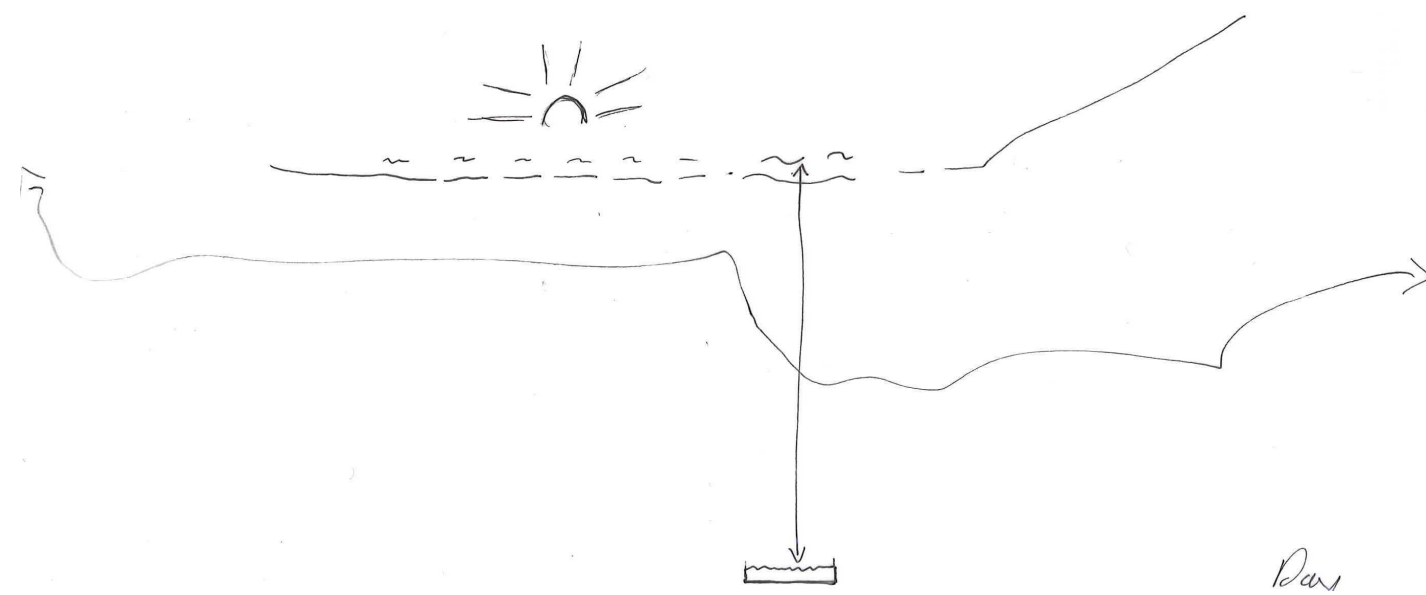
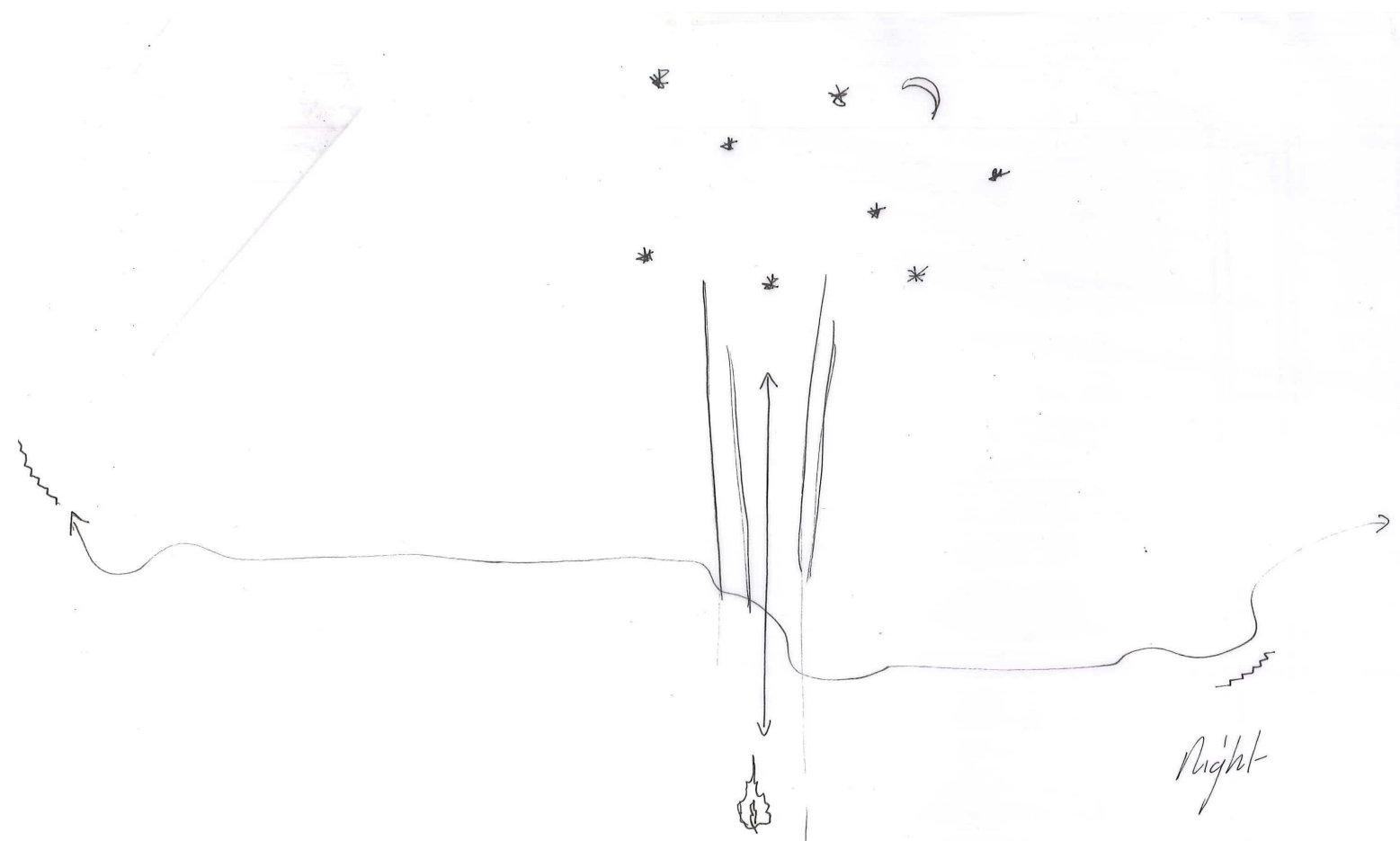


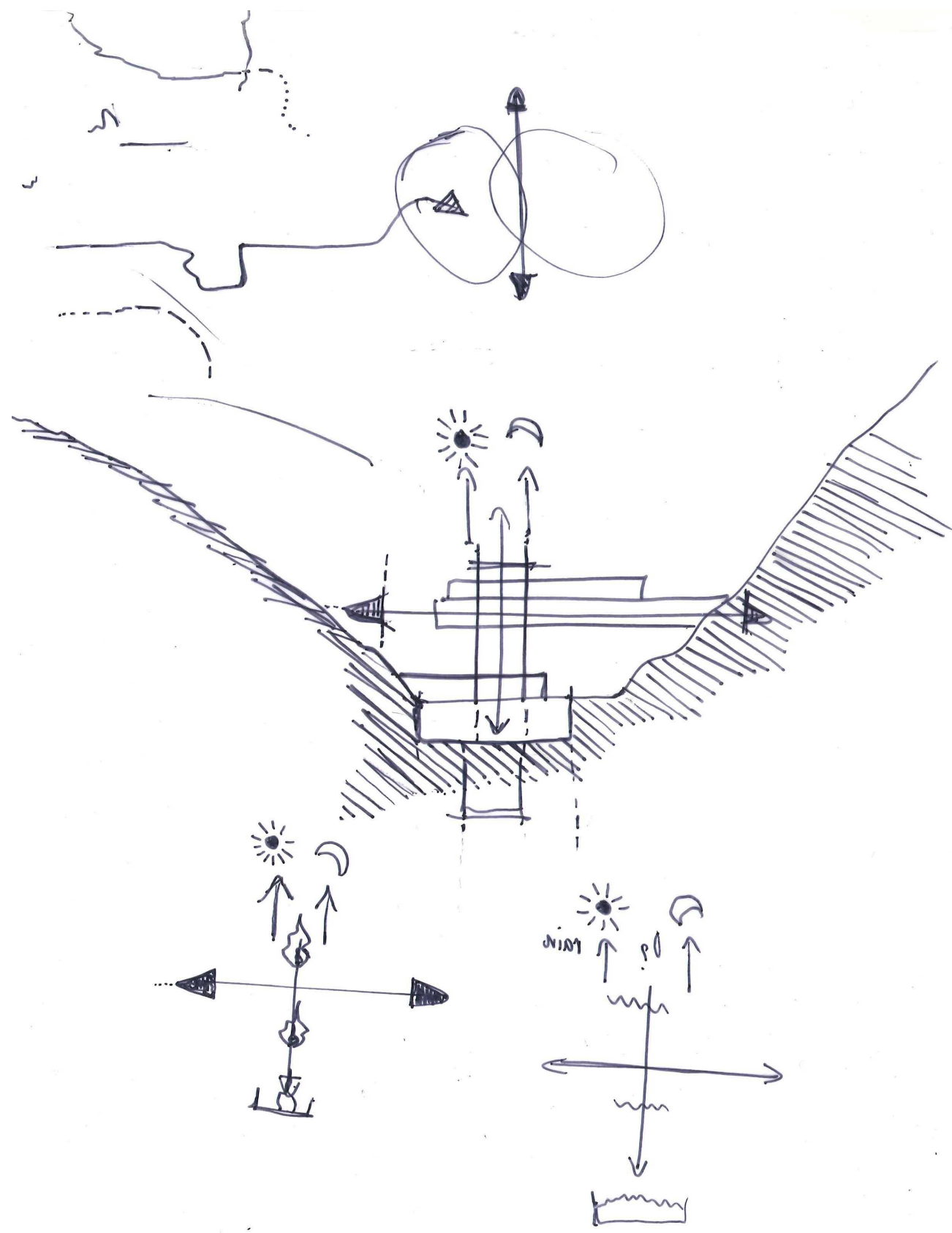


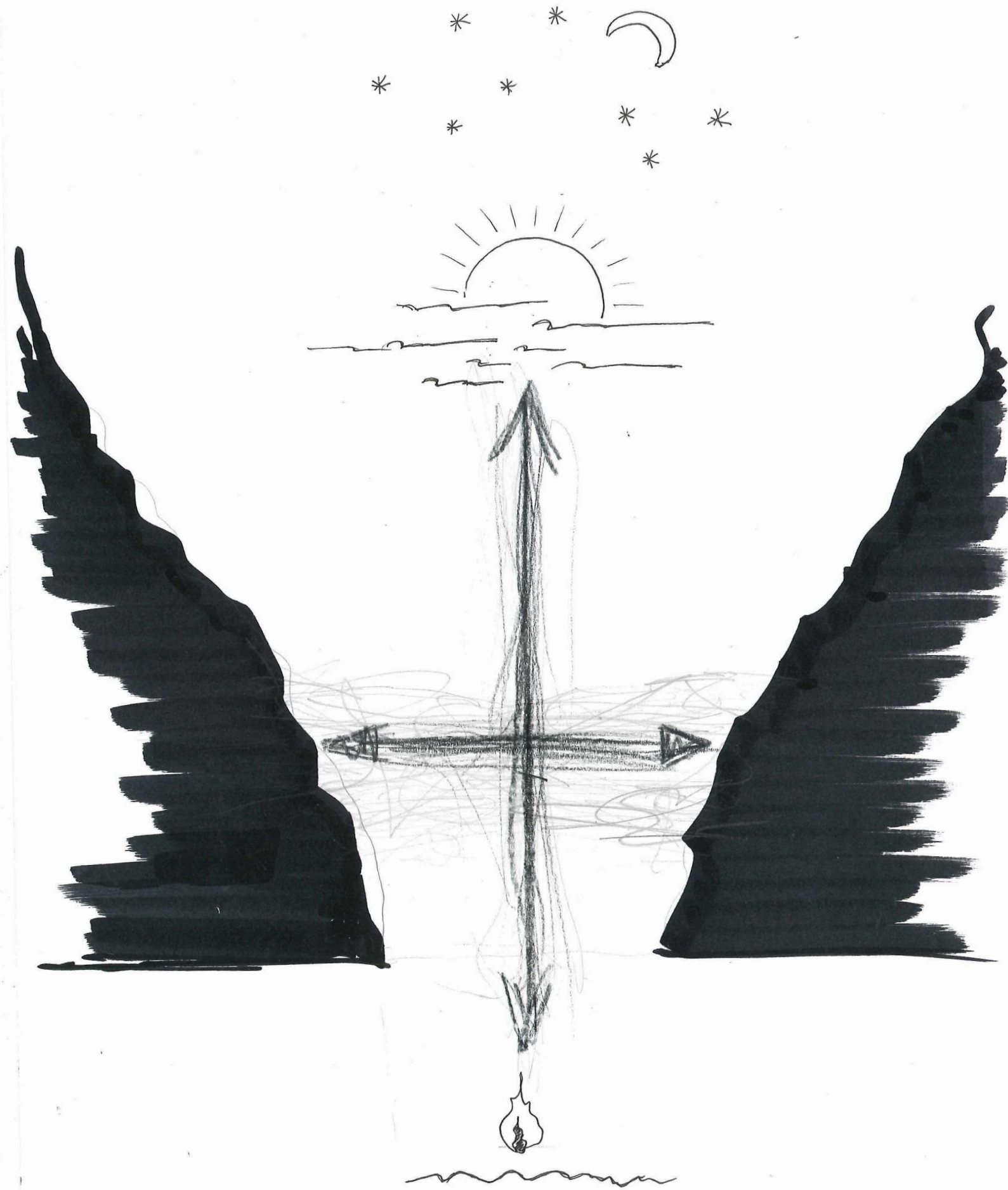
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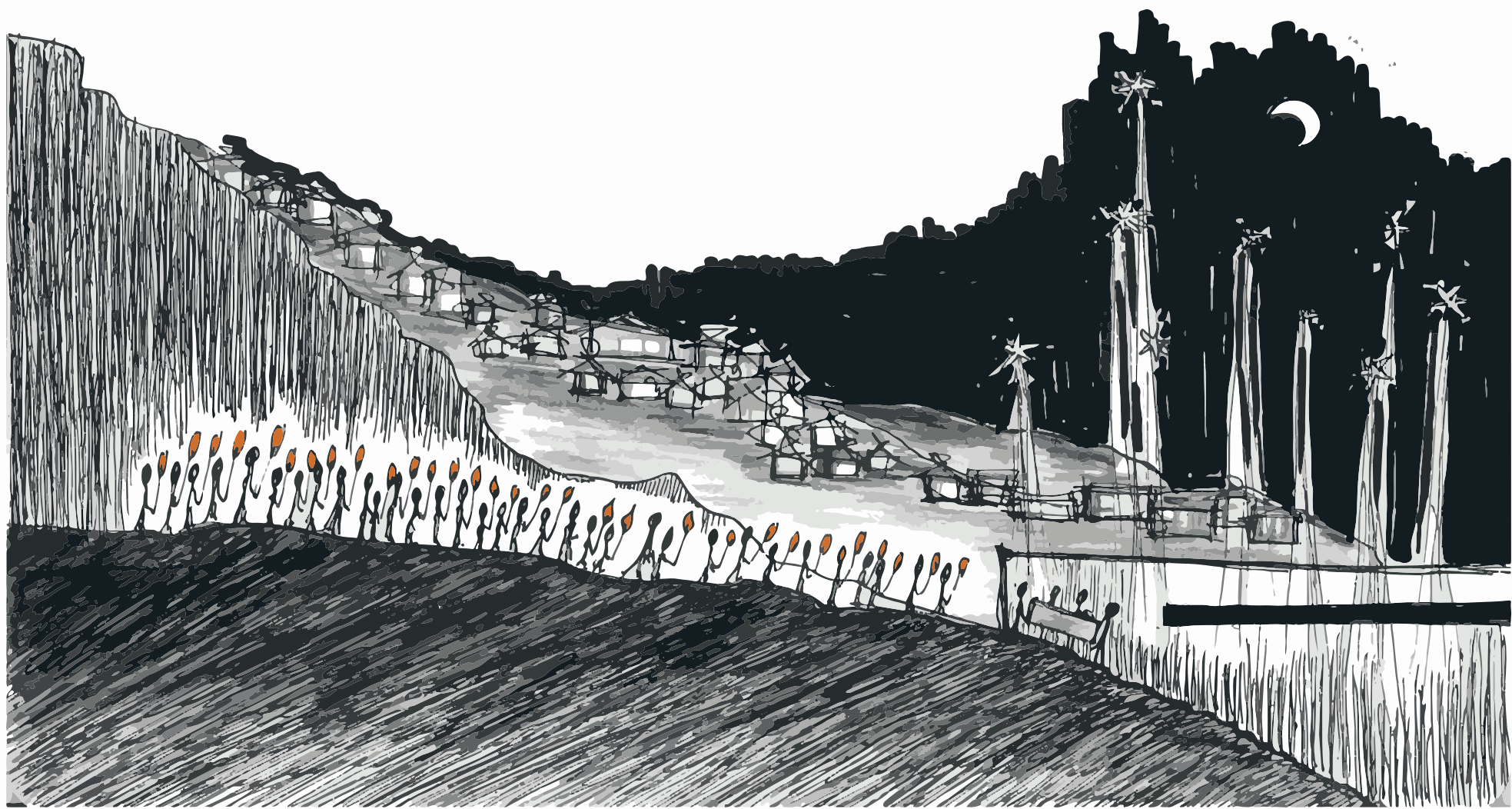


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Envelope

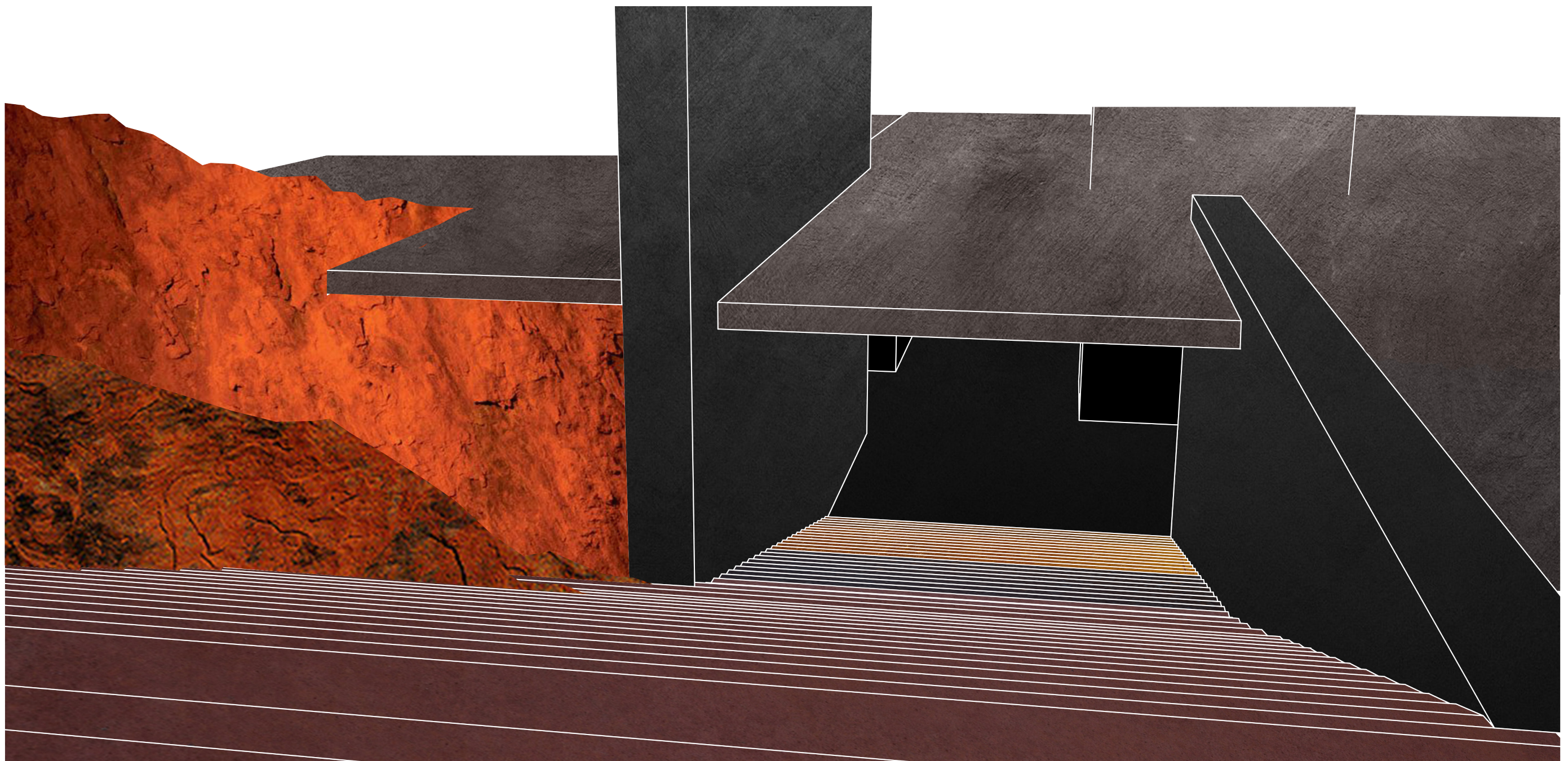


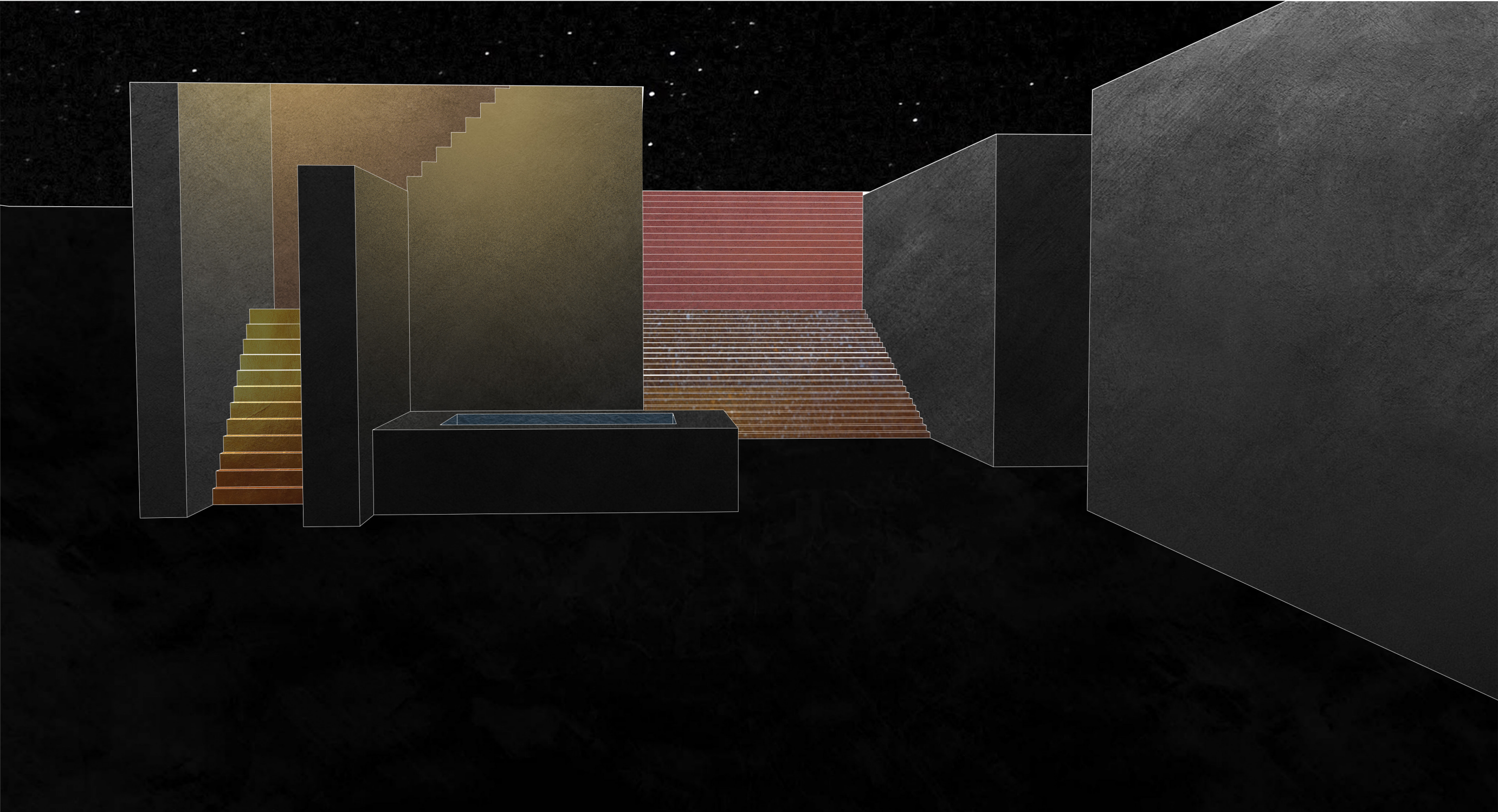




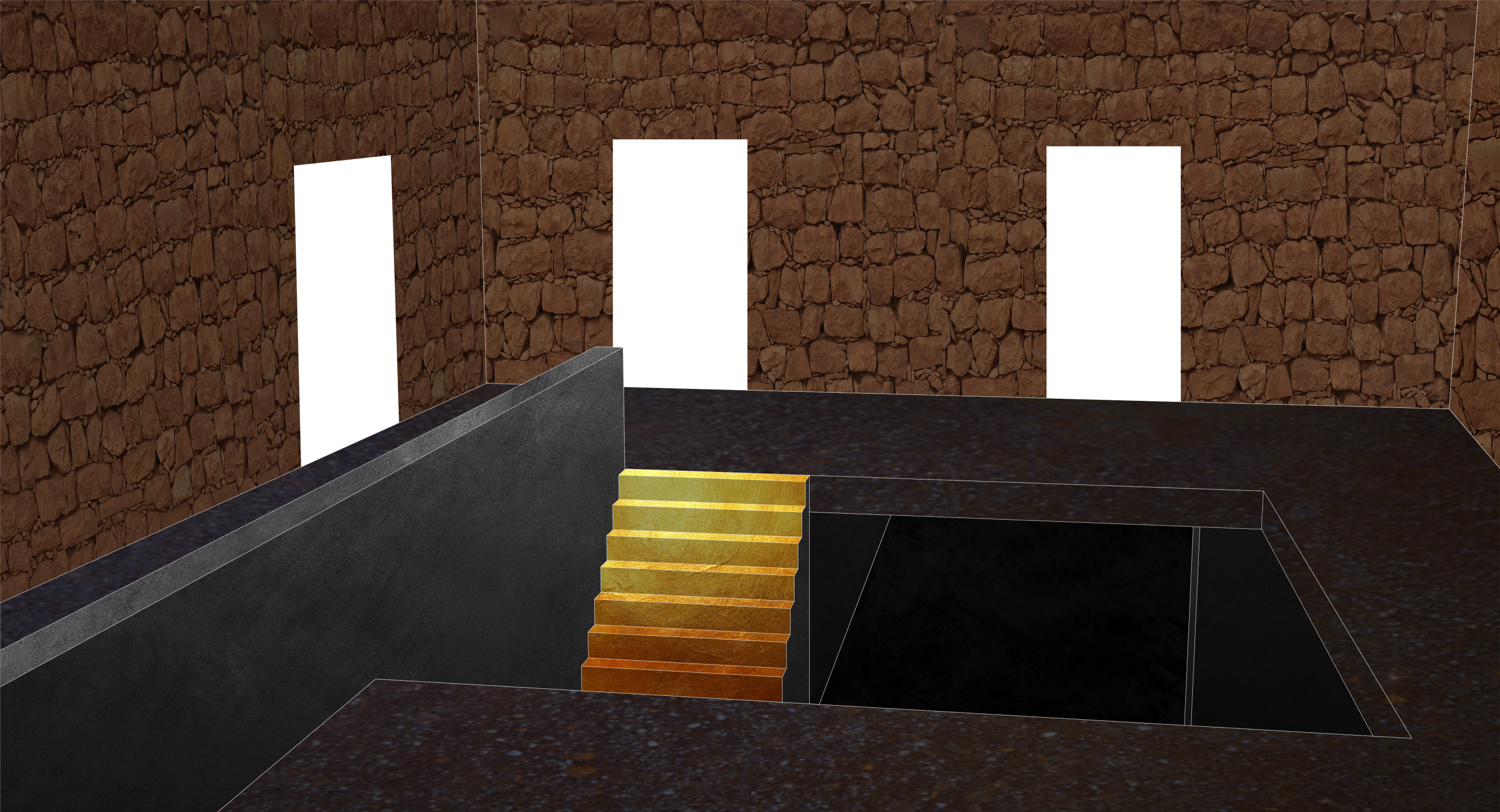


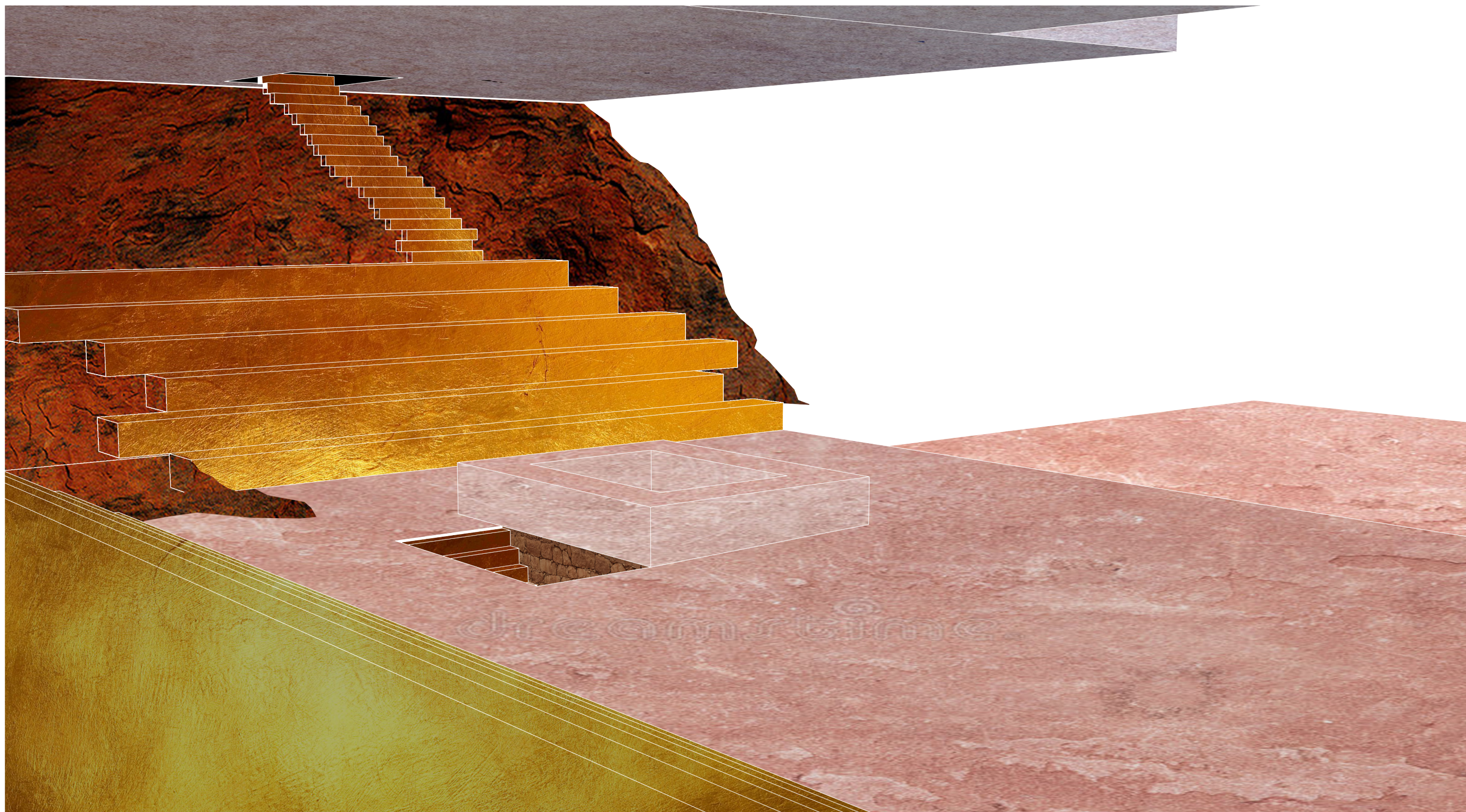






Memory/Cemetery



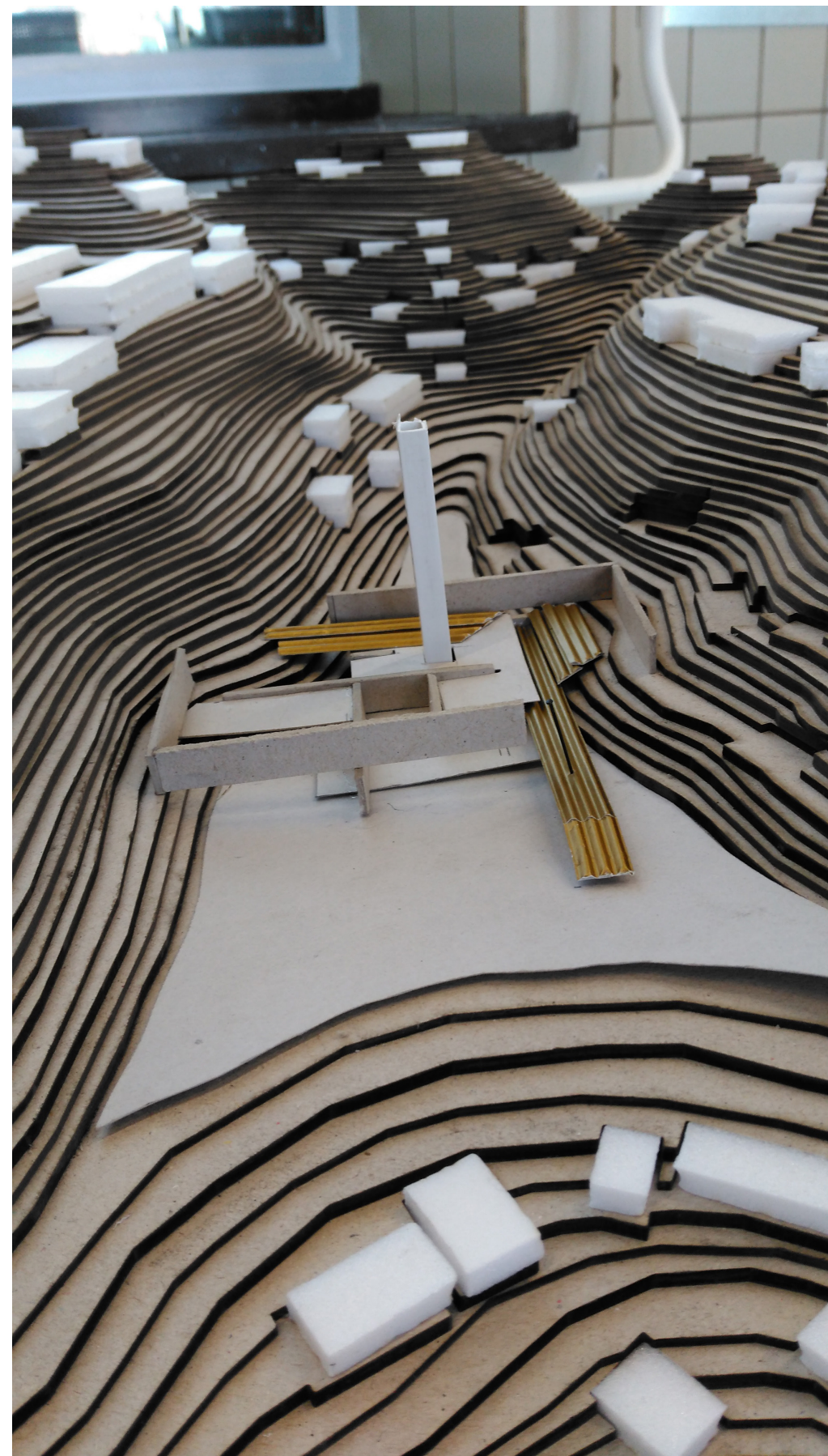


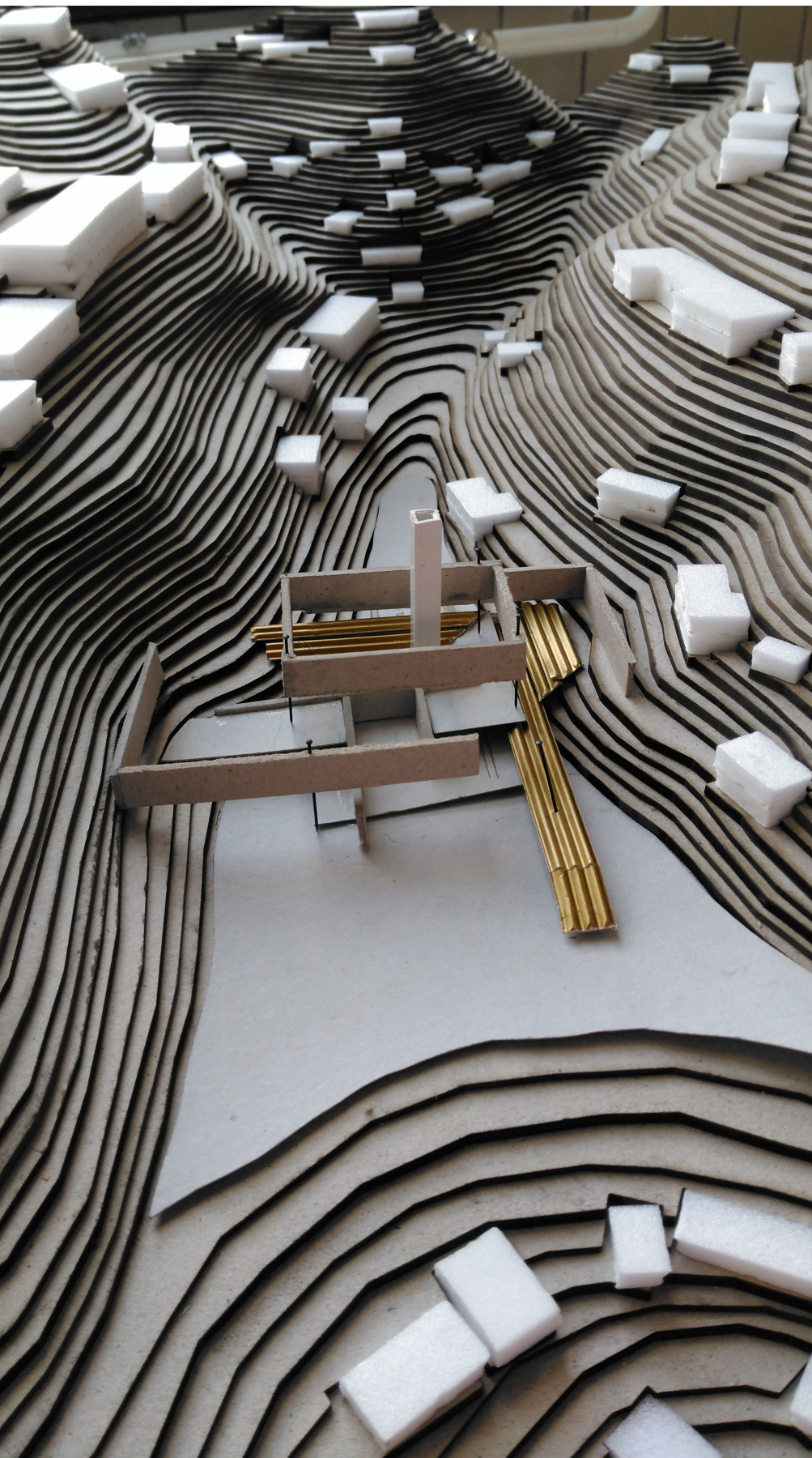


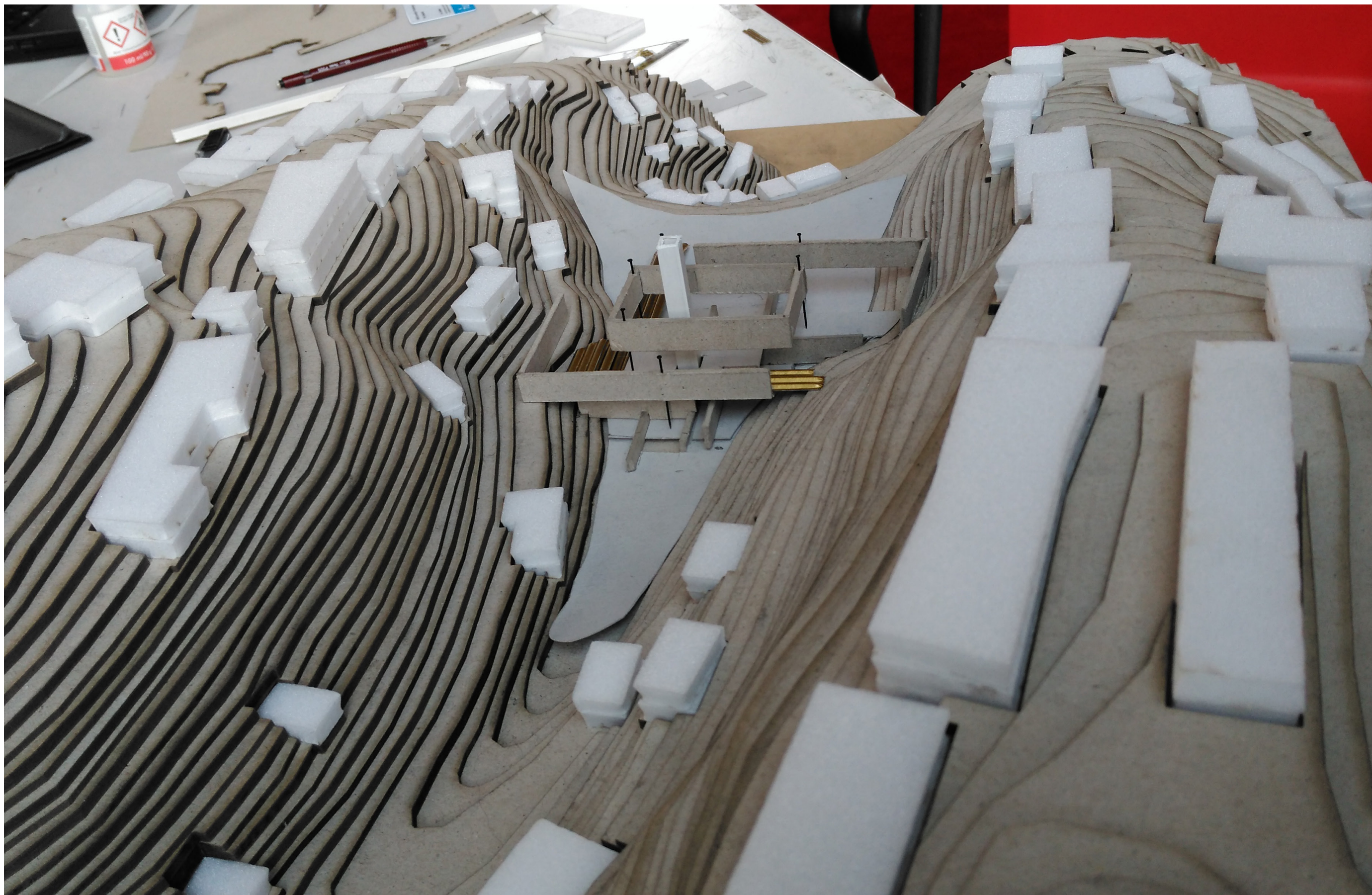


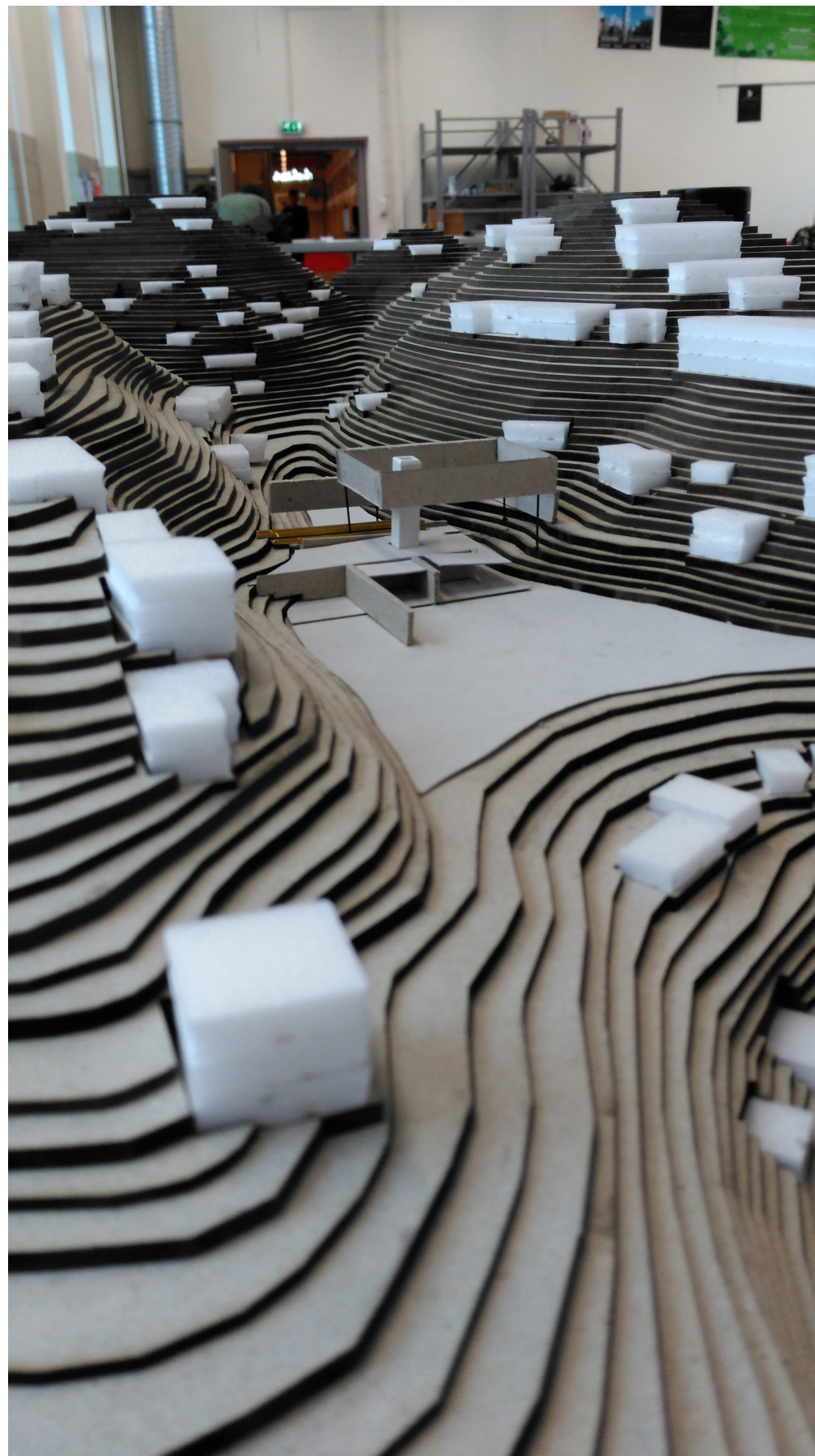


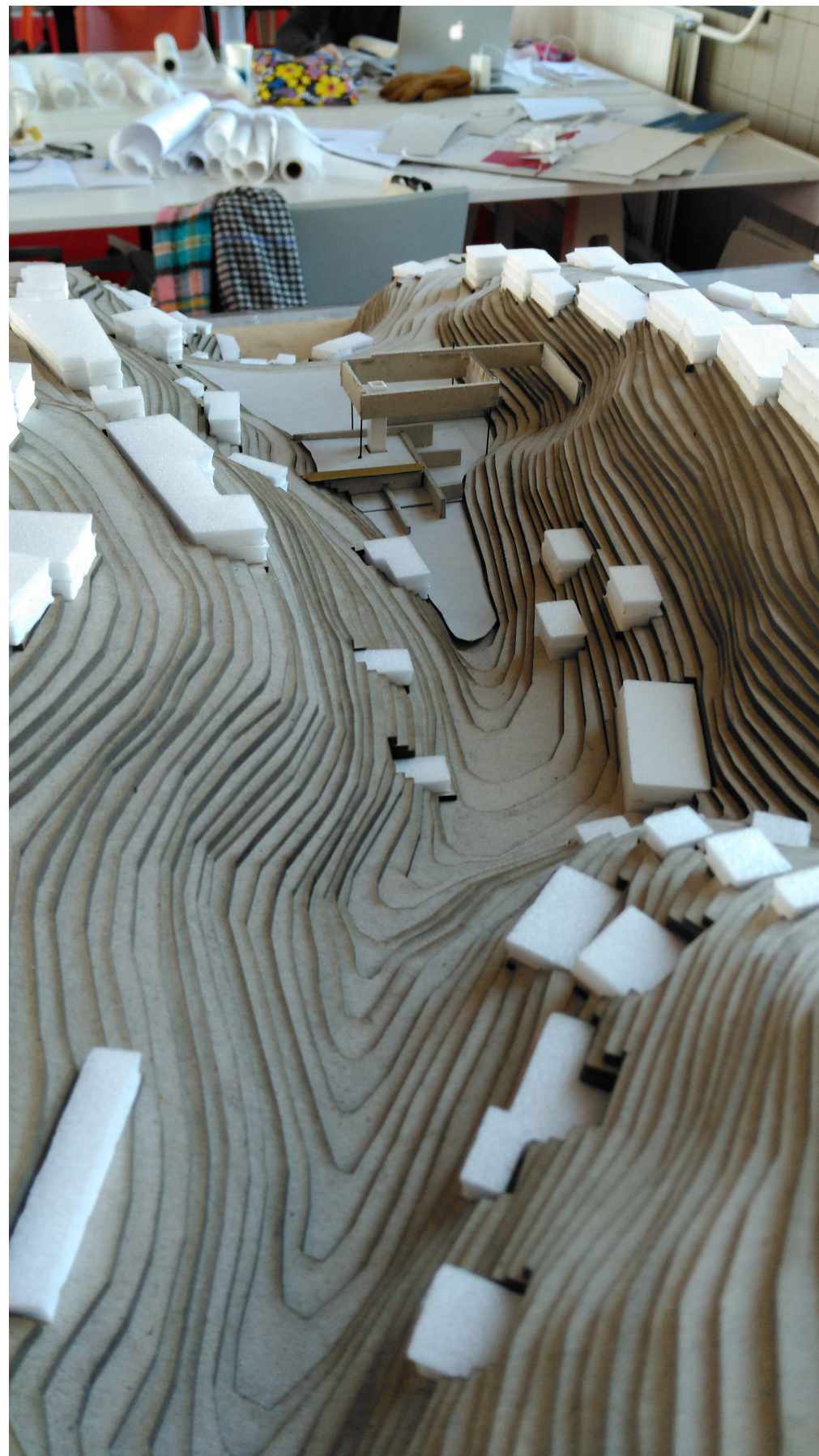
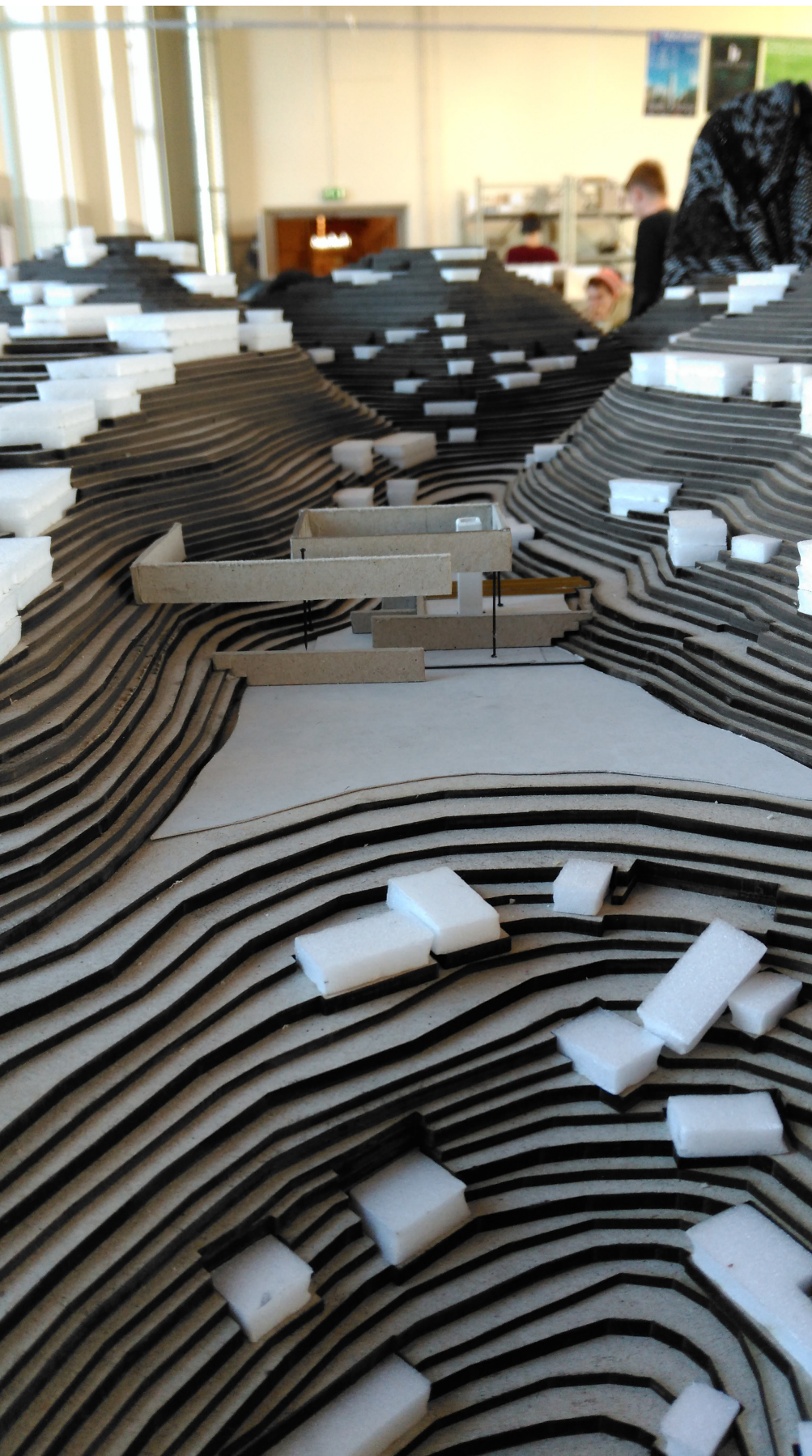
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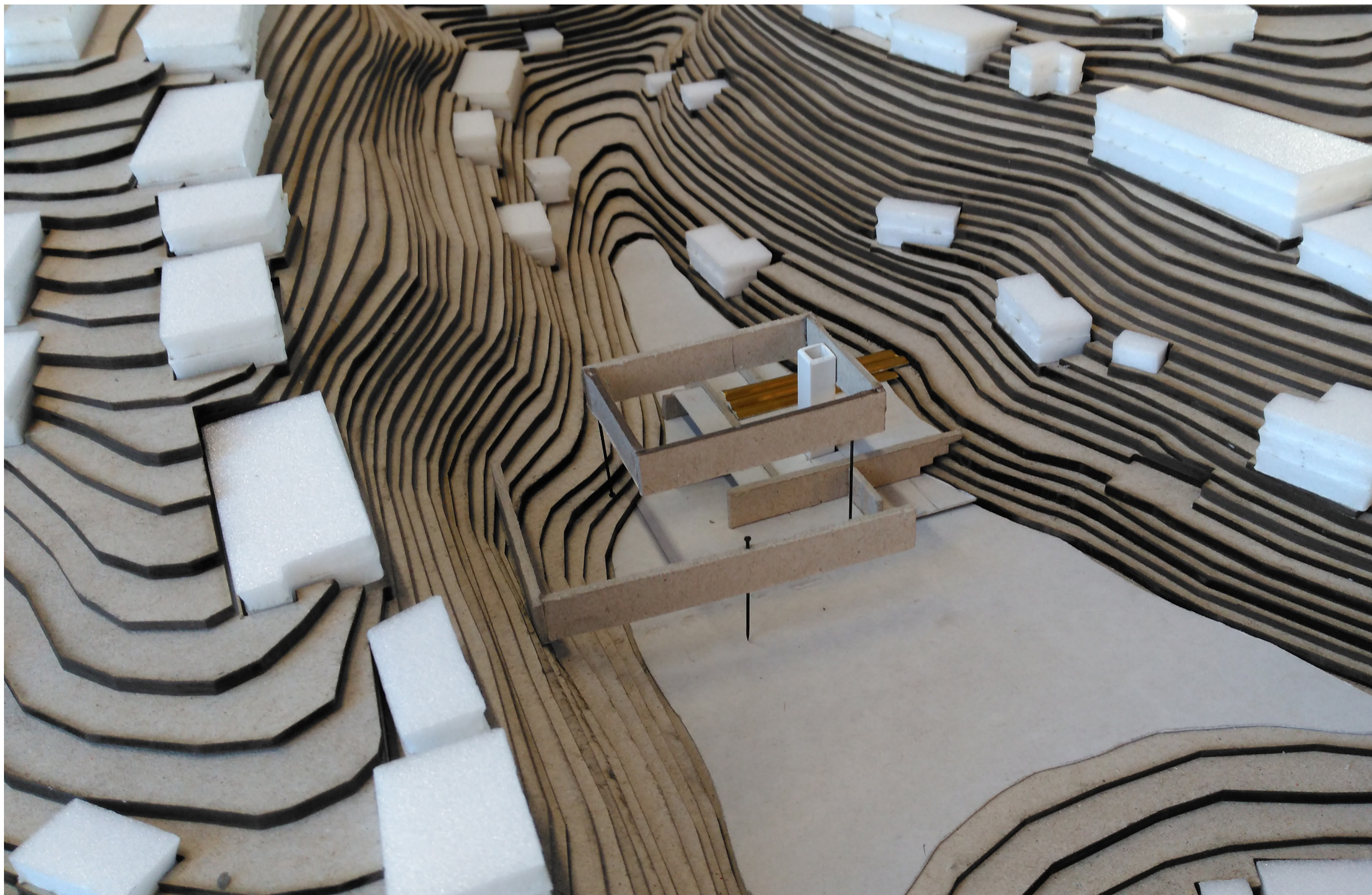


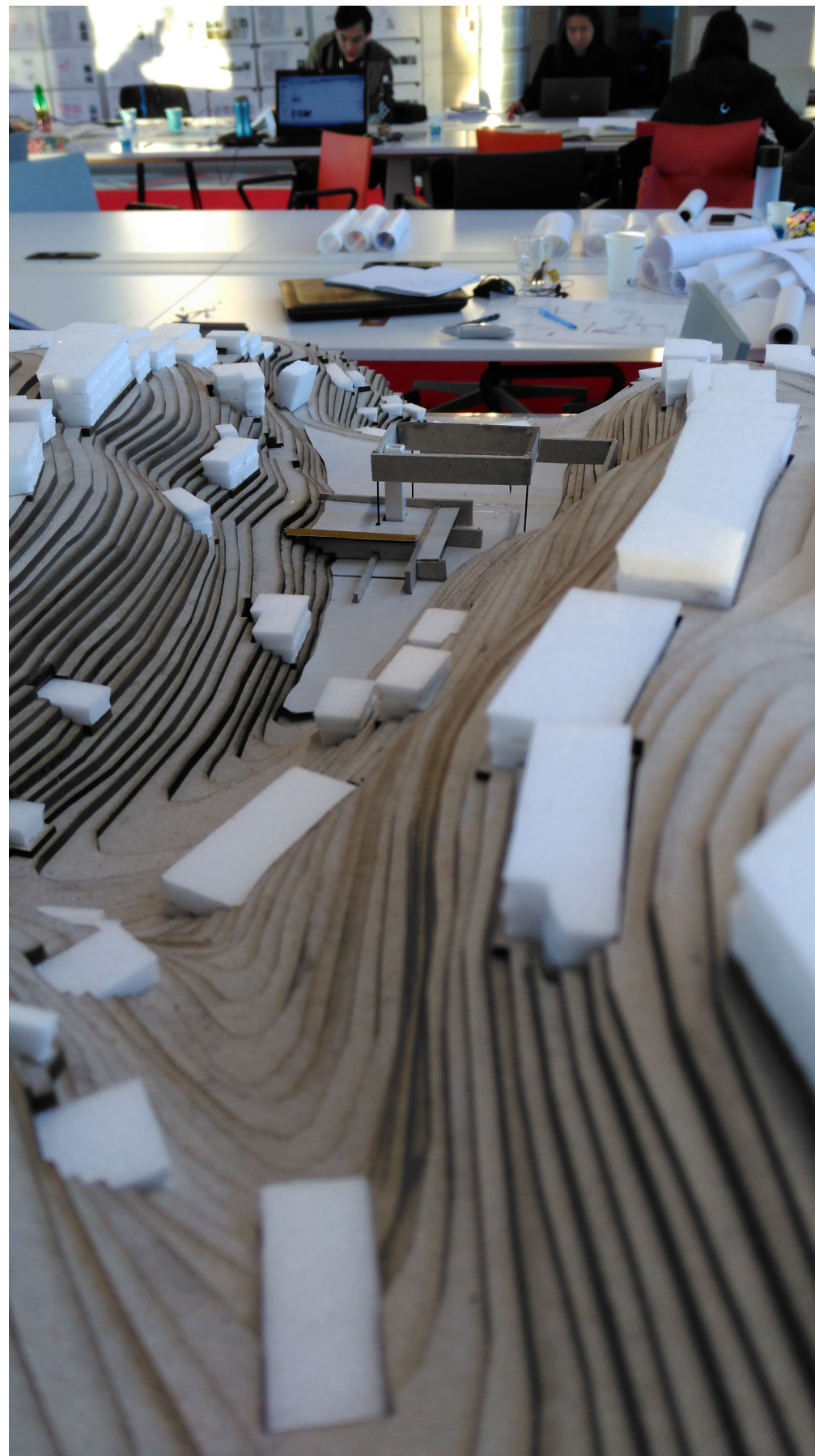


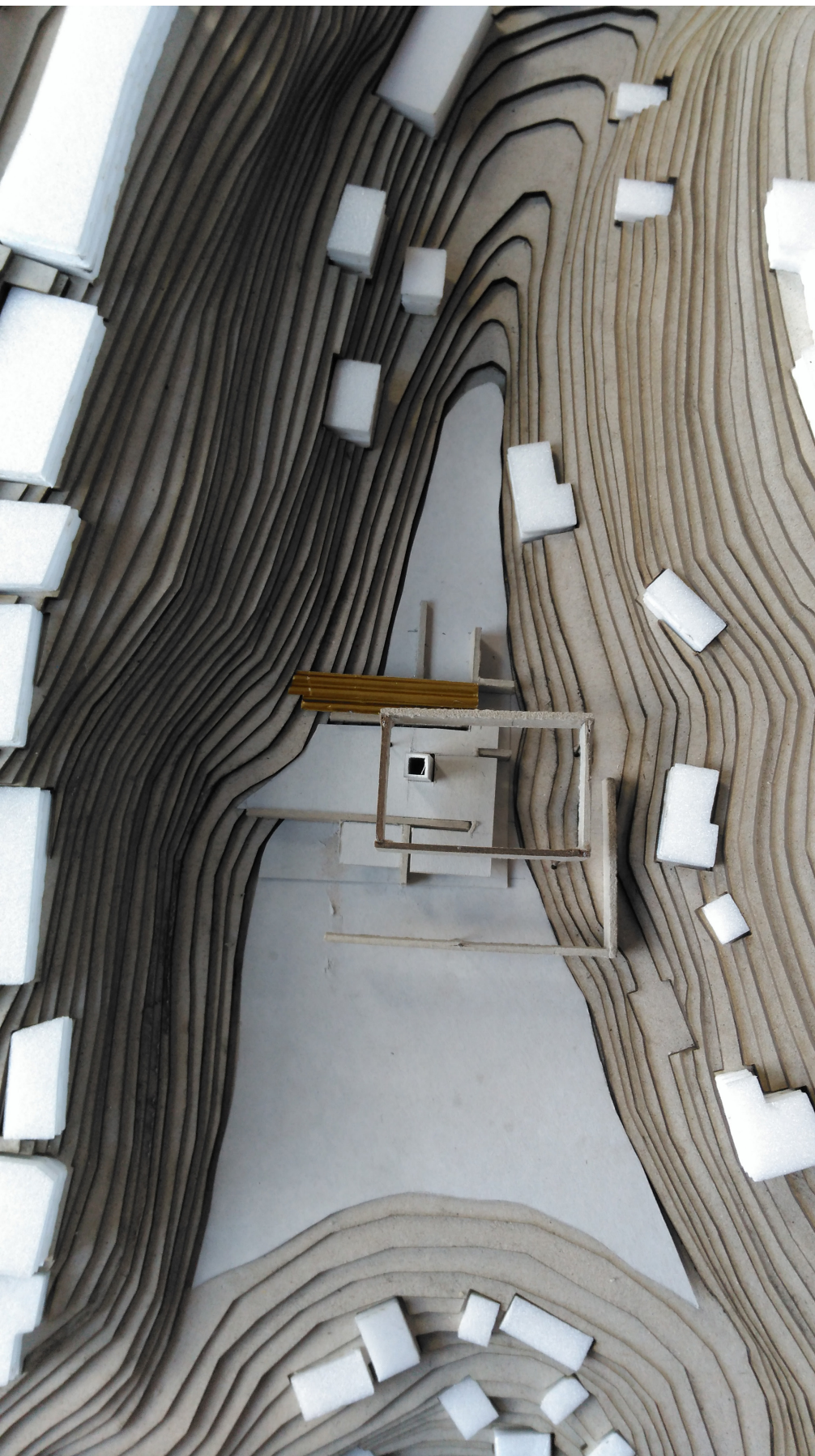




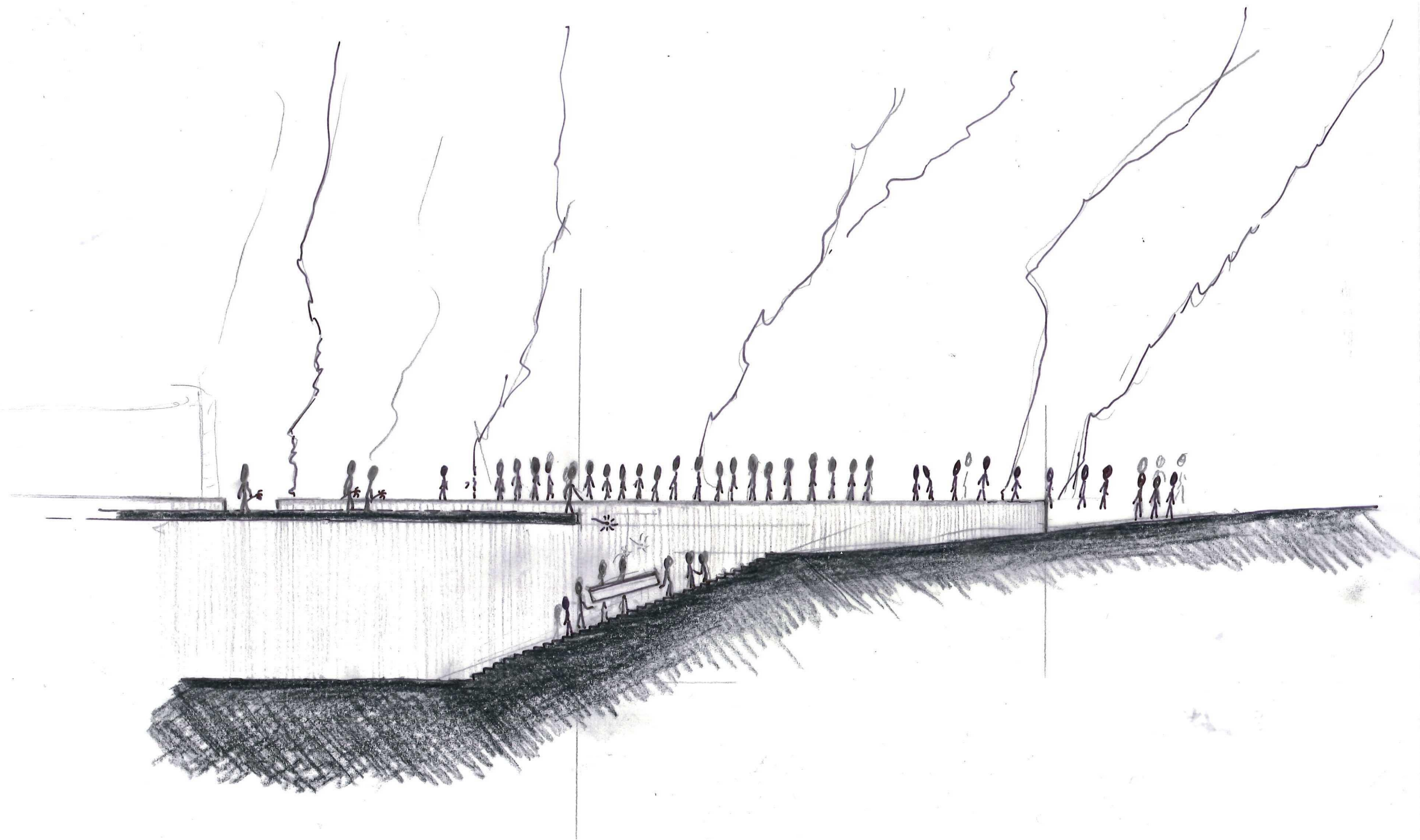




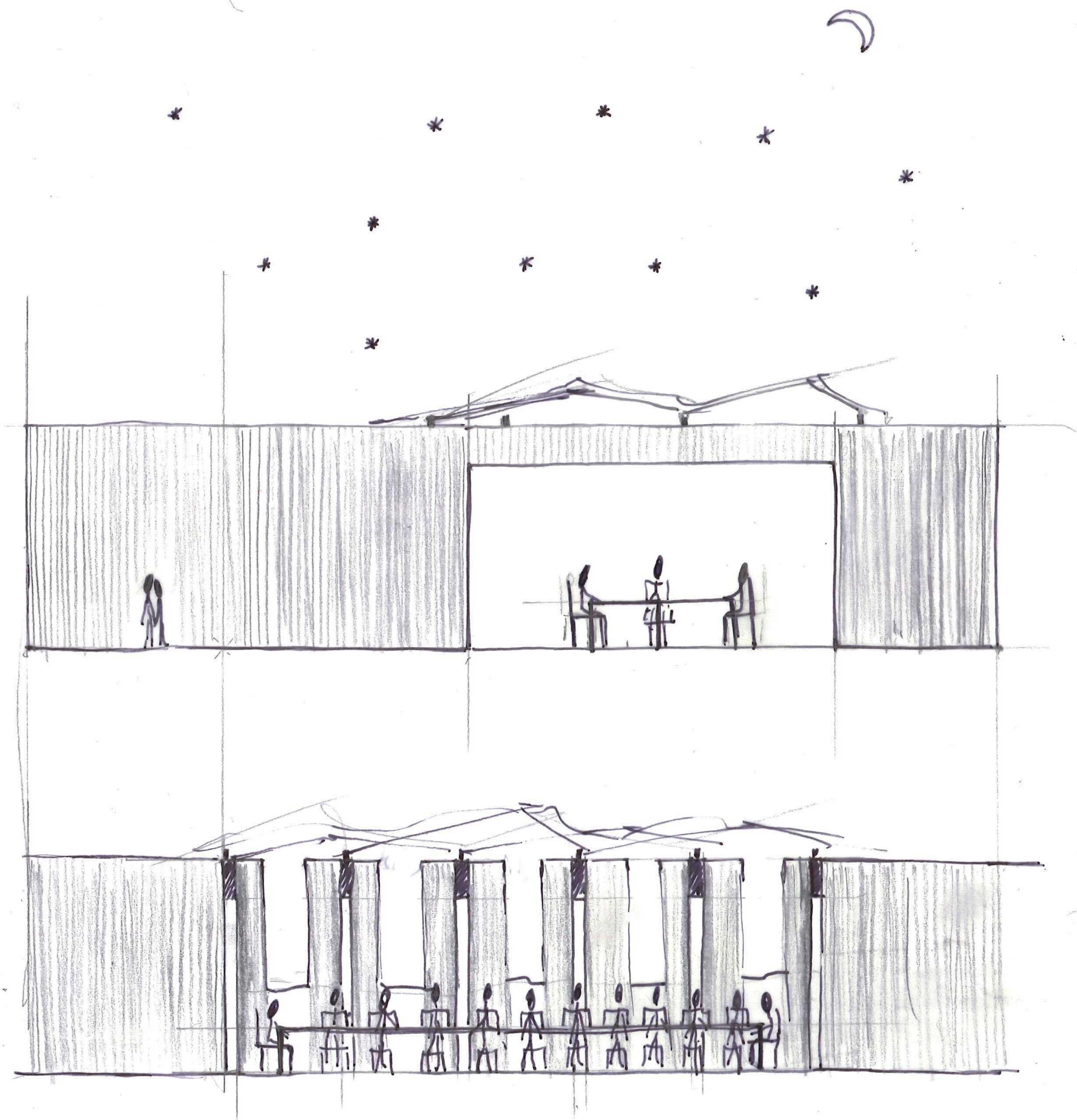






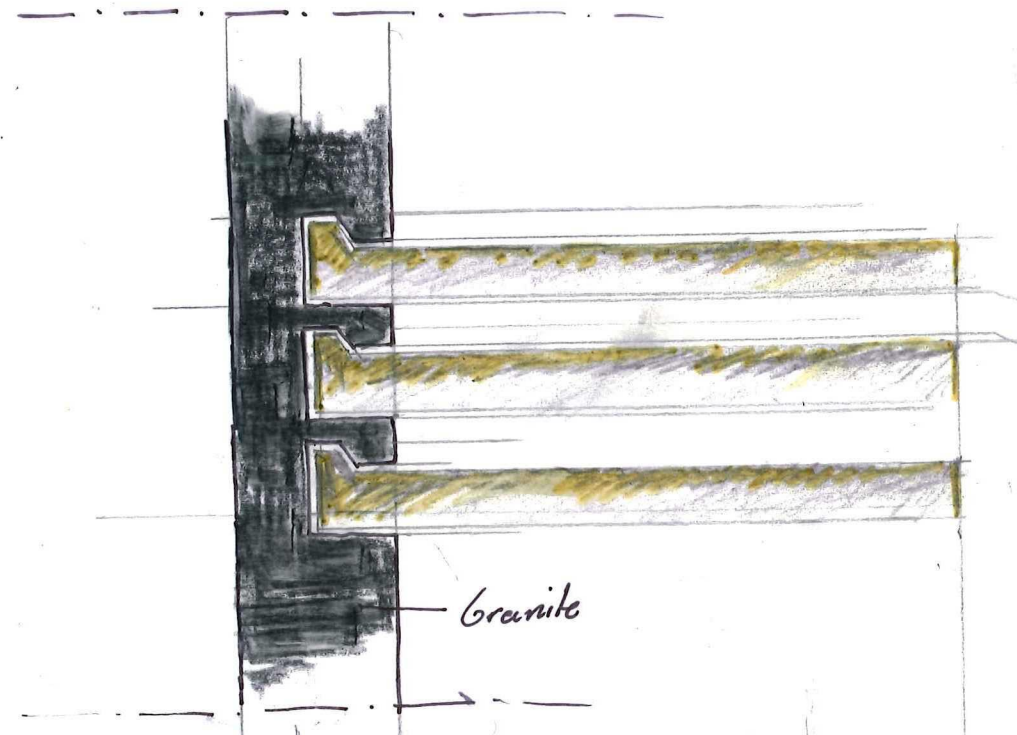
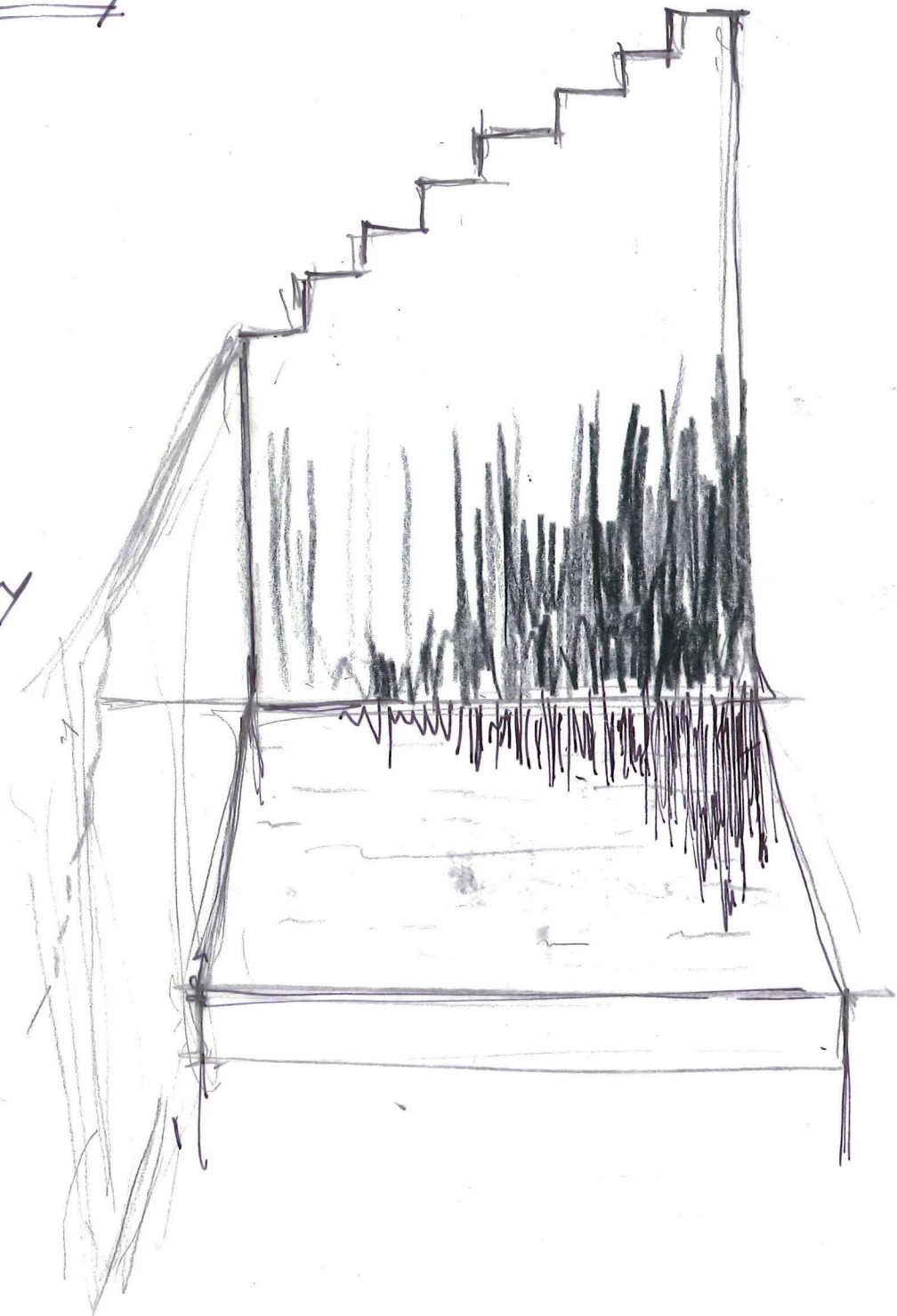
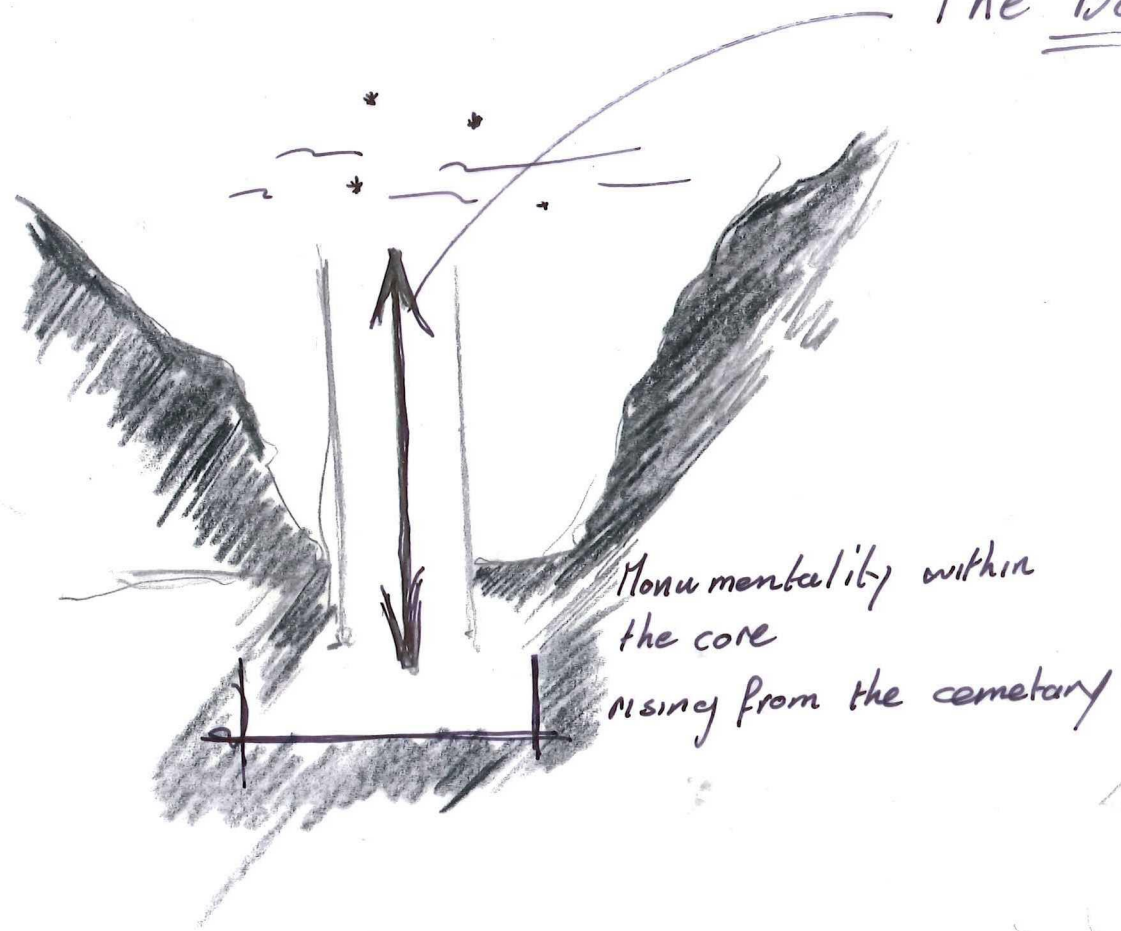


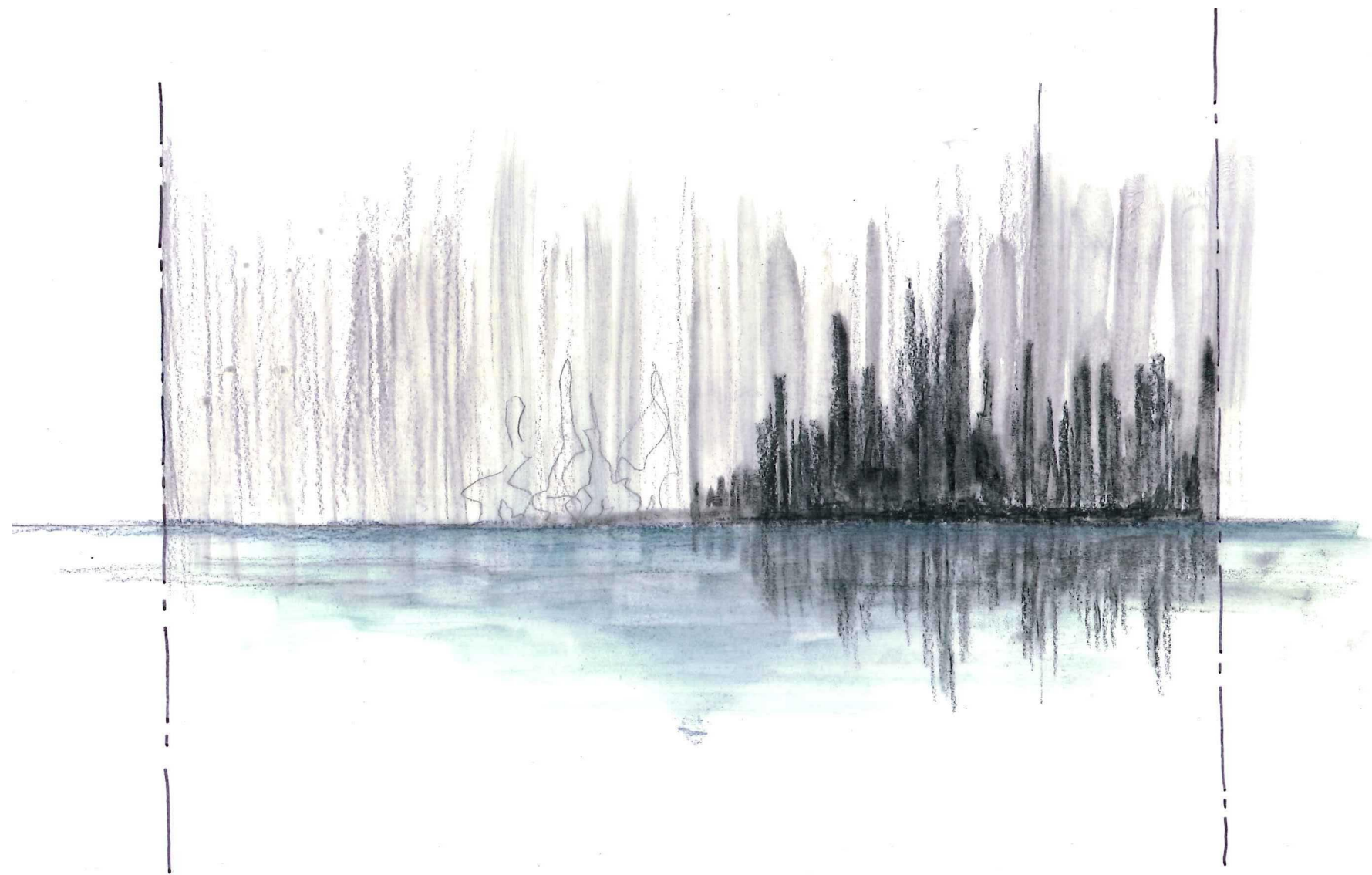
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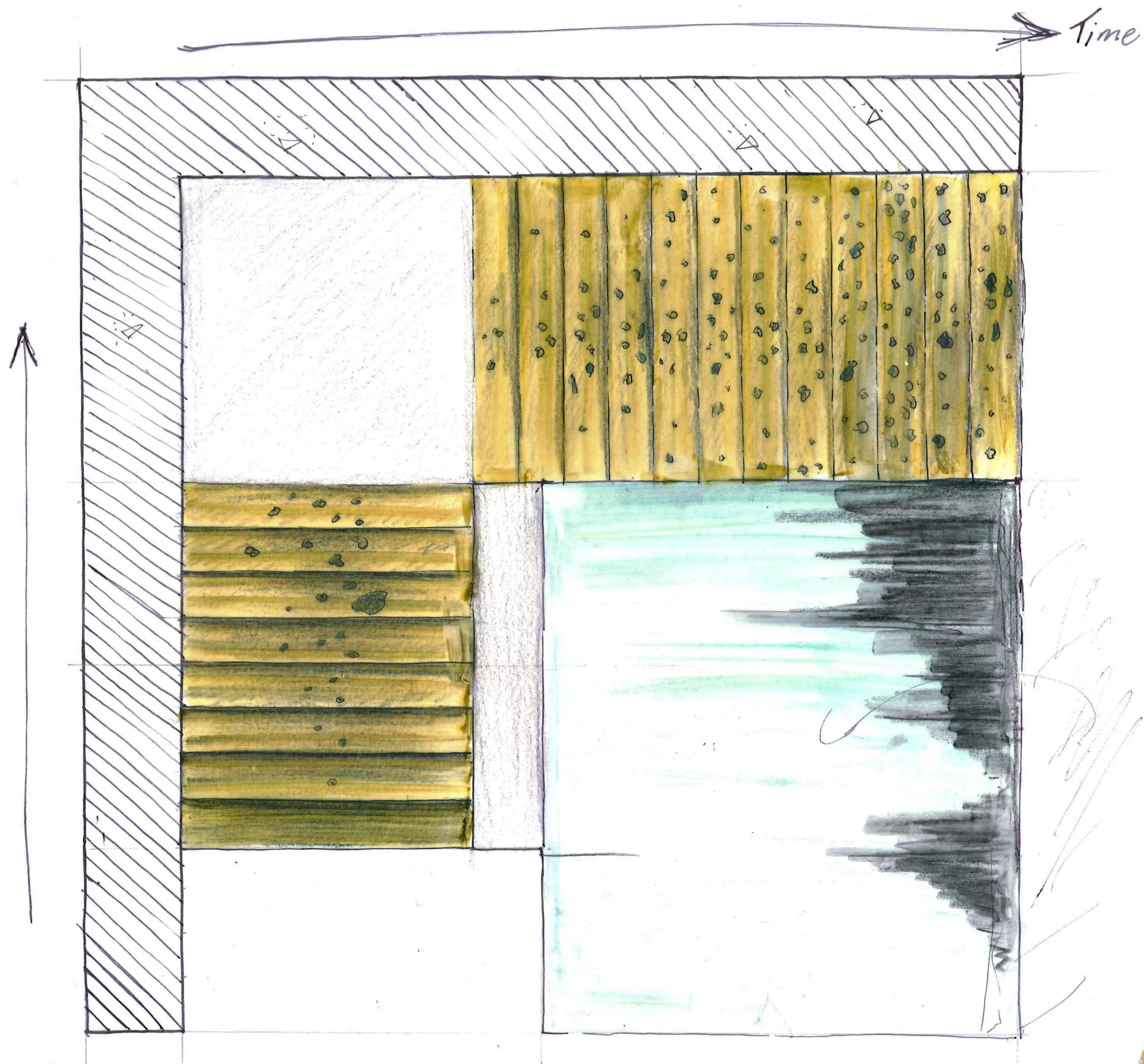
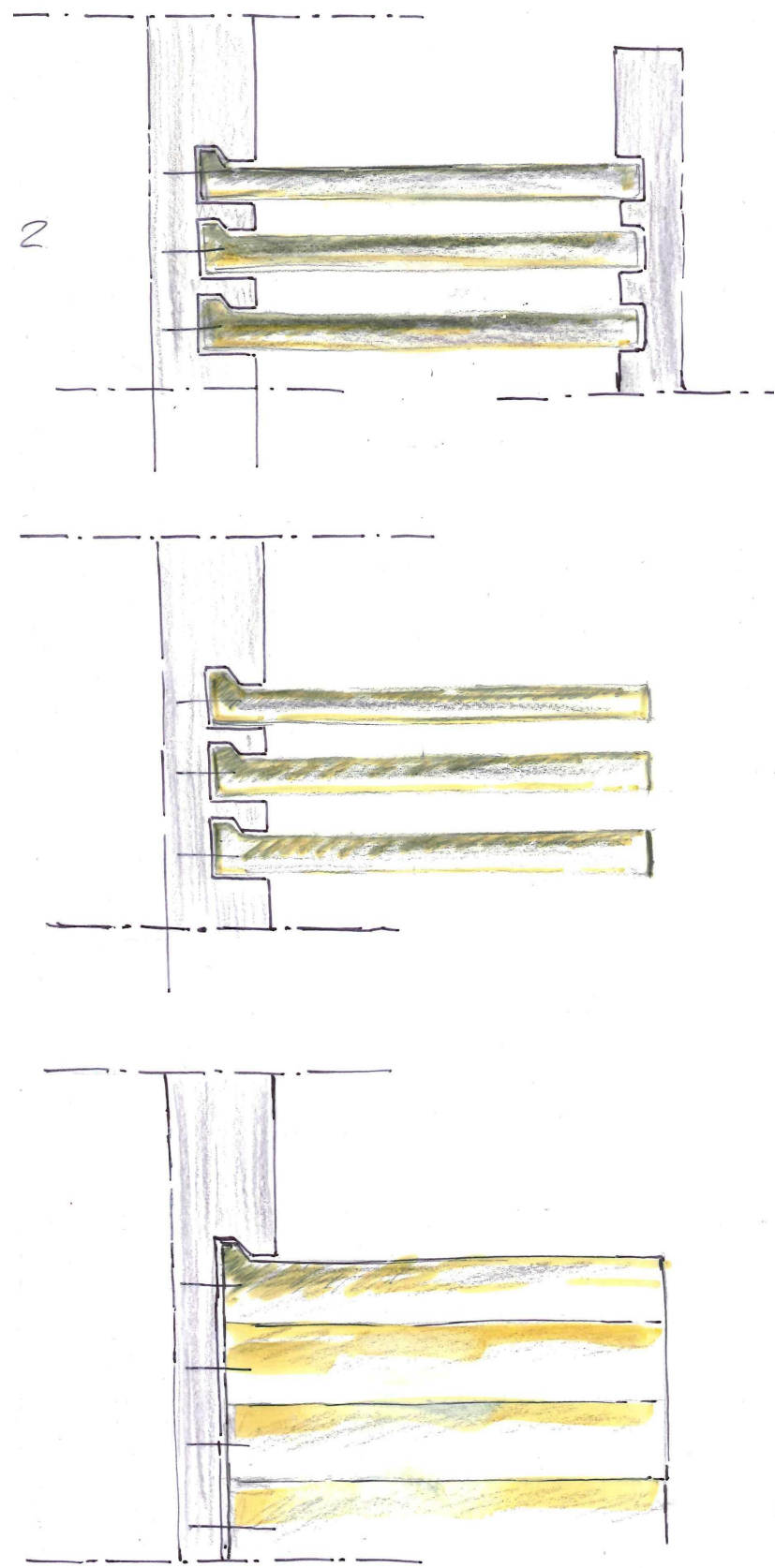


The funeral reception

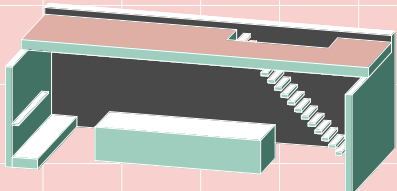
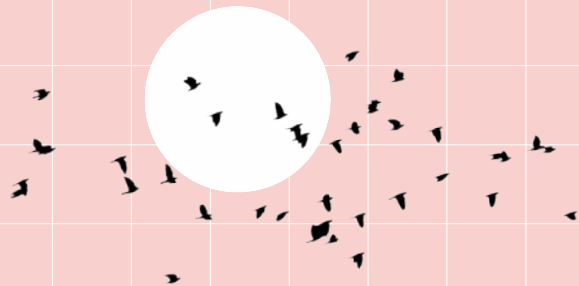
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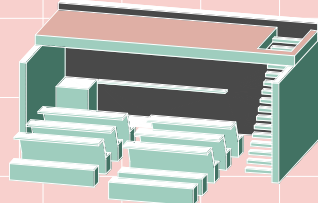




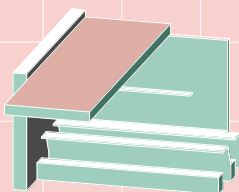
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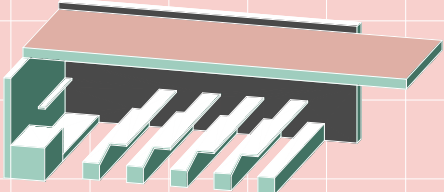
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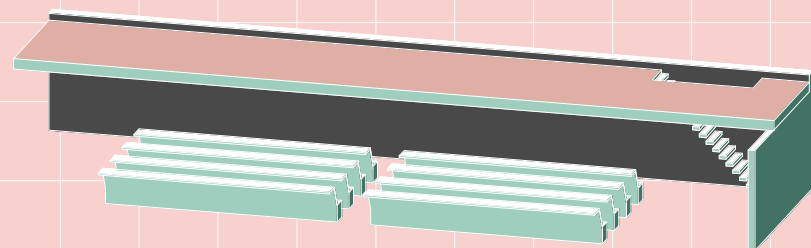
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