REVIVAL OF MEMORY

Redesign of Chang'an Ci'en Yuan Cemetery

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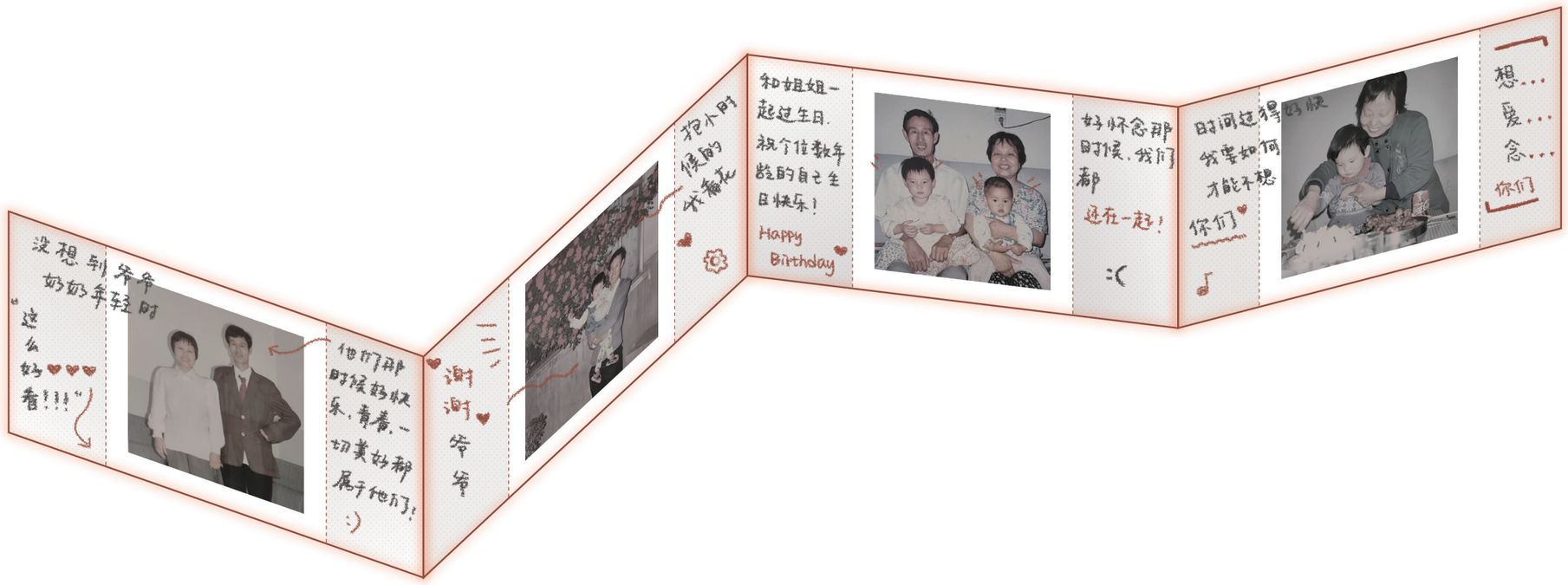
Fascination
Memory



Family Album,
2023

Fascination
Memory

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Tomb of my grandparents, 2024





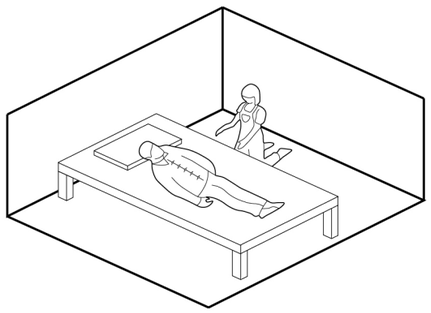
Fascination
Memory



Procedure of Funeral,
Disappearing Chinese Funeral,
Zhao Hei Visualization,
2019

Fascination
Memory

Home



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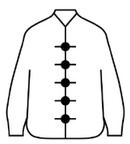

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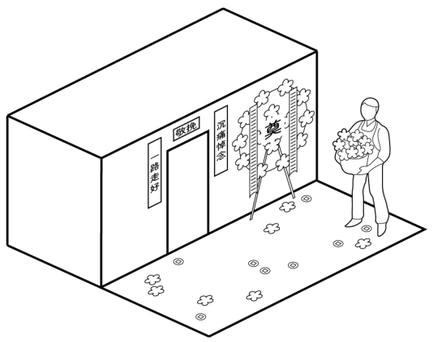

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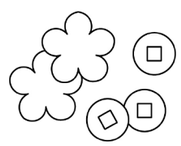
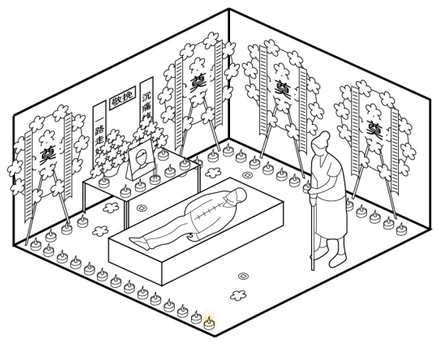


White flowers &
Paper coins

Mourning hall

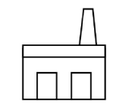


Pause & Defence



Candles

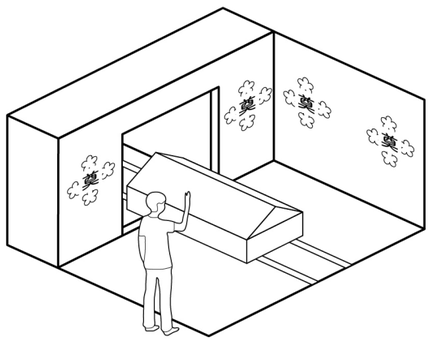
Fascination
Memory



Crematorium



Cemetery



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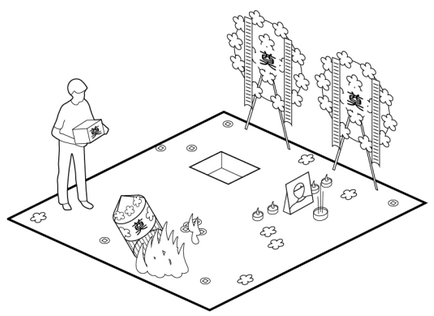
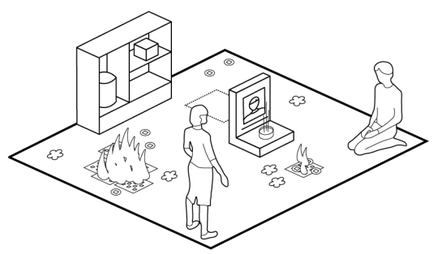
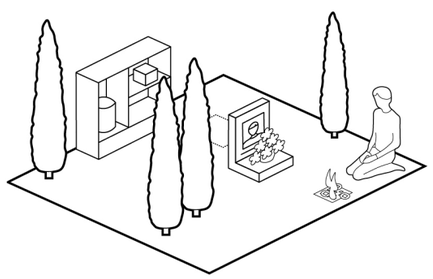


Bury



7th commemoration



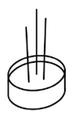
Visiting



Cremation urn



Fire

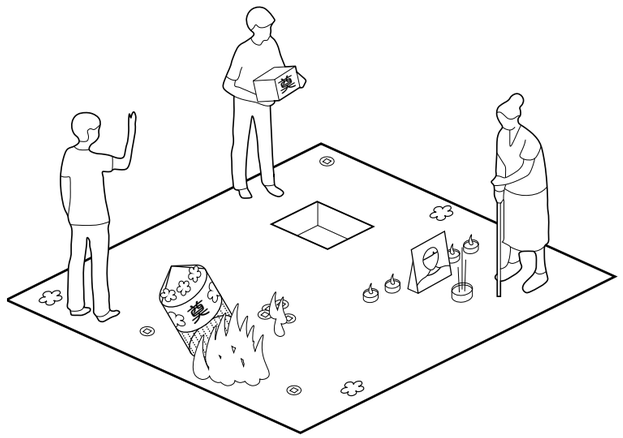


Incense

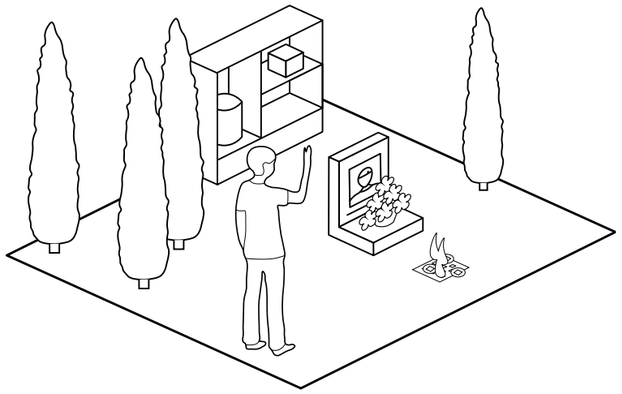


Plants

Fascination
Memory



Collective Memory →

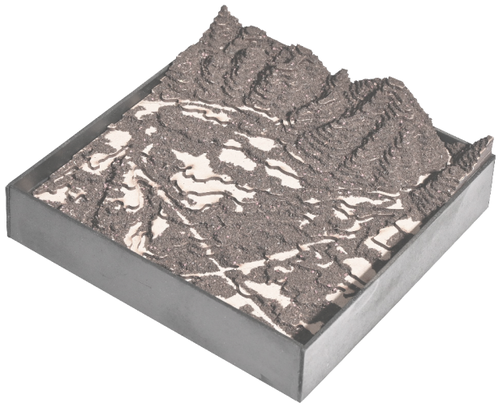


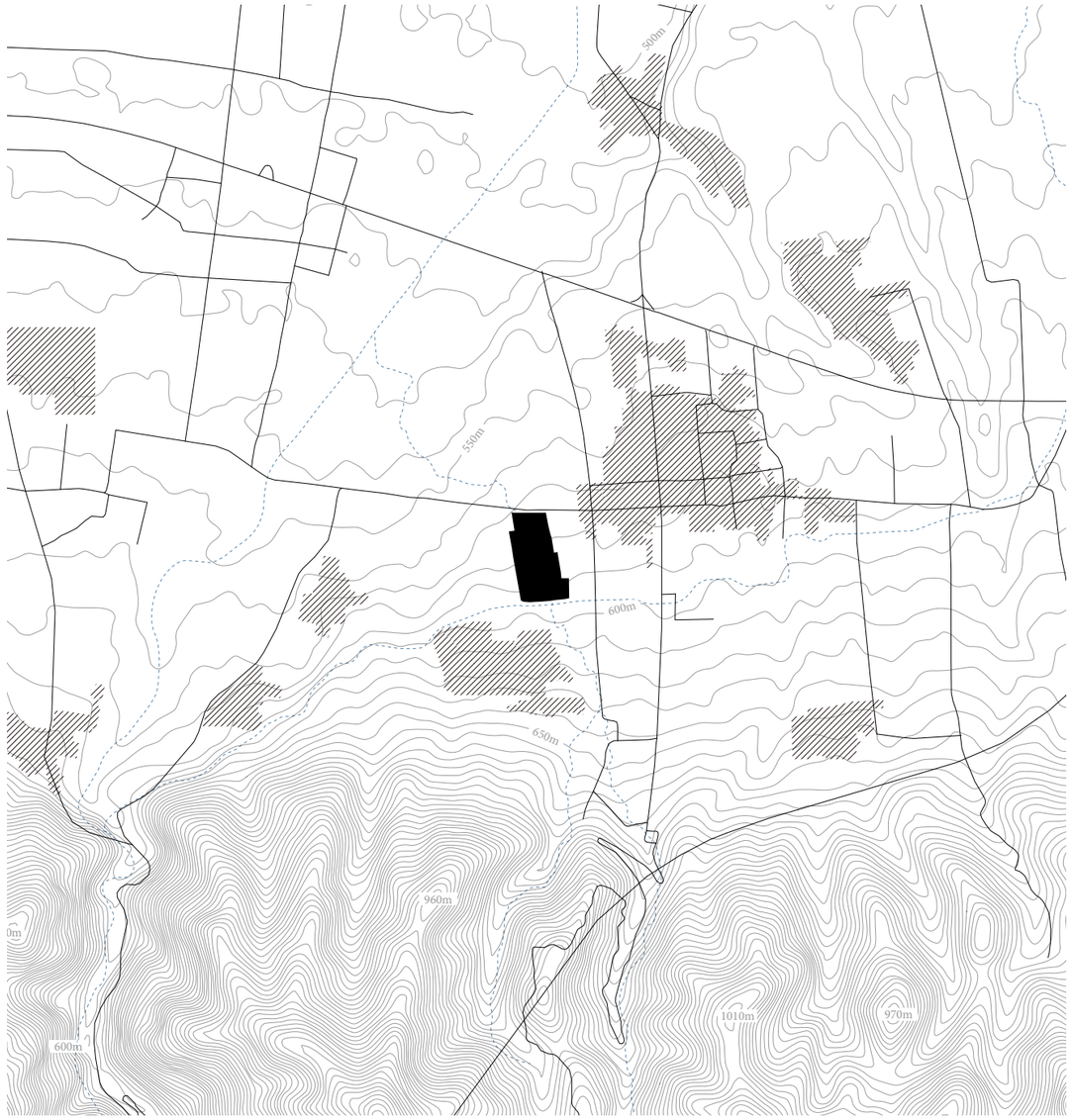
Individual Memory →

Introduction

Knowing Chang'an Ci'en Yuan cemetery







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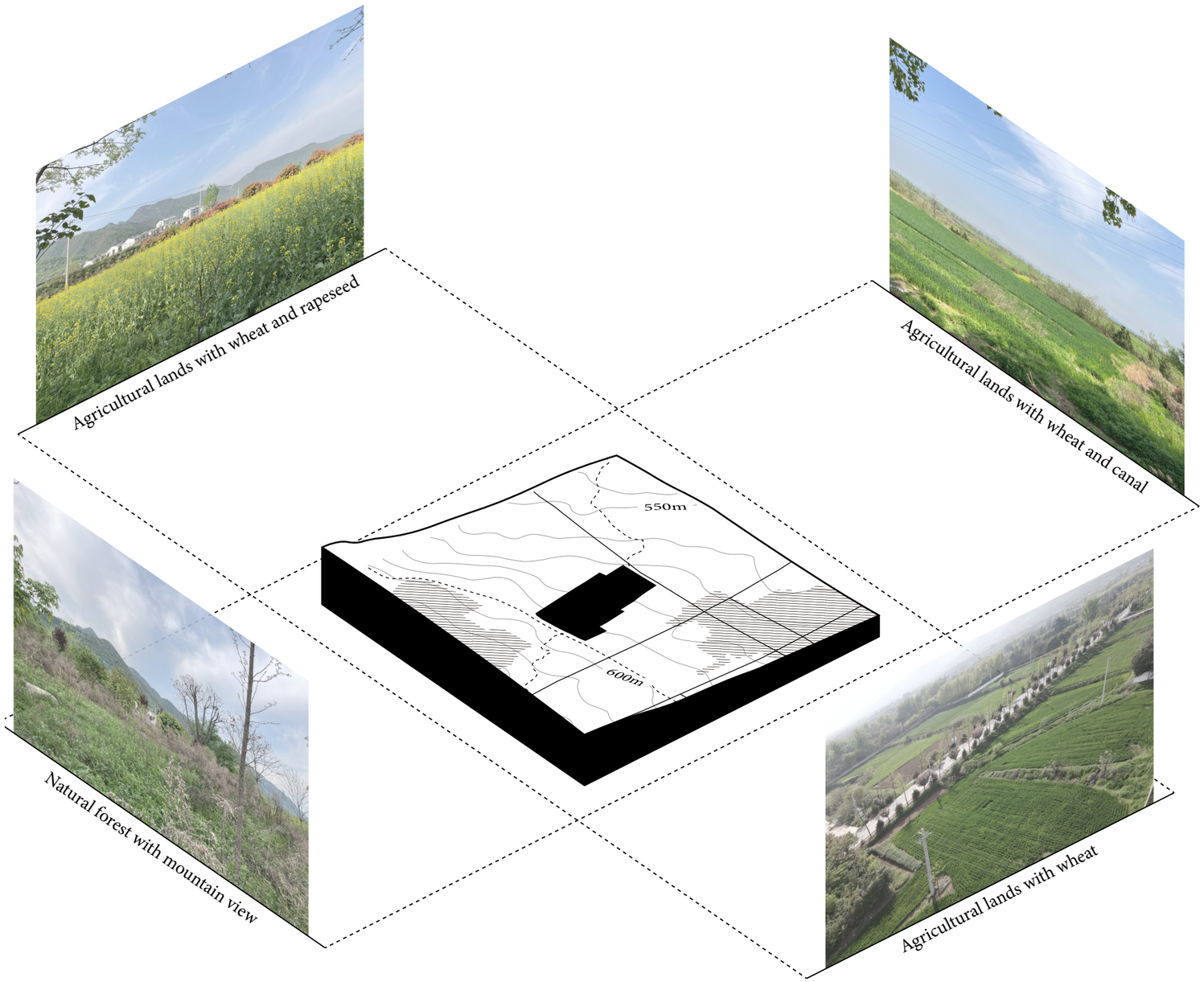


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Legend

- Contour line
- Road
- Wall
- Tomb
- Agricultural land
- Forest
- Water
- Building
- Tree

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0 10 30 60m

























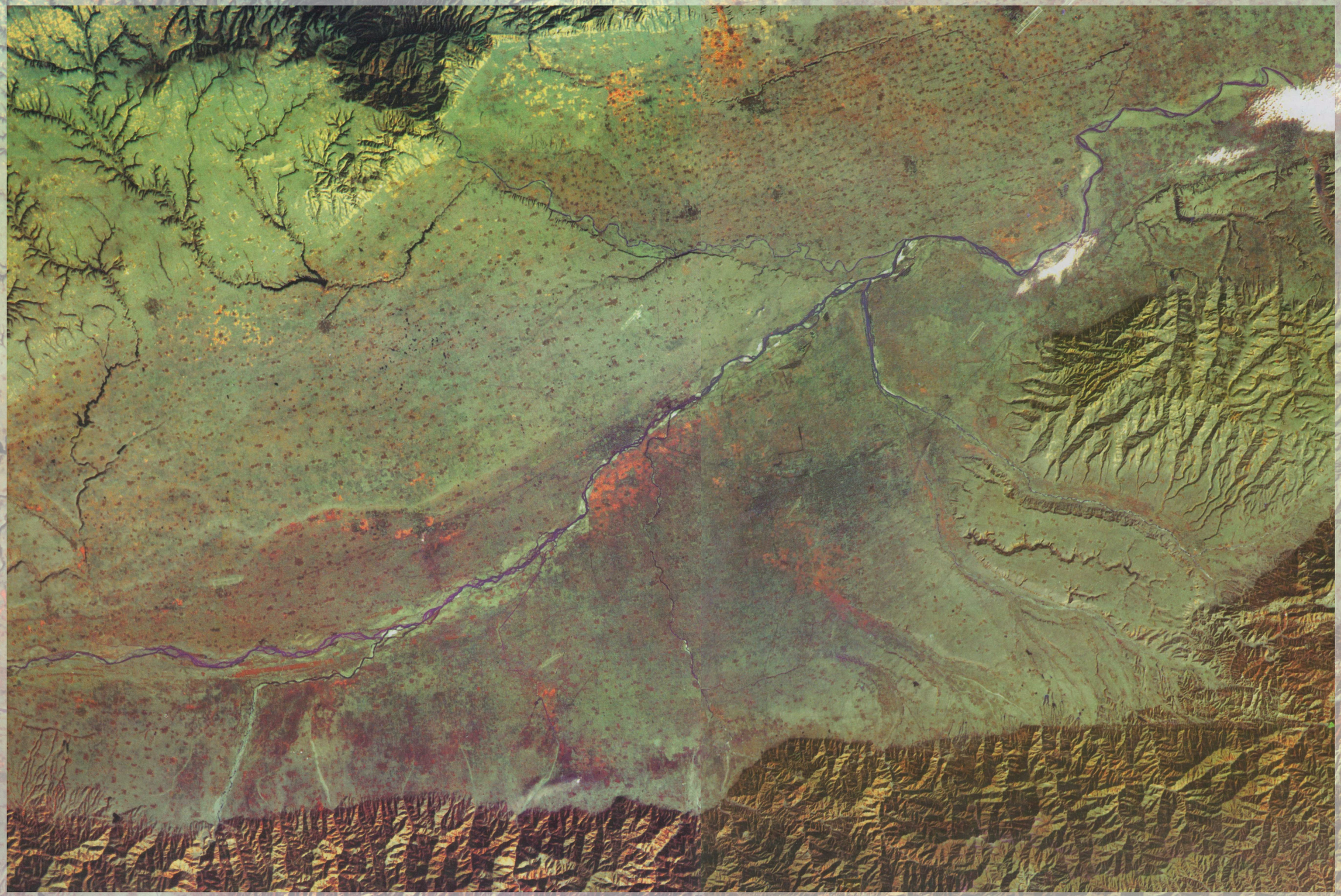

Tongchuan

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20km

20km

Yanliang District

Gaoling District

Weinan

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Xianyang

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Baqiao District

Xincheng District

Lianhu District

Xi'an

Beilin District

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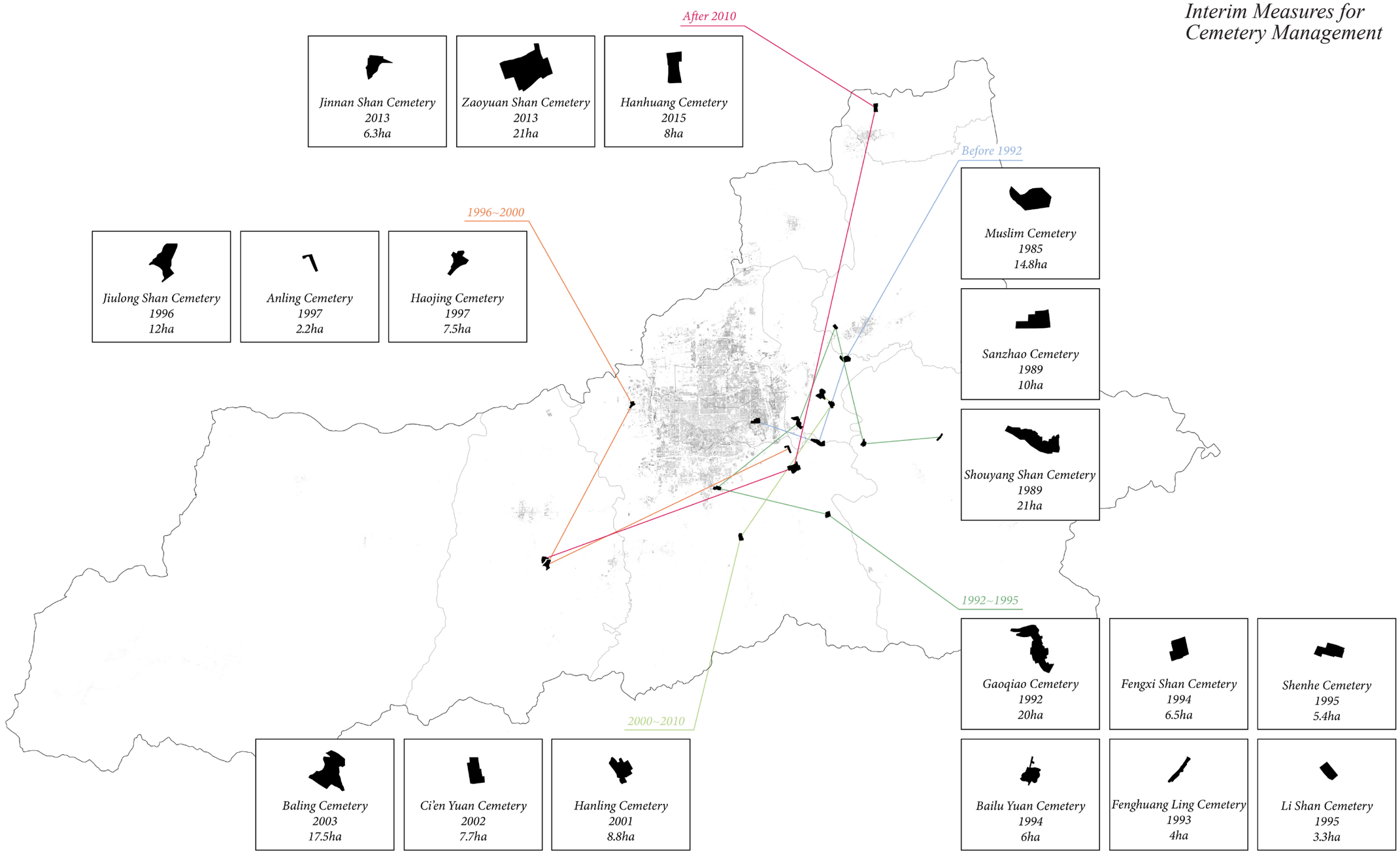
Public cemeteries in Xi'an

- *1992*
  Interim Measures for Cemetery Management



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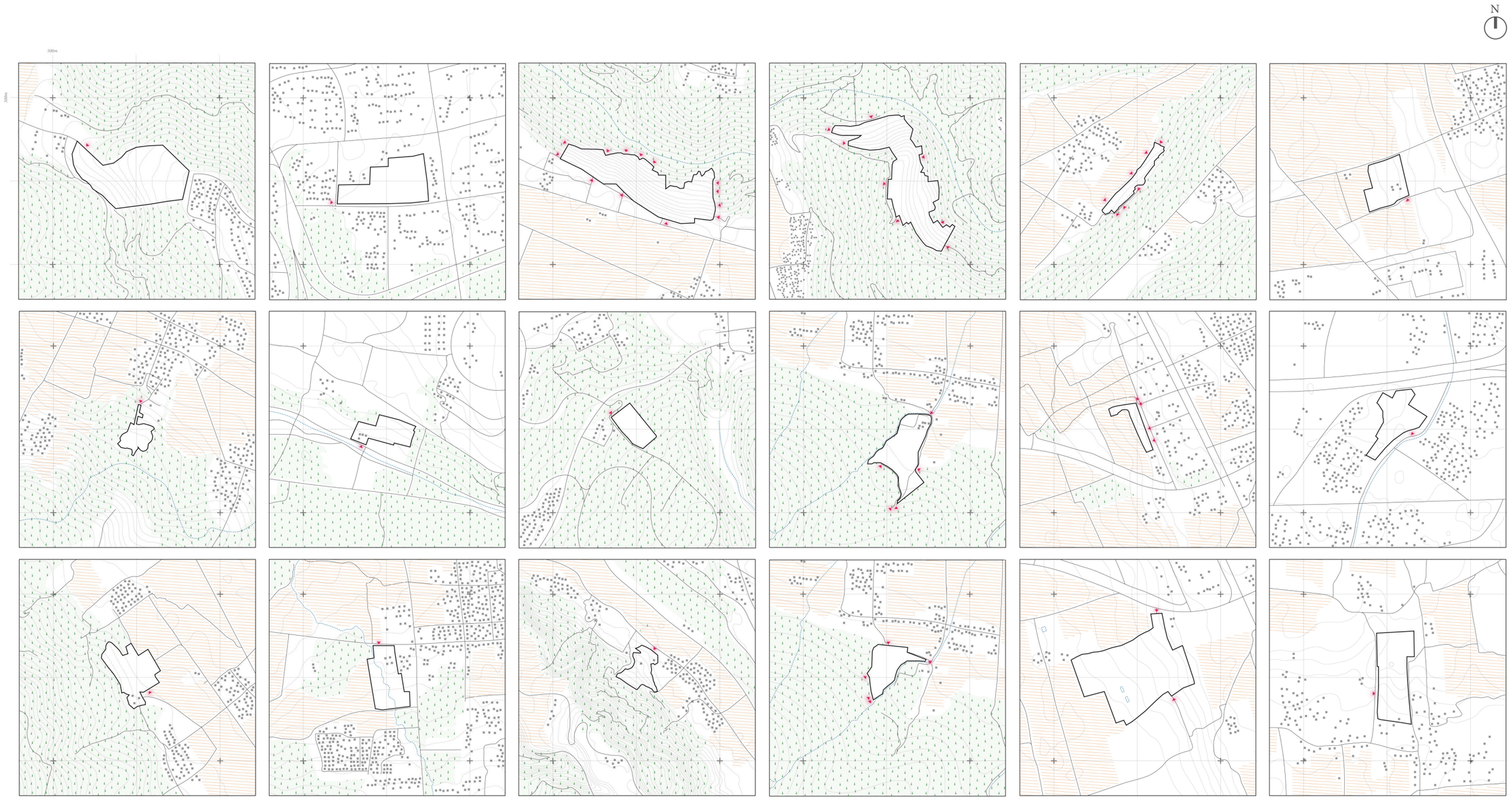
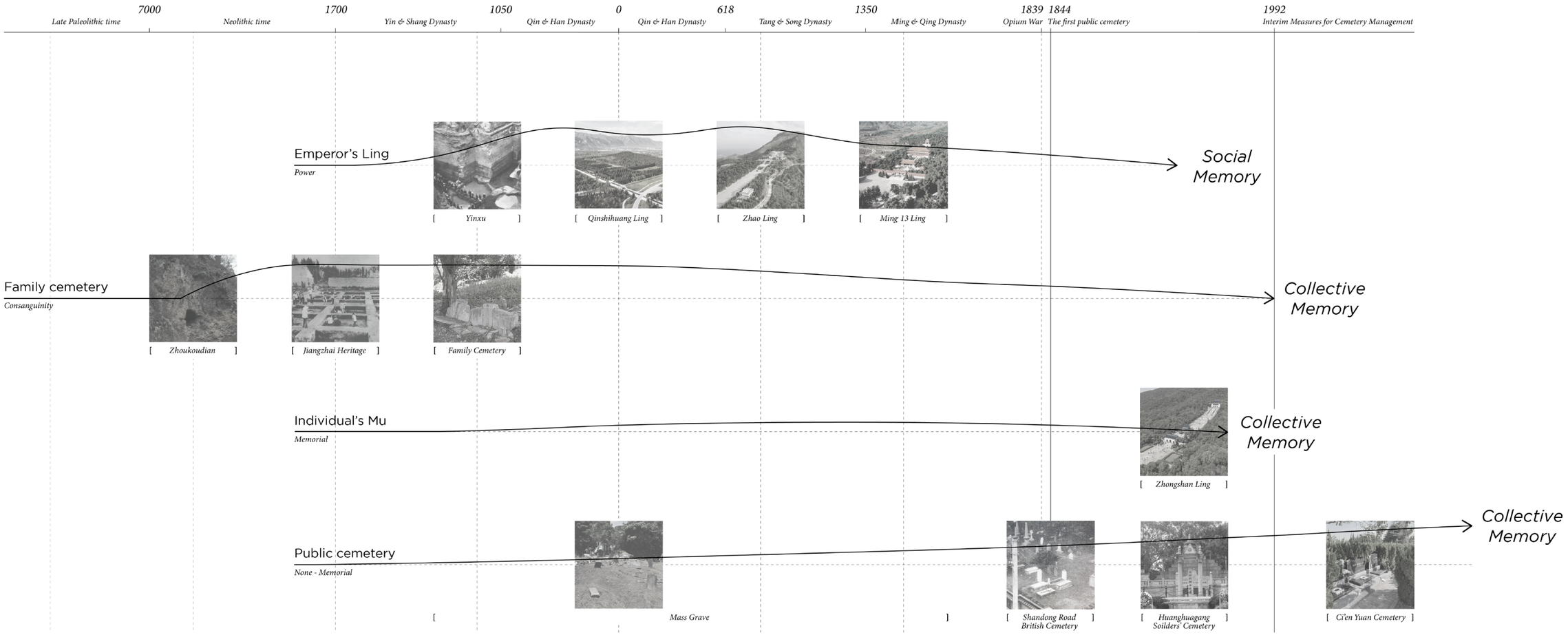




Background

Historical Background



Background
Historical Background



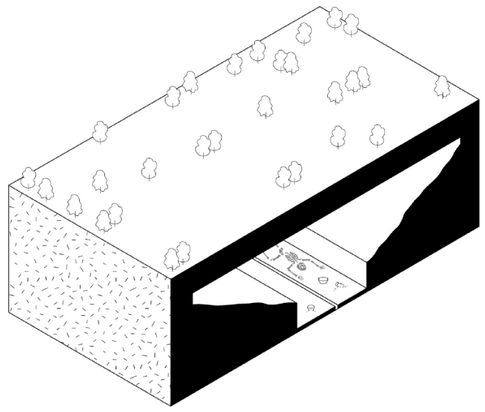
Mountain of Zhao Ling,
2020

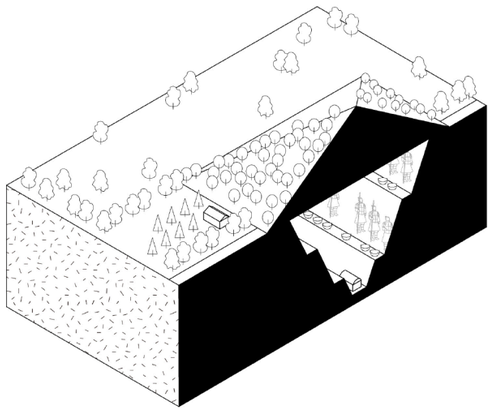


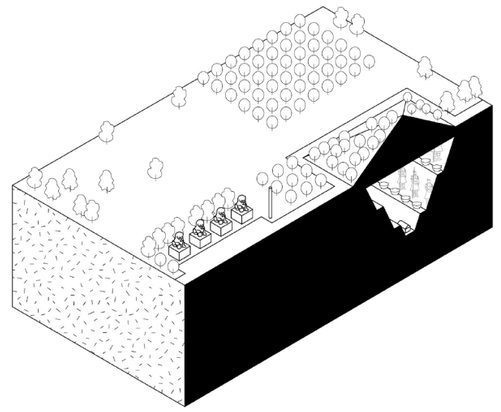
Sun Yat-sen Mausoleum lying
on the mountain,
2021

Background

Historical Background







Elevation





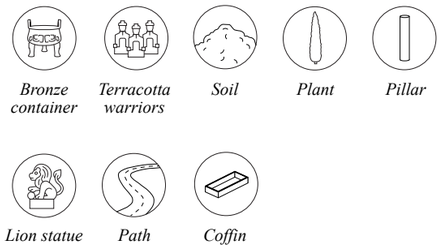
Symbol



Bronze container



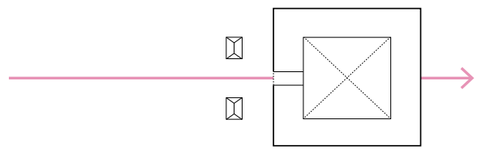
Bronze container *Terracotta warriors* *Soil* *Plant* *Coffin*

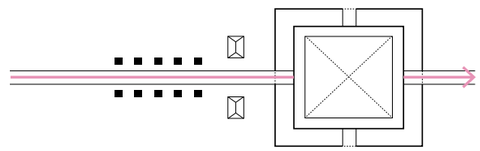


Bronze container *Terracotta warriors* *Soil* *Plant* *Pillar*

Lion statue *Path* *Coffin*

Axis & Choreography





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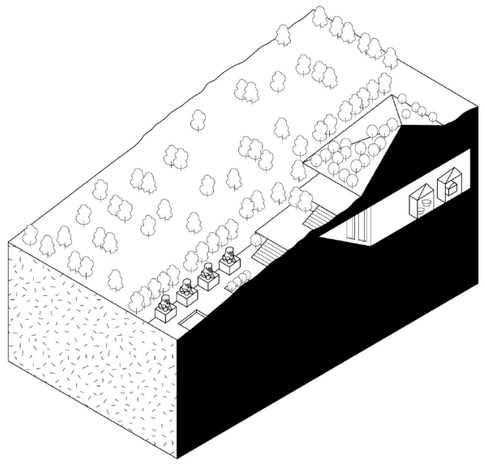

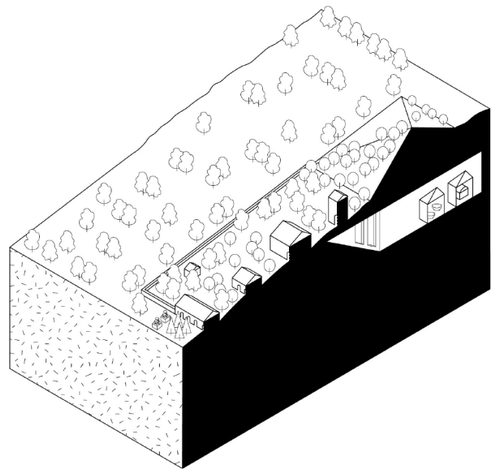

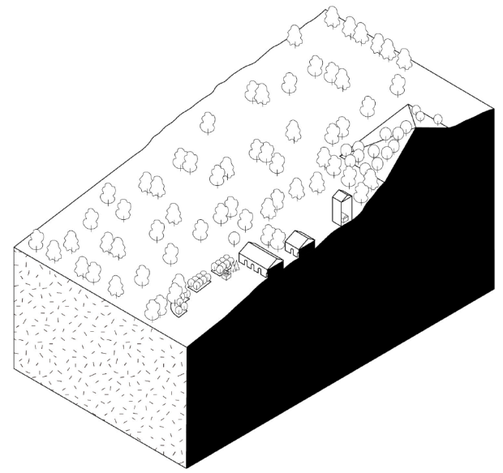

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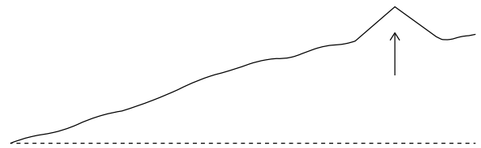

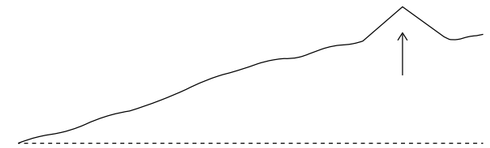

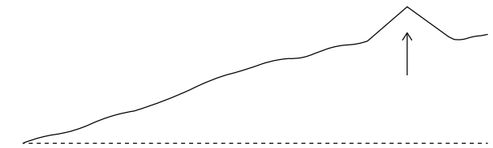

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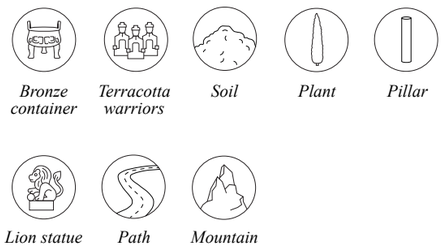

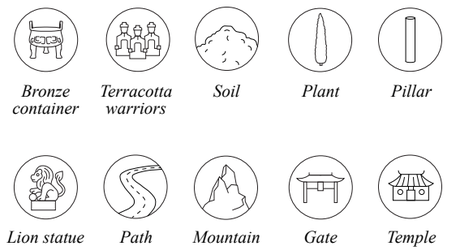

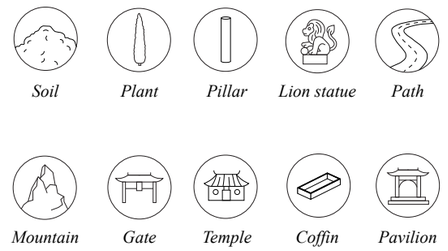

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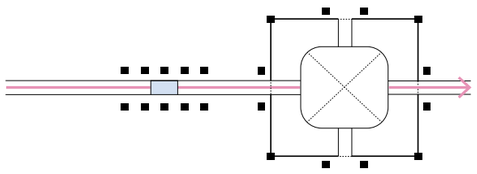
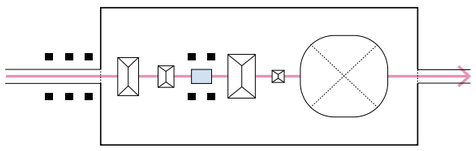
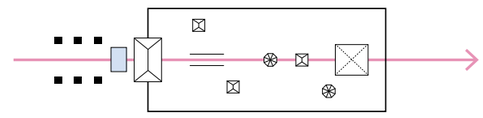






Background
Symbols

Statue


Horse statue


Buddha statue


Warrior statue


Lion statue


Animal statue

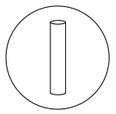

Bronze container

Construction


Mural wall

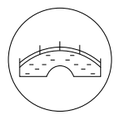

Gate


Temple


Pillar

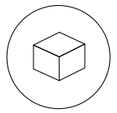

Flower gallery

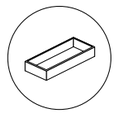

Pavilion


Bridge

Body


Tomb


Cremation urn

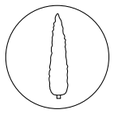

Coffin

Surrounding


Mountain


Stone


Soil


Plant


Path

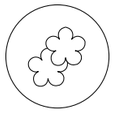

Water

Ritual


Soul leading banner


Fire


Candle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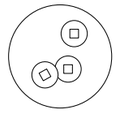
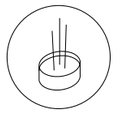
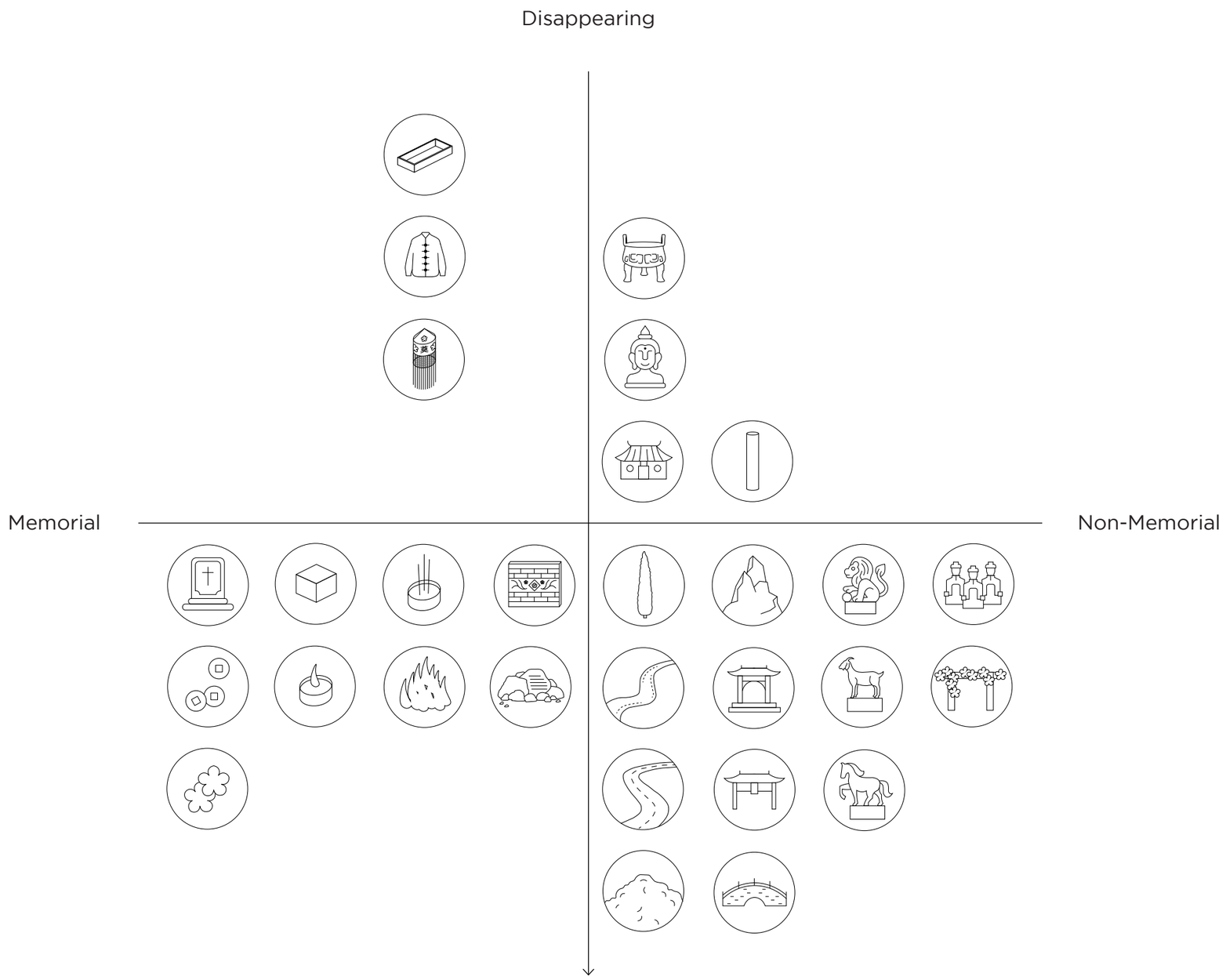

Paper coin


Burial clothes


Incense

Background

Symbols

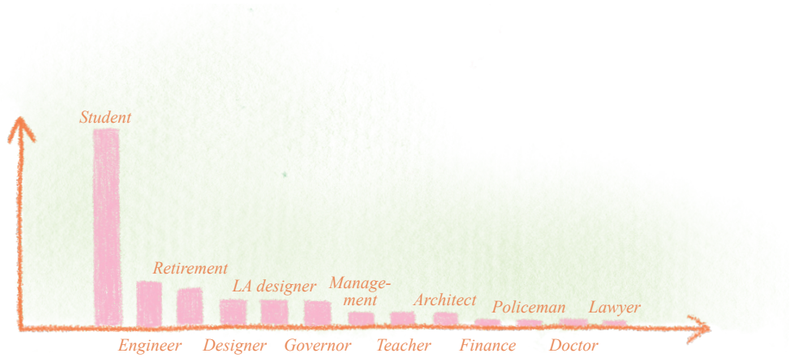


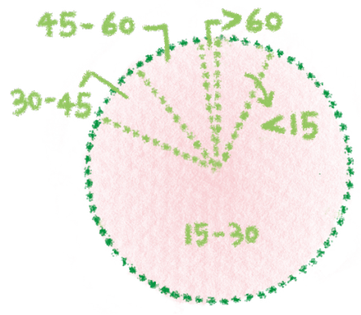


Questionnaire

Among 148 people...

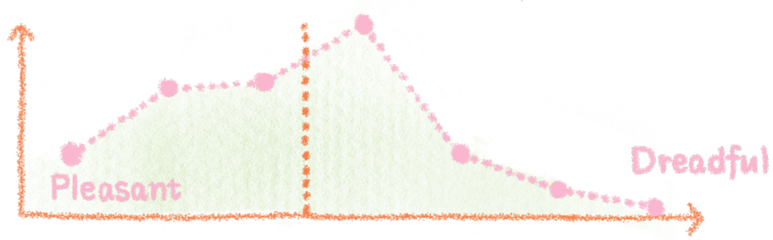
▶ *What's your job?*

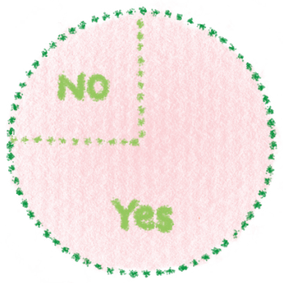




◀ *What's your age?*

What's the general impression of cemeteries? ▶





◀ *Are cemeteries necessary to memorize loved ones that passed away?*

Questionnaire

What symbols/elements you like inside the cemetery/cemeteries?





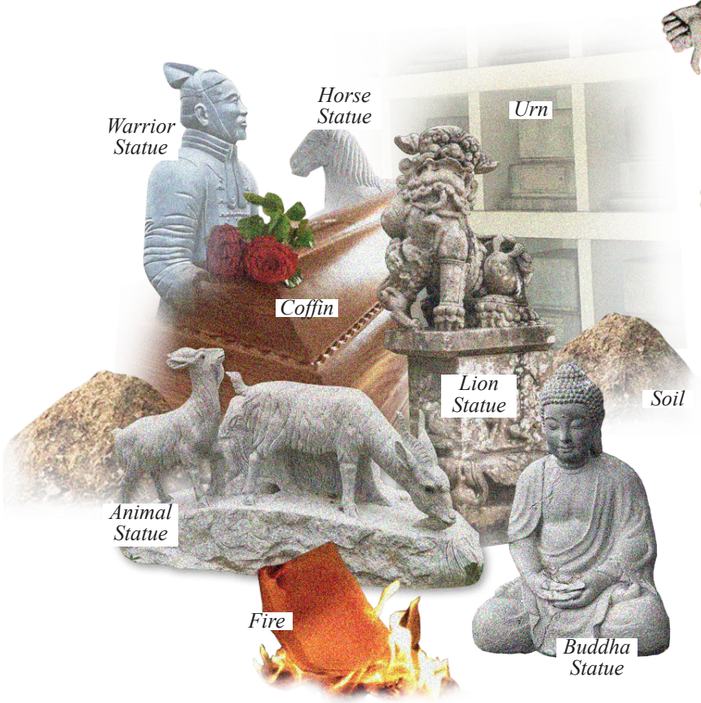
LIKE



WE DO

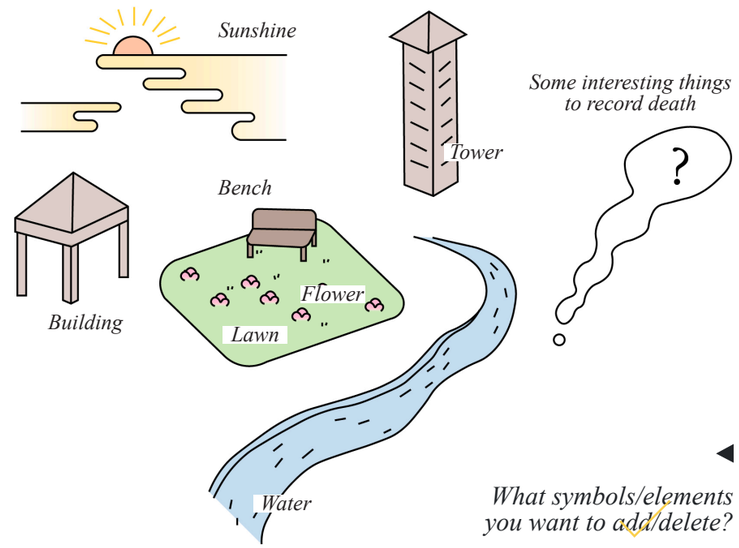


WE DON'T



LIKE

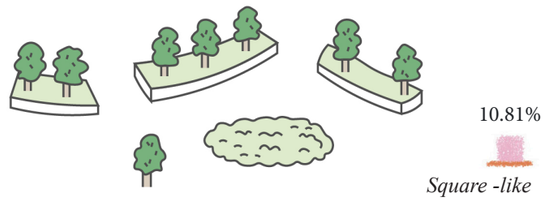
What symbols/elements you dislike inside the cemetery/cemeteries?



What symbols/elements you want to add/delete?

Questionnaire

If cemeteries could become public spaces, then to what kind?



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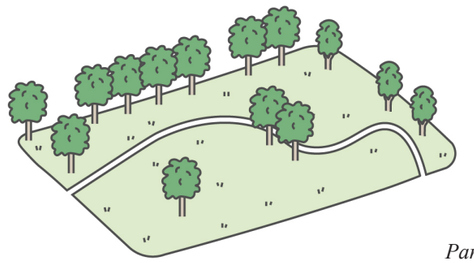

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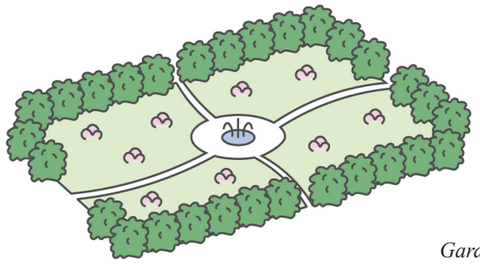
Park -like



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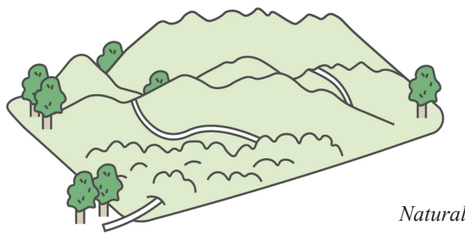
Garden -like



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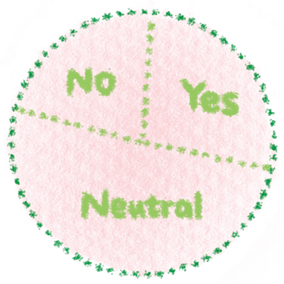
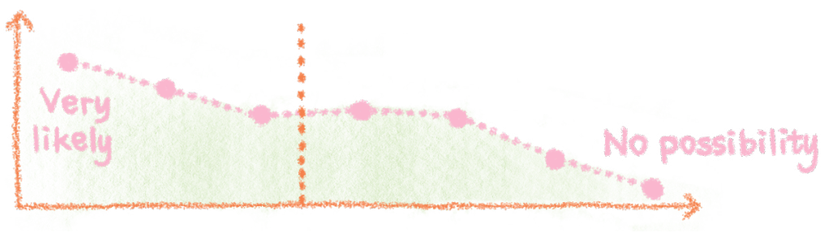
Natural preserve -like

Would you visit cemeteries more often if they have other activities or functions?



To what extend in your opinion could cemeteries become public spaces?

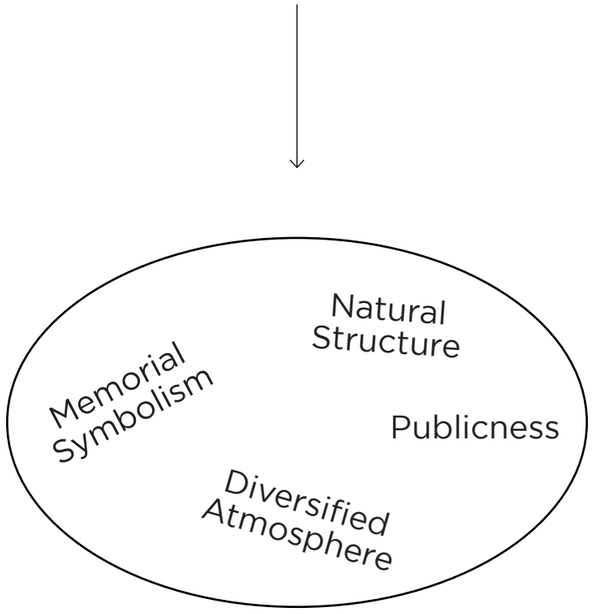


Questionnaire

1. People still need public cemeteries to memorize, but the current atmosphere need to be improved.

2. People tend to like natural and memorial symbols in relation with rituals, but don't like most of those statues.

3. People would like some public, peaceful private and other more functional spaces inside public cemeteries and do something else besides memorizing.



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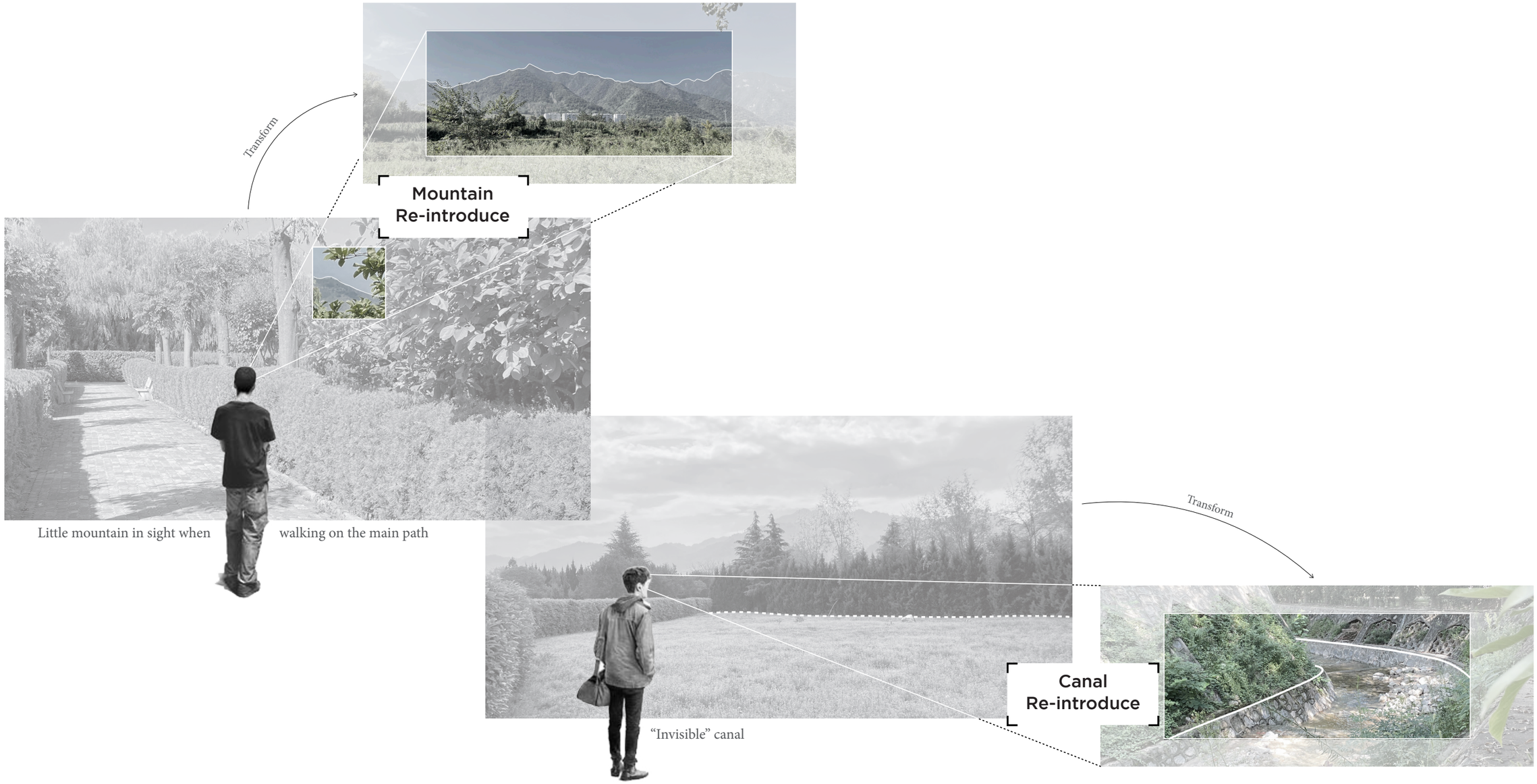

Problem Statement

Added with more diversified atmosphere



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Atmosphere Re-create



Monotonous atmosphere on the main path

Irrelevant sculptures expressing filial children to their parents



Transform



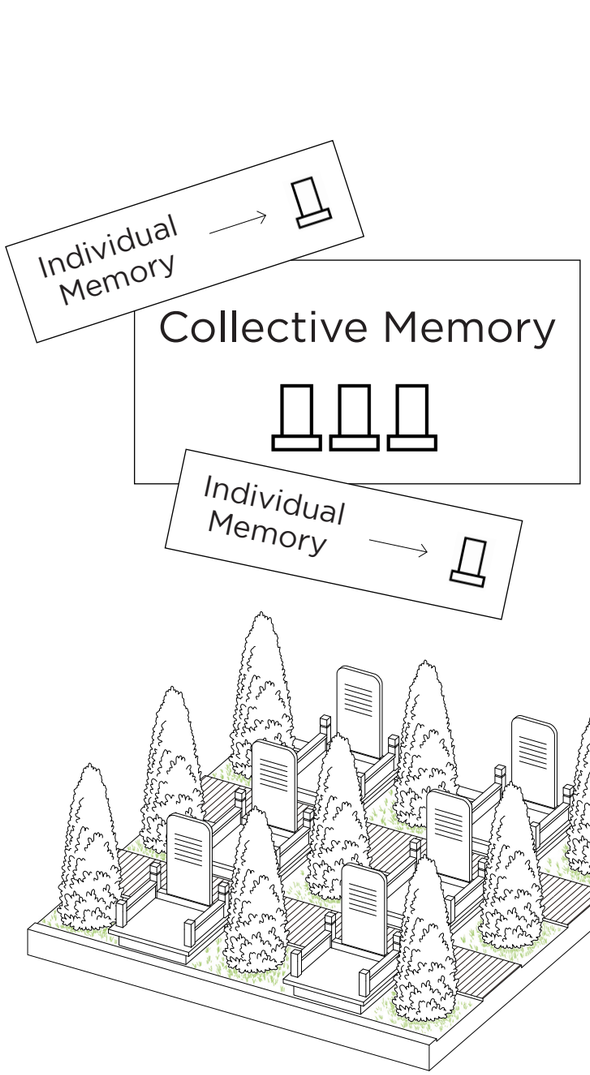
Irrelevant zodiac sculpture

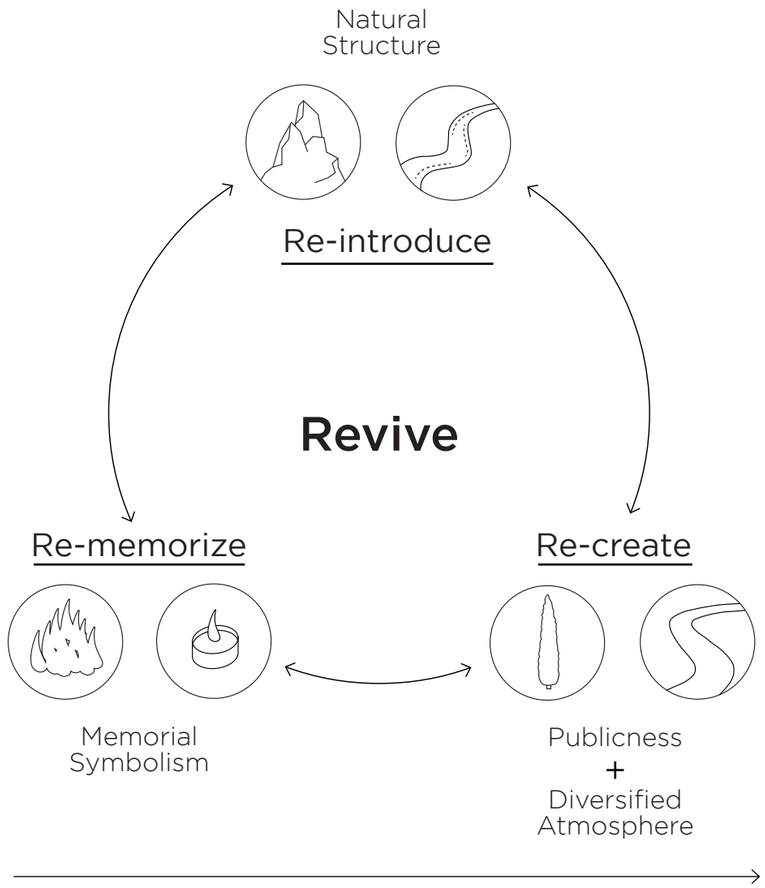
Symbol Re-memorize

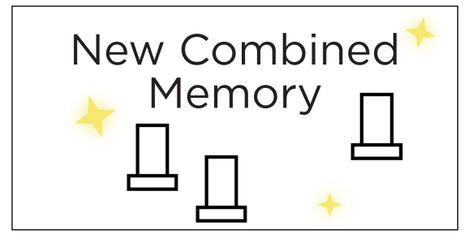


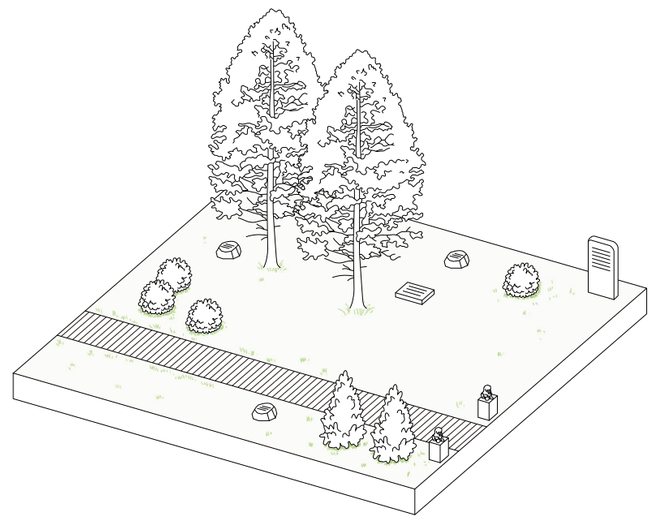
Memorial tower with urn holder

Design concept









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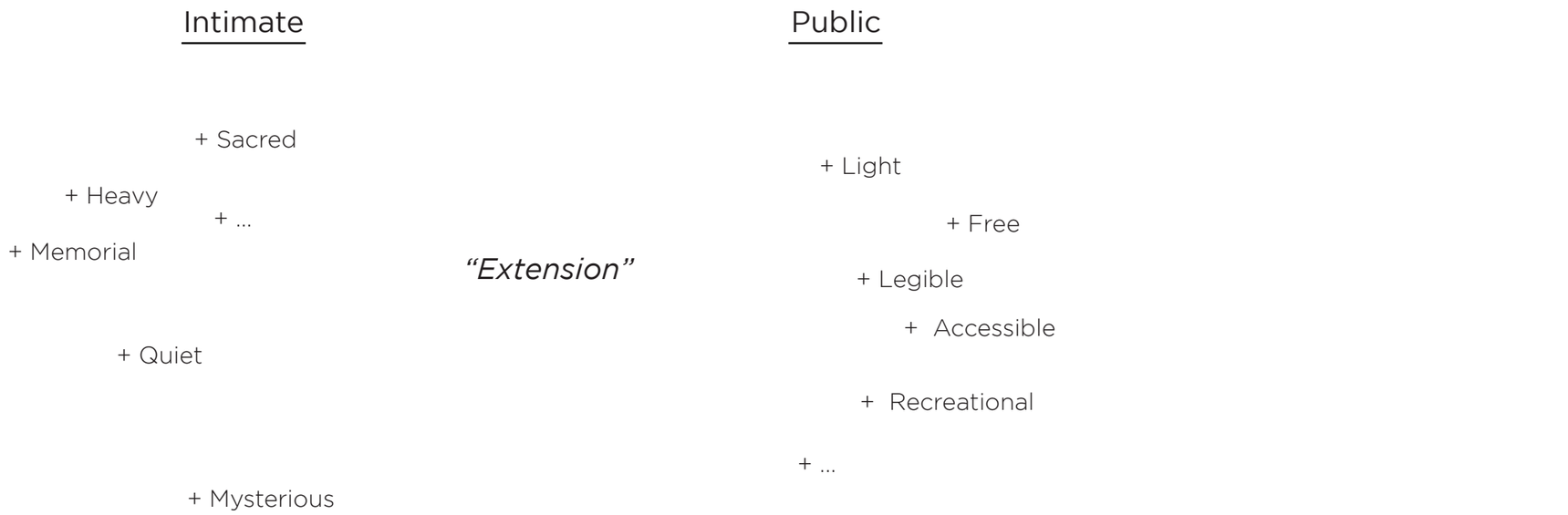

Design Principle

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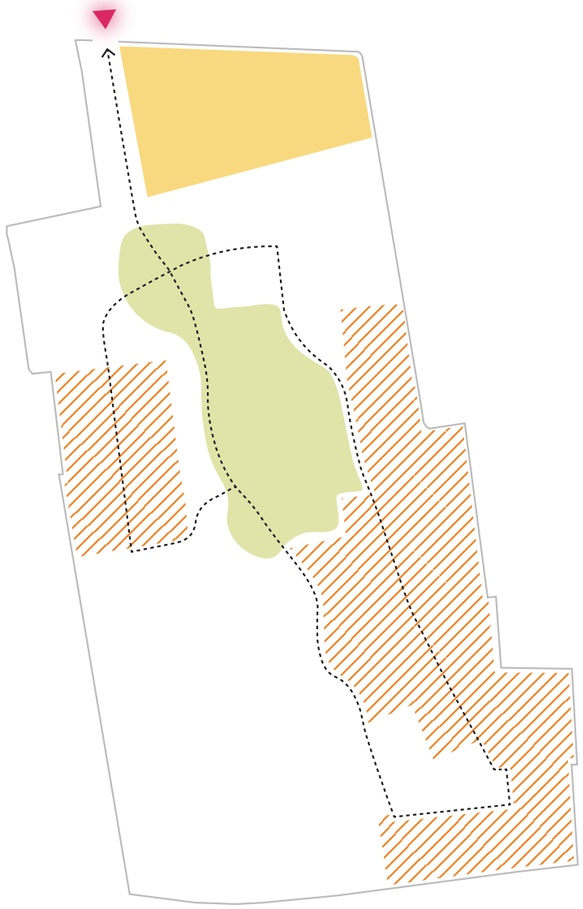

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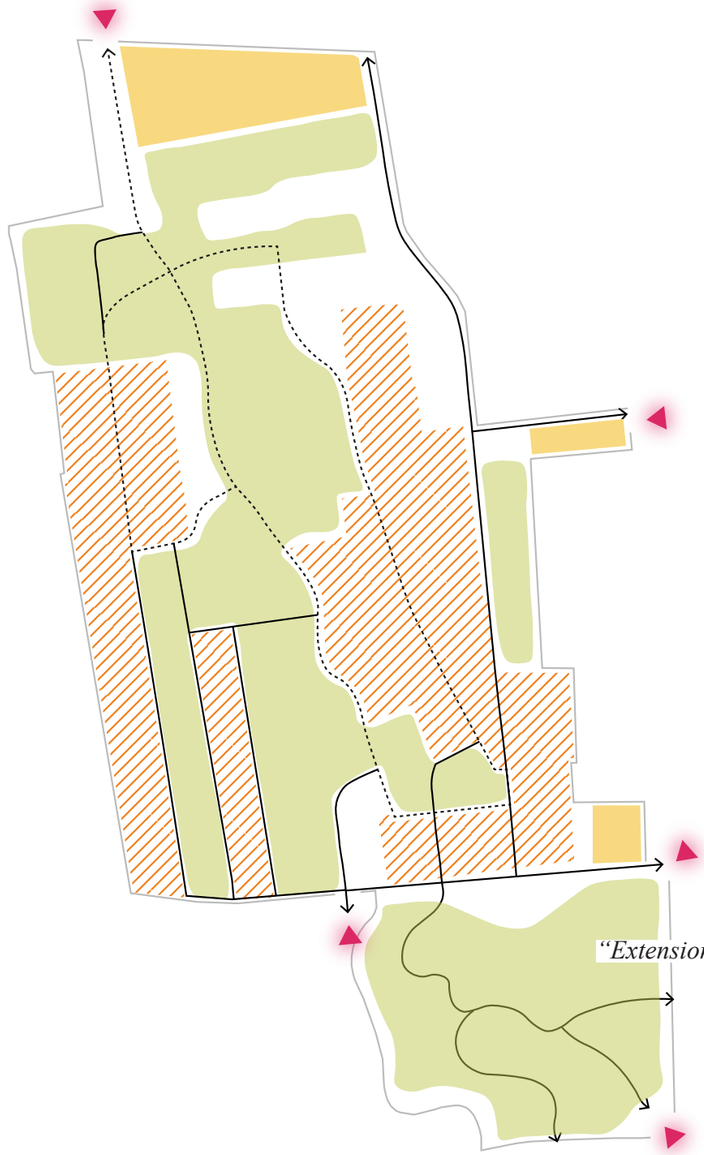

Legend

- Existing route
- New route
- Entrance
- Parking
- Public space
- Intimate space

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Design Principle

Natural Structure

Re-introduce → *1 Water* *2 View* *3 Elevation*

Memorial Symbolism

Re-memorize → *4 Symbol*

Revive

Publicness + Diversified Atmosphere

Re-create → *5 Construction* *6 Path* *7 Plantation*





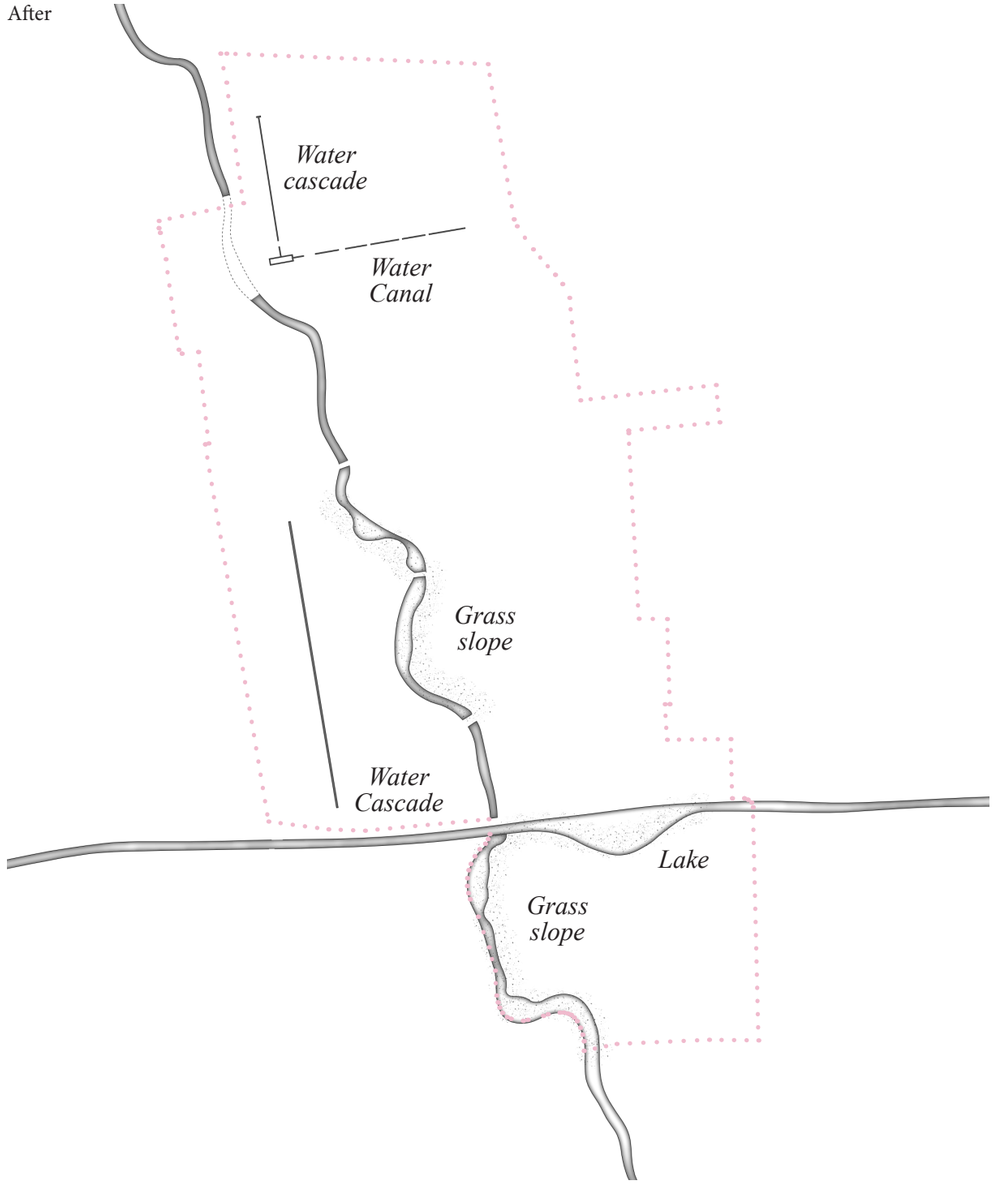
Redesign

Water

Before



After



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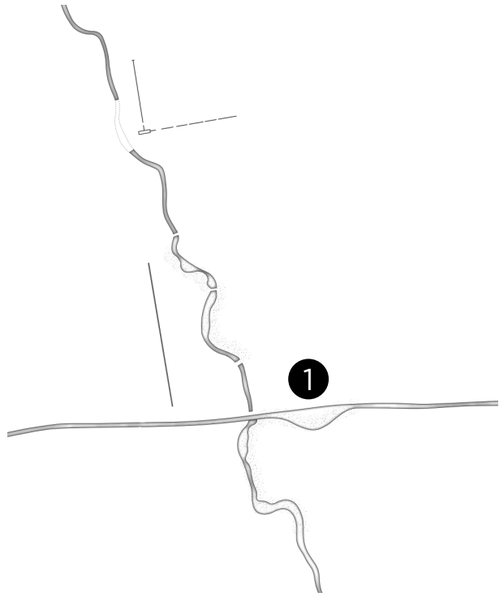

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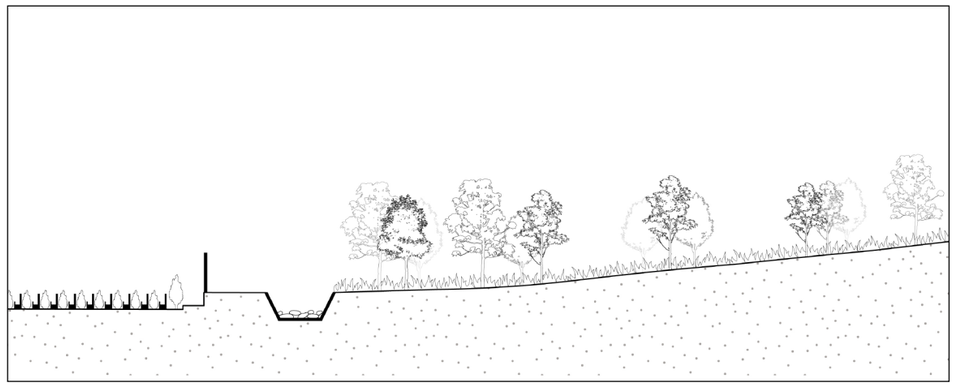

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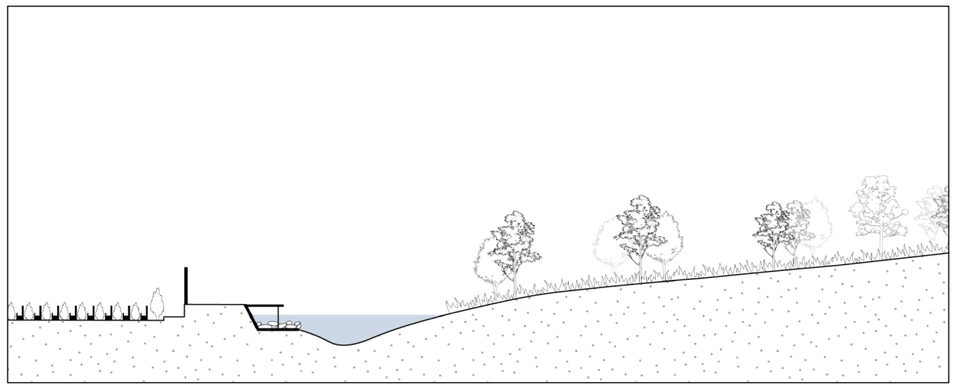

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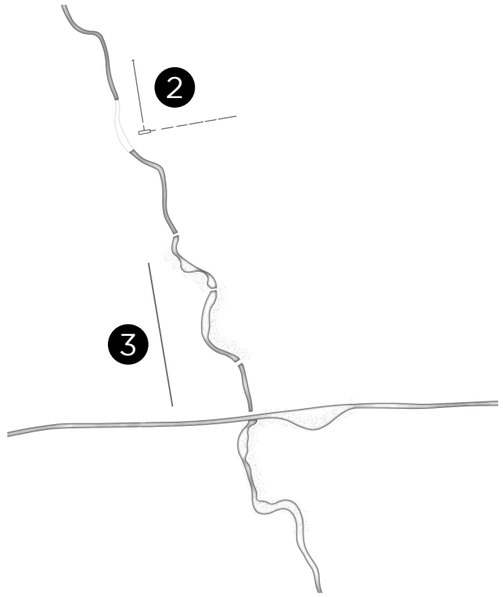

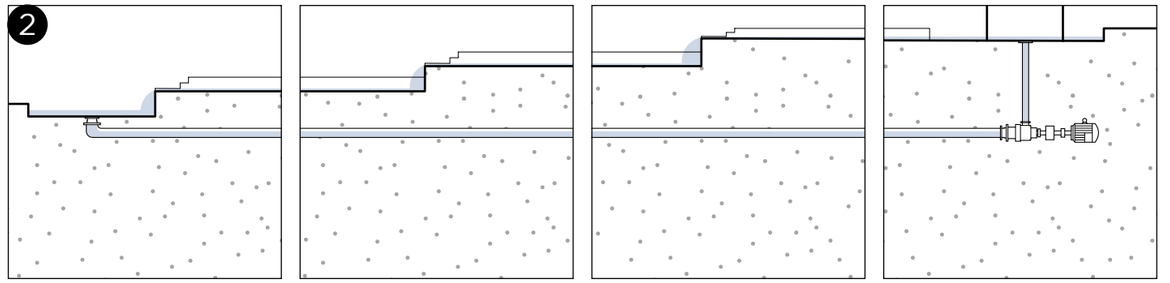

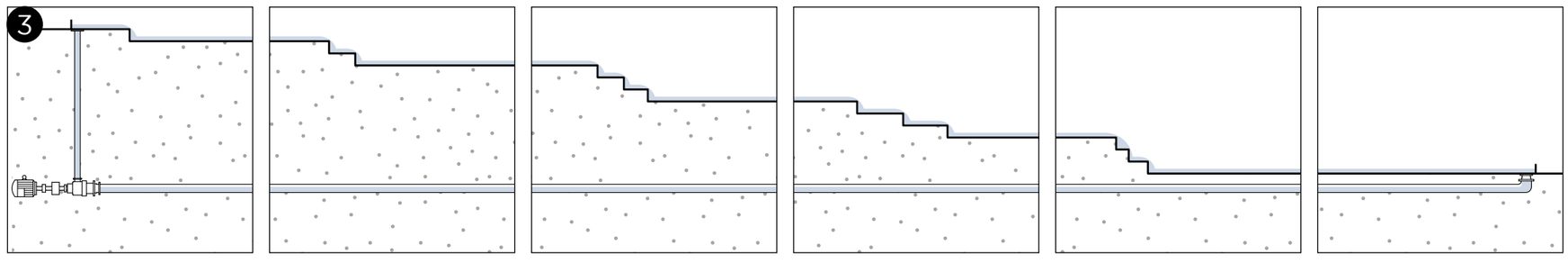

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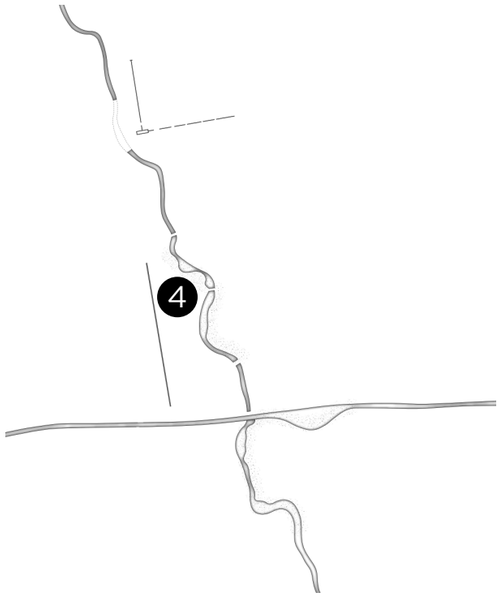
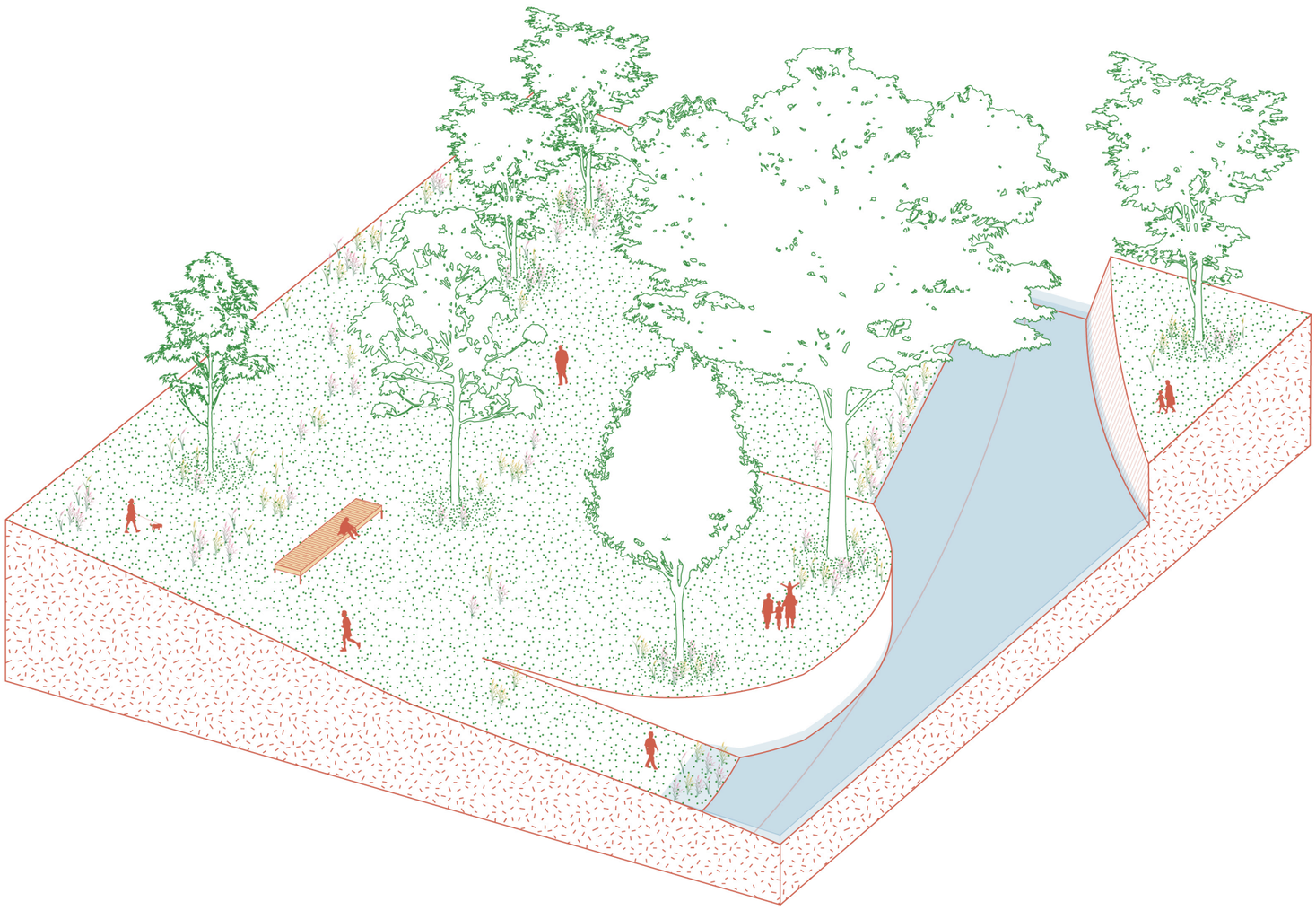
Water + elevation





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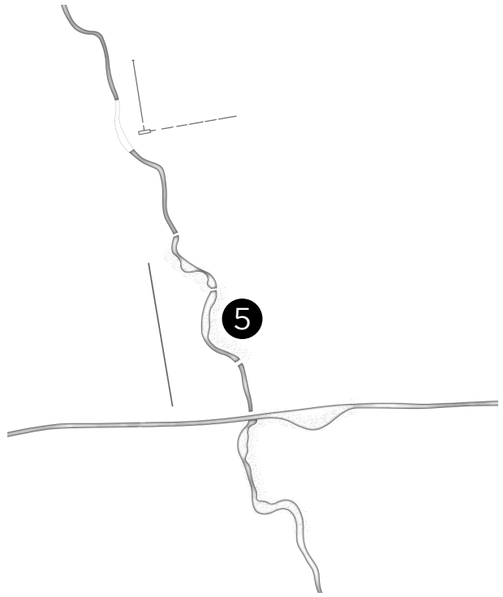

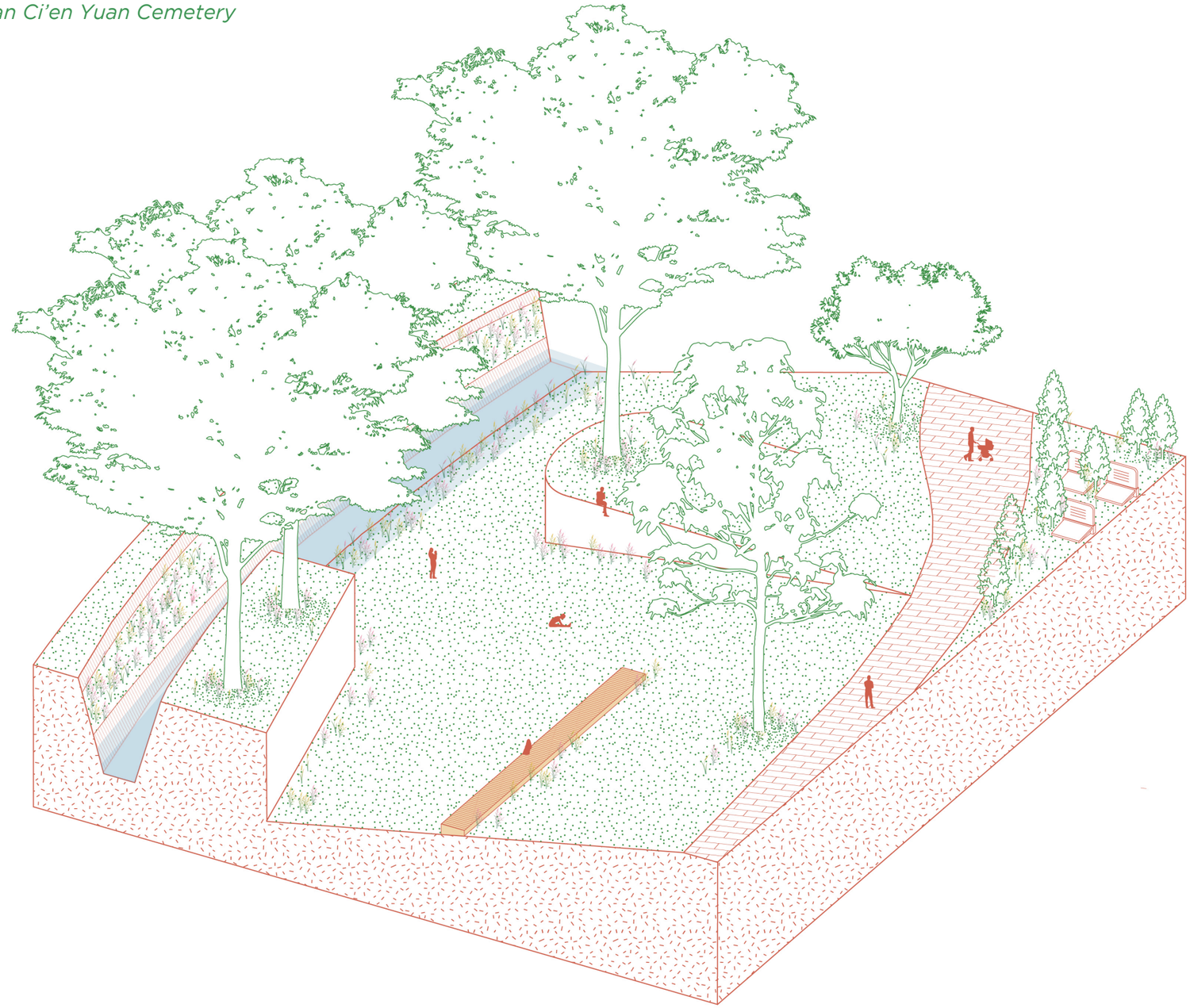

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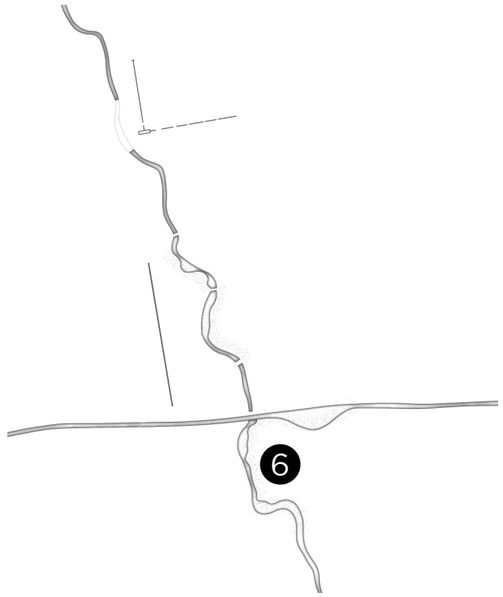

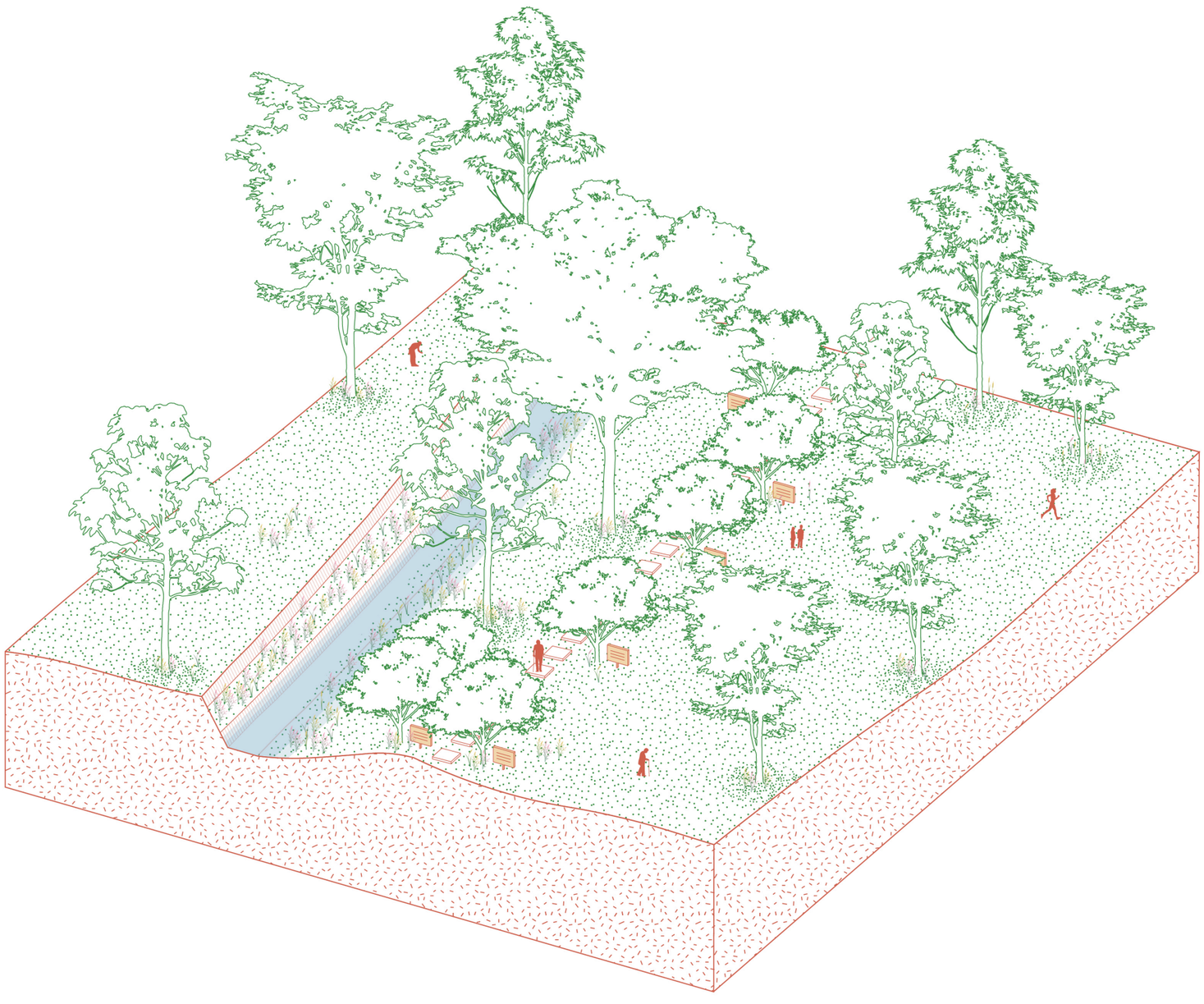

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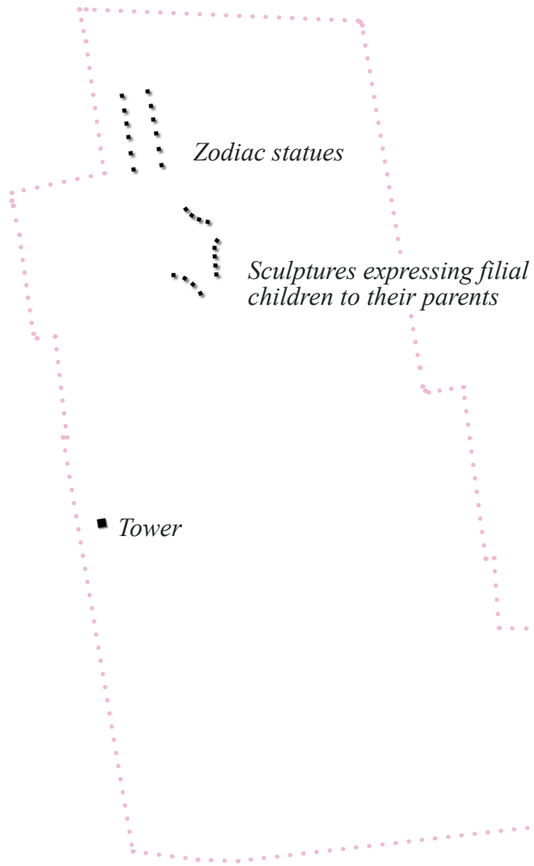

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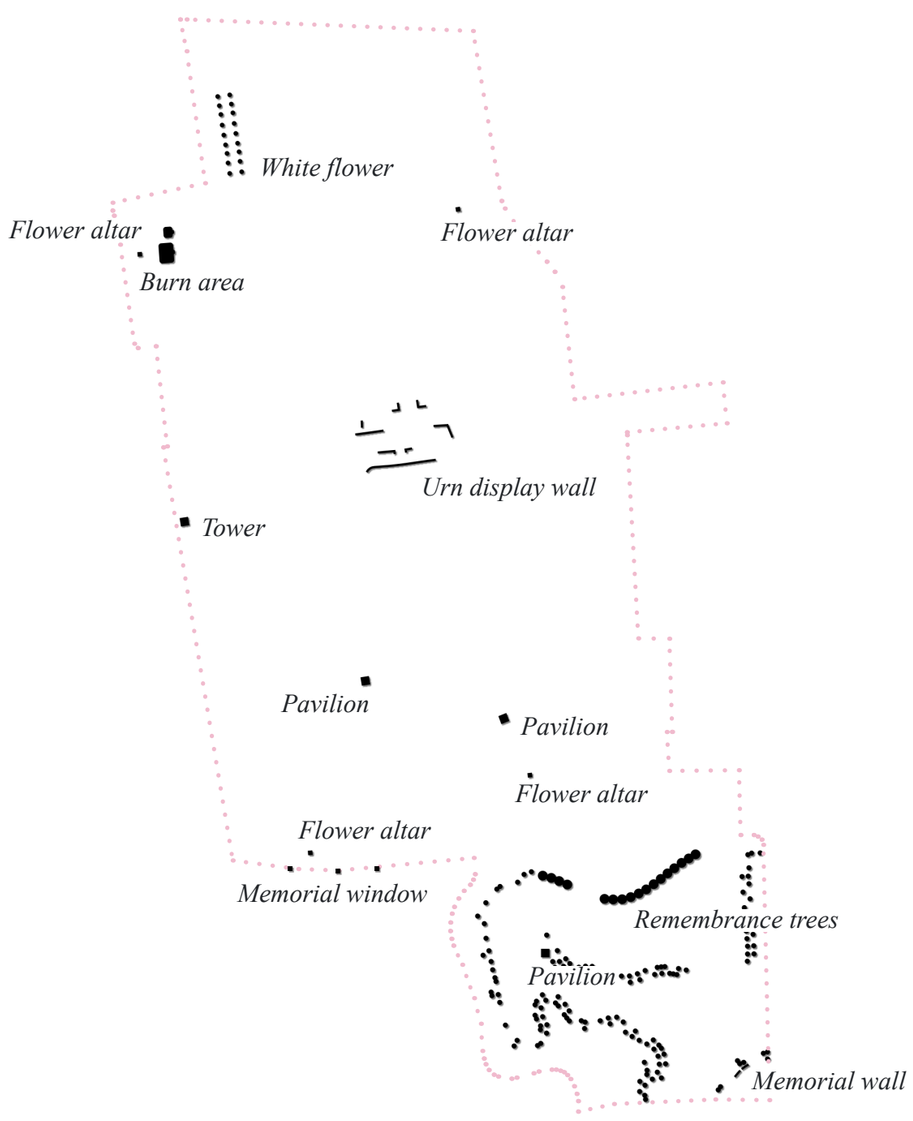

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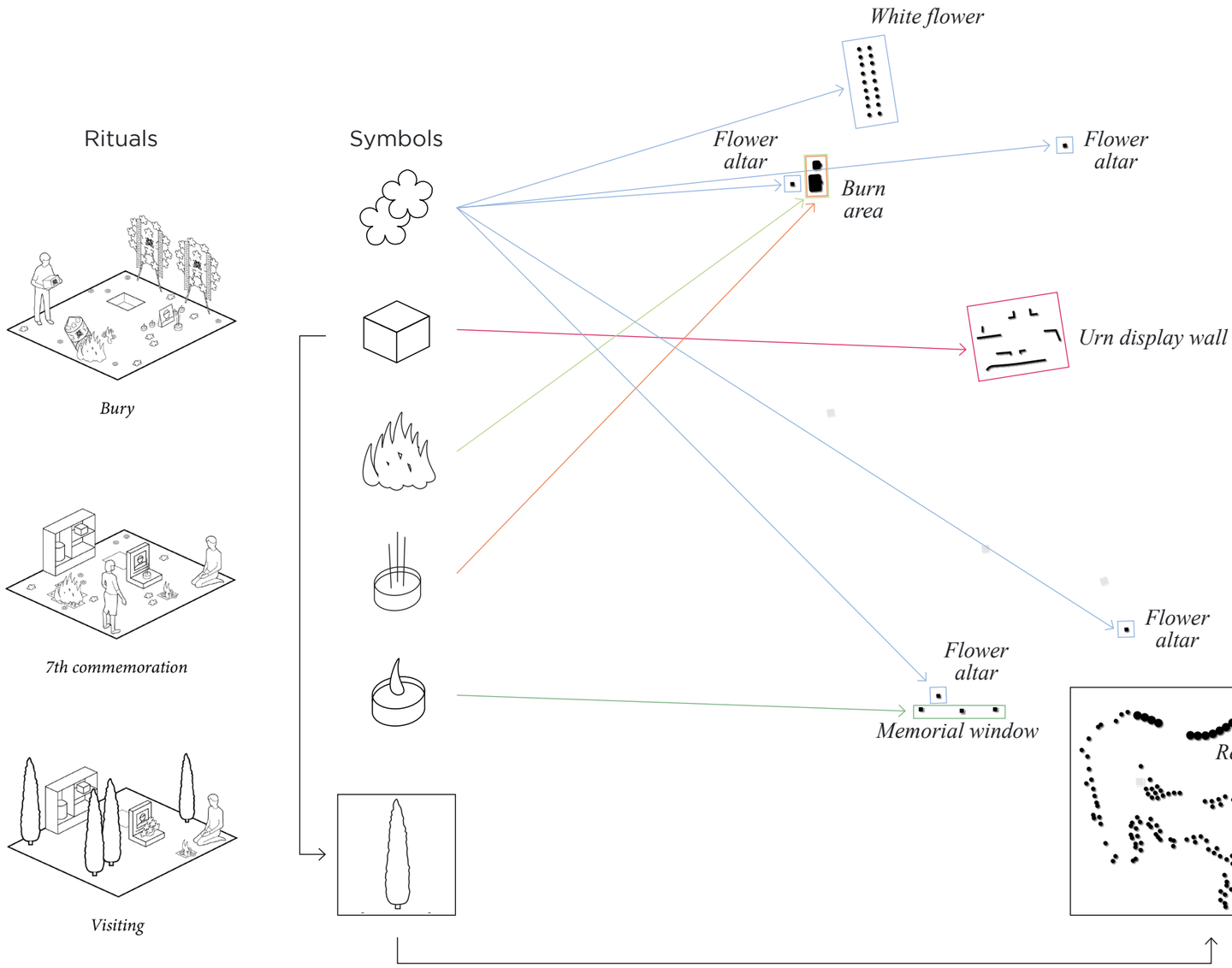

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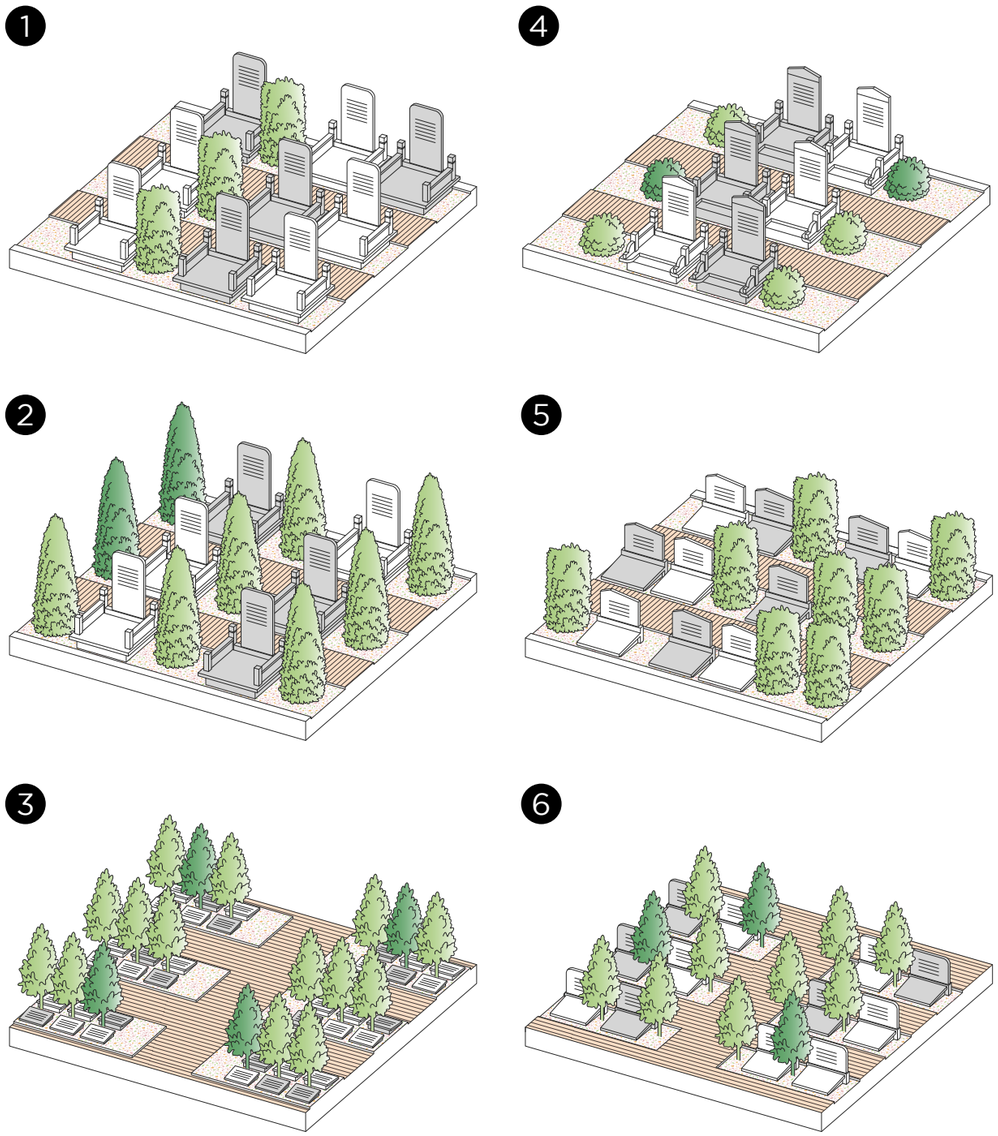

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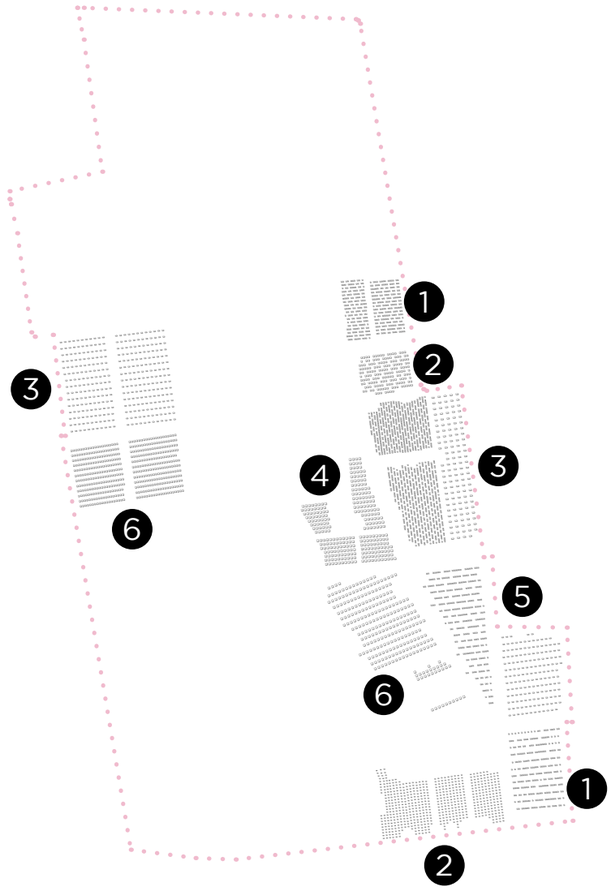

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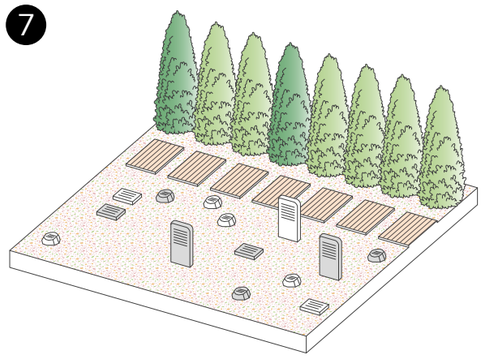

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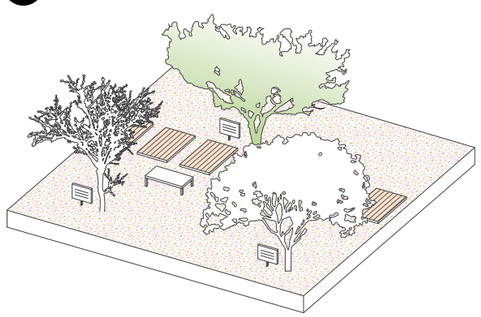

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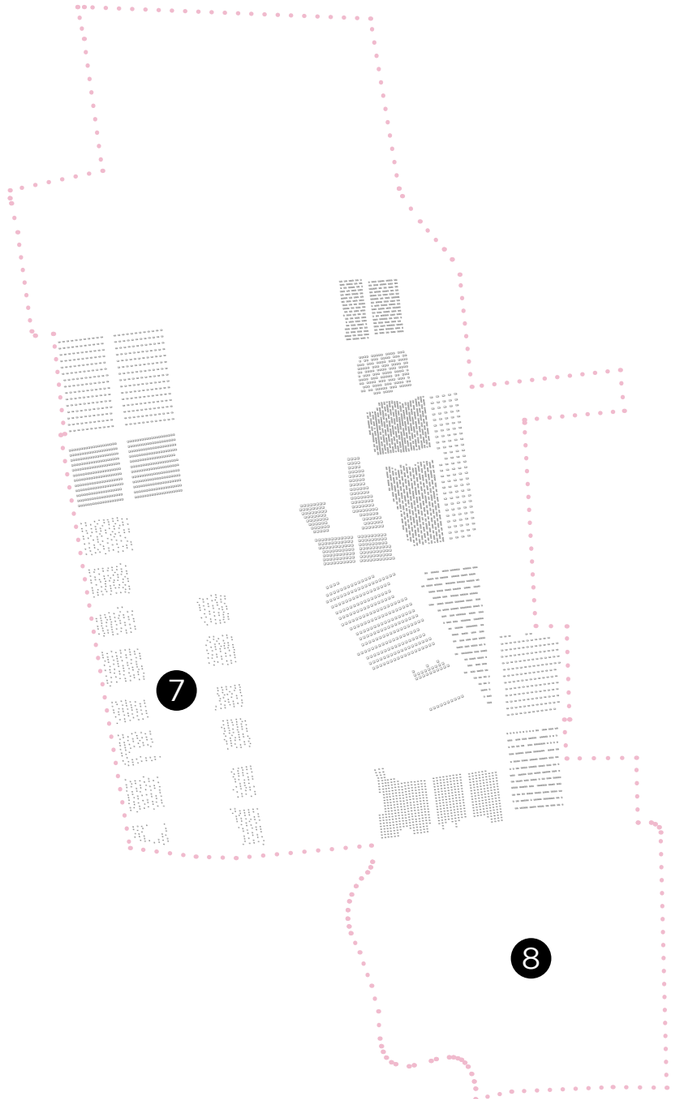

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Building

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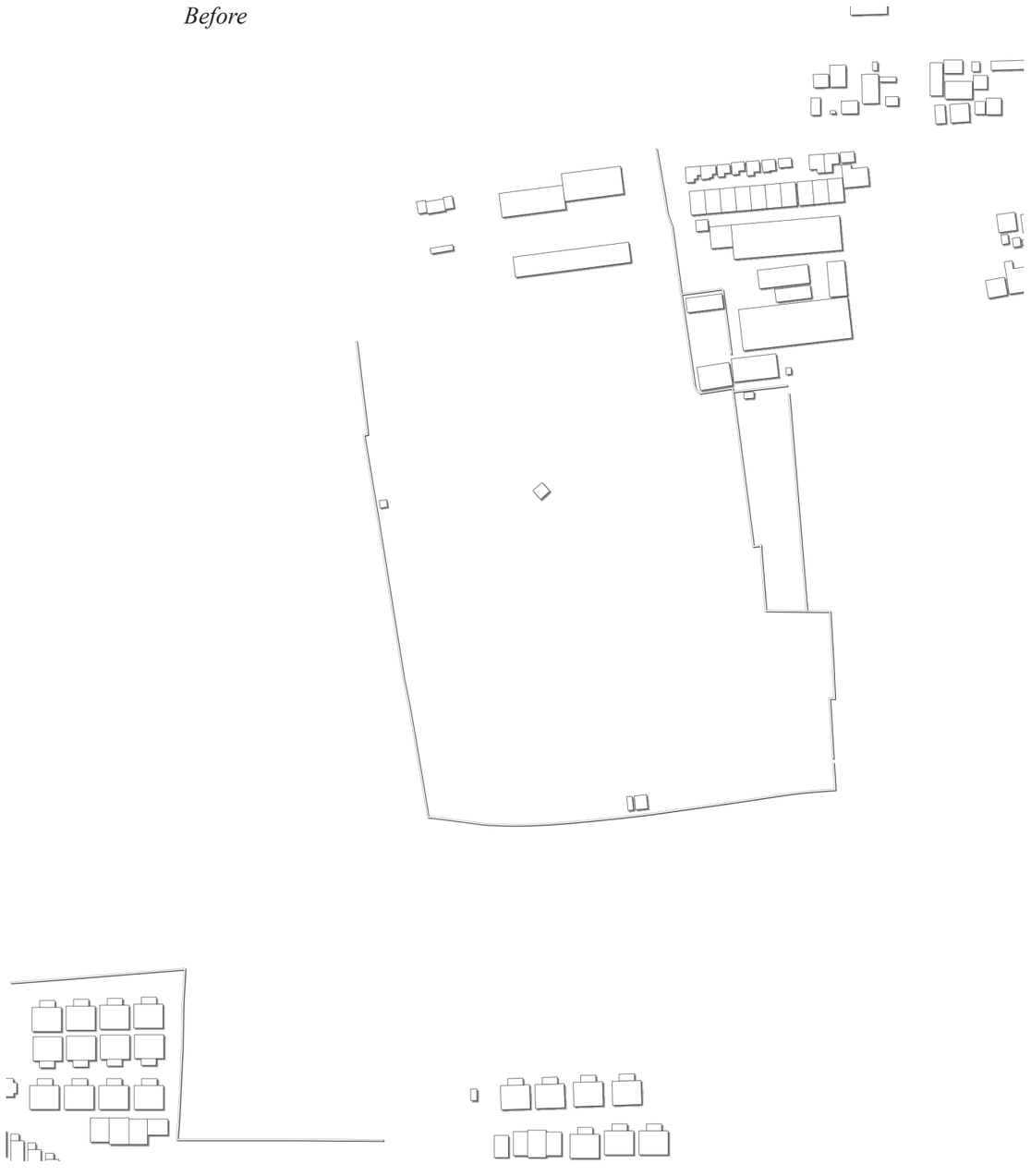

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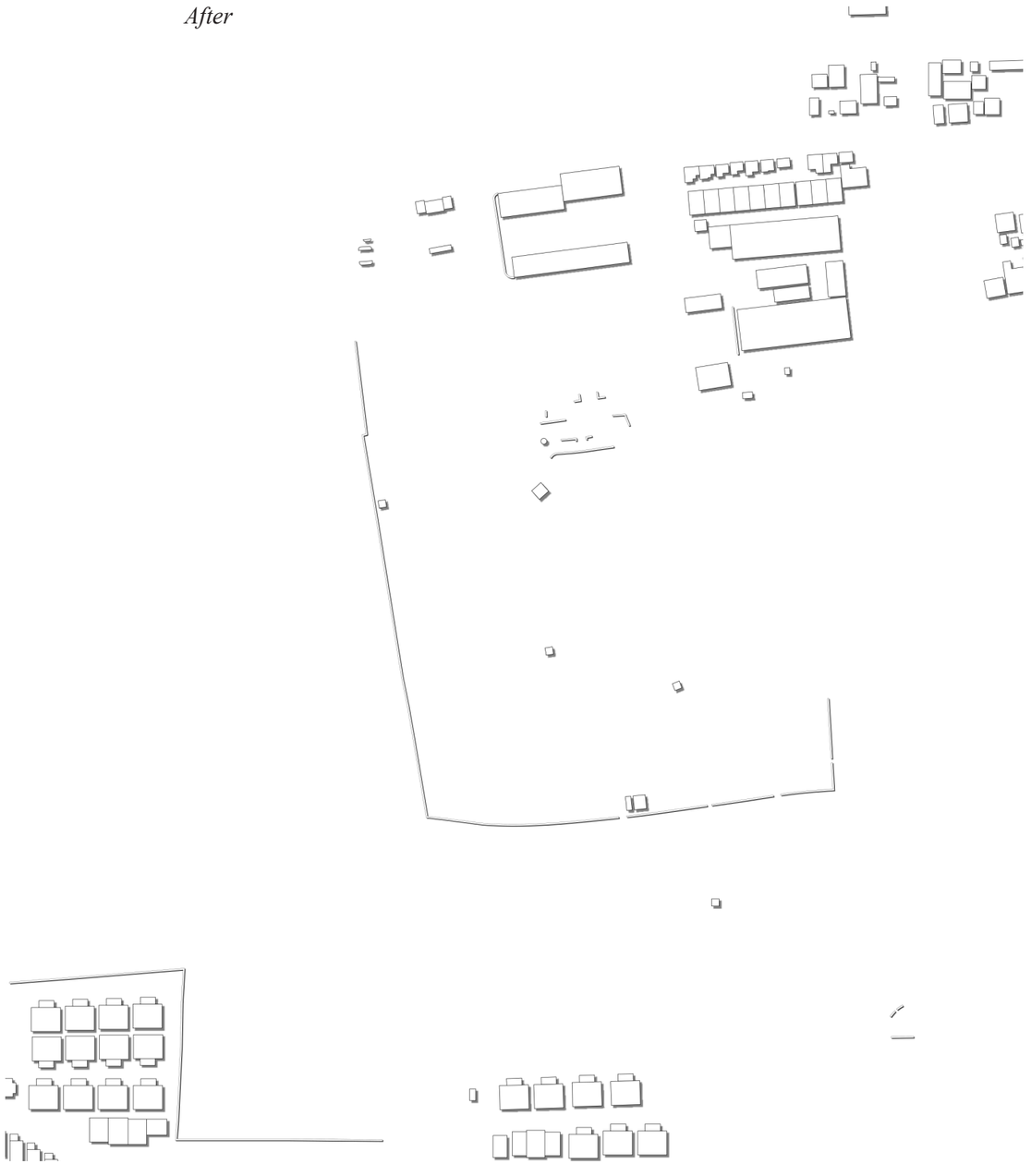

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Path

Before



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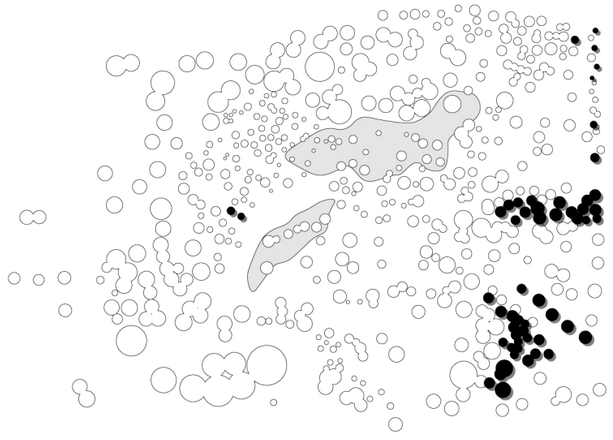
Redesign
Plantation

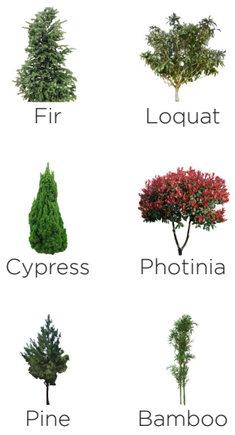
Deciduous trees



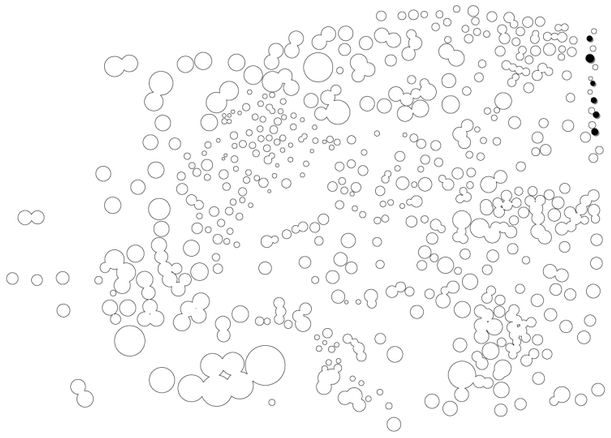


Evergreen trees





Deciduous trees
(With colorful flowers)





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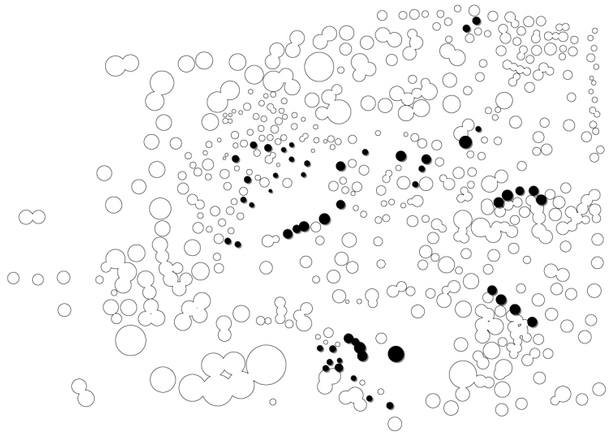



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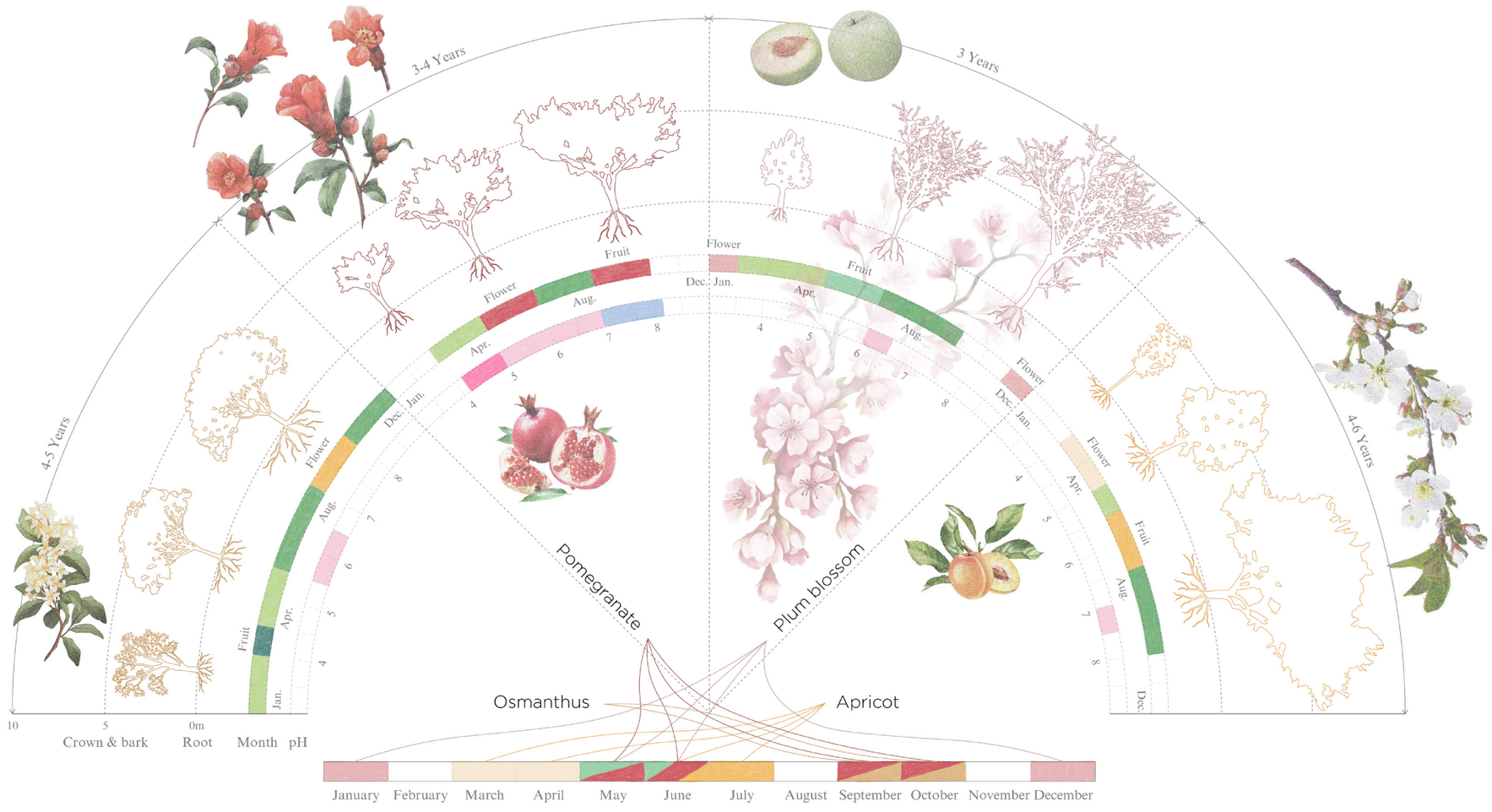

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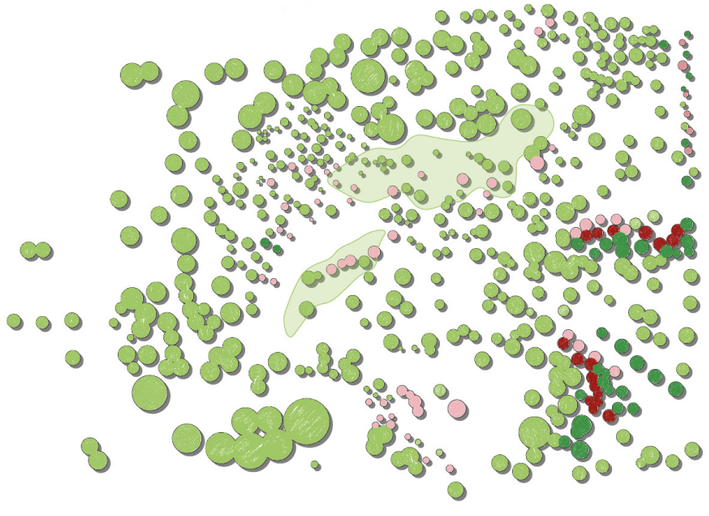
Plantation

Spring

Before



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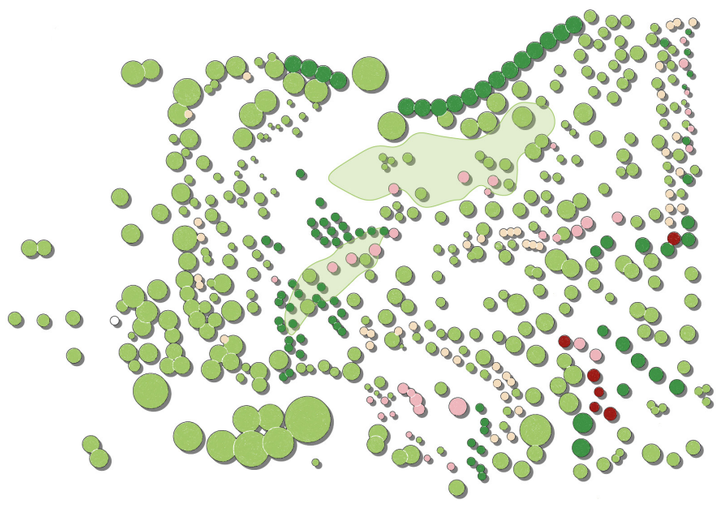

Summer

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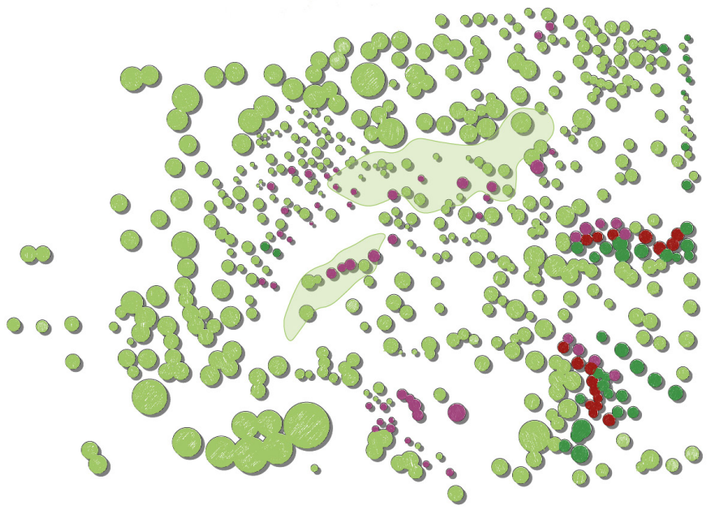

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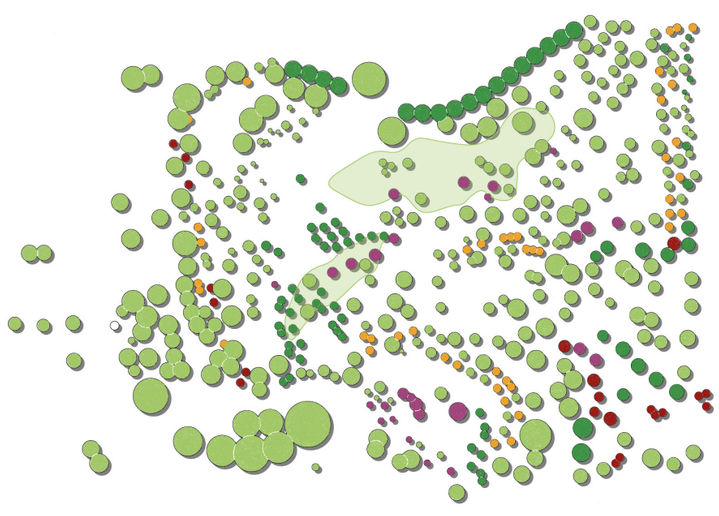

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Plantation

Autumn

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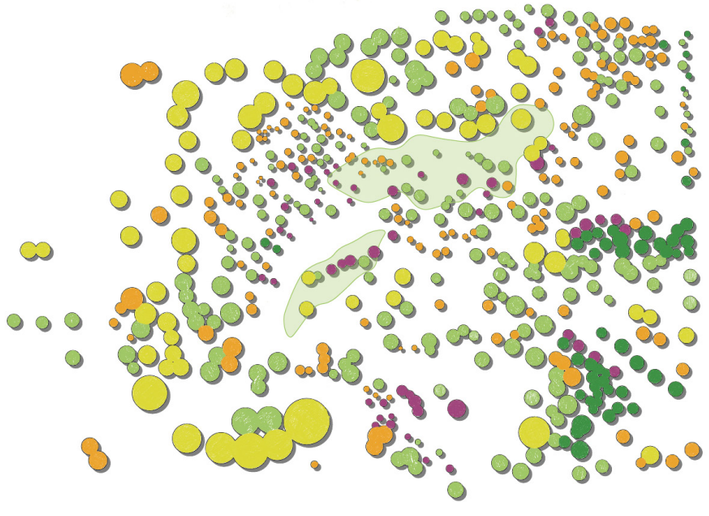

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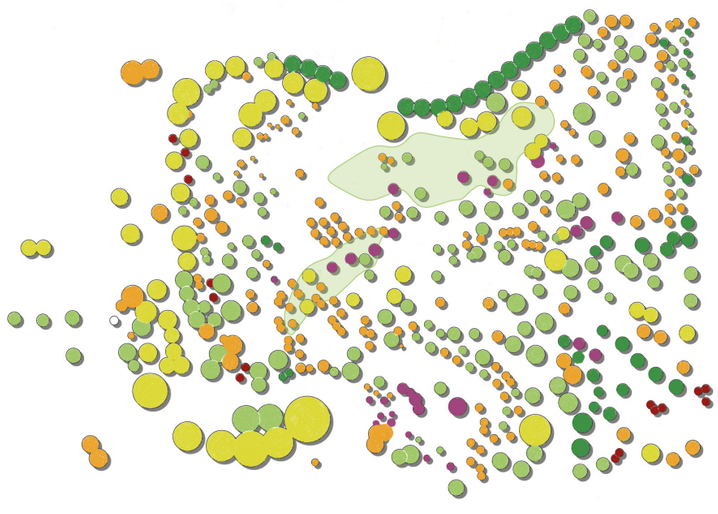

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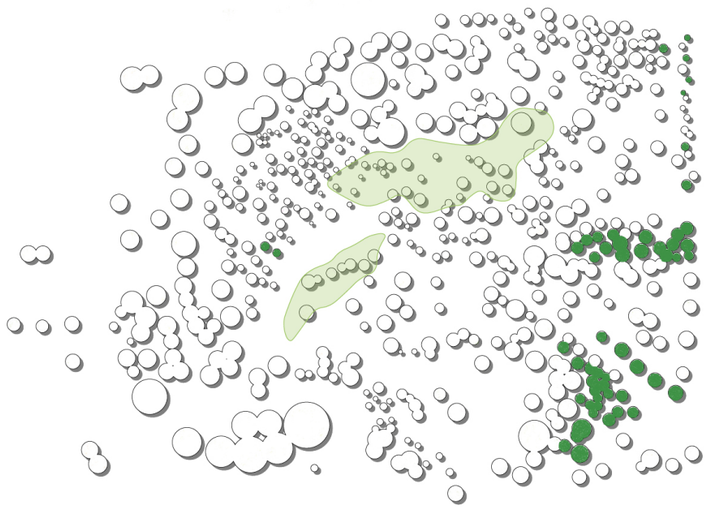

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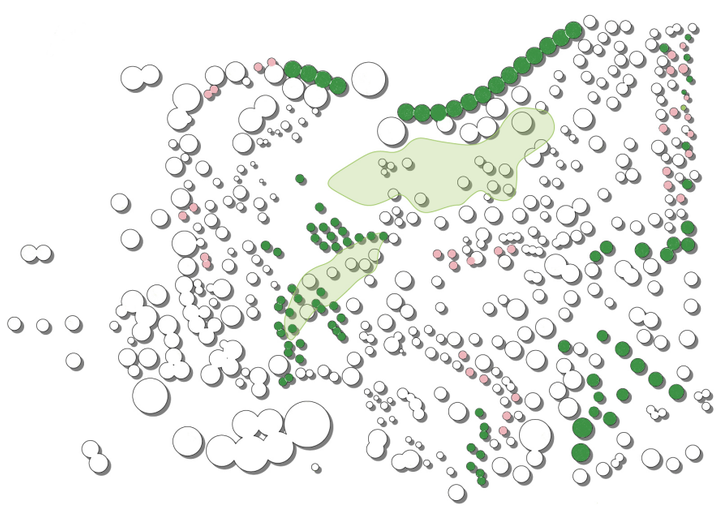

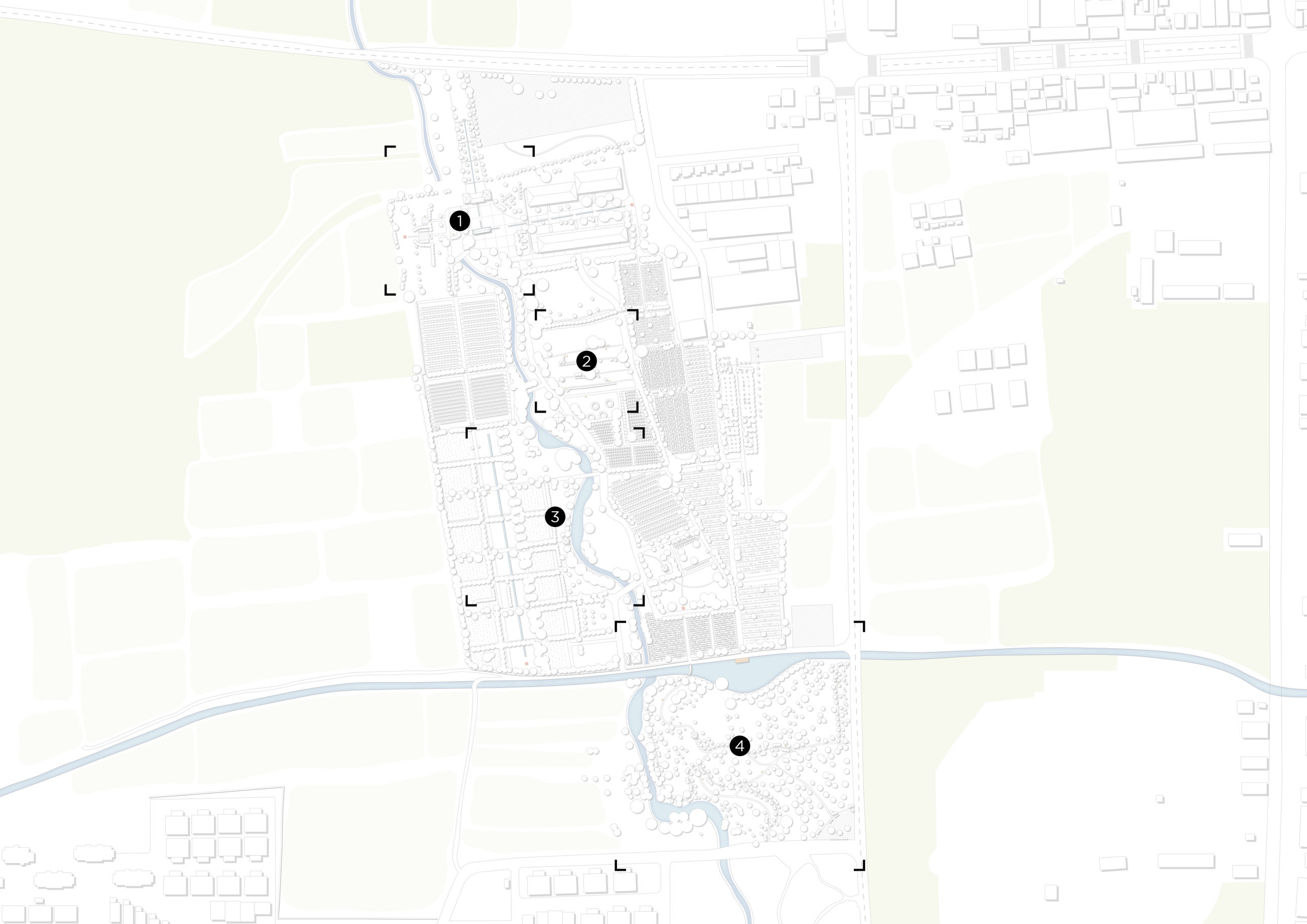
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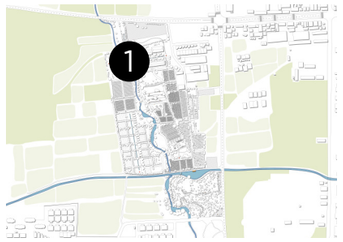


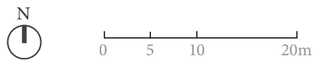
Zoom-in 1

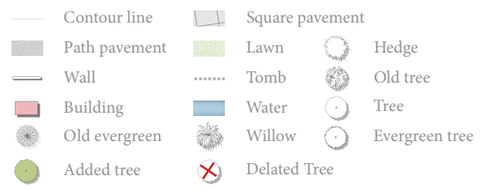
Before



After







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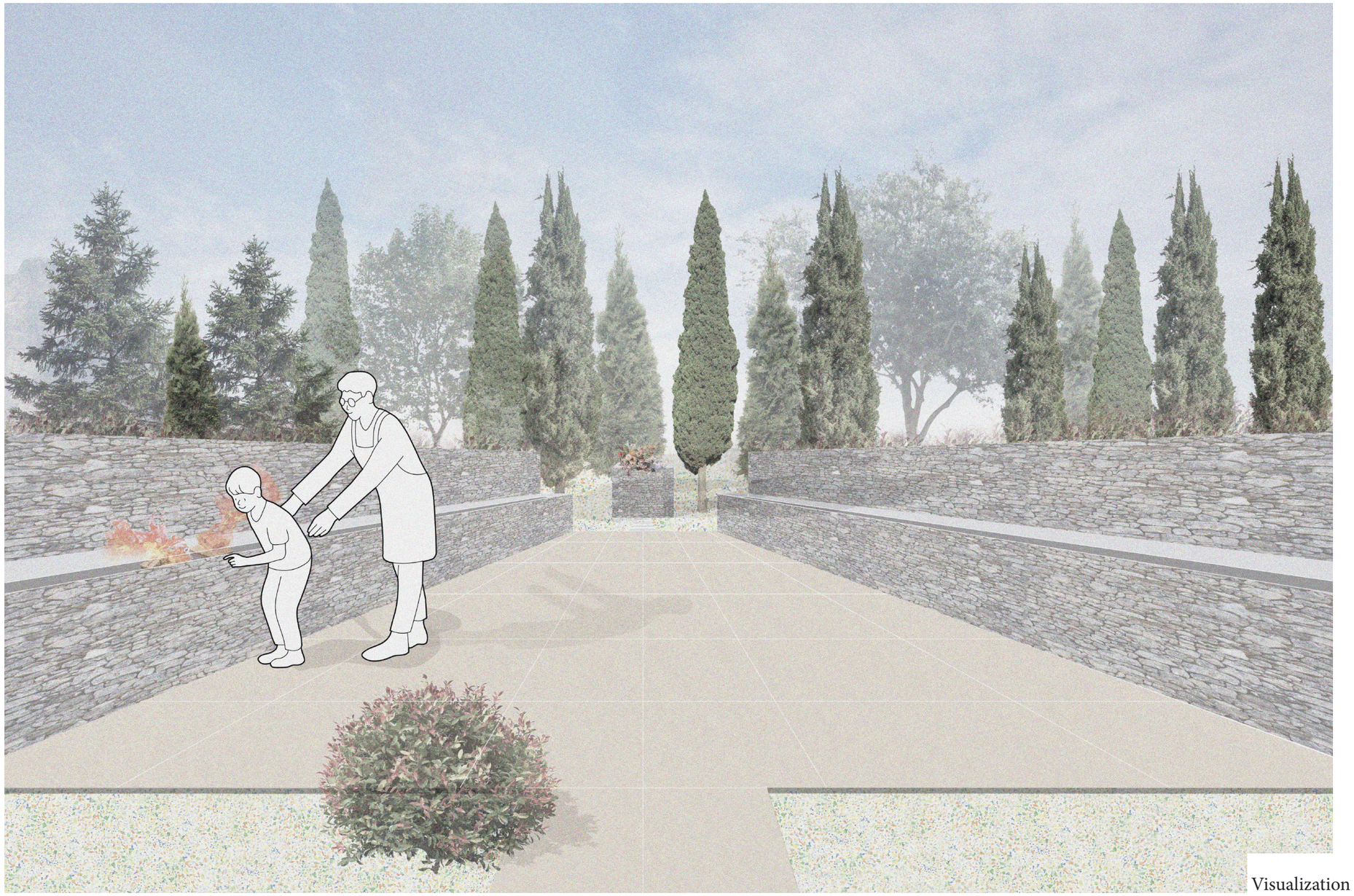

Visualization of burn area

Redesign

Zoom-in(s)



Visualization of small water canal

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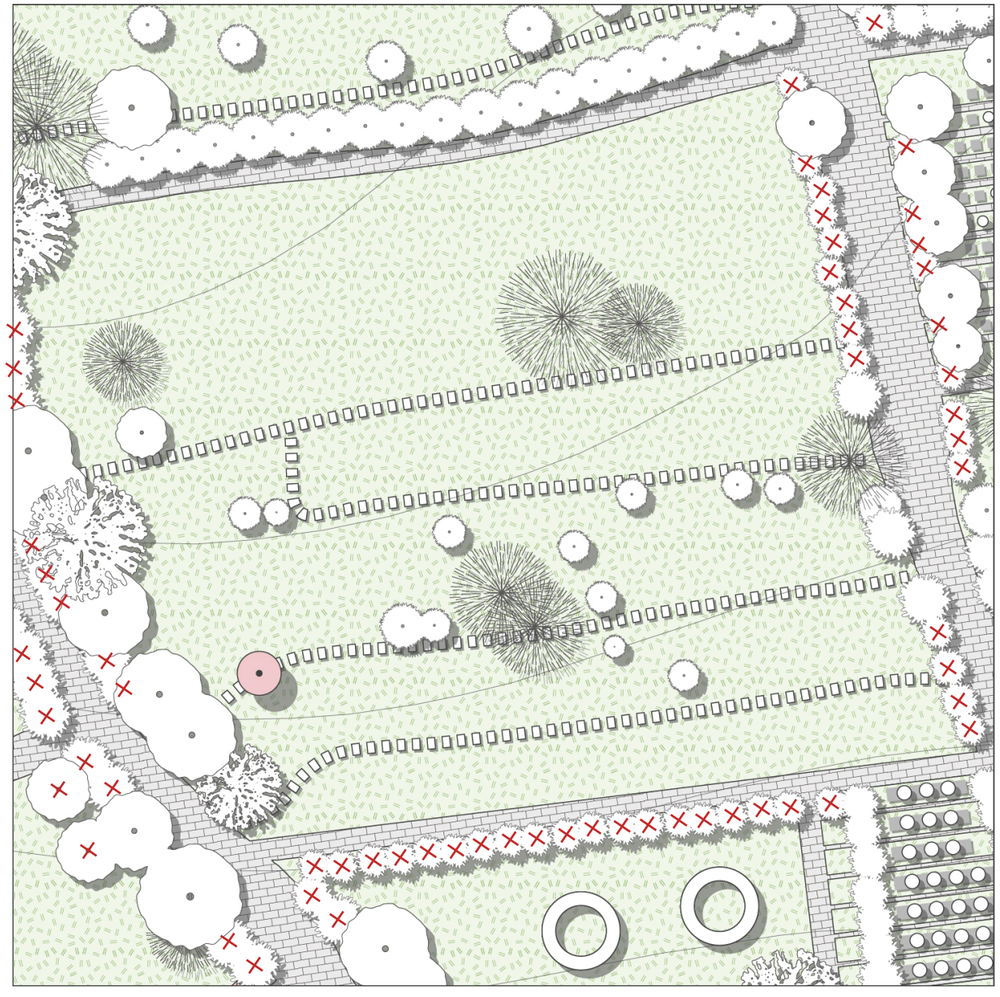
Zoom-in(s)



Zoom-in 2

Before



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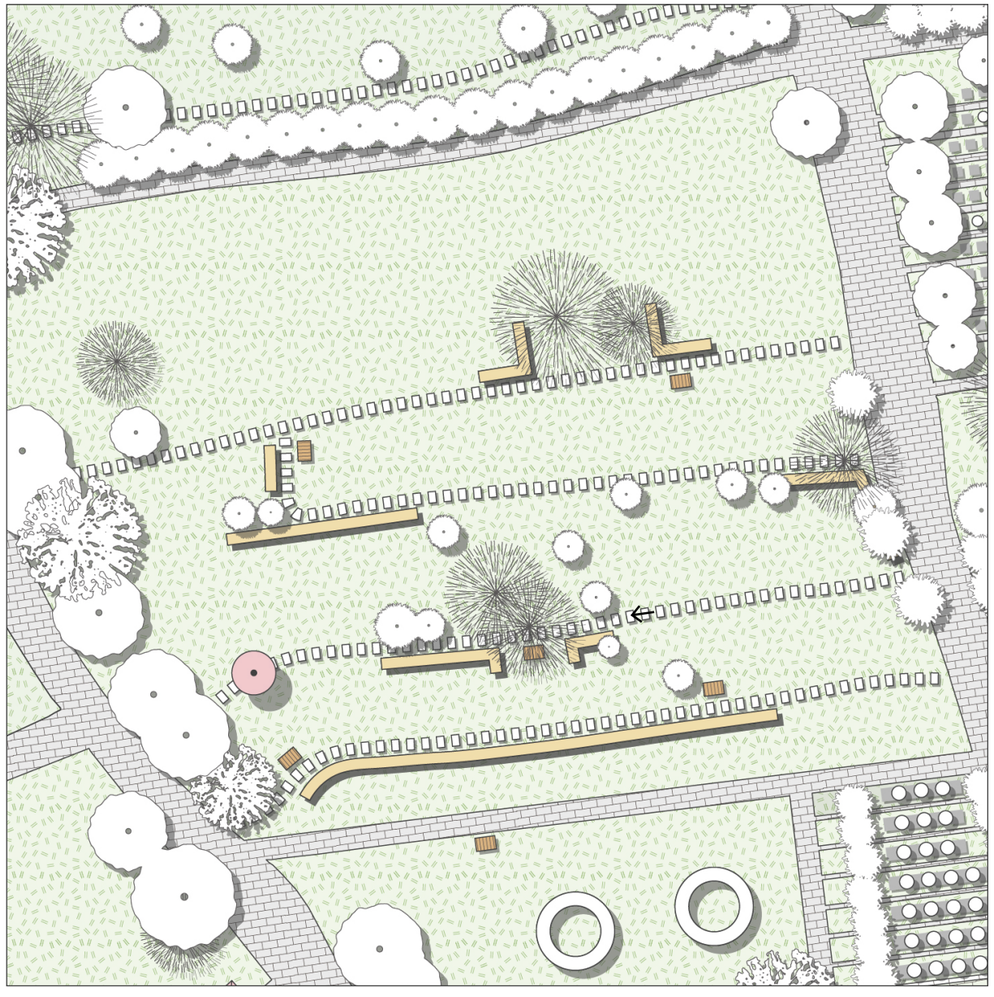



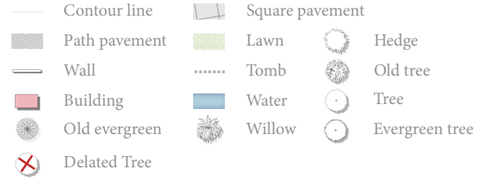

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Visualization of
urn display wall

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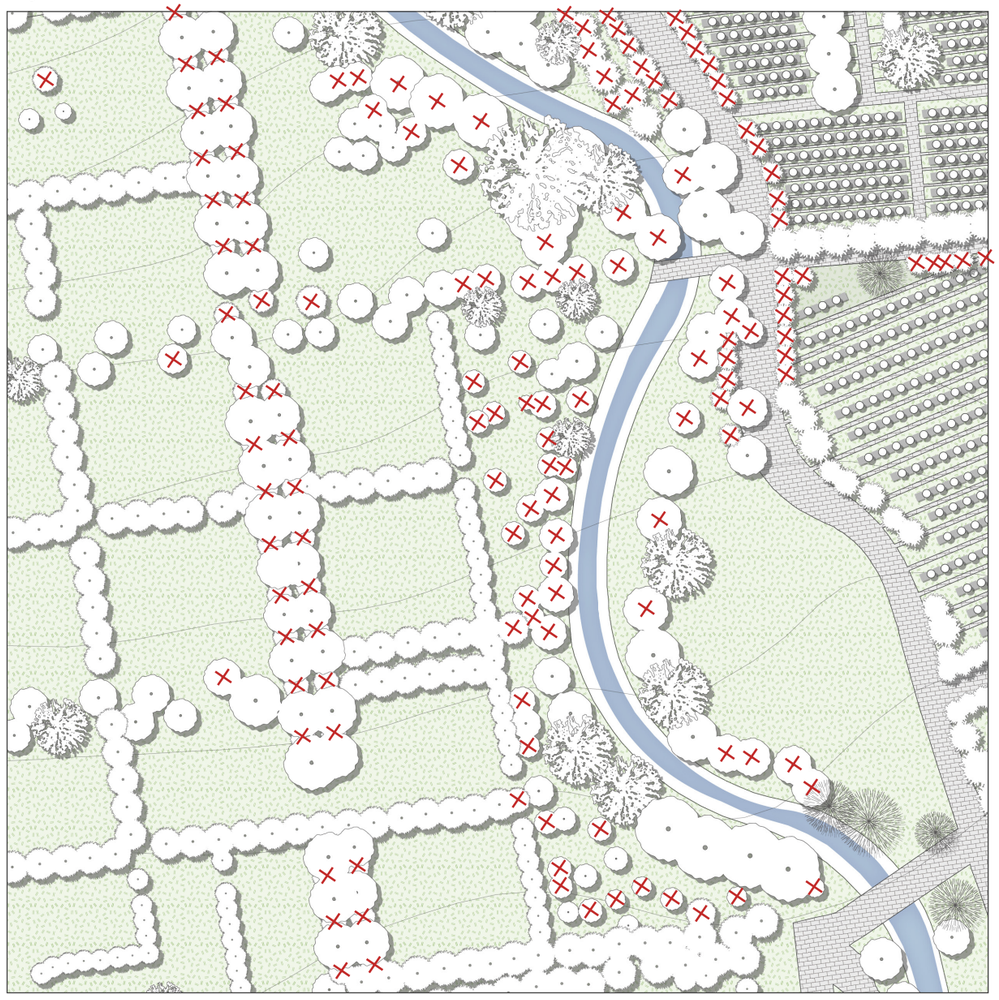
Zoom-in(s)



Zoom-in 3

Before



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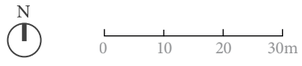

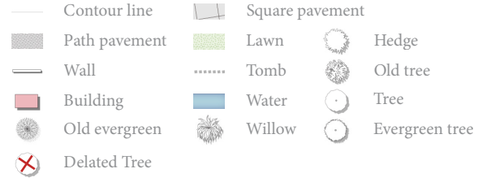

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Visualization of water cascade

Redesign

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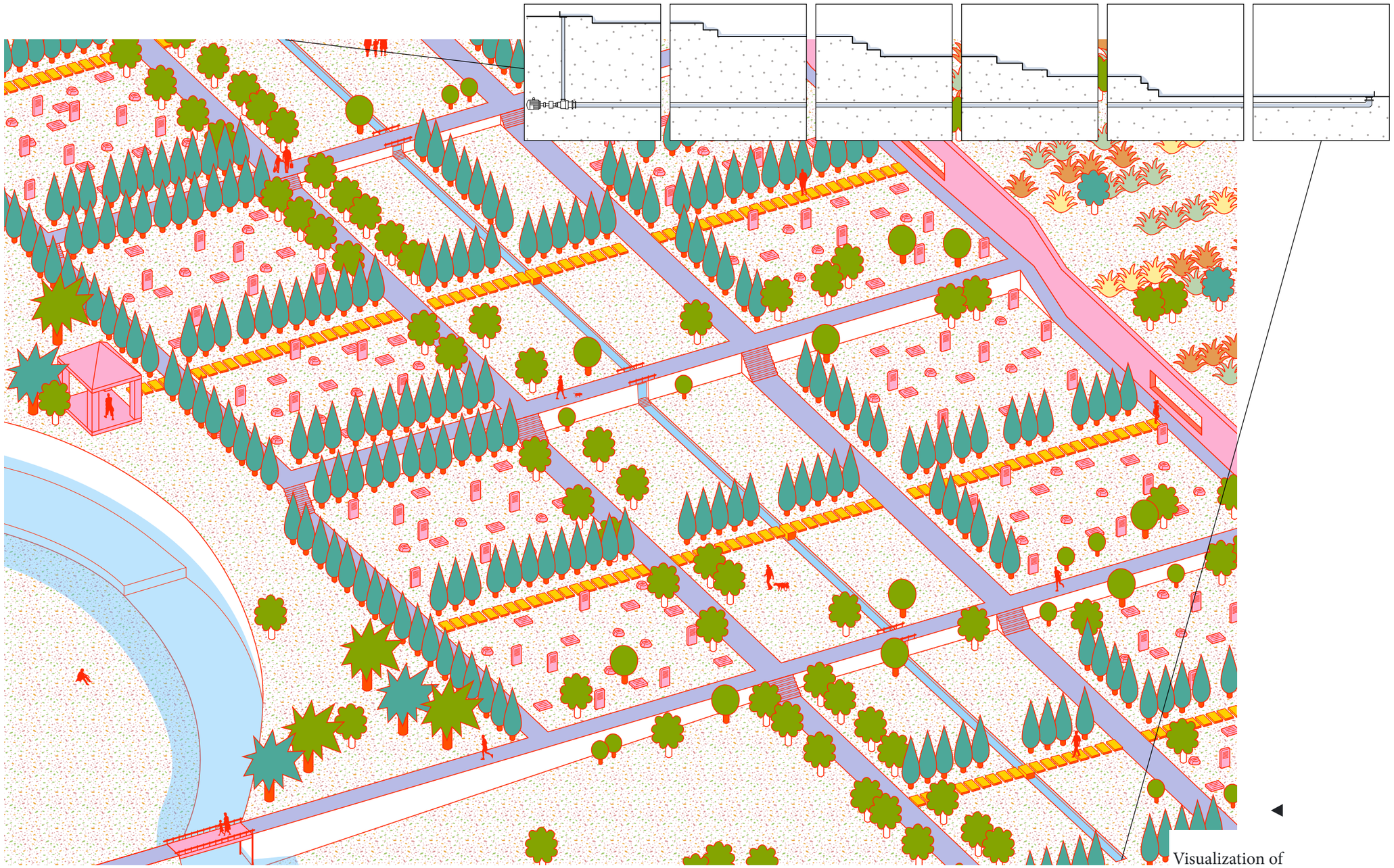

Visualization of
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Zoom-in 4

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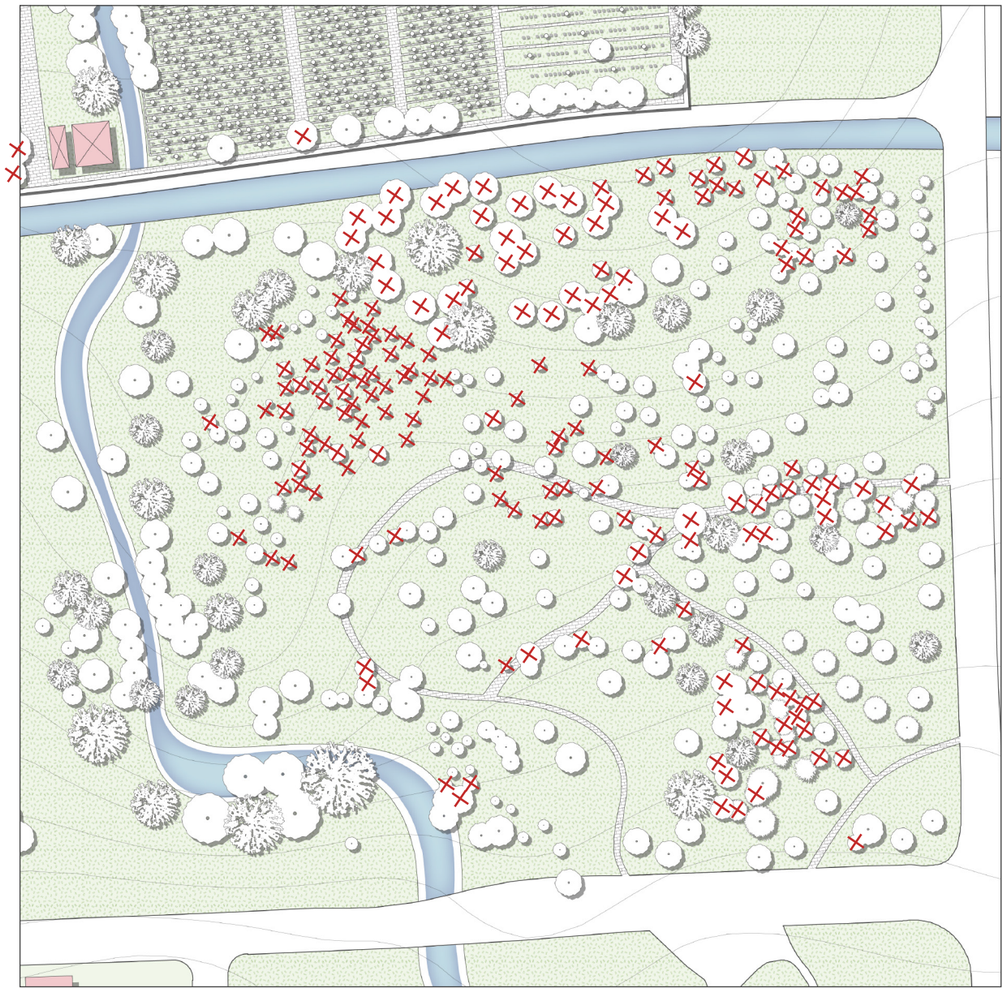

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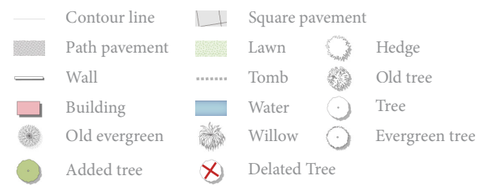

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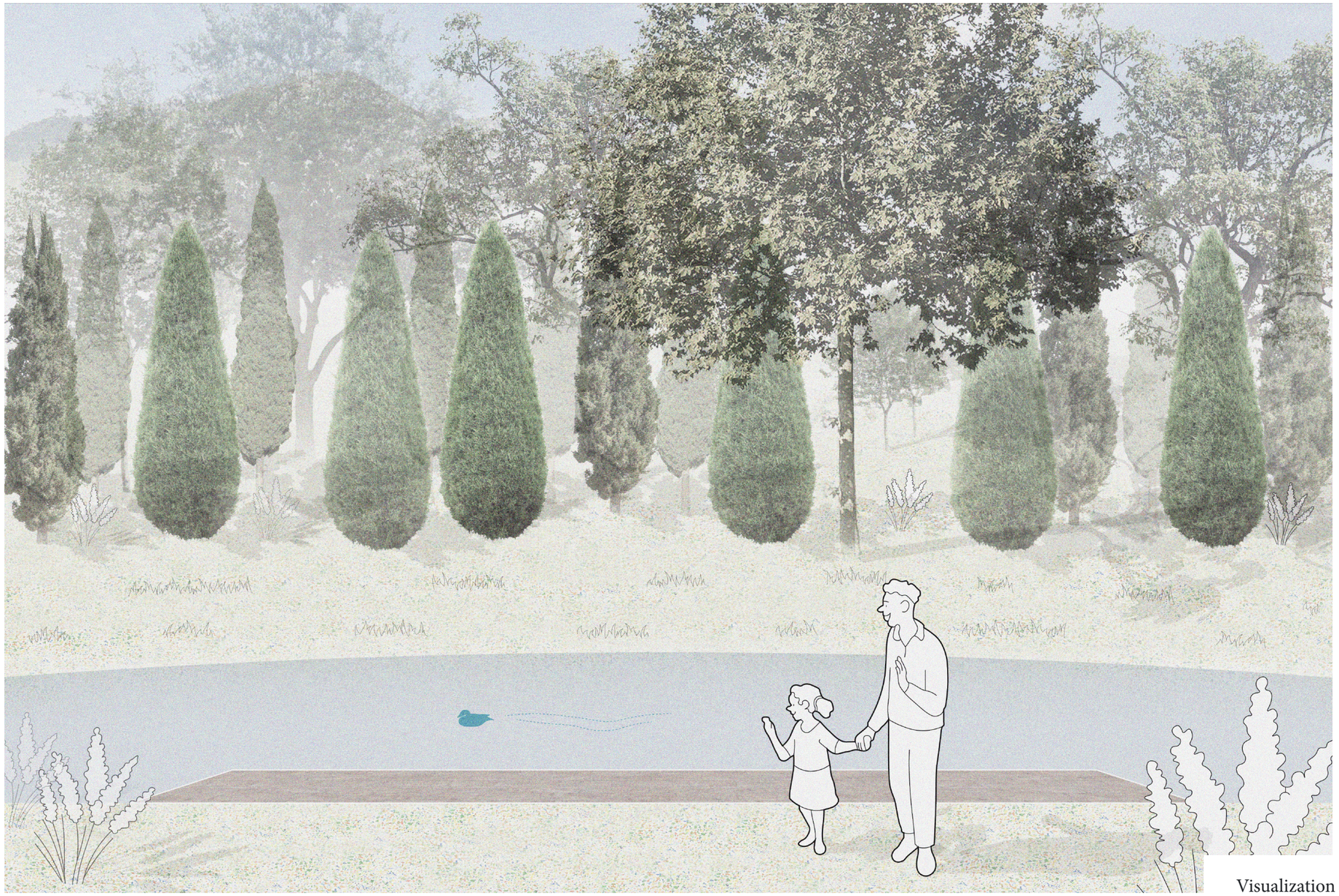
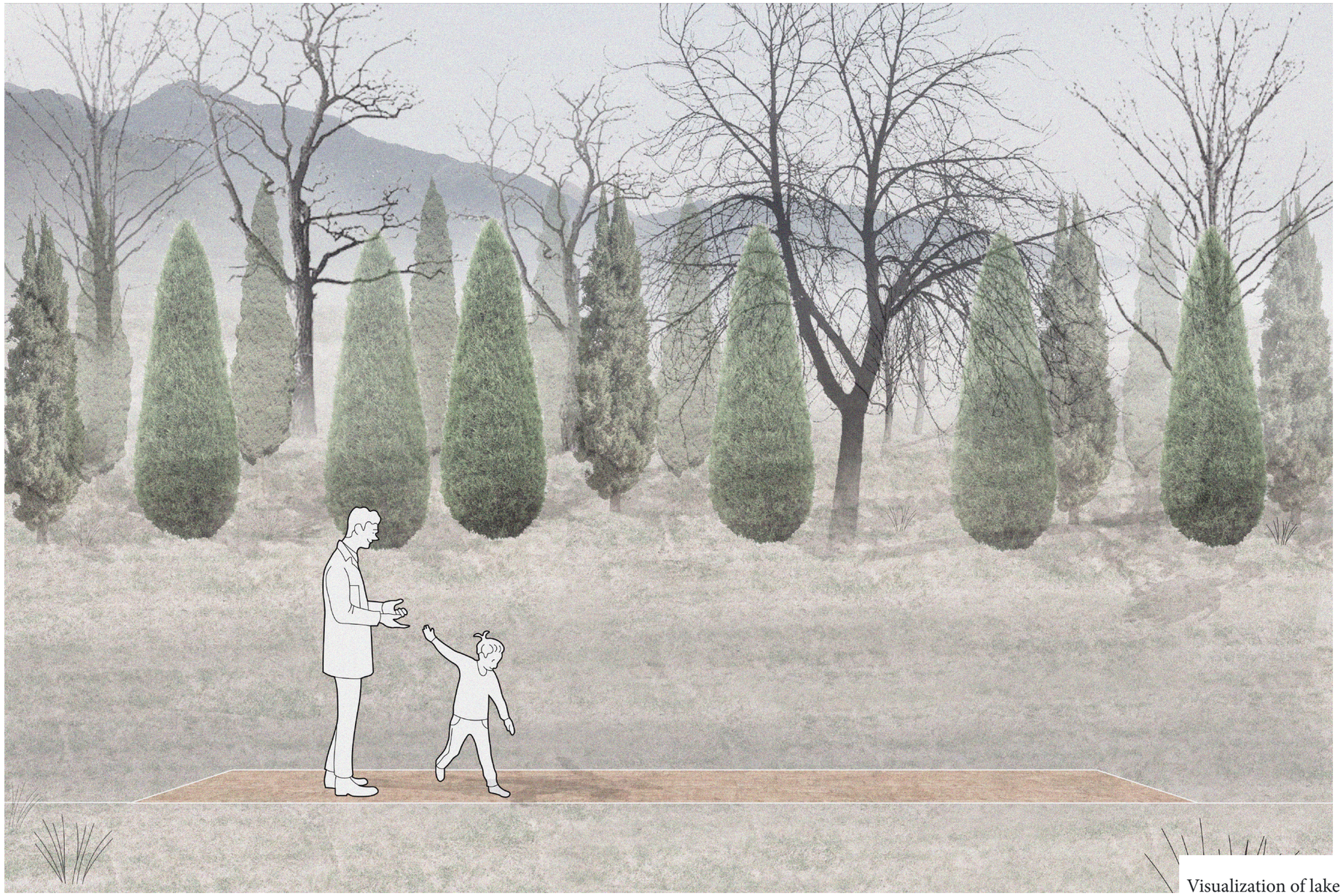


Visualization of lake
inside extension
memorial park

Redesign

Zoom-in(s)



Visualization of lake of dry season inside extension memorial park

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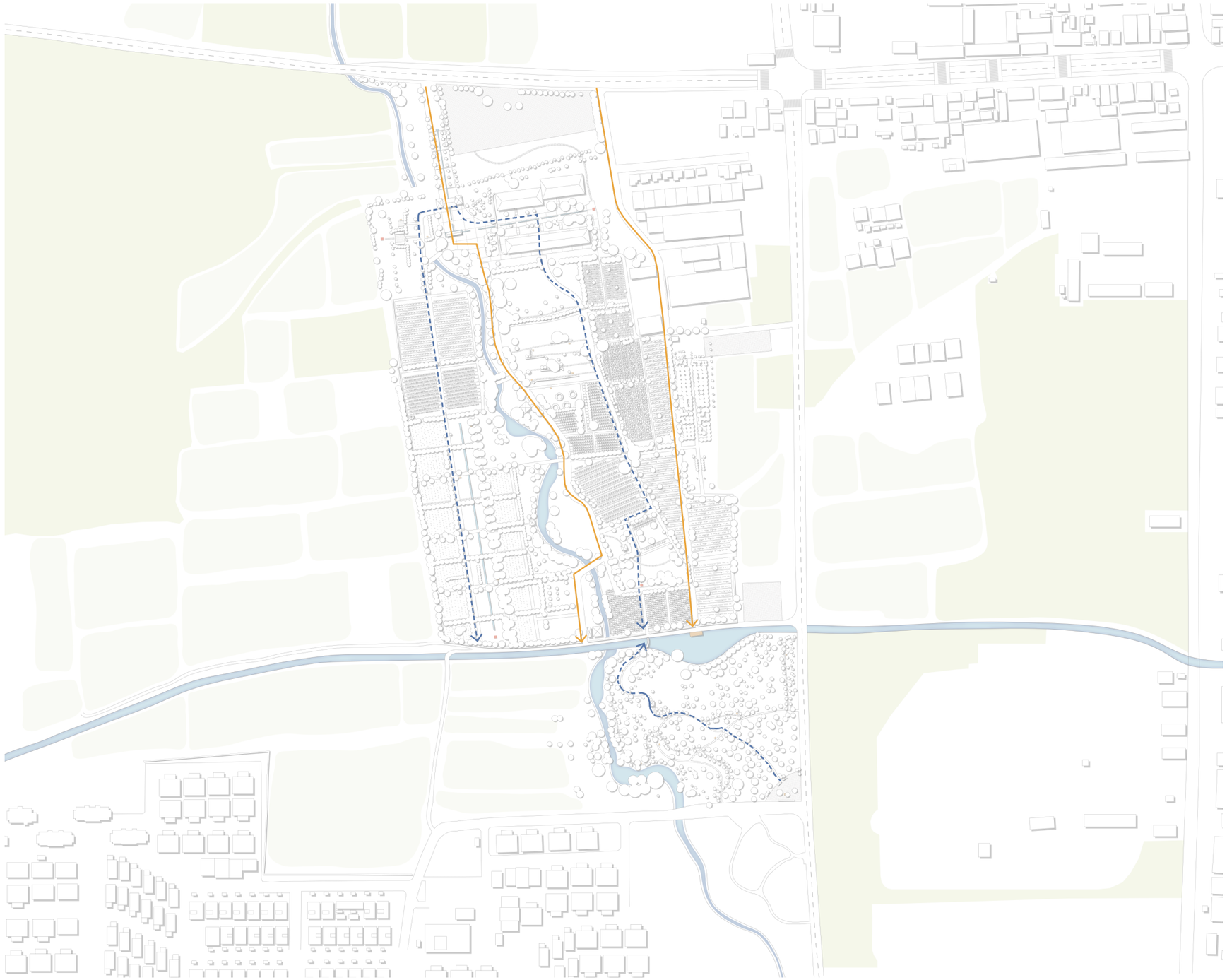
Visualization of entrance square of extension memorial park

Redesign

Routes and views



Legend

- Recreational route
- Memorial route

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Redesign

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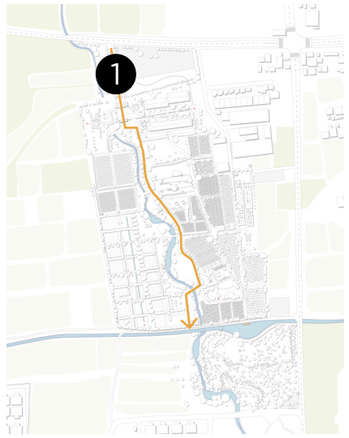

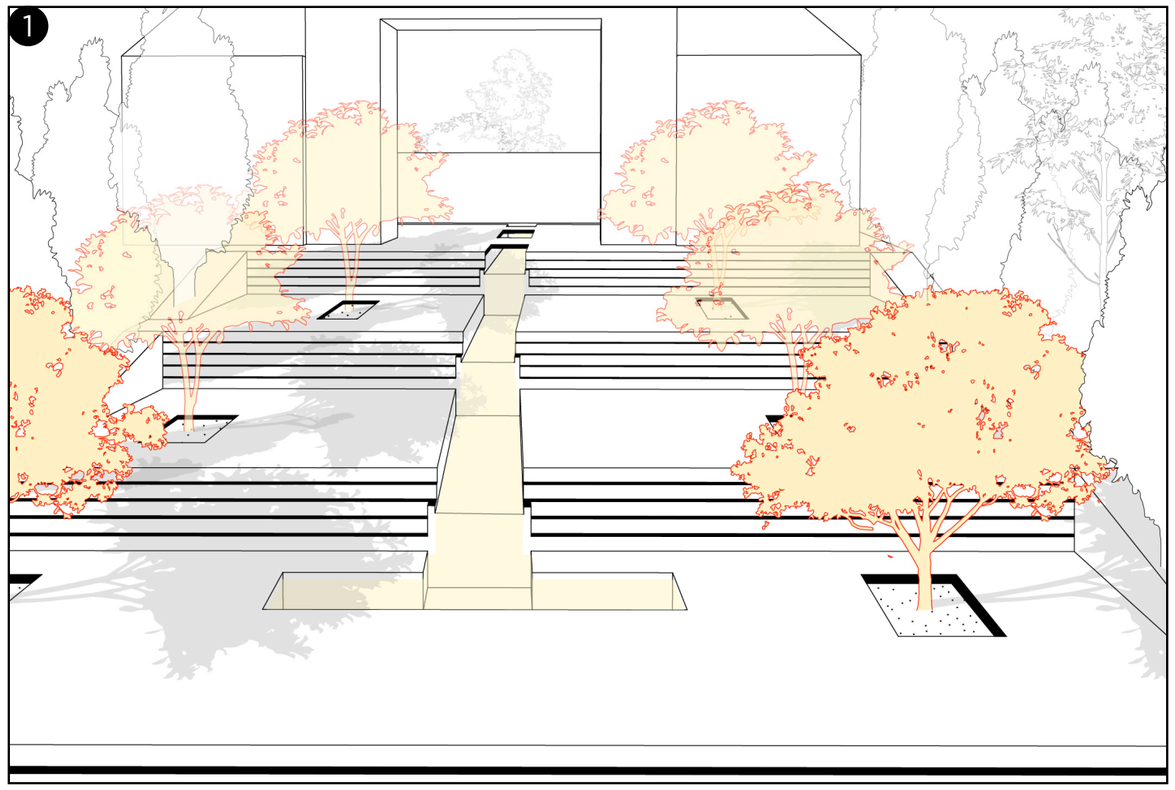

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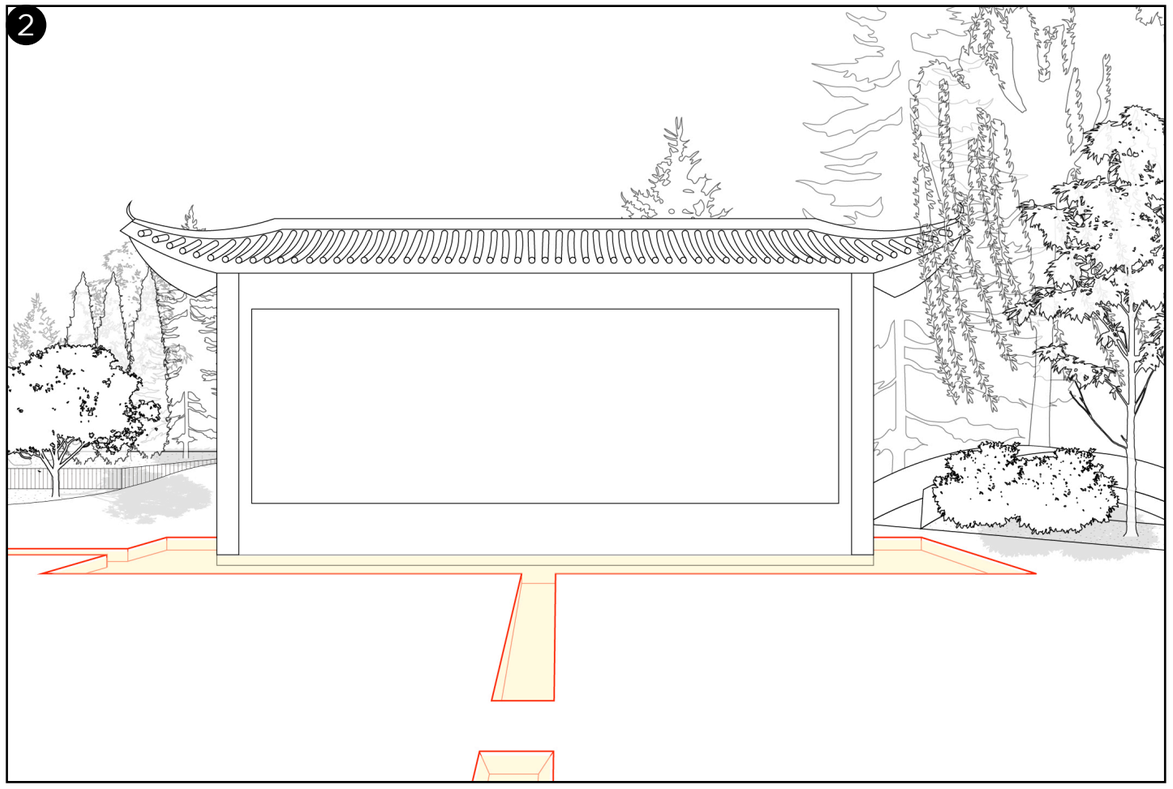

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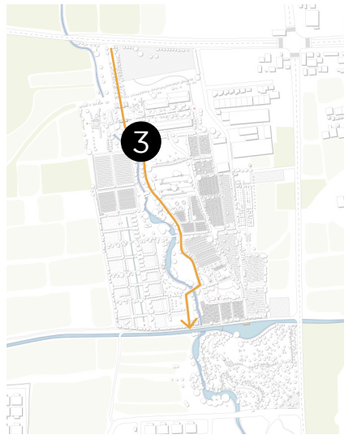



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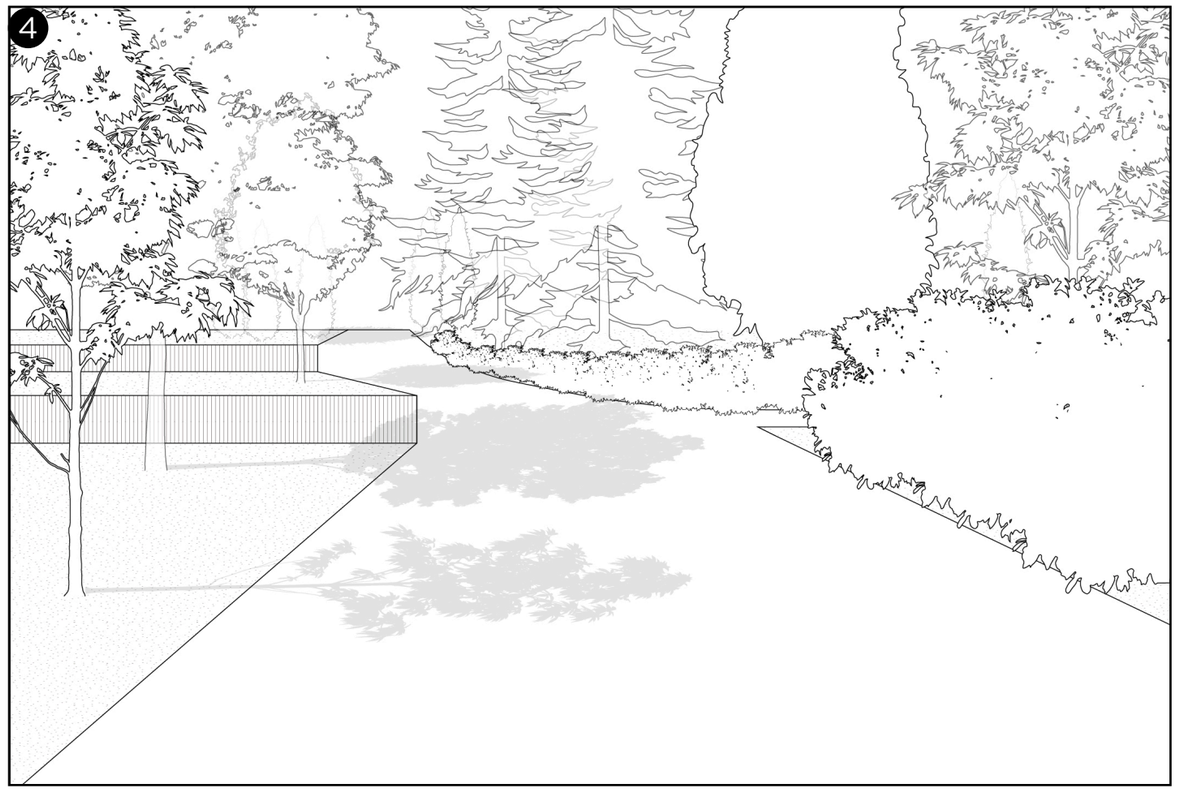

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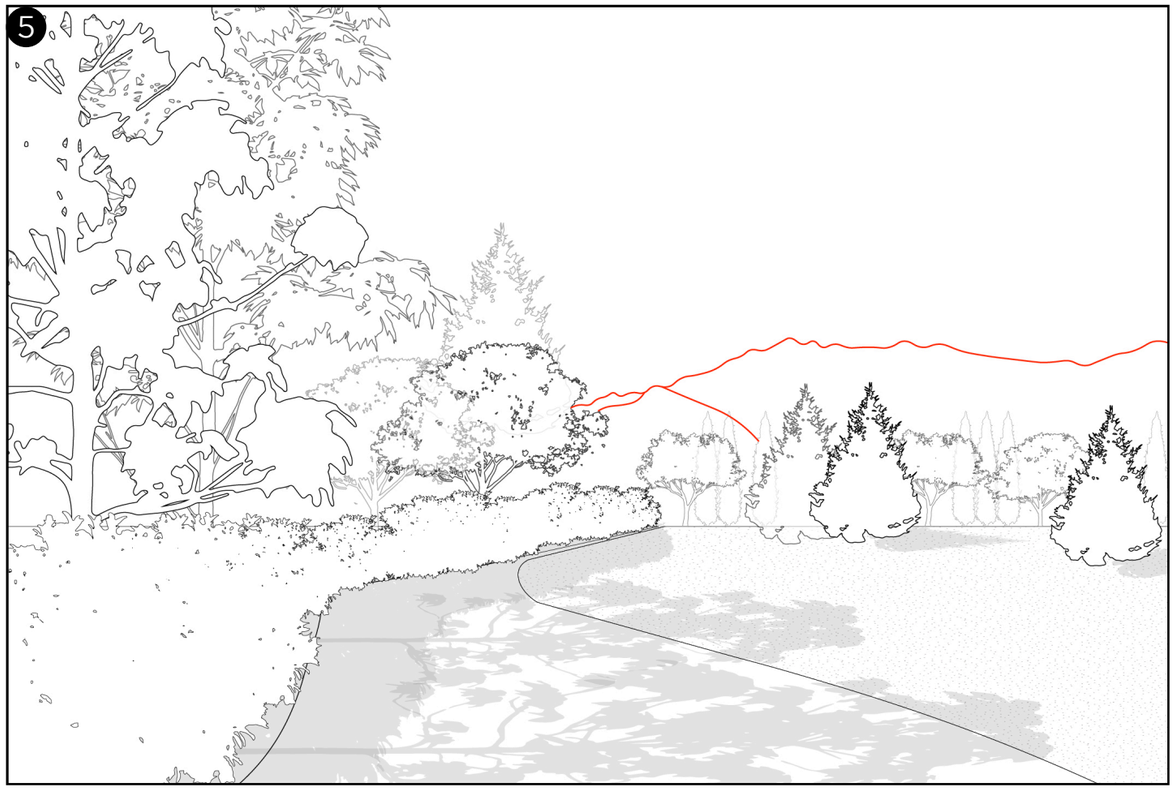

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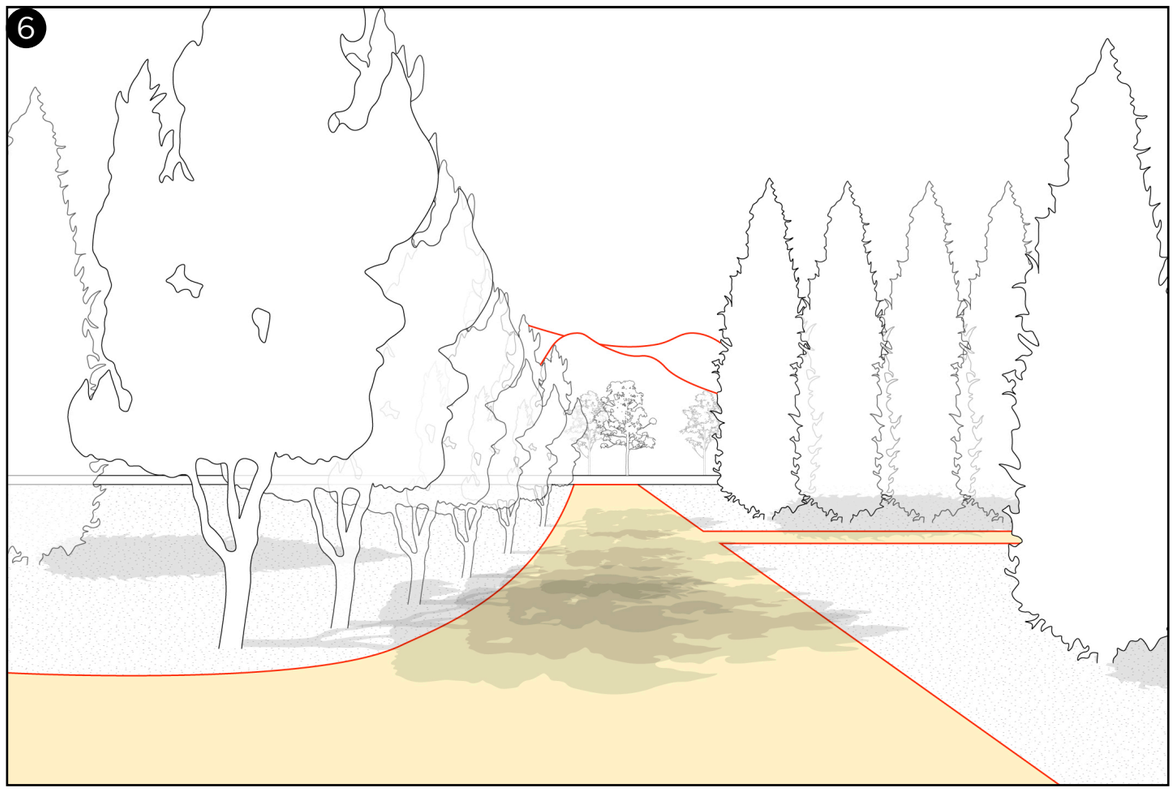

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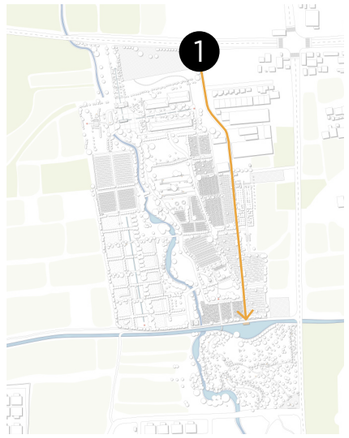

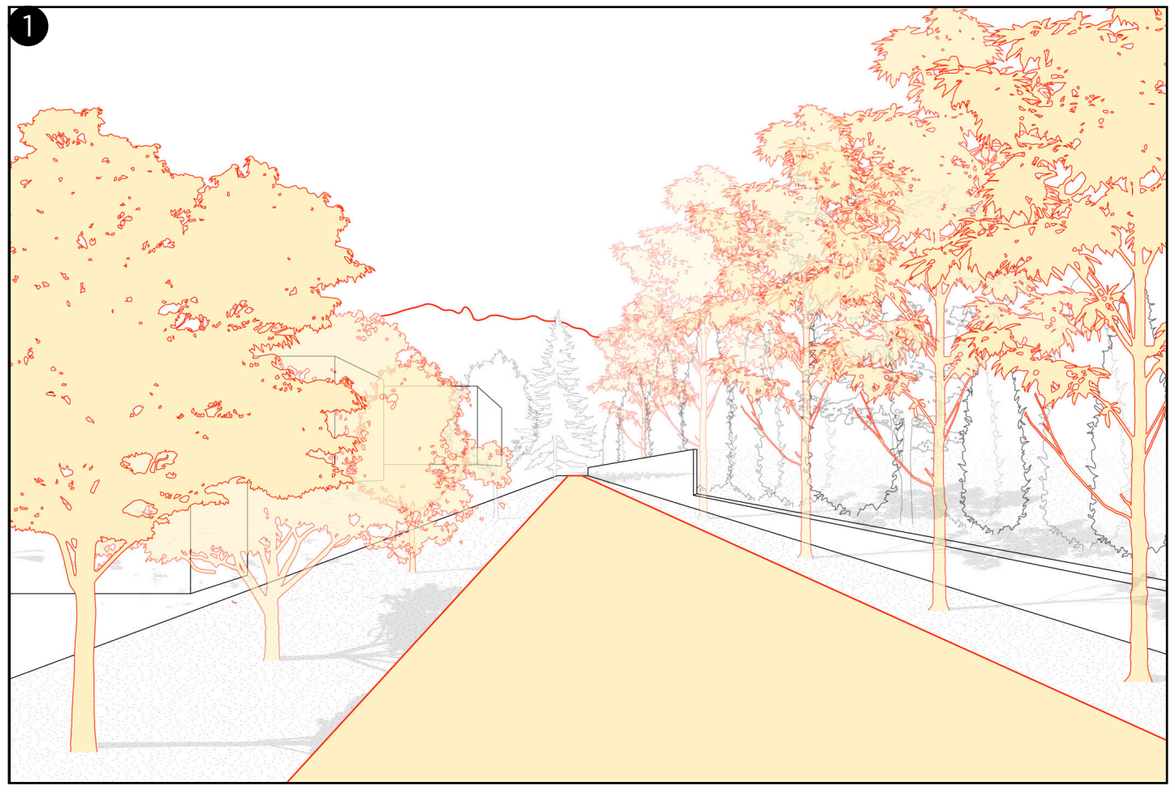

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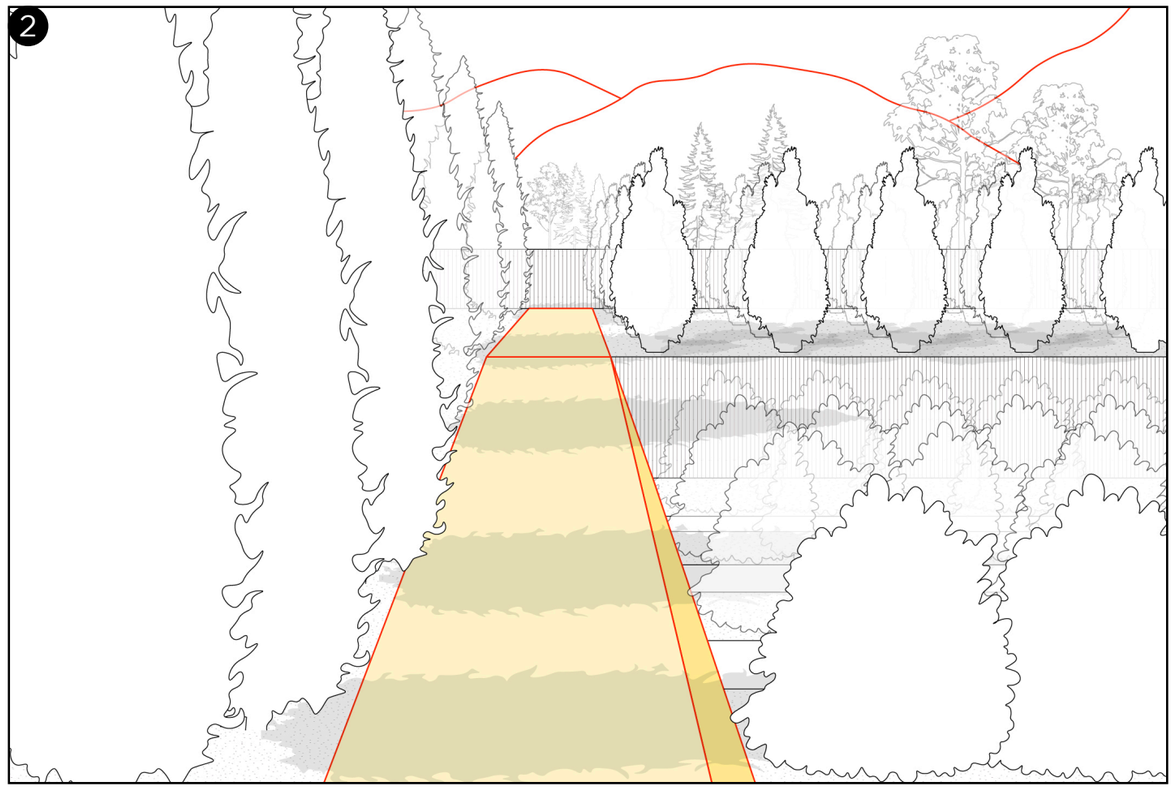

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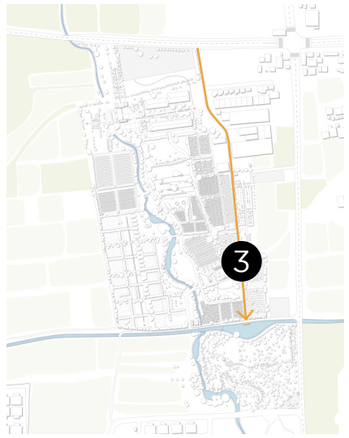



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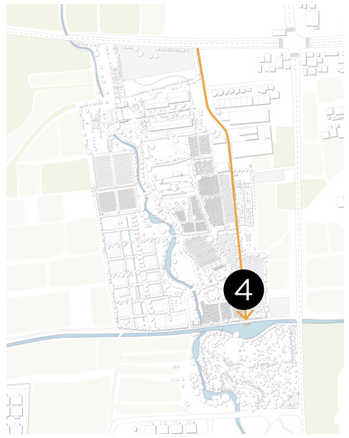

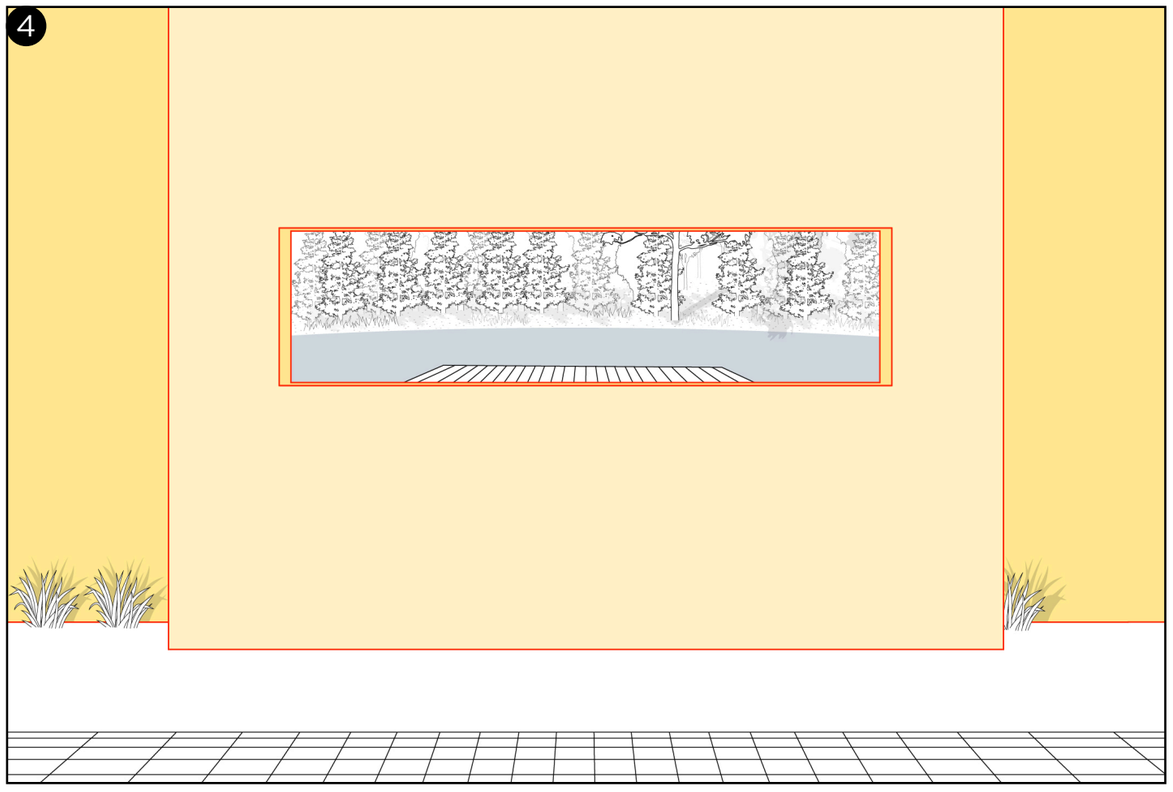

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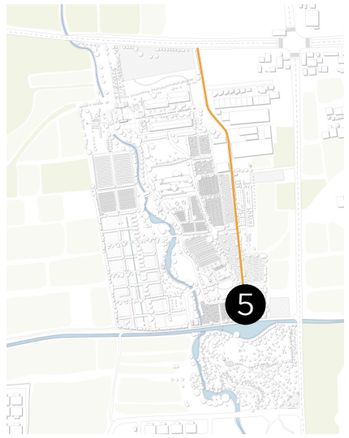

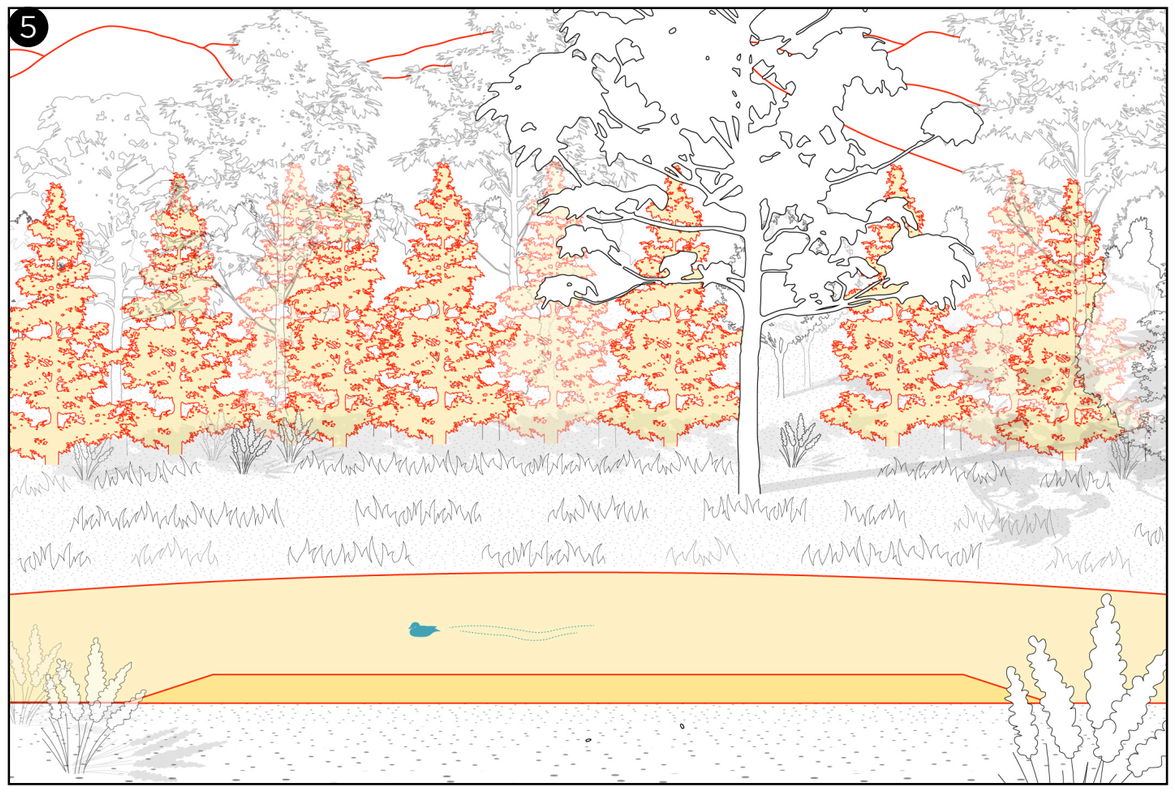

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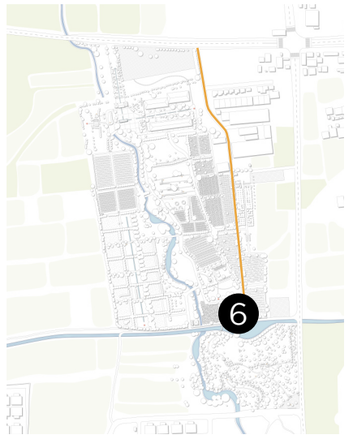



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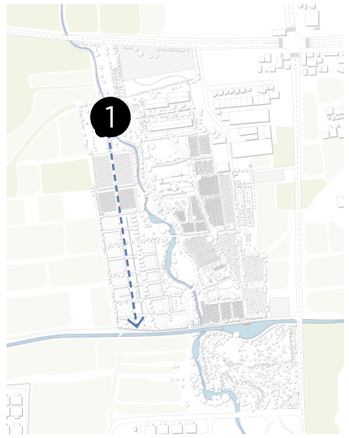

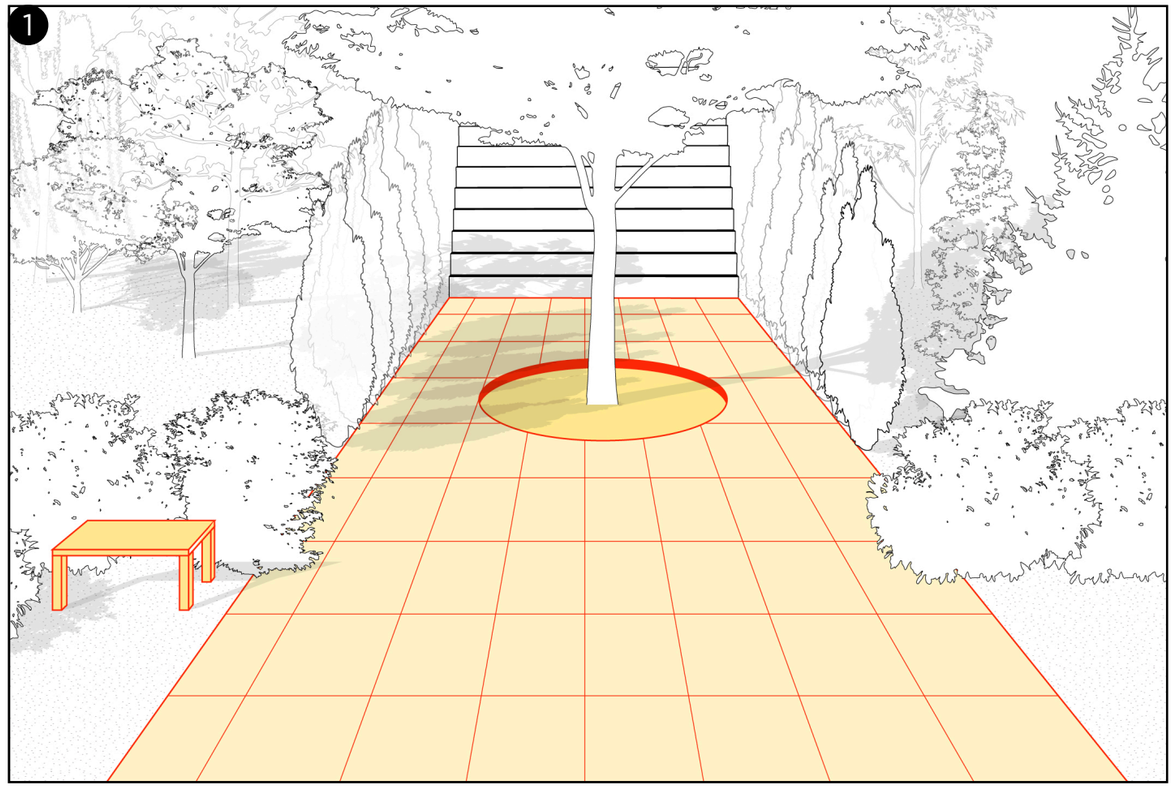

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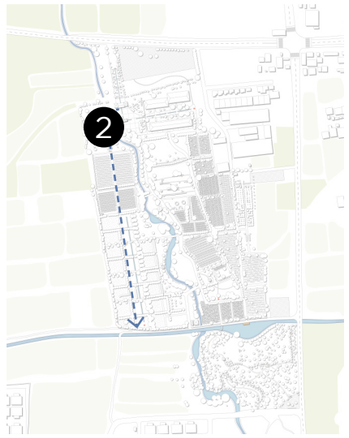

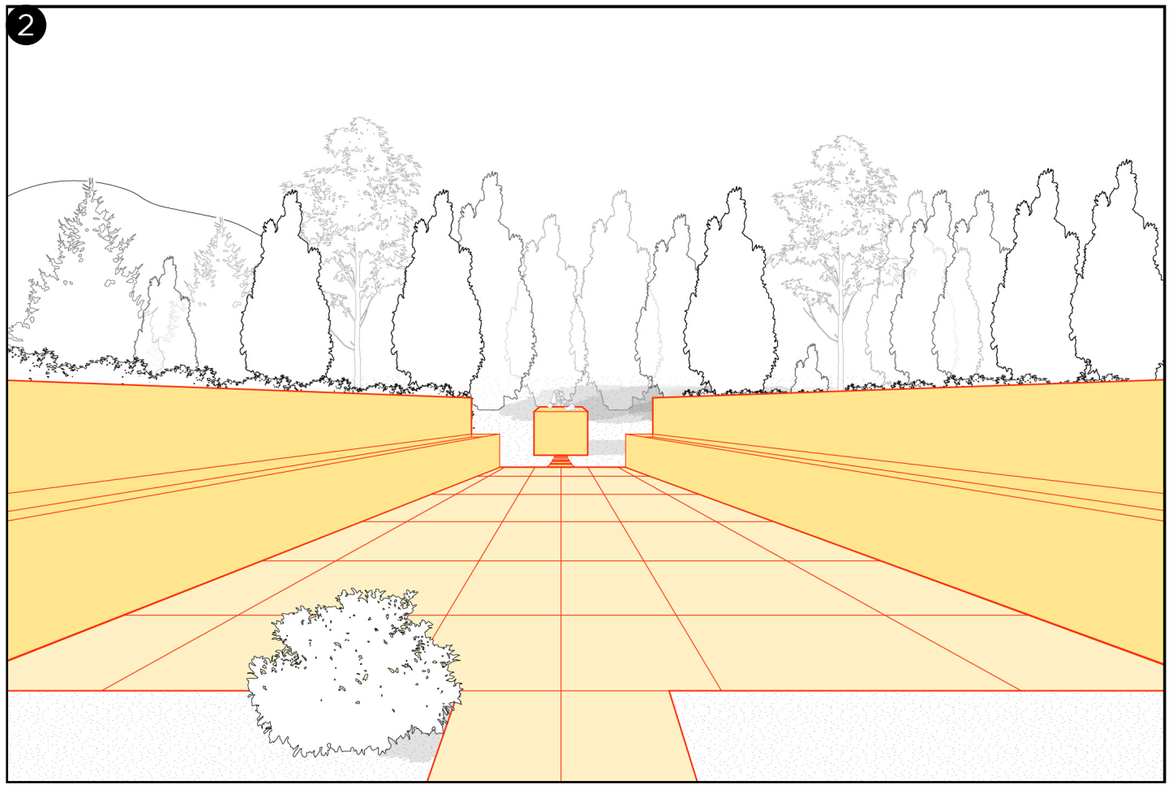

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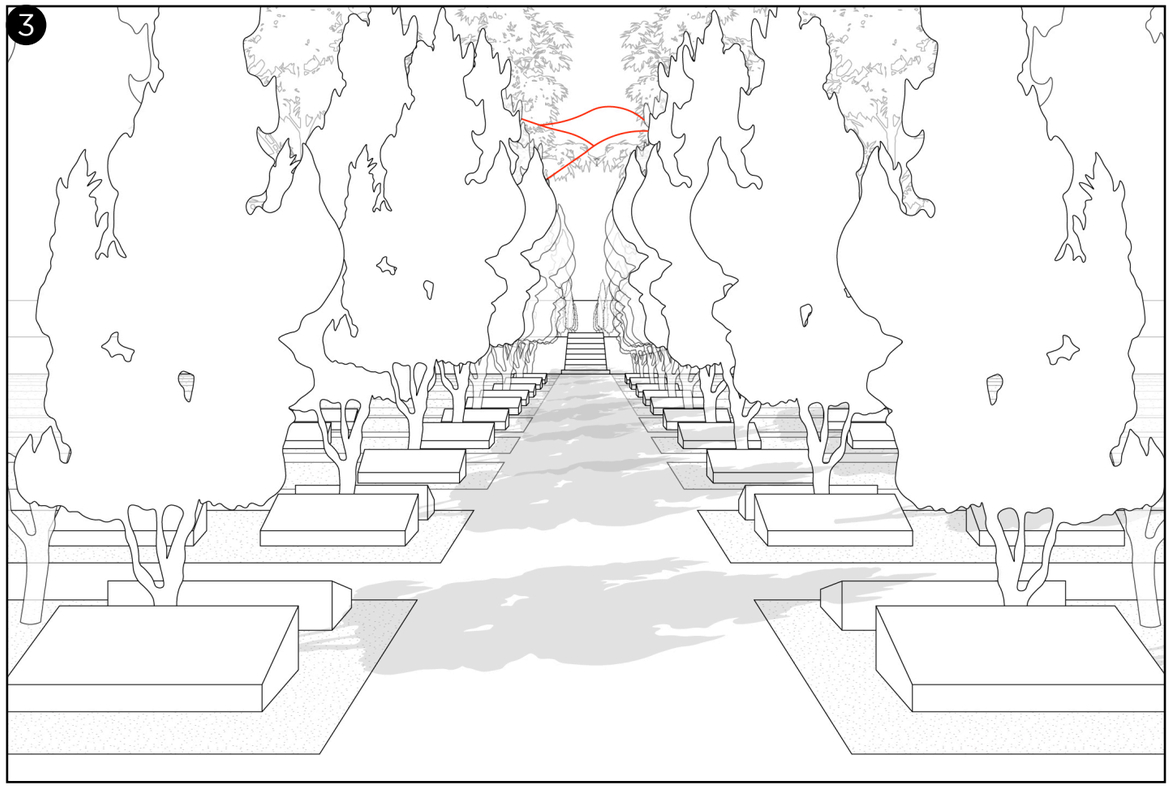

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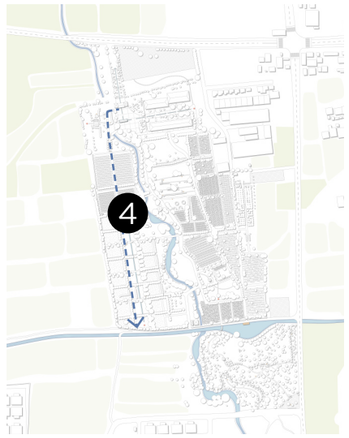

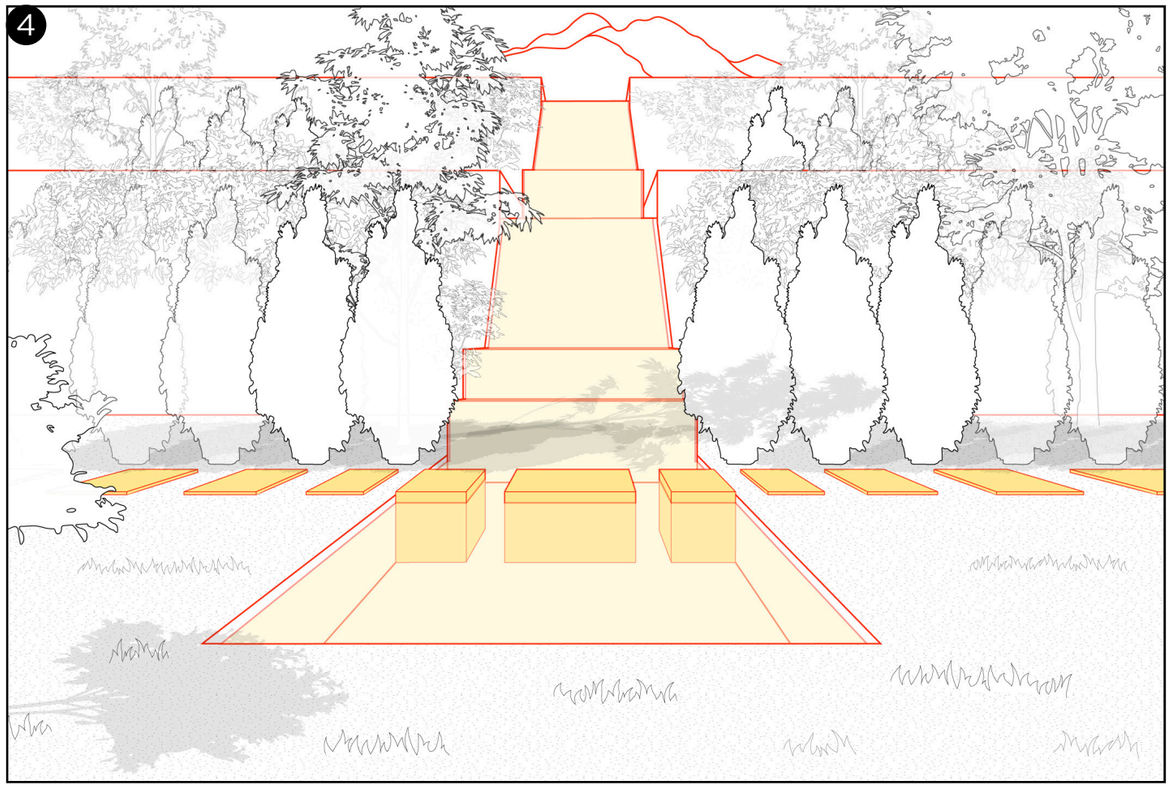

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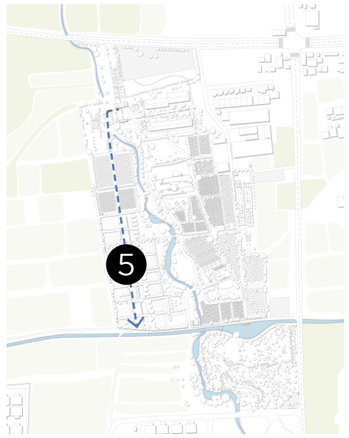

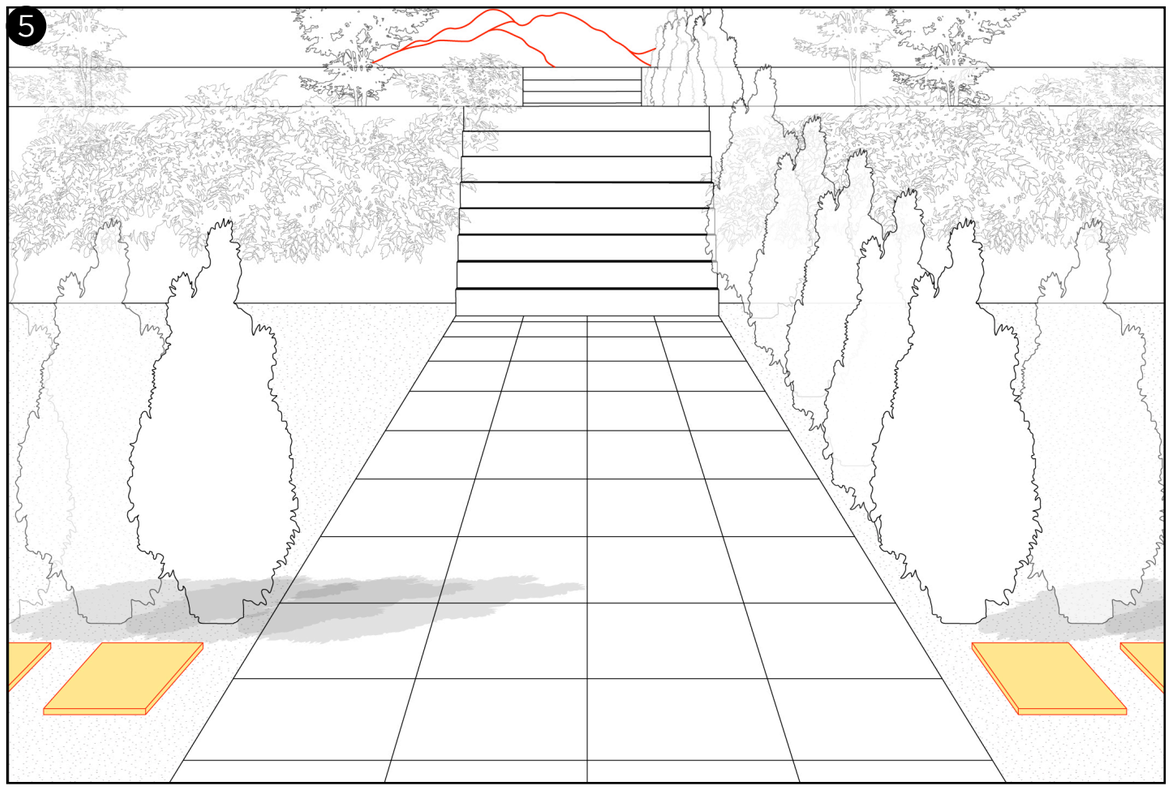

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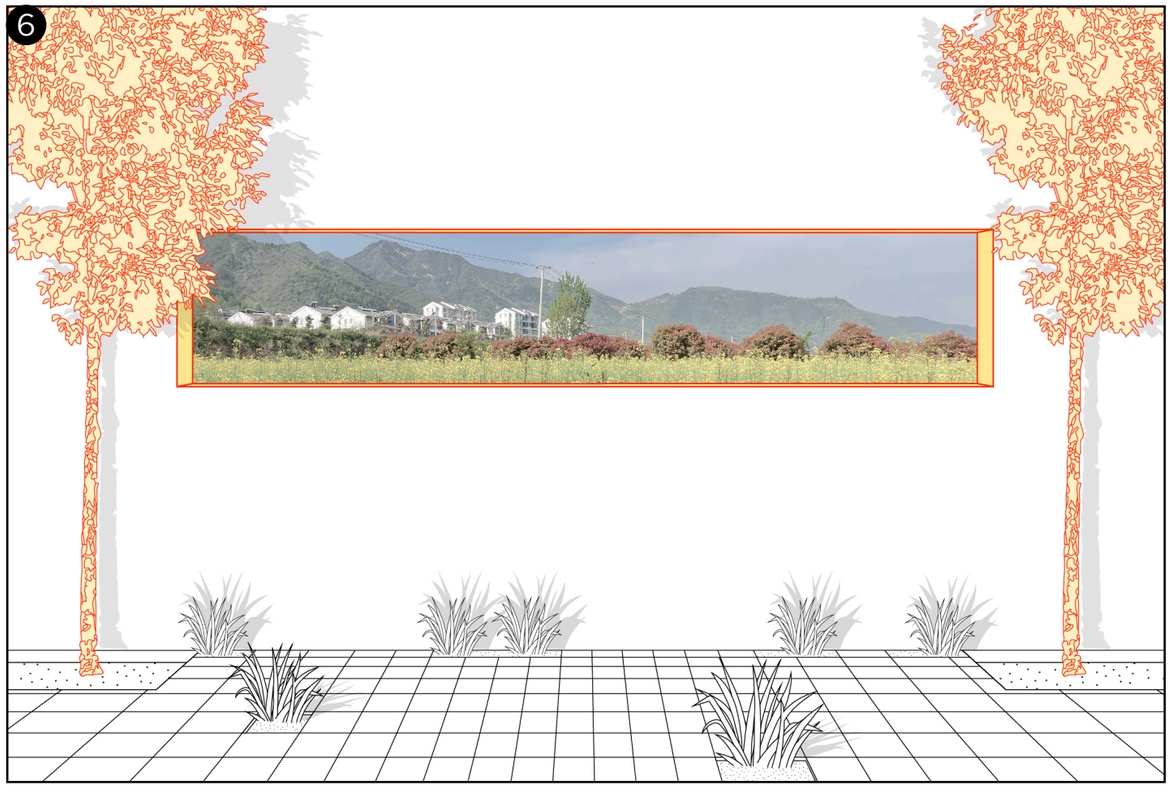

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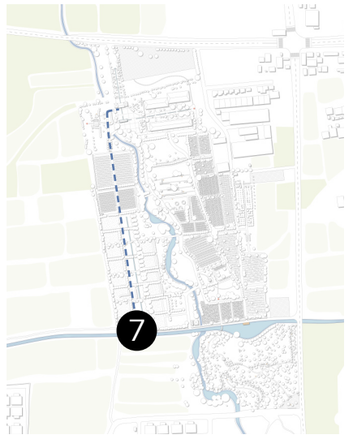

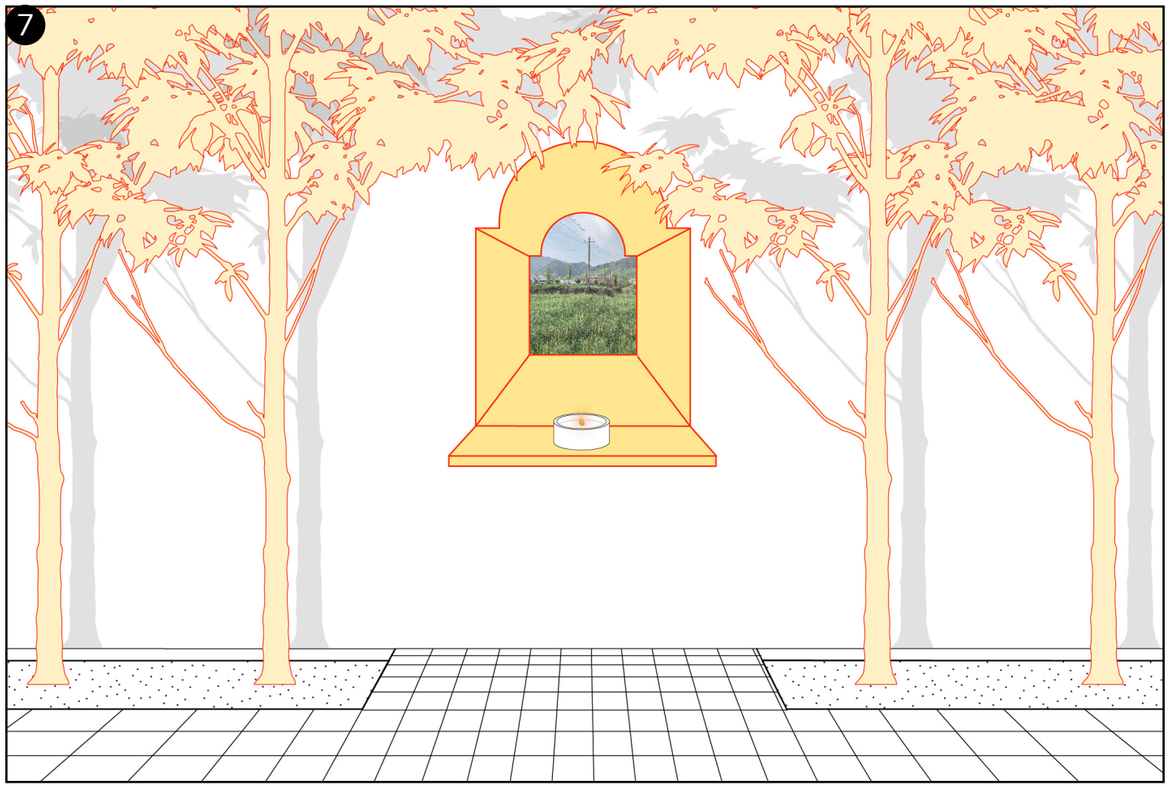

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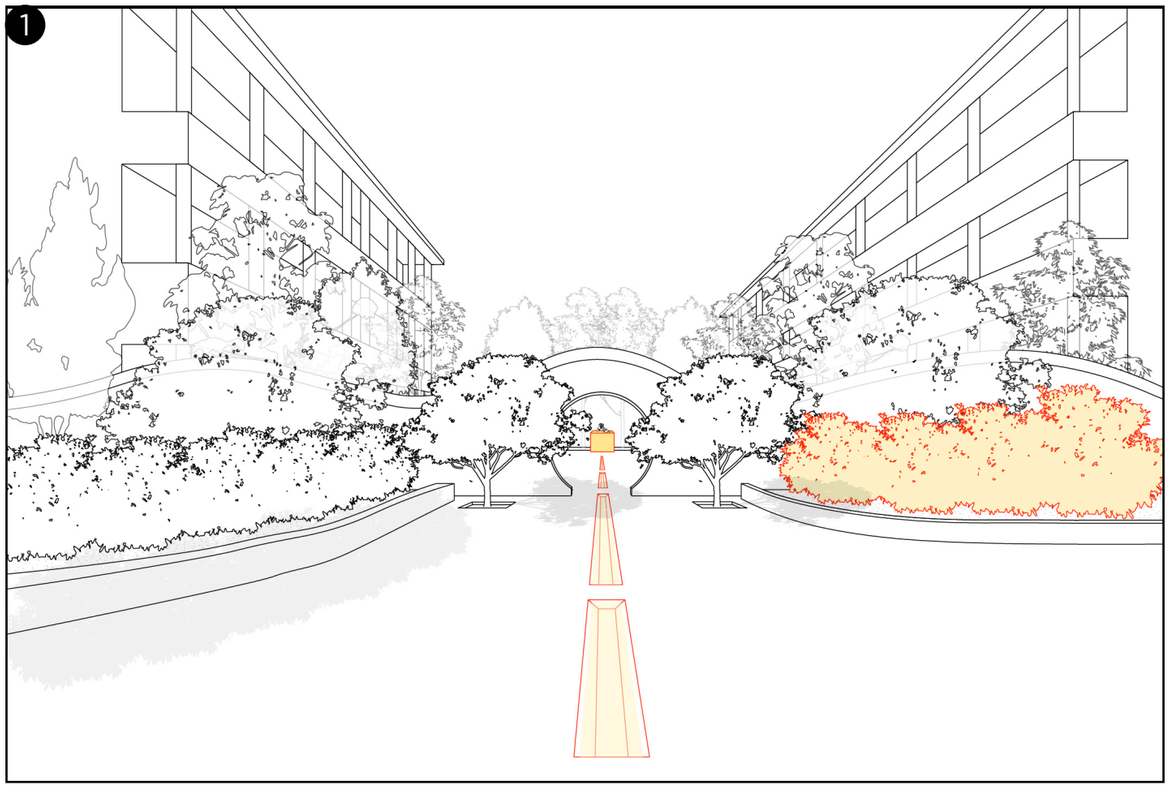

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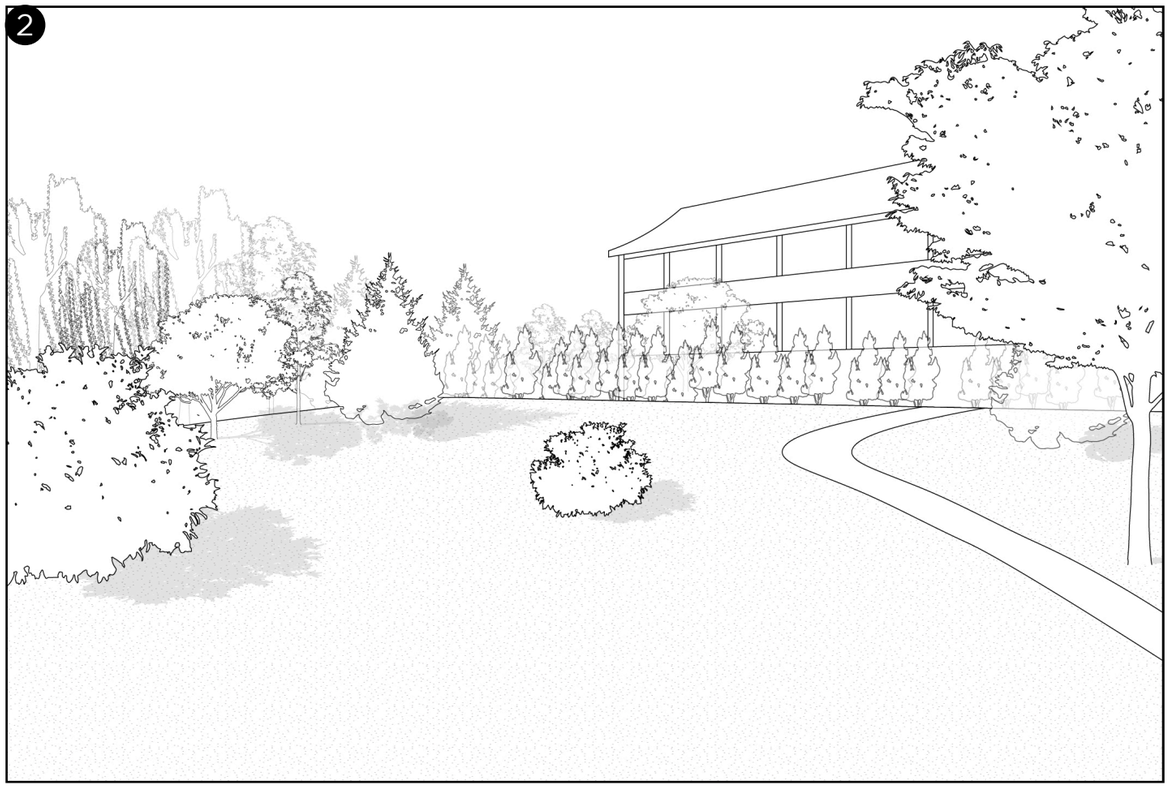

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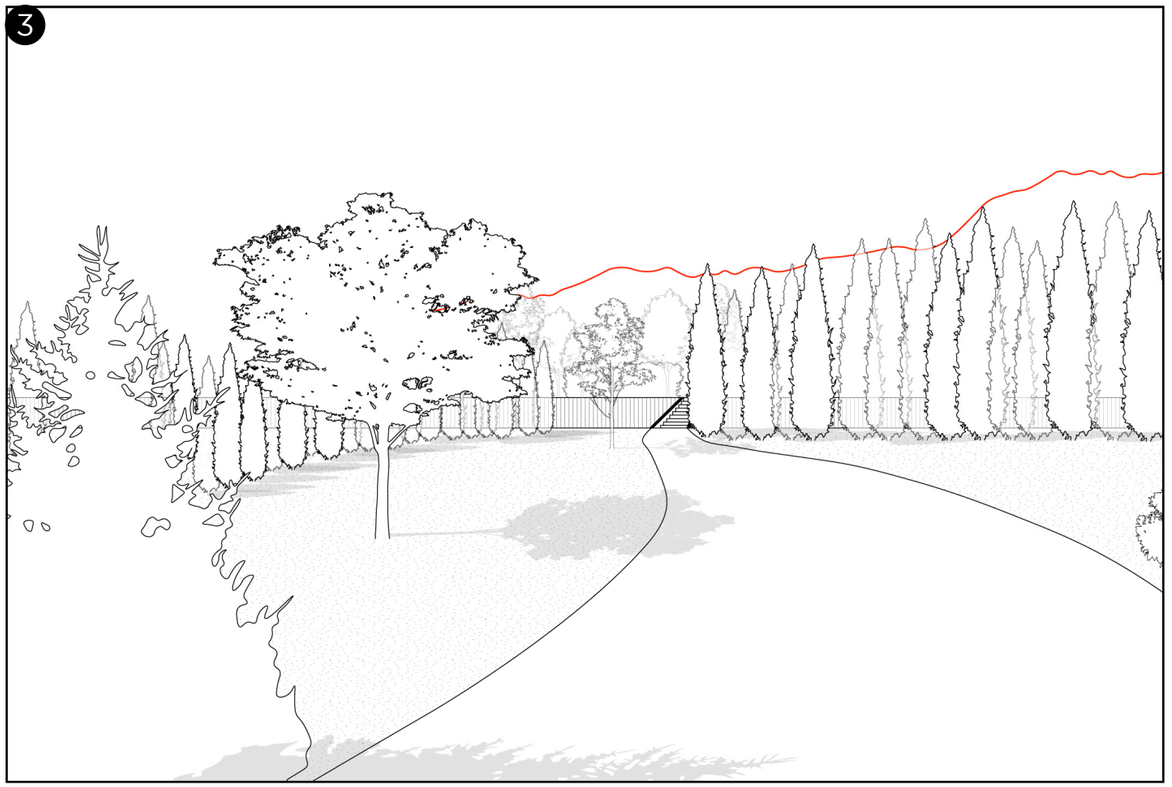

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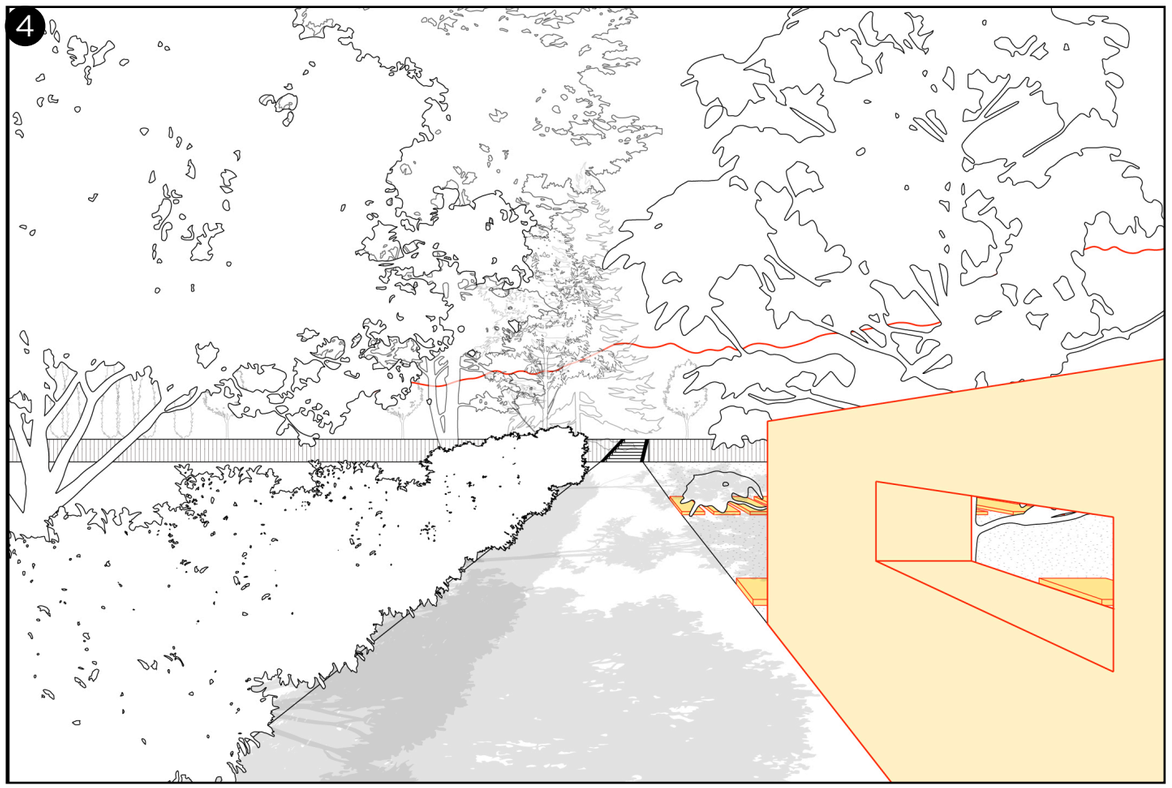

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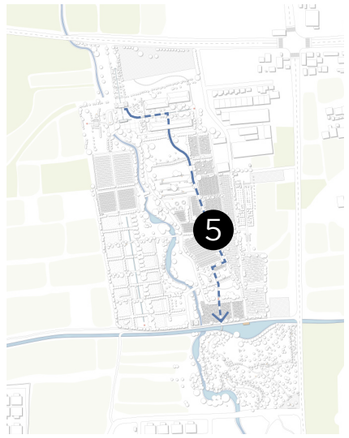

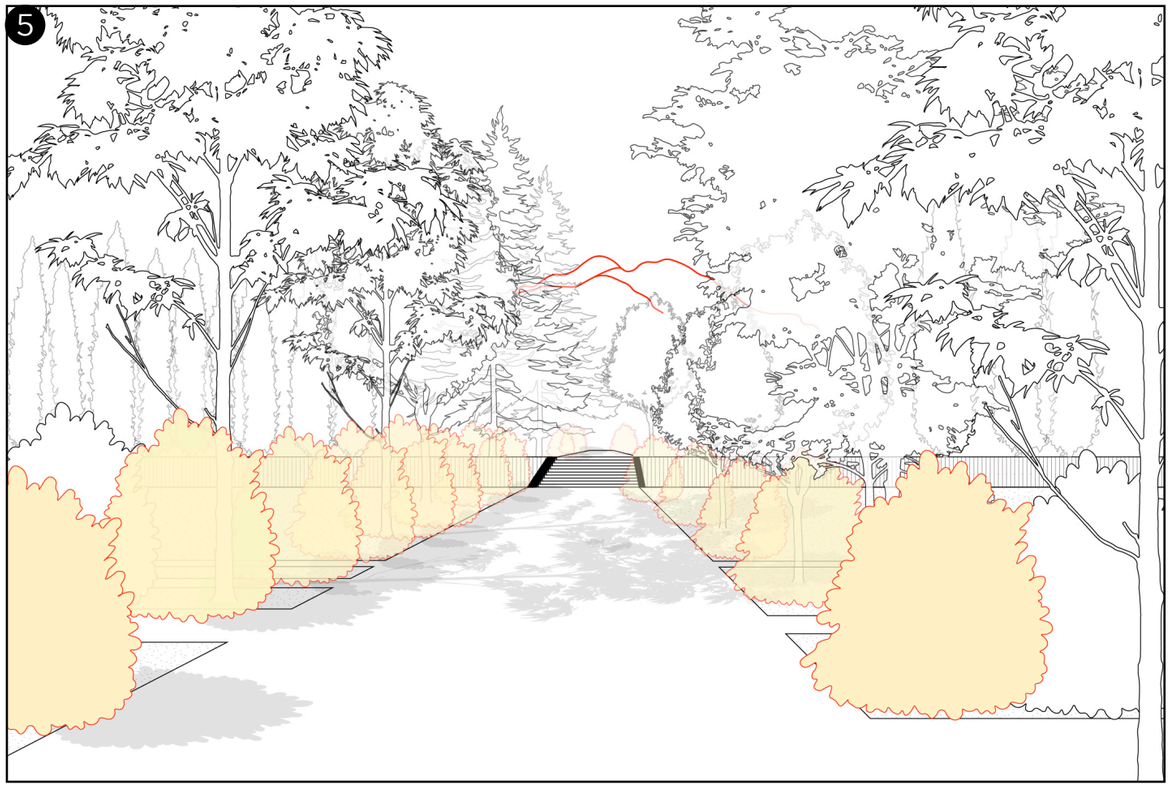

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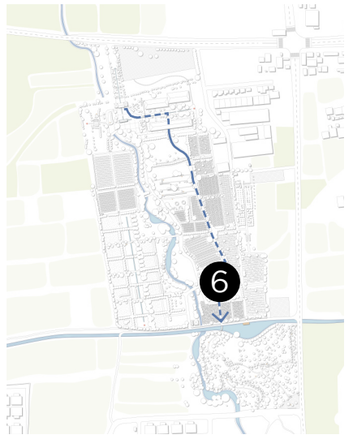

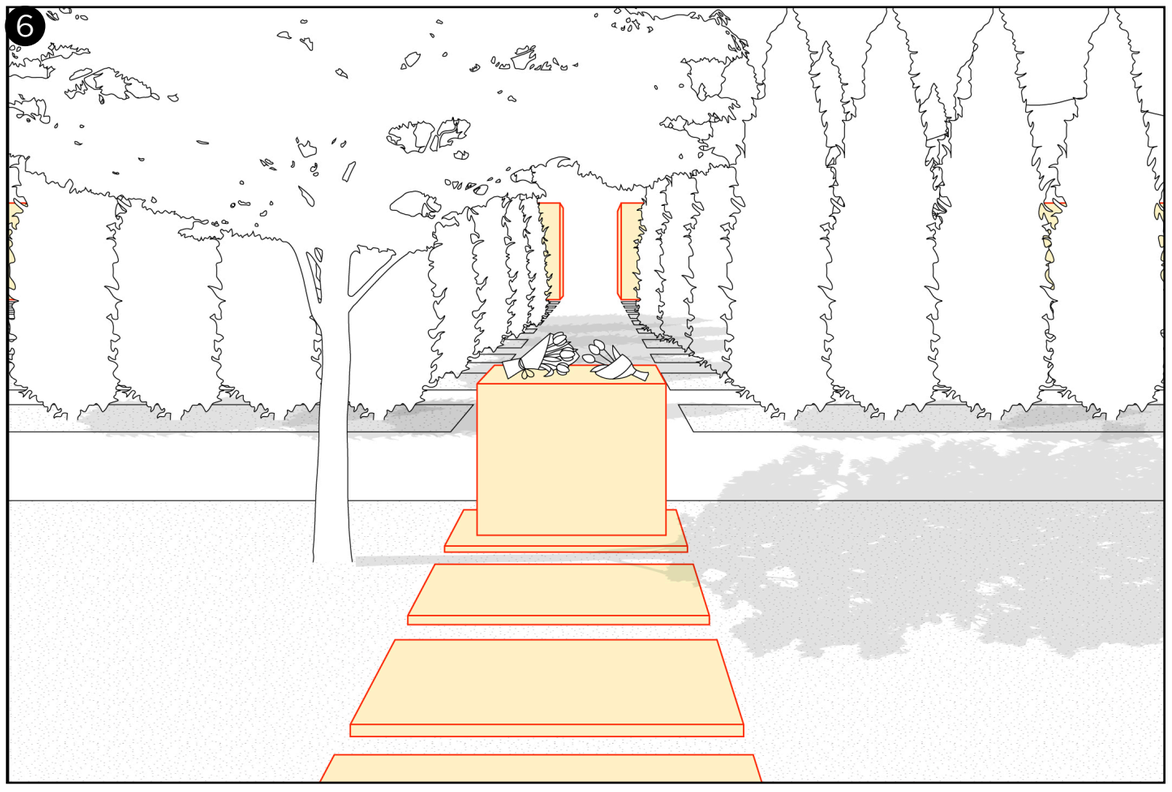

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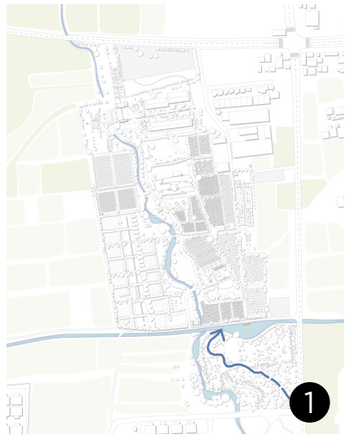

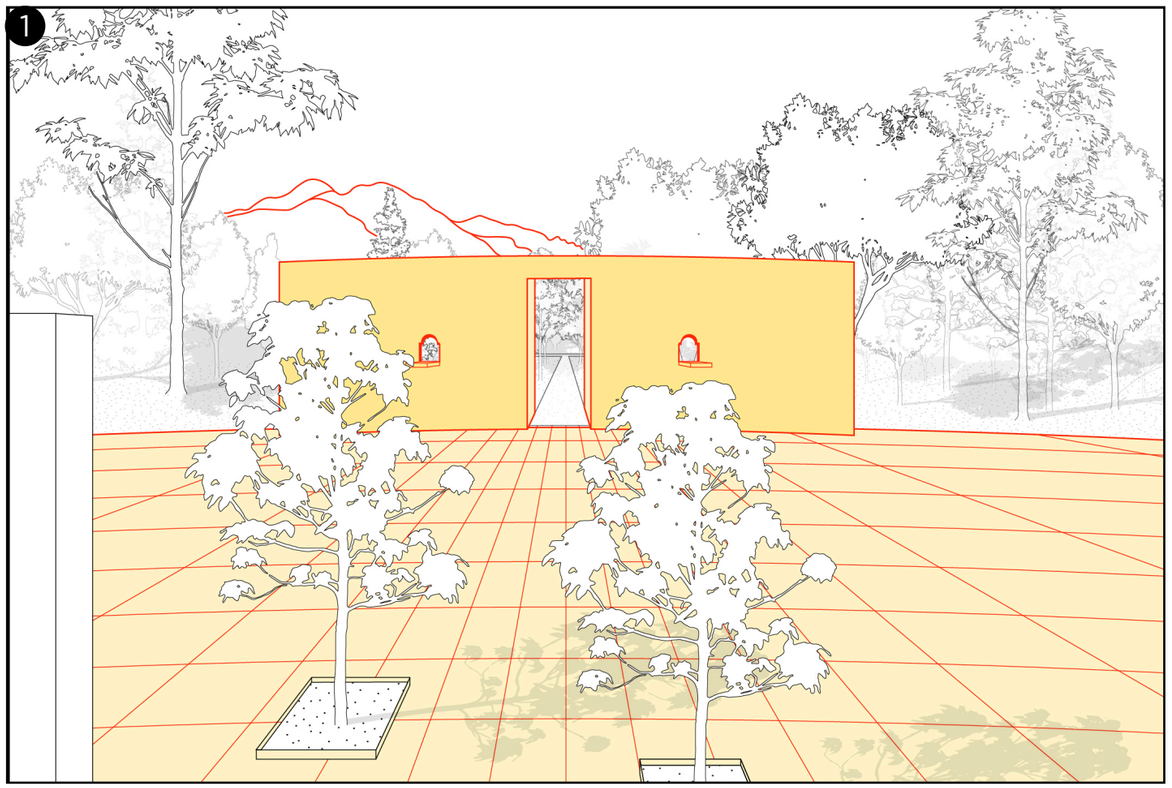

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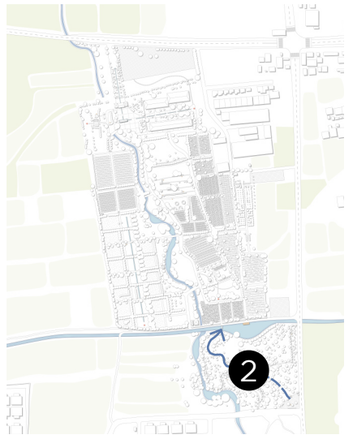

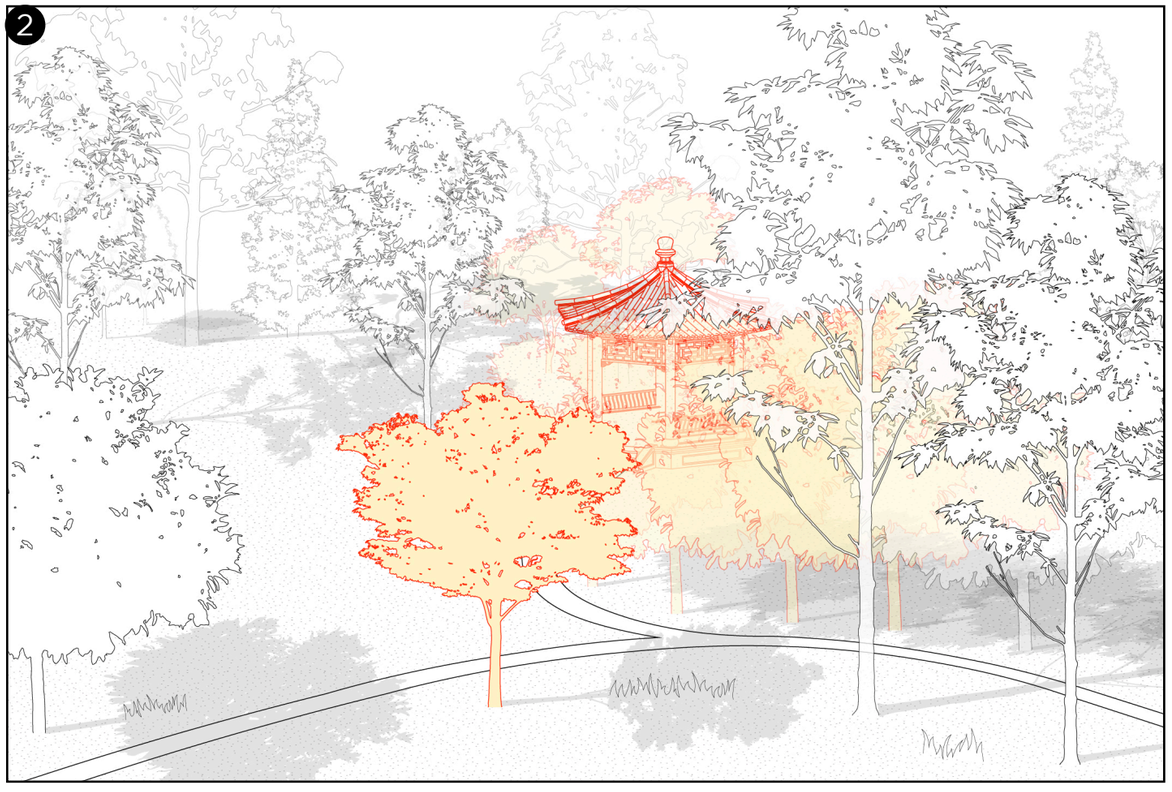

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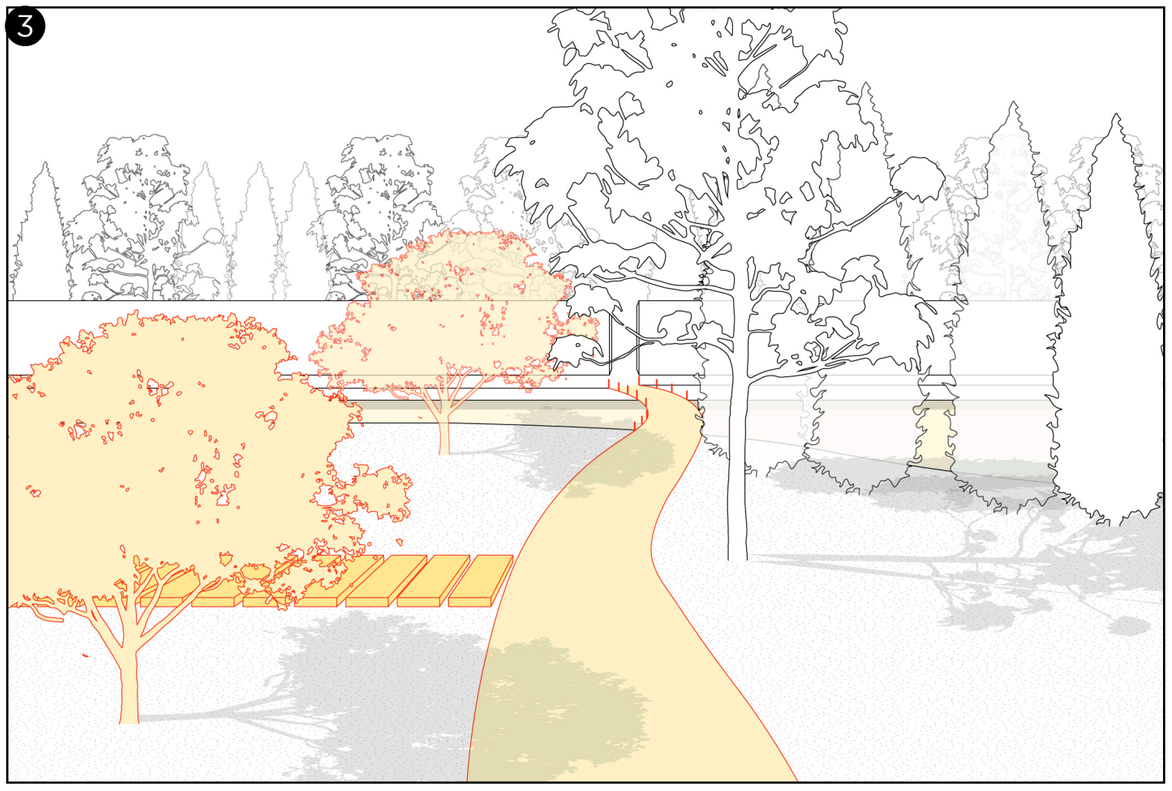


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Conclusion & Reflection

Public cemetery

+ Green

+ Ecological

+ Memorial

+ ...

+ Recreational

+ Multi-functional

+ Educational

+ Cultural

+ Regulations

Thanks for listening ;)