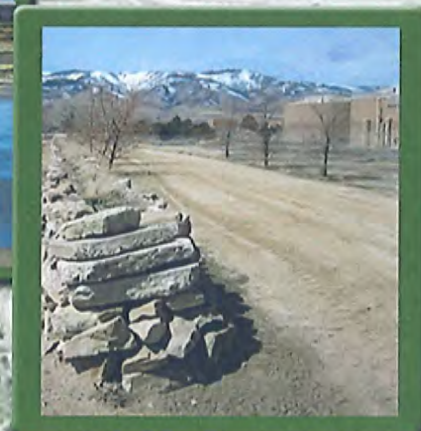
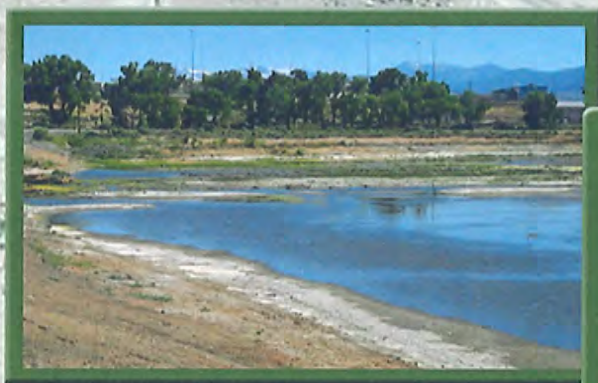
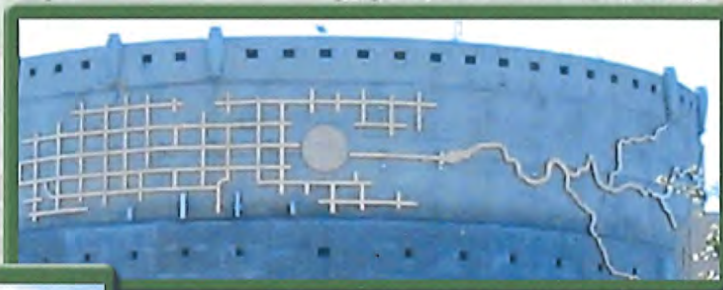


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1 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Carson City Corporate Yard & Wastewater Treatment Plant Master Plan has been prepared to establish workable guidelines for ongoing and future development within and adjacent to these facilities.

The area encompasses approximately 130 acres in the primary project vicinity, defined by E. Fifth Street, Airport Road, Butti way and Fairview Drive. Additional acreage involving the adjoining Moffat Open space, the proposed Linear Park extension (west of E. Fifth Street and the future Airport Road intersection), and projected improvements along E. Fifth Street (between Fairview Dr. and Hells Bells Rd.) have been included because of their relationship to a major goal of this project: provide connectivity between the Carson City area west of Butti Way and the Mexican Ditch Trail system and open space areas east of Fairview Drive.

The Design Standards identify specific areas to be developed, the plant materials to be utilized, types of site amenities, and graphic images to support these guidelines.

The goal is to link the various components of design together -- such as circulation, access and entry points, land uses, recreation and open space, habitat opportunities, landscape water distribution, etc. -- into a cohesive program. While construction costs and other issues may become limiting factors, the document asserts that development be thoughtful, and display aesthetic as well as functional design.

To this end, a rugged design theme has emerged incorporating art, metal, and architectural site elements with a whimsical quality. While relating back to the functional activities occupying the site, it contributes to an emerging identity for this part of the City. Ideas presented here should be viewed as a starting point, inspiring more thorough study and design evolution.

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2 PROJECT OVERVIEW

This Master Plan has been initiated by Carson City Public Works, to coordinate various planned developments and activities in and around the City's Corporation Yard and Wastewater Treatment Facility. The plan's purpose is to identify those factors and unify them into a comprehensive document that can guide City staff and design professionals towards a common vision.

The goals comprising this vision are several:

- to create a complex that has a unique identity that compliments its important function as the public facilities center of Carson City.
- to create a more attractive street façade that acknowledges yet softens the primary utilitarian functions.
- to improve both vehicular and pedestrian access.
- to enhance and comply with Carson City's Unified Pathways Master Plan.
- to provide new recreation opportunities.
- to improve directional signage and facility identification.

Adjacent areas that have been identified in conjunction with this project are those that will serve to realize the goals of the Unified Pathways Master Plan. These include the Moffat Property to the east, the wetlands parcel located at the northwest corner of E. Fifth Street and future Airport Road, and the potential round-about to the east at Carson River Road and E. Fifth Street. The primary inclusion of these elements is to strengthen important circulation linkages that connect the project area not only to the larger neighborhood, but to other key open space opportunities such as the Mexican Ditch Trail. This will occur mainly via continued development of the Linear Park through the project site.

3 SITE EVALUATION

A. Project Area and Adjacent Uses (see figure 1)

The primary project area lies within the boundaries created by East Fifth Street to the south, Fairview Drive to the east, and Butti Way along the north and west sides. Three intersections lead into the site, where the City's Public Works facilities are focused. E. Fifth Street and Butti Way form the major entry point (currently designated for engineering upgrades by NDOT). Airport Road forms a secondary entry point at the northwest corner, as does the Butti Way and Fairview Drive intersection at the northeast.

Three principal uses currently occupy the site: Public Works, Parks and Recreation, and Corporate Yard facilities are situated on the northern half of the site, while the Carson City Wastewater Treatment Plant is on the southern half. They are bisected by the Kings Canyon Creek drainage which is a primary floodway. Two lease properties exist on the northeast corner; one is currently not used, the second has radio towers situated on the parcel. To the north and west of Public Works lie areas of undeveloped city-owned land. In addition, the Department of Animal Services occupies the corner at Fairview Drive and Butti Way.

Partial landscaping improvements have been made along the southern and eastern boundaries. These were initiated by the development of bike and pedestrian paths providing connection to the Mexican Ditch Trail; a response to increasing flow of traffic along E. Fifth Street and Fairview Drive; and the desire to visually upgrade the perimeter of the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

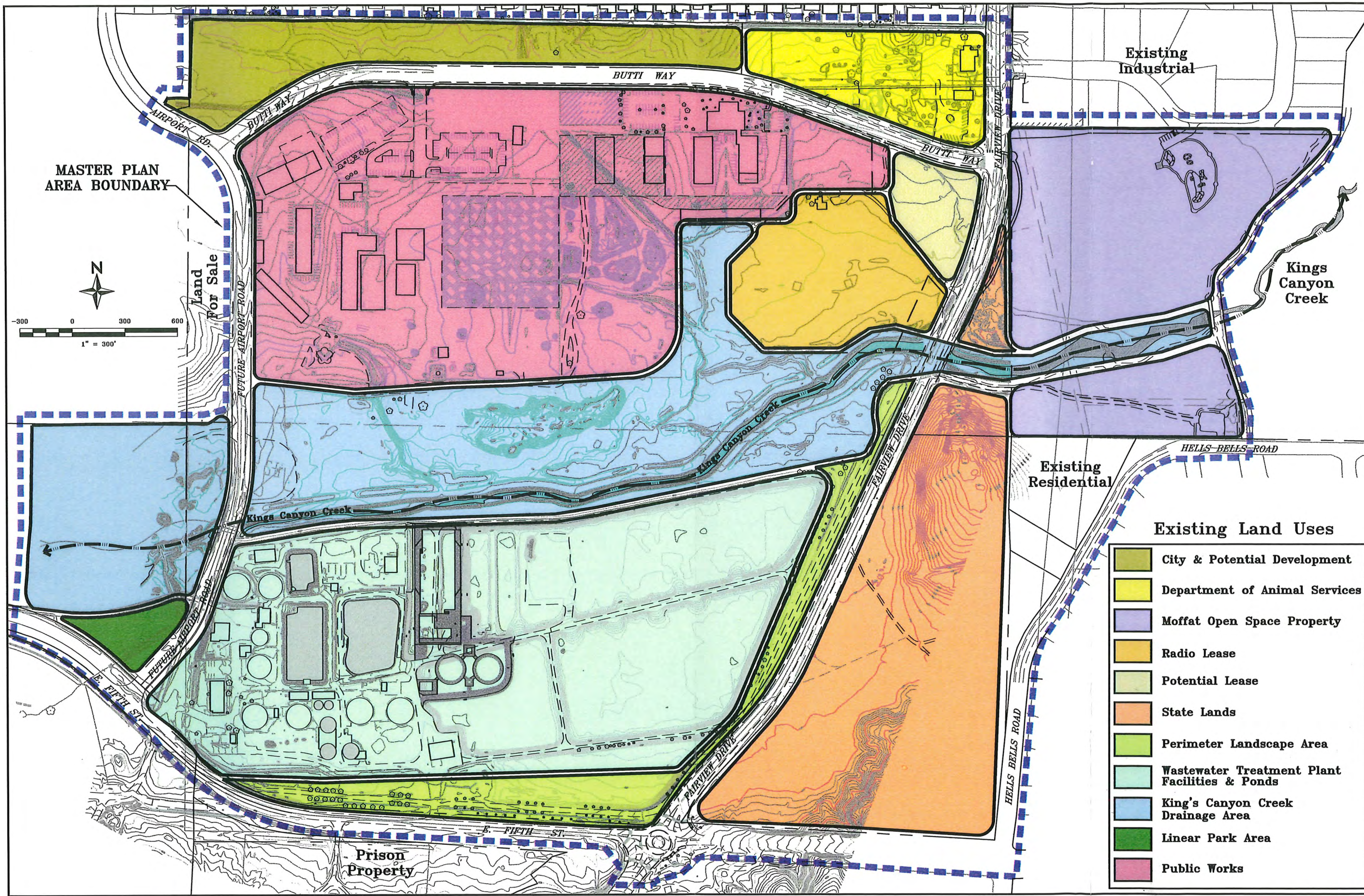
Important components of the project area include its location along designated bike and pedestrian routes that have been part of a city-wide effort to promote non-motorized recreational access. A second asset is the volume of open space provided by the relatively undeveloped floodway area along Kings Canyon Creek.

Recent improvements by NDOT to Kings Canyon Creek west of Butti Way do not seem to have discouraged bird life. This entire drainage area holds possibilities for increased wildlife habitat and recreation to serve on-site public employees and city residents at large. Improving connectivity to the Moffat open-space property will allow for a natural extension of both the recreational path system and outdoor experience.

▪ general design issues

During the evaluation phase of the master plan process, various design issues were identified as important considerations. These include, but are not limited to, the following:

- a. The utilitarian component of the site is a dominant visual characteristic.
- b. Open space and recreational opportunities have not been fully developed in the Master Plan area.



- Existing Land Uses**
- City & Potential Development
 - Department of Animal Services
 - Moffat Open Space Property
 - Radio Lease
 - Potential Lease
 - State Lands
 - Perimeter Landscape Area
 - Wastewater Treatment Plant Facilities & Ponds
 - King's Canyon Creek Drainage Area
 - Linear Park Area
 - Public Works

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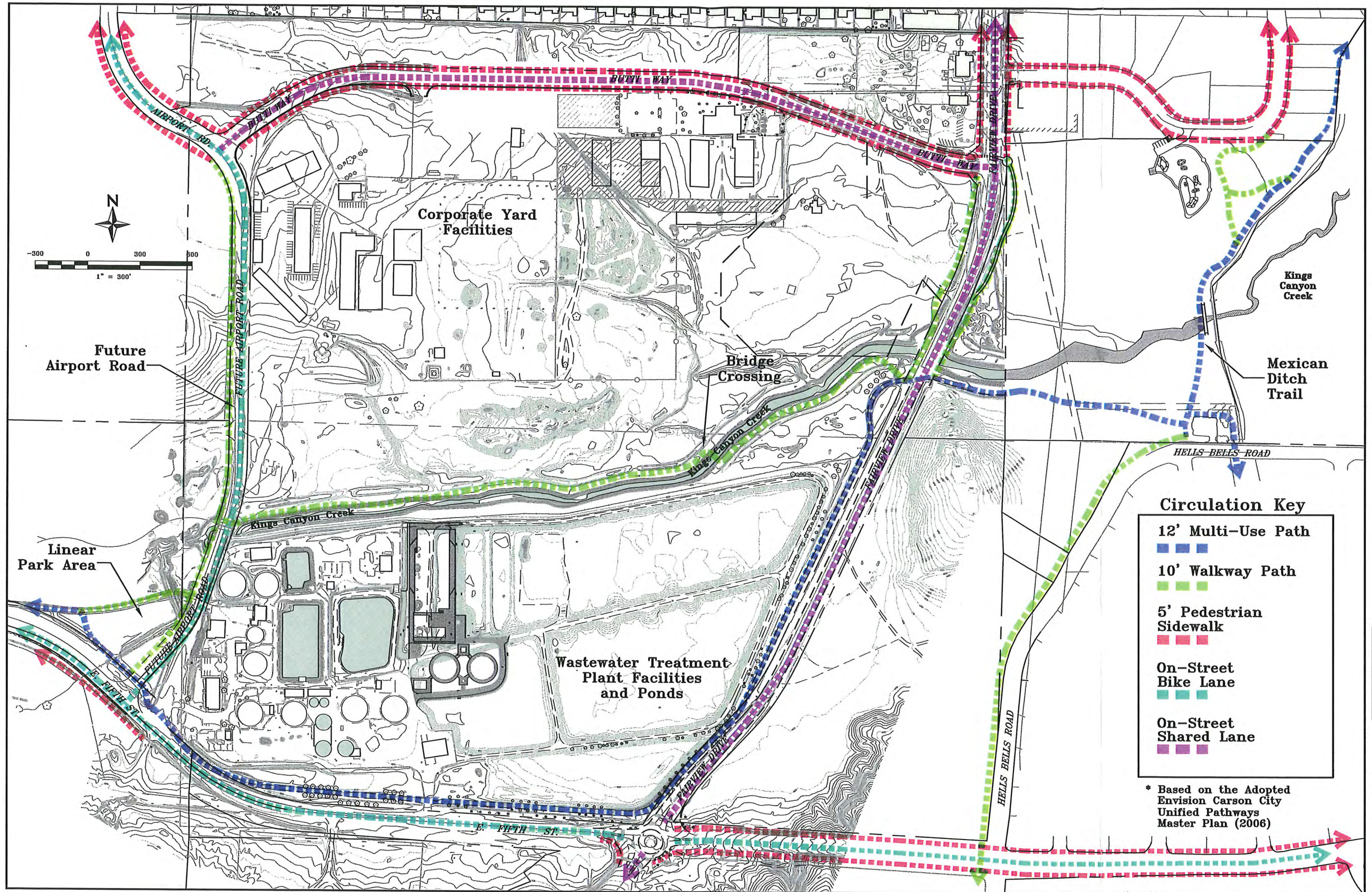
- c. Areas flooded in times of significant storm events must be planned for.
- d. Site soils and weather conditions create difficult growing conditions.
- e. Ditches and drainage conditions require improvement.
- f. Visual buffering of buildings and fences is lacking.
- g. Parking needs to be developed and visually screened.
- h. Directional signage is poor and not coordinated.
- i. Bike and pedestrian routes need to be constructed to prevent deterioration.
- j. Connections need to be established between the City's existing facilities.
- k. Maintenance of current landscaping does not appear consistent.
- l. Animal and bird habitat should be encouraged.
- m. Natural vegetation should be restored in vacant, damaged areas.

B. Circulation (see figure 2)

Carson City's Adopted Unified Pathways Master Plan has designated four pedestrian/bicycle/roadway combinations to be installed as future funds become available. A goal of this circulation network is to provide safe alternatives from vehicular transportation and to minimize conflict with cars. Another is to link the varied open space and park opportunities throughout the city. Various routes are planned to be integrated into the master planned site. These have been defined in the Circulation Diagram.

Of these routes, the proposed off street/paved/multi-use pathway that traverses the southern end of the Kings Canyon Creek drainage is a promising opportunity. While it appears that a bridge crossing may be required (concluded from our site survey), the recreation value is clear – the pathway affords a measure of privacy; views of the creek and potential wildlife; provides the most direct route through the site; and permits retreat from the commotion of steady traffic on Fairview Drive and E. Fifth Street. For this reason we propose the development of a naturalized park area at the west end and on the Moffat property to anchor this major feature.

An additional planned component of any site planning is RTC's proposal to realign Airport Road and Butti Way, with Airport Road continuing south to intersect with E. Fifth Street.



Circulation Key

- 12' Multi-Use Path
- 10' Walkway Path
- 5' Pedestrian Sidewalk
- On-Street Bike Lane
- On-Street Shared Lane

* Based on the Adopted
Envision Carson City
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▪ **road sections** (see figure 3)

Based on the input from the Envision Master Plans and Carson City's Engineering Division, two types of roads will be developed on Butti Way as part of future development. These two road sections are illustrated in figure 3. Comprised of vehicle lanes, parking, bike lanes, walkways and planters, they are contained within the 60 foot right-of-way that has been designated for these purposes.

C. Development Zones (see figure 4)

Generally, the existing uses of the Master Plan area are a blend of office, utilitarian /institutional, partial landscaped areas, basins and drainages, undefined open space, and undeveloped parcels. The two primary functional activities, the Corporation Yard and Wastewater Treatment Plant, are dominant and not without importance. Thematic design that embraces, rather than hides, the utilitarian nature of this site could be effective in establishing unique visual character. To this end, the use of metal - industrial design or art is recommended for elements of the overall design – be it signage, lighting, fencing, etc. Few well placed strong sculptural or architectural elements could provide a powerful visual identity for this part of the city.



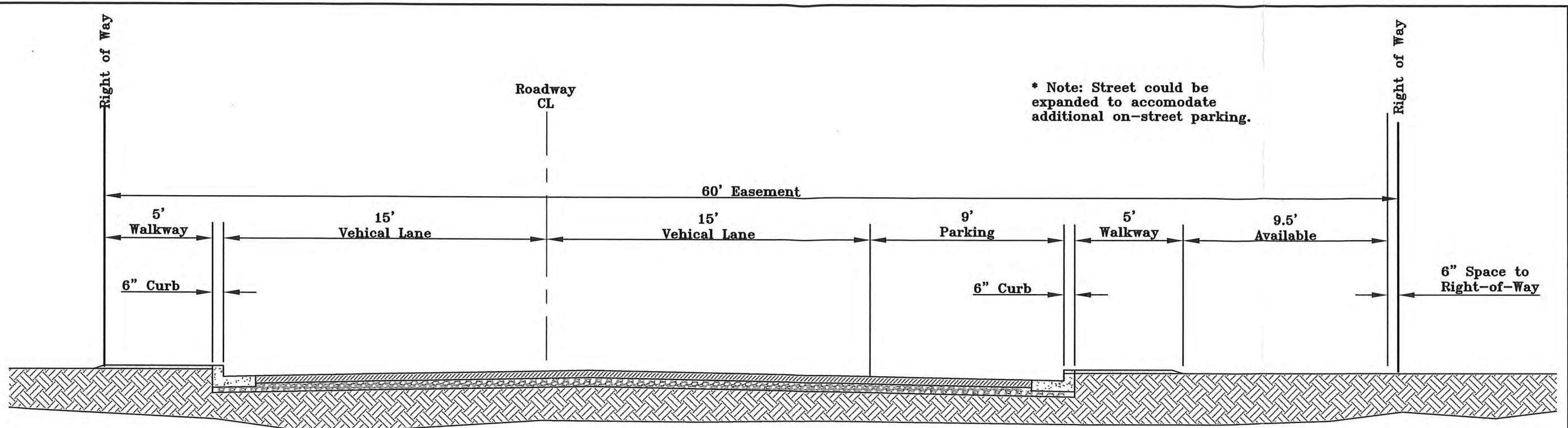
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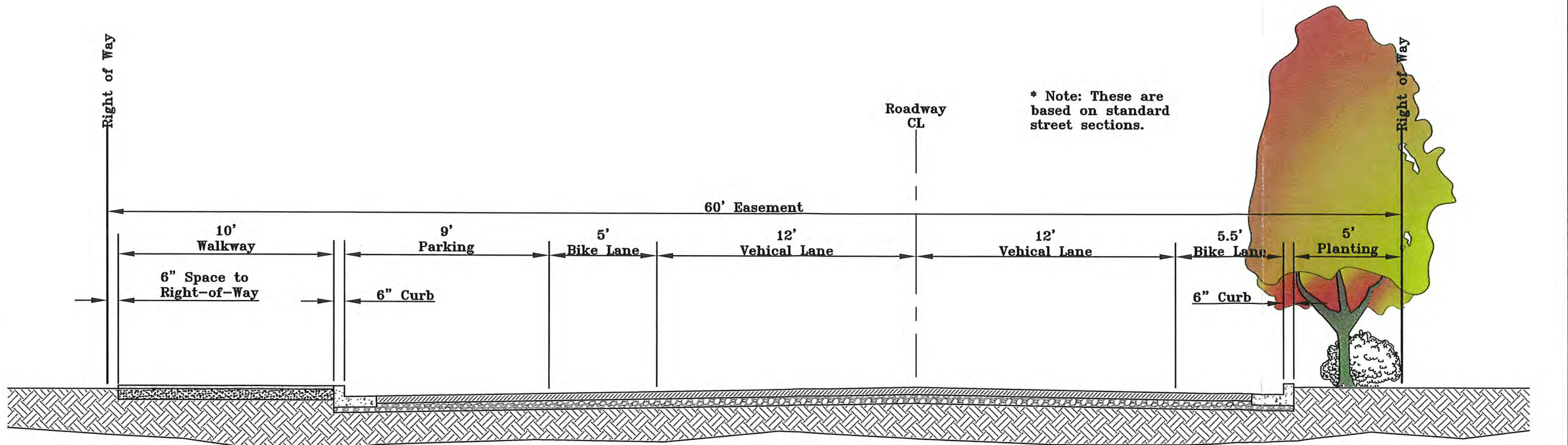
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D. Landscape Planting Zones (see figure 5)

Many variables will influence the selection of species, massing and locations of future plantings needed to achieve goals of the master plan, such as buffering, improved visual quality, and shade. Factors will include site soils, proposed irrigation techniques, purpose of the proposed plantings, and above all maintenance. In the end, the ability and funding to maintain landscaping can limit success as much, or more than, any other factor. The zoning map that has been prepared attempts to coordinate planting, and future maintenance, on the site by delineating areas where planting will be more significant – more plants, greater diversity of species, possibly more intensive maintenance and higher water requirements – from other areas of less visual importance or need.



EAST-WEST BUTTI ROAD SECTION
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NORTH-SOUTH FUTURE AIRPORT ROAD SECTION
 (Facing North)
 Scale: 1" = 5'

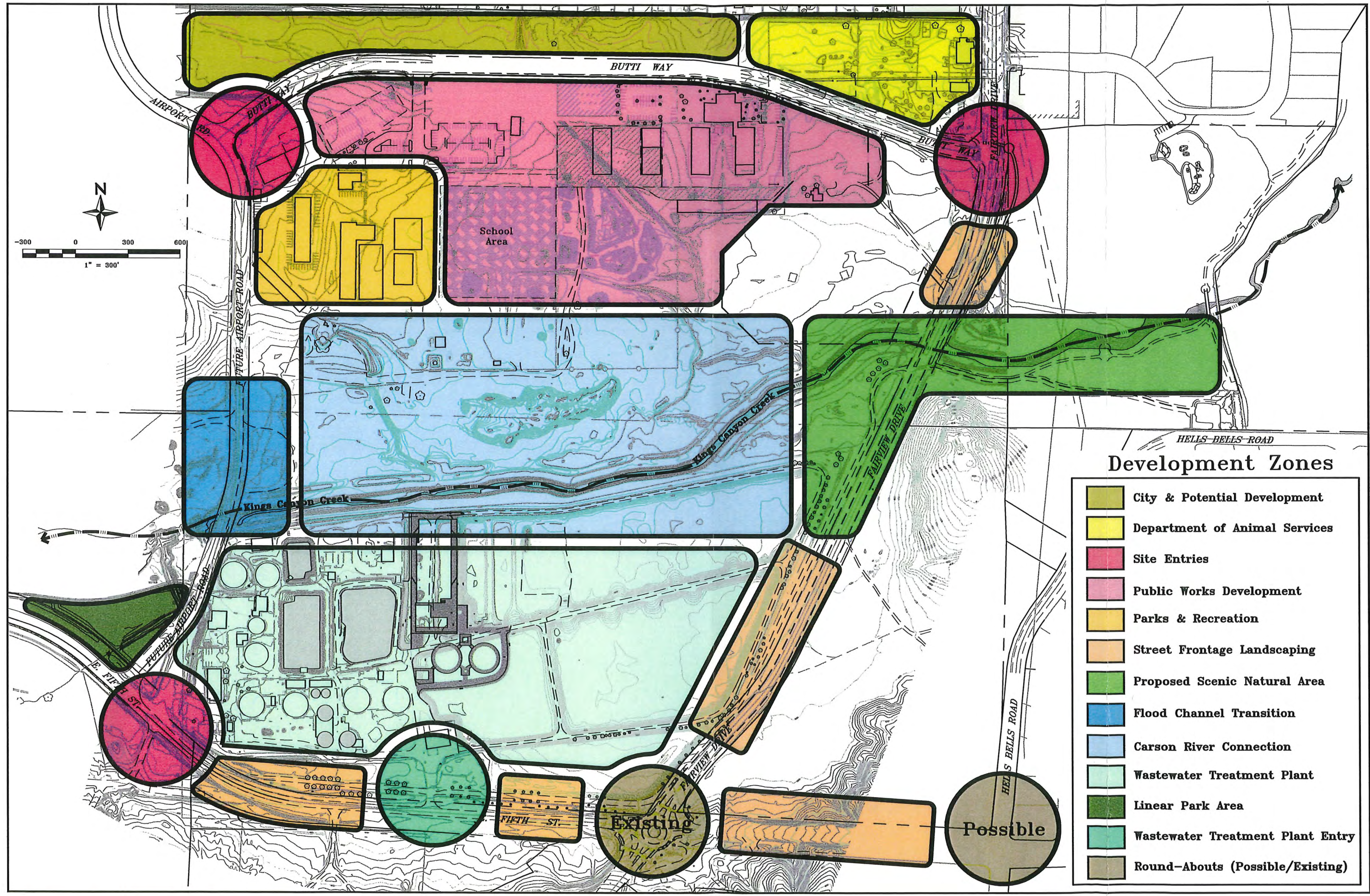
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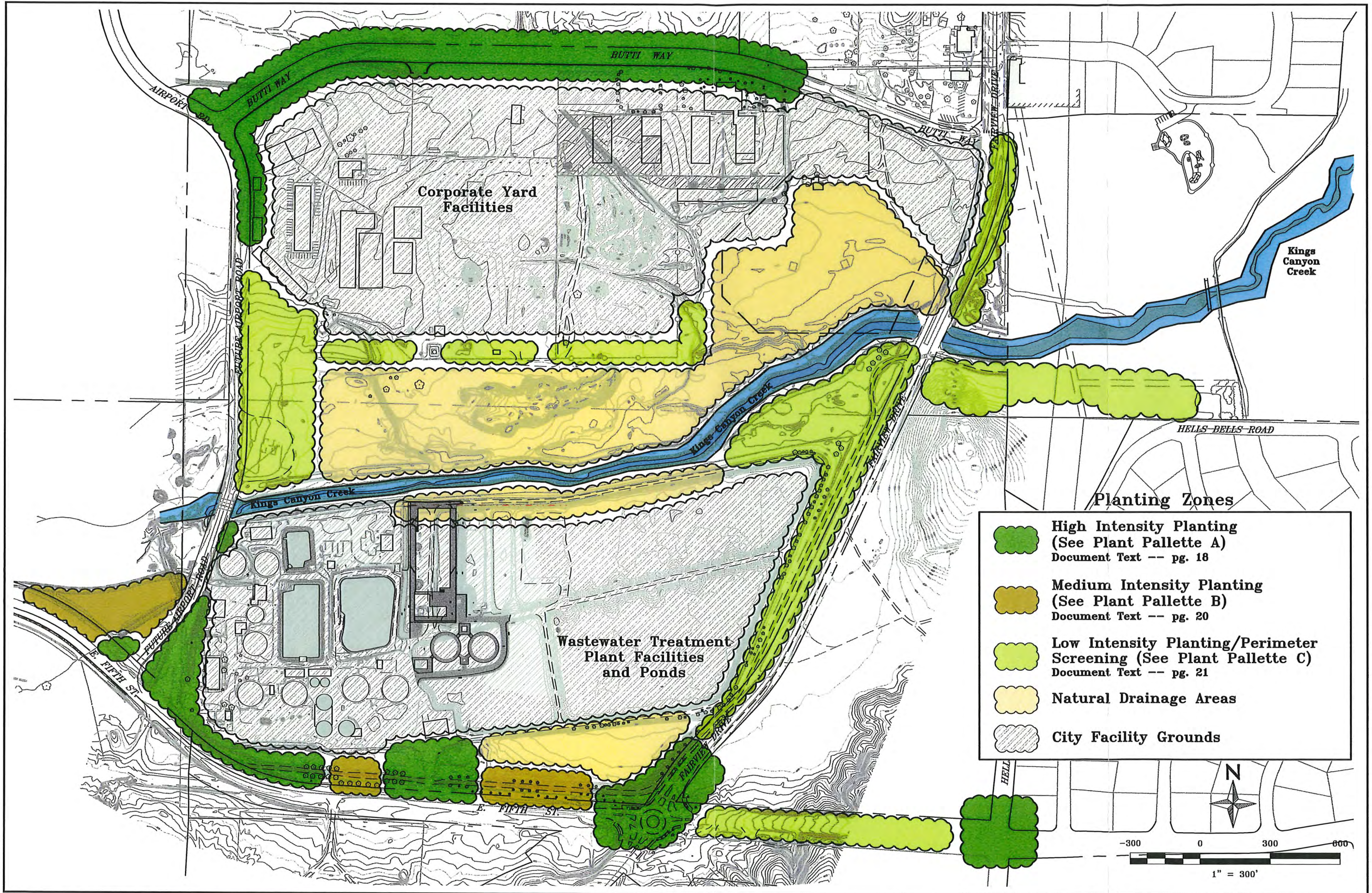


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- ### Development Zones
- City & Potential Development
 - Department of Animal Services
 - Site Entries
 - Public Works Development
 - Parks & Recreation
 - Street Frontage Landscaping
 - Proposed Scenic Natural Area
 - Flood Channel Transition
 - Carson River Connection
 - Wastewater Treatment Plant
 - Linear Park Area
 - Wastewater Treatment Plant Entry
 - Round-Abouts (Possible/Existing)








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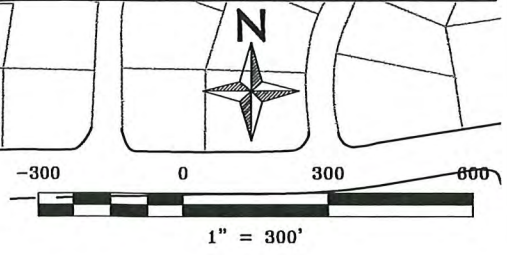
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- Planting Zones**
-  **High Intensity Planting**
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 -  **Medium Intensity Planting**
 (See Plant Palette B)
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 -  **Low Intensity Planting/Perimeter Screening** (See Plant Palette C)
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 -  **Natural Drainage Areas**
 -  **City Facility Grounds**



4 DEVELOPMENT ZONES AND DESIGN STANDARDS

A. Office Development Zone (see figure 6)

The designation of Office Development Zone refers to the area in the vicinity of Public Works, adjacent to Butti Way, between the developing street intersections at Airport Road and Fairview Drive. Consisting of city-owned property on the south side, and city-owned property on the north side (which may become residential housing), this land currently is a random mixture of city offices, exposed parking areas, and miscellaneous city maintenance functions. There exists side-by-side, partially developed landscape areas abutting undefined land uses, traversed by open ditches. It is recommended that development of this area exemplify the expectations for orderly, attractive design that is likely to follow to the north and west of Butti Way. This area has also been included in the 'high intensity' landscape development zone, which advocates more intensive planting and public amenities.

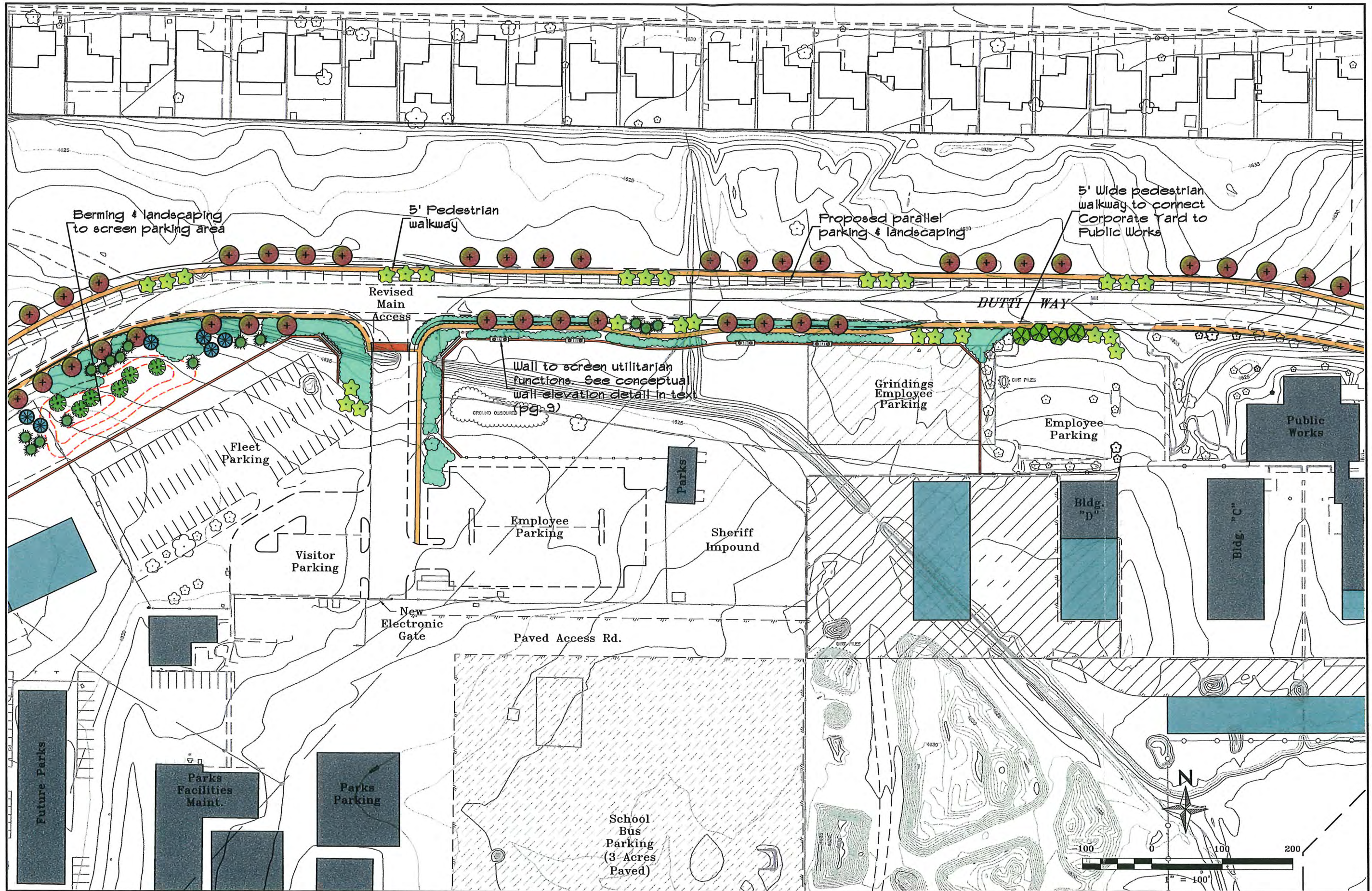


Public Works Buildings



Ex. Paving and Ditch Conditions

To accomplish this, the following program elements are encouraged. The first would be to develop a friendly 'view from the road'. This could be encouraged by developing a plan for buildings which embody 'street' appeal and are attractively landscaped. Circulation would include not only the sidewalks that are planned as part of the street improvements (see Street Sections, figure 3), but a landscaped walkway to encourage employees to walk between the various City offices and the Corporation Yard. The planned screening wall adjacent to the street should include some façade treatment or detail to break up the linearity and provide visual interest along the walkway.



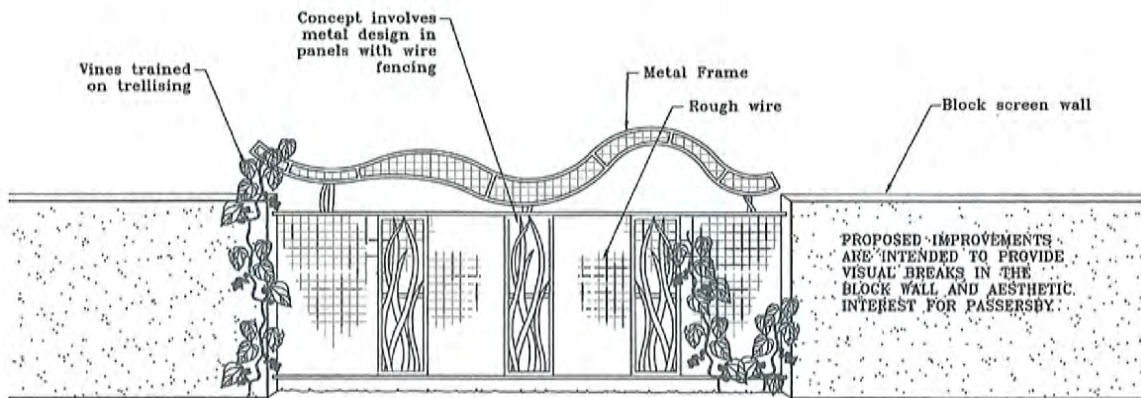
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 Office Devel
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Metal Trellis Concept (not to scale)

B. Entries and Intersections

The two types of entries designated in the Development Zones diagram (figure 4) refer to the entries leading from peripheral roads into the heart of the master plan site. Most significant is the southwest portal, where Butti Way intersects E. Fifth Street which has been designated as a dominant east-west corridor through Carson City. High vehicular numbers, combined with the large size of the intersection and adjacency to future open space improvements sets it apart from the other two.

Secondary entries, at the intersections of Butti Way and Airport Road and Butti Way and Fairview Drive, can also become focal points; inviting people into the site, providing directions to facilities, and presenting an aesthetic and organized entry experience.



Existing View South of the WWTP
at the corner of E. Fifth Street and Butti Way



Existing View West of the Corp Yard
at the intersection of Airport Road with Butti Way

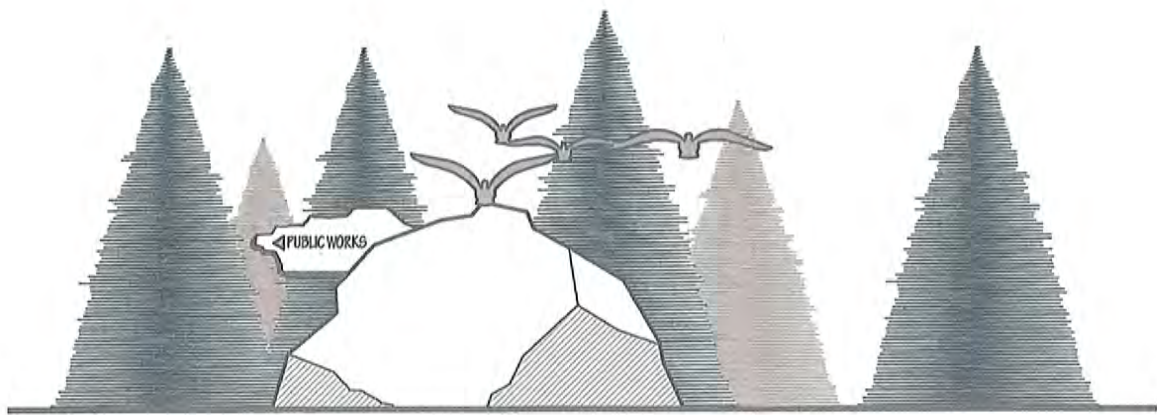
Minor entries within the site – leading into the Public Works Area, Corporation Yard, and Wastewater Treatment Plant – also deserve special consideration.

▪ **primary entry area**

The main entry should present a comprehensive impression of the overall master plan area. This can be accomplished by setting off the landscape in a unique or eye-catching way. The idea presented here is to create a fluid, rather than static presentation. This would involve a non-linear sign, with logo identification or place name such as *Carson City Municipal Complex* and a kinetic metallic sculpture which is moved by wind.

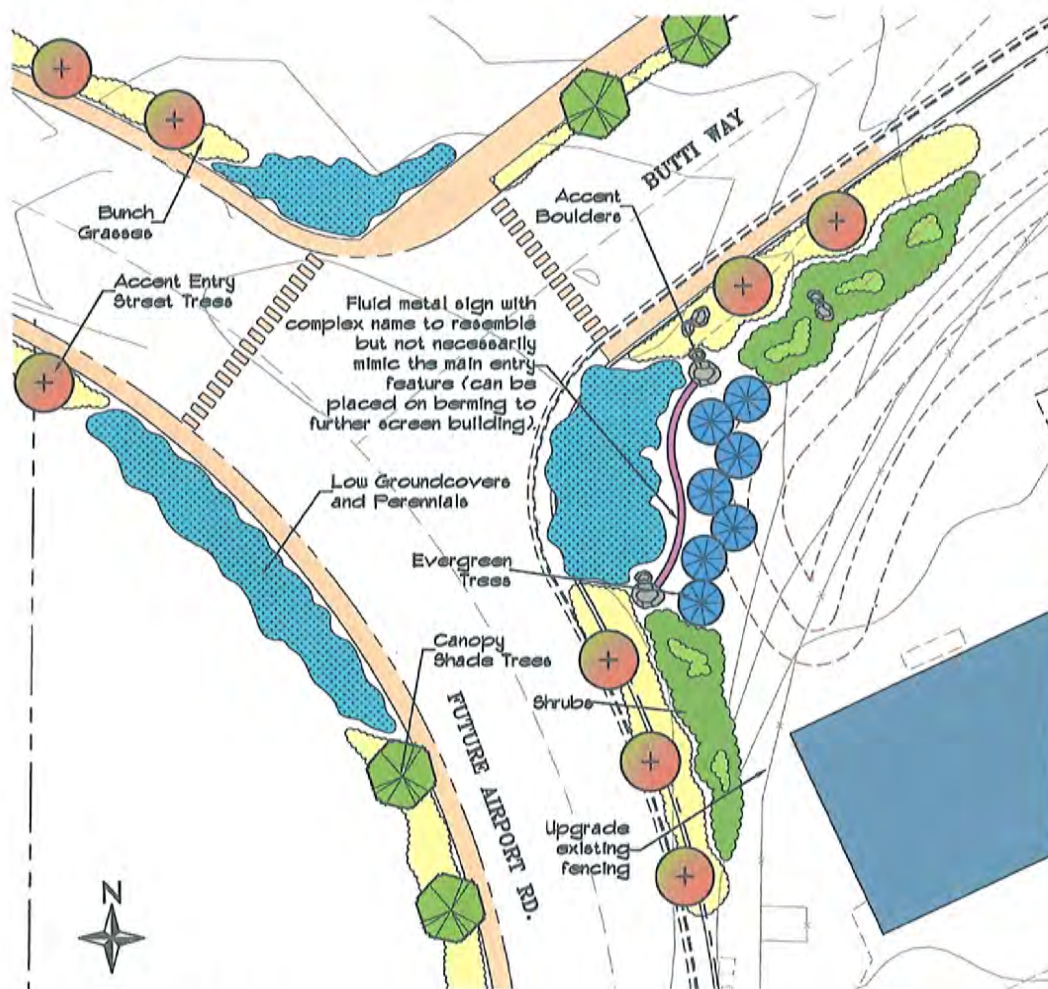


Directional signage, in this case, would not be central, but peripheral to the main sign. One idea is to create a sign motif or standard, such as the illustration below.



Accent vegetation might include a 'field of bunchgrass' (high intensity planting) and low groundcovers and perennials in front of the signage and along street corners where visibility is essential. The concept for planting at entries would consist of few species, heavily massed.

▪ **secondary entry area**



C. Open Space Concepts

An open space area has been anticipated in the triangle of land northwest of Butti Way and E. Fifth Street traded by NDOT to Carson City for open space and park use. This study also proposes that an additional area, west of Fairview Drive and Rattlesnake Hill, be designated for public open space development. The merits of each area are described in detail below. They will be linked by a multi-use paved walkway and provide stopping points for pedestrians utilizing the extensive city pathway system under construction.

▪ **scenic and natural area – west** (see figure 7)

This parcel is currently criss-crossed by ditches, and portions are continuously wet. Filling and grading will be required to convert it to a useful public recreation area. The proximity to recently restored wetlands along Kings Canyon Creek drainage, is the site's most promising feature. This master plan proposes that it be enhanced for both wildlife and users by providing dense vegetation along the shoreline for shelter, and providing discreet observation areas, well buffered from the noise and traffic of adjacent streets. A significant portion of this site would be planned for open turf-type areas allowing for more physical, unstructured play. Family and small group use is encouraged by the inclusion of small shade shelters and limited picnic amenities. A small parking area to facilitate access has been proposed north of the floodway (see figure 13).



View of the West Area, Facing South



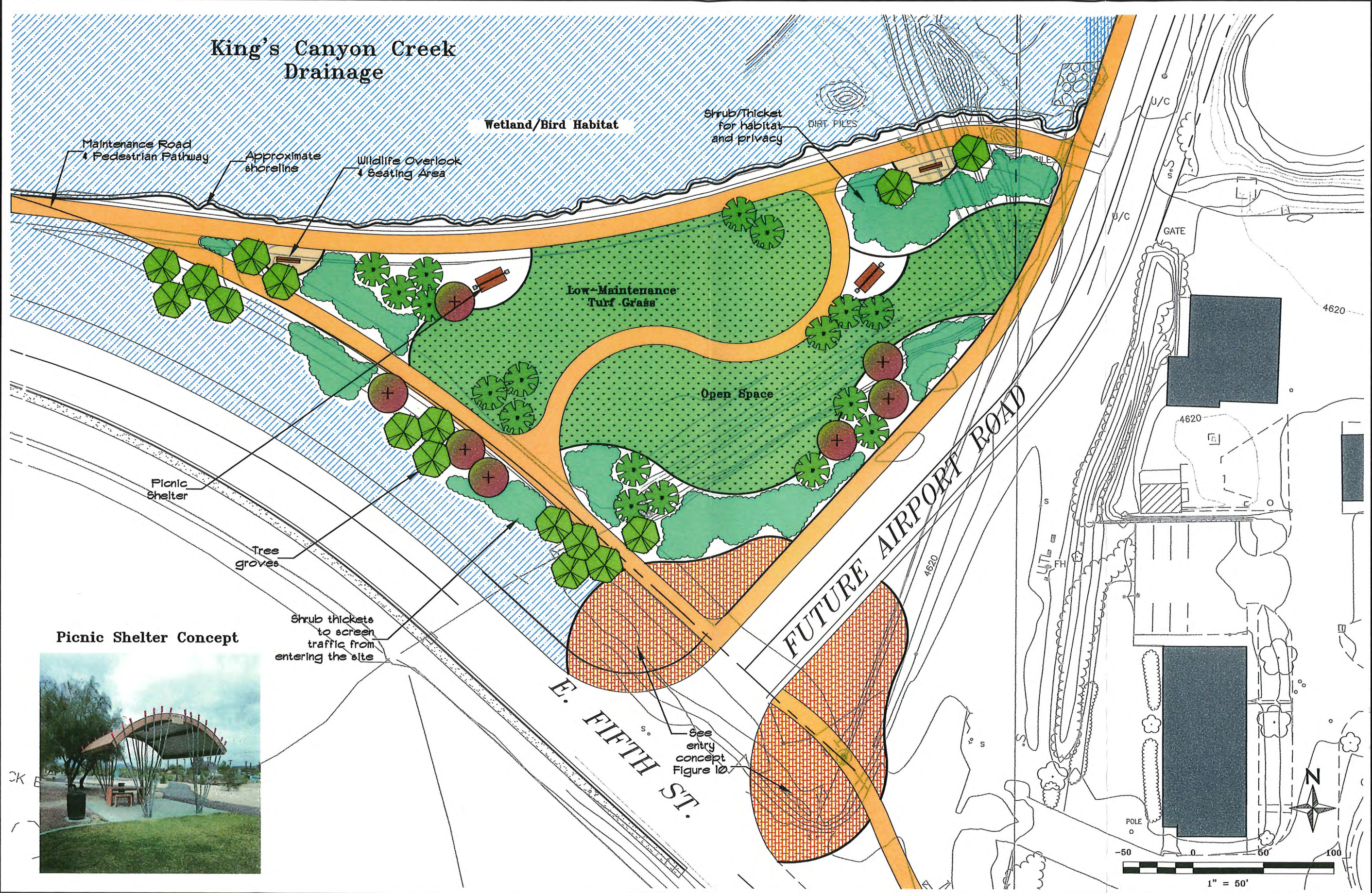
View of Rattlesnake Hill, Facing East

▪ **scenic and natural area – east** (see figure 8)

This area directly facing the dominant geographic feature, Rattlesnake Hill, holds recreational potential.

Creek restoration efforts shall be continued east, across Fairview Drive, leading into the Moffat Open Space area.

King's Canyon Creek Drainage



Picnic Shelter Concept



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Open Space West
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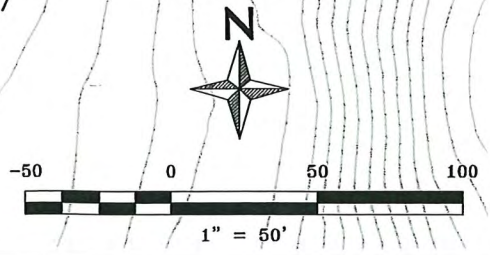


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 Open Space East
 Figure 8

Cottonwood groves to screen street and provide shade. Able to withstand possible flood inundation.

Filled areas to create flood protected picnic sites on higher ground.



D. Wastewater Treatment Plant

- **entry** (see figure 9)

Closure of alternate entries into the treatment plant grounds will direct all traffic to the designated entry off E. Fifth Street. The master plan has proposed that this entry be enhanced by the following program elements. Relocate the access road west of its current position to remove focus off the large wall of the building facing the street. Buffer roads, utility fencing, and the massive building wall with berming and new landscaping. A major component of this redesign is to incorporate artistic or architectural elements, industrial metal or iron into distinctive signage and gate designs.

- **perimeter** (see figure 10)

The focus of perimeter improvements should be at the intersection of Butti Way and E. Fifth Street, where vehicles traveling west to east first encounter the treatment plant facility. Existing landscaping, walls, and fencing are outdated and bring unwanted attention to this side of the property, especially since all entrances but one utility entrance are to be eliminated. The master plan proposes that berming (to withstand flooding) be terraced with designed walls (punctuated by mammoth boulders) and additional plant material screening. Eliminate the existing wall, signage, and relocate security fencing to the east side of the berm.

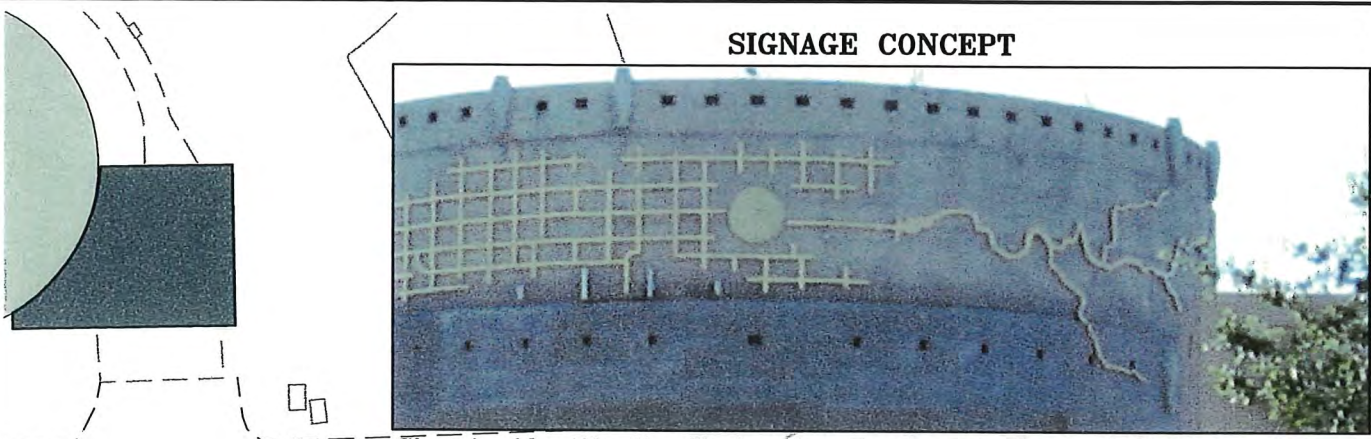
E. Roundabouts

- **existing round-about – E. Fifth Street and Fairview Drive** (see figure 11)

Enhancement of the existing round-a-bout consists primarily of providing additional landscaping along the northwest corner, adjacent to the storm water basin. Saline conditions present in the basin area prevent planting directly in the existing soil, and adjacent slopes are currently subject to erosion. It is recommended that available fill soil be heavily utilized to extend the planting and buffering opportunities at this well-traveled interchange. Fill soil will permit the planting of species that do not have high salt and alkaline tolerance and visually add depth to the small amount of landscaping currently permitted by the slope area adjacent to the path. Use of rock retaining walls, and some terracing, could further promote aesthetics and slope stability.

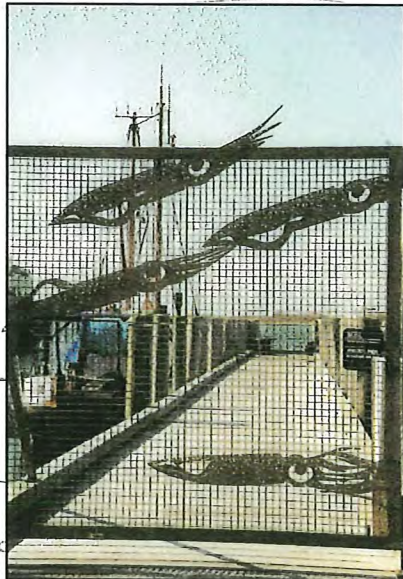


View of Proposed Landscape Corner Northwest of Round-about



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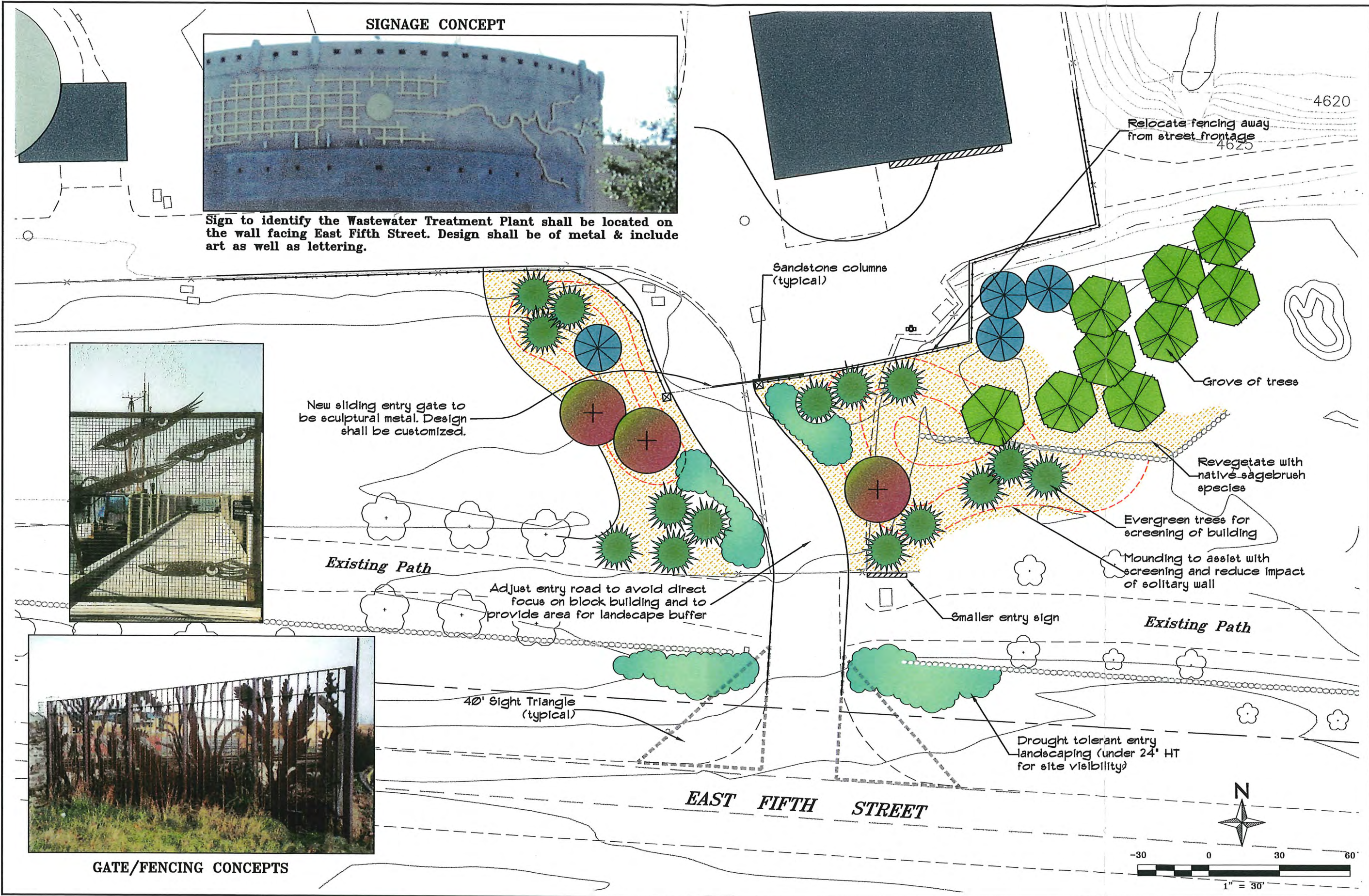
Sign to identify the Wastewater Treatment Plant shall be located on the wall facing East Fifth Street. Design shall be of metal & include art as well as lettering.



New sliding entry gate to be sculptural metal. Design shall be customized.



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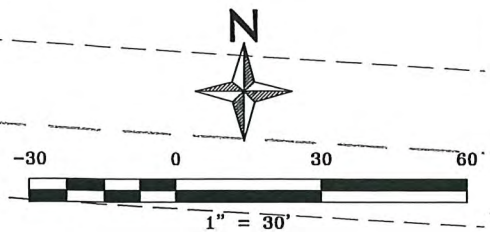
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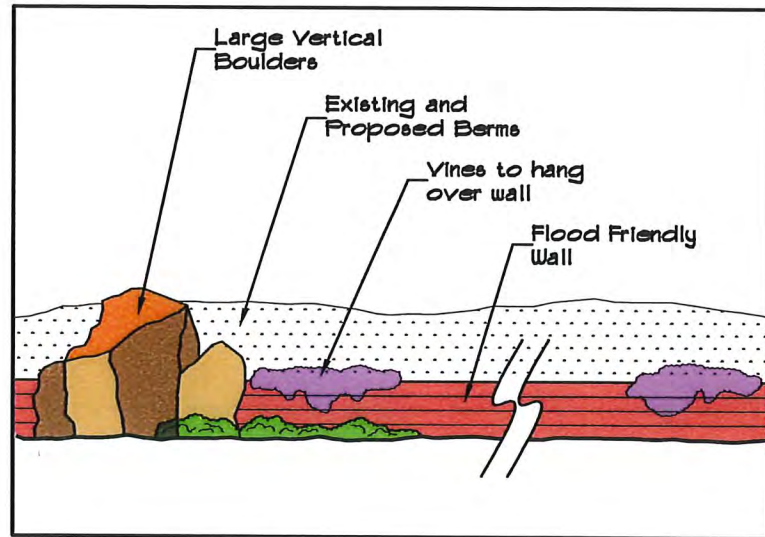
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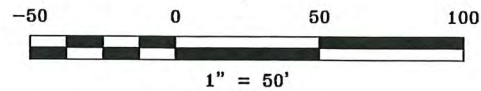


Proposed Wall Elevation

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See Entry Concept (Document pg. 9)



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Waste Water Plant
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- **proposed round-about – E. Fifth Street and Hells Bells Road, (see figure 12)**

Carson River Road

Vehicular statistics indicate that the construction of an additional round-a-bout may be desirable in the future at the junction of Hells Bells Road. If such construction occurs, plans should follow that provide additional landscaping to connect both round-abouts. This would assist in providing stronger visual linkage for users not familiar with the roads and local neighborhood area.

F. Flood Channel Transition Zone (see figure 13)

Running north-south, between the site access points at E. Fifth Street and Airport Road, is a stretch of roadway crossing the Kings Canyon floodway. On the west side, wetland and creek restoration is underway. On the east side, compacted, flat ground obscures the creek and centers attention on the water loading equipment area. Views of the Corporate Yard sheds are also prevalent on the northeast side. Master plan proposals include adding Cottonwood trees (vertical elements) to break up the horizontal expanse, berming and evergreen trees to subdue the sheds, and concrete fencing to create a "bridge" effect across the creek channel.



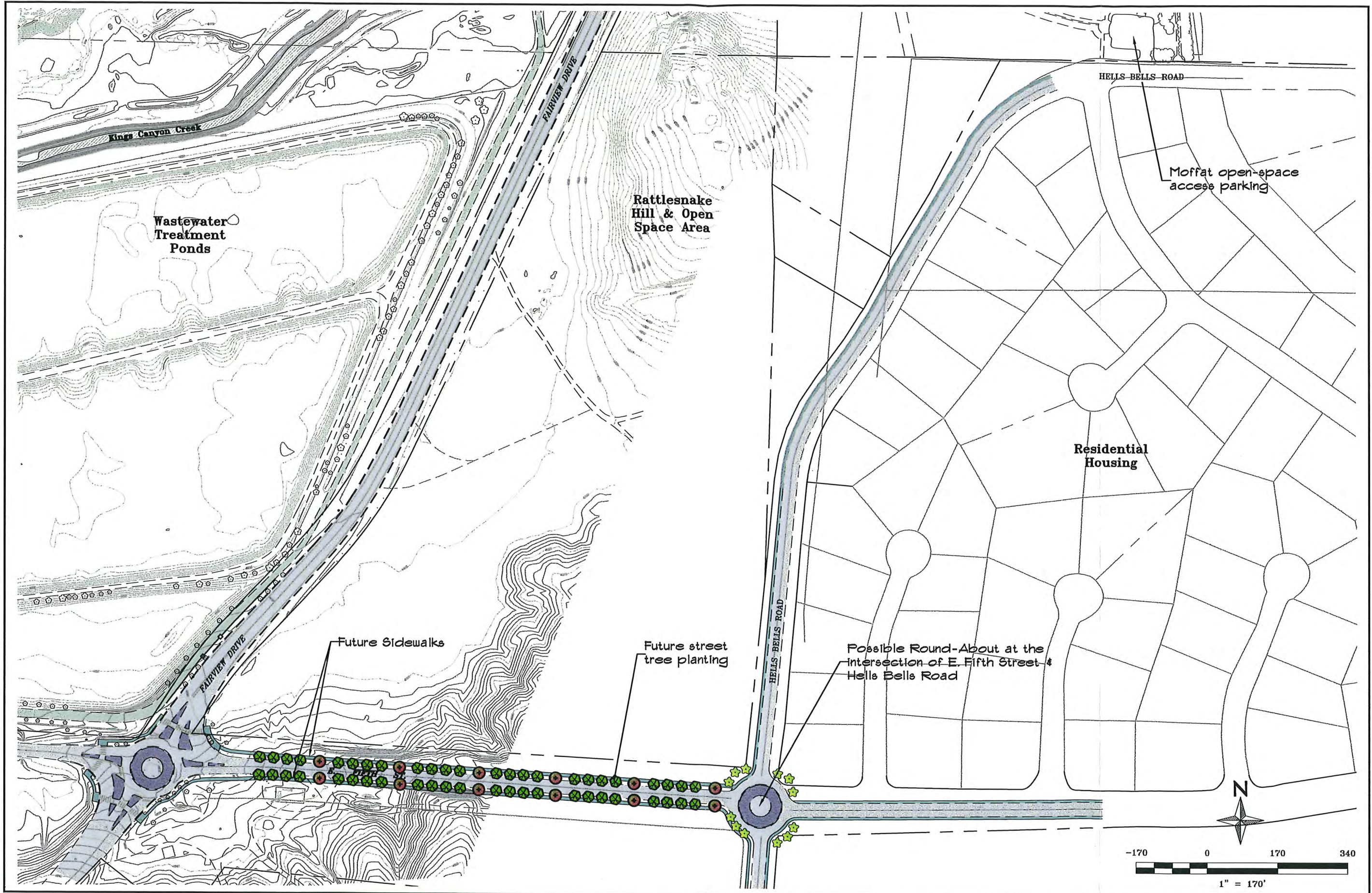
View of Corp Yard Sheds, Facing Northeast



View of Water Loading Area, Facing East

G. Carson River Connection (see figure 14)

Responding to Carson City's Unified Pathways Master Plan, a 10 foot wide multi-use pathway has been planned to parallel Kings Canyon Creek through the floodway zone. Designed to begin at Fairview Drive, it starts out elevated along the modified berm, overlooking the creek, and eventually crosses on a Cor-ten steel bridge, similar to one already used along other Carson City creeks, is proposed the traverse the drainage. Creek restoration is the only other landscaping treatment recommended, except for the strategic placement of benches occasionally along the path. This path will enable access to the most undisturbed and remote part of the site.



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PROPOSED ROUND-ABOUT IMPROVEMENTS
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 Proposed R-about
Figure 12



Concrete Railing Example



Proposed public sandbag area

Large mounds & tree groves to help buffer back of Corporate Yard. Trees on mounds to be irrigated with bubblers.

Access to remain open for occasional use

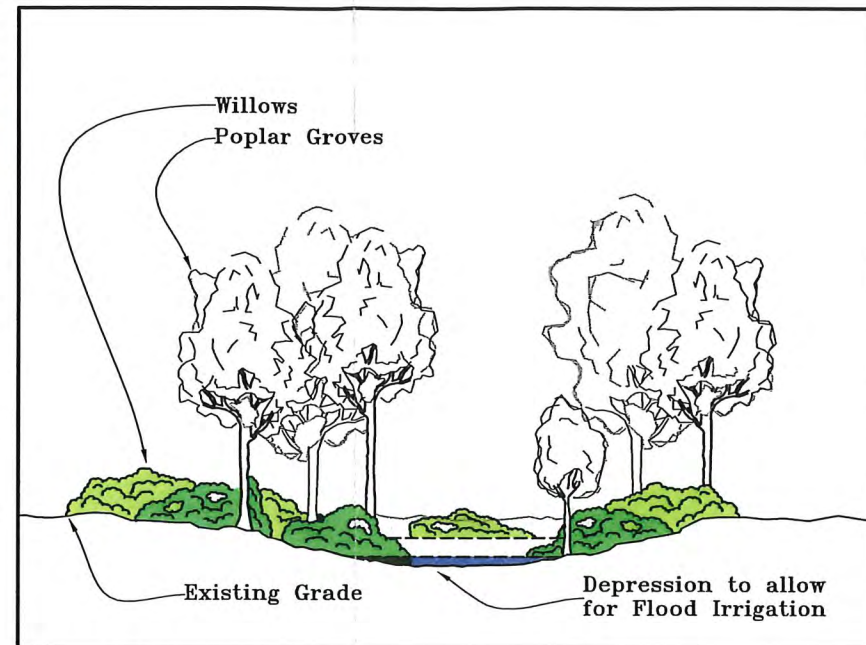
Trees to break up flat 2-dimensional view of flood channel from the road

Create 'Bridge' effect (i.e. Concrete Railing)

Ingress/Egress

Kings Canyon Creek

Water Loading Area

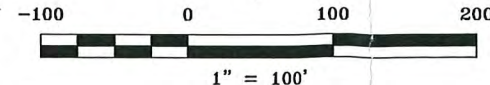


Flood Basin

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Flood Irrigated Basins to be vegetated with Poplar trees & local Willow species

10' Walkway Path



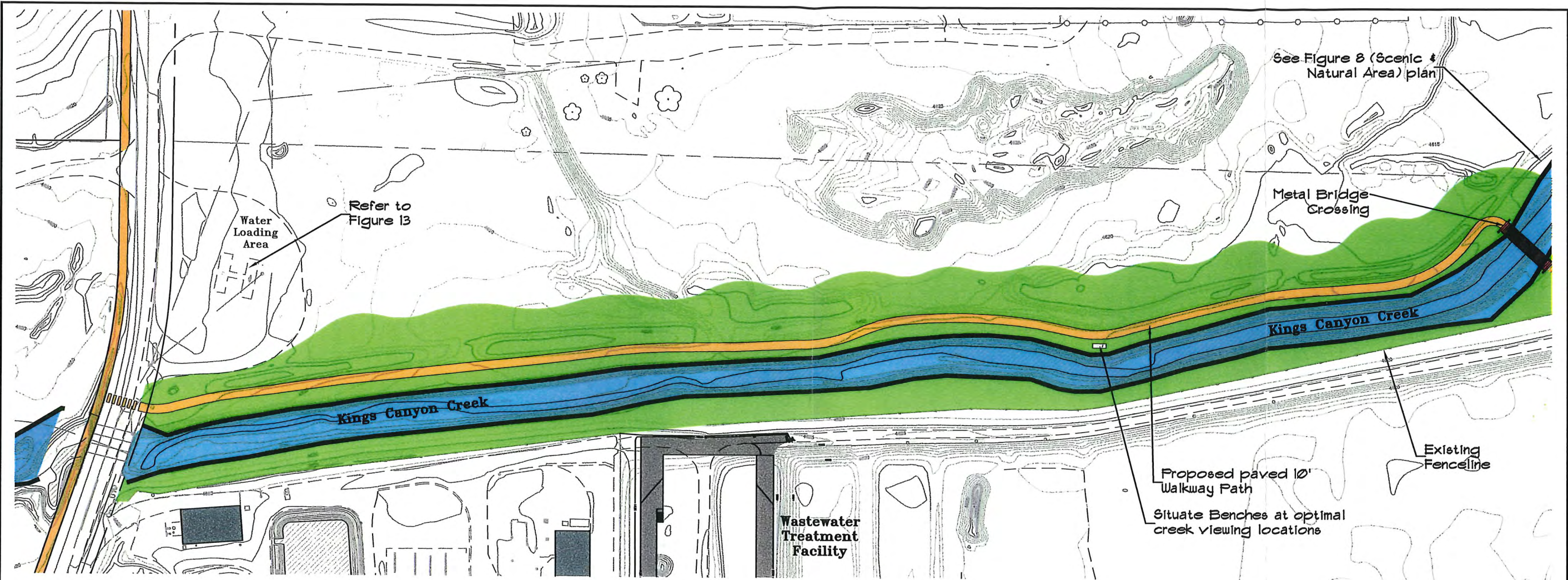
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FLOOD CHANNEL TRANSITION ZONE
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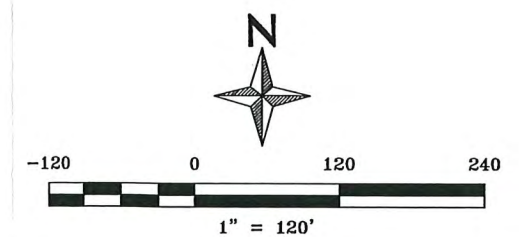
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Figure 13



View of Kings Canyon Creek



Existing Metal Bridge off Saliman Street



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King's Canyon Creek

Figure 14

H. East Fifth Street Frontage (see figure 15)

Along the multi-use pathway between the treatment plant and historic rock wall, landscaping has been initiated. Deciduous trees are grouped on both sides of the pathway and some vines are establishing which will eventually soften the southern face of the wall. To further a main goal of the master plan, which is to buffer the Wastewater Treatment Plant, additional tree groupings are proposed, particularly evergreen species. Traditional conifers may need to be minimized with greater focus on alkaline tolerant Rocky Mountain Junipers or similar adapted species.



North of the existing multi-use path, serious erosion has occurred on portions of the sandy slope. It is proposed that the most eroded areas be stabilized by dry stack boulder walls. Imported topsoil, used to fill these segments, would permit the successful establishment of more varied plant material. Inlets, to capture runoff from southern slopes and the pathway is desirable to prevent further degradation.

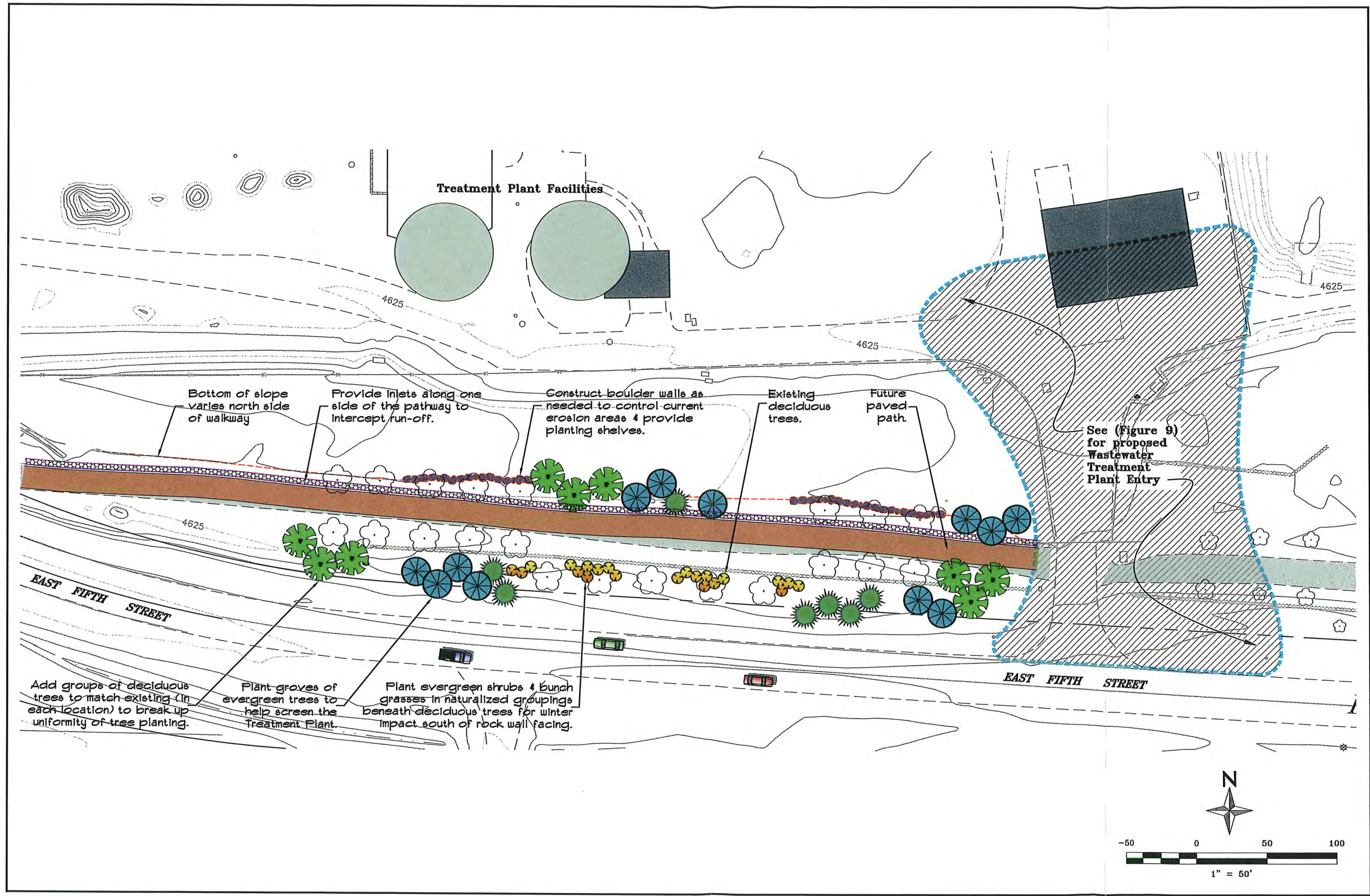
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EAST 5TH ST. FRONTAGE
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East 5th Street
Figure 15



5 LANDSCAPE PLANTING ZONES

A. Planting Considerations

Several key site constraints must be acknowledged that influence the selection of plant species.

- **Soils:** the soils in this area are typically compacted, sandy, salty, chemically imbalanced, or water logged. All of these things add up to difficult growing conditions.
- **Exposure:** currently, the site is very open and exposed to winds and intense sunlight. This may change in some areas as planting becomes mature.
- **Animals:** rabbits, in particular, may pose a threat to new plant material. Plants must be hardy, tough, aggressively rooting or thorny.
- **Weeds:** the competition from weeds or even sagebrush, will be enormous.
- **Maintenance:** City staff will not have the resources to provide a high level of maintenance in all areas. The majority of plants must be able to thrive on minimal care.

B. Soils Analysis (see figure 16)

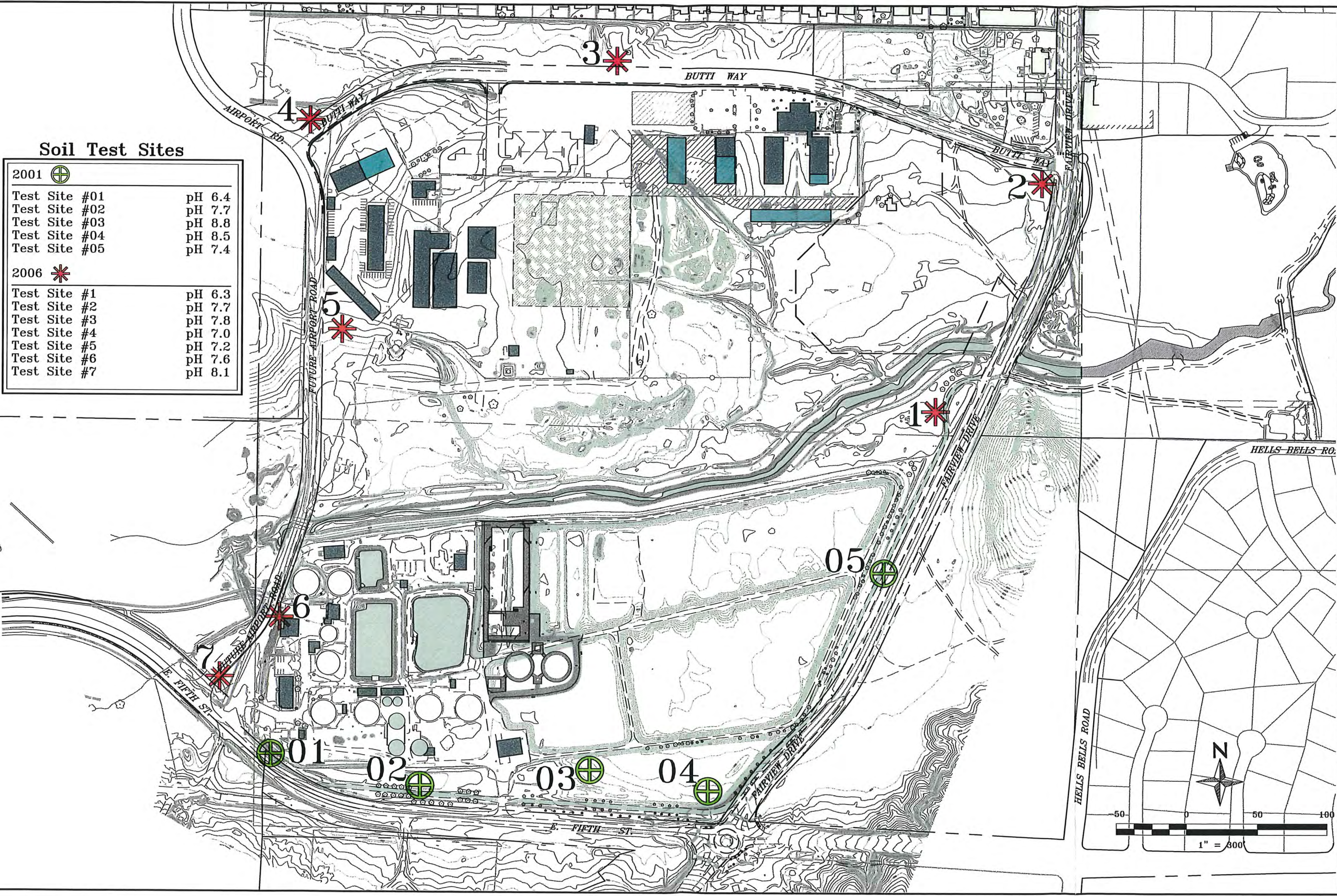
Many soils characteristics influence growth and survival of plant material, including physical properties such as texture and water holding capacity, and chemical properties. Due to the importance of soil chemistry, soil samples were collected at seven locations within the master plan area where future planting is likely to occur. Five locations had been previously sampled (year 2001) at the southern end of the site. Figure 16 documents previous and recent sample locations (year 2006), with the results contained in the Appendix. The sample I.D. corresponds to the location identification numbers.

Soil pH values and salts are primary factors that limit plant choices. A pH of 6.5 is the standard neutral range for the average, generic type of plant. Higher or lower pH values often indicate the need to be more selective about plant materials. In Nevada, a pH of above 7.0 is not uncommon (Alkaline soil type), and anything above 7.5-7.6 can become a severely limiting factor in plant survival. (3) of the five sites sampled in the year 2001 had high alkalinity, combined with high salt. This is characteristic for areas with poor drainage where salts cannot be leached, such as the drainage basins where this sampling occurred. In the recent soil survey, (2) test sites on the north side along Butti Way showed high pH values. It is hoped that these areas, which lie in the primary development zone, can be modified in order to install more diverse planting as indicated in Figure 5. This could be achieved by berming and/or providing high quality fill soil, especially in the top 24-30 inches.



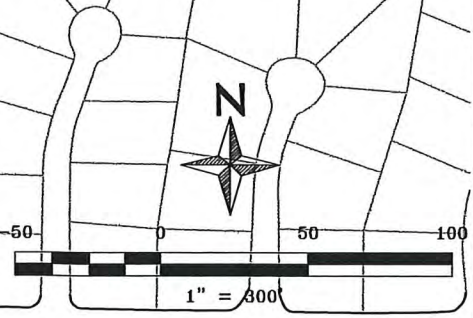
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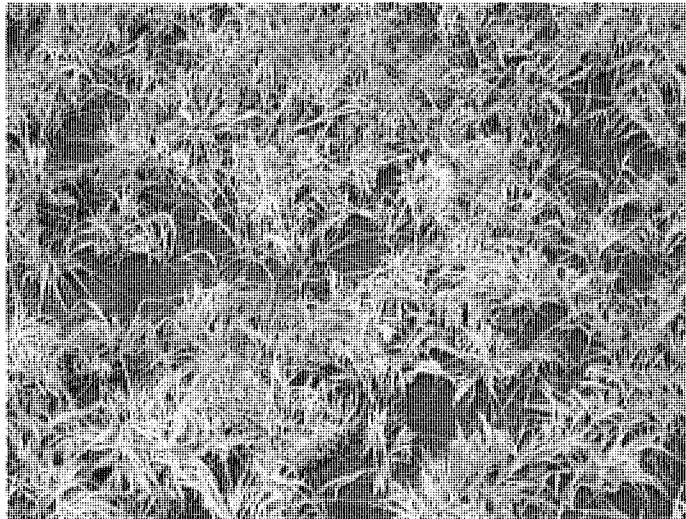
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Soils Samples
Figure 16



Soil Test Sites

2001 ⊕	
Test Site #01	pH 6.4
Test Site #02	pH 7.7
Test Site #03	pH 8.8
Test Site #04	pH 8.5
Test Site #05	pH 7.4
2006 *	
Test Site #1	pH 6.3
Test Site #2	pH 7.7
Test Site #3	pH 7.8
Test Site #4	pH 7.0
Test Site #5	pH 7.2
Test Site #6	pH 7.6
Test Site #7	pH 8.1





White salt and the presence of Salt grass is indicative of soil problems

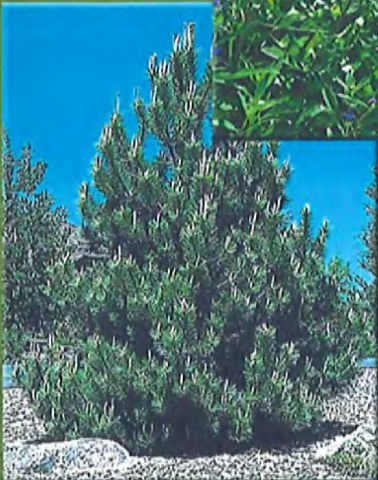
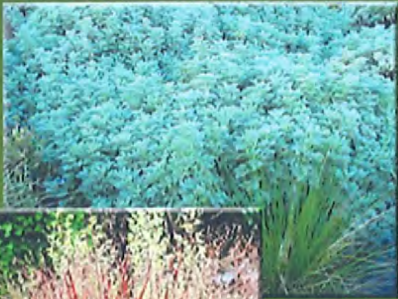
ECe, which is a salinity measurement, usually becomes a problem for commercial or landscape purposes at a numerical level of 2.0 or higher. High salt concentrations were not evidenced in recent soil sample areas.

Generic laboratory recommendations for samples 1-7 have been provided by a soils testing lab technician and are summarized in the Appendix. Preliminary findings are somewhat typical of arid western soils, and suggest it is prudent to select trees and shrubs that are tolerant of a $\text{pH} > 7.0$ and somewhat adapted to salty soils. This will also insure that the plants are tough and less of a long term maintenance concern.

Obviously, many of these areas will undergo either excavation or have imported fill applied to the site during development. It is advisable to complete additional soils testing (a relatively inexpensive procedure) after grading operations are complete and prior to the installation of plant material.

Good drainage is crucial to the success of any laboratory soils amending procedures. In the absence of good drainage, it is not always recommended that elements like sulfur be applied; they may only compound the problem of chemical saturation. The best alternative in this case would be to forgo amendments and select only plants that can tolerate these severe soil conditions. If chemical amendment programs are applied to a site, it is advisable to follow-up with subsequent soils testing, on an annual basis, to monitor the change(s) in soil character.

The use of reclaimed water for irrigation provides further reason to select the hardiest of plant material, in that it will administer a slight, additional quantity of salts.



PLANT PALETTE A

C. Planting Recommendations

The following lists of recommended plant materials are intended to bring visual unity and order to the master plan area, beyond the important aspects of their ability to adapt and survive in the conditions present. Future designs are not totally restricted to these plants, however additional species must be approved and shall strive to maintain the overall character and intent of the palettes outlined in this document. Obviously, poor experience over time with any of the suggested plant materials should be acknowledged and the lists amended.

▪ high intensity planting – Palette A

This zone of planting lies in proximity to the most urban development on the site, those areas adjacent to Public Works. This development is anticipated to include both offices and potential residential construction. High 'intensity' refers not only to the density of planting (mass/quantity), but to the quality in terms of higher variety and level of interest, as well as anticipated maintenance levels. Planting will be more formal, typically adjacent to buildings, streets and parking, contained within relatively linear boundary areas. Other areas deserving this attention are the focal signage/entry areas connecting perimeter roads to the interior of the site. As previously advocated, soil improvements in these areas would be most beneficial.

(Note that several species or varieties may be available for a particular type of plant. Many plant selections have been identified as very tough by the Nevada Cooperative Extension).

Deciduous Trees:

<i>Acer ginnala</i> 'Flame'	<i>Flame Amur Maple</i>
<i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i> 'Skyline'	<i>Skyline Honeylocust</i>
<i>Fraxinus americana</i> 'Autumn Purple'	<i>Autumn Purple Ash</i>
<i>Malus</i> spp.	<i>Flowering Crabapple</i>
<i>Quercus rubra</i>	<i>Red Oak</i>
<i>Platanus acerifolia</i> 'Bloodgood'	<i>London Plane Tree</i>
<i>Prunus virginiana</i> 'Canada Red'	<i>Canada Red Chokecherry</i>
<i>Pyrus calleryana</i> 'Chanticleer'	<i>Chanticleer Pear</i>

Evergreen Trees:

<i>Calocedrus decurrens</i>	<i>Incense Cedar</i>
<i>Juniperus scopulorum</i>	<i>Rocky Mt. Juniper</i>
<i>Pinus aristata</i>	<i>Bristlecone Pine</i>
<i>Pinus nigra</i>	<i>Austrian Pine</i>
<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	<i>Scotch Pine</i>

Deciduous Shrubs:

<i>Acer ginnala</i>	<i>Multi-trunk Amur</i>
<i>Amelancier utahhensis</i>	<i>Utah Serviceberry</i>
<i>Artemisia</i> 'Powis Castle'	<i>Powis Castle Sage</i>
<i>Buddleia davidii</i>	<i>Butterfly Bush</i>

Caryopteris clandonensis
Chaenonmeles japonica
Cotoneaster apiculata
Forestiera neomexicana
Philadelphus
Physocarpus
Potentilla fruticosa
Rhus
Spiraea

Evergreen Shrubs:

Cercocarpus
Eleagnus commutata
Euonymus
Juniperus
Kniphofia uvaria
Yucca glauca

Groundcovers/Vines:

Eriogonum umbellatum
Euphorbia myrsinites
Lonicera halliana
Parthenocissus quinquefolia
Prunus besseyi 'Pawnee Buttes'
Rosa
Stachys

Bunchgrasses:

Calamagrostis
Leymus arenaria
Miscanthus
Panicum virgatum

Perennials:

Achillea
Gaillardia
Hemerocallis
Oenothera
Papavie orientale
Perovskia atriplicifolia
Tanacetum vulgare
Teucrium chamaedrys

Blue Mist Spirea
Flowering Quince
Peking Cotoneaster
New Mexican Privet
Mock Orange
Ninebark
Cinquefoil
Sumac
Spiraea

Curl-leaf and Alderleaf Mt. Mahogany
Silverberry
Euonymus
Juniper
Red Hot Poker
Narrow-Leaf Yucca

Sulfur Buckwheat
Spurge
Honeysuckle
Virginia Creeper
Spreading Western Sand Cherry
Shrub Roses and Carpet Roses
Lamb's Ears

Feather Reed Grass
Blue Lyme Grass
Maiden Grass
Red Switch Grass

Yarrow
Blankeflower
Daylily
Evening Primrose
Oriental Poppy
Russian Sage
Tansy
Germander



PLANT PALETTE B

▪ **medium intensity planting – Palette B**

These designated areas lie along E. Fifth Street, where public viewing while driving is an important consideration. They include the Linear Park, the entry to the Wastewater Treatment Plant, and the two round-abouts. These focal areas do not require the highest level of planting, but could benefit from a degree of organization and design composition.

Deciduous Trees:

Gleditsia triacanthos 'Skyline'
Fraxinus americana 'Autumn Purple'
Quercus rubra
Pyrus calleryana 'Chanticleer'

Skyline Honeylocust
Autumn Purple Ash
Red Oak
Chanticleer Pear

Evergreen Trees:

Juniperus scopulorum
Pinus nigra
Pinus edulis

Rocky Mt. Juniper
Austrian Pine
Pinyon Pine

Deciduous Shrubs:

Caragana
Cowania mexicana
Eleagnus umbellate 'Cardinal'
Fallugia paradoxa
Prunus virginiana
Rosa woodsii
Rhus
Salix purpurea 'nana'

Siberian Pea Shrub
Cliffrose
Cardinal Autumn Olive
Apache Plume
Western Chokecherry
Woods Rose
Sumac
Dwarf Arctic Willow

Evergreen Shrubs:

Cercocarpus
Eleagnus commutata
Juniperus
Kniphofia uvaria

Curl-leaf Mt. Mahogany
Silverberry
Juniper
Red Hot Poker

Groundcovers:

Lonicera halliana
Prunus besseyi 'Pawnee Buttes'

Honeysuckle
Spreading Western Sand Cherry

Bunchgrasses:

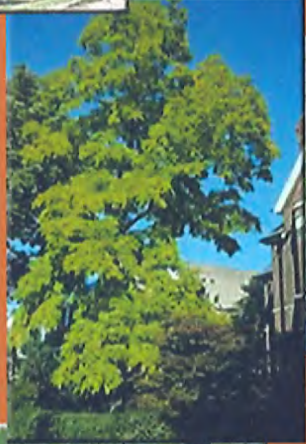
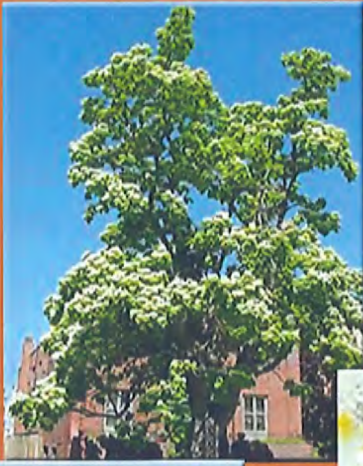
Leymus arenaria
Miscanthus
Panicum virgatum

Blue Lyme Grass
Maiden Grass
Red Switch Grass

Perennials:

Perovskia atriplicifolia
Tanacetum vulgare

Russian Sage
Tansy



PLANT PALETTE C

▪ **low intensity planting – Palette C**

Low intensity planting will involve those areas between focal points and in naturalized areas where detailed planting is not necessary or desirable from a maintenance standpoint. The emphasis of planting design should be on trees, specifically in groups, with minimal, low maintenance shrubbery. Any use of Cottonwoods shall insure for provision of high moisture levels, especially during dry years.

Deciduous Trees:

<i>Catalpa speciosa</i>	<i>Western Catalpa</i>
<i>Eleagnus angustifolia</i>	<i>Russian Olive</i>
<i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i> 'Skyline'	<i>Skyline Honeylocust</i>
<i>Fraxinus americana</i> 'Autumn Purple'	<i>Autumn Purple Ash</i>
<i>Populus deltoides</i> 'Siouxland'	<i>Siouxland Poplar</i>
<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	<i>Black Locust</i>
<i>Ulmus</i> 'Frontier' and 'Pioneer'	<i>Frontier and Pioneer Elm</i>

Evergreen Trees:

<i>Juniperus scopulorum</i>	<i>Rocky Mt. Juniper</i>
<i>Pinus nigra</i>	<i>Austrian Pine</i>
<i>Pinus edulis</i>	<i>Pinyon Pine</i>

Deciduous Shrubs:

<i>Caragana</i>	<i>Siberian Pea Shrub</i>
<i>Fallugia paradoxa</i>	<i>Apache Plume</i>
<i>Rhus</i>	<i>Sumac</i>
<i>Salix</i>	<i>Native Willow</i>

Evergreen Shrubs:

<i>Artemisia tridentate</i>	<i>Big Sage</i>
<i>Cercocarpus</i>	<i>Curl-leaf Mt. Mahogany</i>
<i>Juniperus</i>	<i>Juniper</i>

Groundcovers:

<i>Lonicera halliana</i>	<i>Honeysuckle</i>
<i>Prunus besseyi</i> 'Pawnee Buttes'	<i>Spreading Western Sand Cherry</i>

6 IRRIGATION PROGRAM (see figure 17)

The planned utilization of reclaimed water for landscaping throughout the master plan area may present some challenges.

The use of reclaimed water for proposed turf areas (in the open space locations) will require special design considerations. First, non-potable water is not permitted to enter the public storm drainage system. Secondly, sprinkler systems will need to be designed to prevent over spray onto foliage of adjacent plants, prevent drift into creek drainages and must be timed to avoid conflict with public use.

The use of valve types, and other irrigation components better suited to reclaimed water, will need to be considered for both sprinkler and drip, or bubbler systems. Clogging of drip emitters can be problematic due to suspended solids in treated water. However, the high number of bubblers that would be required for any significant volume of planting, along with their immovable aspect, suggests that providing quality filtration and centralized filter stations may be preferable in the high and medium intensity planting areas. Bubblers should continue to be used for trees if cost effective – separation of tree and shrub irrigation is always desirable. However, the rigid structure of bubblers is less suited to massed shrubbery and limits the flexibility needed to maintain and replant shrub beds.

The overall program envisioned for irrigation involves the continuation of existing 4 inch mainlines installed in the first phase of planting. The new 4 inch lines will be extended either to the northeast and northwest ends of Butti Way and preferably would continue along the north side to result in a looped line around the perimeter of the site. This should result in improved pressure, providing adequate service to distant areas, and allowing for future expansion, should that become necessary. Advance planning for future valve wire needs, controller locations, power supply, Rainmaster flow, monitoring constraints and filtration needs, etc. are important design considerations. The mainline must be designed to be compatible with the City's Rainmaster Central Control System.

Irrigation for the Flood Channel Transition Zone, along the west side, may involve a totally different form of supply, such as a series of large pipes located to facilitate basin flooding.

All irrigation construction plans and detailing, shall conform to the current standards of the Carson City and the Parks & Recreation Department and utilize state of the art technology.

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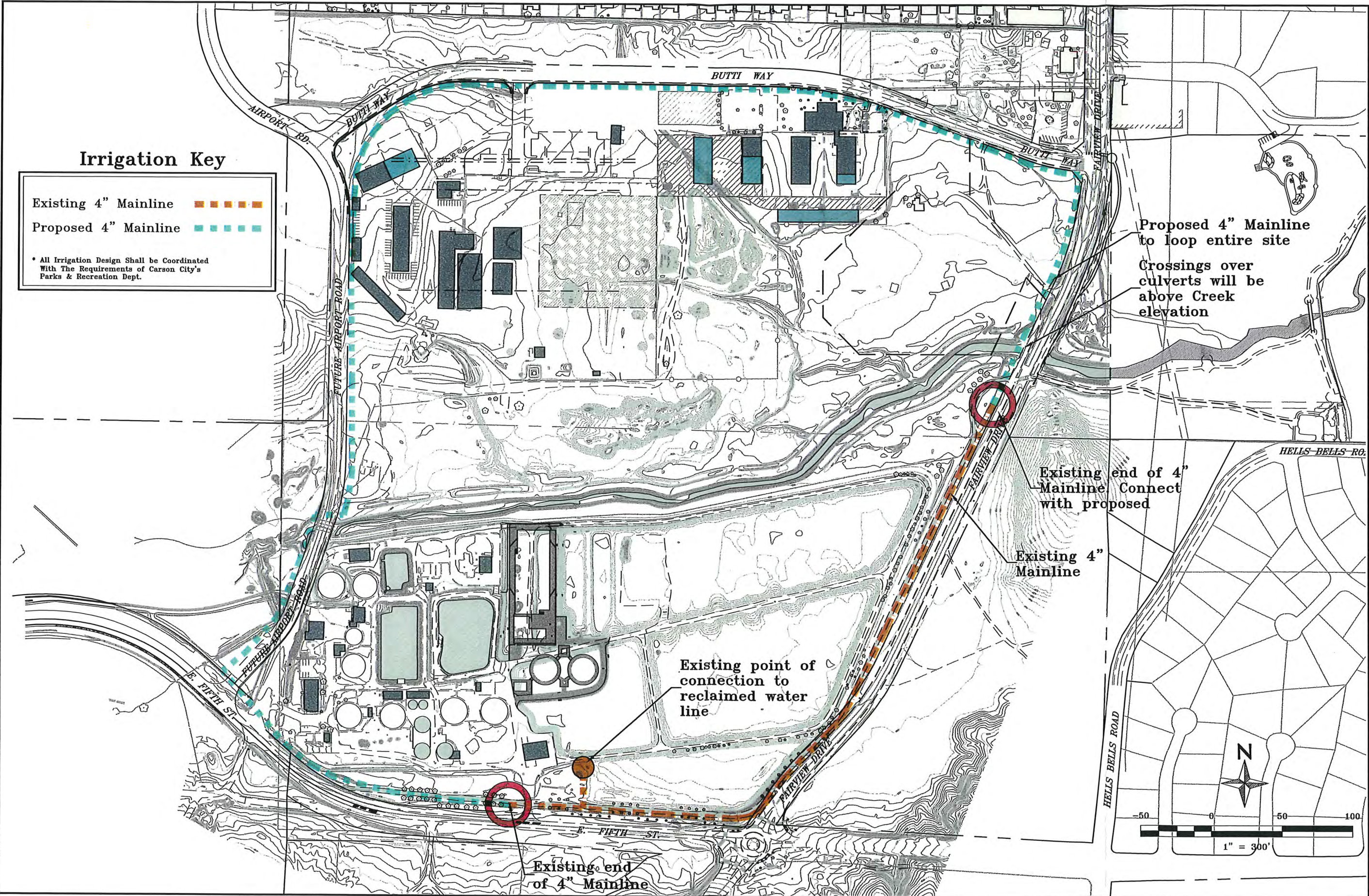
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 Irrigation
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Irrigation Key

Existing 4" Mainline 

Proposed 4" Mainline 

• All Irrigation Design Shall be Coordinated
 With The Requirements of Carson City's
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Proposed 4" Mainline
 to loop entire site
 Crossings over
 culverts will be
 above Creek
 elevation

Existing end of 4"
 Mainline Connect
 with proposed

Existing 4"
 Mainline

Existing point of
 connection to
 reclaimed water
 line

Existing end
 of 4" Mainline

7 SITE AMENITIES

Furniture selections may vary for different areas of the site. The Public Works development zone will be more suitable for refined, or stylized designs than the open space and park areas. All furniture items shall be reasonably complimentary in terms of design, style, color and/or materials. They shall be consciously placed in response to user needs or requirements. An exhaustive search has not been conducted as part of the scope of this work; therefore the following images are only representative of what will be encouraged for use on the site. All fixtures shall meet staff approval at the time of final design.

▪ benches

Placement of benches should take into consideration shade in the summer, sun access in the winter, wind protection, visual stimulation, and traffic impediments. The Carson City Parks and Recreation Department has preferred bench types that are utilized in all park and open space project work. However, it is recommended that more products with stronger visual quality be considered for gathering areas adjacent to Public Works office development.



Stone Slabs may be considered for use as benches

- **tables**

Tables will likely be utilitarian in nature; but not all eating needs to take place at a table top. Large rock surfaces, such as those illustrated above could be modified for outdoor picnicking.



- **street lighting**

Street lamps unique to this site may be desirable, particularly along Butti Way. Some images of lighting are provided below however all selections must comply with the City's 'Dark Sky' Ordinance.



- **path or accent lighting**

Accent lighting may only be required to provide sufficient illumination along walkways to and from City buildings if nighttime activity is anticipated.

- **feature lighting**

Feature lighting refers to the accent illumination of signage, art, or other areas of special interest.

- **trash receptacles**

Carson City Parks and Recreation Department standards shall be followed for all trash cans since pick up should remain similar to existing routines.

- **bike racks**



- **sculpture/art**



- **signage**



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 Jim Jeffers/Lebanon # 41

UHS-LAP/Lebanon #41
 Laboratory # 252292 - 2

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Buffer pH	7.2											7.2
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Sodium ppm	706	951	7020	4280	266	112						2223
SOIL CHARACTERISTICS												
P ppm	13	53	9	3	22	206						51
K ppm	85	145	200	151	303	709						250
Mg ppm	47	191	71	91	134	243						130
Ca ppm	2850	5487	5262	2172	2206	3992						3462
S ppm												
Zn ppm												
Mn ppm												
Cu ppm												
Fe ppm												
PERCENTAGE SATURATION												
CEC	19.1	33.5	57.9	30.6	14.1	24.3						30.9
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%Ca	74.5	81.8	45.4	35.9	78.3	82.2						59.2
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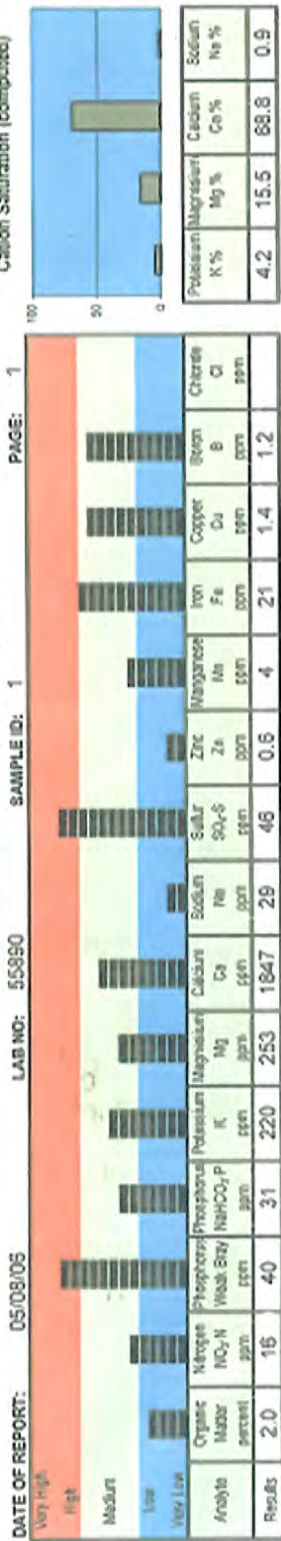
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Graphical Soil Analysis Report



Soil Fertility Guidelines

CROP: _____ RATE: _____

Element	Rate	Element	Rate
Dolomite (70 score)		Sulfur	
Lime		Phosphorus	
Gypsum		Potash	
Elemental Sulfur		Magnesium	
Nitrogen		Sulfur (SO ₄ -S)	
Zinc		Iron	
Copper		Boron	

COMMENTS

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Sample 1 – Fairly normal; zinc a little low, common in the arid west



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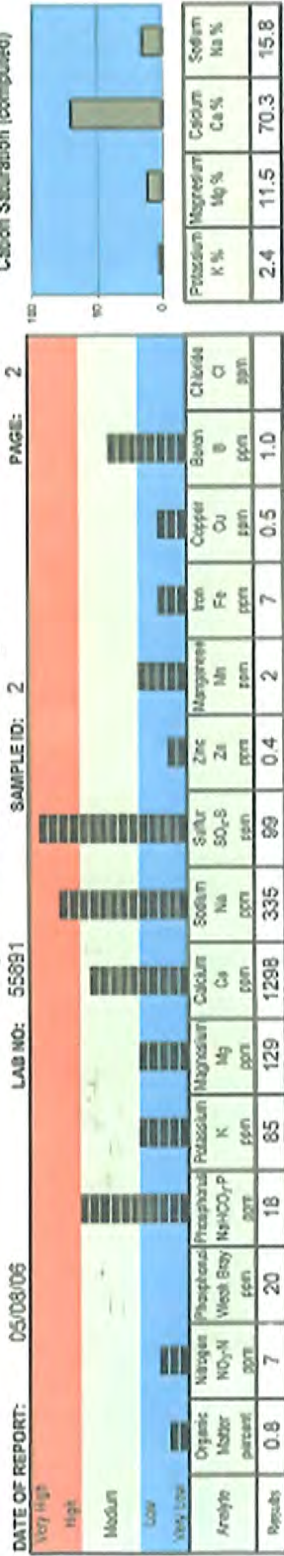
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Soil Fertility Guidelines

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Element	Rate	Element	Rate
Calcium		Iron	
Magnesium		Copper	
Sulfur		Zinc	
Zinc		Boron	
Manganese			
Iron			
Copper			
Zinc			
Boron			

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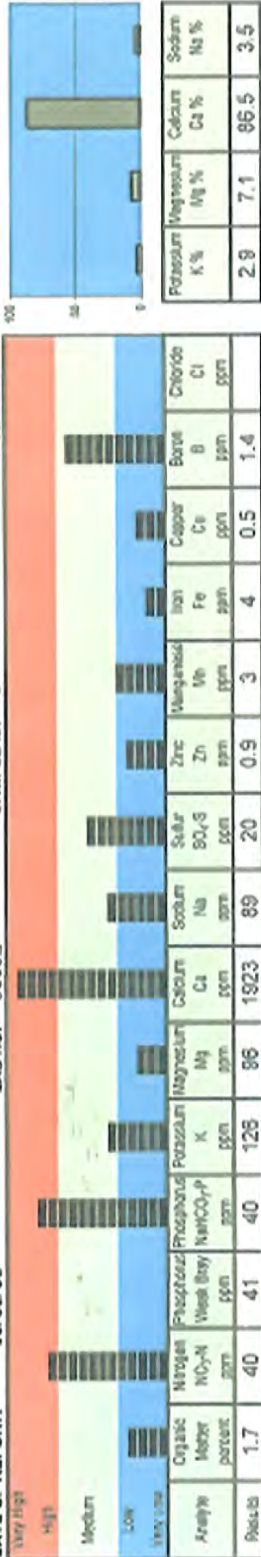
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Soil Fertility Guidelines

CROP:	RATE:												
	Lime (70 score)	Gypsum	Elemental Sulfur	Nitrogen N	Phosphorus P ₂ O ₅	Potash K ₂ O	Magnesium Mg	Sulfur SO ₄ -S	Zinc Zn	Manganese Mn	Iron Fe	Copper Cu	Boron B
Doornite (70 score)													

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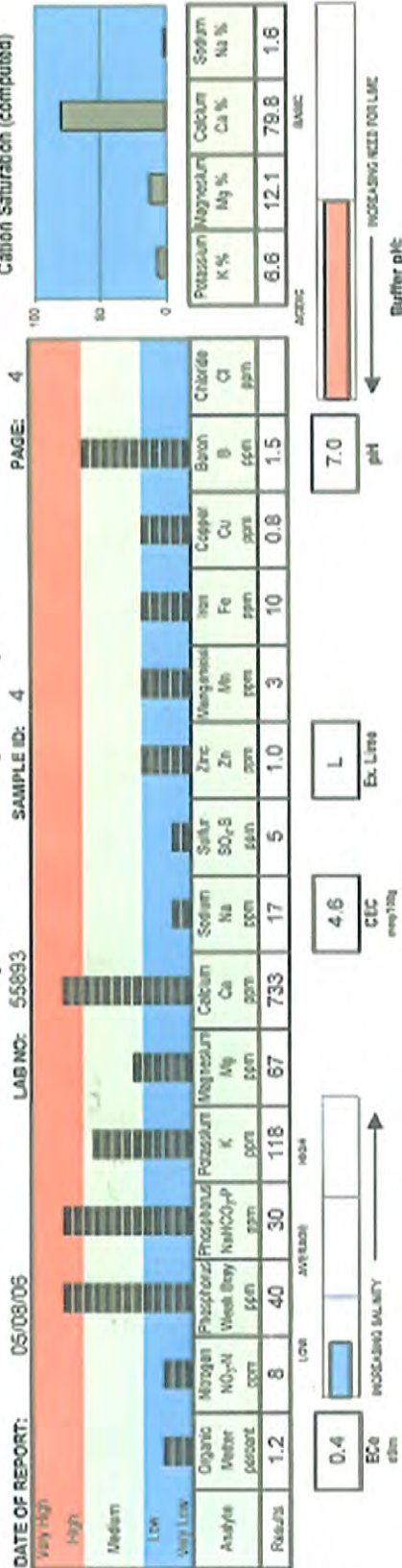
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CRIP:	Diionite (75 score)	Lime	Gypsum	Elemental Sulfur	Nitrogen N	Phosphorus P ₂ O ₅	Potash K ₂ O	Magnesium Mg	Sulfur SO ₄ -S	Zinc Zn	Manganese Mn	Iron Fe	Copper Cu	Boron B	RATE:

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Sample 4 – pH level is good; salt level good. Need nitrogen and sulfur; trace elements are borderline.



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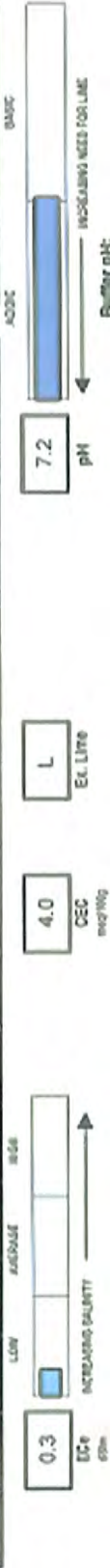
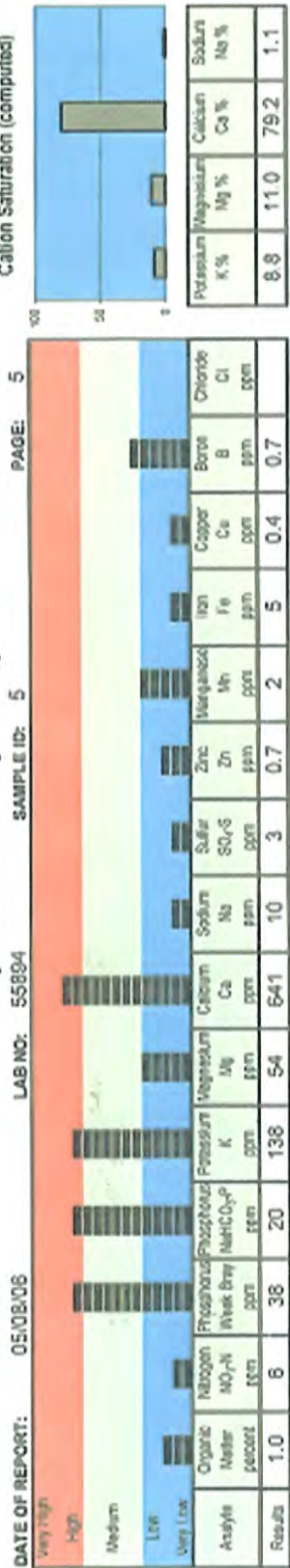
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CROP: _____ RATE: _____

Downside (75 score)	Lime (75 score)	Gypsum	Elemental Sulfur	Nitrogen N	Phosphate P ₂ O ₅	Potash K ₂ O	Magnesium Mg	Sulfur SO ₂ S	Zinc Zn	Manganese Mn	Iron Fe	Copper Cu	Boron B

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Sample 5 – pH is ok, salt levels ok. Recommend trace element package. Desirable to have calcium above 60% and magnesium 12-15%.



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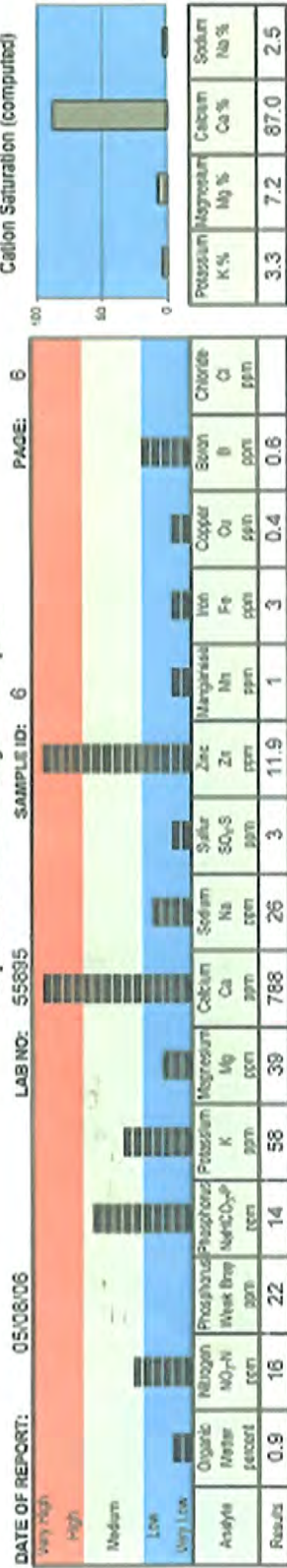
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CROP:

Lime (70 score)	Gypsum	Divalent Sulfur	Nitrogen (N)	Phosphorus (P ₂ O ₅)	Potash (K ₂ O)	Magnesium (Mg)	Sulfur (SO ₂ -S)	Zinc (Zn)	Manganese (Mn)	Iron (Fe)	Copper (Cu)	Boron (B)

RATE:

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Sample 6- Magnesium is low. Add magnesium sulfate; will help pH too. Reapplication is usually needed. Re-test soil annually.



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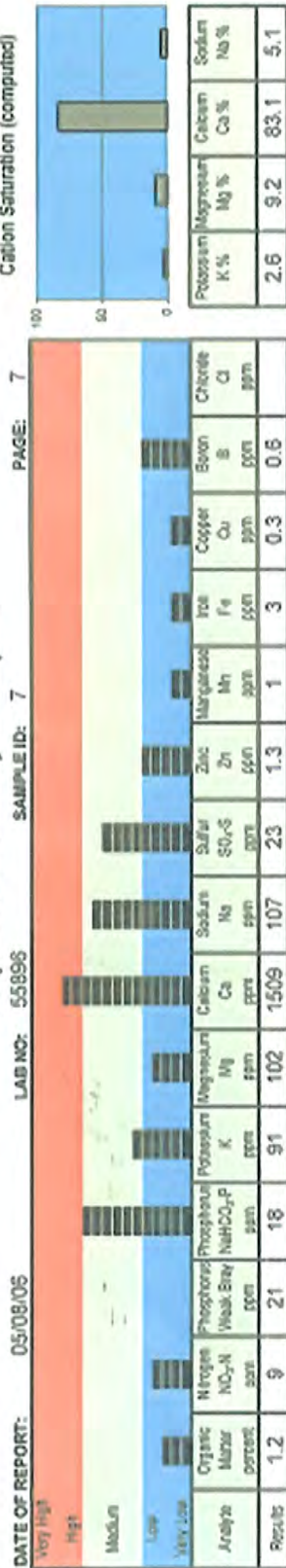
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CROP:

Decomite (70 score)	Lime	Gypsum	Elemental Sulfur	Nitrogen	Phosphorus P ₂ O ₅	Potash K ₂ O	Magnesium Mg	Sulfur SO ₄ -S	Zinc	Iron	Copper	Boron

RATE:

Iron	Copper	Boron

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Sample 7 – Nitrogen is low; pH is high. Apply elemental sulfur at a rate of 5 lbs./ 1000 s.f. every 6-8 weeks. Apply a trace elements pack.

▪ reclaimed water quality test (2000)

Carson City Wastewater Reclamation Plant
 Water Quality Profile
 September 26, 2000

Parameters	Values	Limits
pH Value, S.U.	7.46	6.5 - 8.5
Electrical Conductivity, umhos/cm	924	
Total Dissolved Solids (TDS), mg/L	580	500-1000
Alkalinity (Carb), mg CaCO ₃ /L	0	
Alkalinity (Bicarb), mg CaCO ₃ /L	225	
Calcium (Ca), mg/L	44.7	
Magnesium (Mg), mg/L	6.69	125-150
Potassium (K), mg/L	13.3	
Sodium (Na), mg/L	104	
Sodium Absorption Ratio (SAR)	3.83	
Chloride (Cl-), mg/L	80	250-500
Fluoride (F-), mg/L	0.92	2
Sulfate (SO ₄ -), mg/L	111	250
Arsenic (As), mg/L	0.007	0.05
Cadmium (Cd), mg/L	<0.1	0.01
Chromium (Cr), mg/L	<0.1	0.05
Copper (Cu), mg/L	<0.1	1
Iron (Fe), mg/L	0.12	0.3-0.6
Lead (Pb), mg/L	<0.1	0.05
Manganese (Mn), mg/L	<0.1	0.05-0.10
Nickel (Ni), mg/L	<0.1	
Selenium (Se), mg/L	<0.002	0.01
Zinc (Zn), mg/L	<0.1	5
Aluminum (Al), mg/L	<0.05	
Boron (B), mg/L	0.39	