



FEBRUARY 2016

REBUILD BY DESIGN

■ RESIST ■ DELAY ■ STORE ■ DISCHARGE ■

HUDSON RIVER

COMMUNITY MEETING – PROJECT ALTERNATIVES UPDATE

AGENDA

- **Project Status**
- **Purpose & Need/Background**
- **Alternatives Development**
- **Next Steps**
- **Q & A**
- **Open House**

Project Status



PUBLIC FEEDBACK

Since Dec. 10th's public meeting, which introduced the 5 concepts, we received multiple comments from approximately 255 residents through emails and letters.



**200+ Community
members**



Comments



**Emails and
Letters**

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Many comments were addressed in a FAQ packet, which can be found on the project website:

www.nj.gov/dep/floodhazard/rbd-hudsonriver.htm



PROJECT TIMELINE – FEASIBILITY & NEPA

The Feasibility Study allows us to design a soundly engineered project.
The NEPA* Process looks at environmental and community impacts.

*NEPA: National Environmental Policy Act

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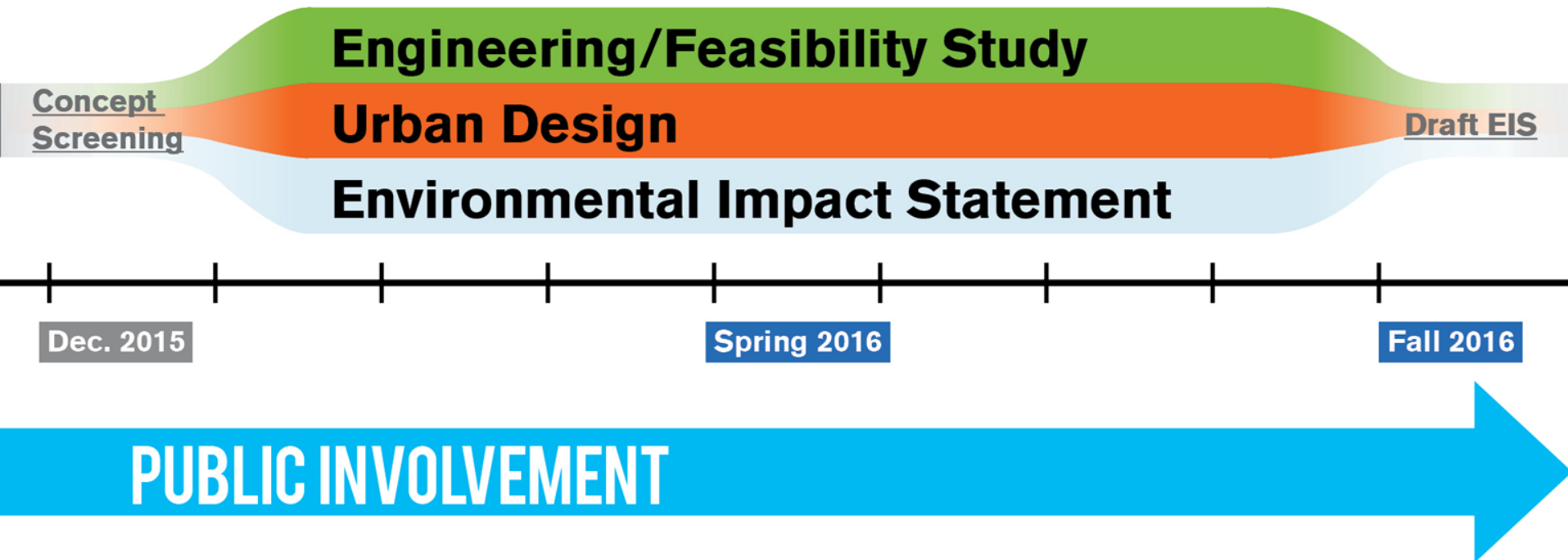
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ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS PHASE

In the Alternatives Analysis phase, we are simultaneously exploring design, conducting analysis, and soliciting engagement.

Alternative Analysis



OPPORTUNITIES TO PARTICIPATE

How are we soliciting community input in this project phase?

CAG Meetings



Public Meetings



(hudsonreporter.com)

Workshops

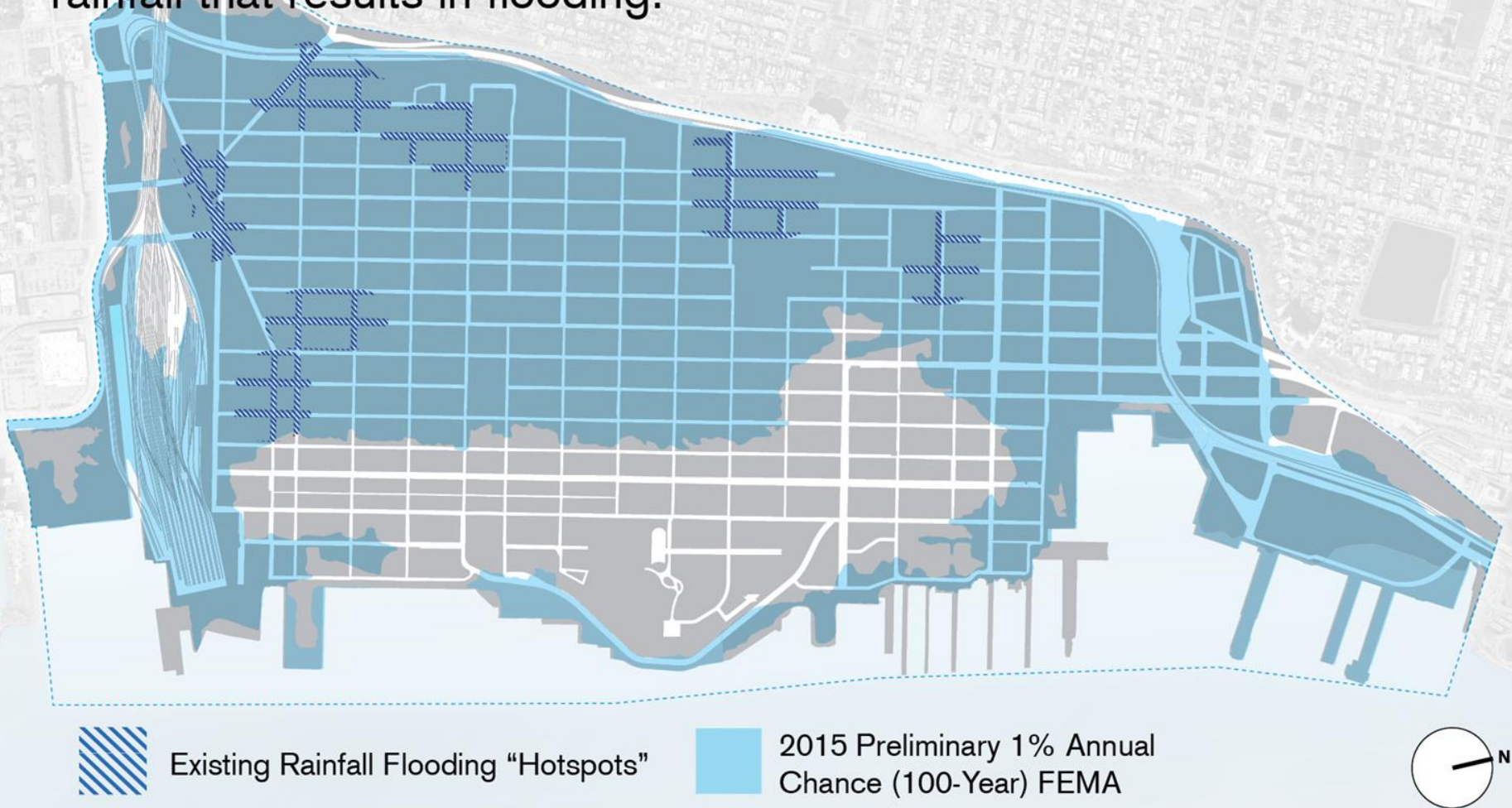


PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

Purpose & Need/ Background

WHY DO WE NEED THE PROJECT?

The project area is at risk from storm surge events and heavy rainfall that results in flooding.



WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF WE DO NOTHING?

The frequency and intensity of flooding in Hoboken will get worse.

Everything is Connected.

FutureStructure

HOME

NEWS

BY NEWS STAFF / NOVEMBER 24, 2015



A woman stands in the floodwaters of the city.

in Sandy left
CR/DVIDSHUB

"The city sits right on the Hudson River and is particularly vulnerable to flooding. According to the Environmental Defense Fund (EDF), 70 percent of Hoboken's population lives in flood zones."

nj.com
True Jersey

Clean up continues after heavy flooding in Hoboken



Stormwater rushed past the Shop Site on Madison Street on May 31, 2015. (Photo courtesy of Maria Vallejo)

By Kathryn Br
Email the auth
on June 01, 20

"It's no secret that northwestern Hoboken is particularly flood-prone. Stormwater causes the sewage system to overflow and flood back into the city's lowest lying streets."

MOST READ

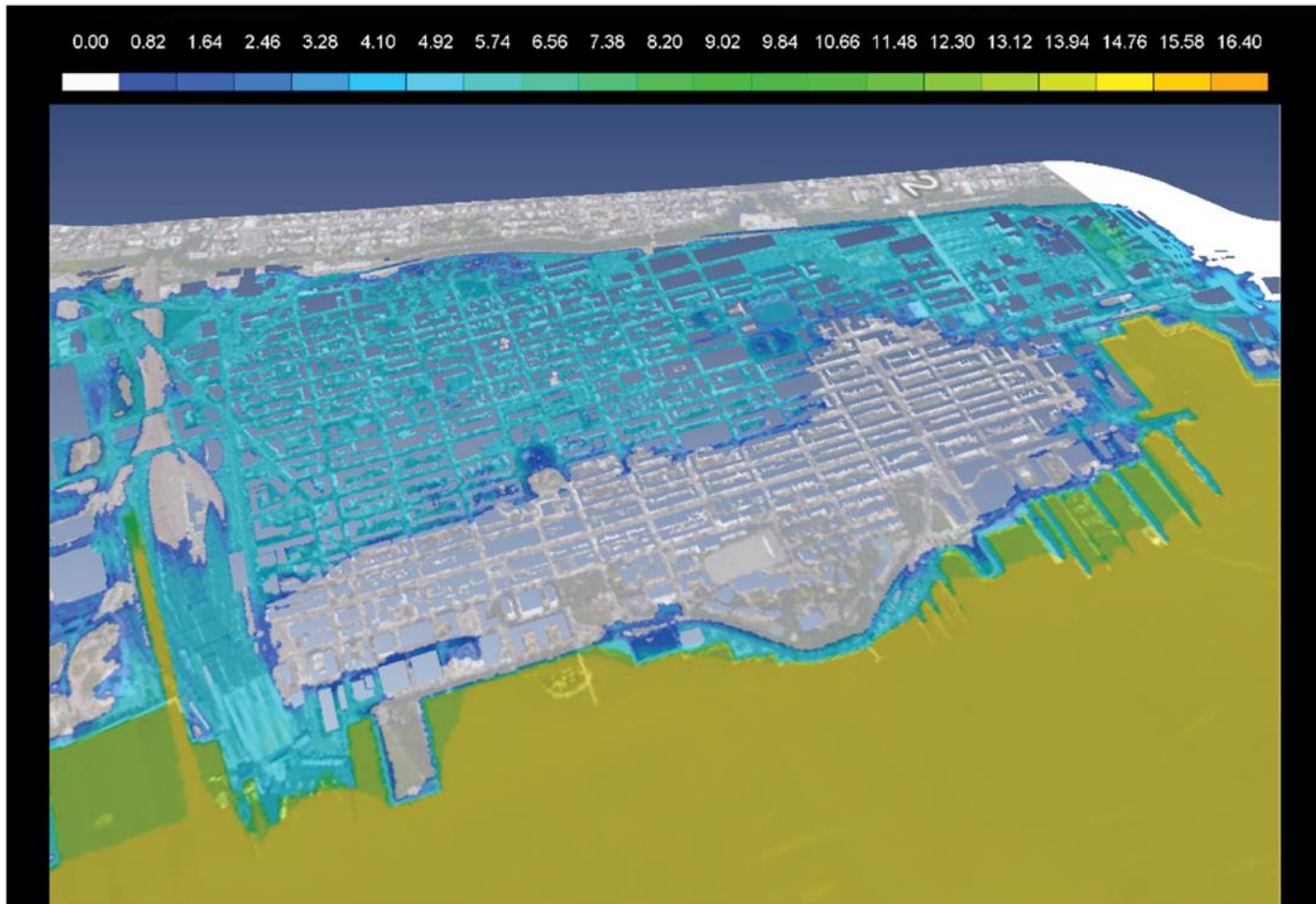
- Prosecutor: Cops should be 'commended' in Princeton professor arrest
- Woman dies in jump from Garden State Parkway bridge, police say
- Police who arrested Princeton professor get lunch from town leaders

TRENDING VIDEOS



WHAT HAPPENS WHEN IT FLOODS?

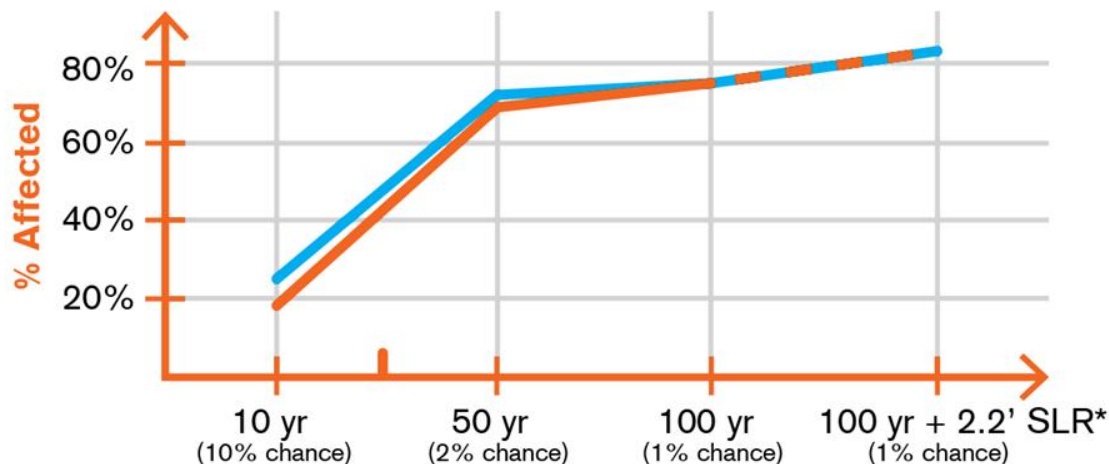
Coastal flood model demonstrating a propagation of coastal storm surge during Hurricane Sandy.



WHAT DRIVES THE NEED FOR THE PROJECT?

The greater the storm, the greater the effect.

Storm	Approximate Area Flooded		Approximate Affected Population	
	Acres	% of Total	Population	% of Total
10 yr (10% chance)	179	18%	13,129	25%
50 yr (2% chance)	679	69%	37,067	71%
100 yr (1% chance)	738	75%	39,344	75%
100 yr + 2.2' SLR*	801	82%	43,283	82%



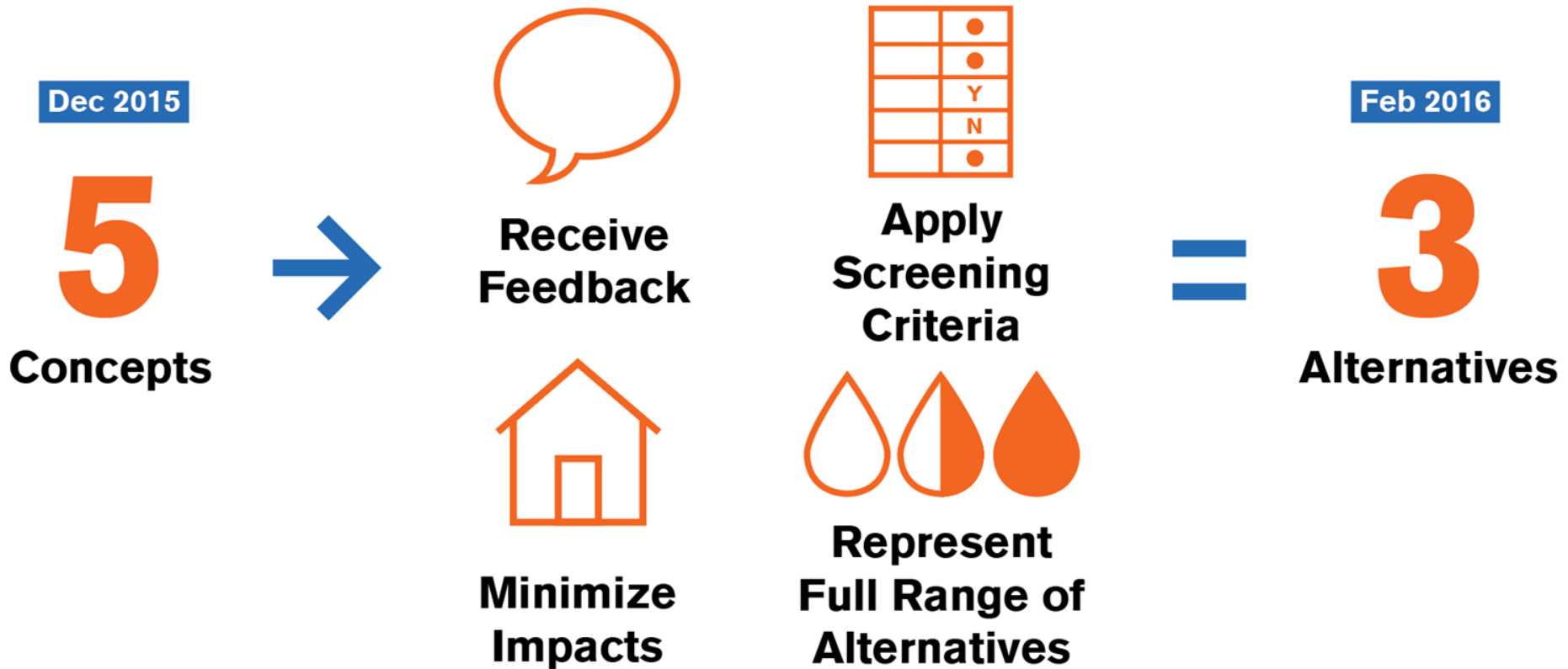
These storms do not include wave action and represent only stillwater

*SLR = Sea Level Rise

Alternatives Development

FURTHER ANALYSIS

The Five concepts were revised to reflect community input, minimize impacts, and represent a full range of alternatives that reduce flood risk for the project area.



DELAY, STORE, & DISCHARGE

Using “green” and “grey” stormwater management strategies to achieve community benefits while reducing flooding from rainfall.

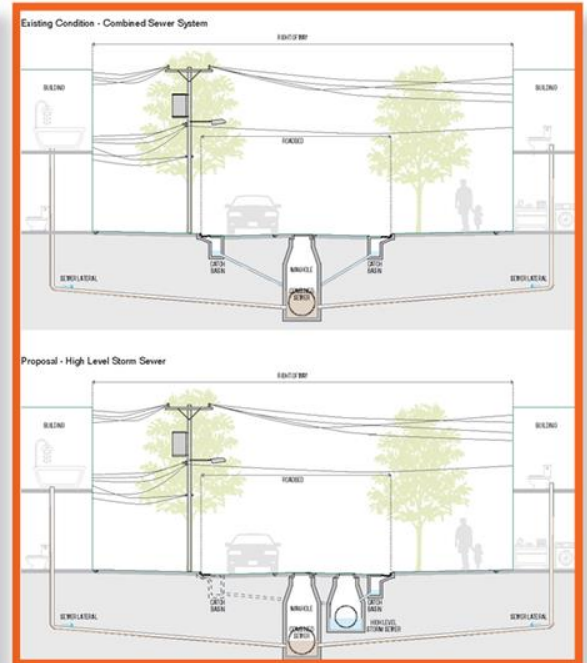
Retrofitted Parks



Bio-retention Basin



Storage & Pump Station



DELAY, STORE, & DISCHARGE



Tank



Tank Bumpout



Parks



Pumps



*For more information on Delay Store & Discharge, please see the project boards

ONGOING INITIATIVES

Independent work on several stormwater projects in conjunction with the overall masterplan to alleviate flooding.

Southwest Park



7th & Jackson Park



BASF Property



City Hall Demonstration



H5 Wet Weather Pump Station



ALTERNATIVE 1



— Resist - Alternative 1 — Existing Structures

■ Delay, Store, Discharge

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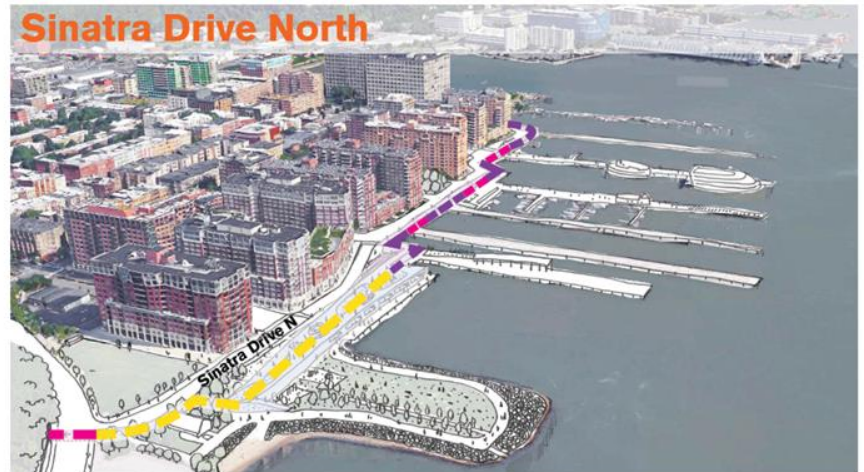


ALTERNATIVE 1

Weehawken Cove



Sinatra Drive North



1st Street & Sinatra Drive



Observer Highway - Options 1 & 2



- Flood Barrier
- Elevated Walkway
- Landscape
- Raised Path

- Gate (Swinging, Sliding)
- Deployable

ALTERNATIVE 1 CHARACTERISTICS

Provides highest coastal flood risk reduction.



Provides highest level of coastal flood risk reduction.



Potentially least amount of transportation network disruption.

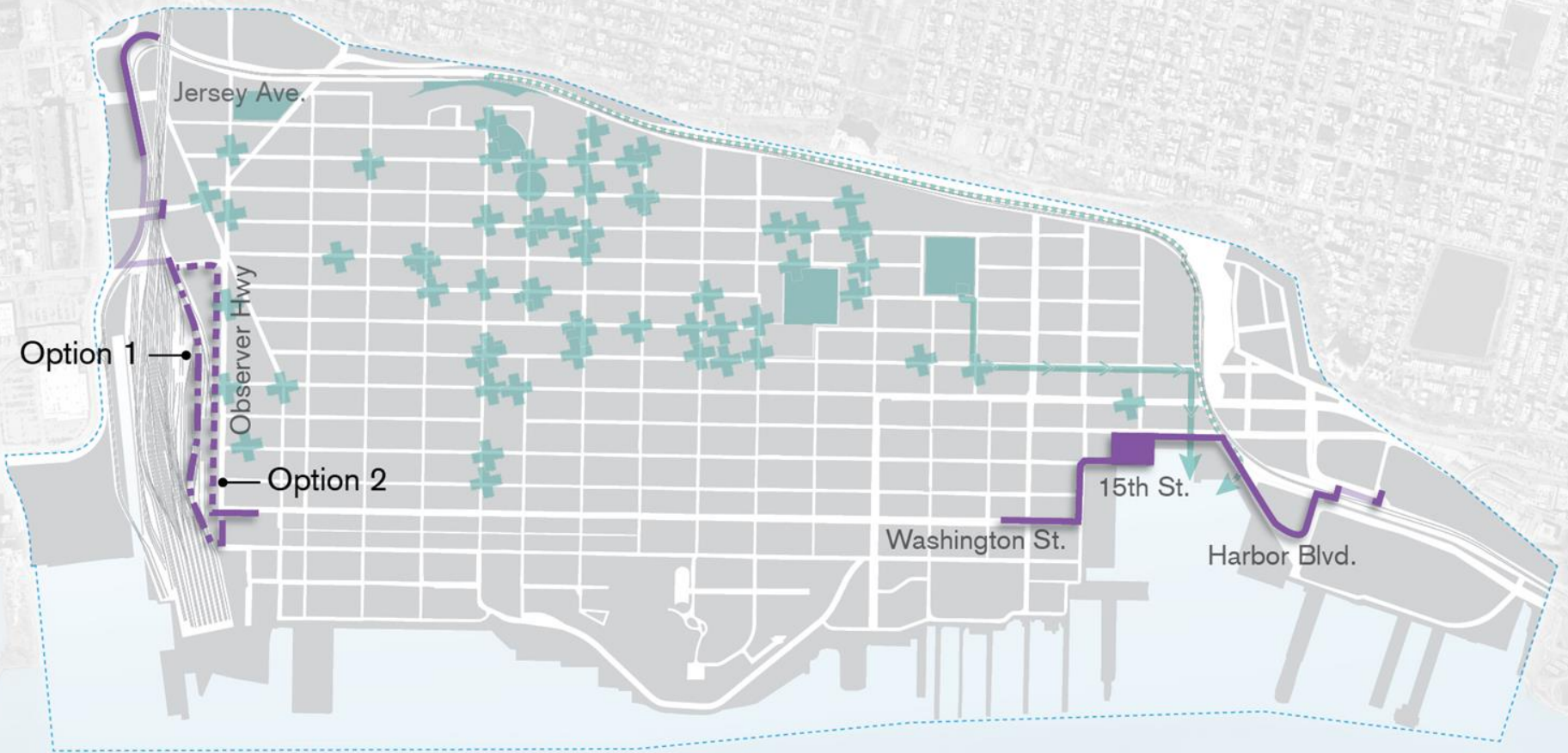


Most impact to existing waterfront views/access.



Highest cost and complexity to construct.

ALTERNATIVE 2



— Resist - Alternative 2 — Existing Structures

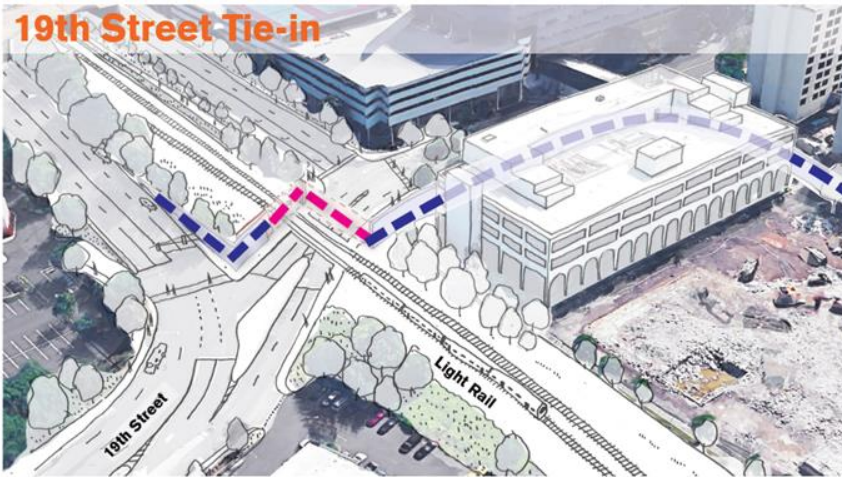
■ Delay, Store, Discharge

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ALTERNATIVE 2

19th Street Tie-in



15th Street to Washington Street



Observer Highway - Option 1 & 2



Jersey Avenue Underpass



■ Flood Barrier
■ Landscape

■ Deployable
■ Berm

■ Gate (Swinging, Sliding)

ALTERNATIVE 2 CHARACTERISTICS

Provides storm surge risk reduction benefits by using right-of-way.



No impact to existing waterfront access.



No impact to waterfront views.



Less costly to construct compared to ALT 1.



May have impact on roadway/traffic flow on 15th St.

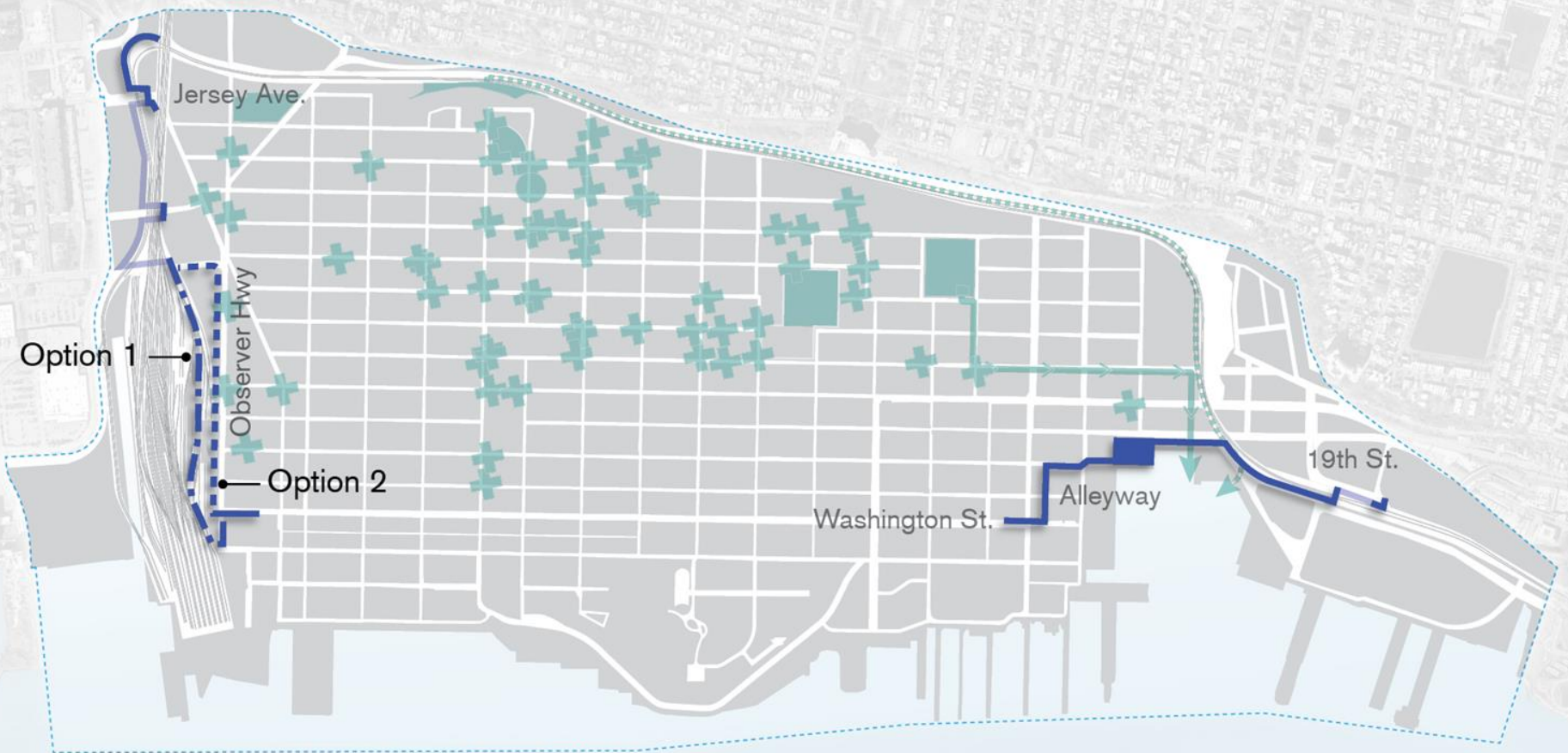


May require reduction in space along Washington St. for structural footprint.



Waterfront communities do not receive flood risk reduction benefits.

ALTERNATIVE 3



— Resist - Alternative 3
 — Existing Structures

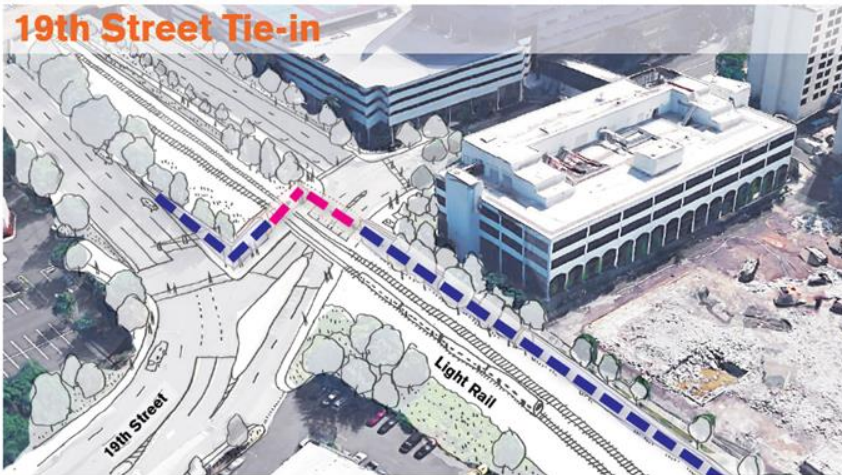
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|  | Landscape |  | Gate (Swinging, Sliding) |

ALTERNATIVE 3 CHARACTERISTICS

Provides storm surge risk reduction benefits by using alley easement.



No impact to existing waterfront views/access.



Least expensive alternative (cost, maintenance).



May enhance the urban design and existing use of public space within the alleyway.



Reduced traffic and circulation impacts compared to ALT 2.



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FURTHER ANALYSIS TO BE PERFORMED



Flood Modeling



**Cost-Benefit
Analysis**



**Feasibility-
Constructability**



Emergency Access



Natural Habitats



Urban Design

Environmental Impacts

URBAN DESIGN

Each of the RDSD sites will be designed to optimize flood risk reduction, while providing benefits to the community.



Barriers can be programmed



Parks can delay and store water



New amenities can be provided within the study area

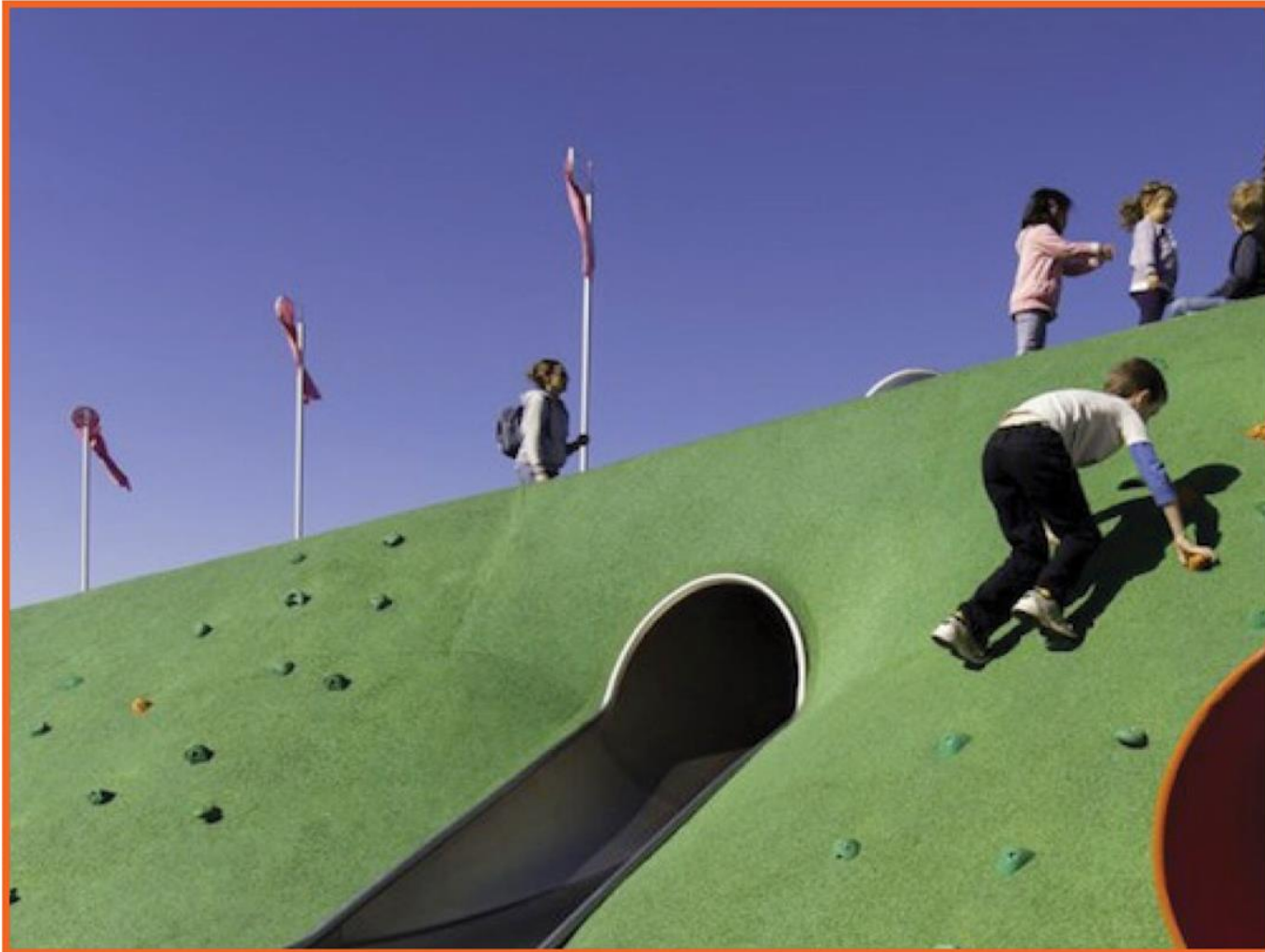
GATHERING SPACE

A terraced flood barrier can be carved into a gathering or play space.



PLAY

Playspaces can be built on any of the Resist, Delay or Store sites.



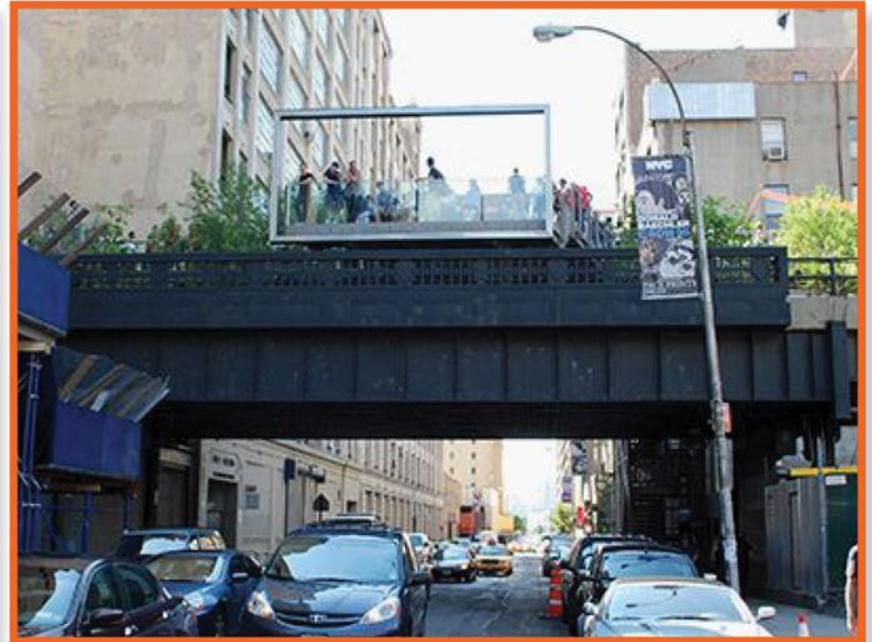
MULTIPURPOSE SPACE

A transformable multipurpose space can be built.



FRAMING VIEWS

The Resist barriers could frame views of the city and the Waterfront.



GREENERY

Greenery can be embedded into newly constructed elements.



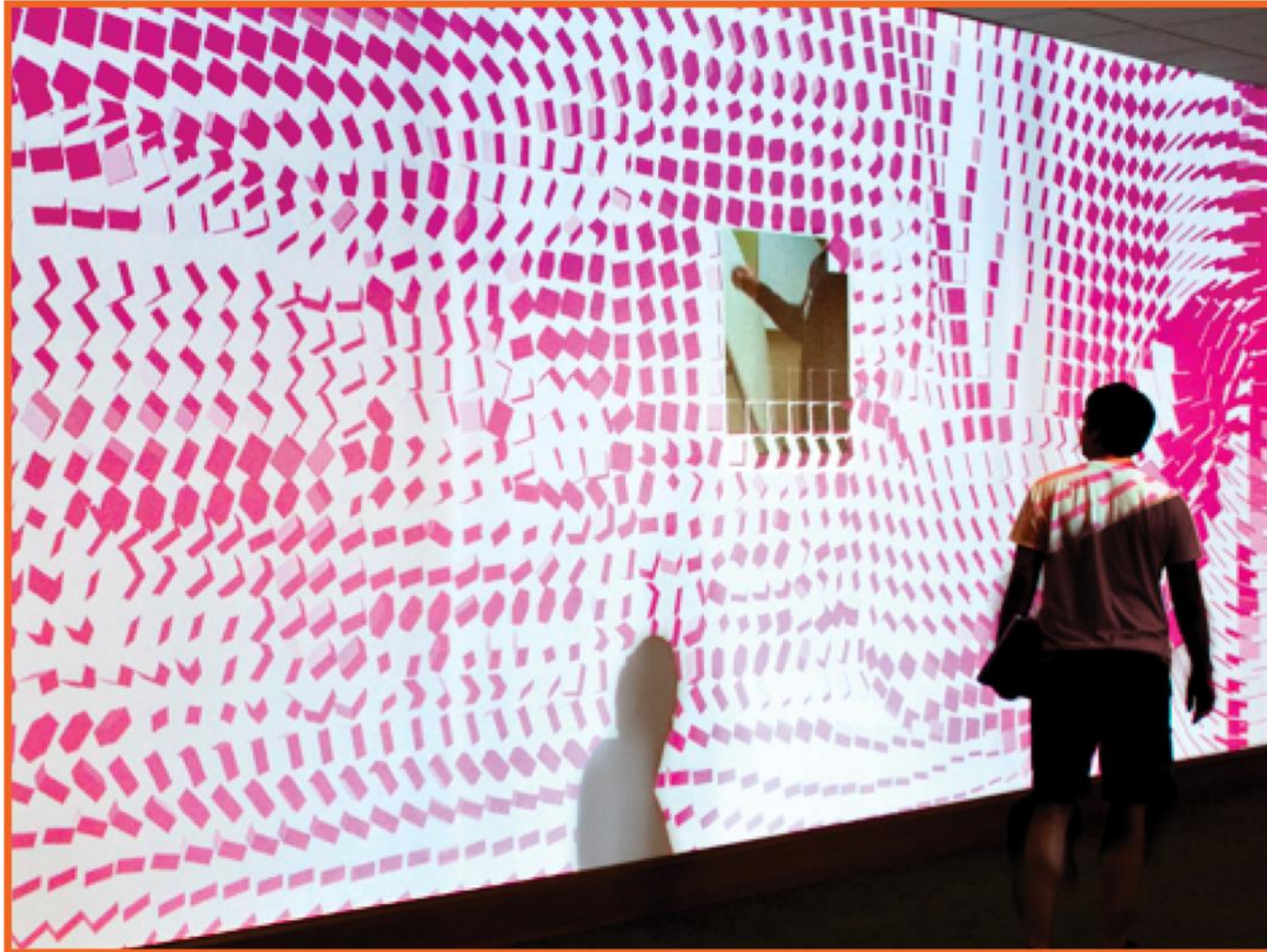
ART

Art can be integrated into the design proposals.



MEDIA DISPLAY

Elements can have media or LED display embedded.



NEW PUBLIC SPACE

Resist, Delay, Store and Discharge sites provide opportunities for new public space for the city.



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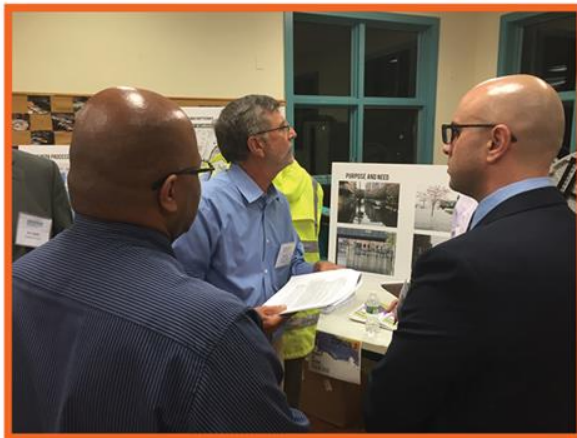
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