



BACK BAY FENS PATHWAYS DESIGN MEETING #4

Conceptual Design



March 28, 2023
Boston Parks and Recreation



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PROJECT STATUS/RECAP

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PRESENTATION OF CONCEPTUAL DESIGN

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LISTENING AND DISCUSSION

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CLOSING REMARKS & NEXT STEPS

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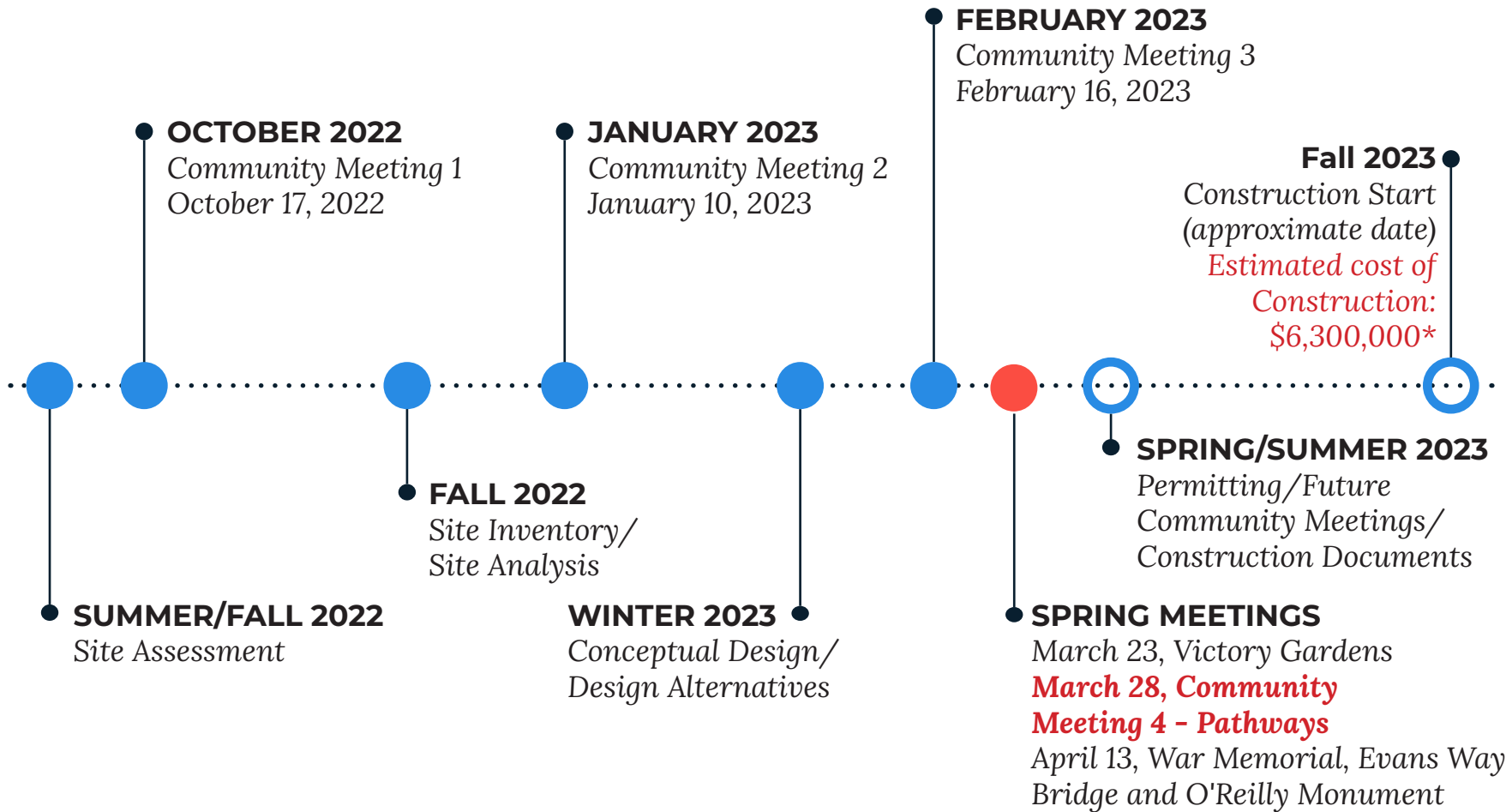
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PROJECT SCHEDULE & FUNDING



*Budget to increase for addition of WWII Memorial, O'Reilly Memorial and Evans Way Bridge Scopes

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STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH

- **Emerald Necklace Conservancy**
- **Fenway Garden Society**
- **Fenway Civic Association**
- **Department of Conservation and Recreation**
- **Boston Transportation Department**
- **Boston Community Preservation**
- **Boston Arts Commission**
- **Boston Landmarks**
- **Boston Trust Office**
- **Army Corps of Engineers**

Meetings to Schedule:

- **Veterans group**
- **Boston Disabilities Commission**
- **Boston Conservation Commission**

CITY OF BOSTON PRIORITIES

- **Expanding walkable access to parks**
- **Addressing equity**
- **Climate resilience**
- **Health**
- **Housing and community building**



PARK & RECREATION GOALS

- **Accessible and available to all**
- **Diverse, balanced, and efficient mix of uses**
- **Meaningful and inclusive community engagement**
- **Adaptive and resilient landscapes**
- **Promote connections**



BACK BAY FENS PATHWAYS DESIGN SCOPE OF WORK

Review and amend pathways to improve:

- **Accessibility**
- **Desirability and uses**
- **Stormwater and runoff**
- **Materials**
- **Pathway longevity**



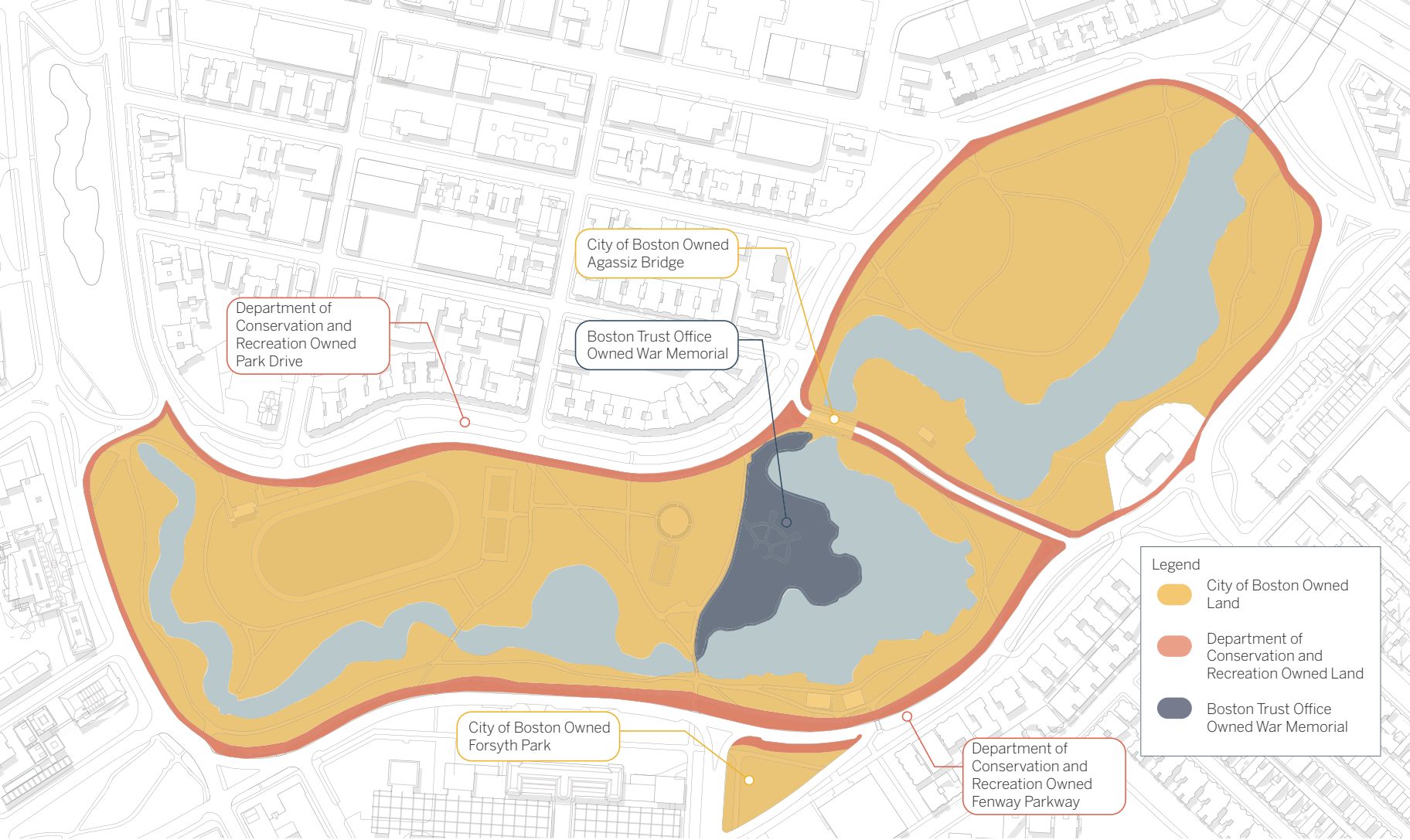
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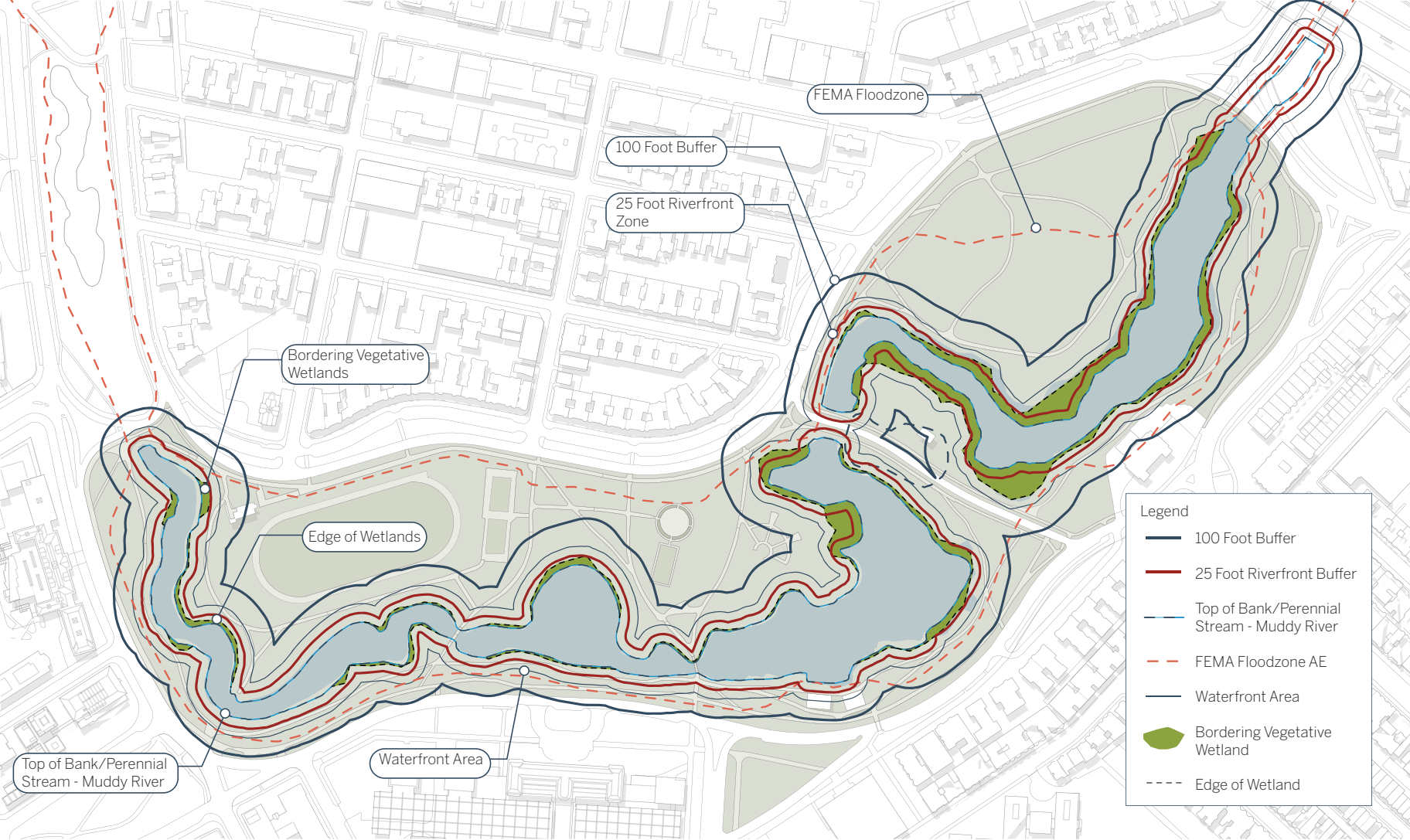
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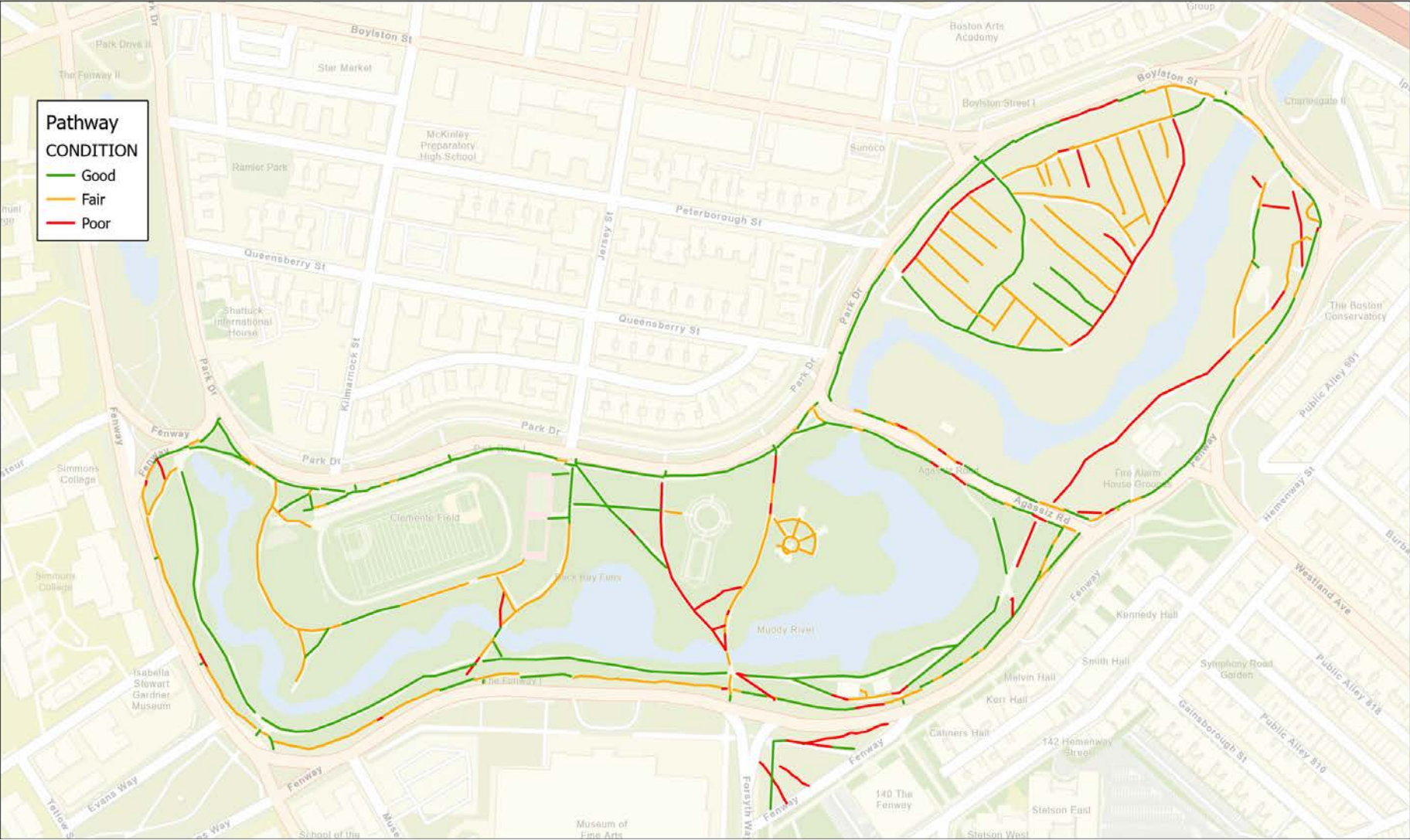
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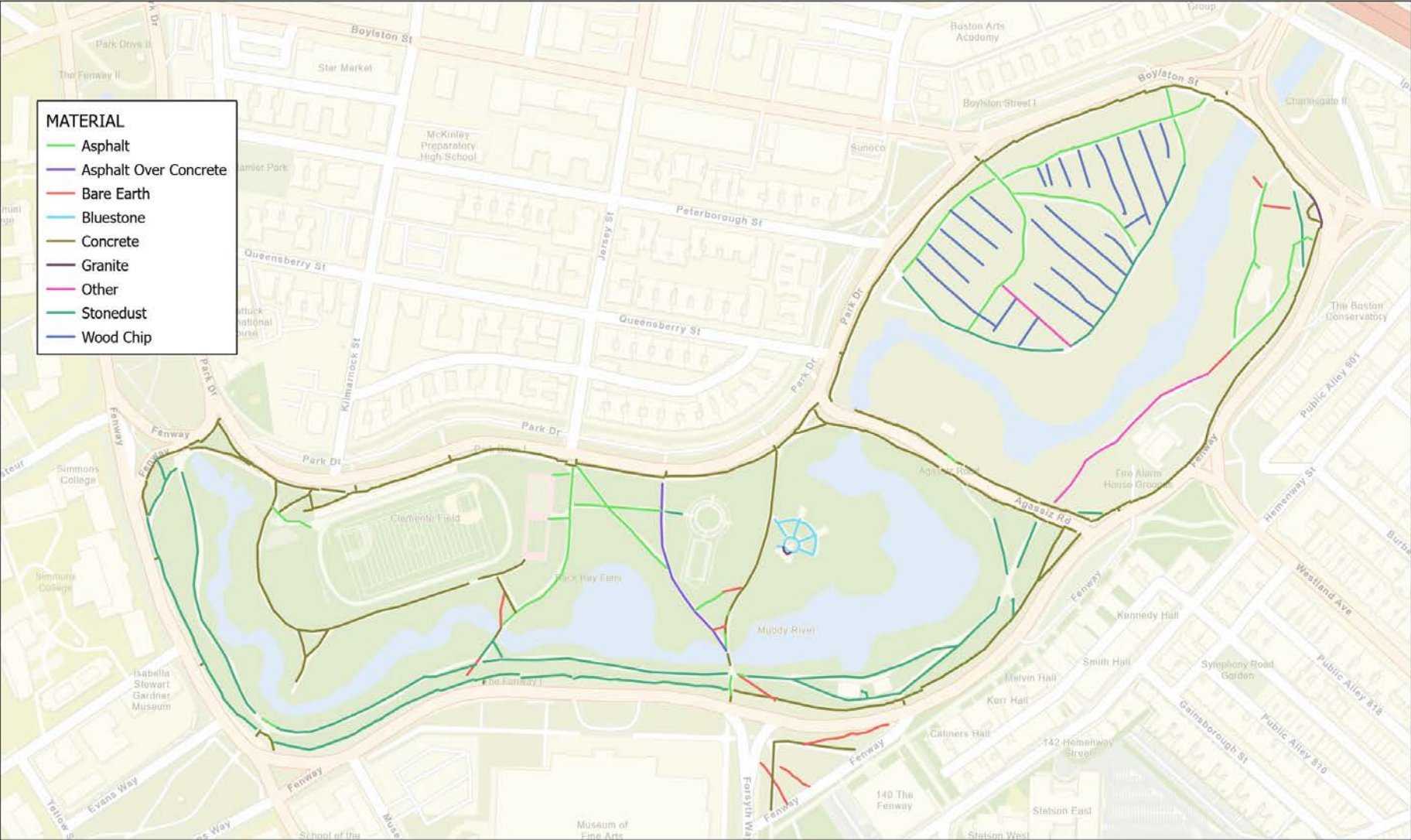
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SITE INVENTORY - PATHWAY CONDITION

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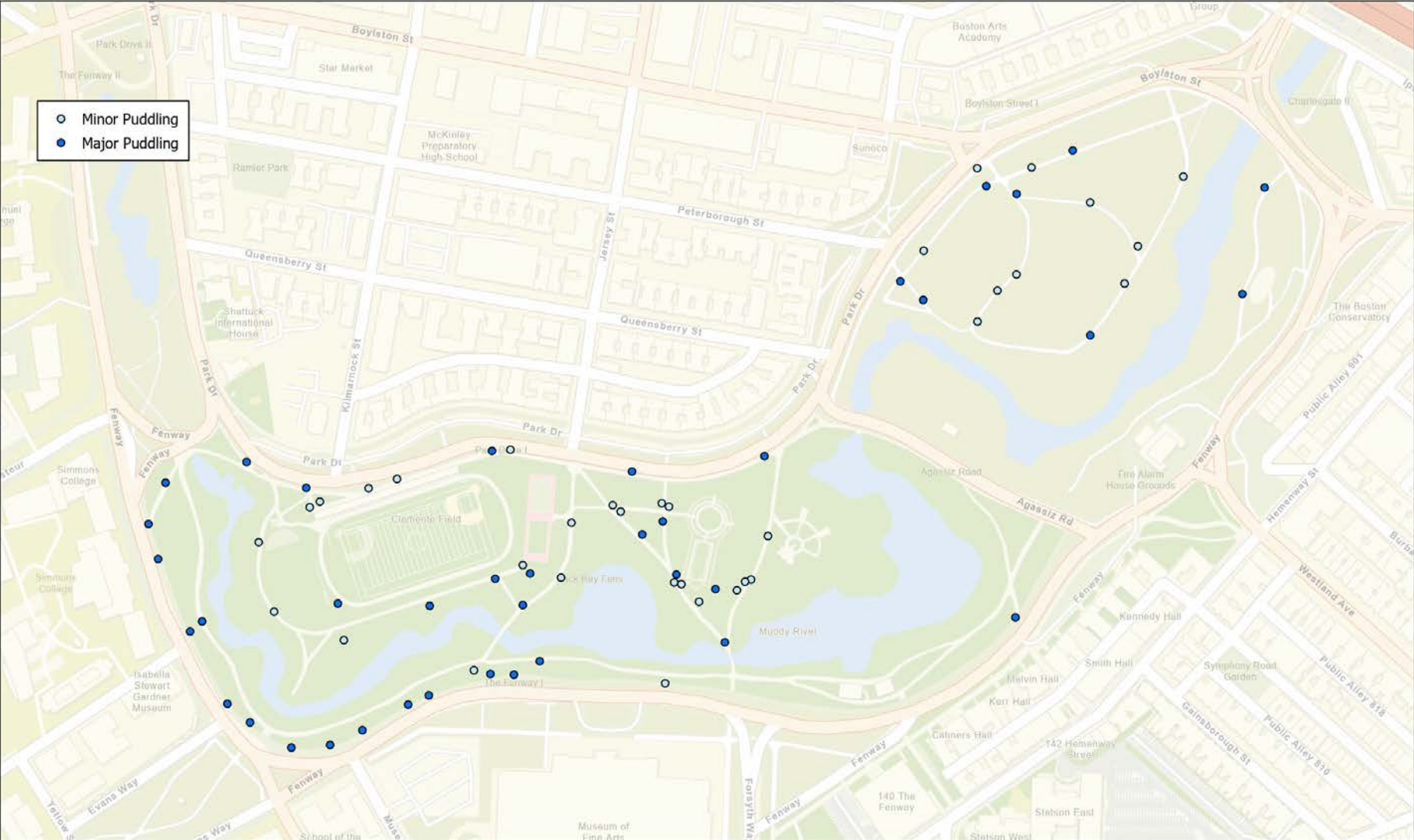
SITE INVENTORY - PATHWAY MATERIAL

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SITE INVENTORY - PATHWAY WIDTH

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* NON-PATHWAY PUDDLING NOT SHOWN

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PROJECT CONDITIONS

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Legend

- B Existing Bike Racks
- B Proposed Bike Racks
- Blue Bike Stations
- Bike Lane (two-way)
- Bike Lane (one-way)
- DCR Greenway

STUDY PLANS - BIKE PATH

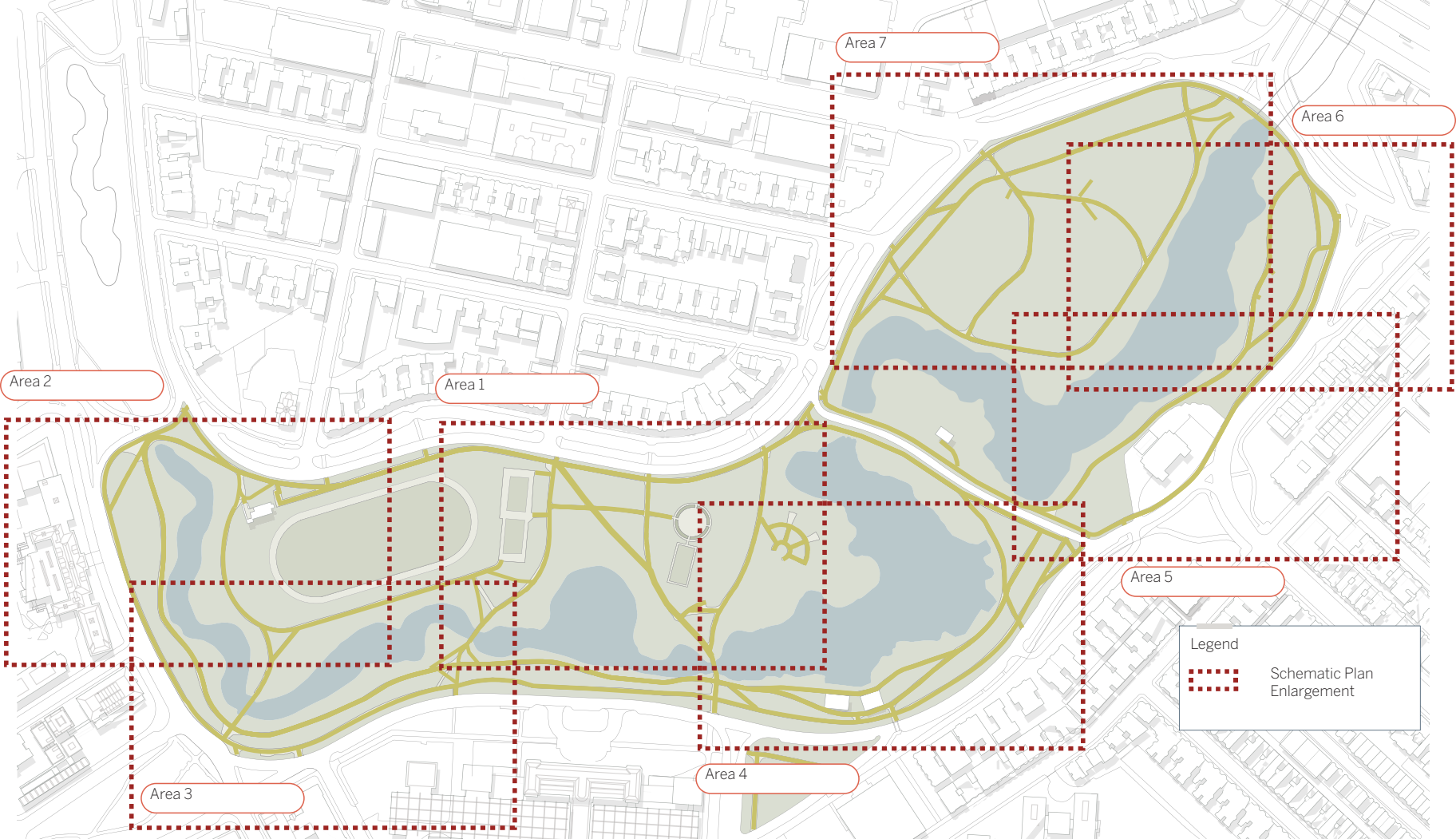
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- Legend
- Realigned or New Pathways
 - Widened Pathways
 - Reconstructed Pathway
 - New Pedestrian Bridge
 - Reconstructed by ACOE
 - Pathway to Remain

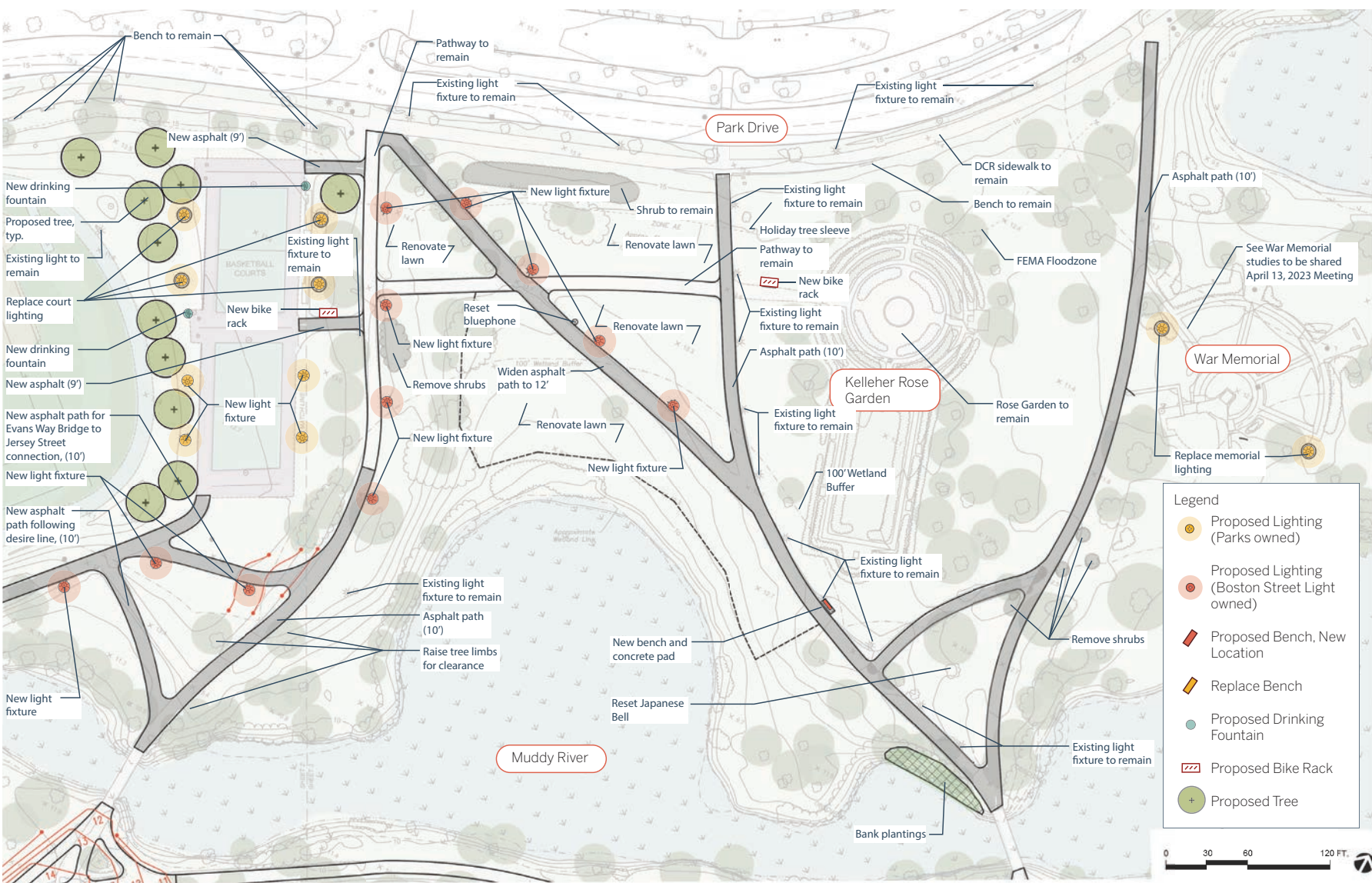
STUDY PLANS - PATHWAY MODIFICATIONS

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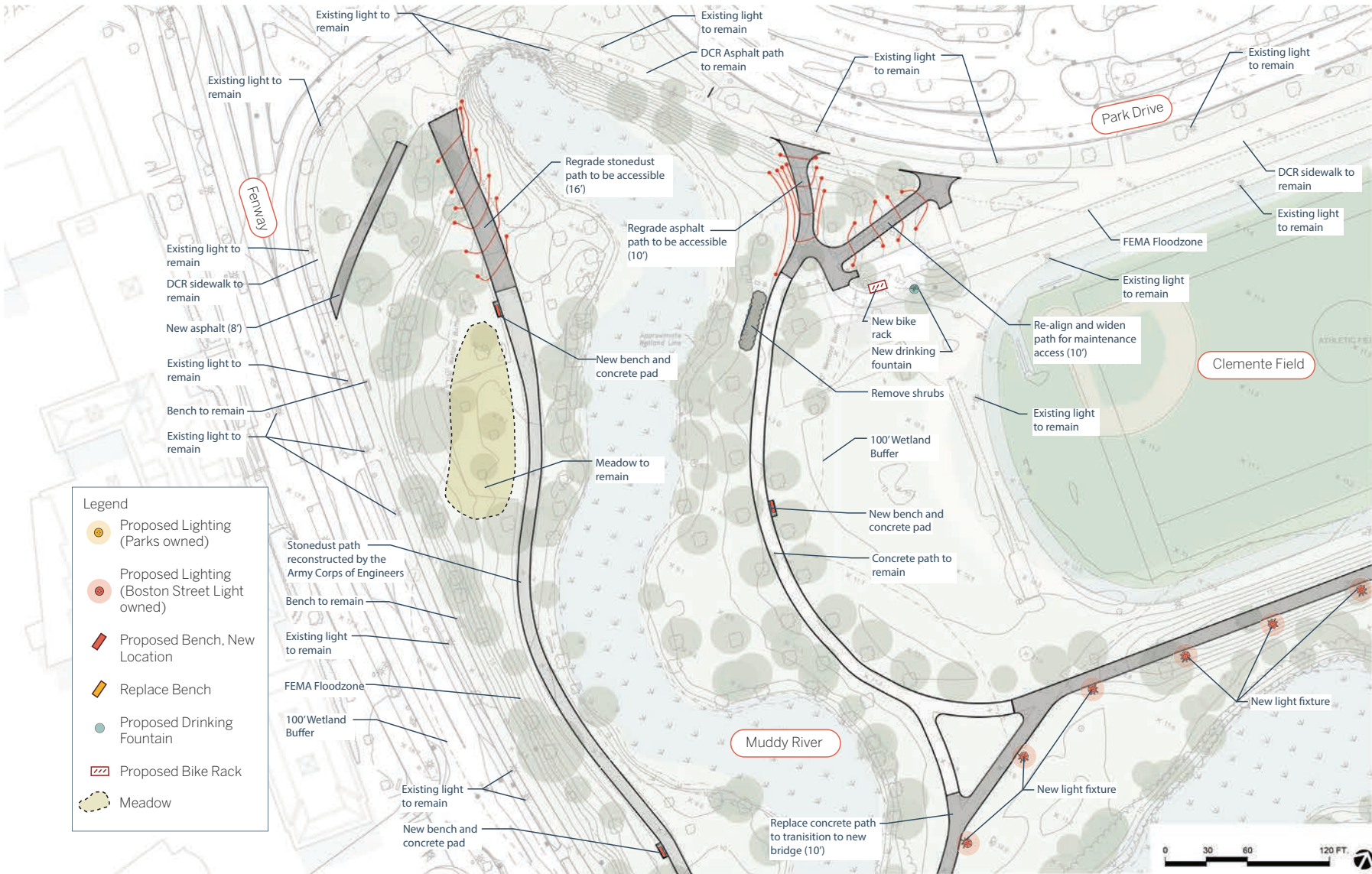
SCHEMATIC DESIGN PLANS - LOCUS MAP

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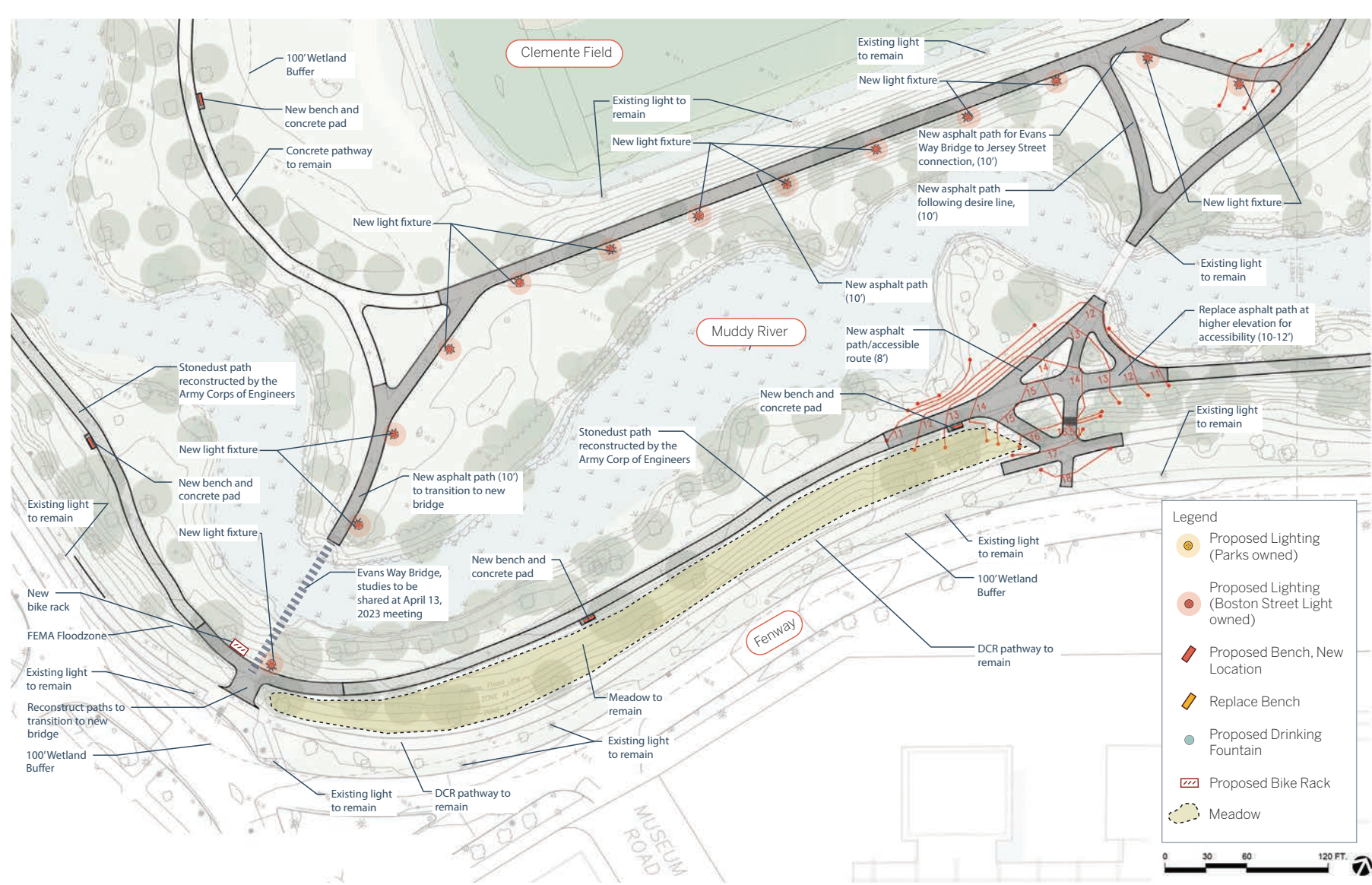
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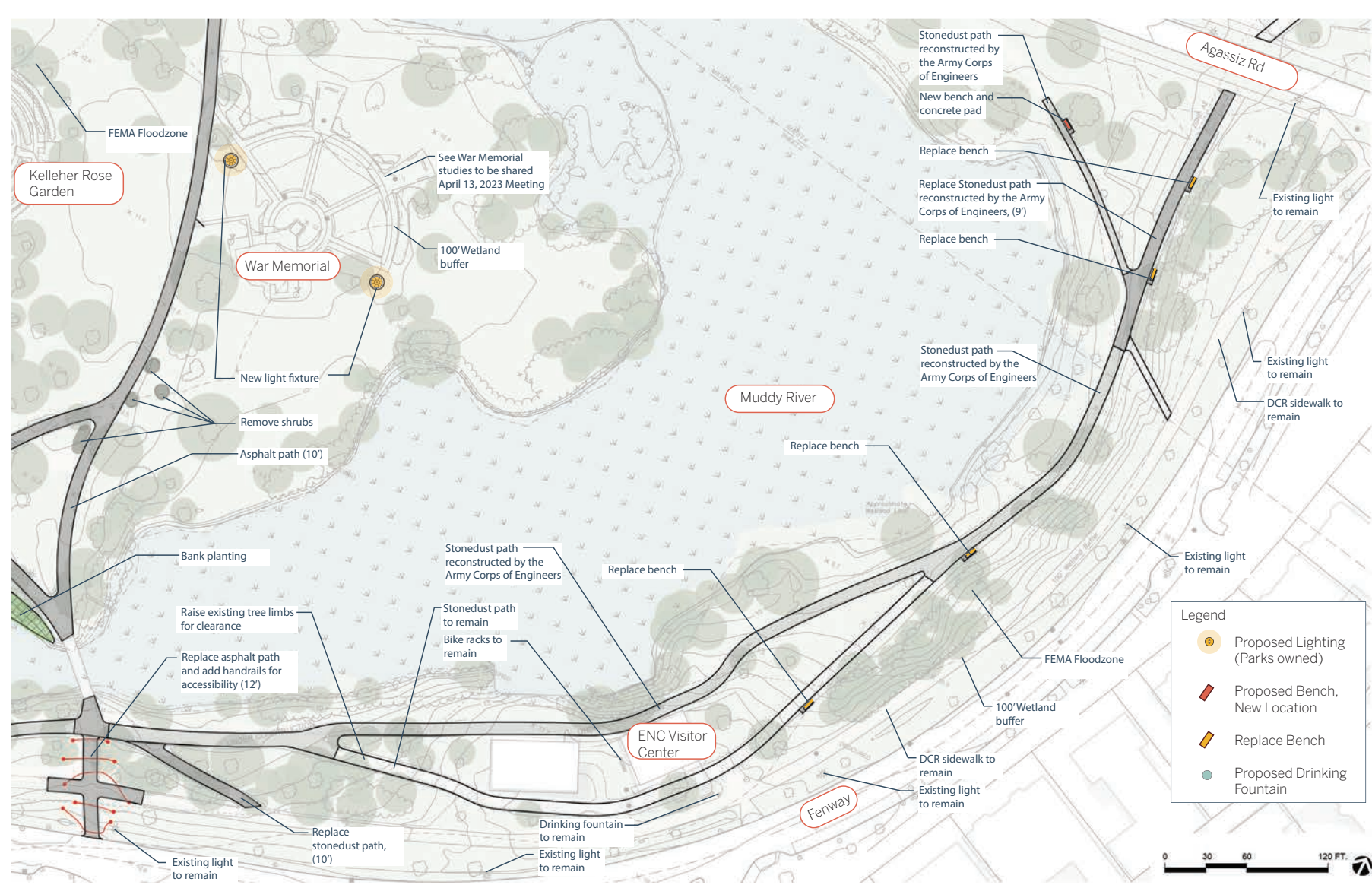
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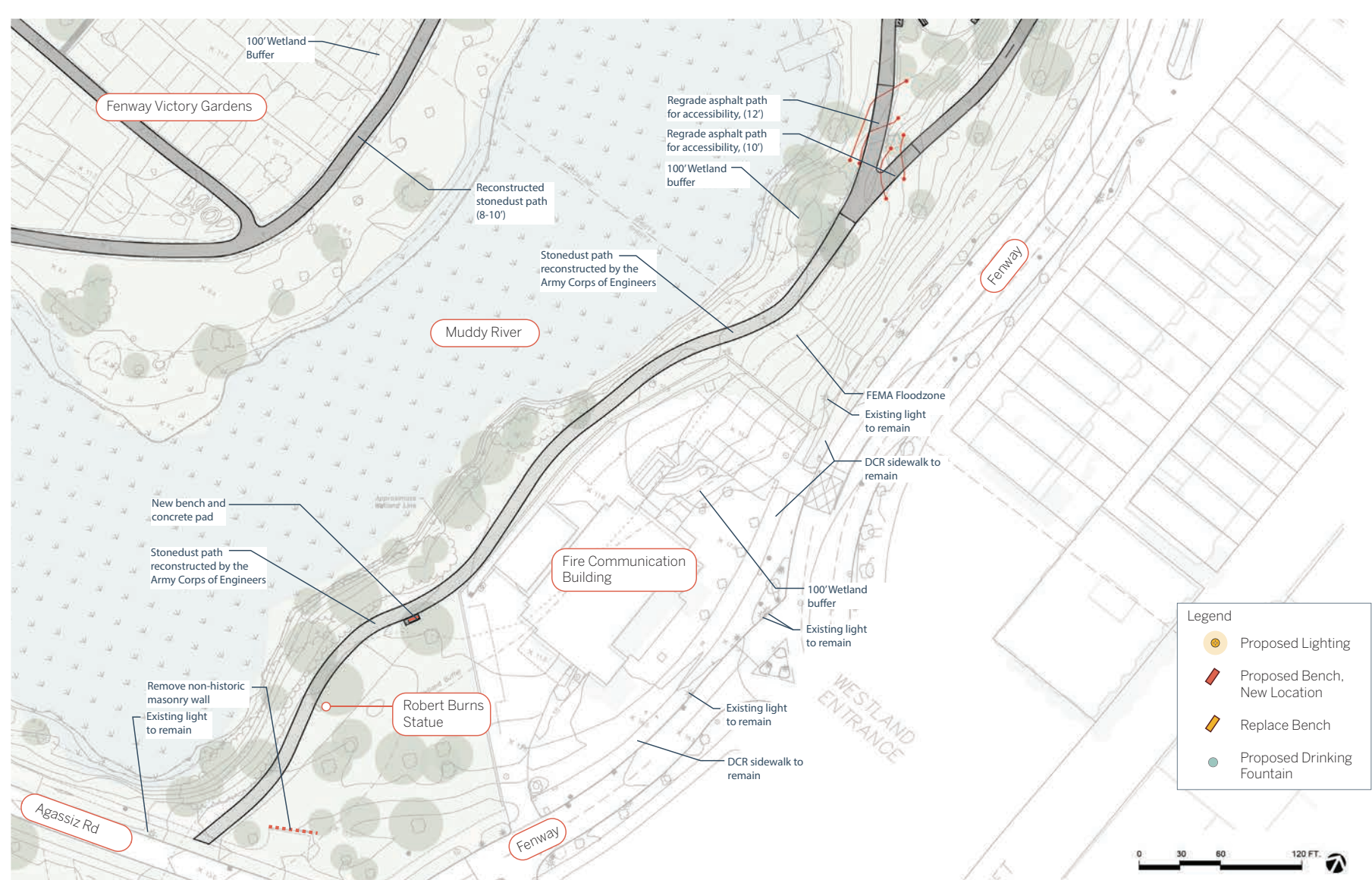
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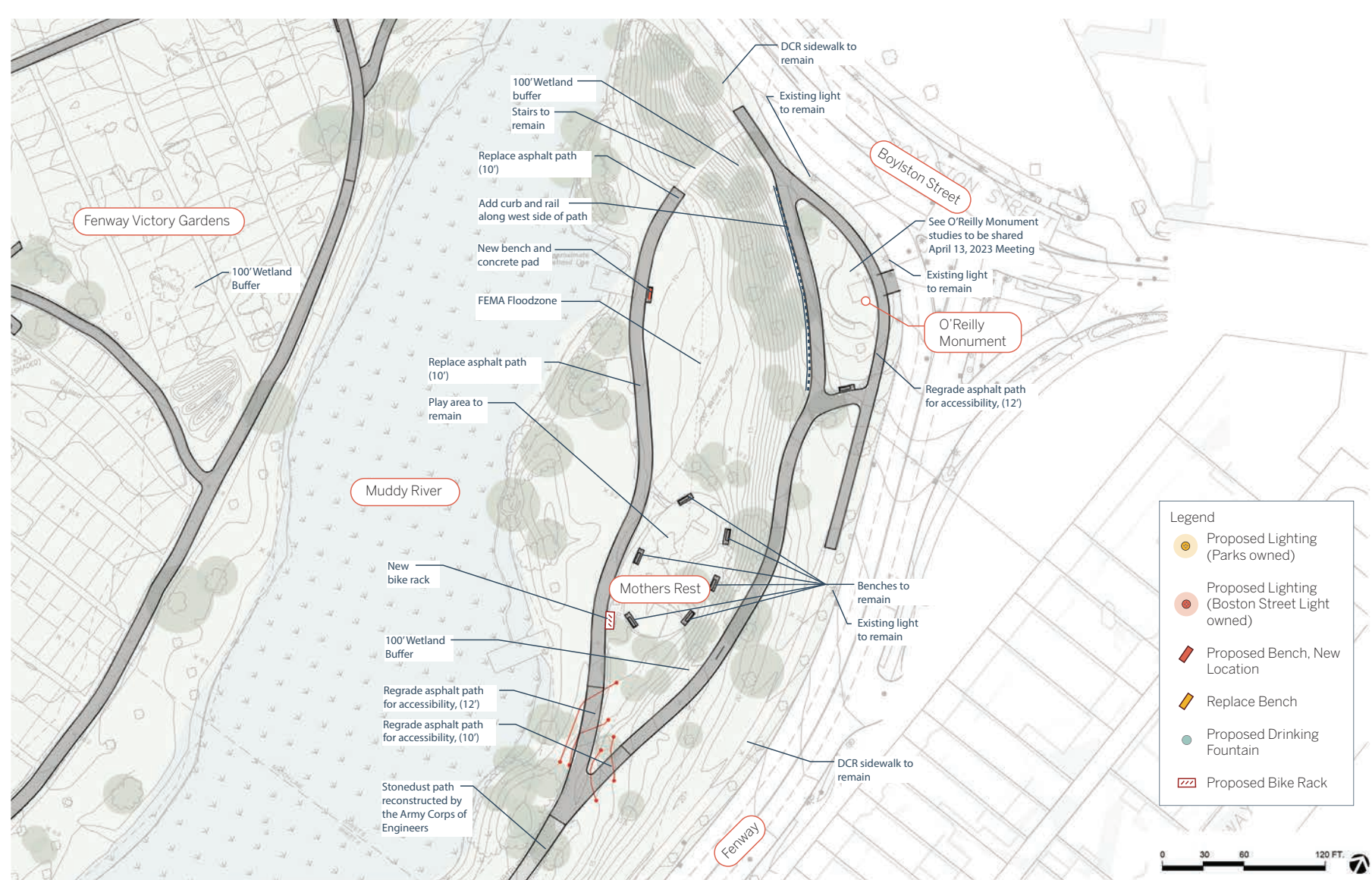
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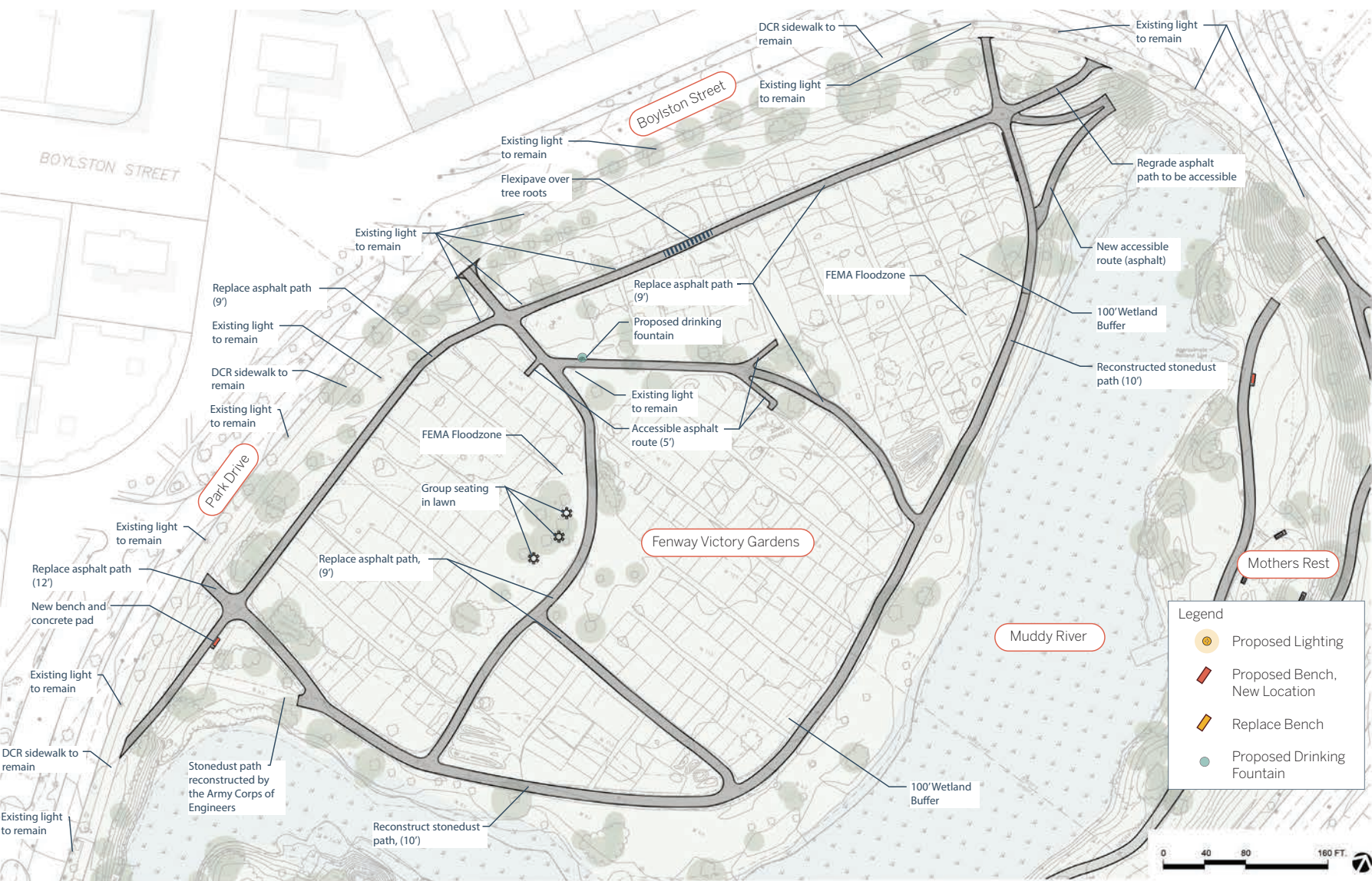
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SCHEMATIC DESIGN PLANS - AREA 6

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SCHEMATIC DESIGN PLANS - AREA 7

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SITE FURNISHING PRECEDENT IMAGES

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Overall Pathway Changes

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Help us build great parks.
Let us know what matters to you.

NEXT STEPS

NEXT PUBLIC MEETING(S)

April 13, 2023 - War Memorial, Evans Way Bridge and O'Reilly Memorial

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THANK YOU!

See the project website for future updates.

Next Meeting(s):

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