

City of Salem Historic Design Review – Major **Oregon Vietnam War Memorial**

Applicant: Oregon Parks & Recreation Department
Agent: Vietnam War Memorial Fund
Consultant: Abbaté Designs LLC



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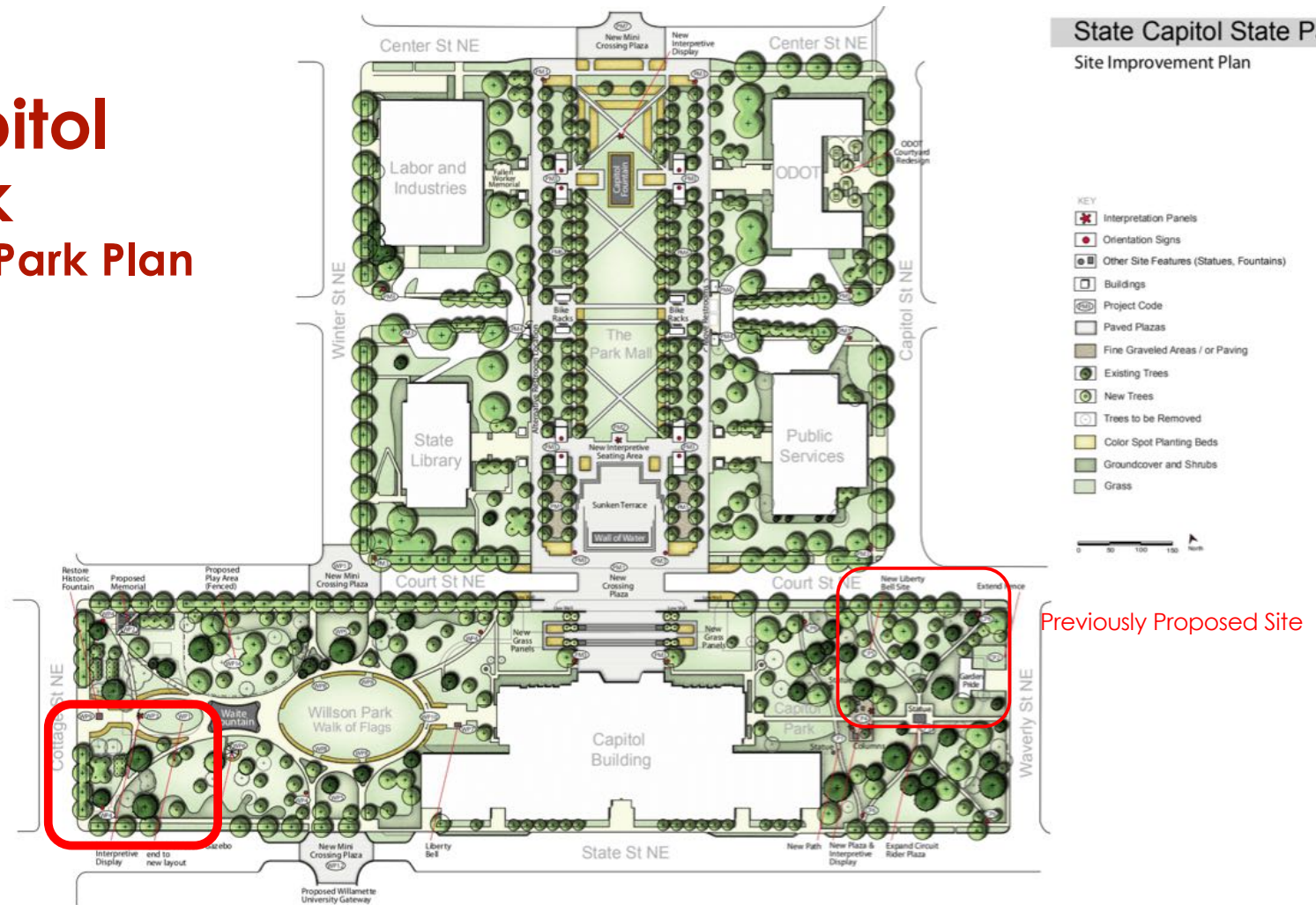


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State Capitol State Park 2010 General Park Plan



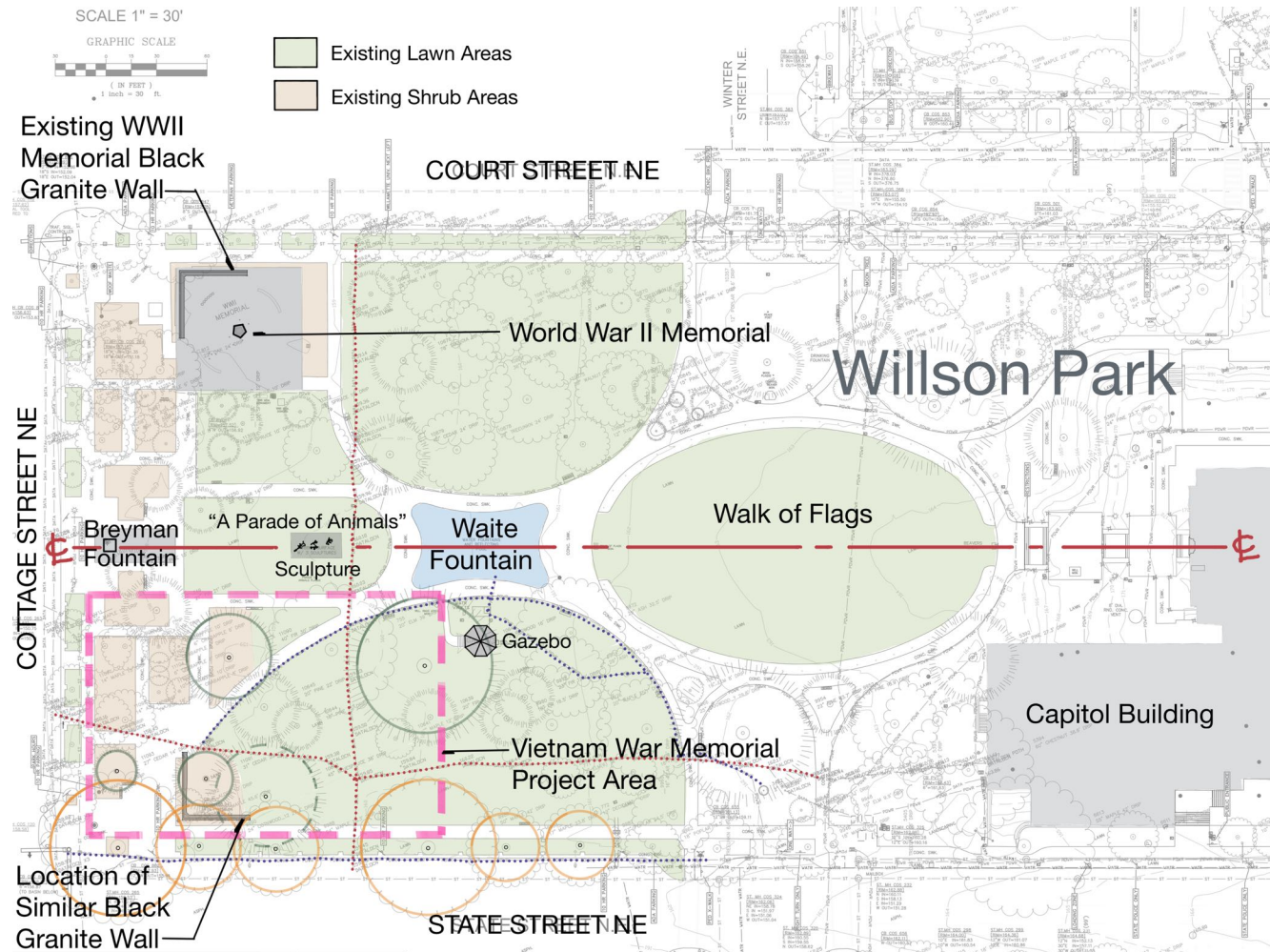
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Site Context

Willson Park has a symmetrical and axial geometry, with the centerline originating in the middle of the Capitol Rotunda, and extending west through the Walk of Flags, Waite Fountain and Breyman Fountain.

The proposed Vietnam War Memorial on the South is carefully placed to mirror the location of the existing World War II Memorial to the North



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Site Photos



Looking SE at existing WWII Memorial Site
(from Court St. and Cottage St.)



Looking NE at current conditions at Vietnam War Memorial Site
(from State St. and Court St.)

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Site Photos



Looking West along State Street NE Sidewalk



Looking E at Embracing Tree (Western Red Cedar)



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Site Photos



Looking N from VWM Site toward WWII Memorial



Looking S at VWM Site
from WWII Memorial



Looking S at VWM Site from
Breyman Fountain



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Site Photos



Looking SW at
"Embracing Tree" Cedar
(to be preserved)



Looking NE at Entry/Arrival to Vietnam War Memorial and
60" London Plane Tree at corner of Cottage and State Streets



Looking S at Blue Atlas Cedar
(to be preserved)

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Site Photos



Looking SW from
Waite Fountain toward VWM Site



Looking W from Waite Fountain



Looking W across Waite Fountain



Looking NW from Waite
Fountain toward WWII Memorial



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Design Objectives

1. Create a place that is greater than the sum of its parts
2. Create a place of beauty, peace, and truth about the experiences of Veterans
3. Unify the various elements
4. Provide inspiration and reflection through evocative art
5. Provide educational information in ways that complement, rather than overwhelm, the art (providing both Inspiration and Education)
6. Encourage personal interactions with individual elements
7. Create places for both public gatherings and private reflections
8. Utilize long-lasting, low-maintenance materials and systems
9. Provide complete barrier-free access for all



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Memorial Plan:



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Design Concept:

Comparing the Wars & the Oregon Capitol's Memorials

| | WWII | Vietnam |
|-----|----------------------|--------------------------|
| WAR | Solid Public Support | Fractured Public Support |
| | Vets Welcomed Home | Vets Ignored or Insulted |
| | Moms & Dads | Sons & Daughters |

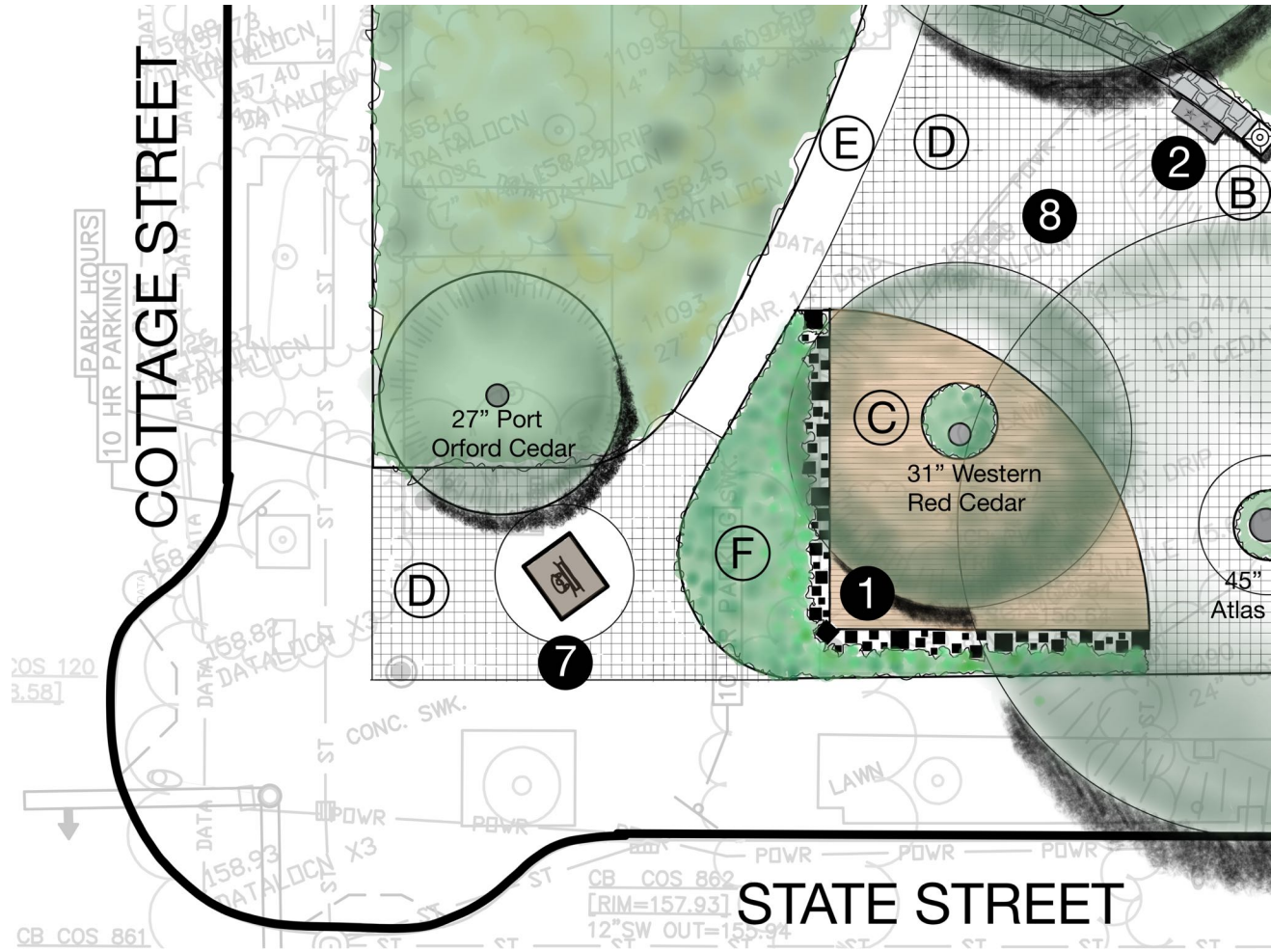
| | WWII | Vietnam |
|----------|-------------------|----------------|
| MEMORIAL | Square Corners | Arcs & Curves |
| | No Nature | Embrace Nature |
| | Made of the World | Made of Oregon |



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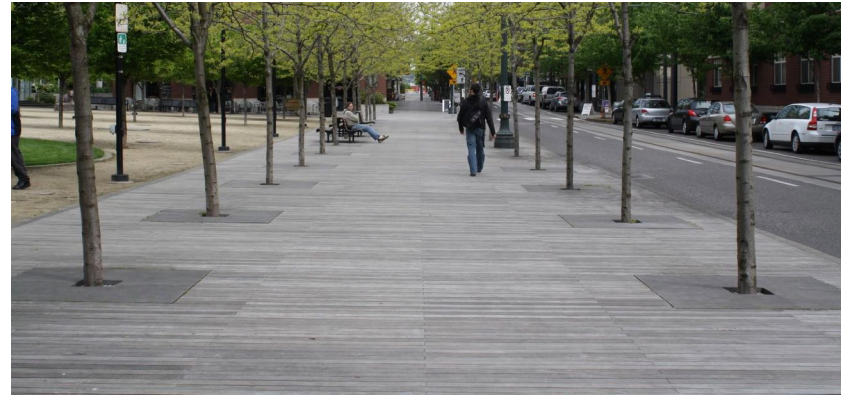
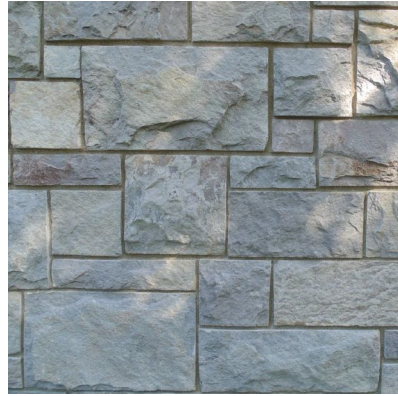
Schematic Design Plan: SW Corner



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Materials:



Oregon Basalt Walls

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Design Images: View at Memorial Entry @ Cottage & State Streets



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Design Images: View SE across Meeting & Gathering Plaza



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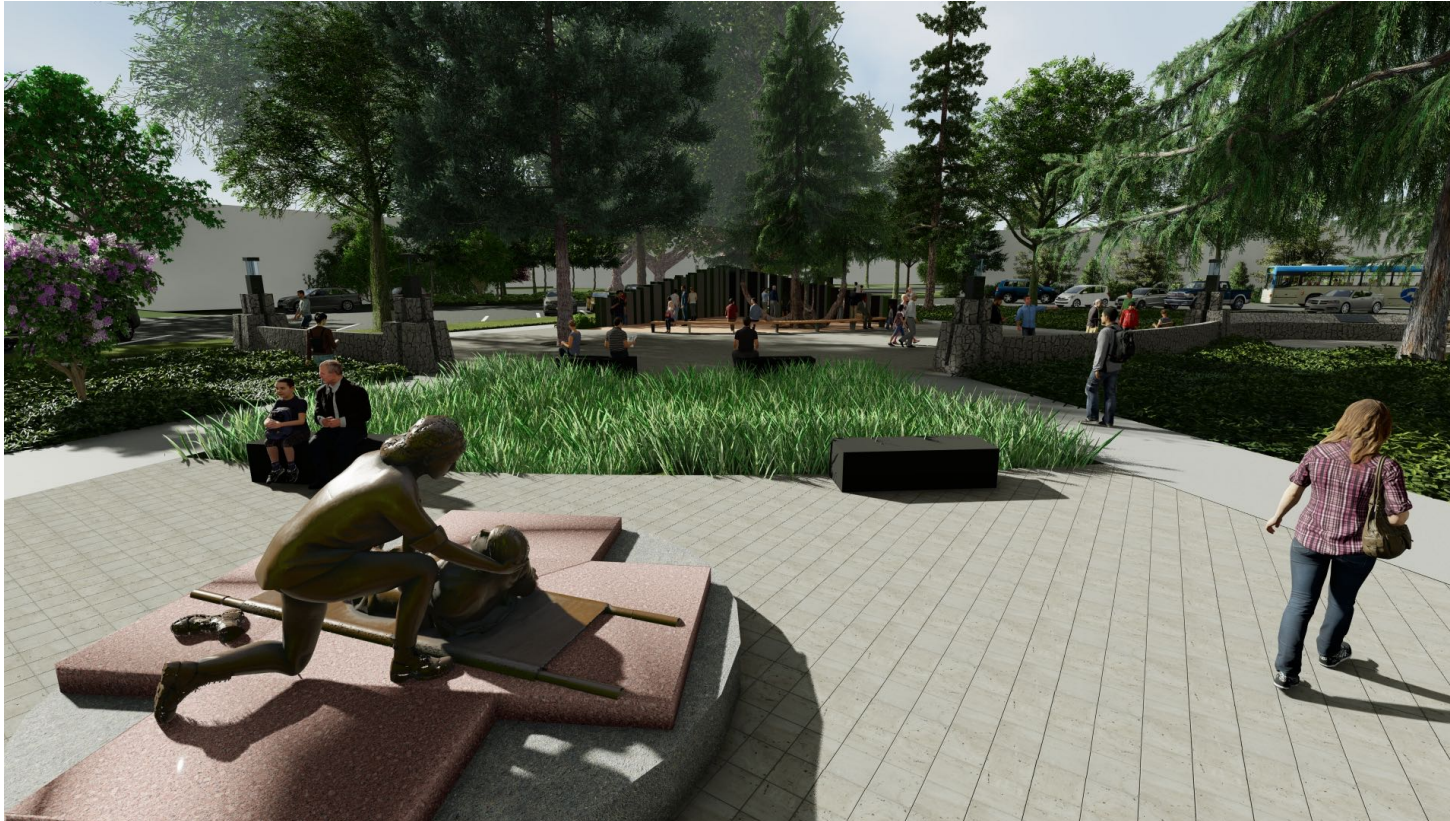
Design Images: View of Inscribed Column Wall with “Embracing Tree”



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Design Images: View SW with Nurses Sculpture and “Rain Paddy”



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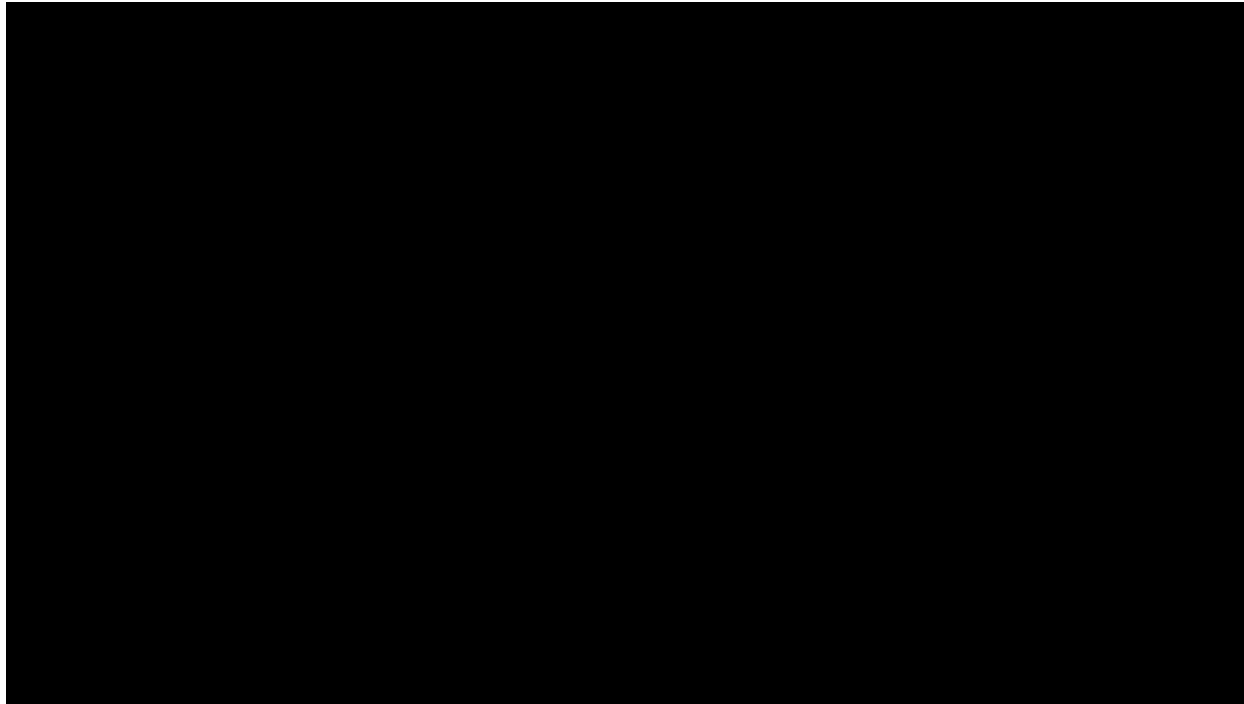
Design Images: Overview looking SW



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Design Walkthrough Video:



Video performance may be improved by watching directly from the internet at:

<https://youtu.be/pWkHHUxORiY>

Make sure sound is turned on



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