

Cherry Hill South Phase 3: Broening Park

Existing & Future Conditions

A segment of the Middle Branch Shoreline Trail

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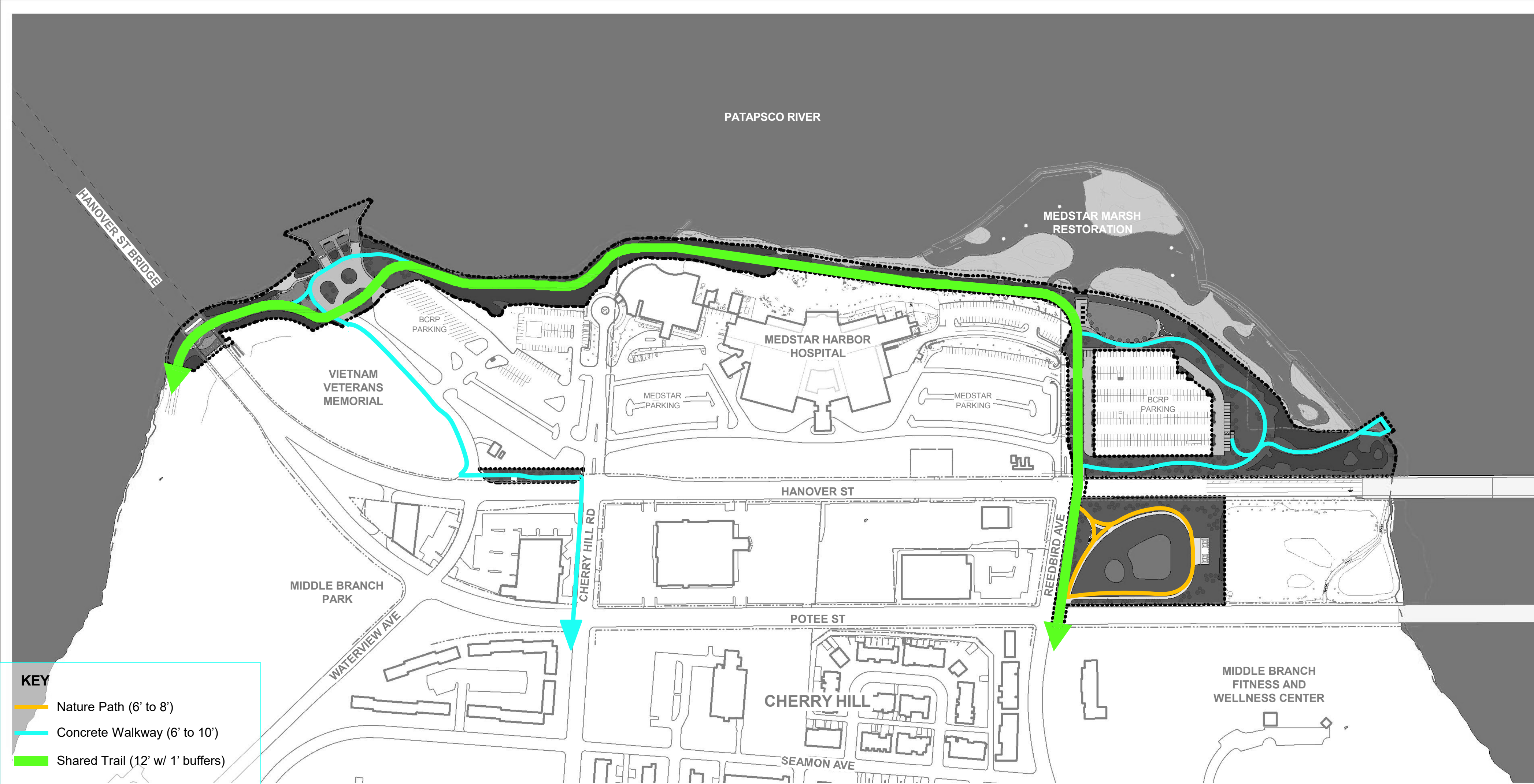
Middle Branch Shoreline Trail Overview

Regional Context: Cherry Hill South is a critical segment of the Middle Branch Shoreline Trail, a growing network connecting South Baltimore neighborhoods to parks, restored shorelines, waterfront destinations, and the broader Baltimore trail system.



Cherry Hill South Overview

The larger project combines shoreline restoration, trails, water access, gathering spaces, and other recreation improvements to reconnect Cherry Hill and surrounding communities with the Middle Branch waterfront.



Recreation Connectivity: A continuous shared-use trail forms the backbone of the project, connecting Middle Branch Park, the Cherry Hill waterfront, existing recreation destinations, and new waterfront access points.



Phase 1: MedStar Harbor Hospital Wetlands - **Complete**

Phase 2: Wetland Access Project – **Breaking Ground in 2027**

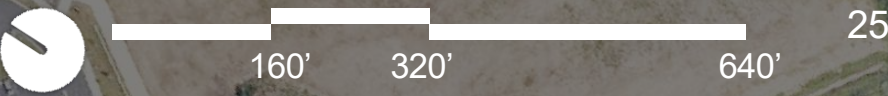
Phase 3: Broening Park – **Breaking Ground in 2028**

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- 1 Hanover St Bridge Underpass
- 2 Broening Gathering Area
- 3 Renovated Broening Boat Ramp
- 4 Improved Shared Trail
- 5 Hospital Perch
- 6 Reedbird Gathering Area
- 7 Reedbird Walk
- 8 New Fishing Piers
- 9 Reedbird Trail Extension
- 10 Improved Crossing at Hanover St
- 11 New Crossing at Potee St
- 12 Stormwater Nature Path
- 13 Hanover St Sidewalk Improvement

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Cherry Hill South Construction Phasing





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Proposed ORLP Development Area

Phase 3 completes the northern end of the Cherry Hill South Shoreline project, strengthening the connection between Middle Branch Park and the restored Cherry Hill South waterfront.



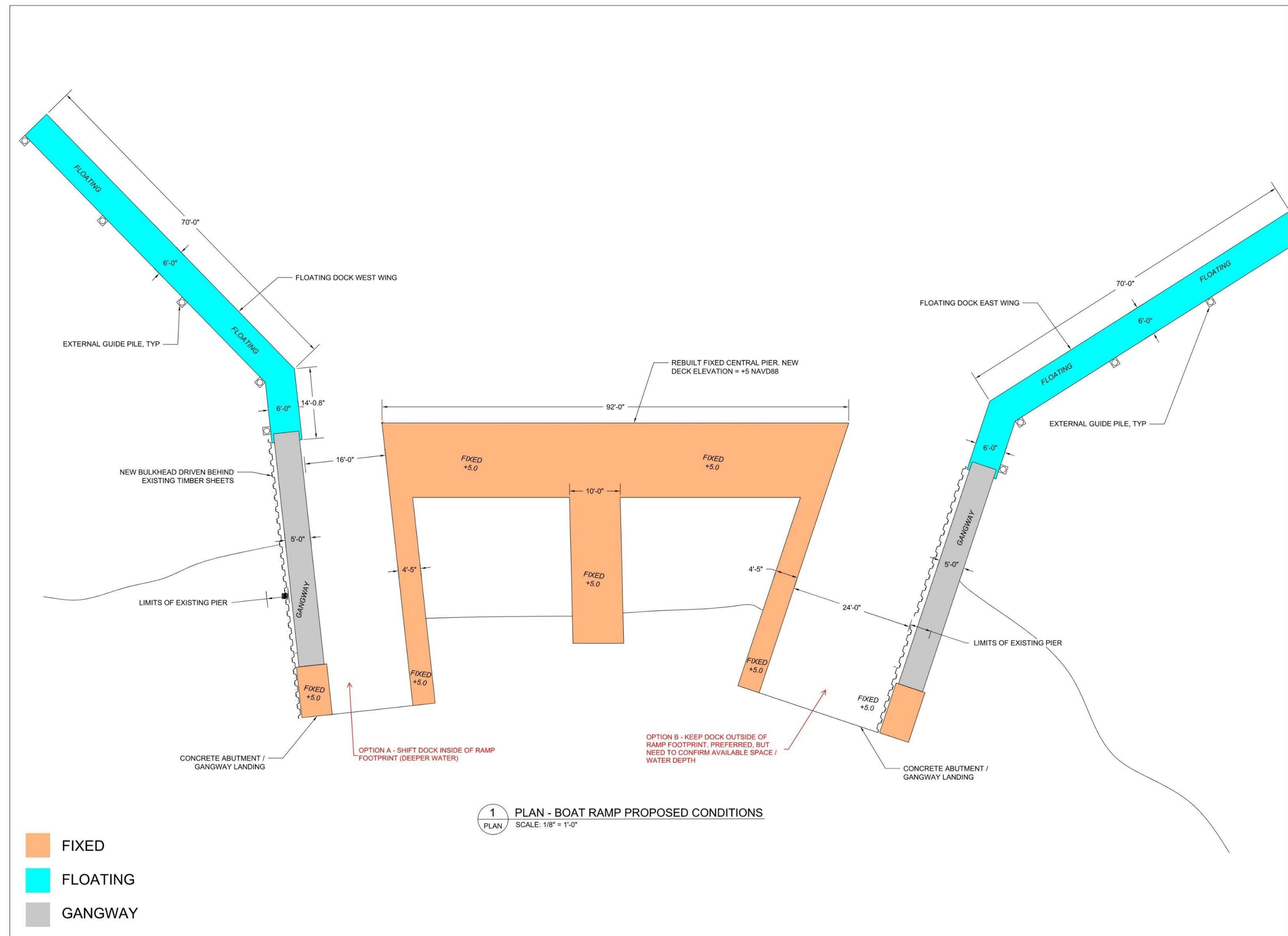
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The project will realign the waterfront trail away from the boat launch area, eliminating conflicts between trail users and vehicles backing boat trailers into the water. The redesigned waterfront will also provide improved boat access and floating docks, new gathering and kayak access areas, stormwater treatment, and a stronger connection to Middle Branch Park beneath the Hanover Street Bridge.



Existing Fixed Boat Ramp

The aging Broening Park boat ramp requires users to back boat trailers across the shoreline trail, creating conflicts between vehicles and trail users. The existing fixed boarding infrastructure also limits the quality and accessibility of this public boating facility.



Floating Docks Boat Ramp Diagram

Reconstruction of the boat ramp and addition of floating boarding docks will improve public boating access and create a safer, more functional interface between boaters, vehicles, and trail users.



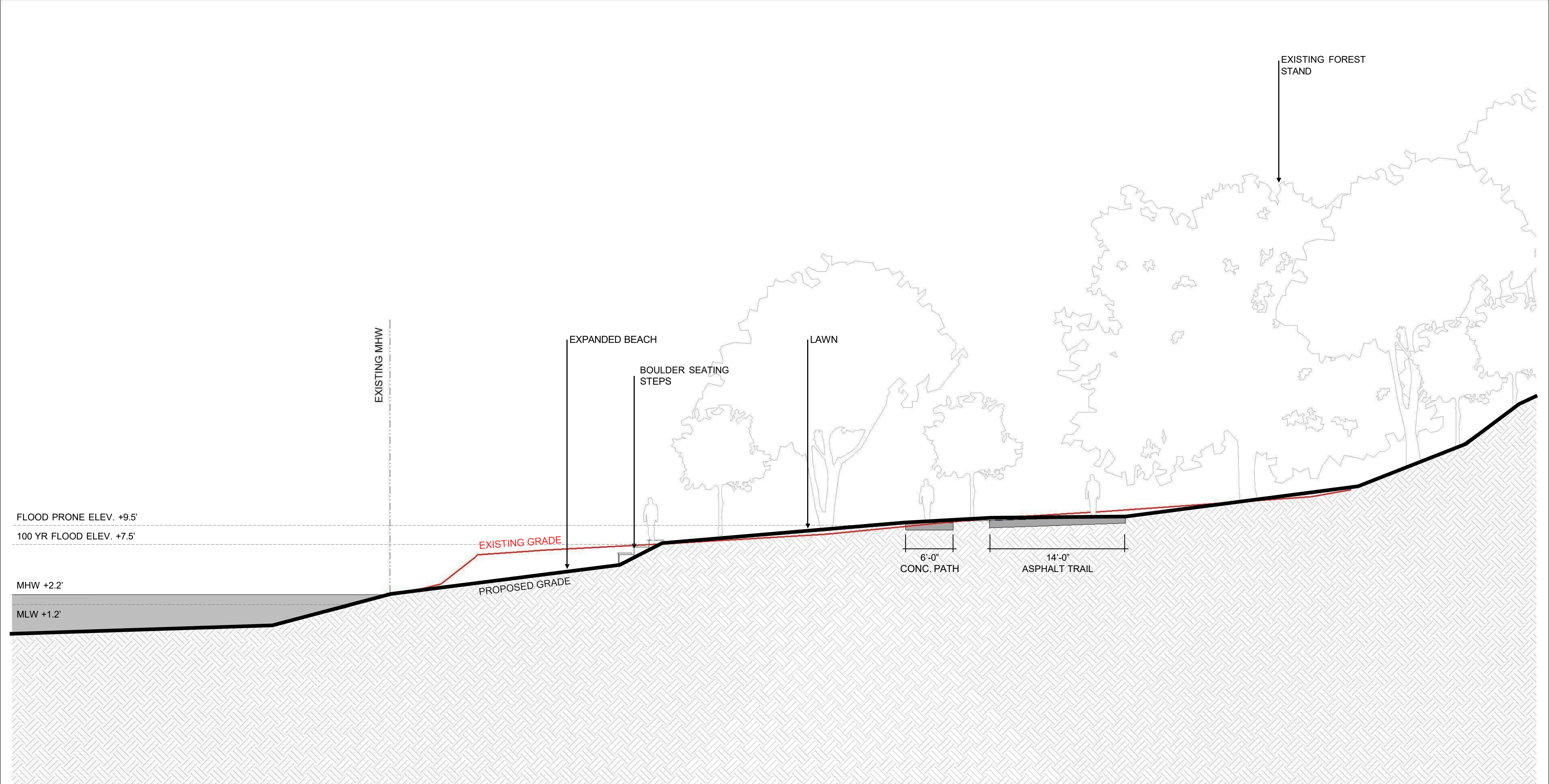
Existing Site: Future Beach & Gathering Area

An underutilized waterfront area adjacent to the trail currently provides limited opportunities for gathering, shoreline access, or recreation.



Beach & Gathering Area

The project will transform this area into a welcoming waterfront destination with gathering space, shoreline access, a kayak-launch beach, and connections to the Middle Branch Shoreline Trail.





Existing Bridge Underpass
Gateway from Middle Branch Park to Broening Park



Programmed Trail Underpass

Improvements will transform the underpass into a welcoming and highly visible gateway, strengthening the recreational connection between Middle Branch Park and the Cherry Hill South waterfront.