

# Levingston Cove Improvements at Crystal Lake

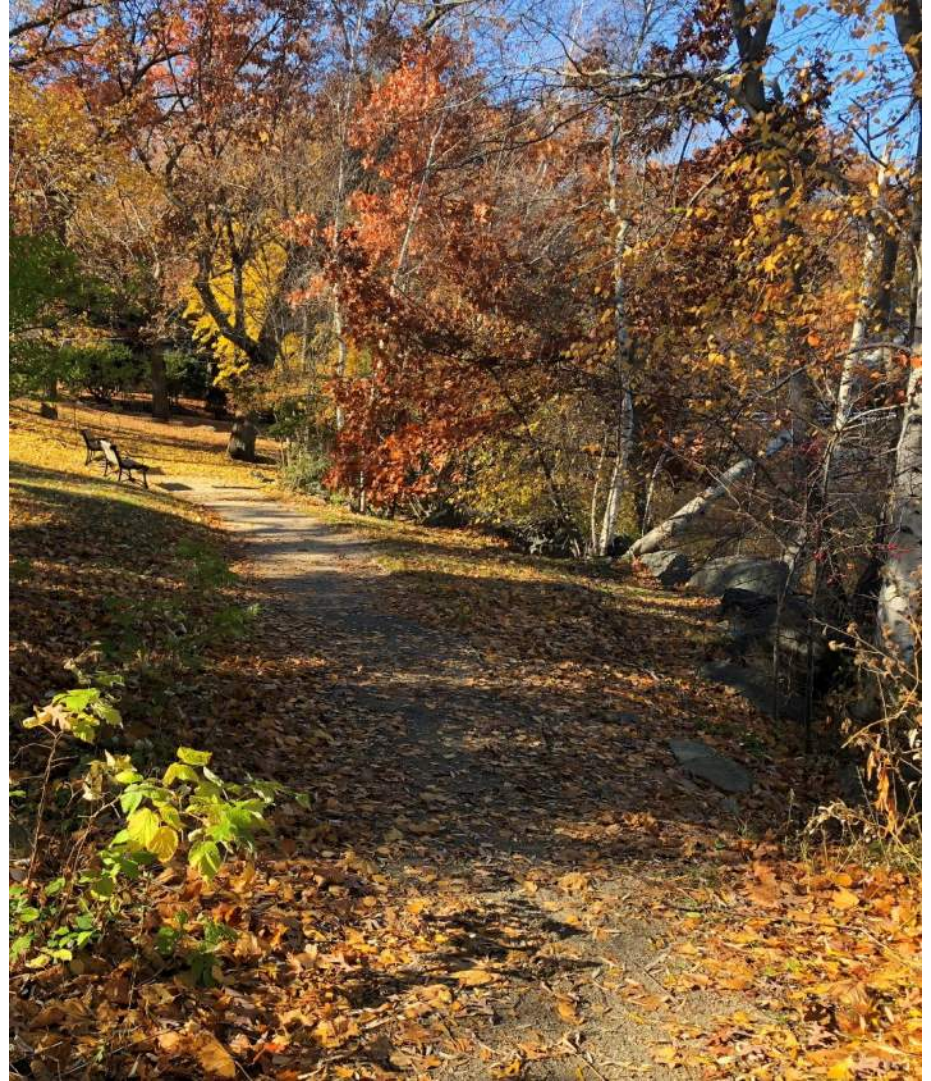
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## BASIC FACTS

- The Levingston Cove landscape is seriously degraded.
- The last attempt at improvements were not successful.



# EXISTING CONDITIONS – RAIN EVENT



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## BASIC GOALS

- Ensure through pedestrian movement.
- Preserve and enhance opportunities for passive recreation and fishing.
- Improve how stormwater moves through and is collected on site.
- Create a landscape that is stable and sustainable.
- Enhance and protect views.
- Improve water quality.
- Ensure accessibility across the site.

## WHAT WE HEARD

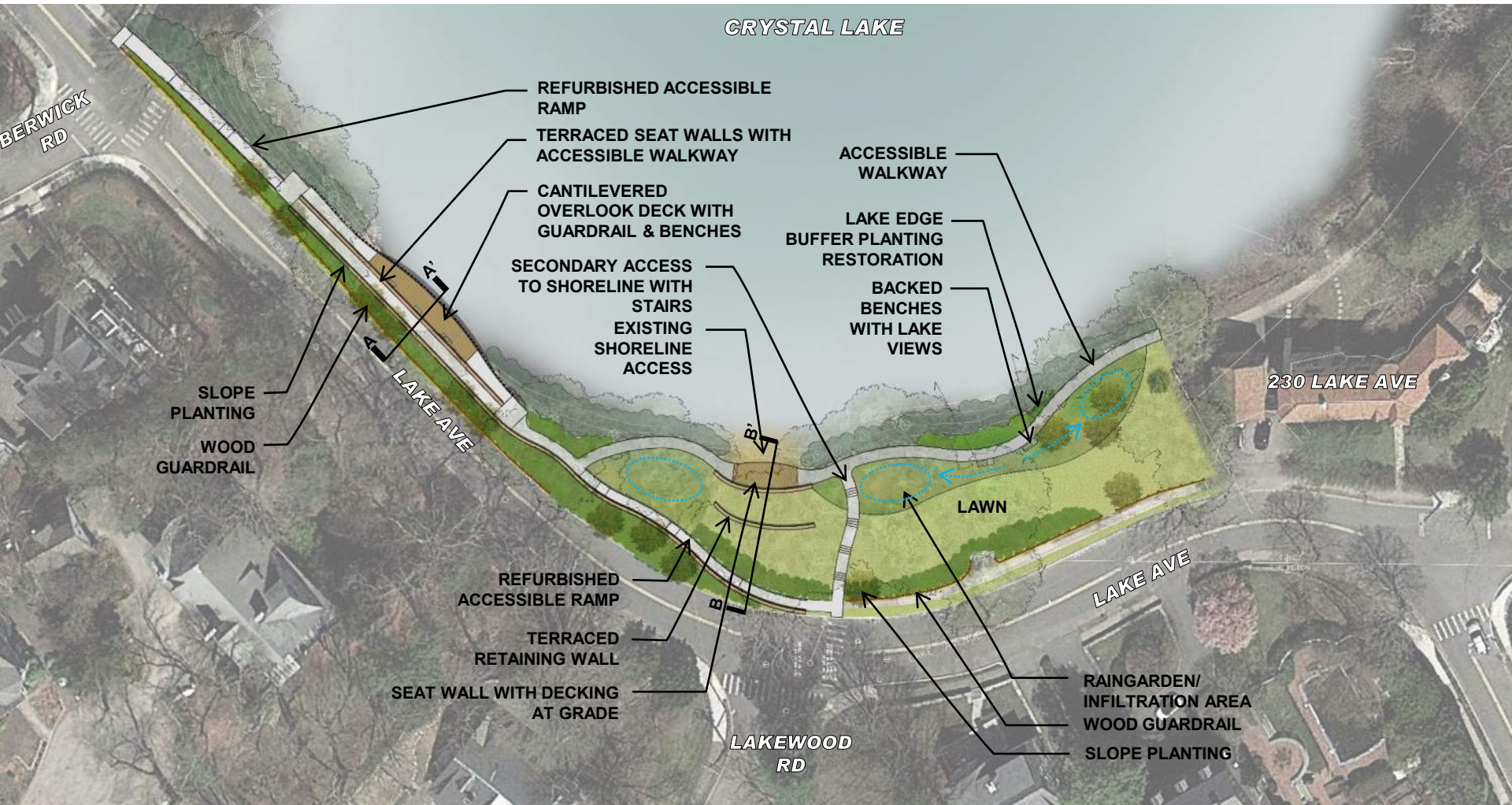
- Limit vertical elements.
- Keep it simple; keep it natural.
- Preserve the flow from Lake Avenue to the Crystal Lake edge.
- Improve accessibility.
- Cantilevered overlook deck expands access and use of the park.
- Height of plantings along the road edge should allow for visibility across the park, but also direct pedestrian traffic along pathways.
- Pedestrian traffic funnels from Lakewood Ave.
- Add terraced walls in the landscape to mitigate erosion issues.
- Make the secondary pathway more direct.

# EXISTING CONDITIONS PLAN



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## PREFERRED PLAN - UPDATED



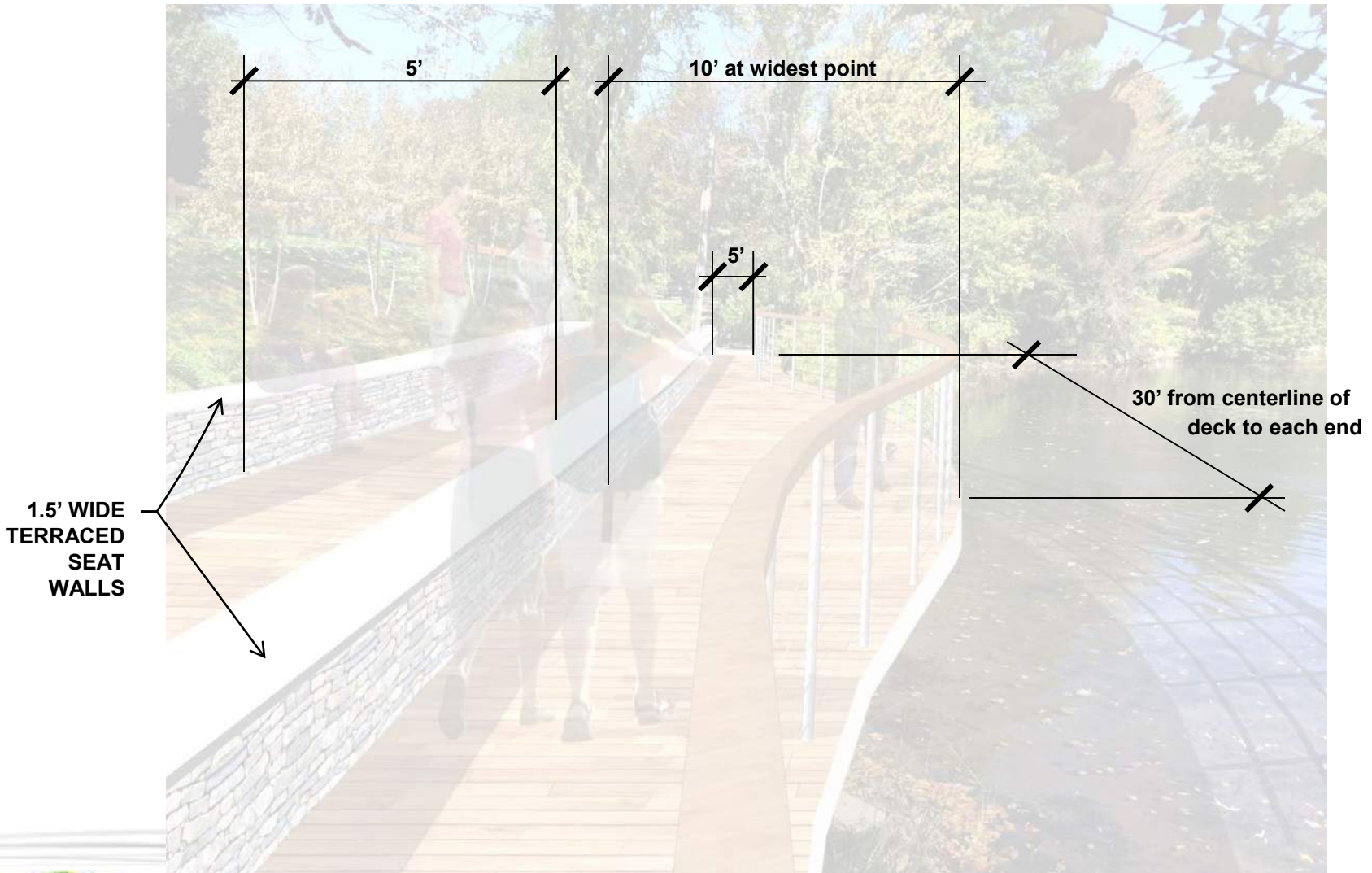
## EXISTING FISHING WALL



# PROPOSED OVERLOOK DECK

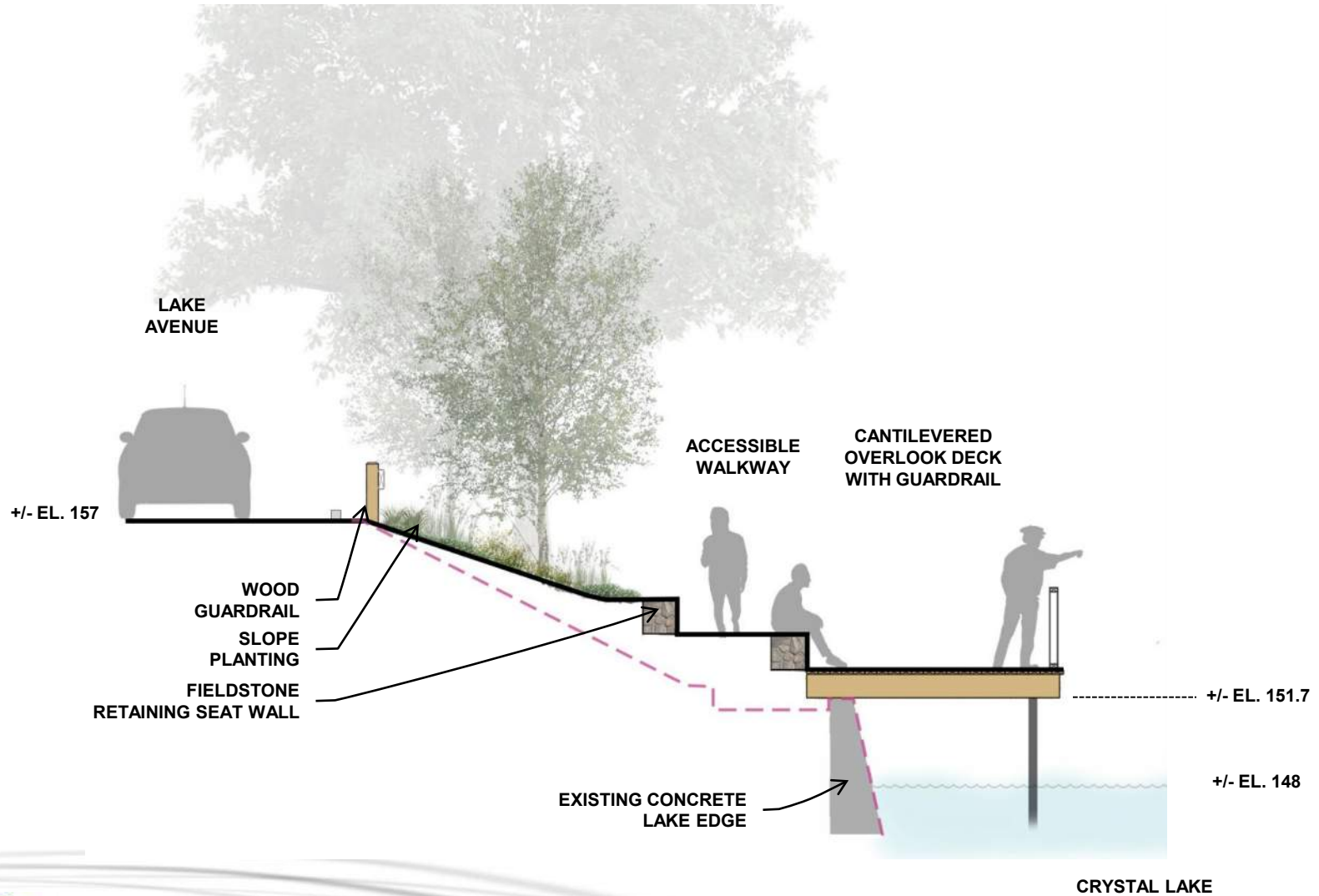


# PROPOSED OVERLOOK DECK: 500 sf





# PREFERRED PLAN – SECTION A



## EXISTING SHORELINE ACCESS AREA

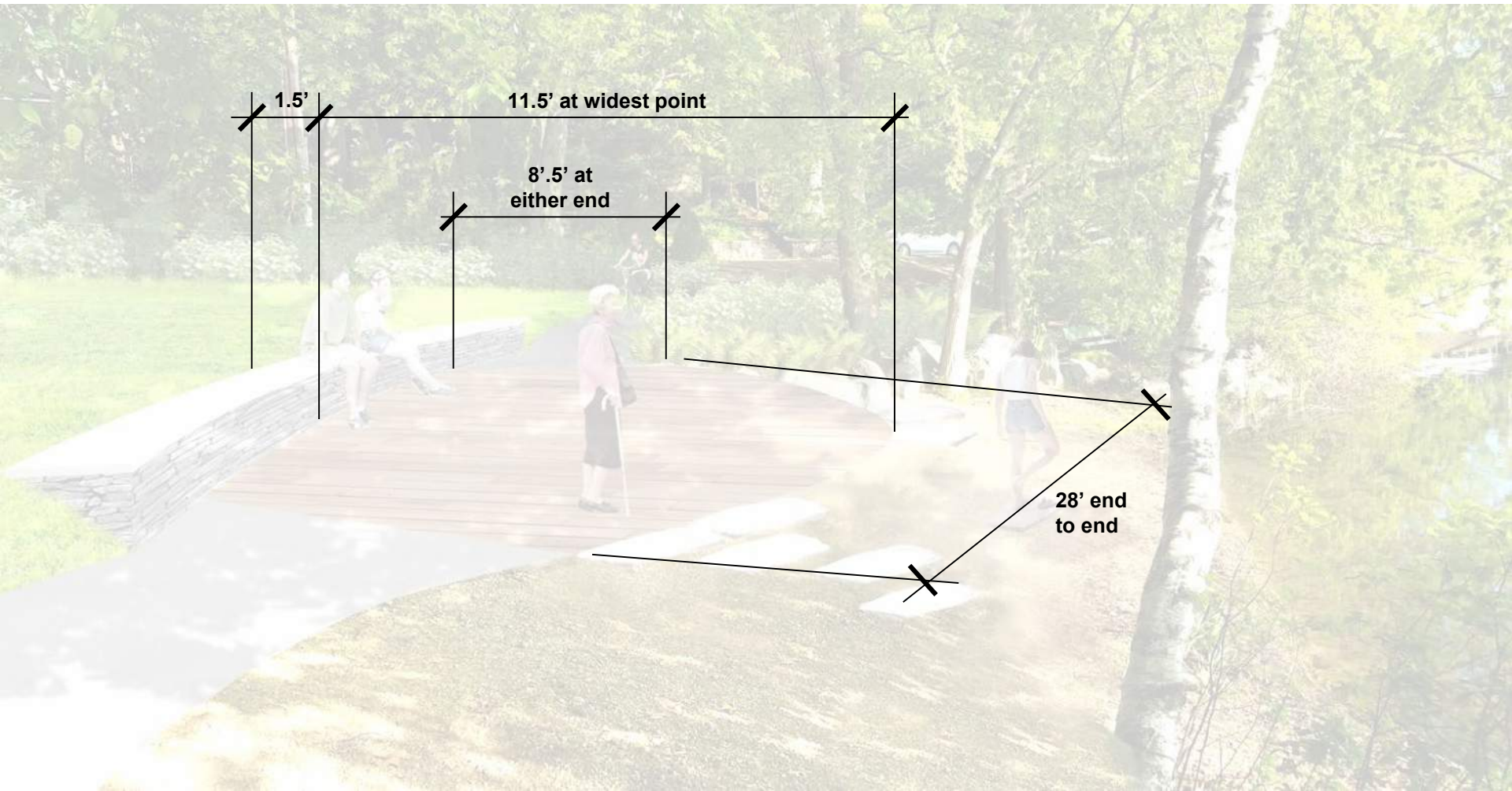


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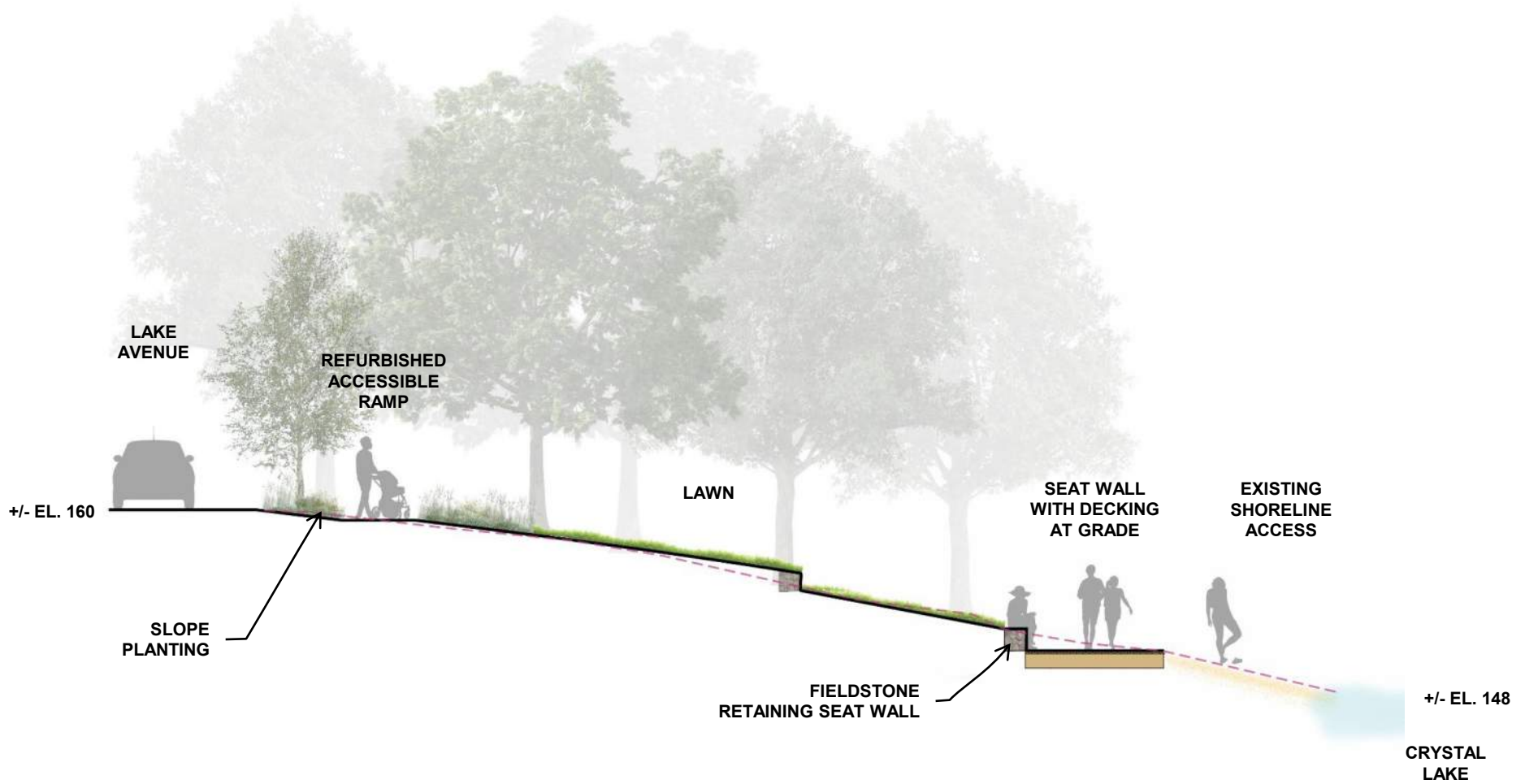


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## PROPOSED SHORELINE ACCESS AREA: +/- 300 sf



# PREFERRED PLAN – SECTION B



# PREFERRED PLAN: MATERIAL SELECTIONS



**CANTILEVERED OVERLOOK DECK WITH RAILING & SEATING**



**RAILING OPTIONS**

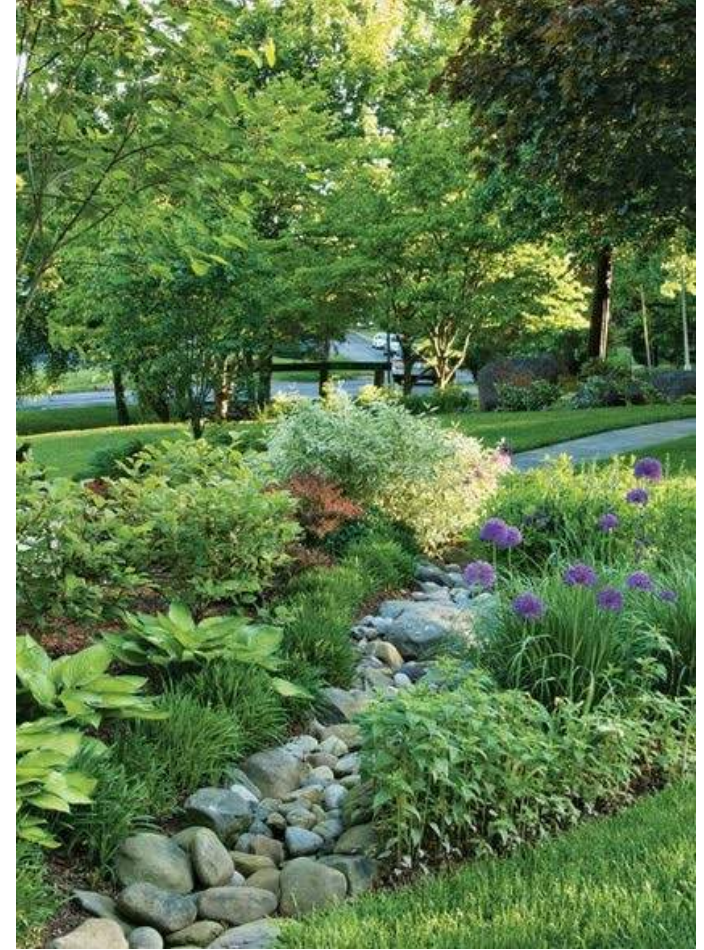
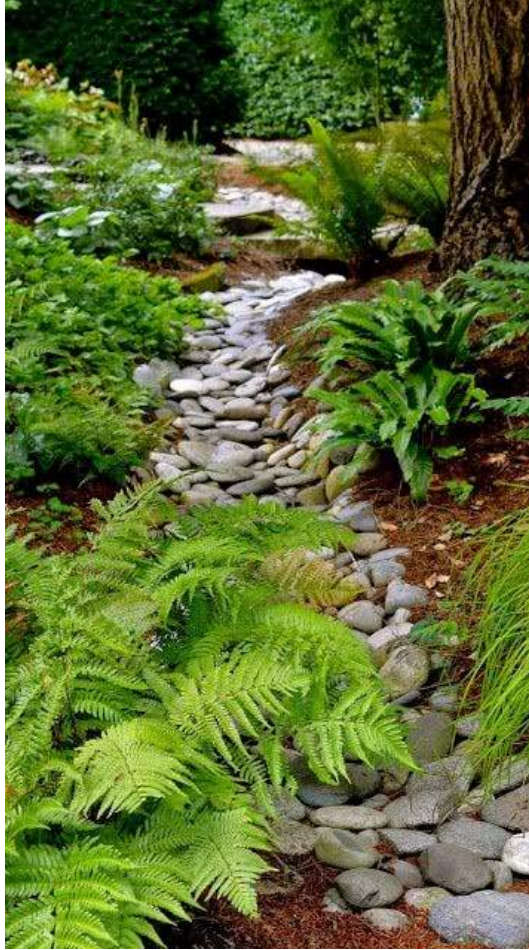


**TERRACED SEAT WALL WITH ACCESSIBLE PATHWAYS**



**WOOD RAILING**

# PREFERRED PLAN: RAIN GARDEN / INFILTRATION AREA



## PREFERRED PLAN: SHORELINE





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**Questions | Comments**