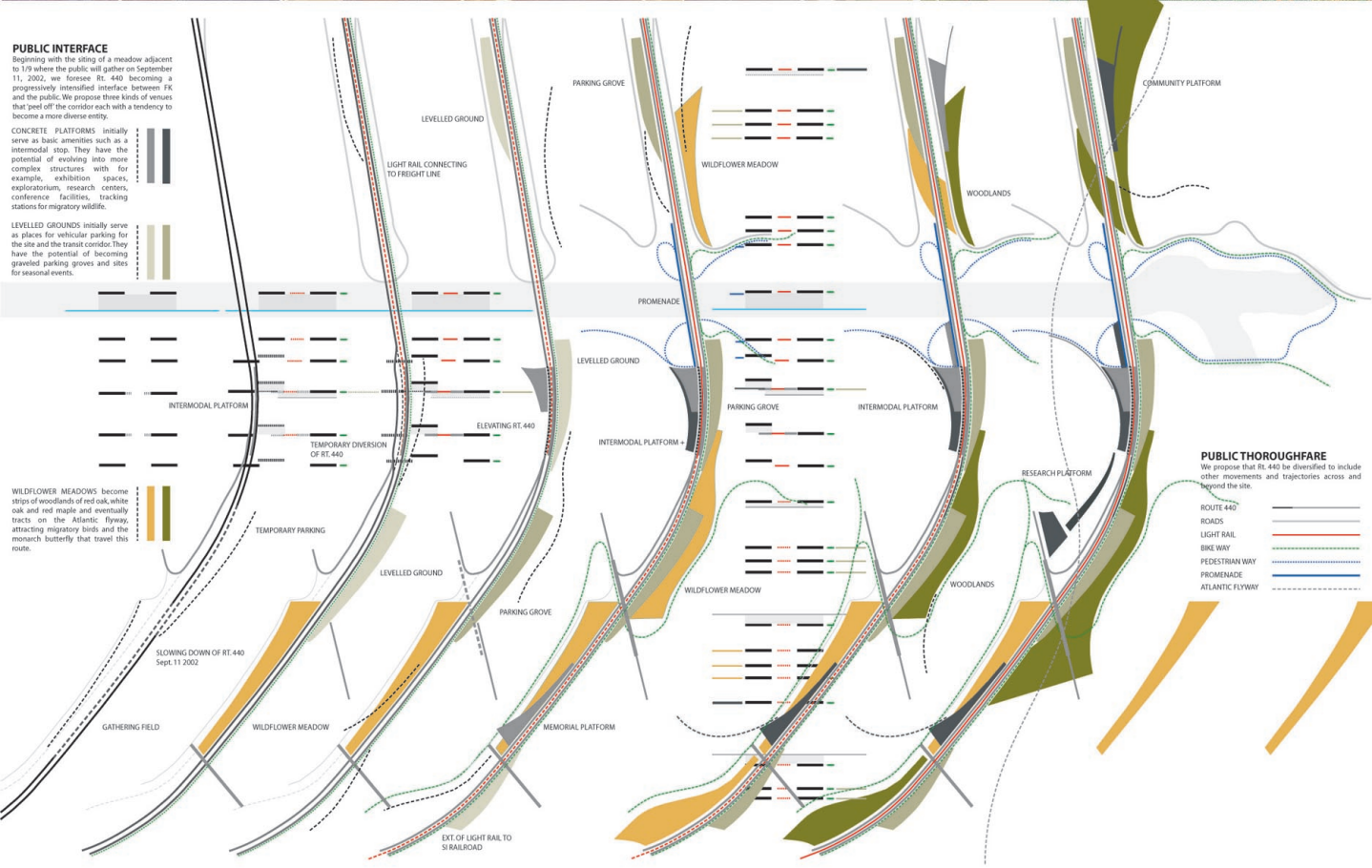
PUBLIC INTERFACE

Beginning with the siting of a meadow adjacent to 1/9 where the public will gather on September 11, 2002, we foresee Rt. 440 becoming a progressively intensified interface between FK and the public. We propose three kinds of venues that 'peel off' the corridor each with a tendency to become a more diverse entity.

CONCRETE PLATFORMS initially serve as basic amenities such as a intermodal stop. They have the potential of evolving into more complex structures with for example, exhibition spaces, exploratorium, research centers, conference facilities, tracking stations for migratory wildlife.

LEVELLED GROUNDS initially serve as places for vehicular parking for the site and the transit corridor. They have the potential of becoming graveled parking groves and sites for seasonal events.

WILDFLOWER MEADOWS become strips of woodlands of red oak, white oak and red maple and eventually tracts on the Atlantic flyway, attracting migratory birds and the monarch butterfly that travel this route.

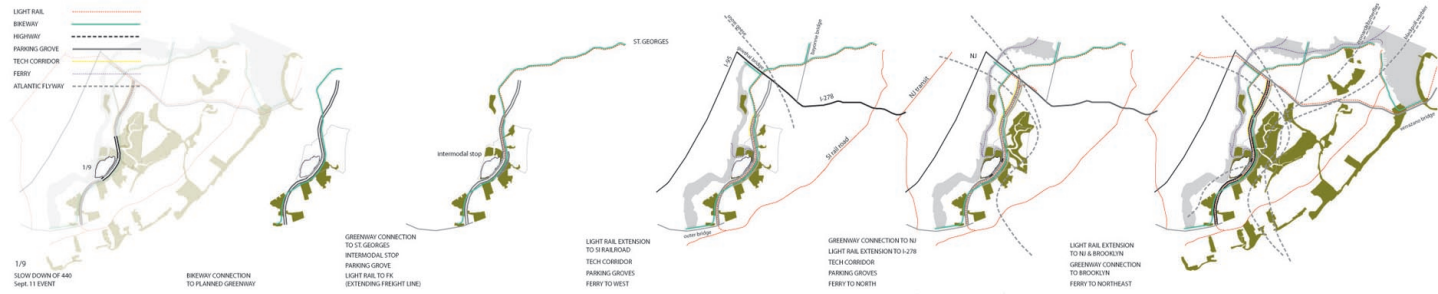


PUBLIC THOROUGHFARE

We propose that Rt. 440 be diversified to include other movements and trajectories across and beyond the site.

- ROUTE 440
- ROADS
- LIGHT RAIL
- BIKE WAY
- PEDESTRIAN WAY
- PROMENADE
- ATLANTIC FLYWAY

The West Shore Expressway (Rt. 440) is a suture that brings together two fronts of a dynamic, evolving, and largely inaccessible site. Presently a compressed environment of road traffic, this highway has the potential of becoming a venue for the public to engage in the transformative processes of FK even as it is diversified with other movements and trajectories including a light rail, a bicycle path, and the Atlantic flyway. We foresee Rt. 440 as a public thoroughfare and a public interface. Beyond the site this corridor will attract commercial ventures. The transforming of 440 will begin with its temporary 'slow down' on September 11, 2002, allowing the public to gather on a meadow adjacent to 1/9 in memory of the WTC victims.



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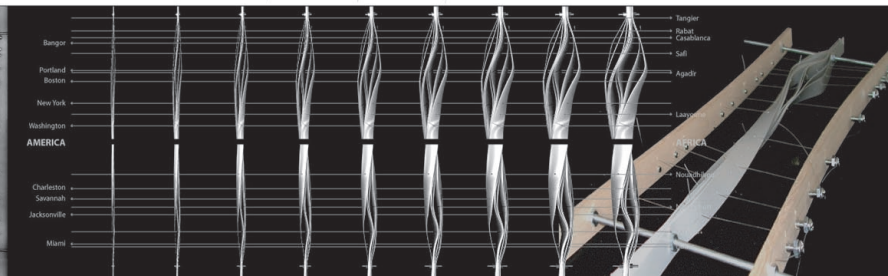
DYNAMIC - 5

TECTONIC ZONE

DEPOSITION - 5

CRUSHED ROCKS

Deep under FK is a melange of crushed rocks along a geological fault called Cameron's Line. The fault marks the collision of two continents 300 million years ago forming the super-continent of Pangea. Pangea later broke up along a fault some miles east of Cameron's Line leaving behind a compressed zone that would become the foundation of later depositions on FK.