# East Side Coastal Resiliency

New York City Council Subcommittee on Landmarks, Public Sitings and Dispositions

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### PROJECT GOALS & ORIGIN

Provide a reliable, integrated flood protection system; minimize use of closure structures.

Improve waterfront open spaces and access.

Achieve implementation milestones and project funding allocations as established by HUD.

Respond quickly to the urgent need for increased flood protection and resiliency.



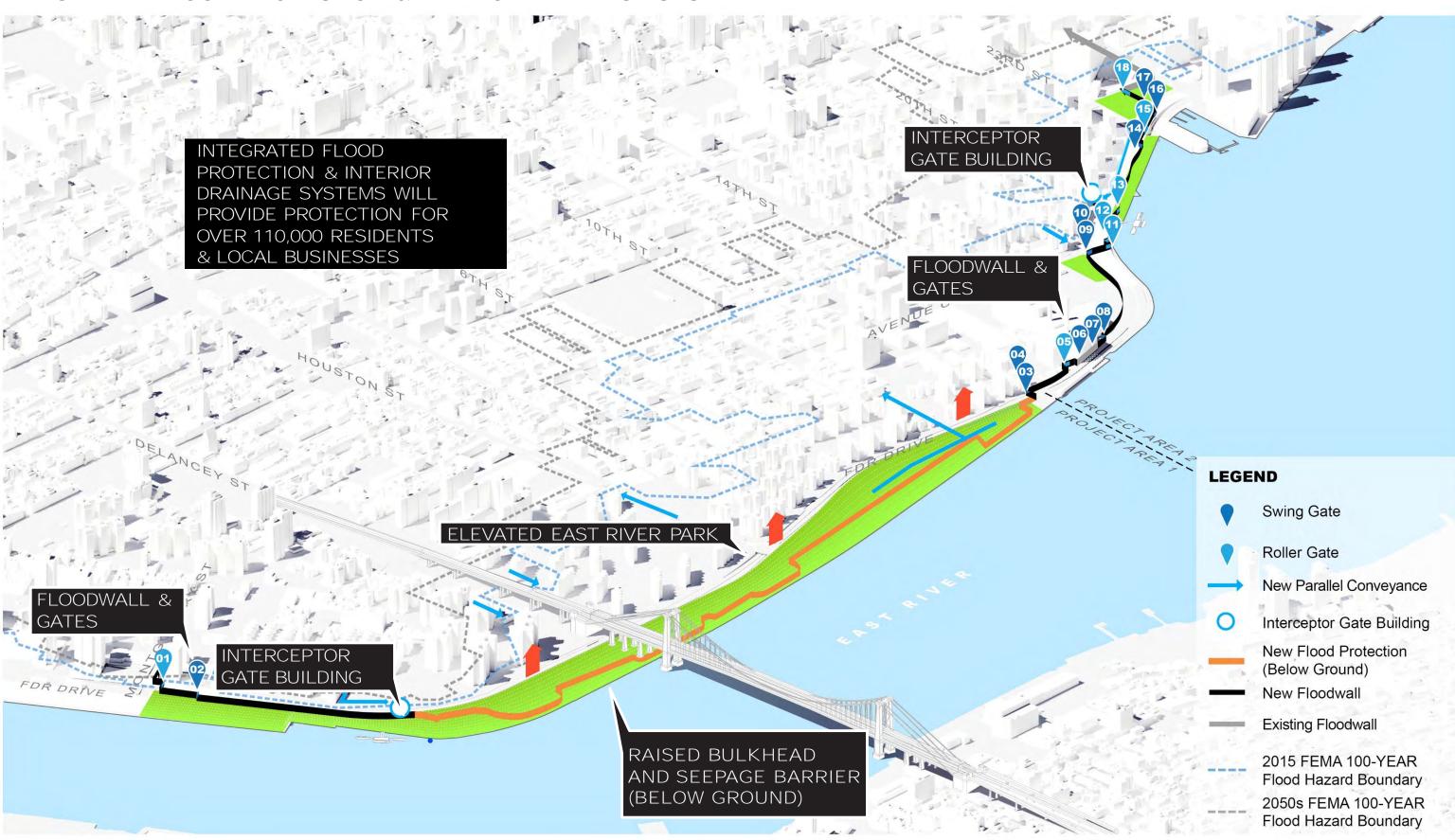


#### **NYCHA HOUSING**

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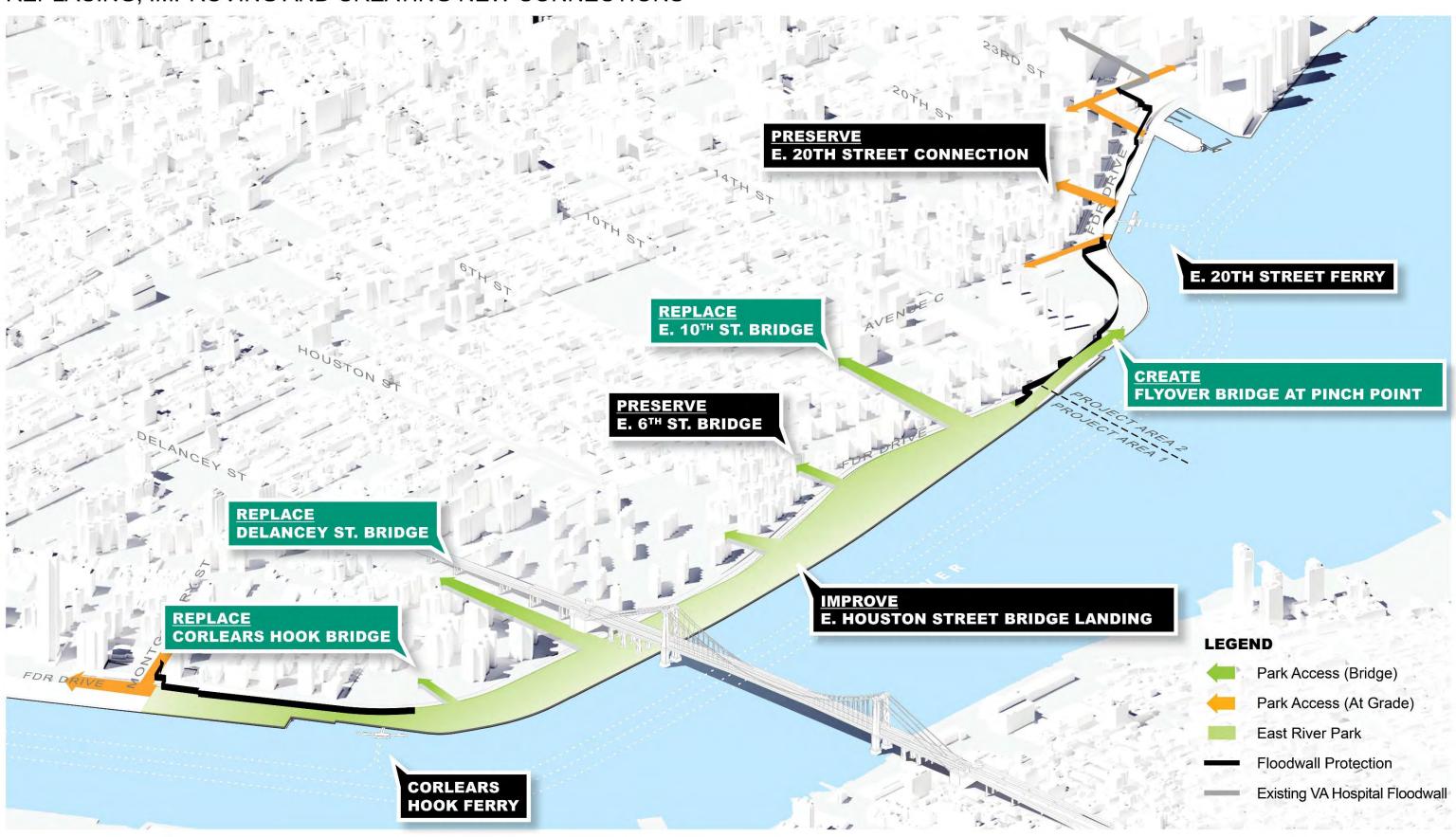
### IMPROVED RESILIENCY FOR COMMUNITY

INTEGRATED FLOOD PROTECTION & INTERIOR DRAINAGE SYSTEM



## **IMPROVED WATERFRONT ACCESS**

REPLACING, IMPROVING AND CREATING NEW CONNECTIONS





### CONSTRUCTABILITY CONSIDERATIONS

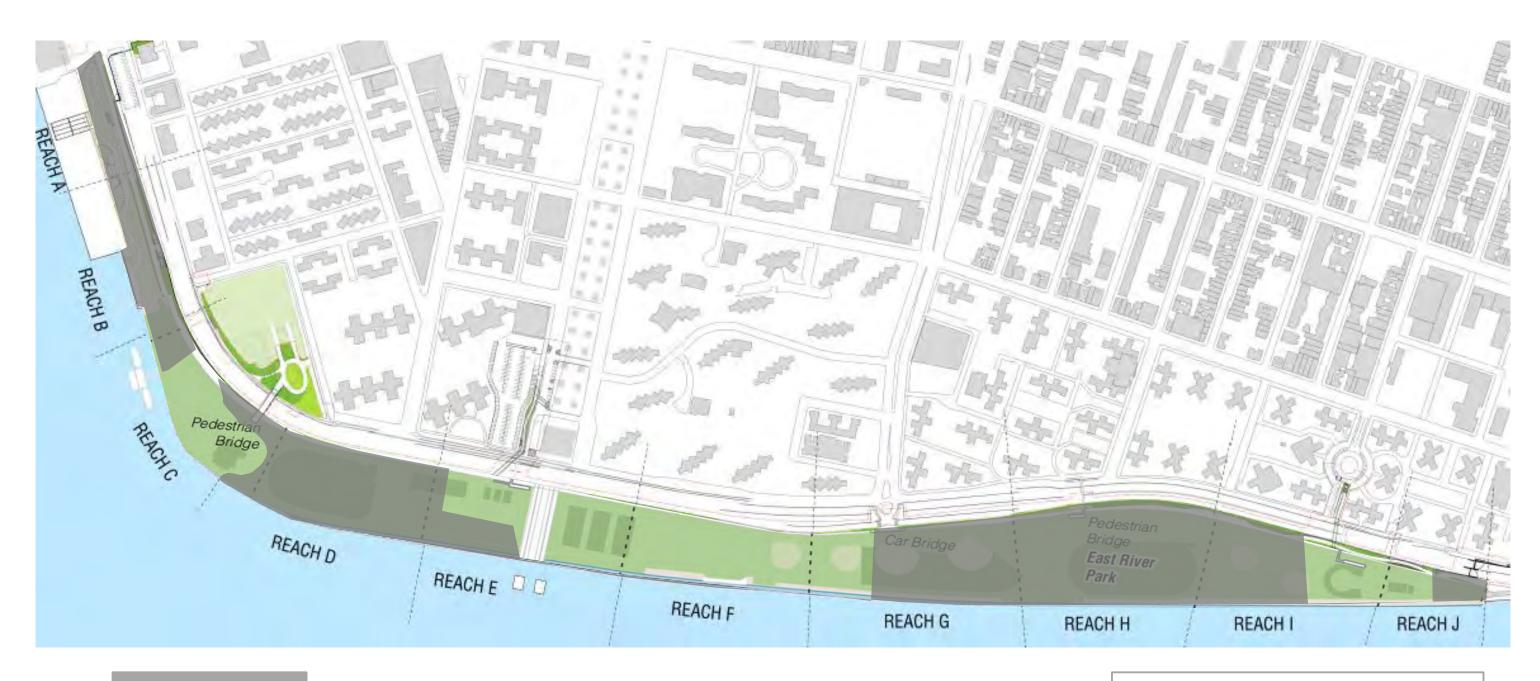
#### **East River Park Construction Phasing Drivers:**

- Location of underground sewer infrastructure
- Fill settling time required
- Pedestrian and construction vehicle access
- Constructing temporary pathways, drainage, etc.

#### **Key Goals for Phasing:**

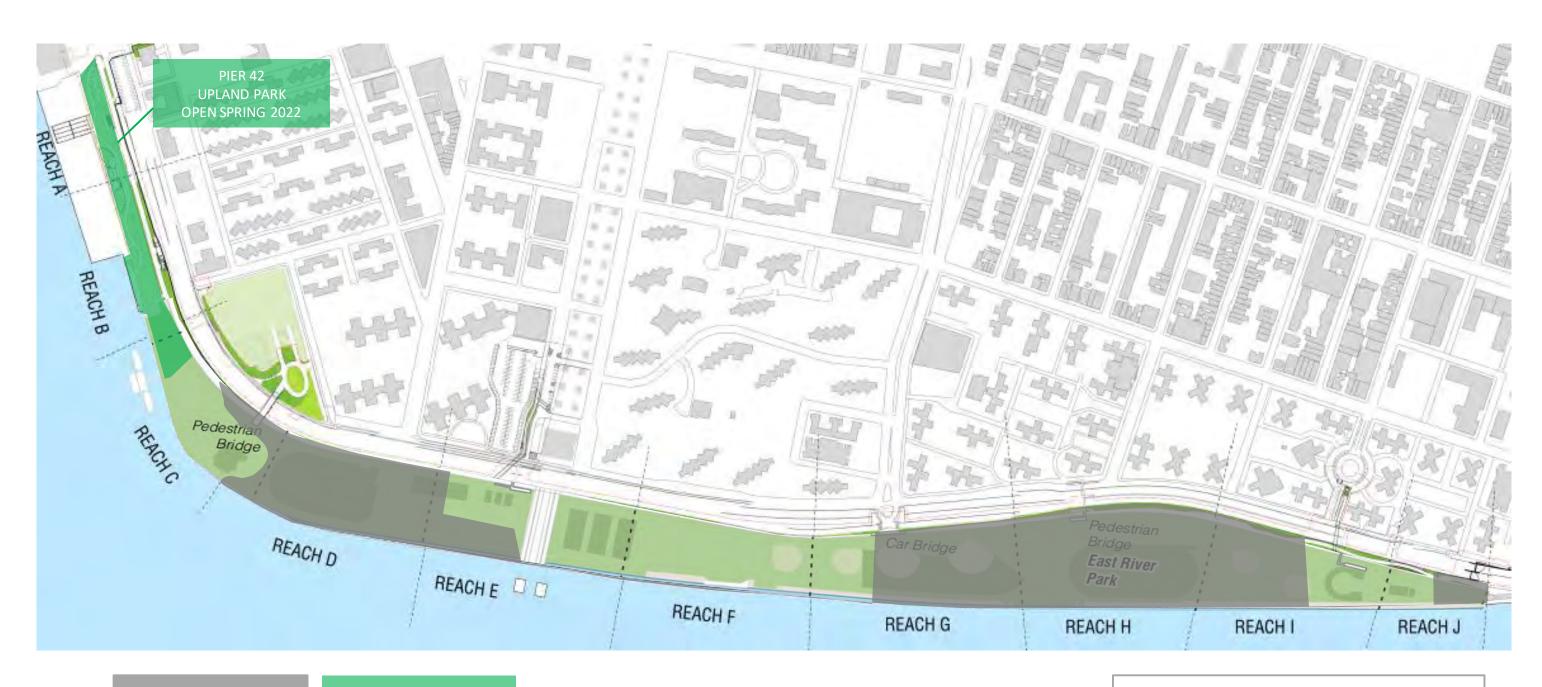
- Complete flood protection structures by mid-2023
- Maximize public access to open space during construction





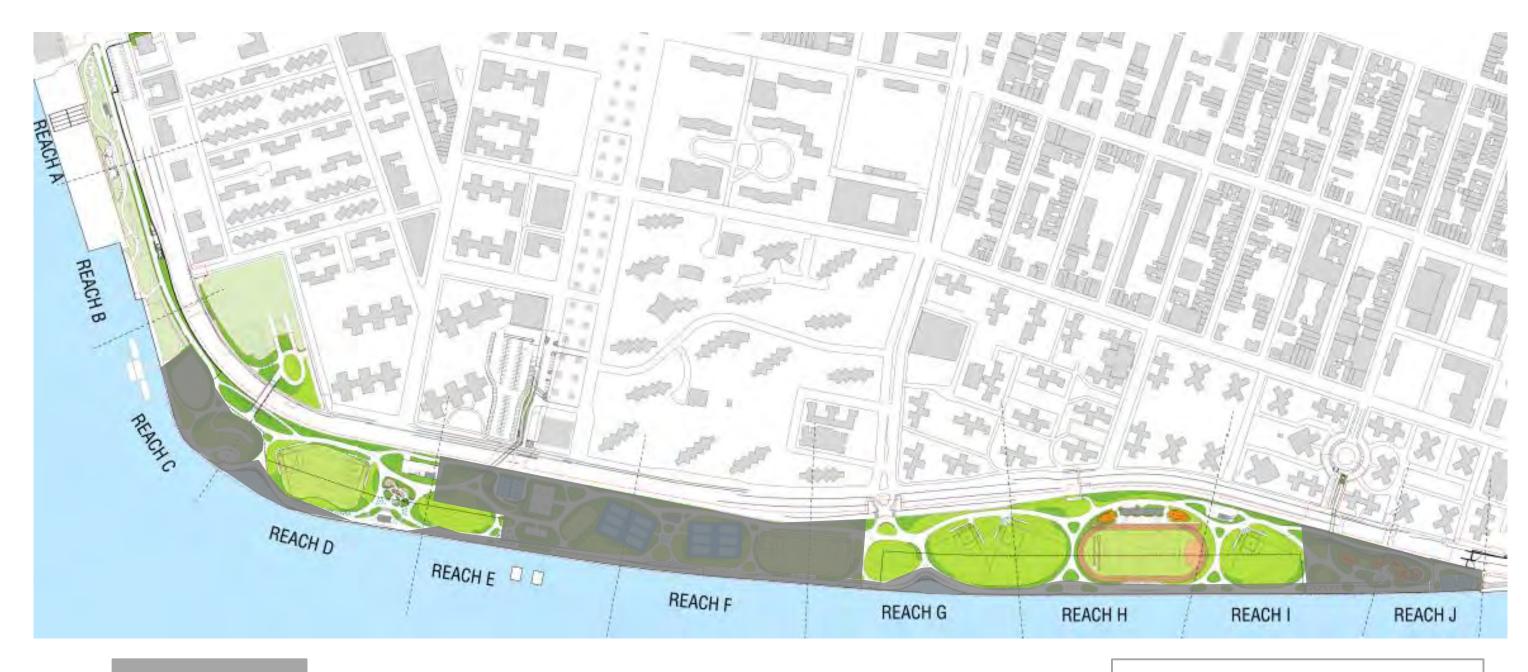
Closed Portions

East River Park Open Area: 42%



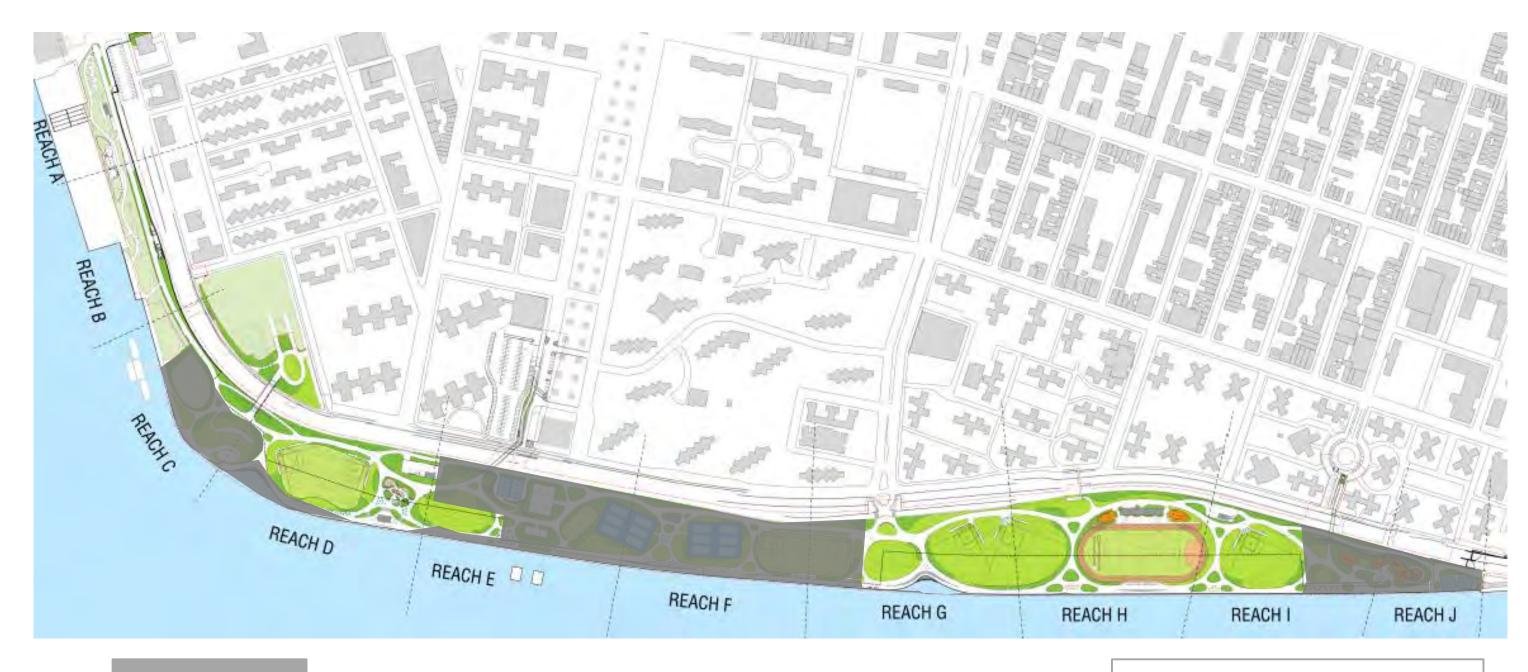
Closed Portions Early Openings

Pier 42 Upland Open Area: 100% East River Park Open Area: 42%

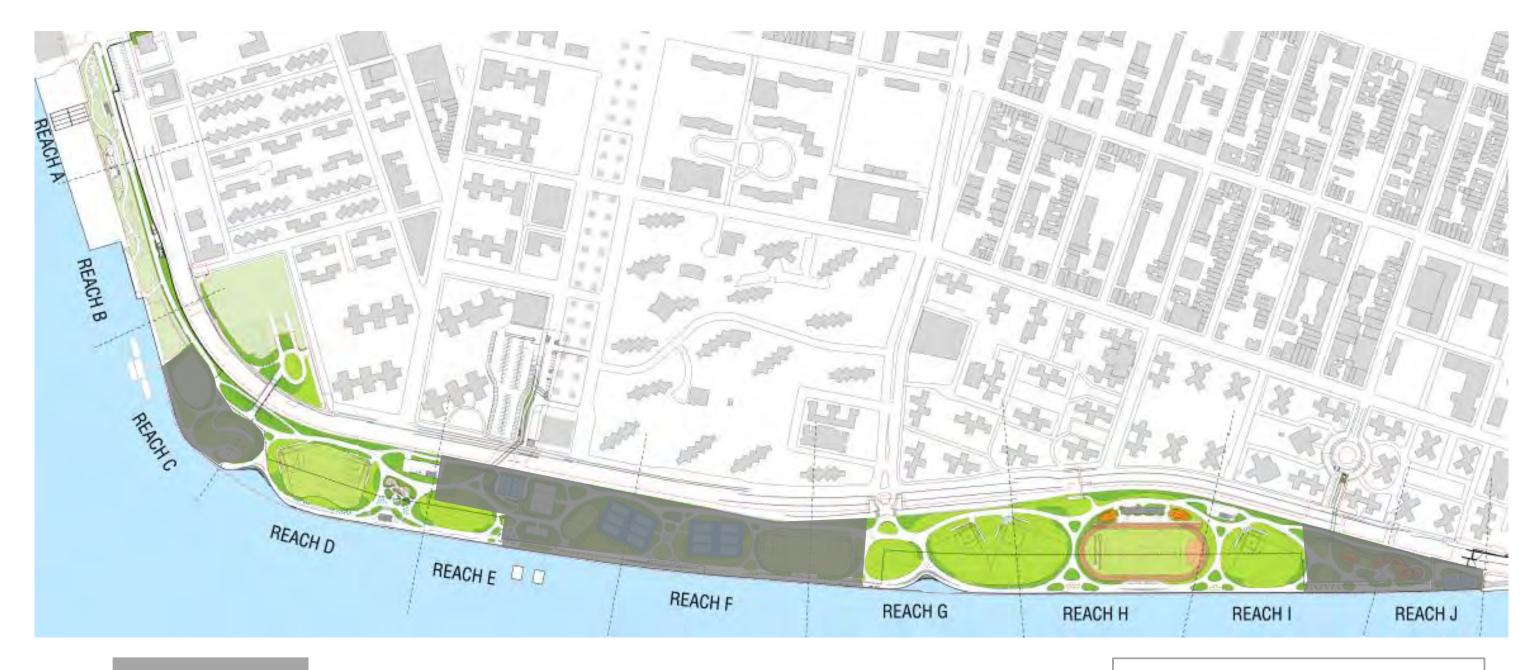


Closed Portions

Pier 42 Upland Open Area: 100% East River Park Open Area: 53%



Closed Portions Pier 42 Upland Open Area: 100% East River Park Open Area: 55%



Closed Portions

Pier 42 Upland Open Area: 100% East River Park Open Area: 56%

### CONSTRUCTION PHASING FOR EAST RIVER PARK: END OF 2025

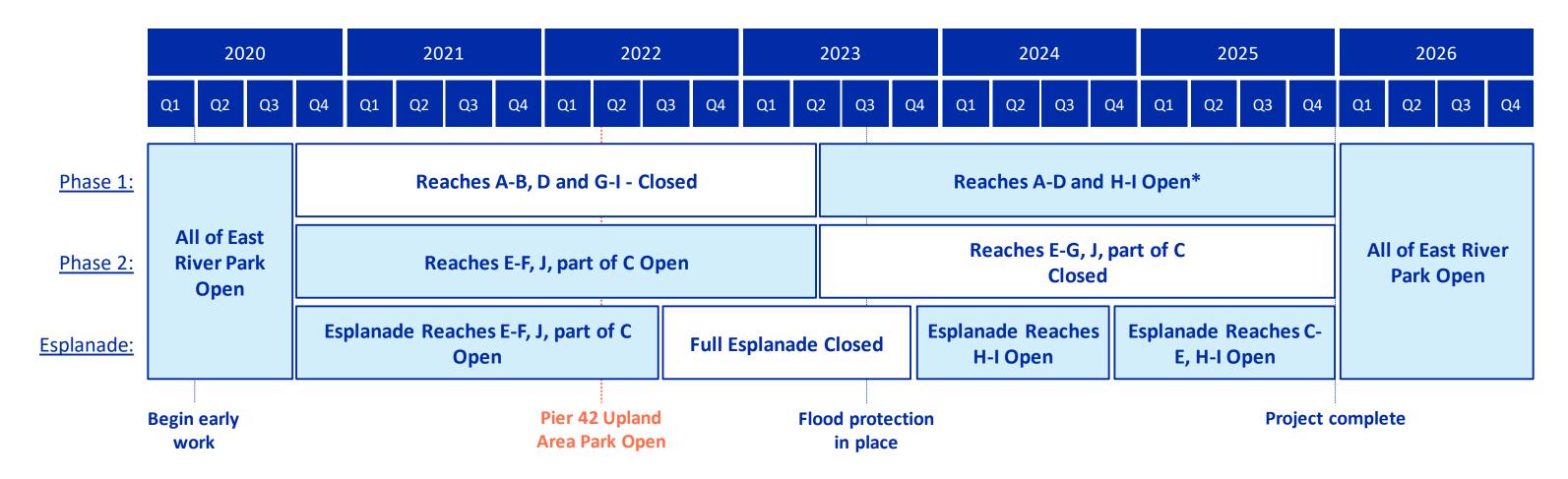


Pier 42 Upland Open Area: 100% East River Park Open Area: 100%

### UPDATED PHASING: NO FULL EAST RIVER PARK CLOSURE

#### **Summary**

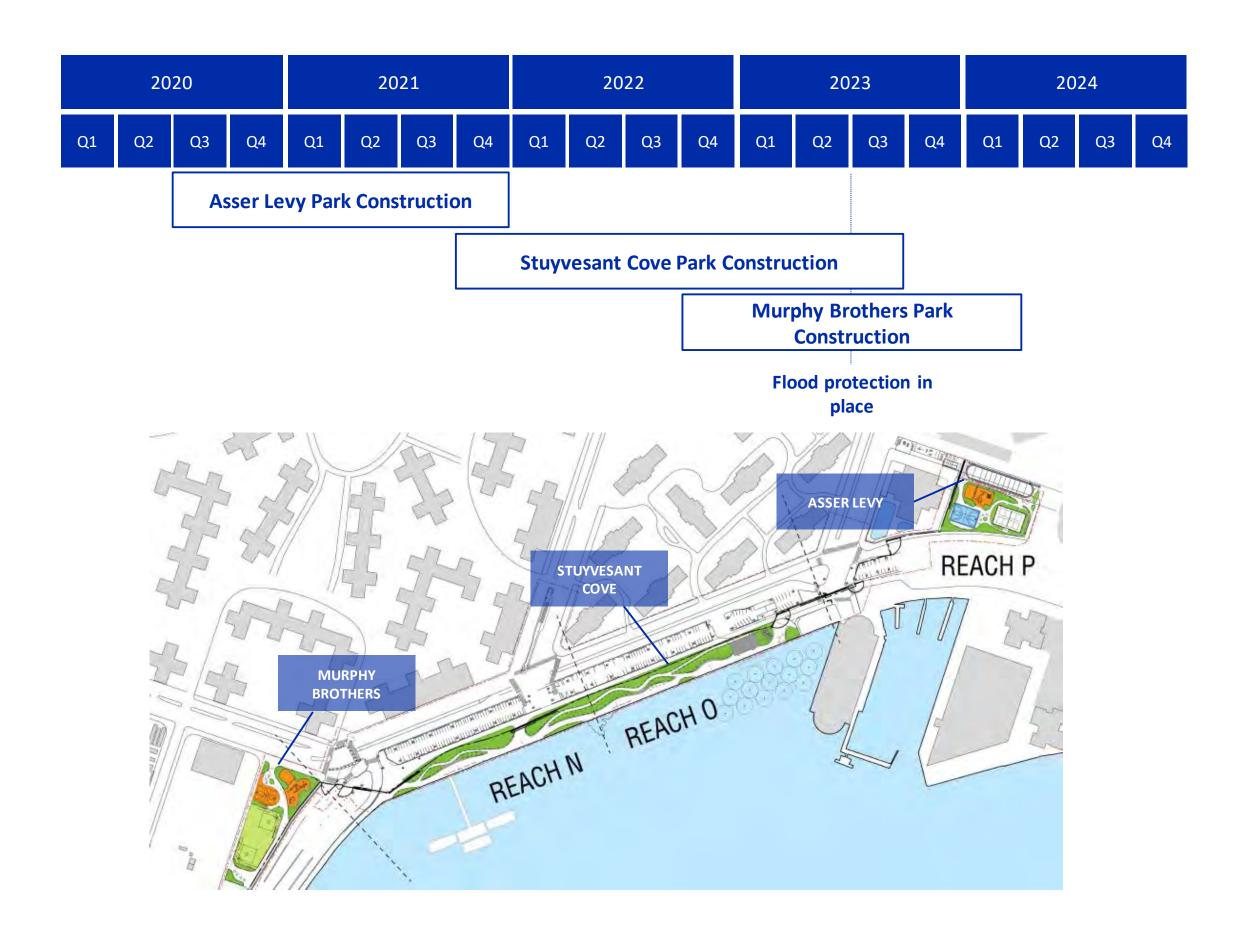
- East River Park stays open for summer 2020, with some early construction packages beginning in March 2020
- 3/5 of East River Park will close in Fall 2020, while 2/5 remains open through summer 2022
- East River Park is never closed in its entirety (compared to 3.5 full years in baseline option)
- Esplanade is only fully closed for 1 year (compared to 3.5 full years in baseline option)
- 1/2 of East River Park will reopen in summer 2023
- Flood protection is completed in mid-2023, project completed at end of 2025



<u>Note</u>: Phasing analysis underway for other project components but are expected to fit within East River Park durations in all cases.

<sup>\*</sup>Construction in the Houston Street Area (Reach G) continues until end of 2025. Within reopened reaches, esplanade to be closed to facilitate access and staging, and some landscaping components will remain to be completed in passive recreational areas.

### CONSTRUCTION PHASING FOR PROJECT AREA 2

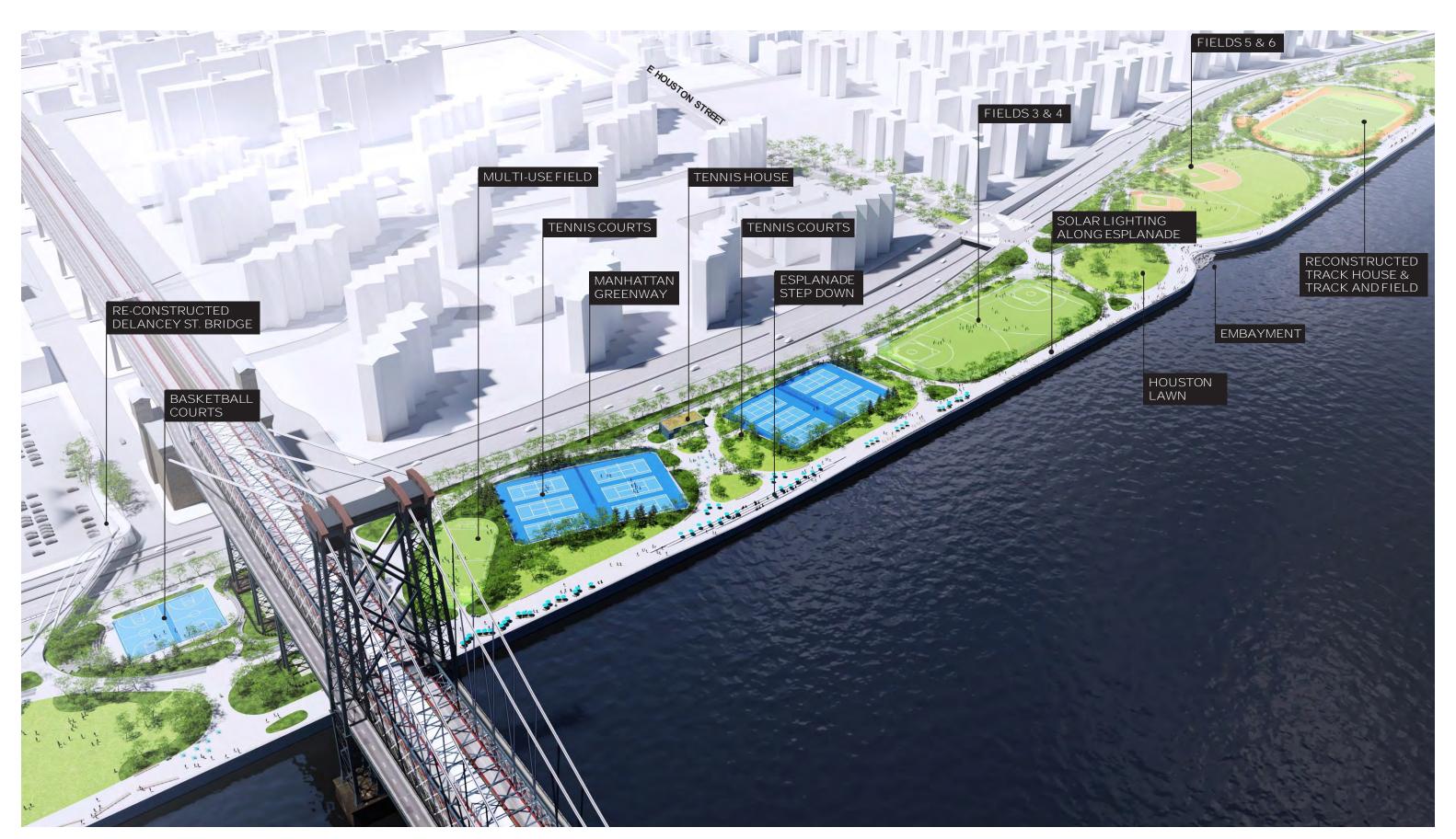




# CORLEARS HOOK TO DELANCEY STREET FUTURE CONDITION



# HOUSTON STREET FUTURE CONDITION



# TRACK & EAST 10TH STREET FUTURE CONDITION



### PLANTING CONCEPT FOR RESILIENCE

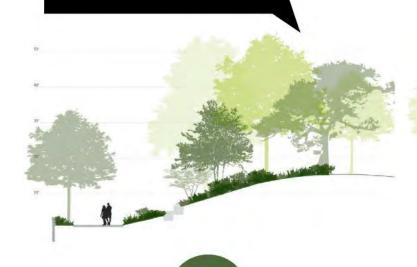










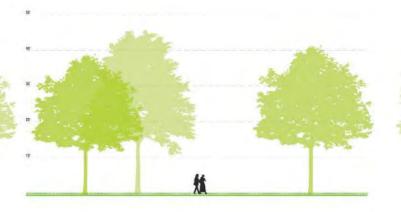








• Maintenance: Trees, garden beds







• Maintenance: Trees, lawn





- Location: Maritime edges of open spaces and esplanade
- Maintenance: Trees, shrubs, grasses



WOODLAND

Maintenance: Trees, shrubs, groundcovers

# FLYOVER BRIDGE FUTURE CONDITION



# PROJECT AREA 2 FUTURE CONDITION





# UNIFORM LAND USE REVIEW PROCEDURE (ULURP) PROPOSED ACTIONS

### **ACQUISITION (EASEMENTS):**

### **Project Area One**

- Gouverneur Gardens Cooperative
- East River Housing Corporation
- NYCHA (Riis Houses and Baruch Houses)

### **Project Area Two**

- Con Edison For Operations & Maintenance of the Flood Protection System
  - Con Edison Power Station
  - Con Edison Office and Parking Lot
- VA Medical Center For Operations & Maintenance of the Flood Protection System
  - VA Hospital
- Captain Patrick J. Brown Walk For Construction of the Flyover Bridge

A zoning text amendment is necessary to acknowledge compliance of the proposed design with the City's Zoning regulations for a portion of the project area

City Map change (anticipated at a later date) for reconstruction of pedestrian bridges.



# ANTICIPATED NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENTS PARKUPGRADES



ASPHALTTO TURF (7 SITES)





**ACCOMMODATING FIELD USERS** 



TREE PLANTINGS (1,000) & RAIN GARDENS (40)



SPORTS COATING (7 SITES)



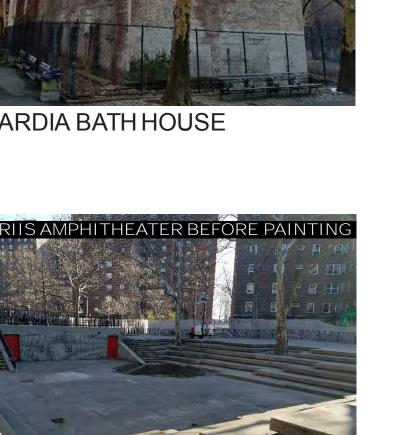
PAINTING (16 SITES)

### ANTICIPATED NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENTS

#### MORE PROGRAMMING AND NEW PARK SPACES



LAGUARDIA BATH HOUSE



NYCHA OPEN SPACE **IMPROVEMENTS** 



TANAHEY PLAYGROUND



MORE NEIGHBORHOOD PARK STAFF

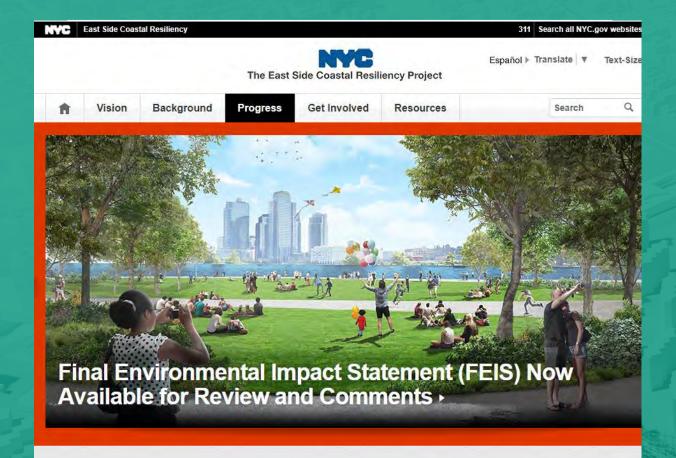


PIER 42 PHASE 1: UPLAND PARK



MORE RECREATIONAL **PROGRAMMING** 

## Website



## The East Side Coastal Resiliency Project

The East Side Coastal Resiliency (ESCR) Project is a coastal protection initiative, jointly funded by the City of New York and the federal government, aimed at reducing flood risk due to coastal storms and sea level rise on Manhattan's East Side from East 25th Street to Montgomery Street.

The ESCR Project is a priority of the City of New York as outlined in the 2015 *One New York: The Plan for a Strong and Just City* and by the innovative Rebuild by Design competition sponsored by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban

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