



Reid Menzer Memorial Skatepark

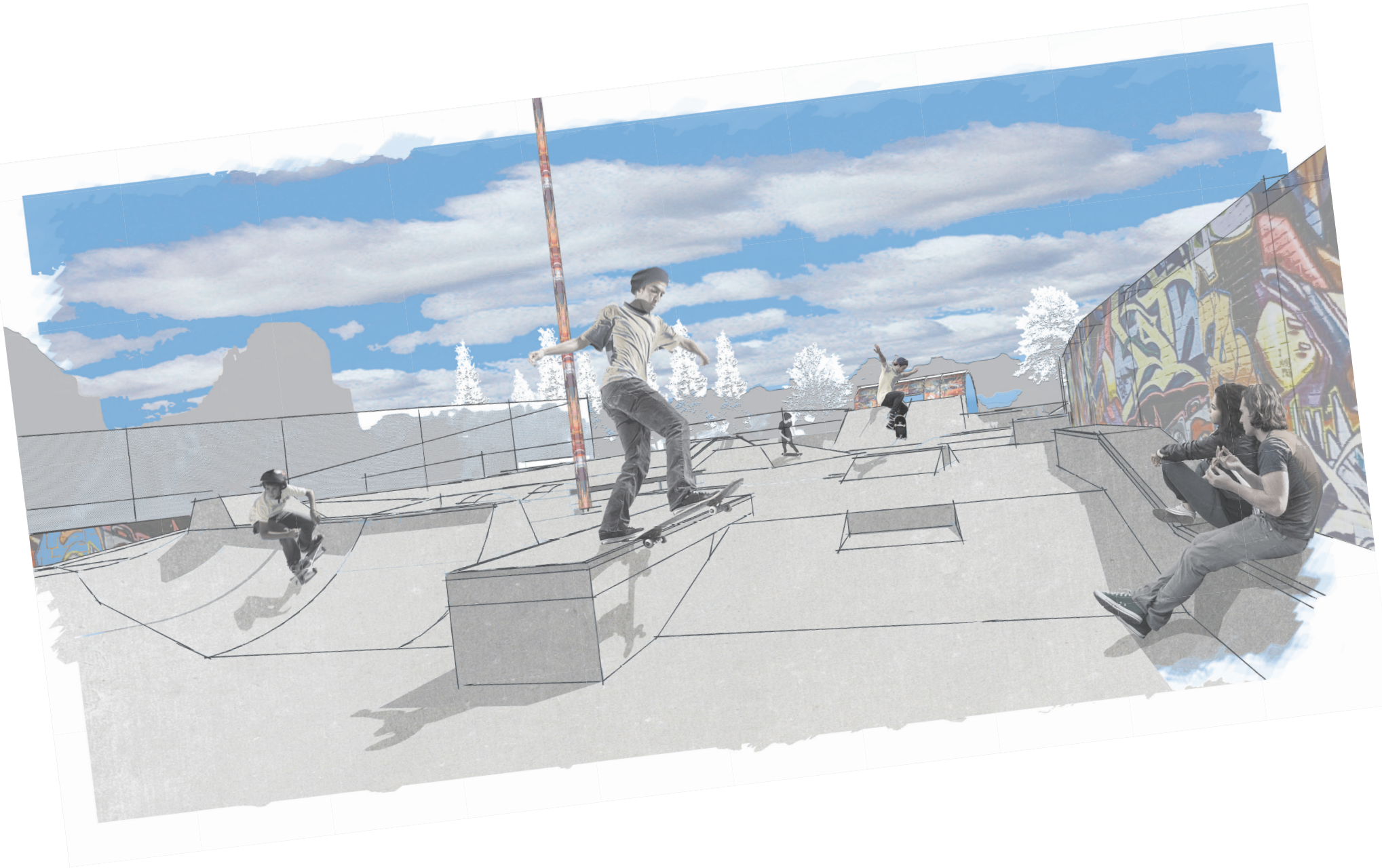
Expansion and Enhancements

What? Expand and enhance an existing skatepark originally built as a living memorial after the tragic accidental death of a teenager who was street lugging. The Architect designed a 13,000 square foot expansion which provides new areas for "beginner" skating, stabilizes all existing park perimeter edge conditions with skateable/non-eroding surfaces - and provides lighting at all areas of the existing and new skatepark for safe nighttime use.

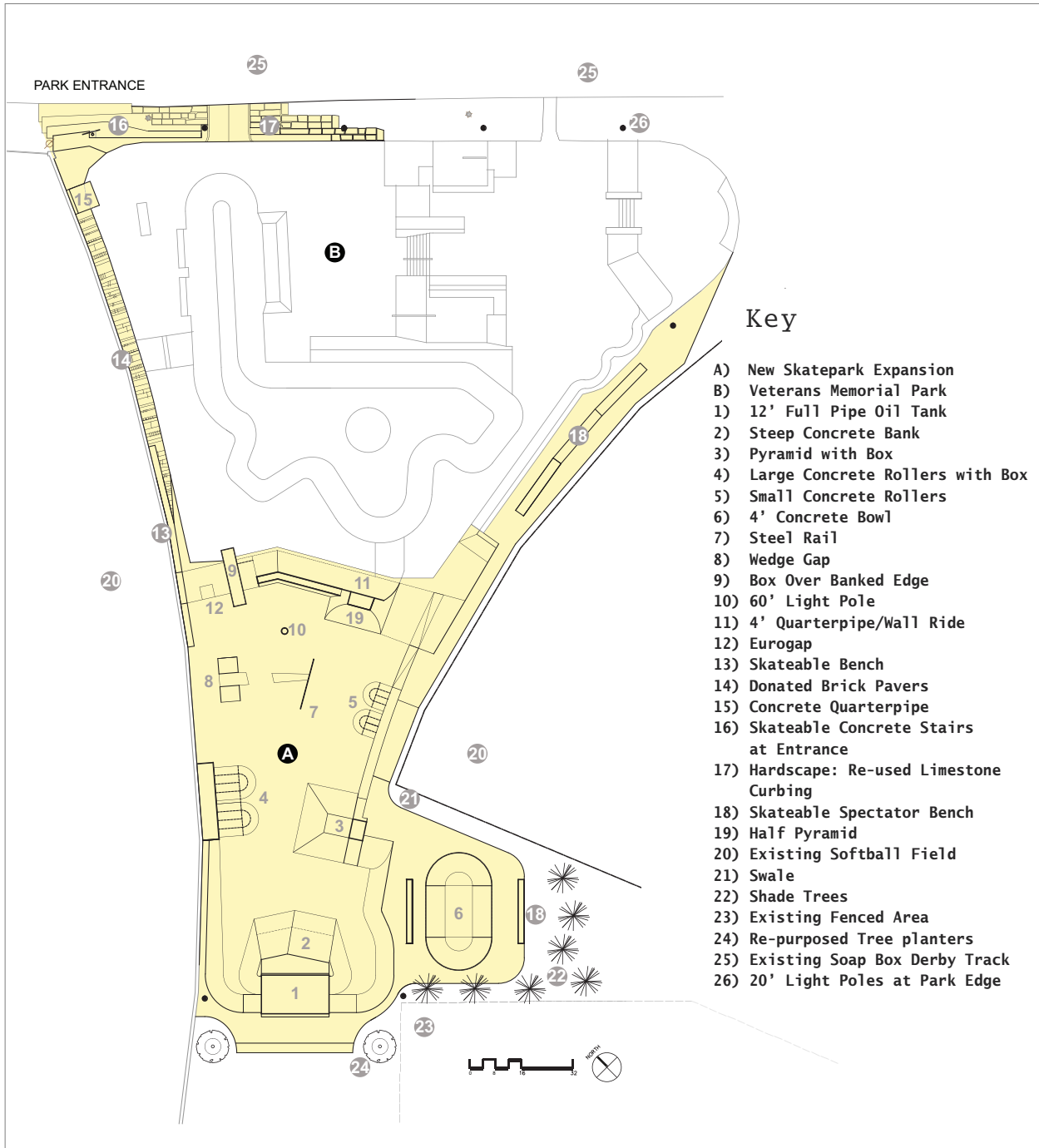
Where? The skatepark site area is within a County park - in a very oddly configured unusable trapezoidal zone between the outfield fences of two softball fields and a municipal recycling center.

Why? Skatepark usage is very high 365 days a year and increasing - as the park has become a regional destination. There are not enough obstacles, ramps and areas for skaters of all ages and skill levels to safely coexist. Lighting of the skatepark has been requested by skaters for years so that available skate hours can be extended. Heavy usage, rain, snow and harsh climactic conditions have eroded/damaged the park perimeter - requiring repairs and "design resolution". Current "seating options" at the park are limited - with continued requests for new enhancements to provide additional (skateable) seating.

How? Working directly with local skaters, a skatepark committee, community leaders and municipal officials - the Architect provided pro-bono services to design the skatepark expansion/enhancement. The final project scope addressed all of the expressed skater needs - in a very creative layout - and within a modest budget. The recently completed expansion incorporates large and small concrete rollers, 4' quarter-pipes and mini-ramps, bank ramps, concrete box platforms, steel rails, gaps, pockets, and a prominently featured concrete pyramid for use by younger or beginner skaters. Edges have been "cleaned up" via the installation of "found objects" such as granite curbing, concrete slabs and brick pavers from municipal scrap piles and manufacturer's overstock. One sixty-foot central light pole with ten fixtures now provides lighting for 90% of the skatepark. Anchoring the expansion design is a twelve-foot diameter twenty-one-foot-long section of a (cleaned) oil storage tank for skaters to "flow through." Local graffiti artists will eventually contribute their talents at the park by painting the steel surfaces of both the 60' light pole and oil storage tank - rebranding one of the best places to skate on the east coast - as one of the coolest as well.



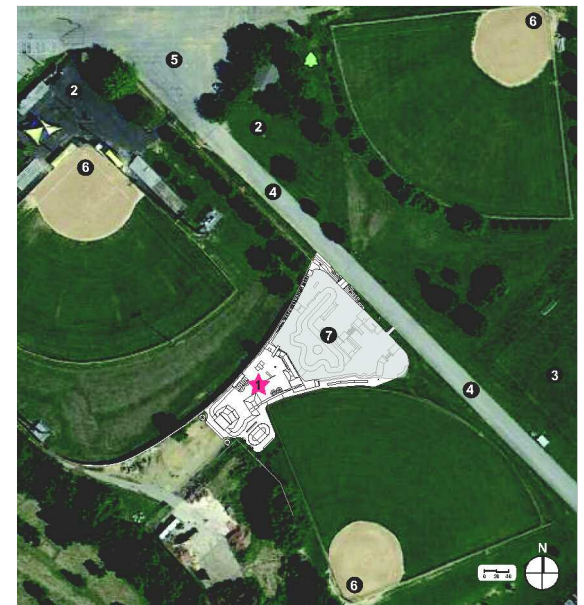
Skatepark Expansion - Transition from Existing Skatepark



Skatepark Expansion Plan

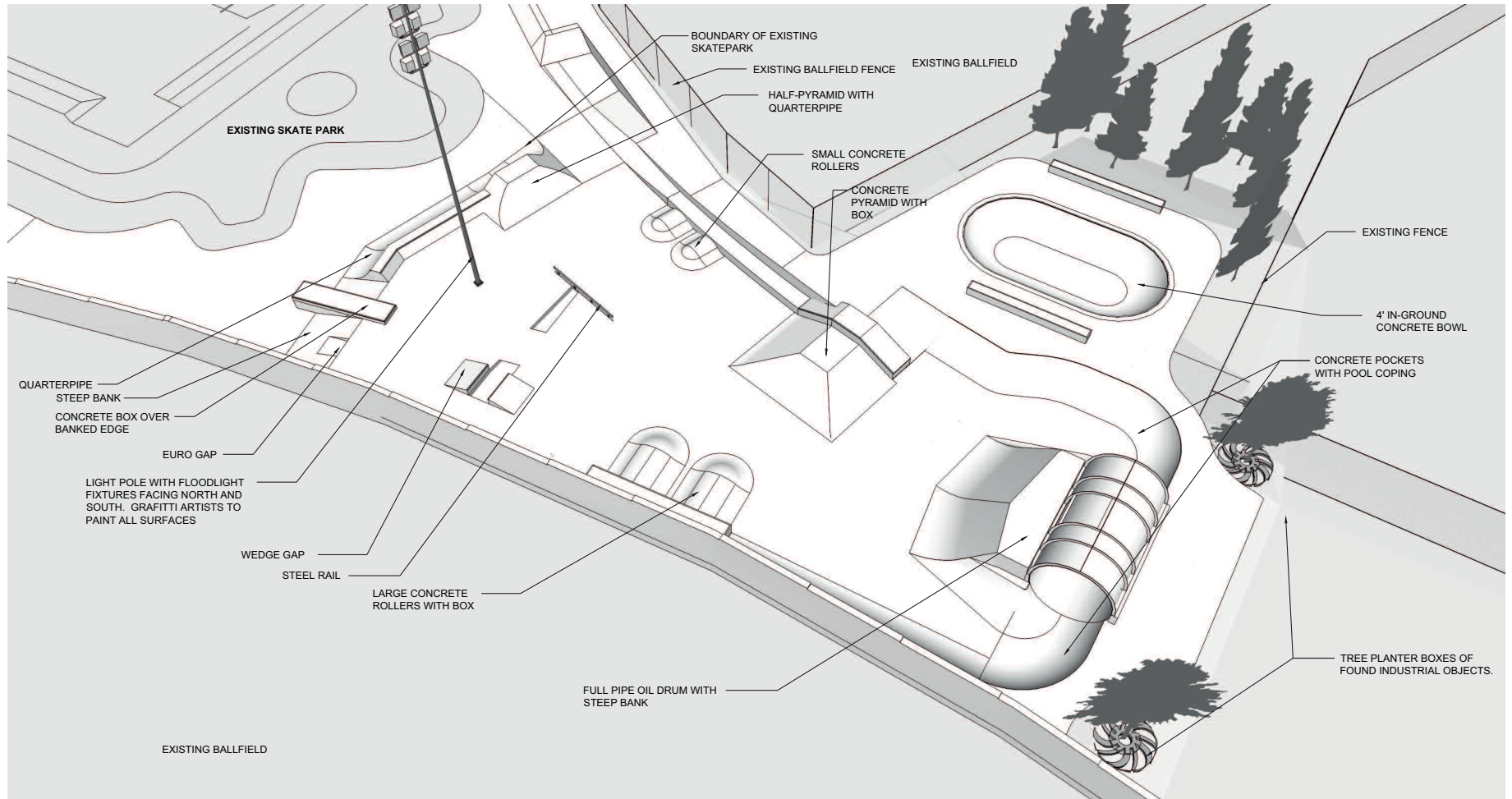


Existing Skatepark

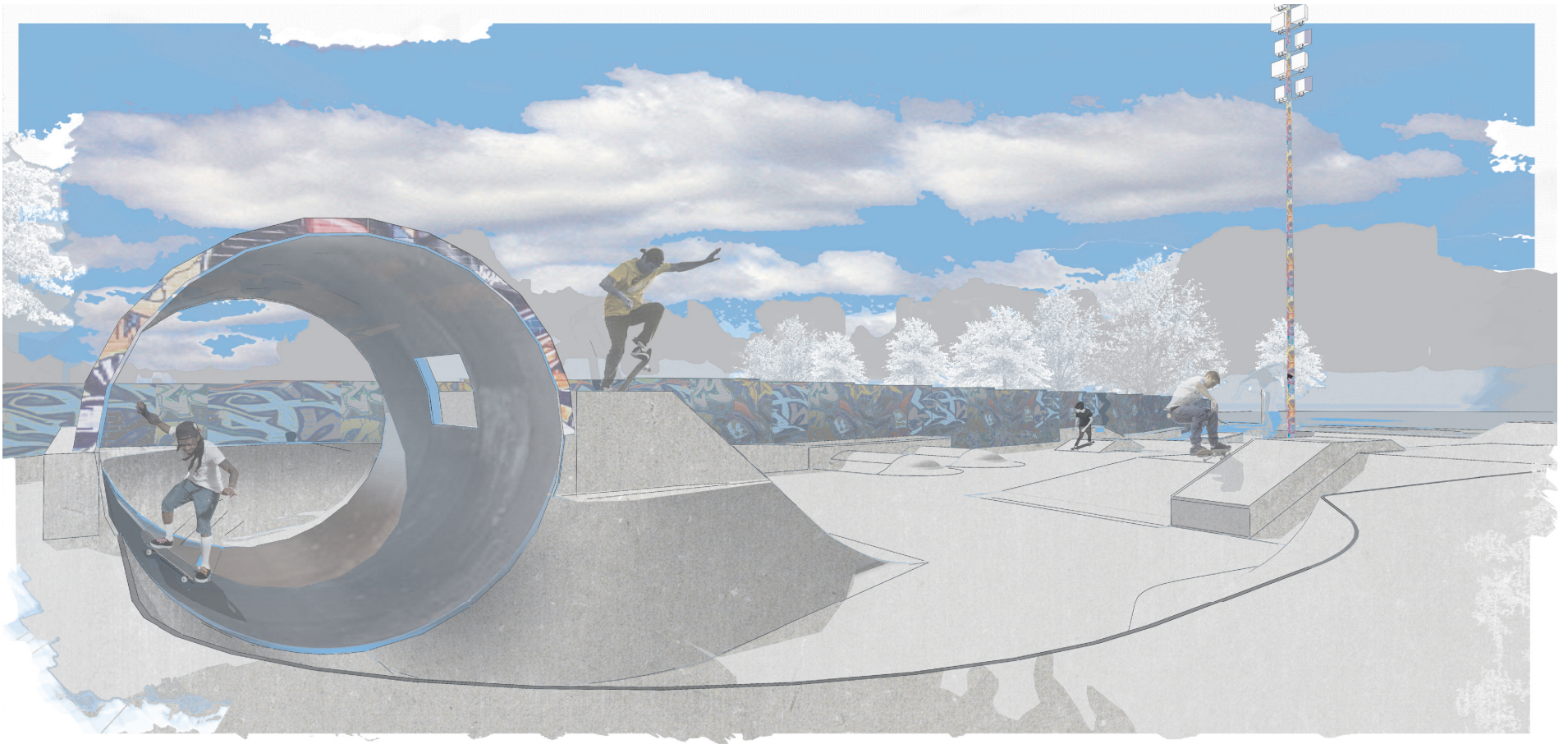


Skatepark Site Plan

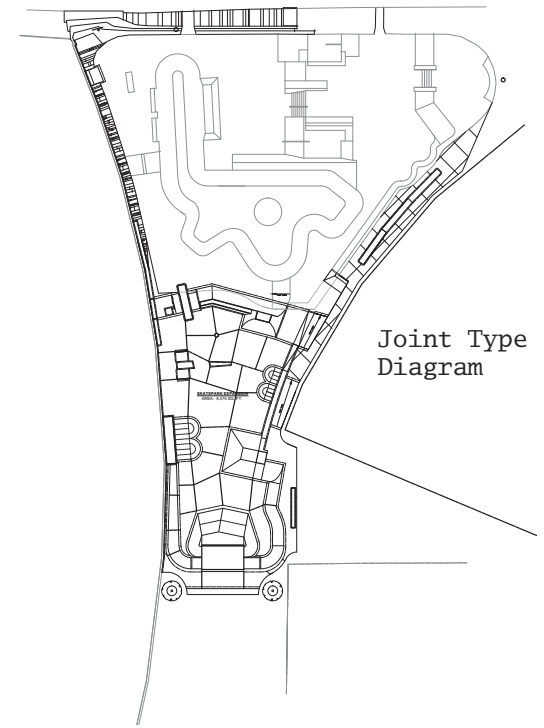
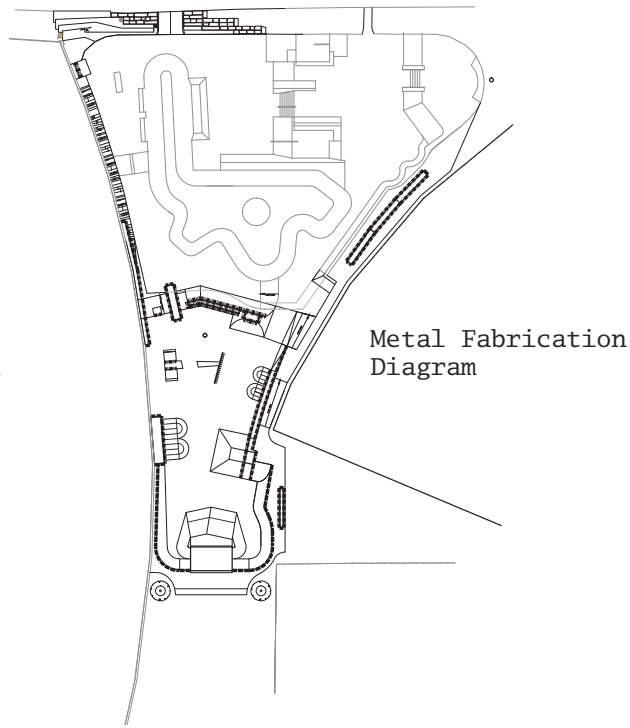
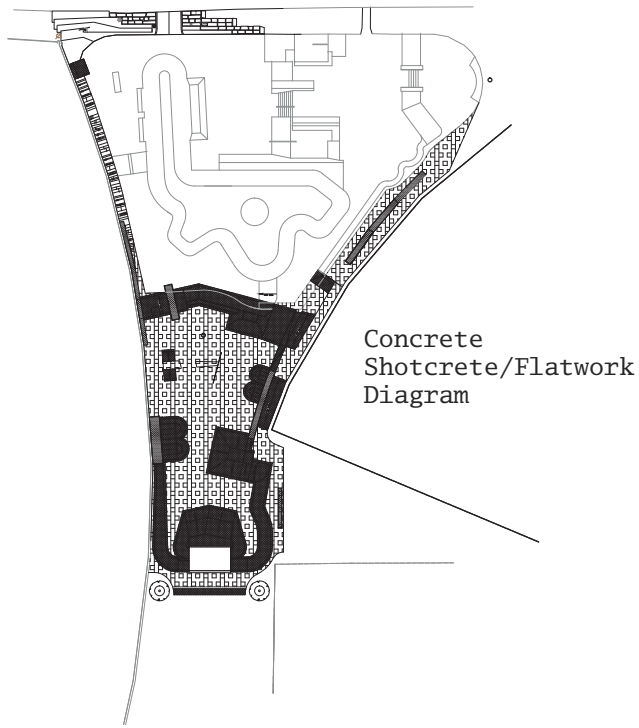
- 1) New Skatepark Expansion
- 2) Veterans Memorial Park
- 3) Penn State York Campus
- 4) Existing Soap Box Derby Track
- 5) Existing Parking
- 6) Existing Softball Field
- 7) Existing Skatepark



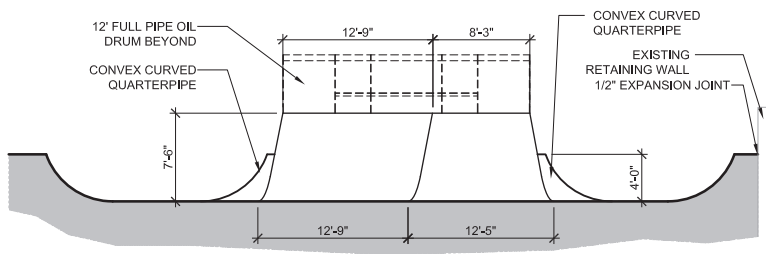
Skatepark Expansion



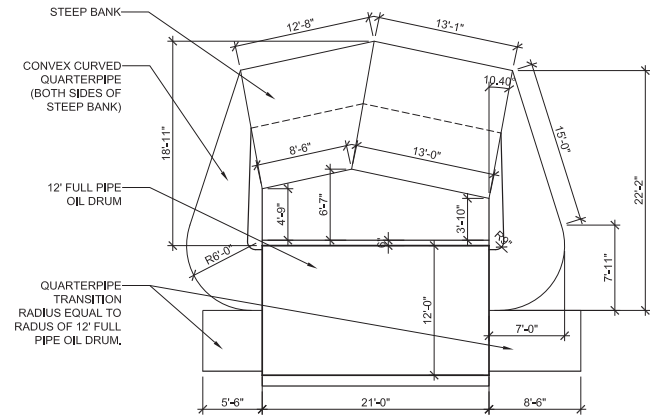
Oil Storage Tank for Skaters to “Flow Through”



Construction Plans

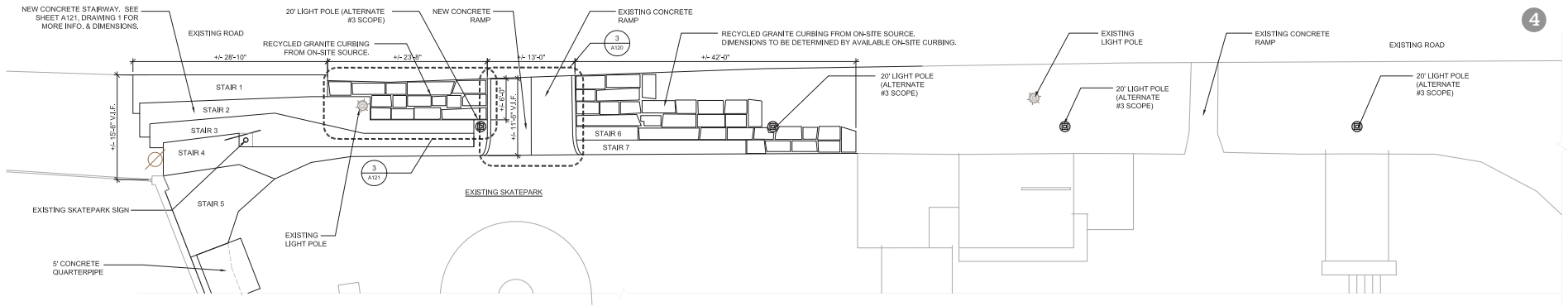


8 ELEVATION: FULL PIPE OIL DRUM WITH STEEP BANK & POCKETS
SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"



7 PLAN: FULL PIPE OIL DRUM WITH STEEP BANK
SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"

Construction Details



1 PLAN: PARK ENTRANCE- EDGE CONDITIONS & HARDSCAPE
SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"



Construction Details :

- 1) Granite curbing to be recycled; 2) Concrete and stone to be recycled; 3) Skatepark expansion under construction;
- 4) Plan: Park entrance edge conditions and hardscape.



Night View of Completed Skatepark Expansion at Oil Tank Full Pipe



Skatepark Expansion Views:

1) View at Large Concrete Rollers with Box; 2) Steep Concrete Bank; 3) Small Concrete Rollers.



Skatepark Expansion at Night