

# **Islais Creek Interpretation Program**

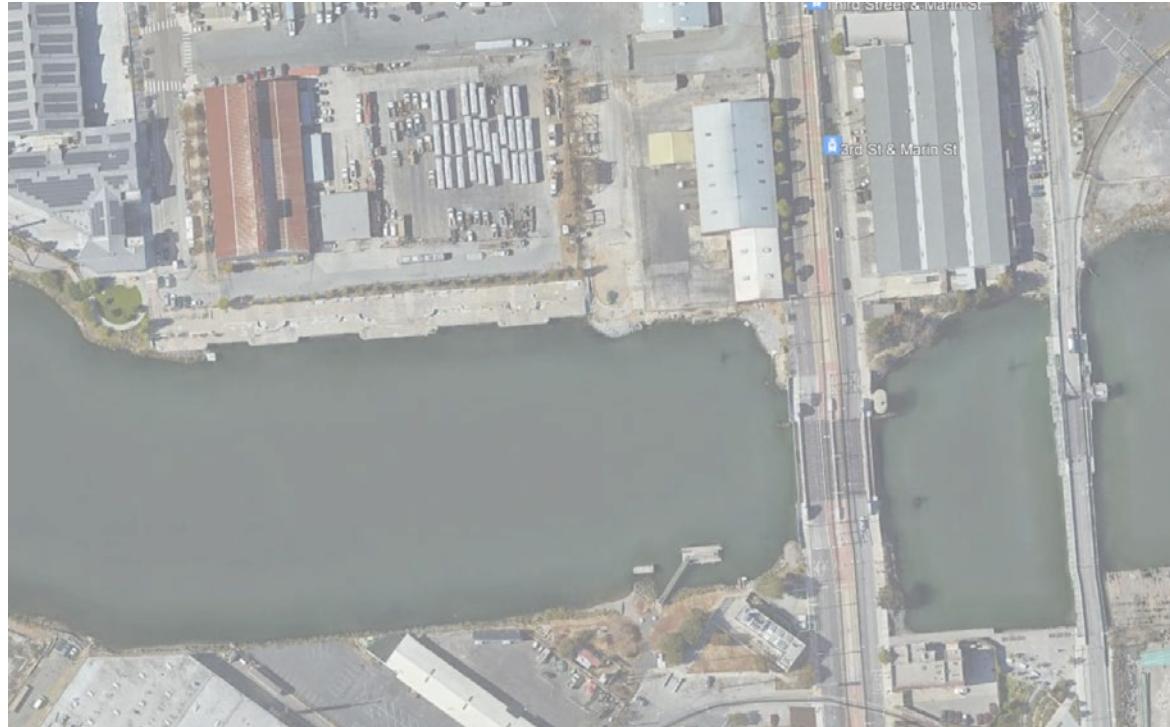
**Southern Advisory Committee  
Port of San Francisco**

**April 27, 2022**

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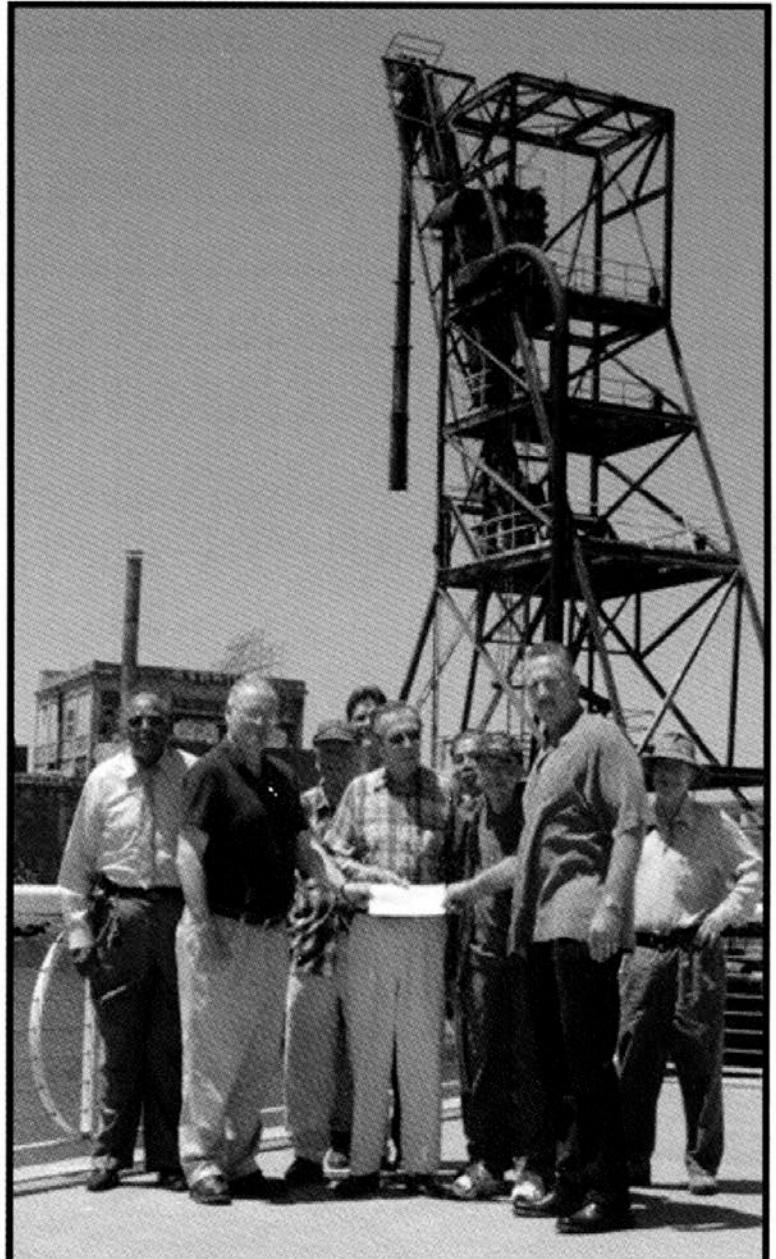
# Presentation Outline



1. Background & Context
2. Funding Sources
3. Advisory Committee
4. Concepts
5. Q/A
6. Next Steps

# Background and Context

1. Project an Outcome
  - a) Copra Crane Restoration Program initiated by CCLLA/ Friends of Islais Creek
  - b) Blue Greenway Planning
  - c) Waterfront Plan
2. Funded through Grants, Gift, GO Bond & Port
3. Partnership with CCC, SFPUC and SFMTA
4. Retained Macchiatto through Competitive RFP
5. Formed an Advisory Committee of Stakeholders to guide design and content



# Funding Sources

Source	Amount
Coastal Conservancy - Original Grant	\$366,281*
Coastal Conservancy – Additional Grant funds	\$ 70,000
The Archie Green Fund for Labor Culture and History	\$ 35,000
GO Bond	<u>\$154,000</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$625,281</b>

\* The original CCC grant was for \$616,534 of which \$250,253 was used for conceptual design, Pier 84 and other Islais Creek pile removal conducted by Port crews.



# Advisory Committee & Process

## Members

1. Oscar James - Bayview Resident and Historian
2. Al Williams - Bayview Historian
3. Derek Green - CCLA, The Archie Green Fund for Labor Culture and History
4. Harvey Schwartz - ILWU, CCLA
5. Peter Linenthal - Potrero Archives Historian
6. Howard Wong - SAC

## Process

1. Site Visit & Review Scope of Work
2. Share/Develop Content
3. Review Concepts Provide feedback
4. Review Revised Concepts based on comments
5. Review Content for accuracy

# Islais Creek Revised Schematic Design April 27, 2022



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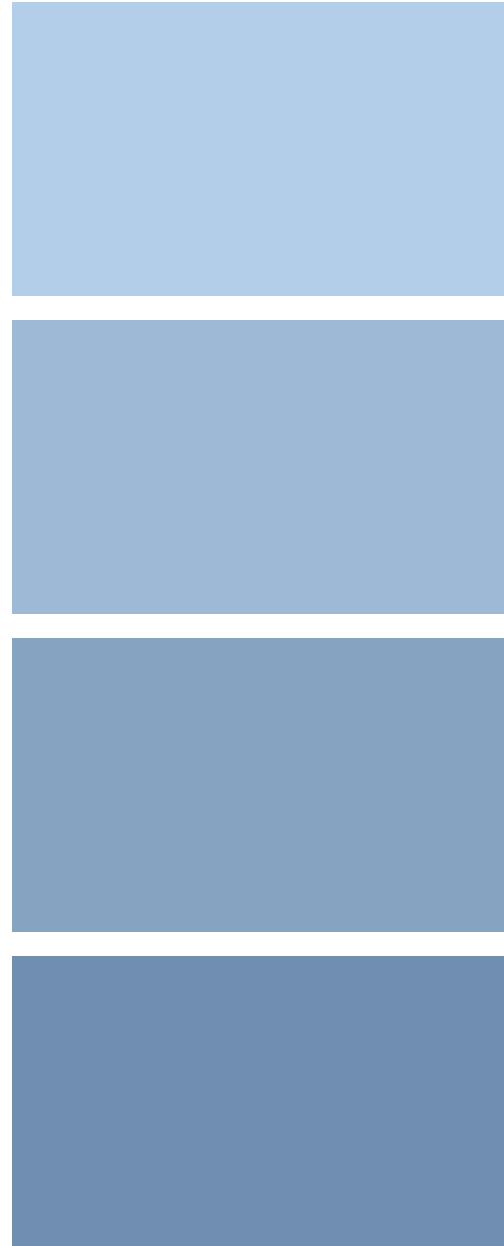
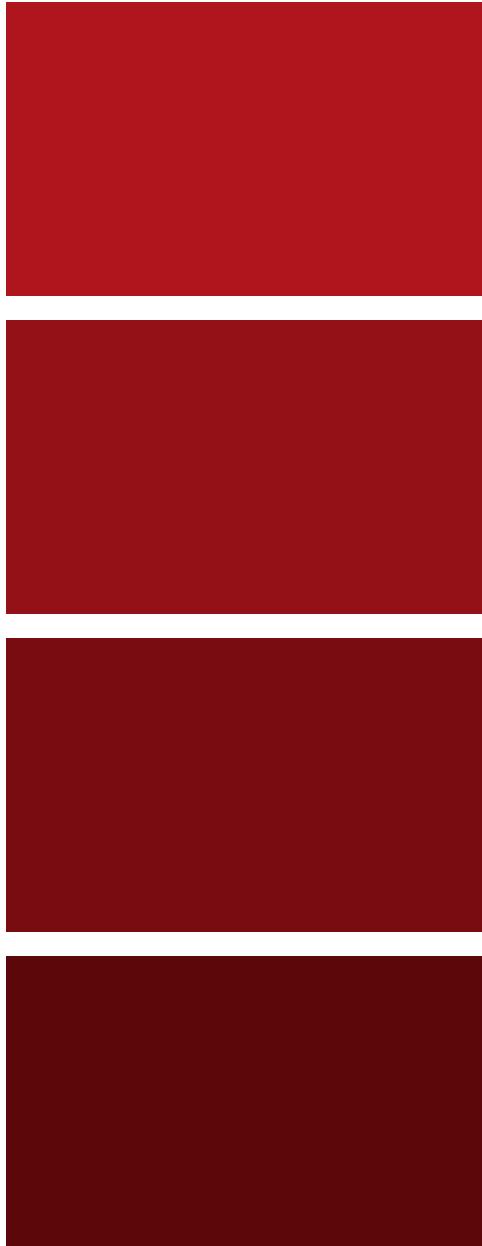
## INTRODUCTION

### MISSION STATEMENT

Islais Creek is a rich and changing waterway, evolving from a complex history of people connecting here for nourishment, prosperity, and recreation. It is the outlet of a vast watershed and delicate ecosystem at the front lines of climate change and sea level rise. The site will utilize a program of coordinated interpretive exhibits in public areas in order to honor its history, celebrate its significance, and emphasize the importance of its protection.

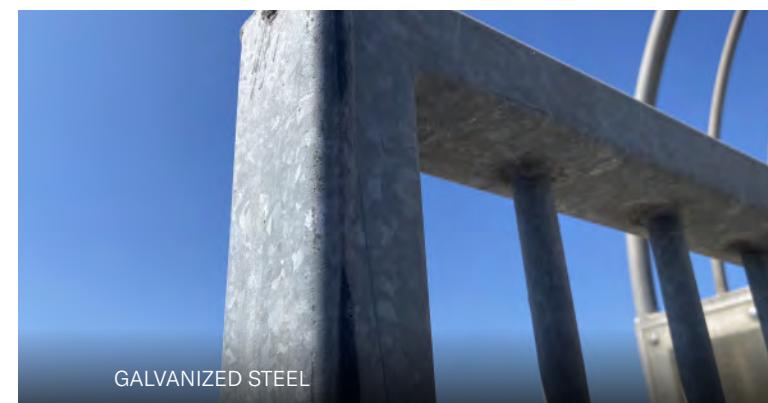
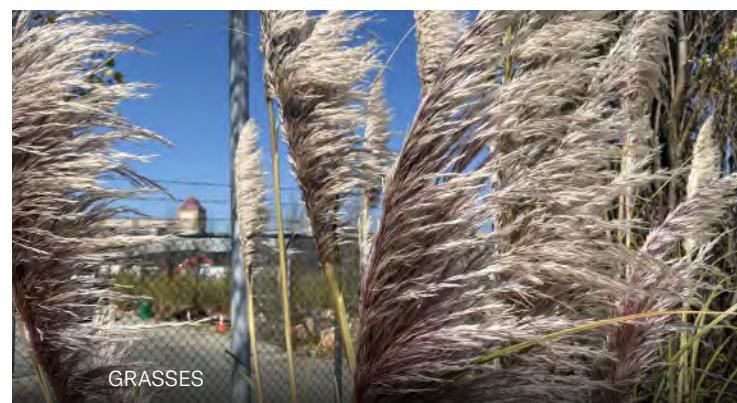


**VISUAL STYLE**  
COLOR PALETTE



# VISUAL STYLE

## MATERIAL & TEXTURE PALETTE



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GRAPHIC PALETTE



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# A COMPLEX WATERSHED

## Natural History & Ecology of Islais Creek

Prior to the arrival of European settlers in 1776, the area surrounding Islais Creek was probably the best-suited part of future San Francisco for human settlement. The spreading wetlands enjoyed a relatively wind and fog-free climate, provided ample supplies of fresh water from streams and artesian springs located in today's Glen Canyon, and offered easy access to the marshlands with their abundant wildlife. Later, after the arrival of Europeans, the once verdant creek estuary and shoreline were gradually filled in to create room for industrial areas.

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Blue collar communities developed on nearby Bayview and Potrero hills for the workers who labored in the shipyards, factories, and food processing industries that lined the shore between the Islais Creek and Hunters Point. The expansive slough at the mouth of the creek may have physically separated the communities, but it also brought them together where they worked, socialized, and marketed.

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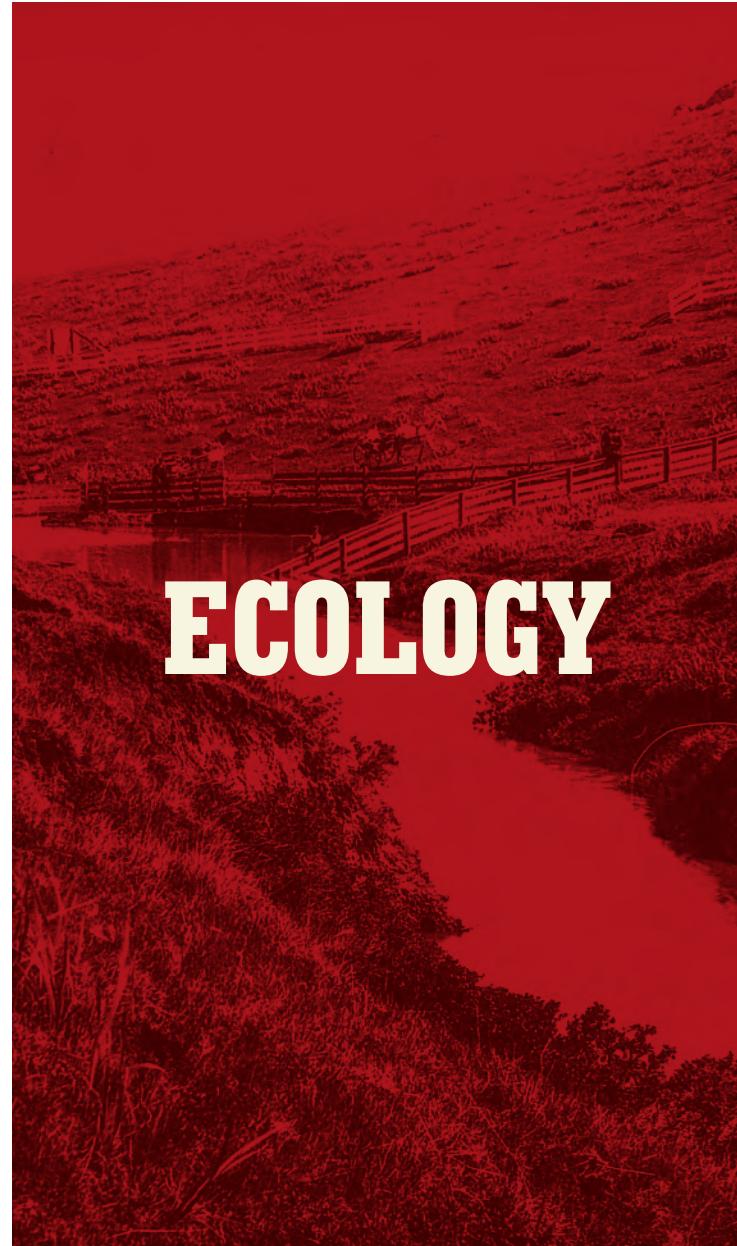
**INTERPRETIVE VISION**  
THEMATIC OVERVIEW



**LABOR**



**CULTURE**



**ECOLOGY**



**RESILIENCE**

# INTERPRETIVE VISION

## STORYTELLING ORGANIZATION

Number	Working Title	Outline	Intent	Methodology
A1	Hydro-Powered: Labor & Cultural History of Islais Creek	1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.4, 1.6	Overview of the significance of Islais Creek as an important industrial hub, with an emphasis on the people who came together in search of food and prosperity.	Large wayside integrated into existing railing. Augmented by interpretive shadows from display structure.
A2	The Red Waters of Butchertown: Slaughterhouses & Meat Packing	1.5	Focus on the historical meat industry along the waterfront, with an emphasis on all of the other industries it supported.	Medium wayside integrated into railing.
A3	A New Waterfront: Channelization & Industrialization	1.2	Demonstrate the process of channelization and its resulting industrialization of the area.	Medium wayside integrated into railing.
A4	A New Flow: Water Treatment	-	Diagram and describe the process of water collection and treatment.	Medium wayside integrated into railing.
A5	Moving Goods: Break-Bulk Cargo, Longshore Workers & the Piers	2.1, 2.2, 3.2, 3.3	Examine the historical use of the waterway and piers for cargo transportation.	Medium wayside integrated into railing.
A6	Deleted	-	Deleted	Deleted
B	Shovels to Blowers: The Cargill Copra Plant	2.3	Create a storytelling "bookend" which celebrates the significance of the Copra industry and its workers.	Large wayside integrated into existing railing. Augmented by cyclone relic display and interpretive shadows.
C	Protecting from Disaster: Resilience Strategies	5.0	Highlight the protective measures being explored to make the area more resilient, with an emphasis on sea level rise.	Large interpretive graphics integrated onto existing concrete block. Augmented by metal Ohlone silhouette and graphics.
D	A Complex Watershed: Natural History & Ecology	4.0	Juxtapose the natural history and current ecology with the need to protect it as a resource.	Large wayside integrated into landscape. Augmented by interpretive shadows.
E1	Voices of Islais: Introduction	1.1	Celebrate the interconnected diversity of peoples at Islais, while highlighting aspects of important histories, and in a chronological order.	Small wayside integrated into railing.
E2	Voices of Islais: Yelamu Ohlone	1.1	See E1	Small wayside integrated into railing.
E3	Voices of Islais: Scow Schooner Skipper	1.4	See E1	Small wayside integrated into railing.
E4	Voices of Islais: Chinese Fisher	1.2	See E1	Small wayside integrated into railing.
E5	Voices of Islais: Vaquero	1.2	See E1	Small wayside integrated into railing.
E6	Voices of Islais: African American Longshore Worker	1.5	See E1	Small wayside integrated into railing.
E7	Voices of Islais: Copra Worker	2.1	See E1	Small wayside integrated into railing.
E8	Voices of Islais: Produce Mart Worker	2.3	See E1	Small wayside integrated into railing.
E9	Voices of Islais: Skateboarder	1.6	See E1	Small wayside integrated into railing.
E10	Voices of Islais: Bus Driver	5.0	See E1	Small wayside integrated into railing.

# INTERPRETIVE VISION

## OVERALL SITE PLAN

END OF INDIANA

B  
The Cargill  
Copra Plant

A5  
Break-Bulk Cargo,  
Longshore Workers  
& the Piers

PUC PROMENADE

Water Treatment

A4

A3  
Channelization &  
Industrialization

END OF TENNESSEE

A1  
Labor & Cultural  
History of  
Islais Creek

A2  
Slaughterhouses  
& Meat Packing

Resilience  
Strategies

C

BOAT LAUNCH

D  
Natural History  
& Ecology

E

Voices of Islais  
BAYVIEW GATEWAY

200'

# INTERPRETIVE VISION

## BAYVIEW GATEWAY SITE PLAN

Aerial view of Islais Creek area with interpretive markers. The markers are represented by blue circles with labels and numbers:

- E10 Bus Driver
- E9 Skateboarder
- E8 Produce Mart Worker
- E7 Copra Worker
- E6 Vaquero
- E5 AfrAm Longshore Worker
- E4 Chinese Fisher
- E3 Scow Schooner Skipper
- E2 Yelamu Ohlone
- E1 Intro
- E Voices of Islais

**STORYTELLING DEVICES**  
RAILING STRUCTURE

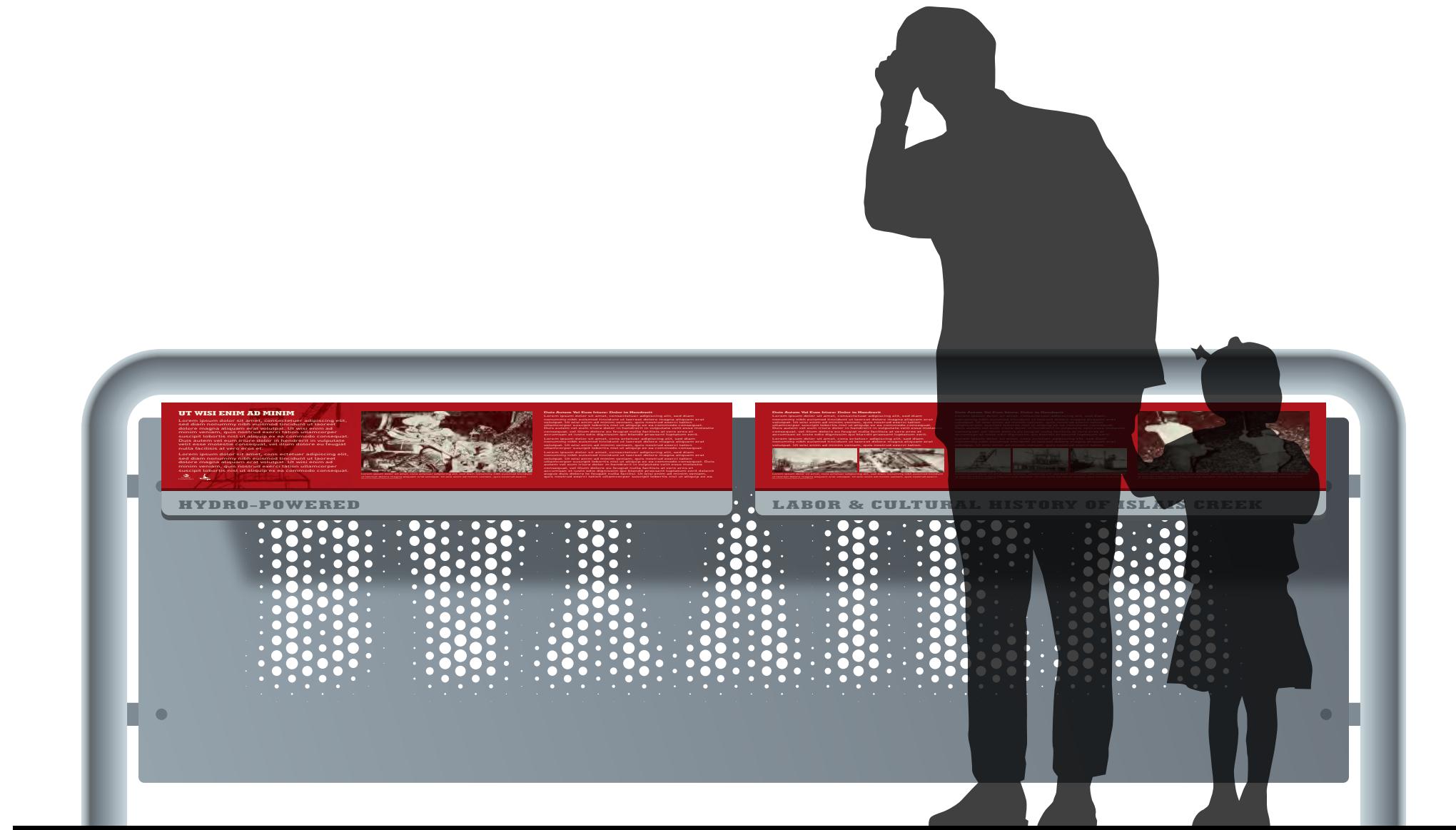


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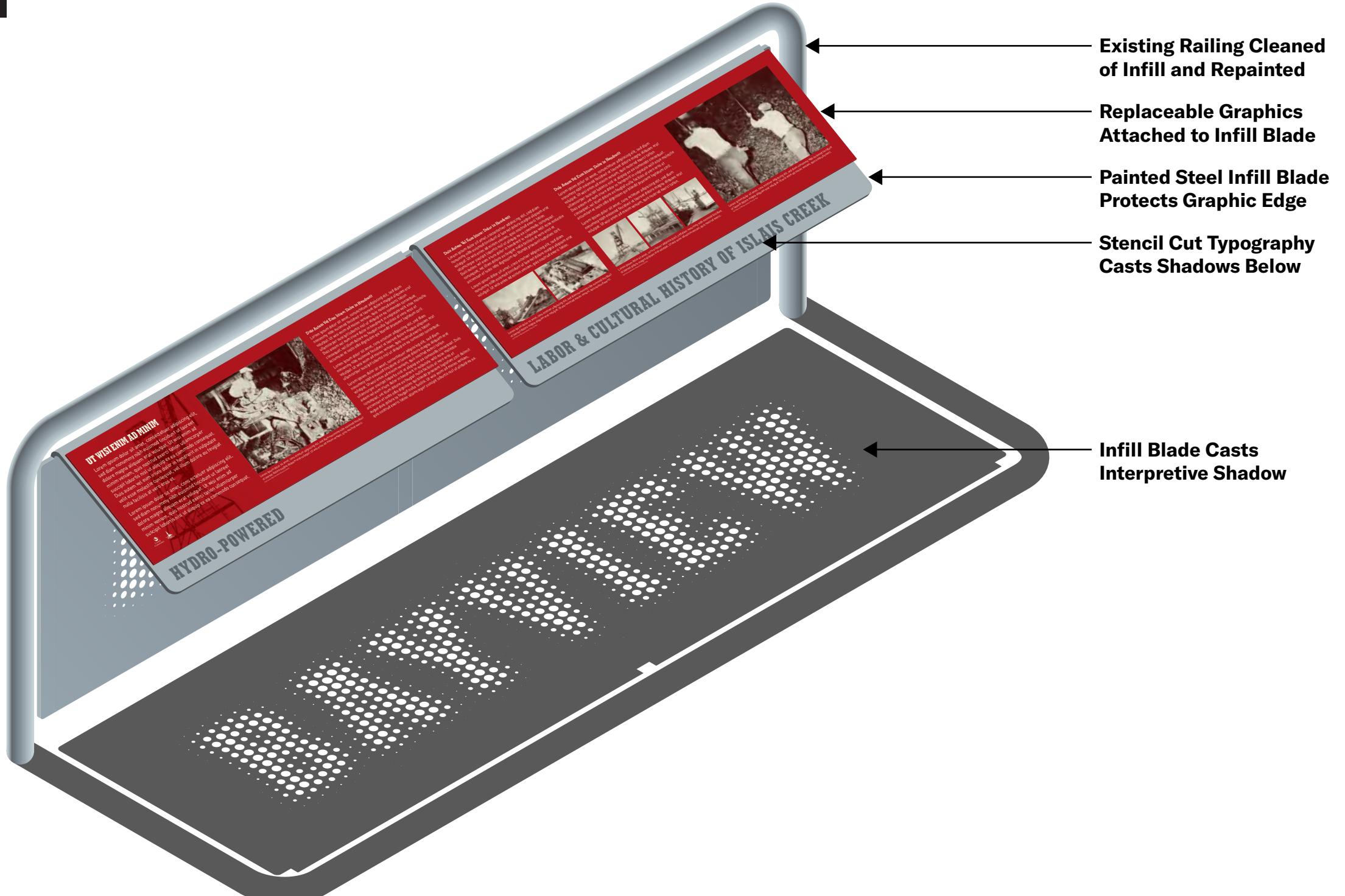
# STORYTELLING DEVICES

## EXHIBIT A1 - STORYTELLING DEVICE ELEVATION



# STORYTELLING DEVICES

## EXHIBIT A1 - ISOMETRIC



# STORYTELLING DEVICES

## EXHIBIT A1 - SAMPLE GRAPHIC

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# STORYTELLING DEVICES

## EXHIBIT A1 - IN SITU

**LOCATION:** END OF TENNESSEE

**THEMES:** LABOR & CULTURAL HISTORY



# STORYTELLING DEVICES

## EXHIBIT B - IN SITU

**LOCATION:** END OF INDIANA

**THEMES:** THE CARGILL COPRA PLANT



# STORYTELLING DEVICES

EXHIBIT B WITH SUPERGRAPHIC - IN SITU

**LOCATION:** END OF INDIANA

**THEMES:** THE CARGILL COPRA PLANT



# STORYTELLING DEVICES

## EXHIBIT A2-A5 - IN SITU

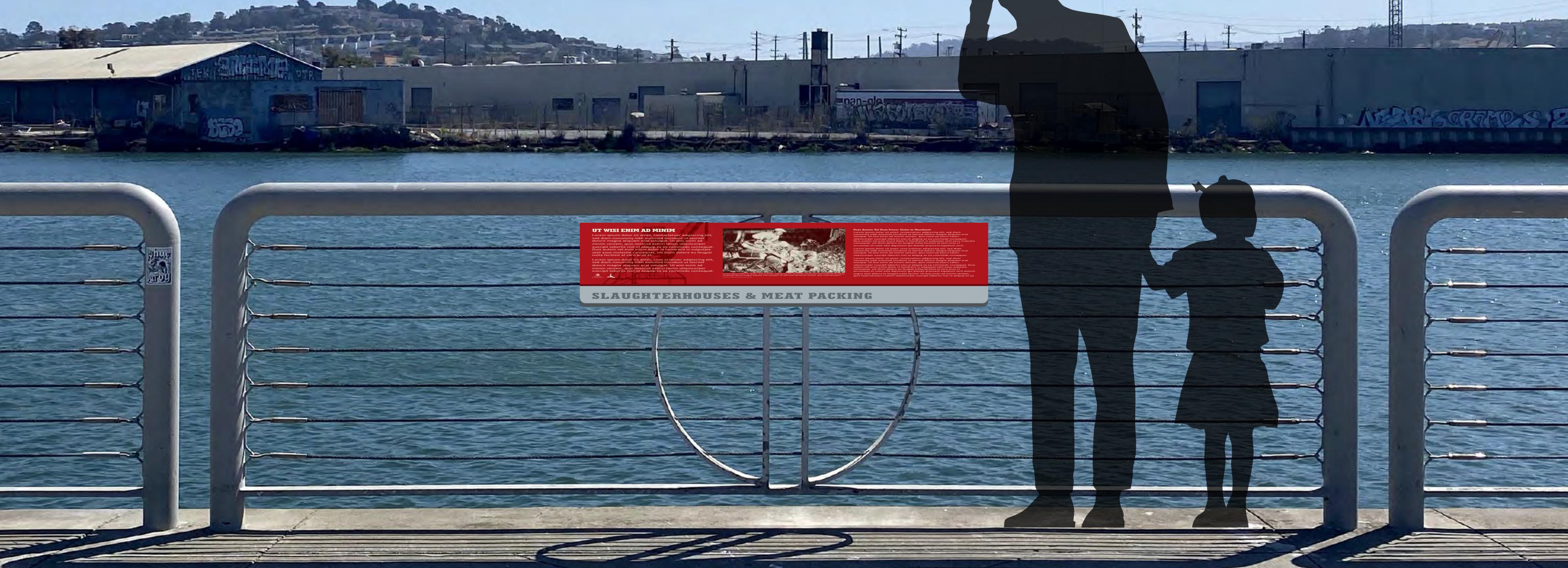
**LOCATION:** PUC PROMENADE  
**THEMES:** LABOR & CULTURE

Slaughterhouses  
& Meat Packing

Channelization &  
Industrialization

Water Treatment

Break-Bulk Cargo,  
Longshore Workers  
& the Piers



# STORYTELLING DEVICES

## EXHIBIT D - IN SITU

LOCATION: BOAT LAUNCH

THEMES: NATURAL HISTORY & ECOLOGY



# STORYTELLING DEVICES

EXHIBITS C2 (ABOVE) & C1 (BELOW) - IN SITU

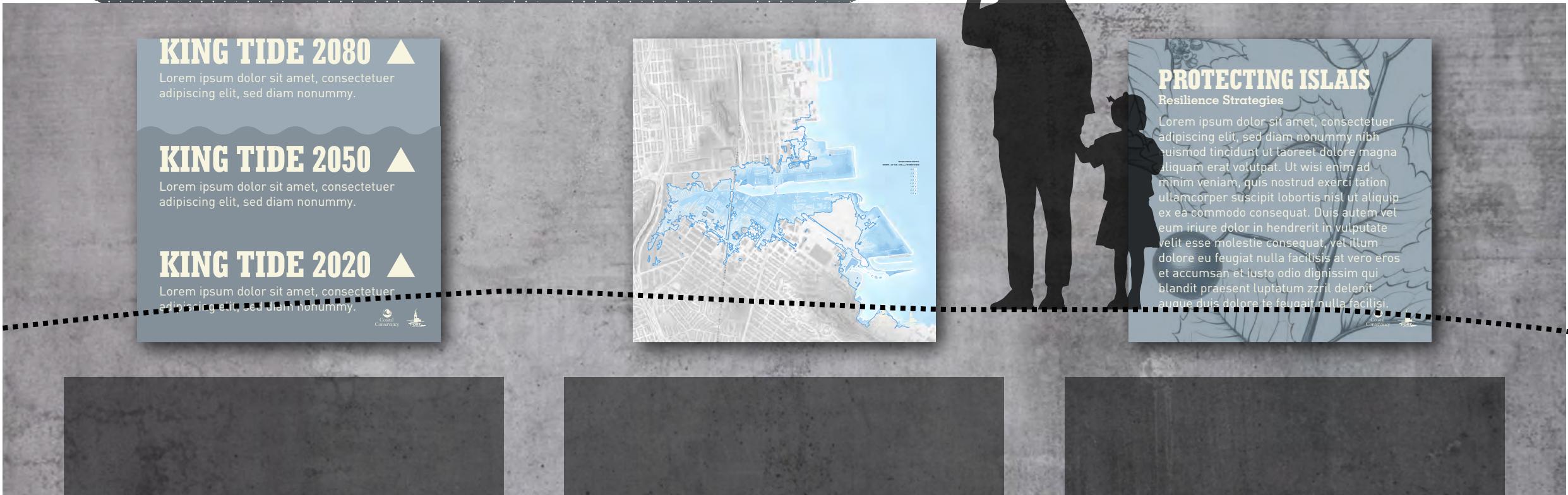
**LOCATION:** BOAT LAUNCH

**THEMES:** RESILIENCE & OHLONE



# STORYTELLING DEVICES

EXHIBITS C2 (ABOVE) & C1 (BELOW) - ELEVATION



## STORYTELLING DEVICES

EXHIBITS C2 (ABOVE) & C3 (BELOW) - ELEVATION



# STORYTELLING DEVICES

## EXHIBIT E - ELEVATION

LOCATION: BAYVIEW GATEWAY

THEMES: ALL

Intro

Yelamu  
Ohlone

Scow  
Schooner  
Skipper

Chinese  
Fisher

Vaquero

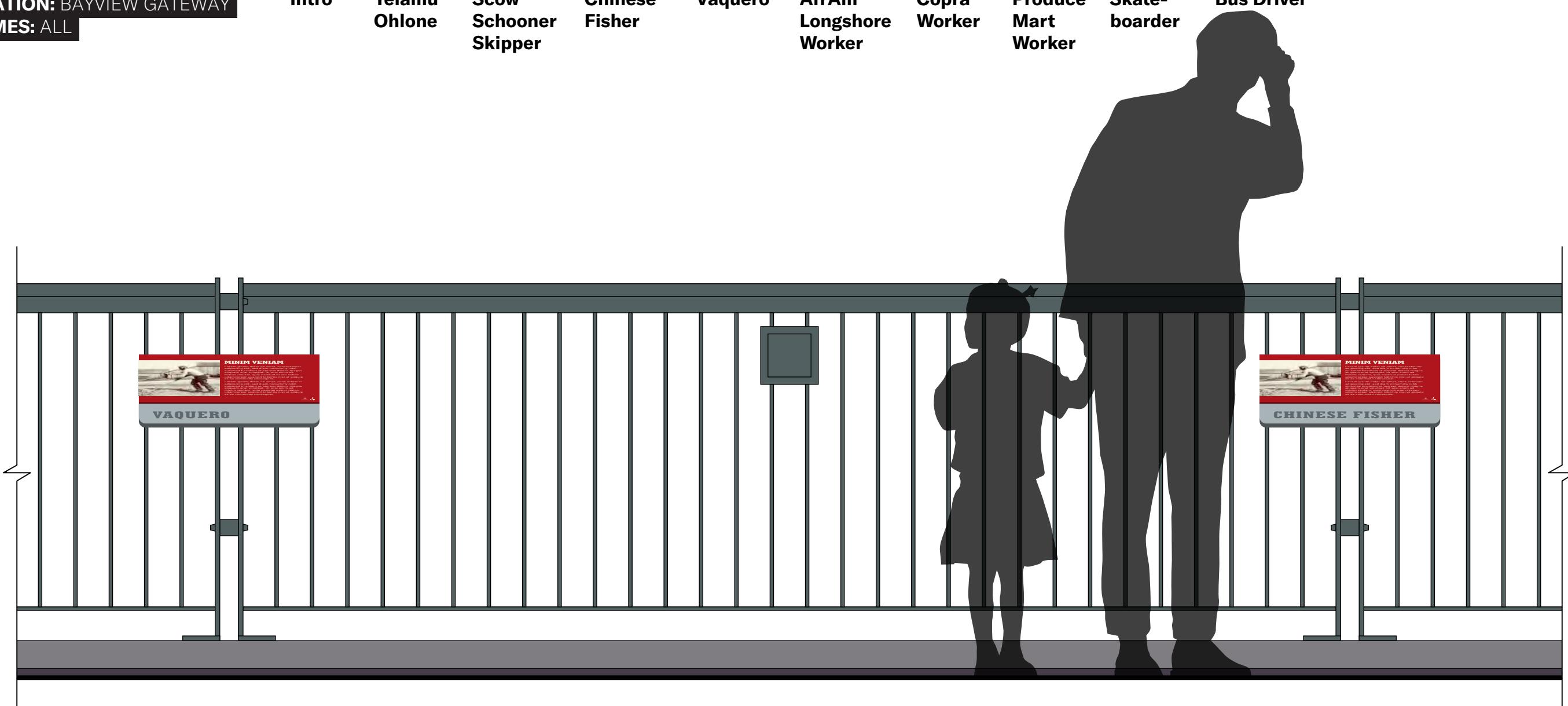
AfrAm  
Longshore  
Worker

Copra  
Worker

Produce  
Mart  
Worker

Skate-  
boarder

Bus Driver



# STORYTELLING DEVICES

## EXHIBIT F - IN SITU



Salvaged Timbers with Vertical Orientation Per Original Wall

Monolith to Create Gateway with Scale House

Applied Graphic Panel

Placed Approximate to Archeological Discovery



THANK YOU



# NEXT STEPS

- Design Completion August 2022
- Construction Through Public Works Job Order Contracting (JOC) October 2022
- Substantial Completion July 2023
- Final Completion Sept. 2023

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