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PORT ST. LUCIE



THE PORT DISTRICT: MASTER PLAN

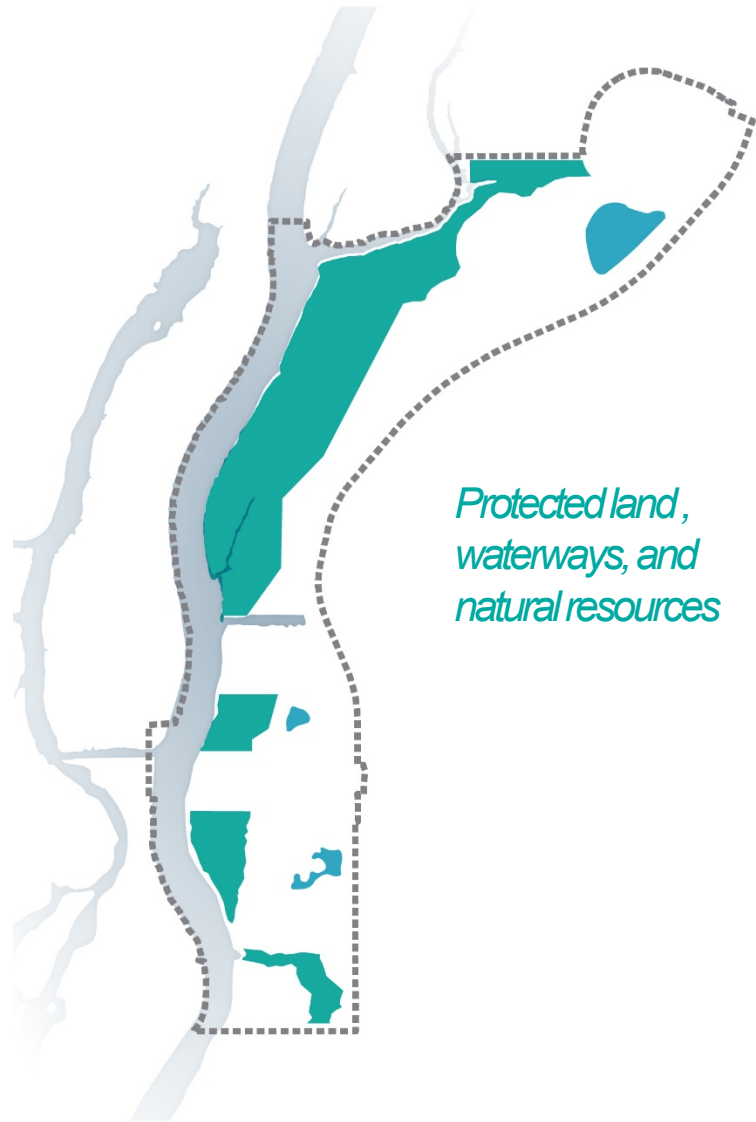
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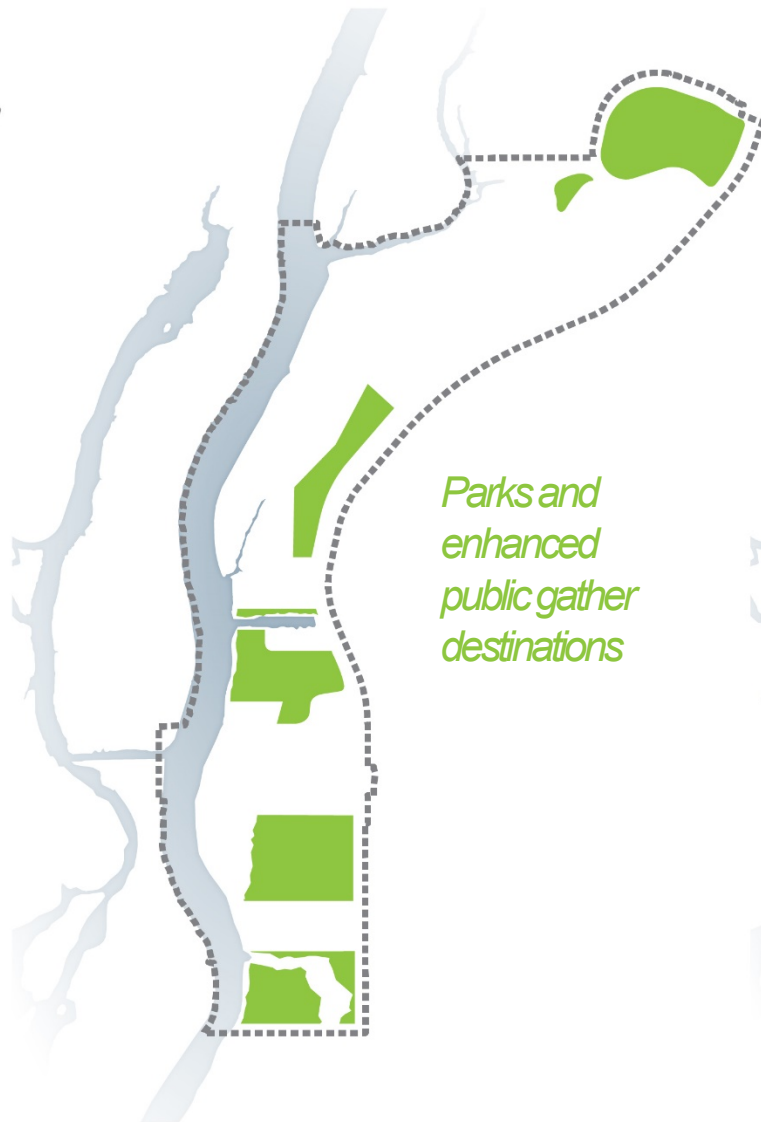
The Port District is where life meets the **River** ...

Where one can **explore** nature, **gather** with a diverse community of people, and **connect** with the river in a collection of authentic encounters.

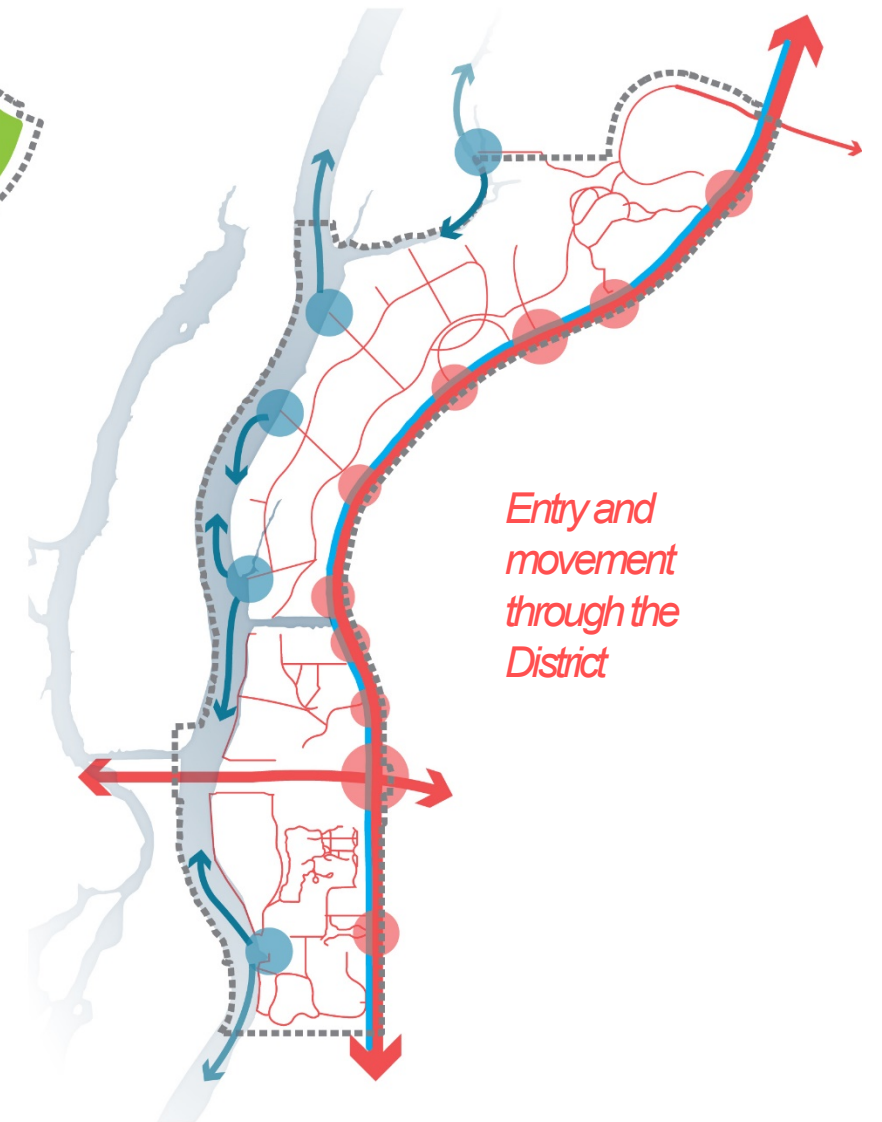
Explore



Gather



Connect



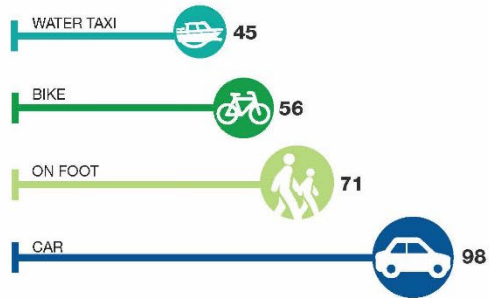
The Port District is...

COMMUNITY SURVEY SUMMARY

WHAT EXISTING FACILITY DO YOU VISIT/
USE THE MOST?



HOW WOULD YOU ACCESS THE PORT DISTRICT?



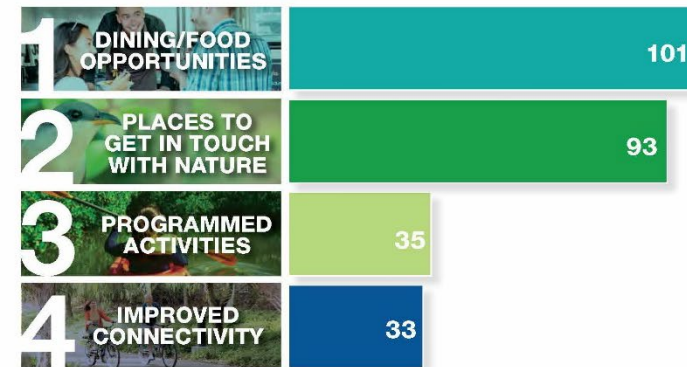
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RESPONSES

Survey responses gathered
Fall 2020

WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO DO IN THE PORT DISTRICT?
TOP CHOICES



WHAT IS MISSING MOST FROM THE PORT DISTRICT?
TOP CHOICES



The Port District could be...

POTENTIAL PROJECTS SURVEY SUMMARY

676
RESPONSES 

“ *Protect and save as much natural land as possible for people to learn about the environment.* ”

“ *Looking forward to seeing the evolution of the Port District!* ”

“ *The more activities for families, the better.* ”

Survey responses gathered
Summer 2021

WHICH PROJECTS WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE DEVELOPED?

TOP 5 PROJECTS



- 6. VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK
- 7. BRIDGE PLAZA
- 8. VETERANS MEMORIAL PARKWAY
- 9. TOM HOOPER PARK EXTENSION
- 10. GATEWAY SIGNAGE

HIGHLIGHTS

- Diversity in Exploration
- Visual Amenity
- Build Stewardship

 Potential Project Locations

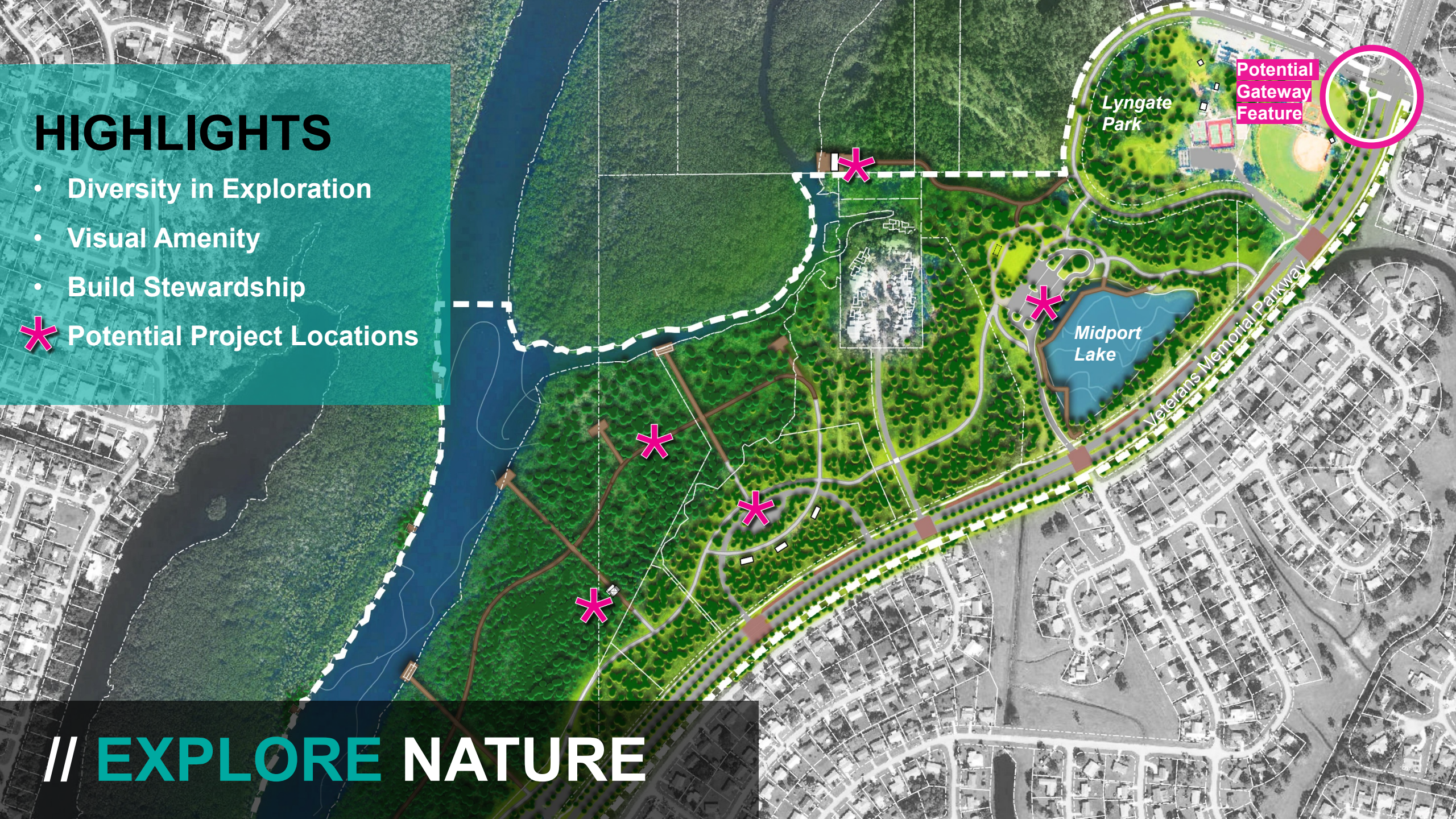
Lyngate Park

Potential Gateway Feature

Midport Lake

Veterans Memorial Parkway

// EXPLORE NATURE





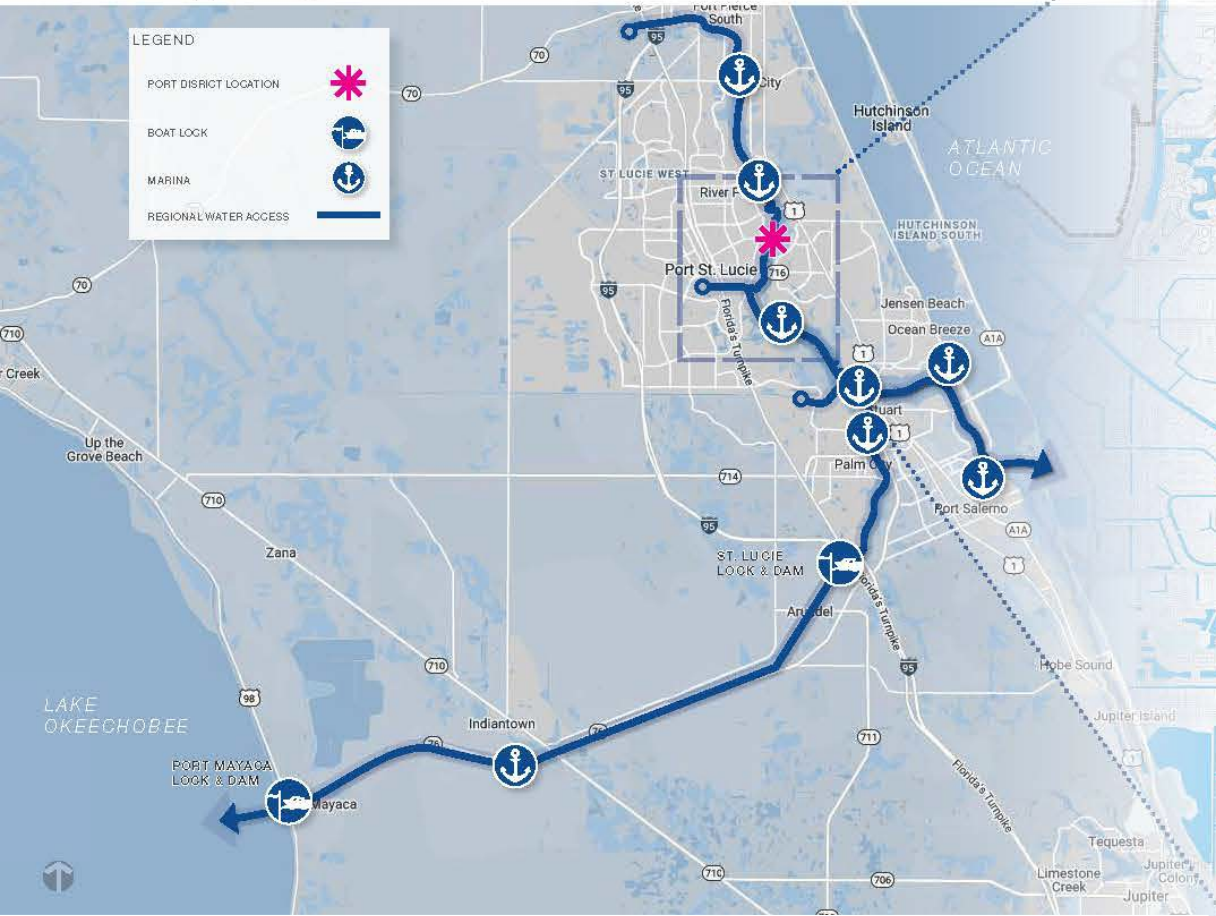
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REGIONAL CONTEXT

The following maps contextualize The Port District in terms of water access. It is approximately 40 miles from Port Mayaca at Lake Okeechobee to The Port District, and approximately 16 miles from the St. Lucie Inlet to The Port District.

LEGEND

- PORT DISTRICT LOCATION 
- BOAT LOCK 
- MARINA 
- REGIONAL WATER ACCESS 



VICINITY MAP

LEGEND

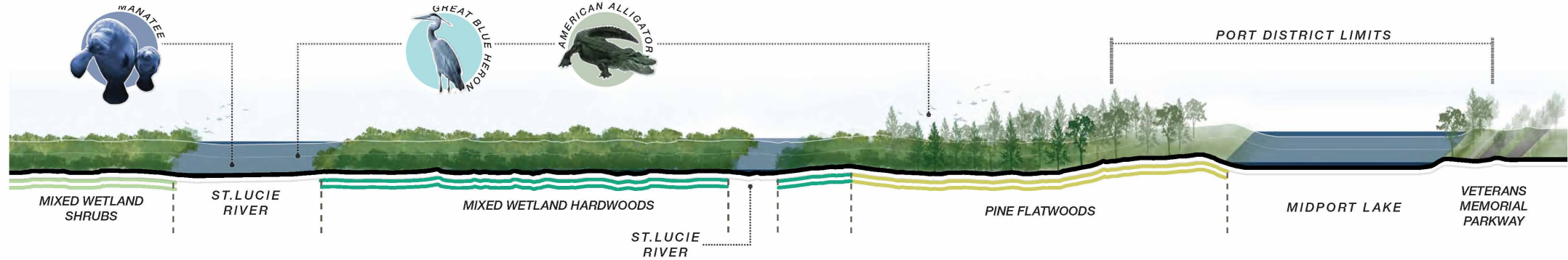
- KAYAK LAUNCH 
- BOAT RAMP/MARINA 
- PRIMARY ROUTE 
- SECONDARY ROUTE 
- PORT DISTRICT BOUNDARY 
- ST. LUCIE RIVER 
- LAKES, PONDS, CANALS 



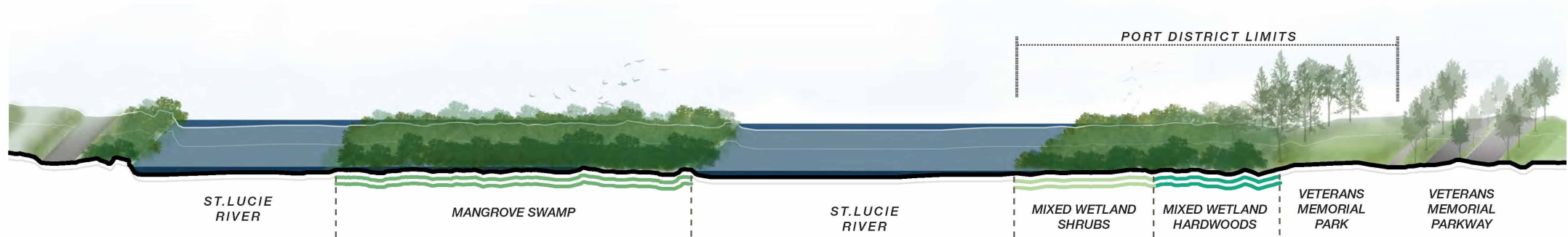
// EXPLORE THE REGION

SCALE: 1" = 1 MILE

SECTION A
ST.LUCIE RIVER - MIDPORT LAKE



SECTION B
ST.LUCIE RIVER - VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK



PSL Study Area is unique in the mass of protected and conserved open space that provides a rich habitat for protected and endangered species. This habitat is not only an environmental resource, but provides that essence of authenticity and uniqueness that should define the "Port" brand.

Mangroves
The Mangrove forest system is protected and any alteration must go the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for permitting requirements

Florida Manatee
Manatees, protected under the Endangered Species Act, live in the North Fork of the St Lucie River. Water pollution from canals, sediment, non native floating species, muck, boating are interfere with their existence.



American Alligator
As the official state reptile of Florida, the alligator has an enormous habitat range. An alligator can live in fresh or brackish water, which includes canals, lakes, marshes, swamps, rivers, creeks and ponds. Preserving green corridors such as this is important because without alligators, many other species supported by their presence would suffer as well.



Great Blue Heron
One of many water birds species to call this area home, Great Blue Herons rely on trees and mangroves for their nesting colonies. Preserving their natural habitat is very important because, as a keystone species, herons keep other species, like frogs, insects, and lizards, from being too prolific, resulting in an environmental imbalance.





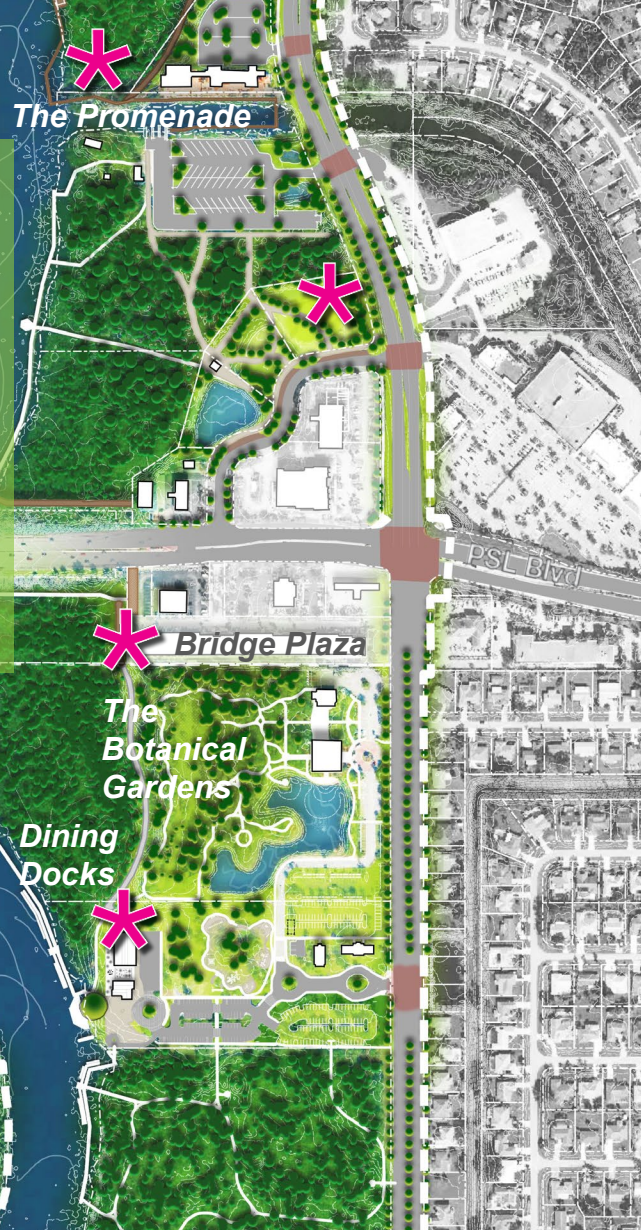
// EXPLORE ART

Potential Projects: **EXPLORE**

- Iconic Overlook Tower
- Remote Camping Pad
- Kayak Launches + Outpost
- Kayak Purveyor + Bait Shop
- Day-use Docks
- Boardwalk Networks + Overlooks

HIGHLIGHTS

- Retail Activation
- Connected + Cohesive
- Open Space
- Room for Growth



HIGHLIGHTS

- Diversity in scale
- Varied experiences
- All ages and groups
- ✖ Potential Project Locations

// **GATHER IN NATURE**

Dining Docks



// **GATHER** TOGETHER

Dining Docks



// GATHER WATERSIDE

Bridge Plaza Reimagined



// **GATHER** COMMUNITY

Bridge Plaza Reimagined



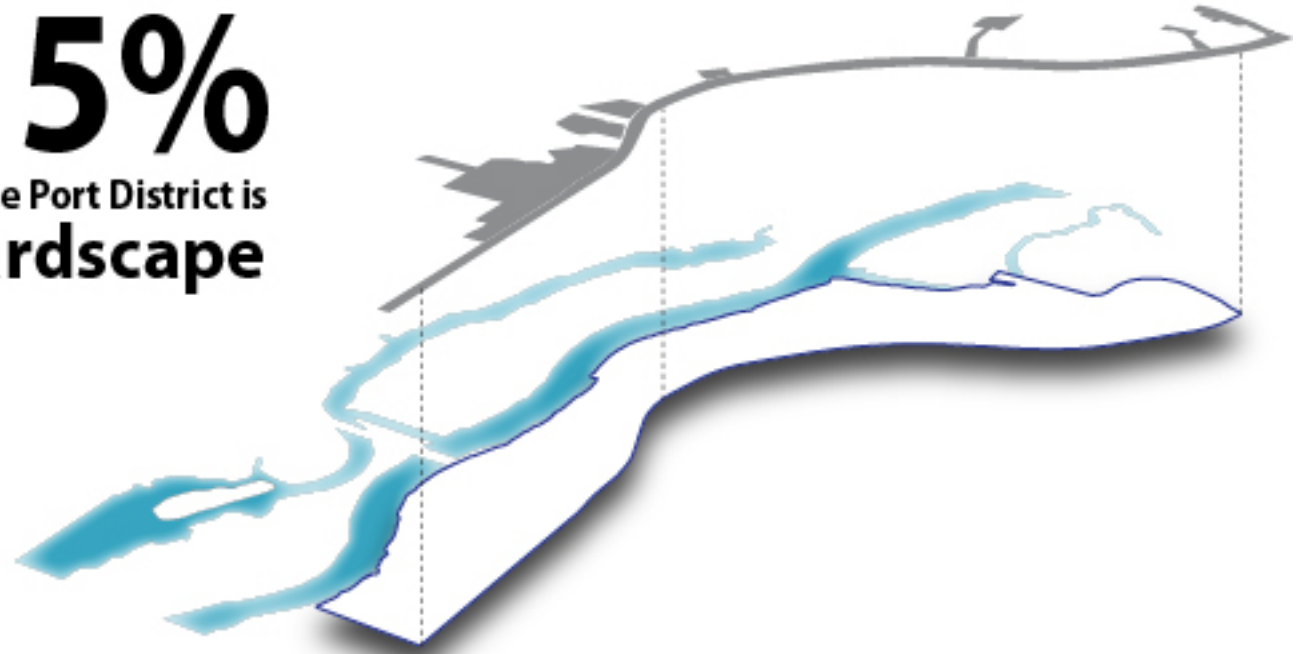
// **GATHER WITH A VIEW**



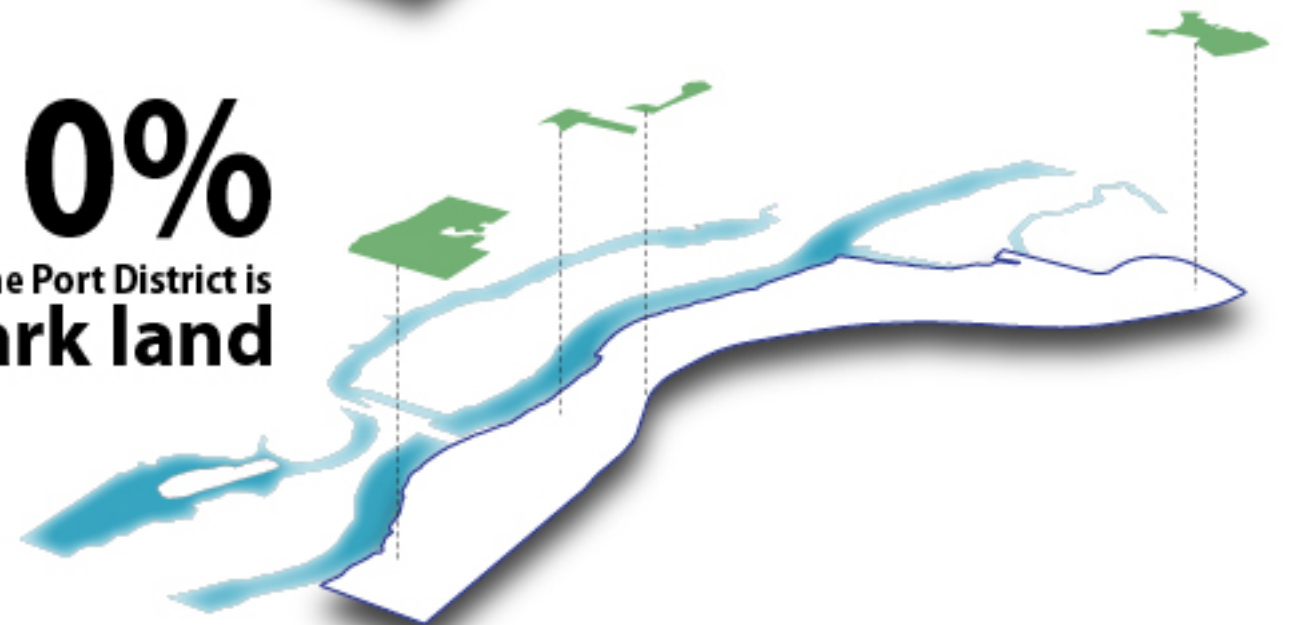
// **GATHER** MIDPORT LAKE



15%
of the Port District is
hardscape



10%
of the Port District is
park land



// **GATHER PLAY**

Potential Projects: **GATHER**

- Dining Docks at Pioneer Park
- Bridge Plaza Signature Building
- Grow Tom Hooper Park
- Enhance Midport Lake Park
- Consider Midport or Tom Hooper extension for First Responders Park
- Enhance Veterans Memorial Park
- Picnic Area + Pavilion with Parking

HIGHLIGHTS

- Increased River Access
- Bikeable + Walkable District
- Parking Access
- ✳ Potential Project Locations

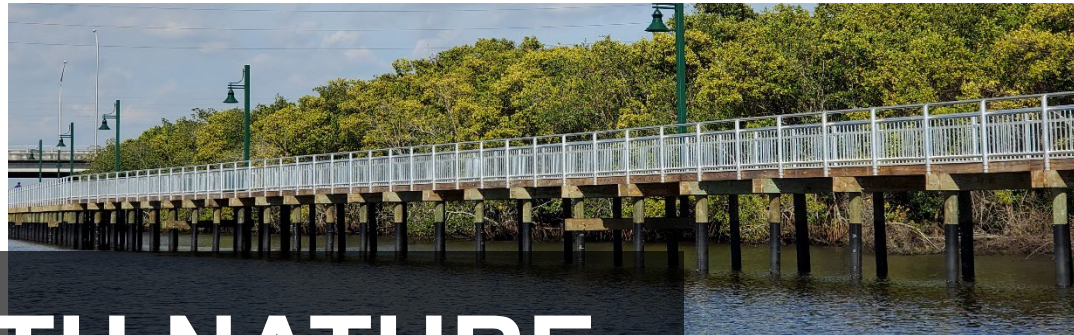


Lyngate Park

Midport Lake

Veterans Memorial Park

// **CONNECT COMMUNITY**



// **CONNECT WITH NATURE**

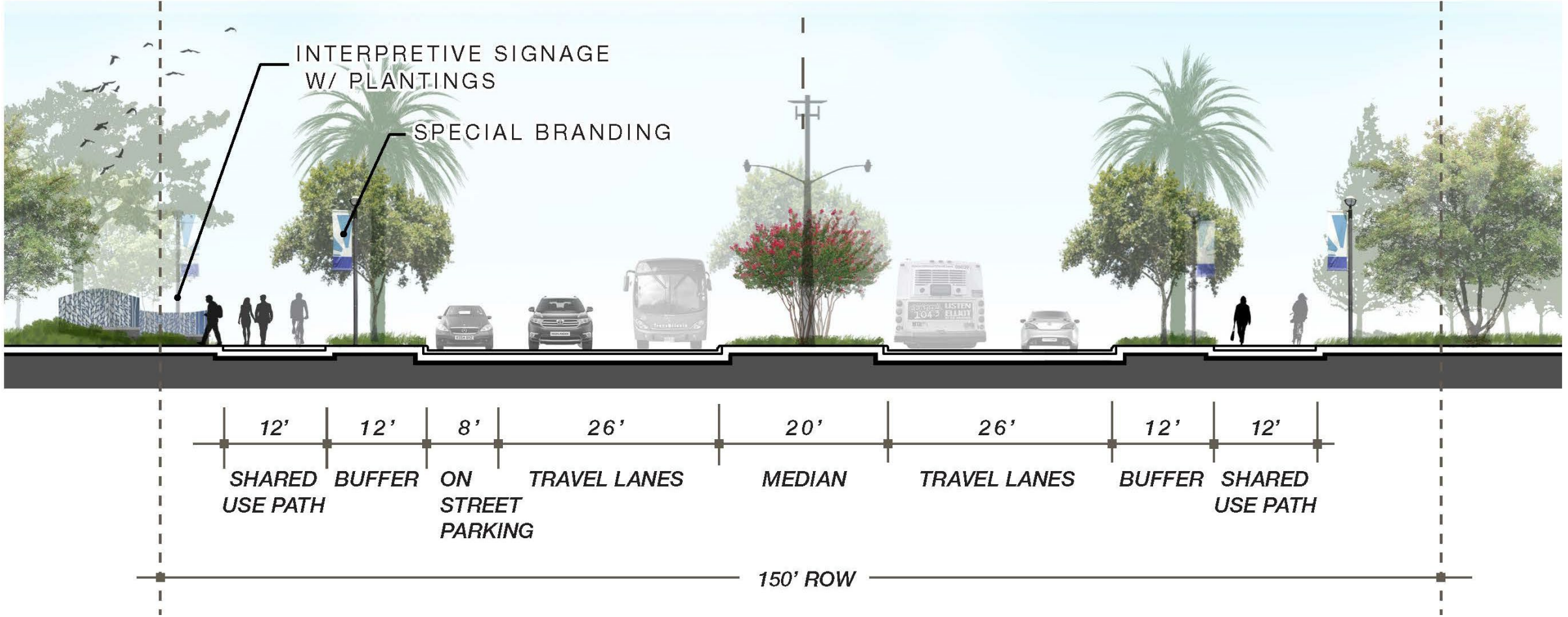


Mangroves
30-50%
Benefit of Mangroves
Help Protect Mangroves

// **CONNECT WITH THE RIVER**

PROPOSED

VETERANS MEMORIAL PARKWAY, 150' ROW



// **CONNECT SAFELY**



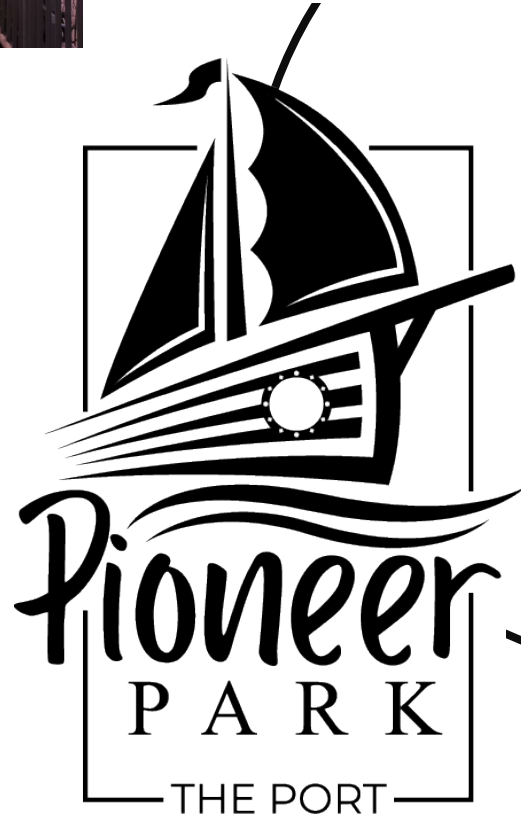
// **CONNECT GATEWAYS**





THE PORT

Port St. Lucie



// **CONNECT BETTER**

Potential Projects: **CONNECT**

- Increase Boating Opportunities
- Connect the District with Trails
- Enhance Streetscape (River to the Road)
- Strengthen the Brand across the District
- Pedestrian Connections + Expanded Parking at Veterans Memorial Park

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