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Midtown Greenway Access Improvements Open House



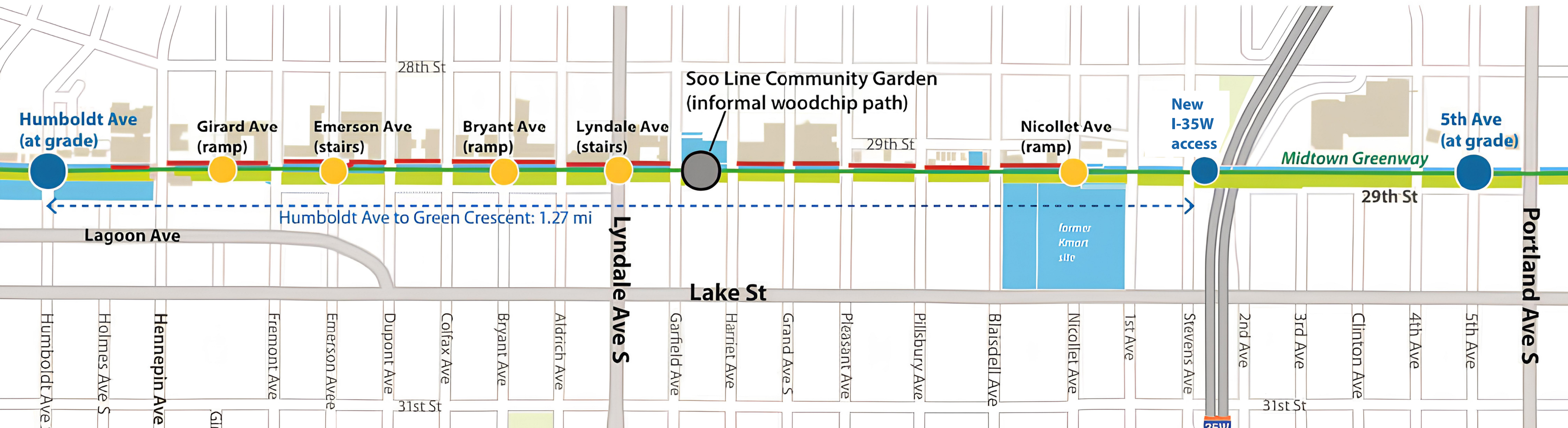
Midtown Greenway access points

Within and around Whittier Neighborhood

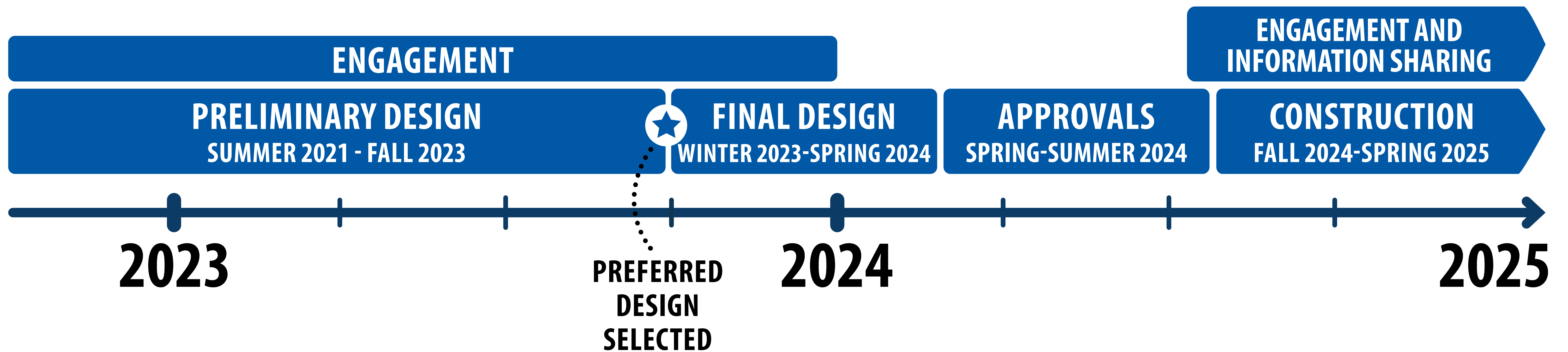
Access Points

- Limited trail access
- Inclusive trail access

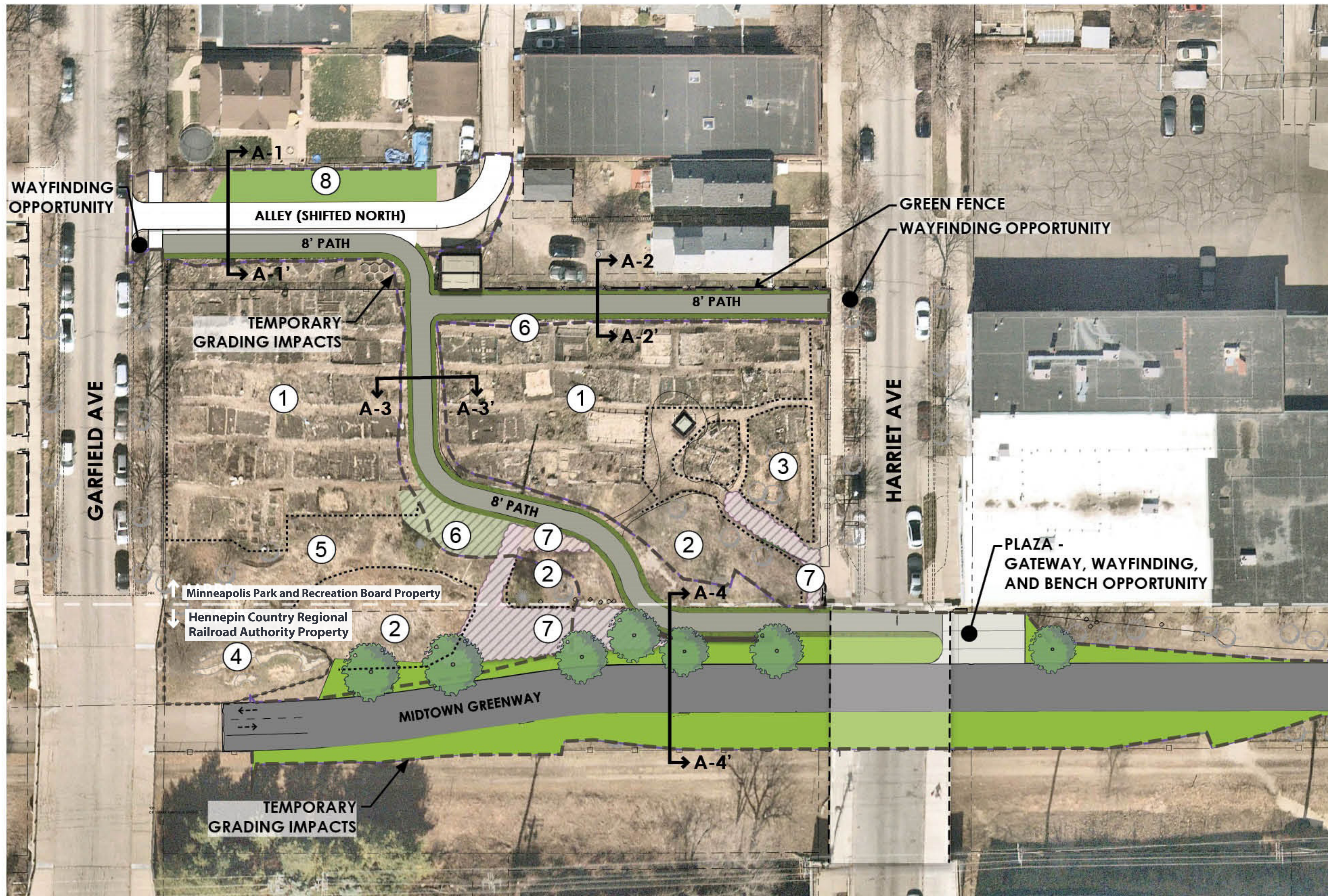
- Retaining walls
- Adjacent buildings
- HCRRRA — future transit location
- Publicly owned parcels



PROJECT SCHEDULE



CONCEPT A

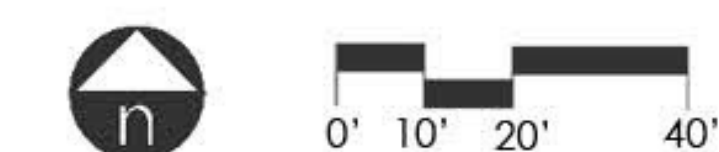


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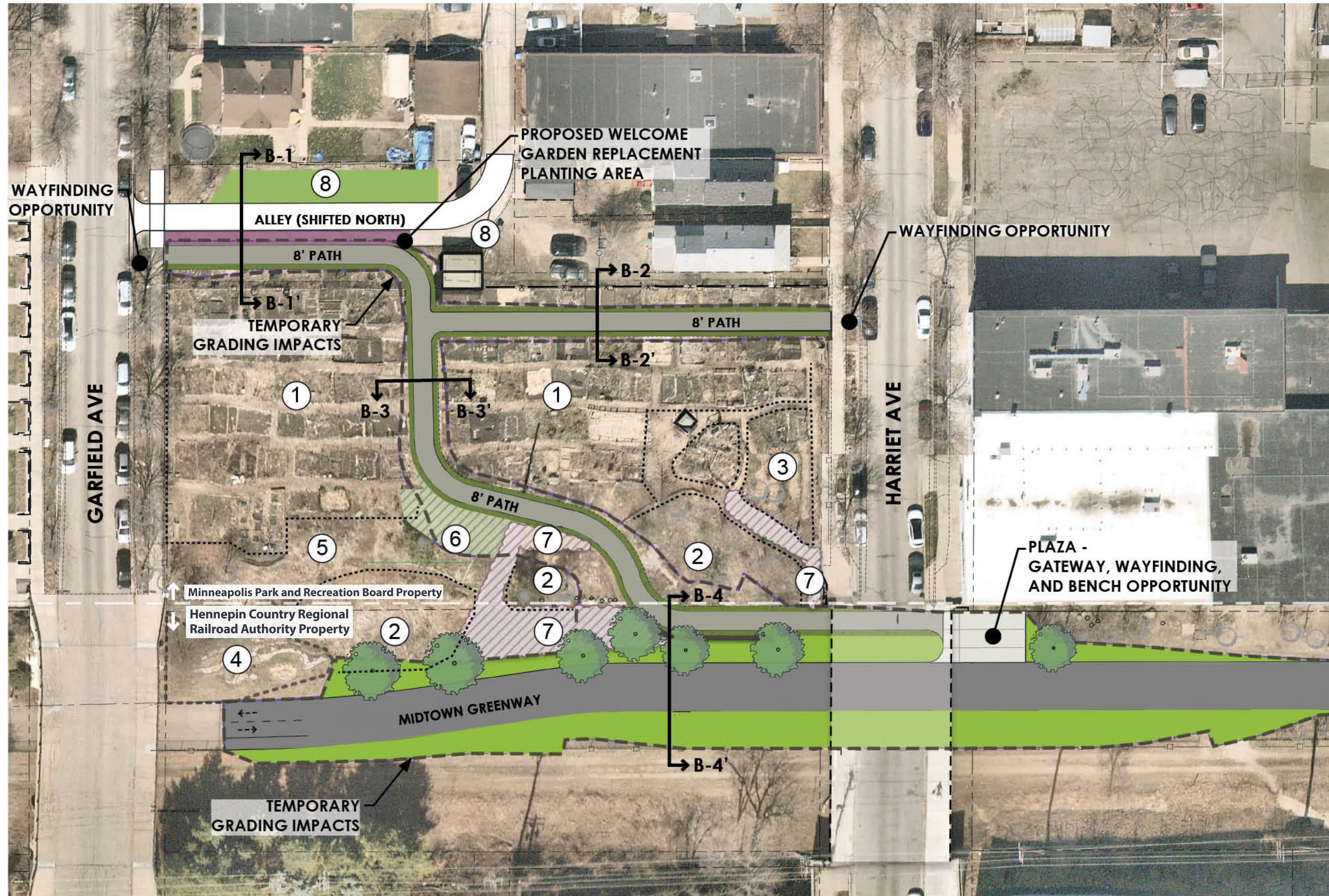
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- GREENWAY PLANTINGS
- PROPOSED TRAIL BUFFER ZONE (I.E. CLOVER)
- PROPOSED TREE
- TEMPORARY GRADING IMPACTS



CONCEPT B

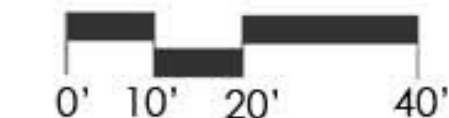


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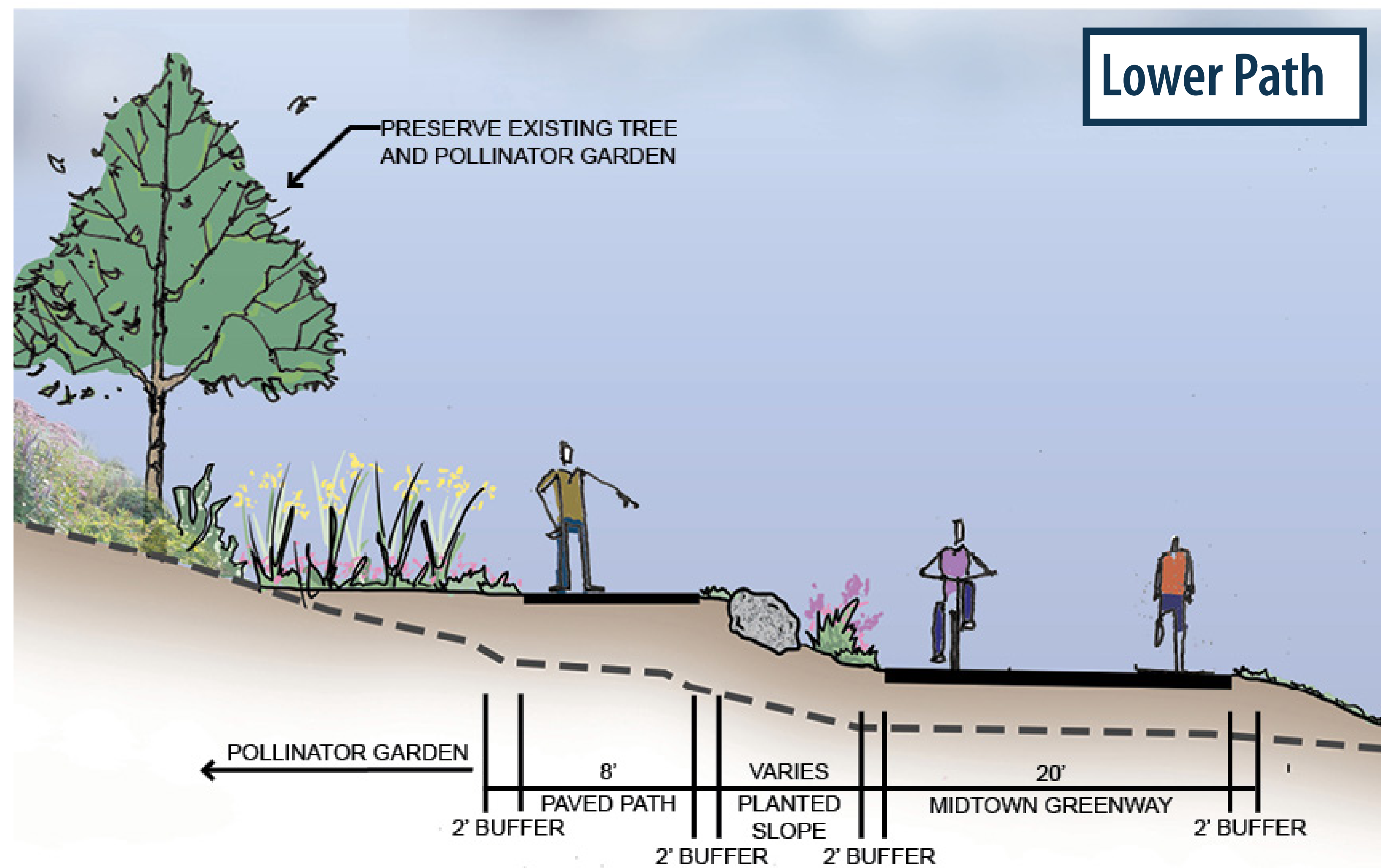
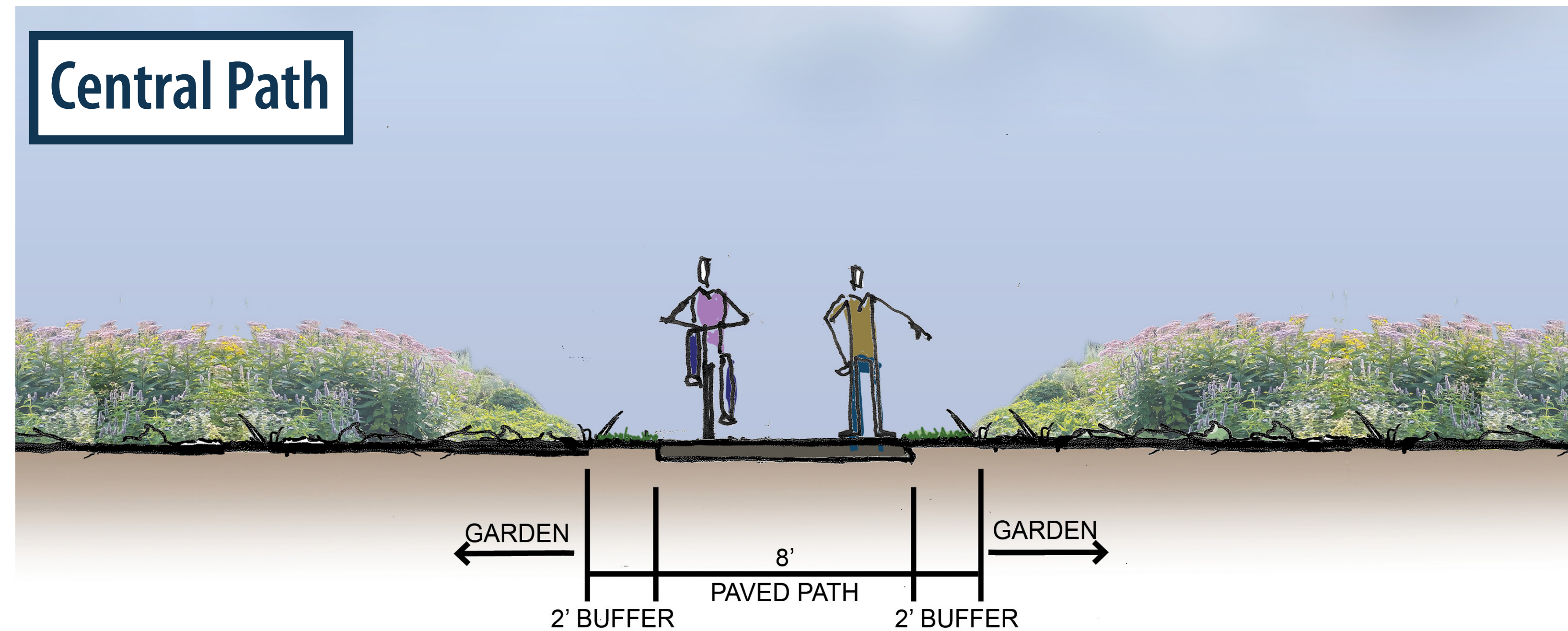
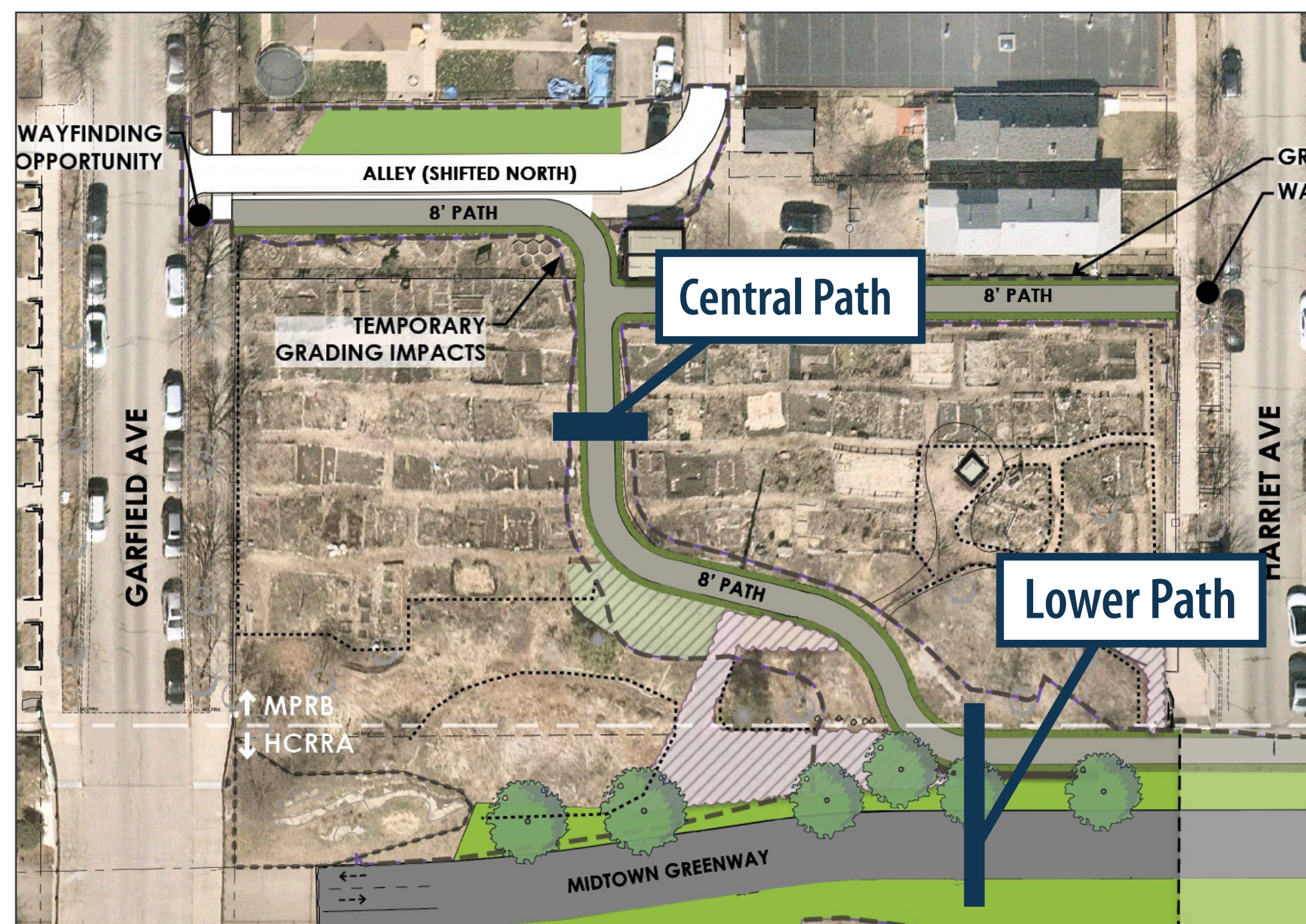
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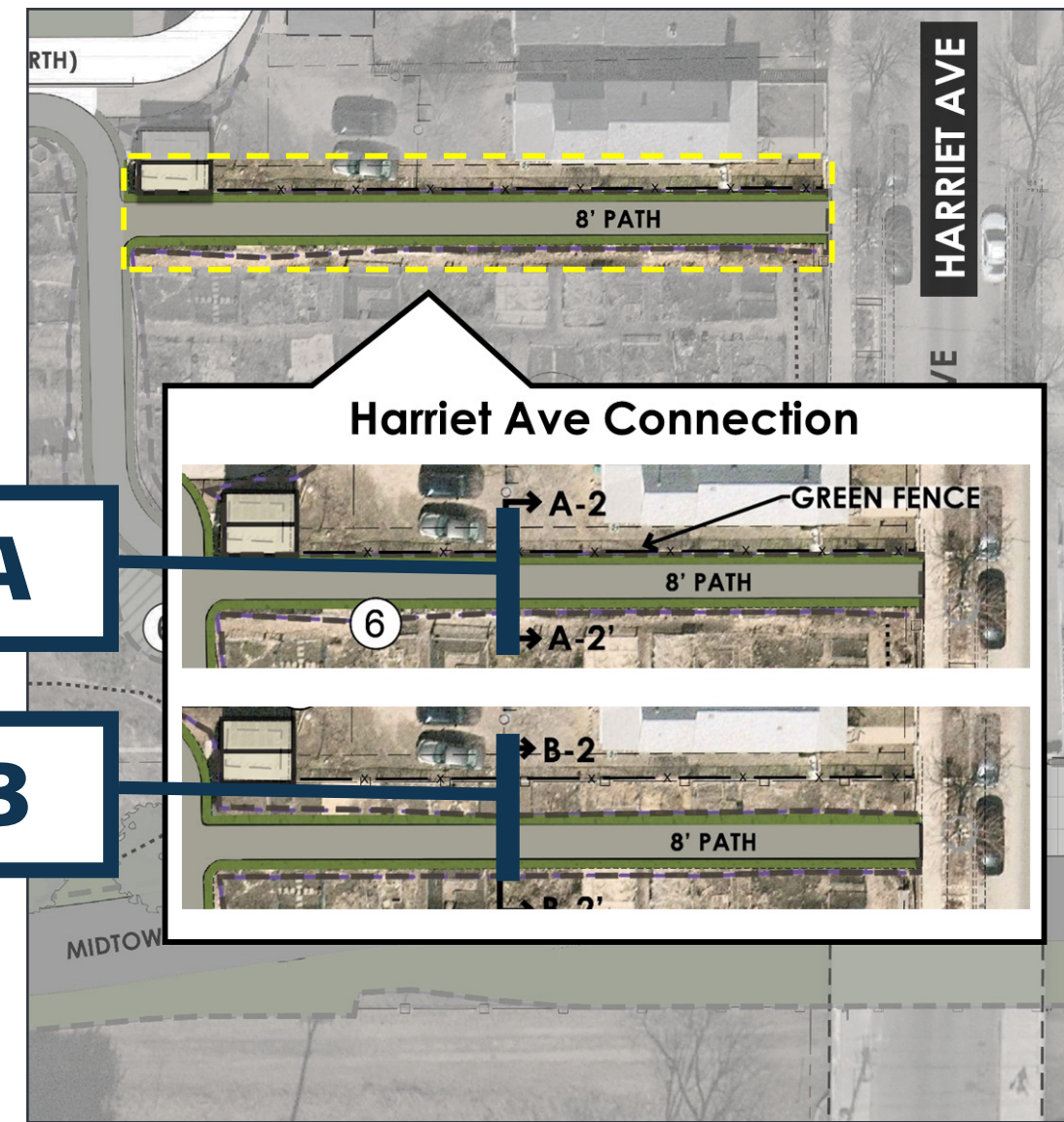


MIDTOWN GREENWAY CONNECTION

The new trail will provide an accessible connection to the Midtown Greenway while keeping 95% of the Soo Line Community Garden intact.



HARRIET AVENUE

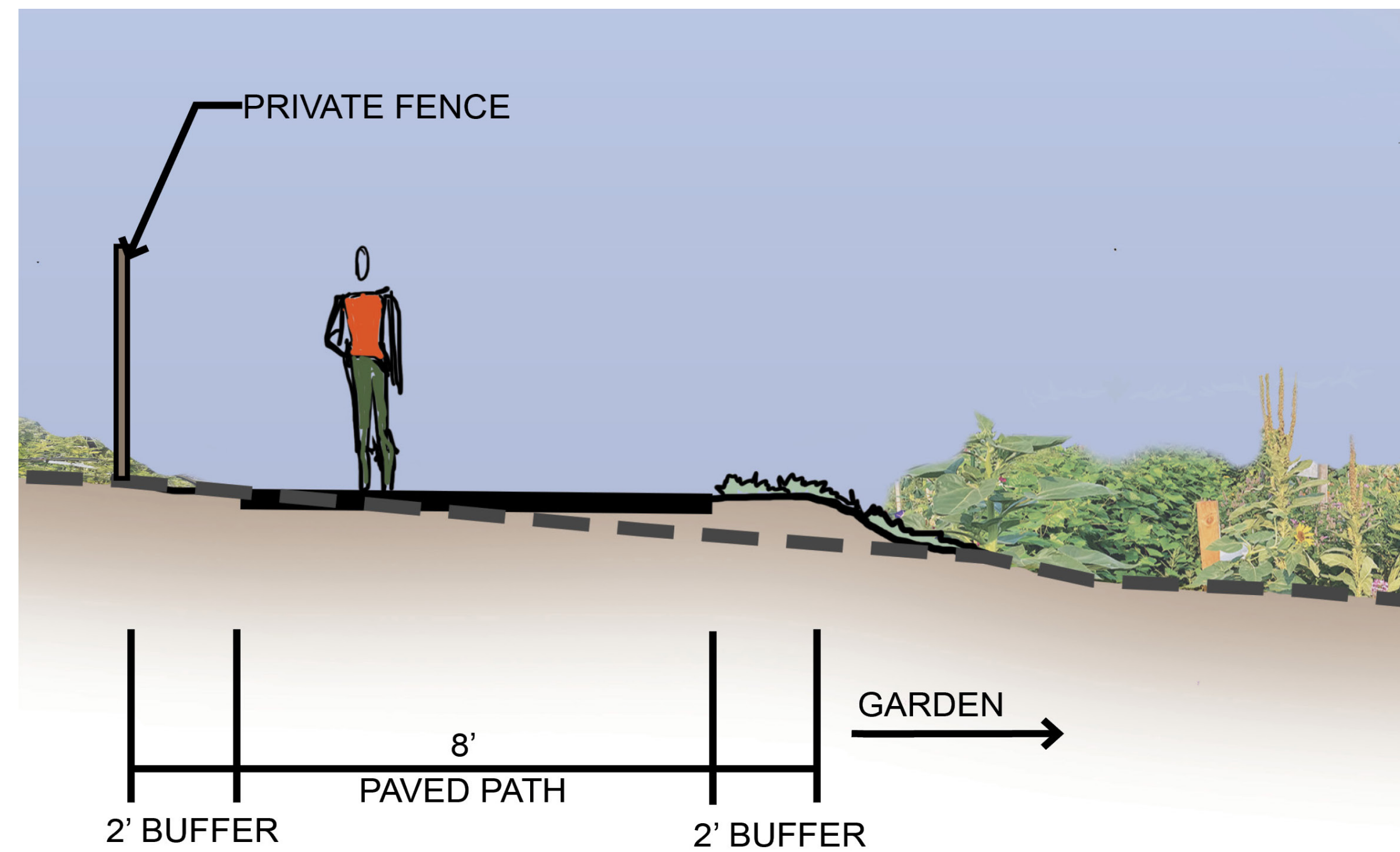


Concept A

Concept B

Concept A

8-foot-wide trail along north edge of garden



PRIVATE FENCE

2' BUFFER

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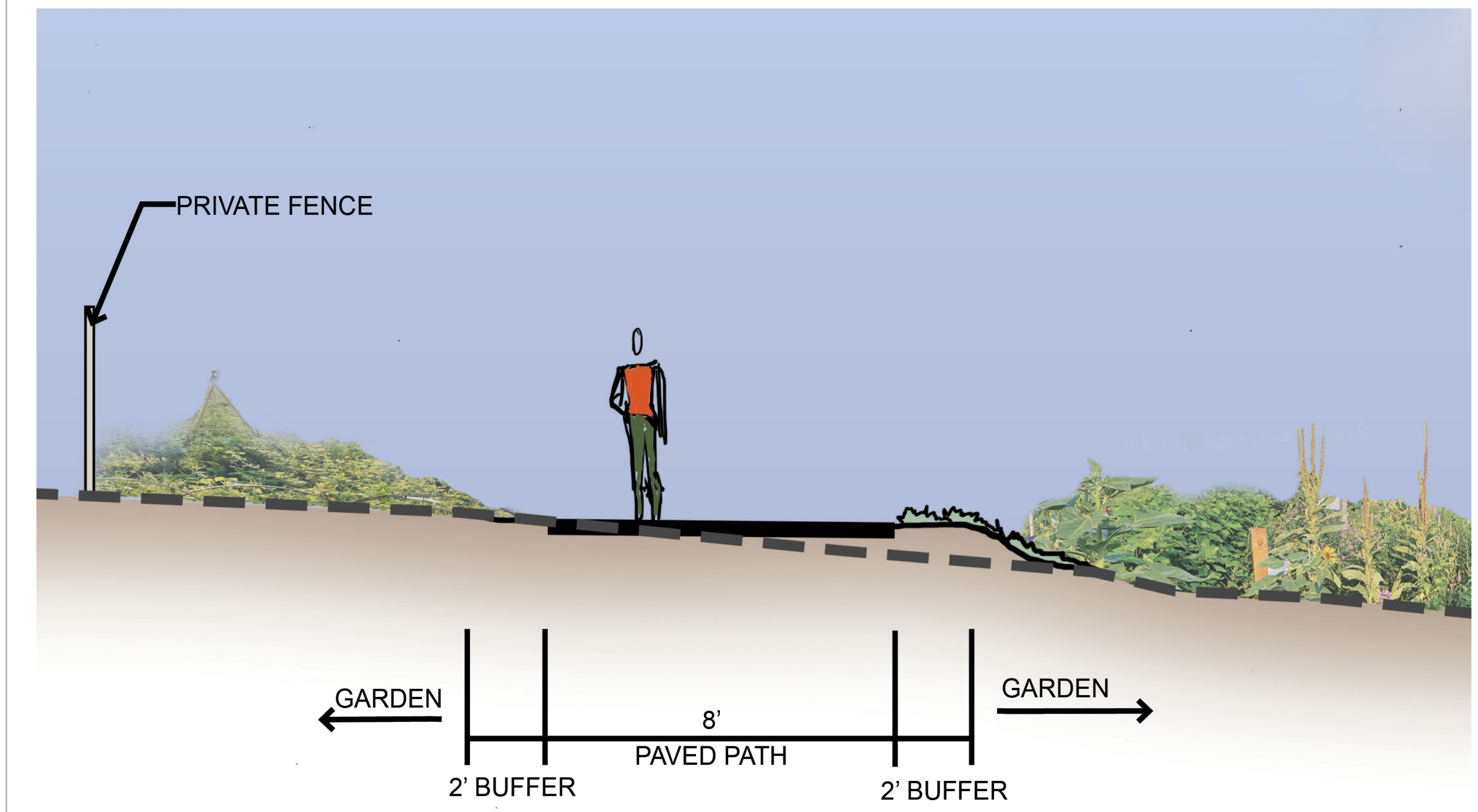
PAVED PATH

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GARDEN

Concept B

8-foot-wide trail centered on existing mulch path



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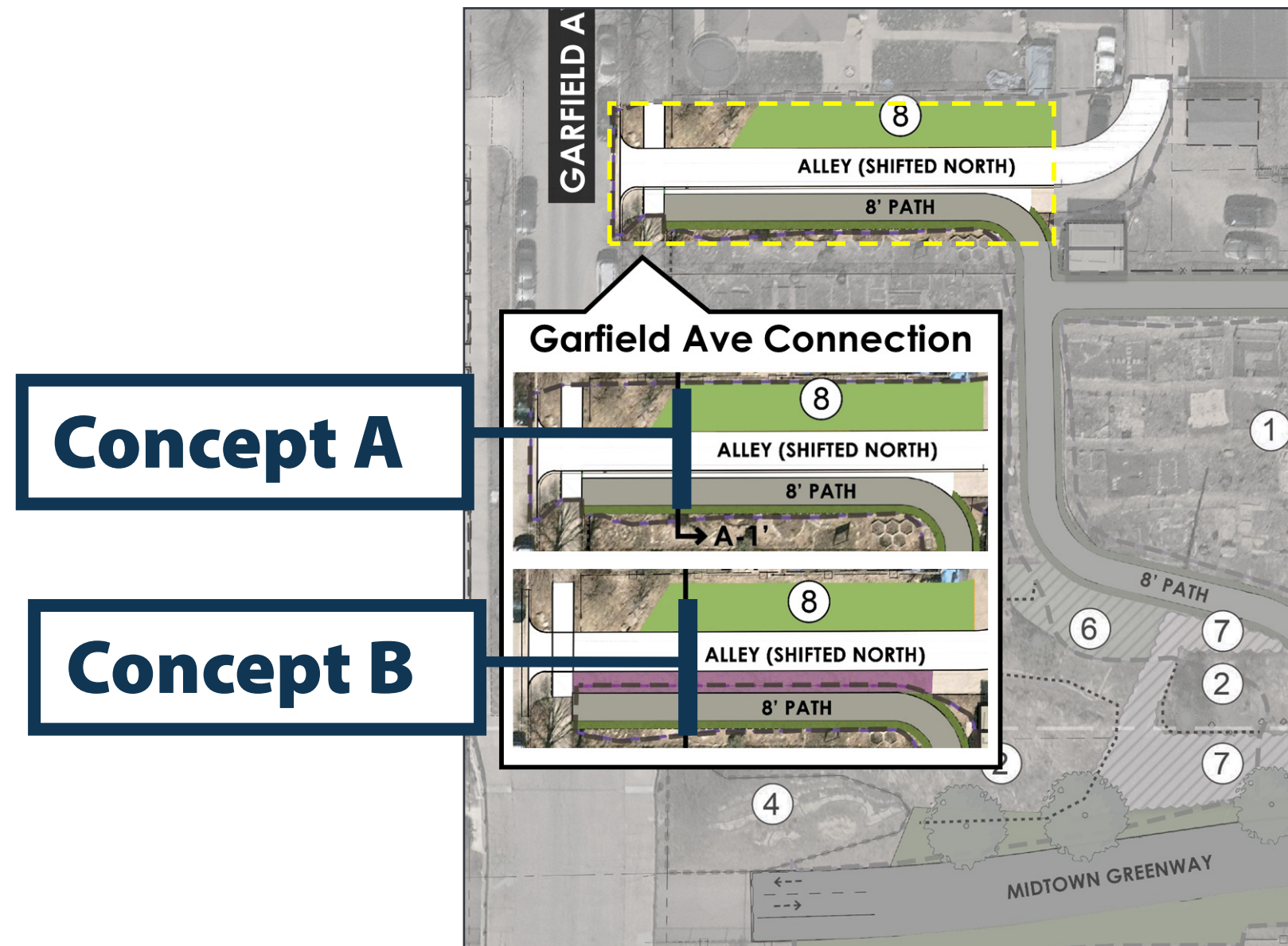
GARDEN

EXISTING

3 to 5-foot-wide mulch trail to provide access to garden plots



GARFIELD AVENUE



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Concept B

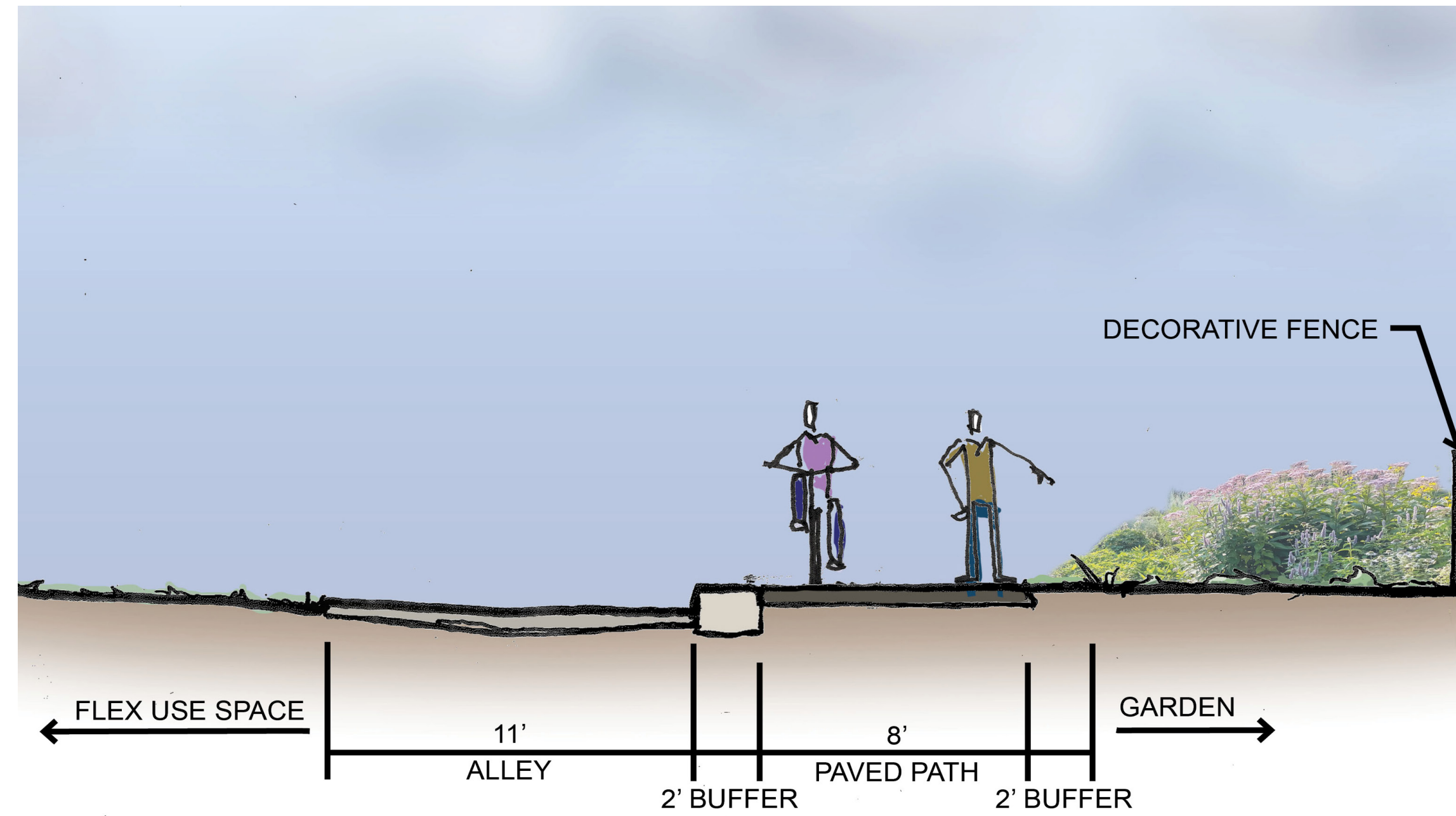
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Alley provides primary access



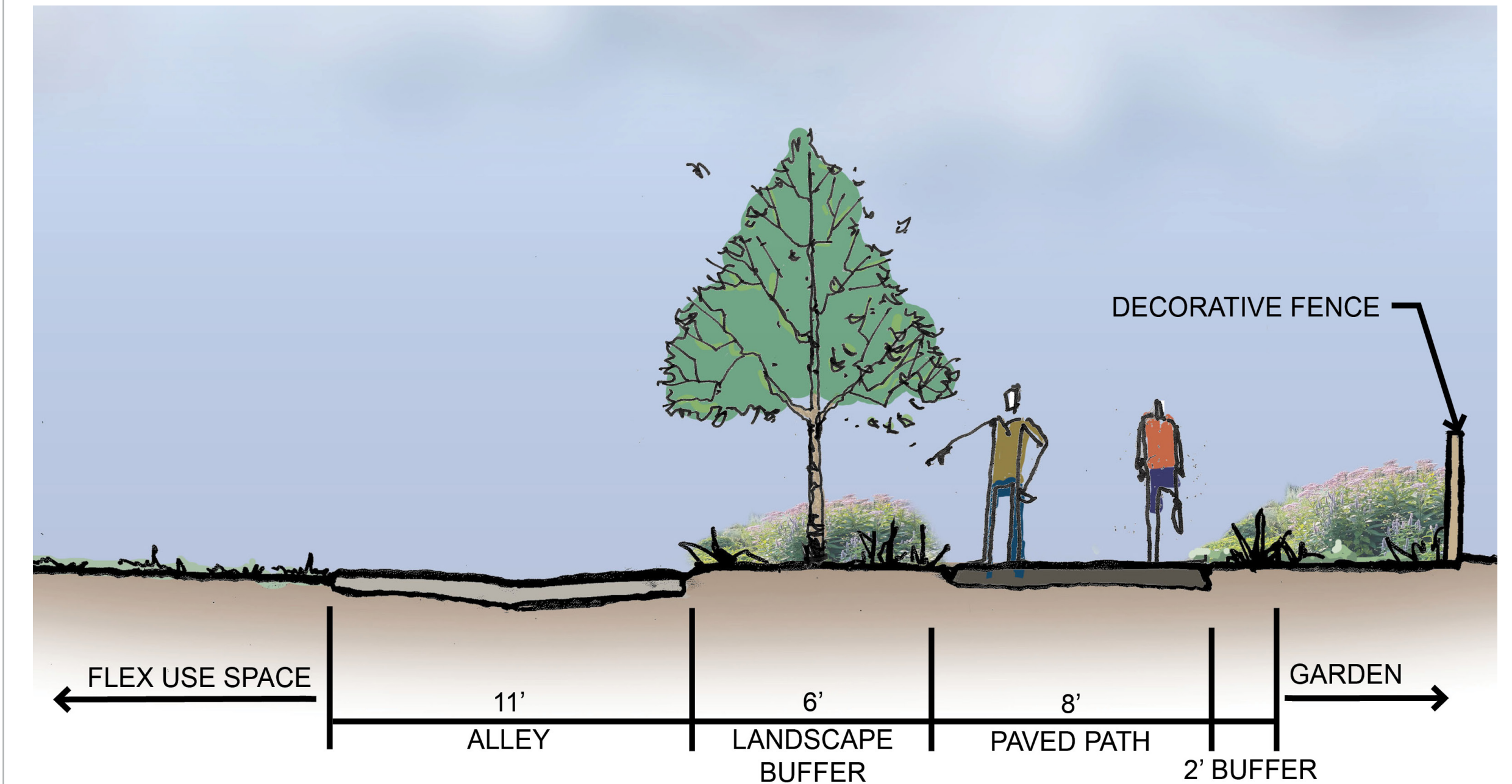
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8-foot-wide trail adjacent to alley



Concept B

8-foot-wide trail centered in space between alley and garden fence



CONSTRUCTION TECHNIQUES

- Use smaller scale construction equipment to minimize garden impacts
- Use the maintenance road and alley areas for material delivery
- Consider alternative paving materials
- Consider growing and nesting seasons in techniques and timing



ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

Project reviewed for environmental impacts:

- MnDOT wildlife ecologist
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- Minnesota Department of Natural Resources
- Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

The project will:

- Avoid application of herbicides, insecticides and fungicides
- Provide more than 2,000 square feet of new pollinator plantings

