

# San Francisco Arts Commission Civic Design Review

February 13, 2012

San Francisco International Airport  
Replacement Airport Traffic Control Tower and FAA / Airport Integrated Facility



## Project Definition

- New Airport Traffic Control Tower to replace the existing structurally deficient tower to meet seismic design requirements and other current FAA safety and security design standards
- New FAA tower base facilities to support the new tower
- Replacement non-secure corridor between Terminal 1 and Terminal 2
- Secure connector to allow passengers to walk between Terminal 1 and Terminal 2 boarding areas without exiting and going back through a security checkpoint



Existing Airport Traffic Control Tower to be replaced

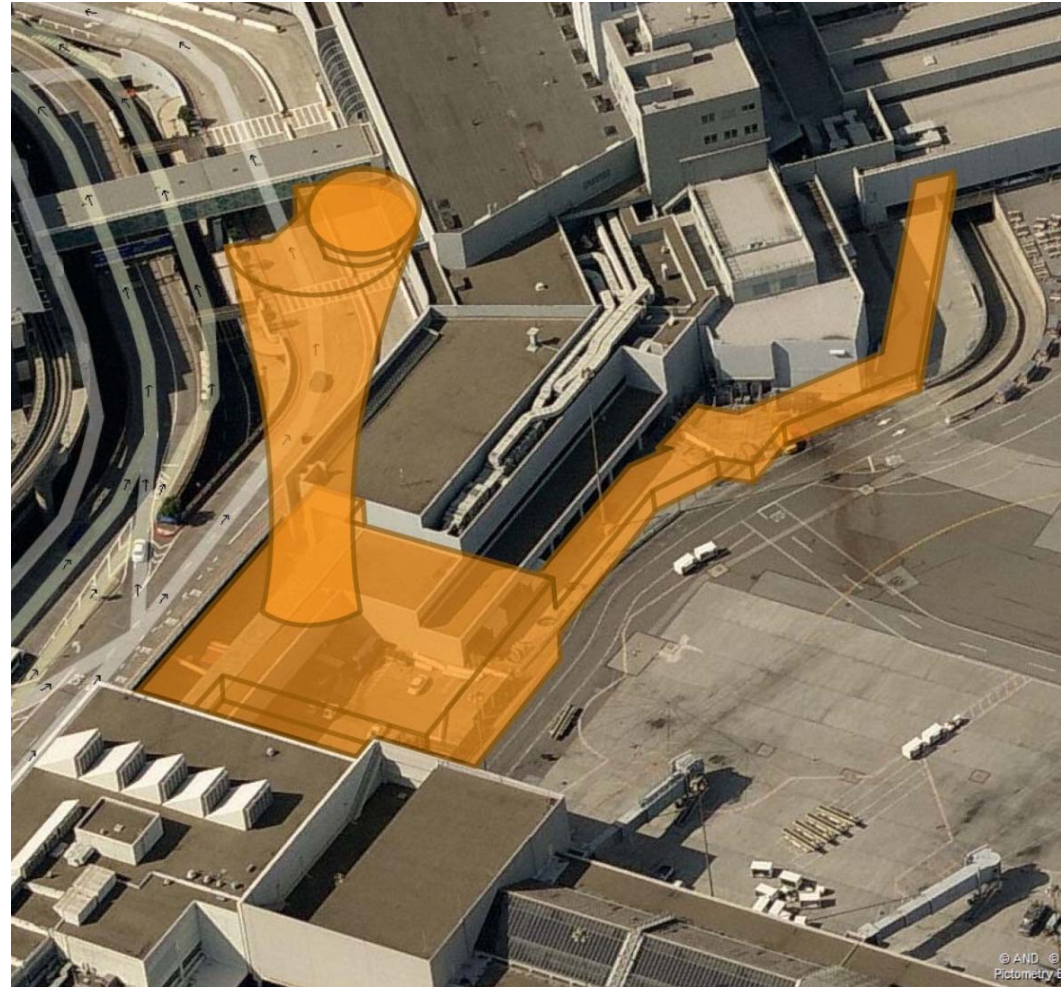
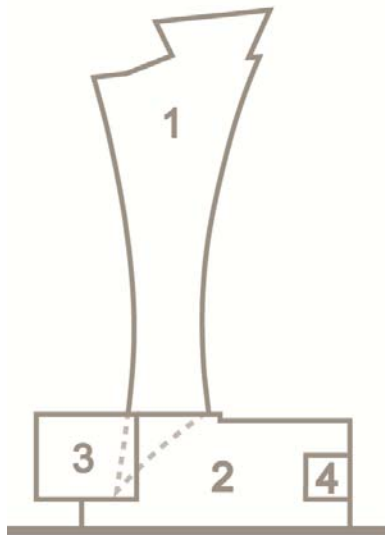
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## New Building Elements

1. **Airport Traffic Control Tower (ATCT)** to replace the existing ATCT
2. **Integrated Facility** base building that includes FAA and Airport functions
3. **Non-secure Corridor** for passengers circulating between Terminals 1 and 2
4. **Secure Connector** for passengers circulating between Terminal 1 and 2 boarding areas



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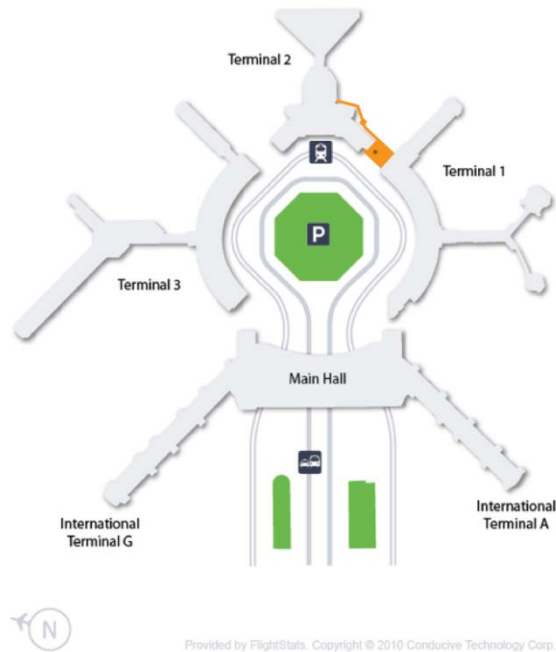
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## Project Location

Courtyard 2 between Terminals 1 and 2 is the required location for the new tower because of specific functional and operational requirements.

- Optimal airfield views from the tower cab
- Sufficient area to accommodate the base building administrative and Airport functions
- Landside and airside access to the FAA facility



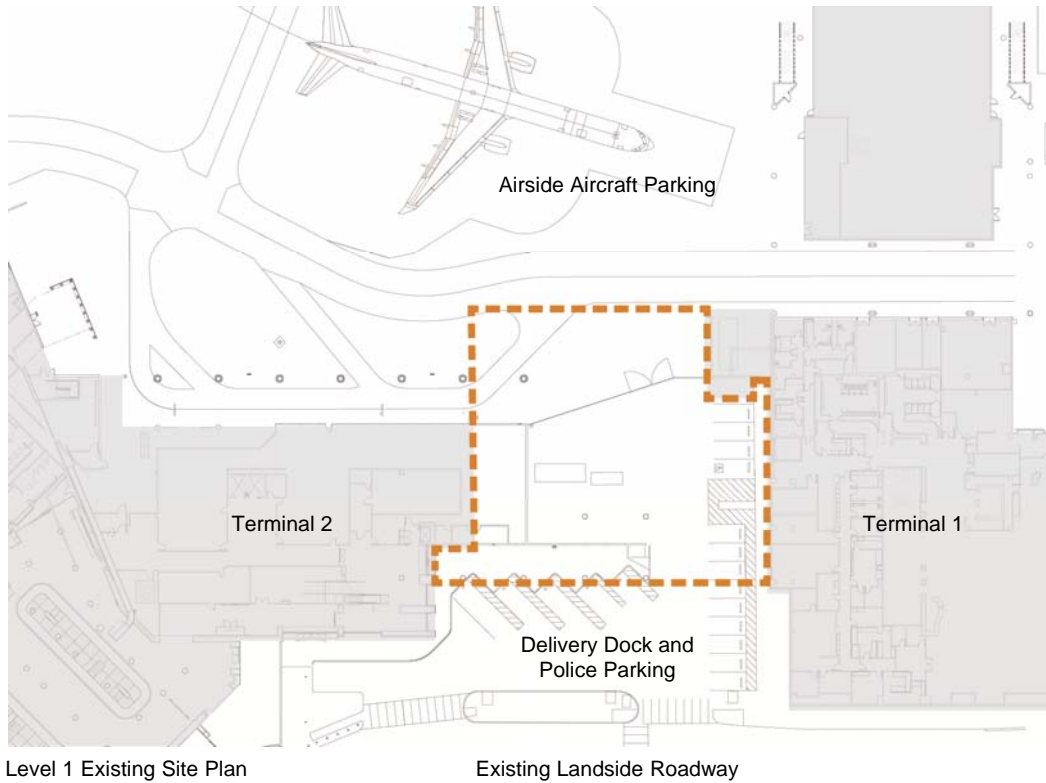
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## Project Site Constraints

- Project bounded by existing landside roadways, airside aircraft parking, Terminal 1 and Terminal 2
- Existing police parking and delivery dock for Terminals 1 and 2 to be maintained



Existing Site: Aerial View

## ATCT Functional and Physical Criteria

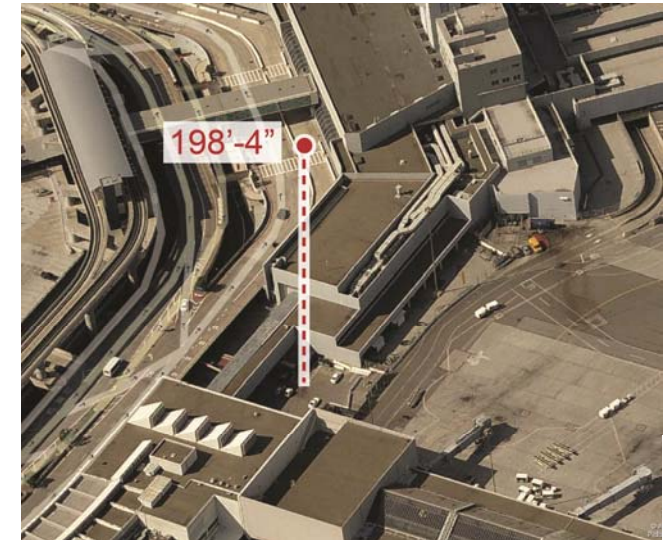
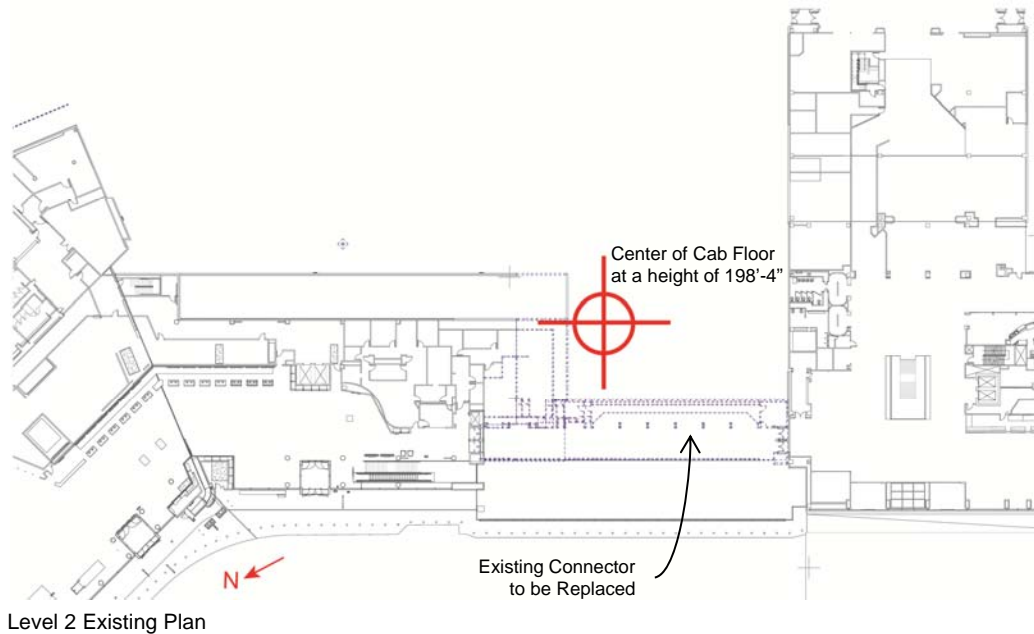
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## Tower Cab Design - Coordinates

The center of the tower cab floor is a fixed point in space that specifically meets FAA requirements.

- Unrestricted views of the runways and major taxiways
- Views of aircraft at all controlled gates
- Tower cab configuration



### Center of Cab Floor:

Latitude: 37° 36' 57.1656" N  
Longitude: 122° 23' 01.5443" W  
Height above ground: 198'-4"

## ATCT Functional and Physical Criteria

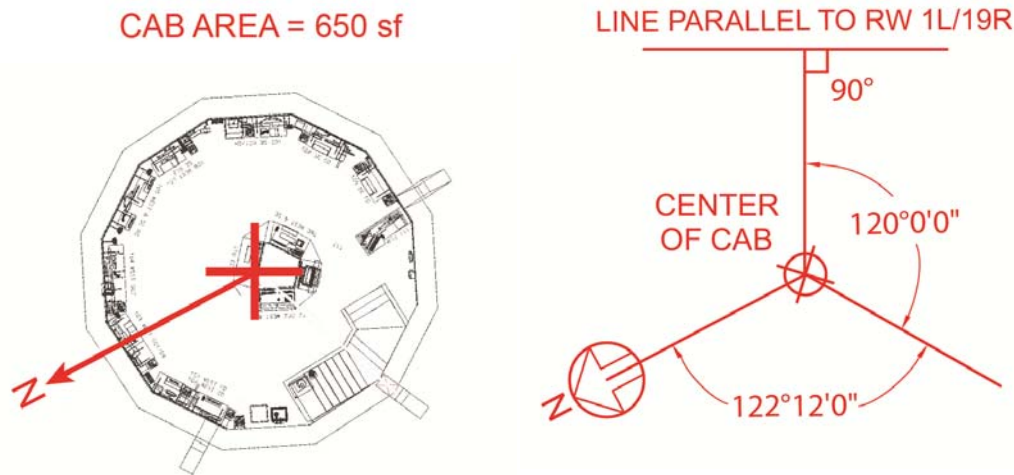
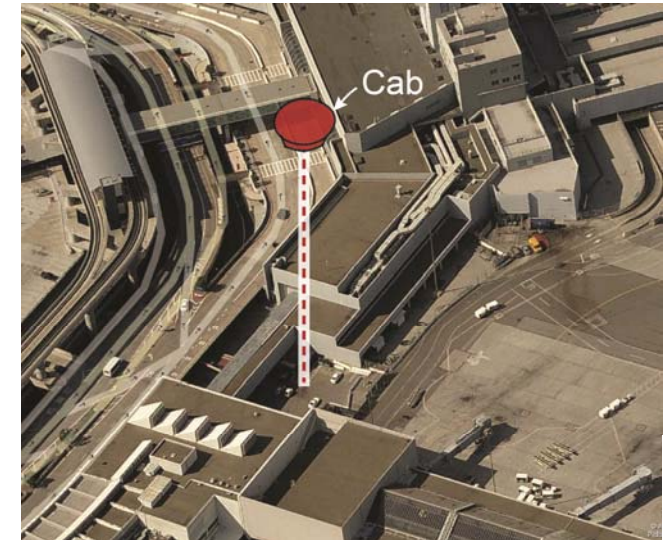
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## Tower Cab Design - Cab Center Point and Orientation

The cab design is prescribed by the FAA.

- 650 square foot size and geometry meeting specific FAA operational requirements



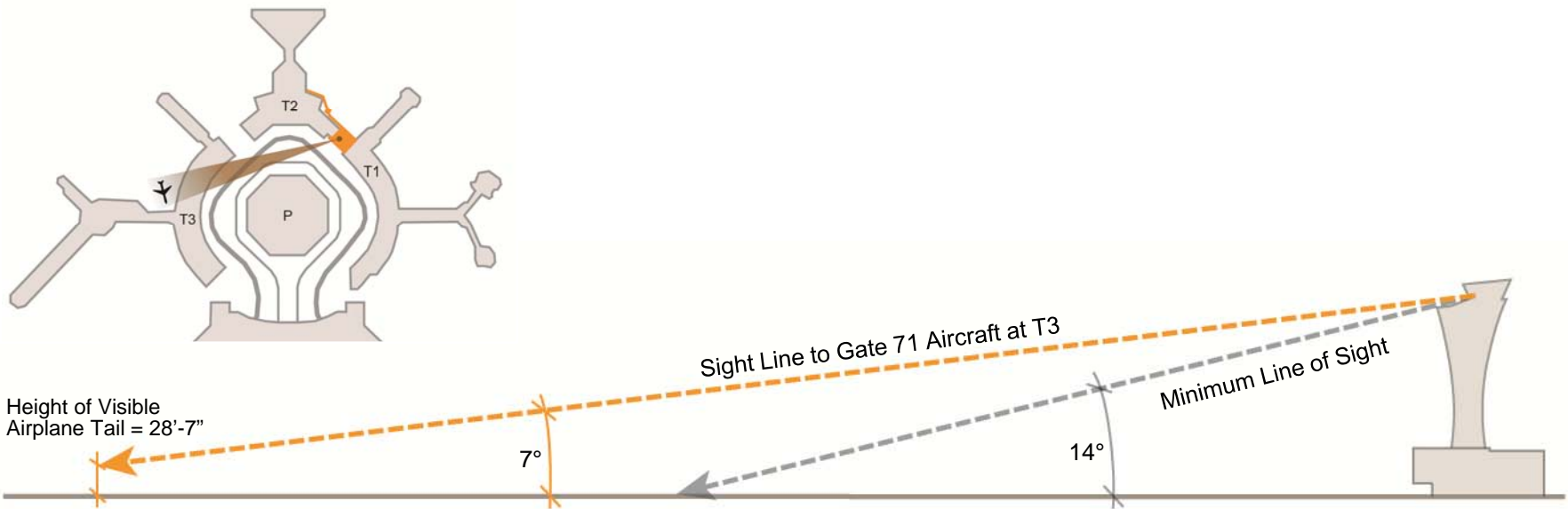
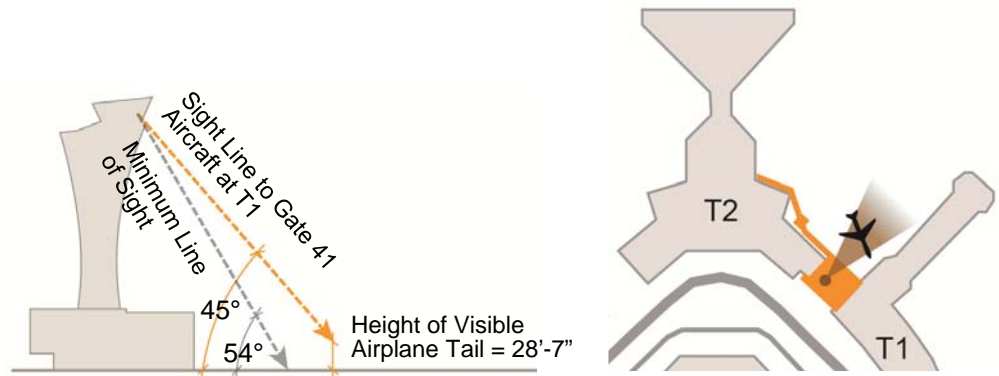
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## Tower Cab Design - Sightlines

The cab design is prescribed by the FAA.

- Sloped roof on tower facilitates critical views of aircraft gates



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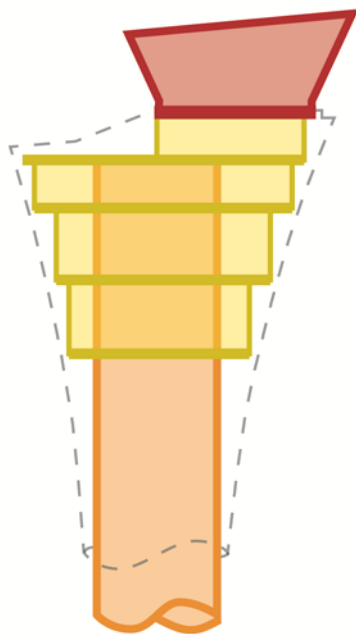
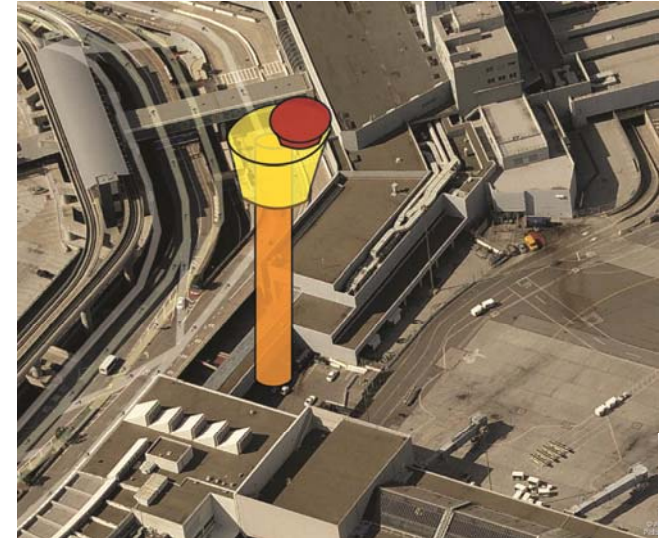
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## Tower Program

- Cab centered over electronic equipment space below for direct access (cab offset from tower core)
- Levels contain the minimum required program area including electrical and mechanical equipment needed for the cab and ATCT administrative spaces
- Air Traffic Administration space close to the top of the tower for emergency response and operational requirements



Cab	198'-4"	650 sf
Equipment Mezzanine	187'-10"	876 sf
Junction	177'-4"	1,778 sf
Air Traffic Support	161'-7"	1,073 sf
Lower Electrical	145'-10"	596 sf

Tower Shaft

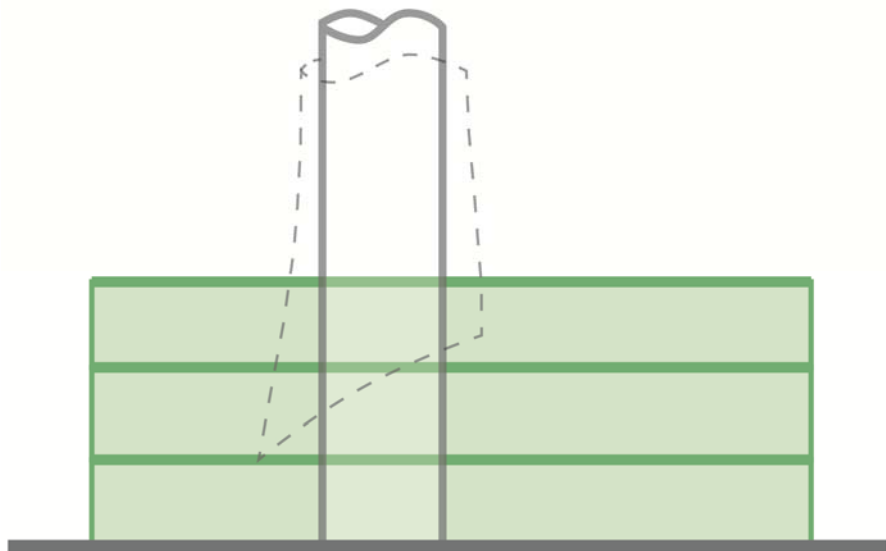
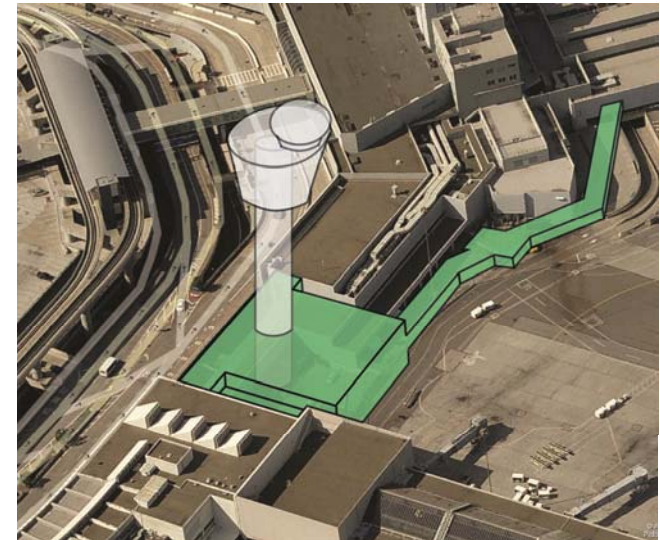
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## Integrated Facility Base Building

The 3-level FAA portion of the base building is designed to provide:

- Operational and support space specifically required for FAA operations
- Landside and airside access by FAA personnel
- Tower integration with FAA base building support space



Tower Shaft

Roof

Level 3 FAA Administration

Level 2 FAA Entry and Support

Level 1 FAA MEP and Support

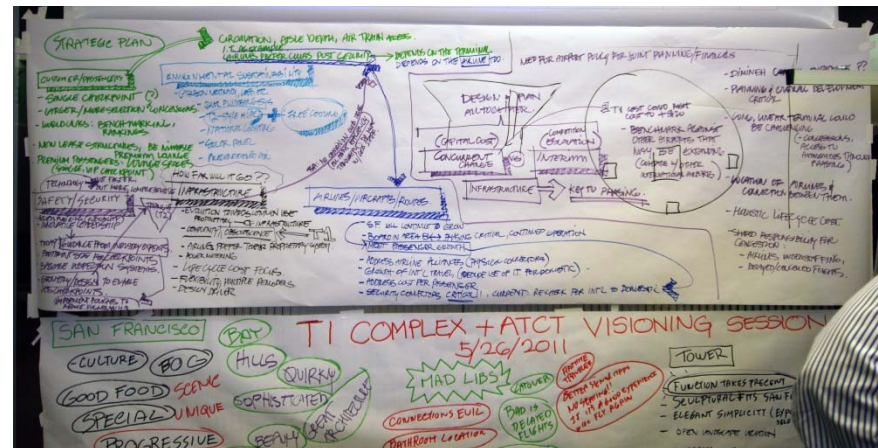
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## FAA and Airport Design Goals

- Functional and safe control tower integrated with base building that meets all the FAA operational requirements
- Architectural design that is distinctive, while compatible in massing and expression with the existing Airport environment
- Integration of FAA and Airport functions within a single, efficient and attractive structure linking Terminal 1 with Terminal 2
- Controlled size, bulk and scale
- Sustainable, environmentally friendly facilities that achieve LEED Gold rating
- Iconic architecture that makes a unique statement and complementary to other airport buildings
- A design which engages the public from multiple points of view: seen from a distance, driving past the tower, and walking alongside its base



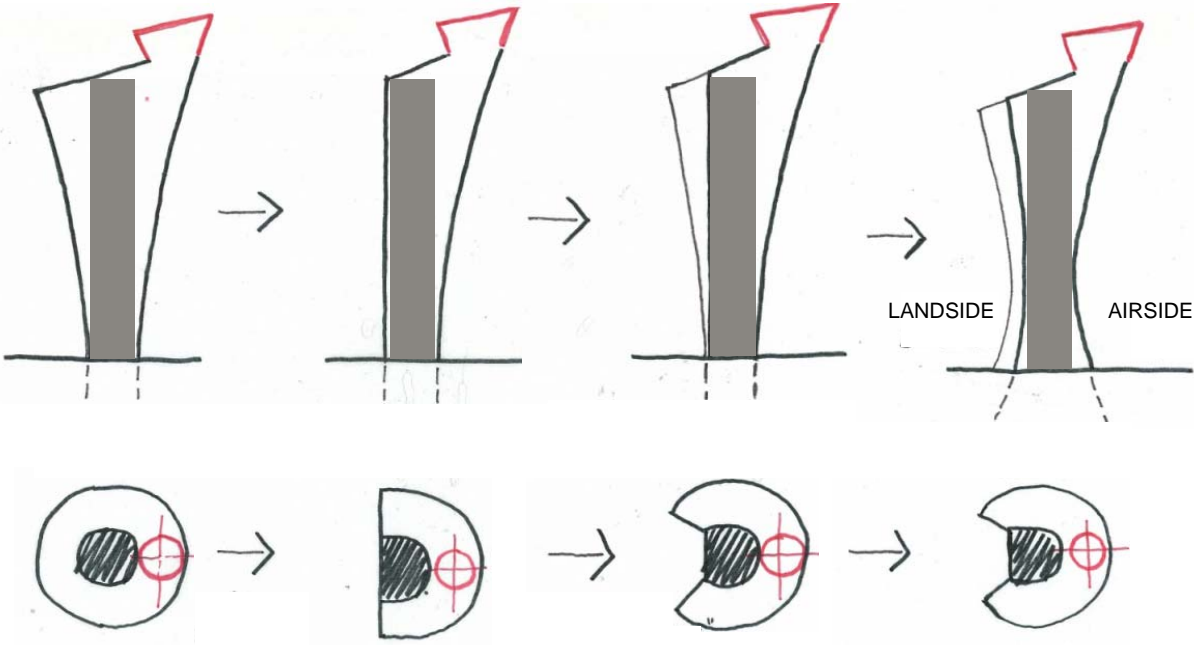
Images from Project Visioning Session

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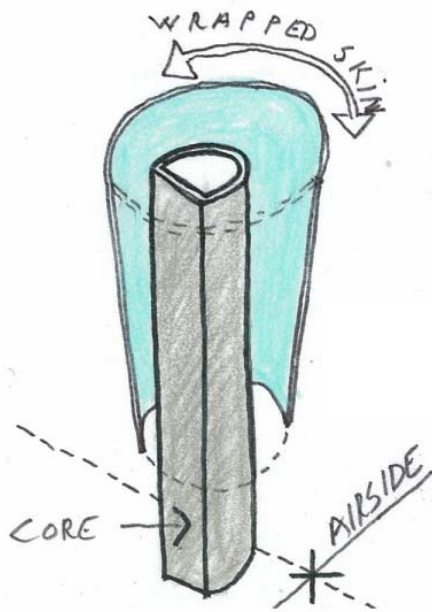


# Form Development



"The Slice" – The Public Gesture

# Expression



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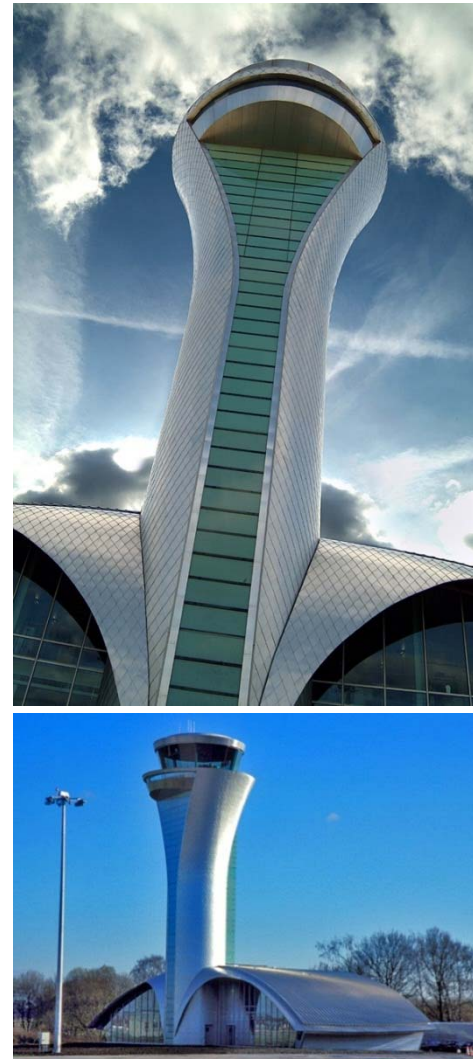
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### 3 Dimensional Form Development



Study Model Iterations

### Design Precedent

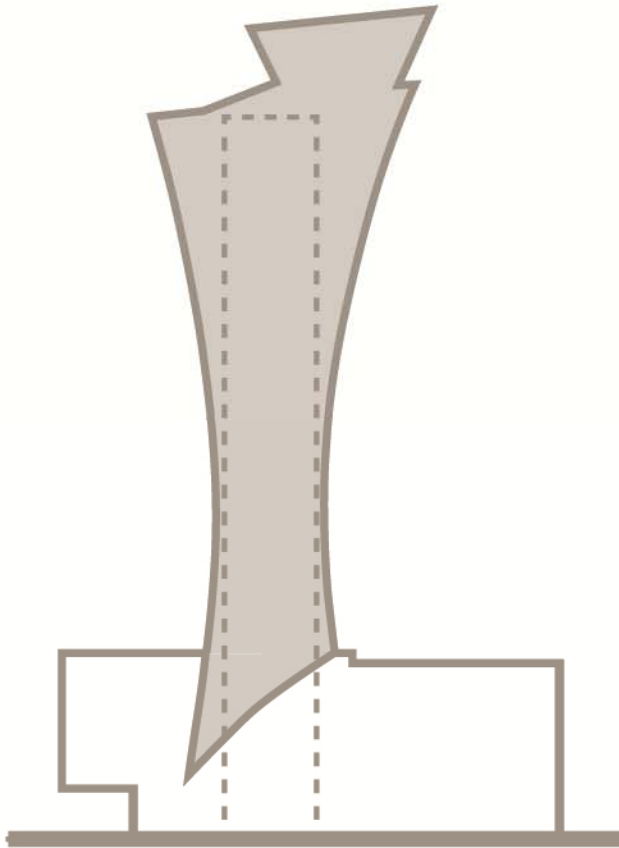


Farnborough Airport Air Traffic Control Tower, UK

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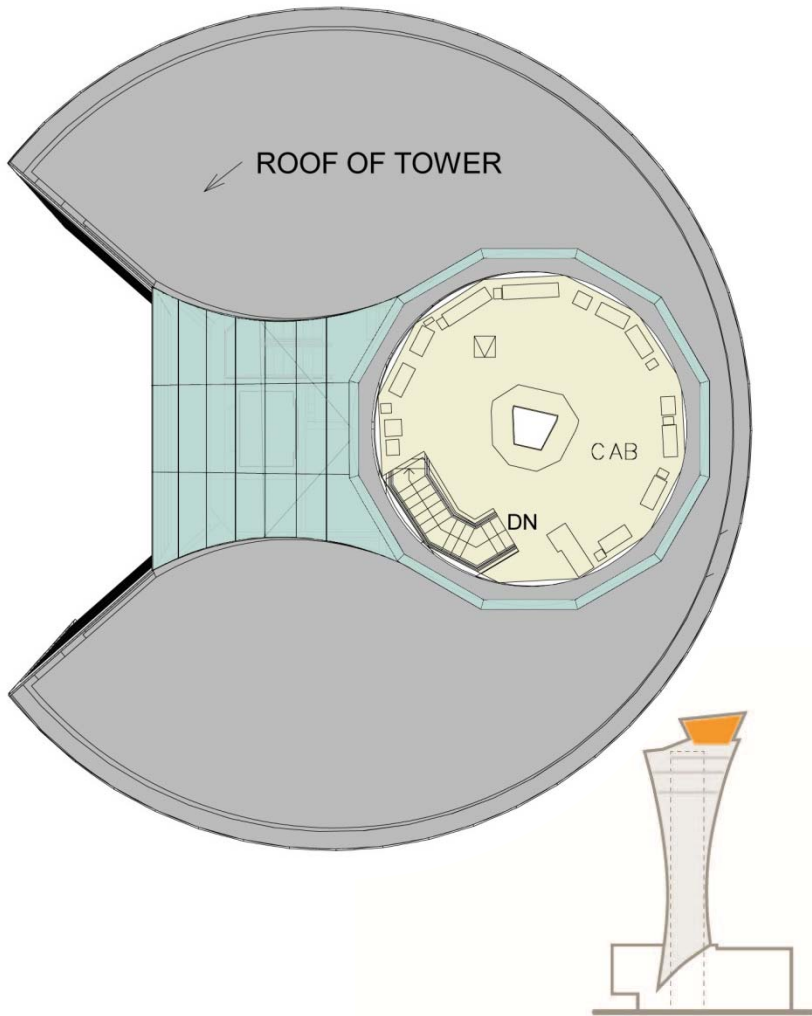




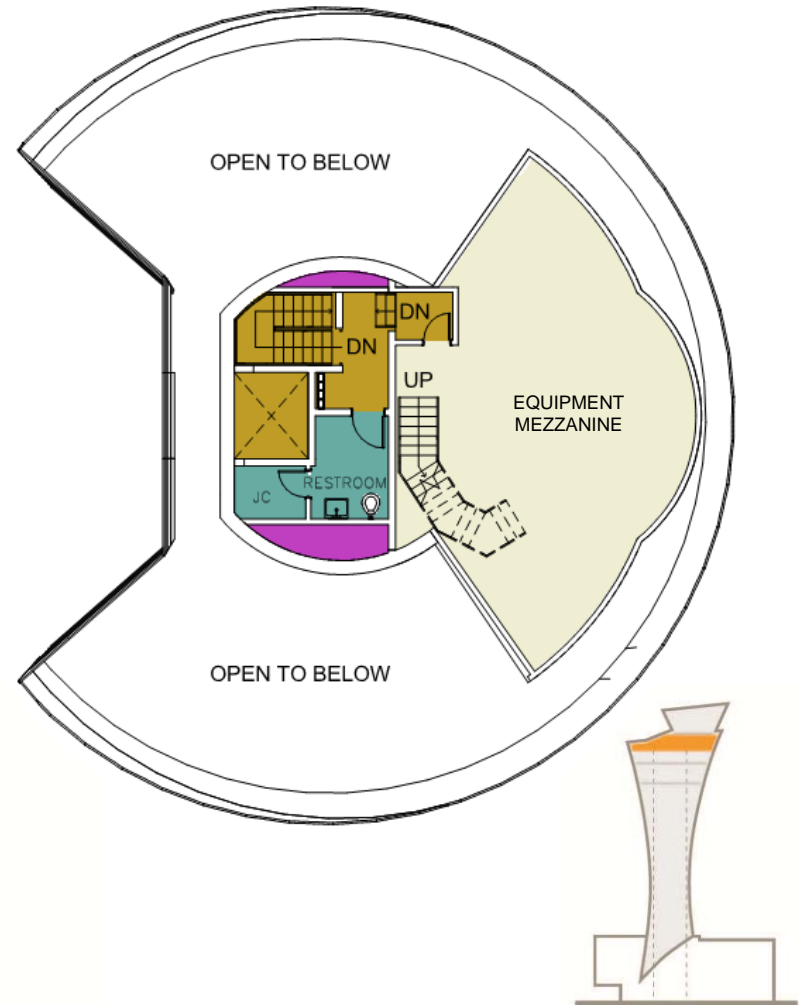
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Cab Level at 198'-4"

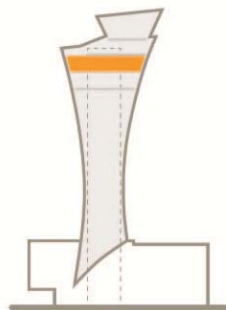
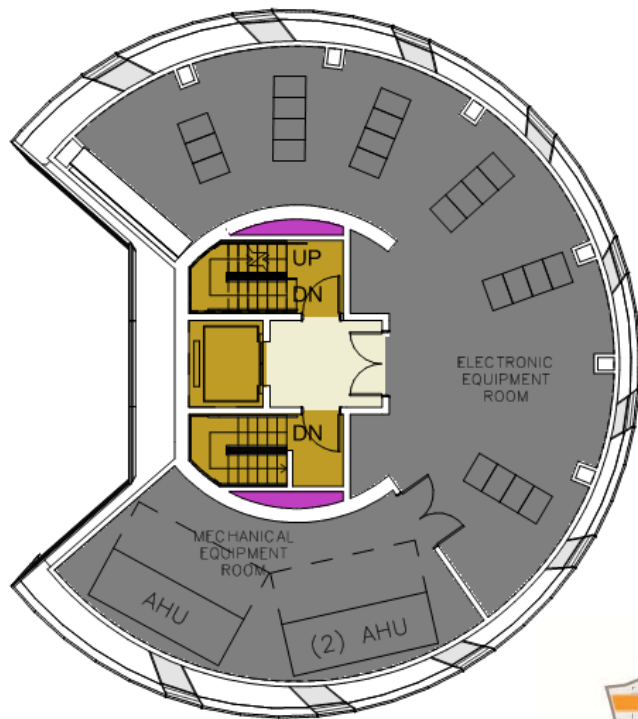


Intermediate Landing Level at 187'-10"

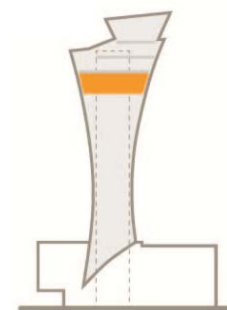
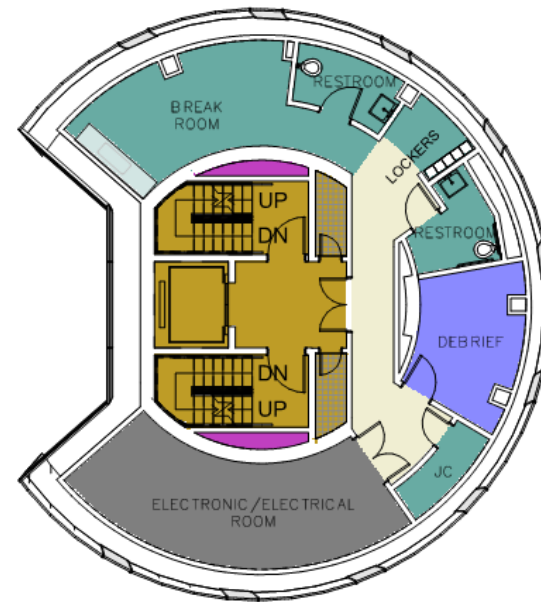
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Junction Level at 177'-4"



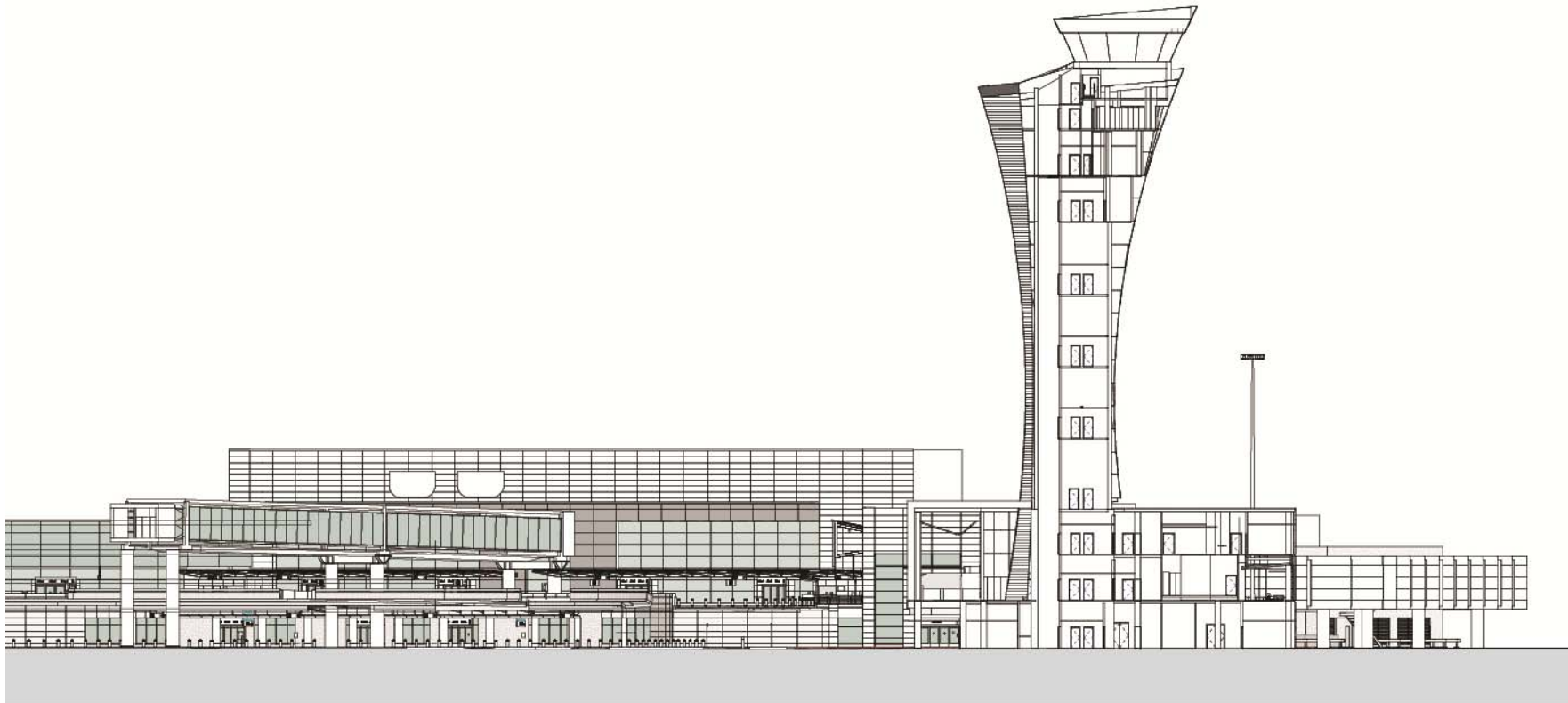
Air Traffic Support Level at 161'7"

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## Cross Section

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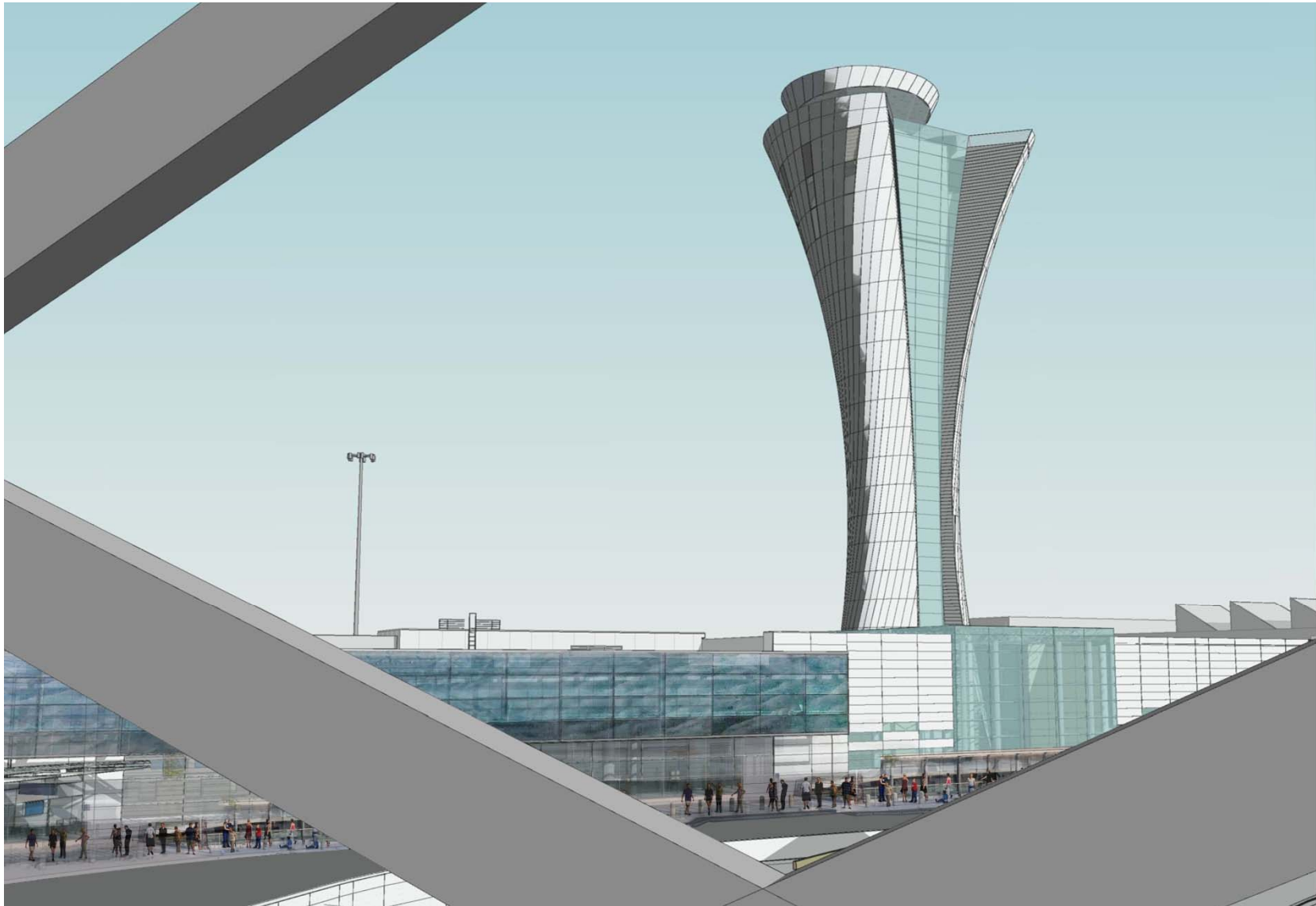




## View from Terminal 2

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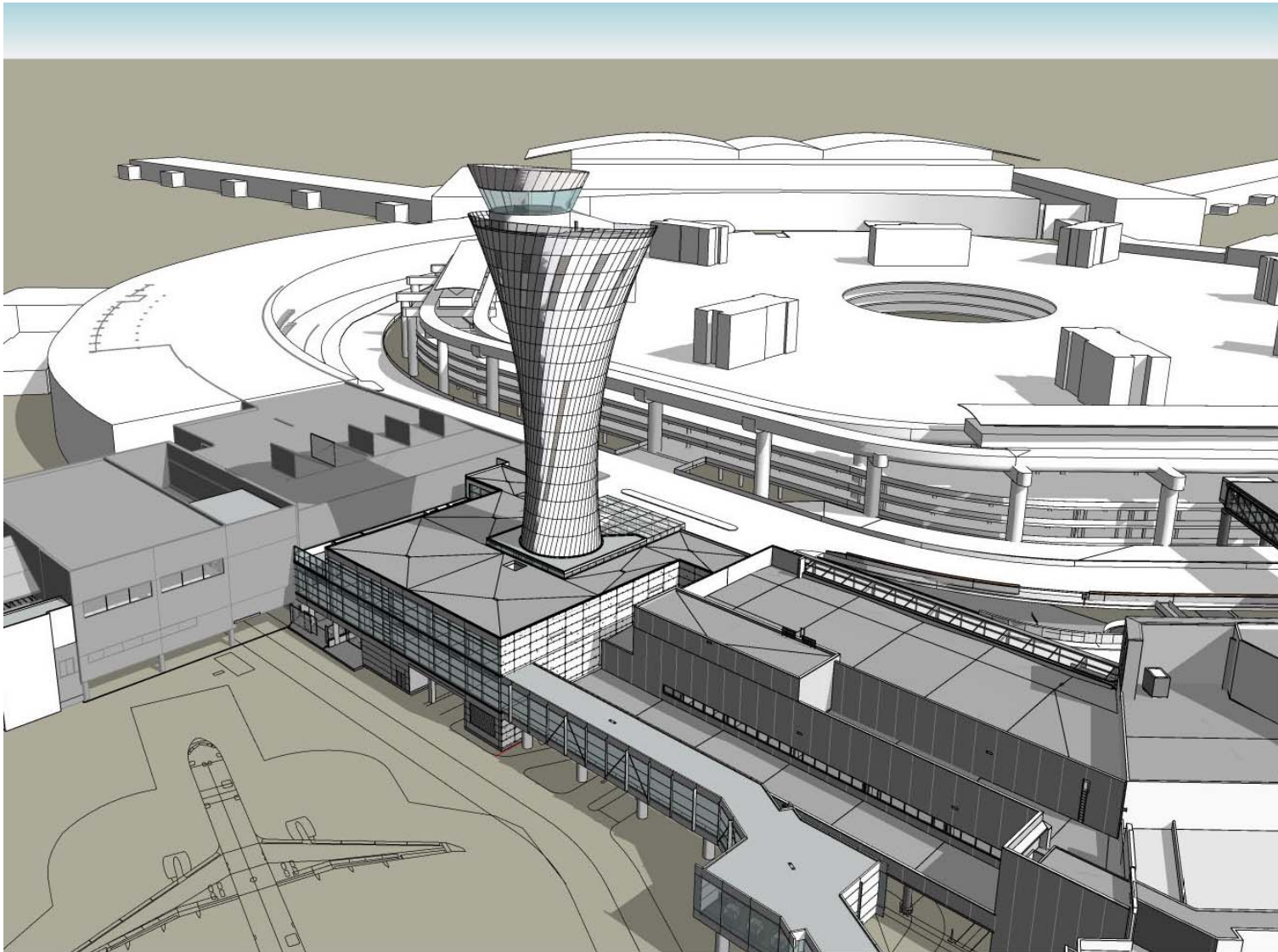




## View from Terminal 2 AirTrain Bridge

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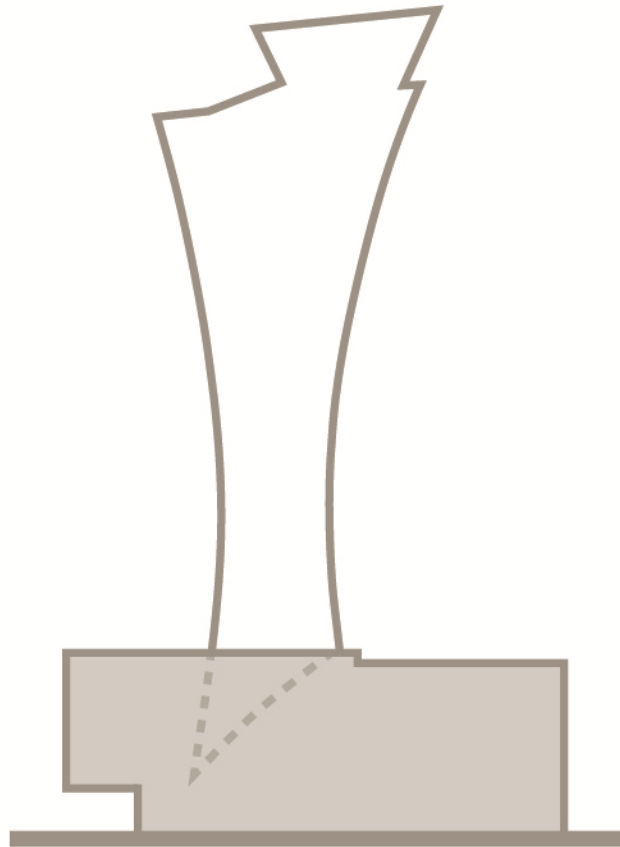




## Airside Aerial View

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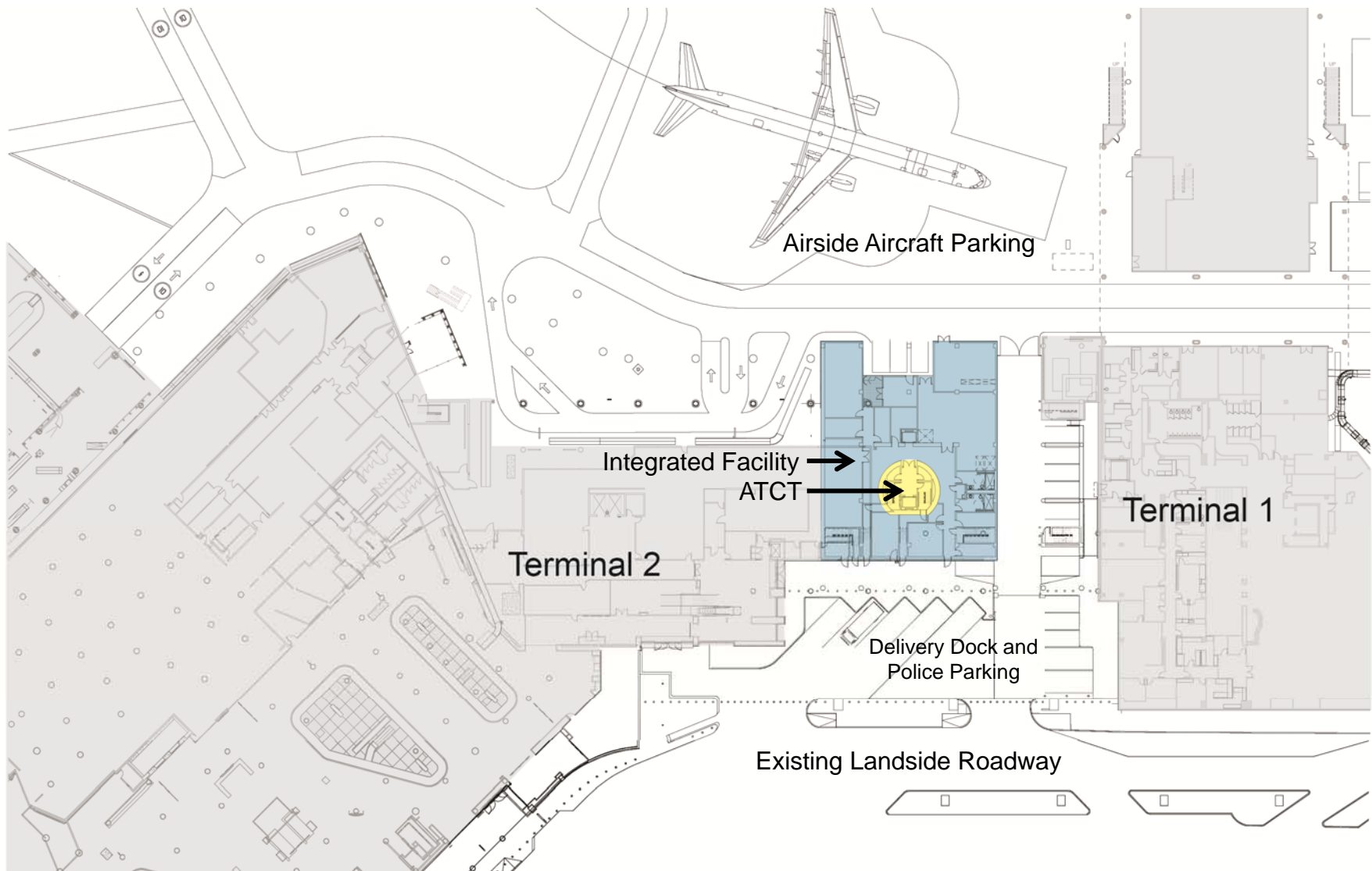




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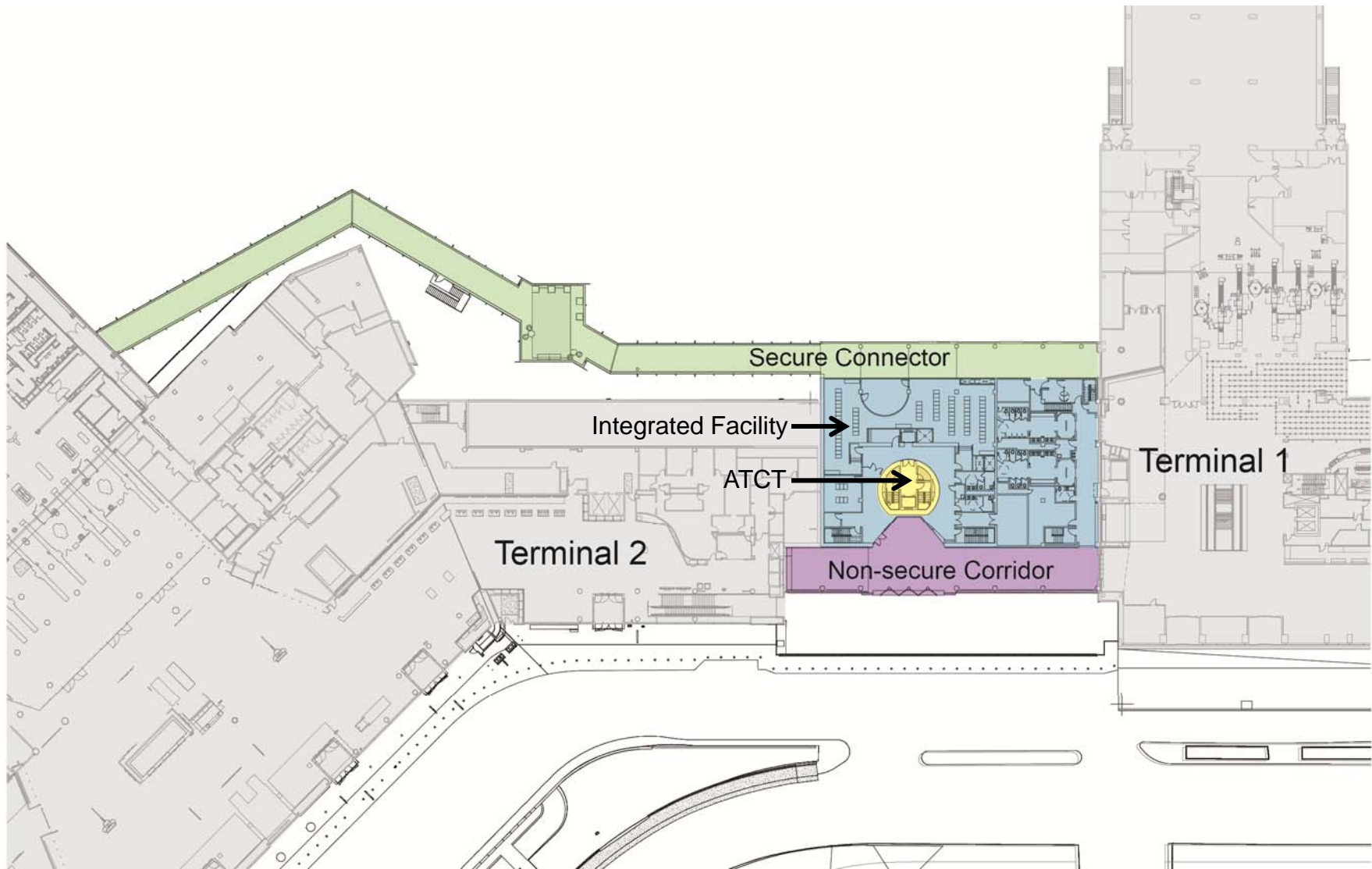




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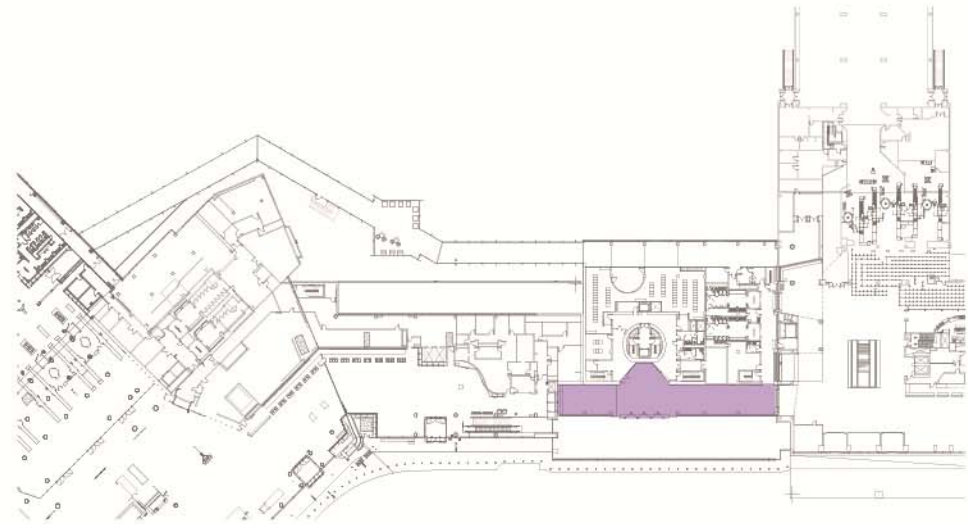
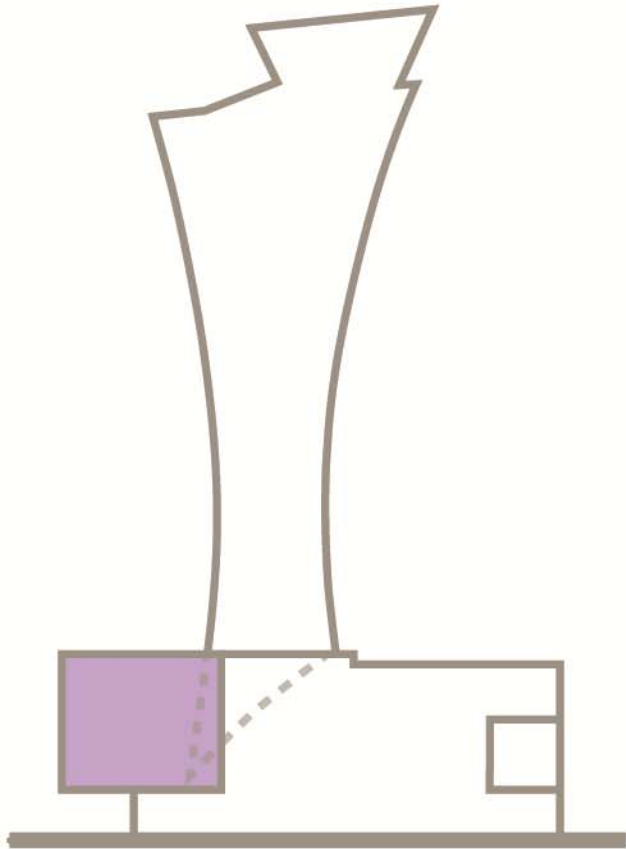




**Integrated Facility, Non-secure Corridor, and Secure Connector: Level 2 Plan**

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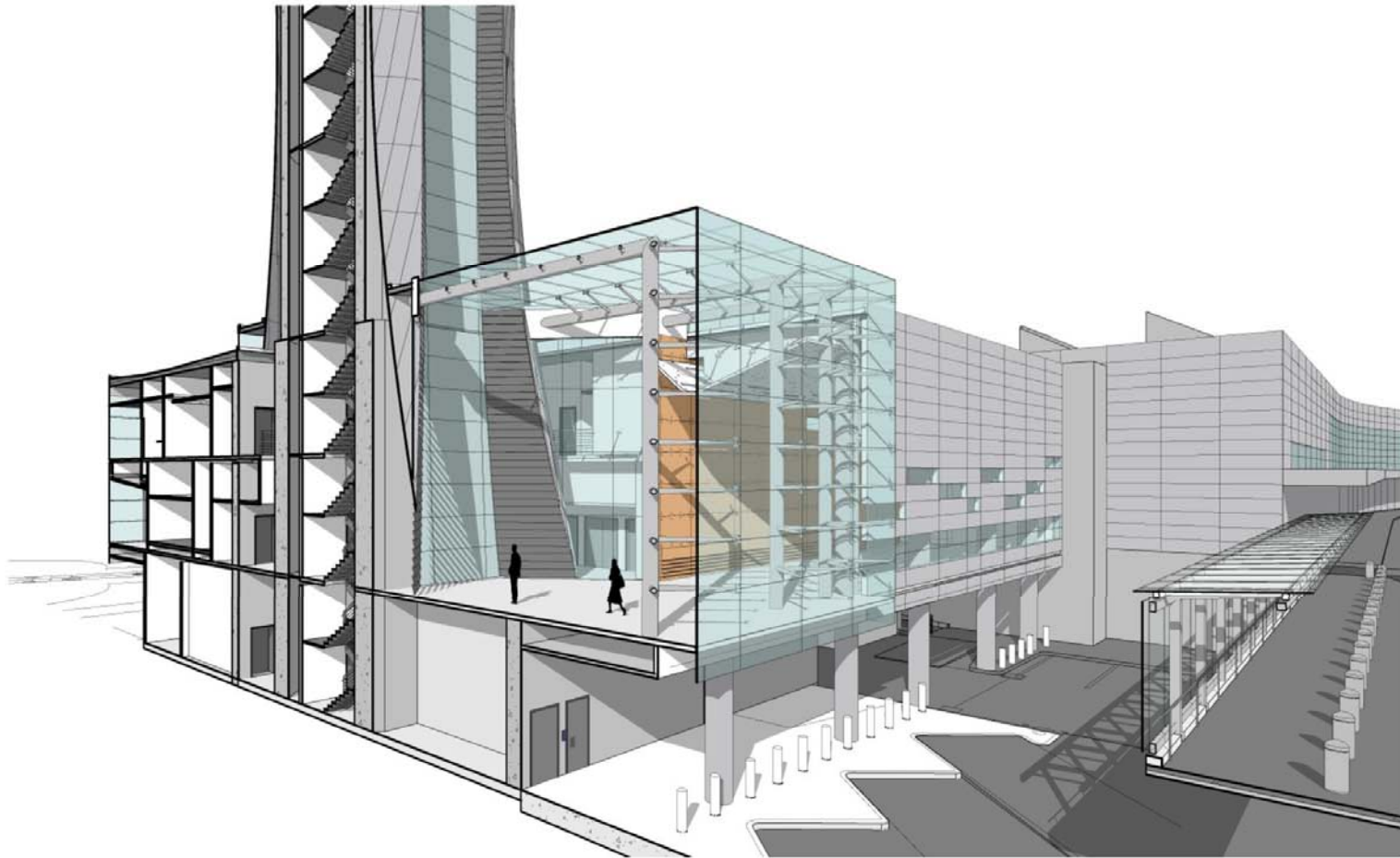




## Non-secure Corridor

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## Non-secure Corridor: 3D Section

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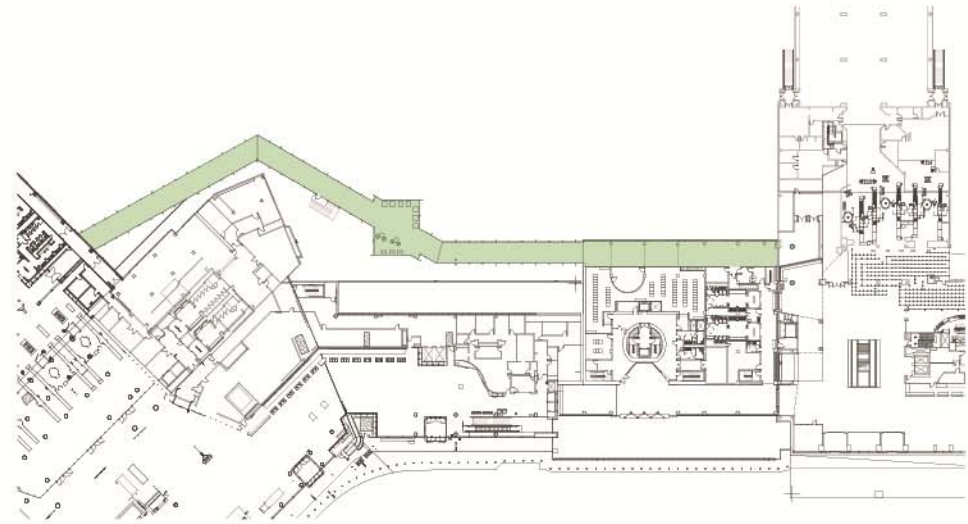
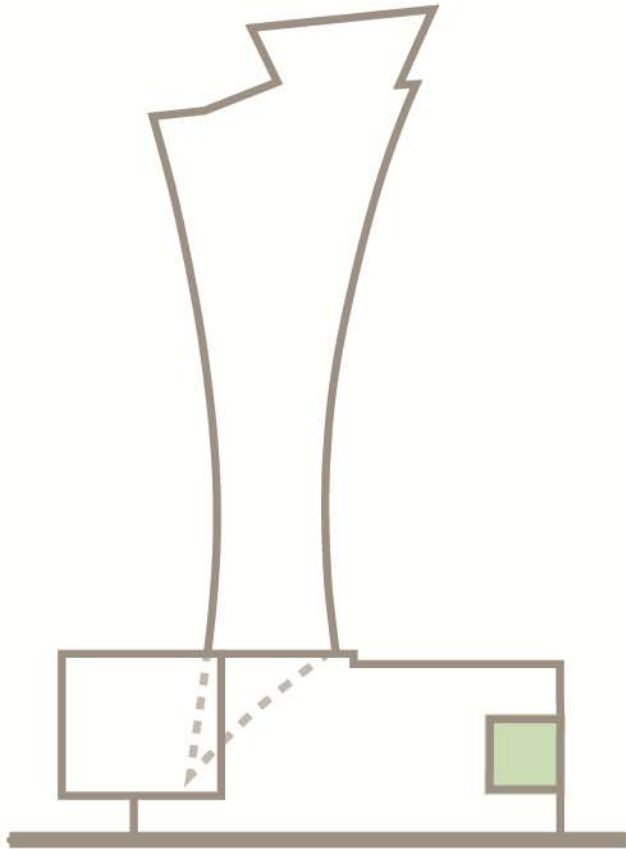




## Non-secure Corridor: Interior View

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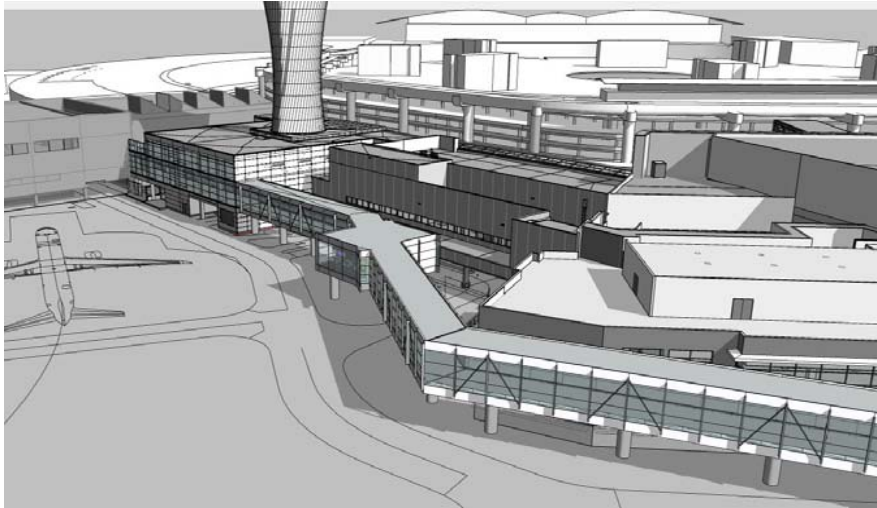




## Secure Connector

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## Secure Connector: Exterior Views

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**Secure Connector: Museum Interior View**

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## Aerial Perspective

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