



# MERCED HEIGHTS PLAYGROUND LOWER LAWN TERRACE RENOVATION

**San Francisco Arts Commission:  
CIVIC DESIGN REVIEW PRESENTATION**

April 19, 2021

## **PROJECT TEAM**

### **Project Manager**

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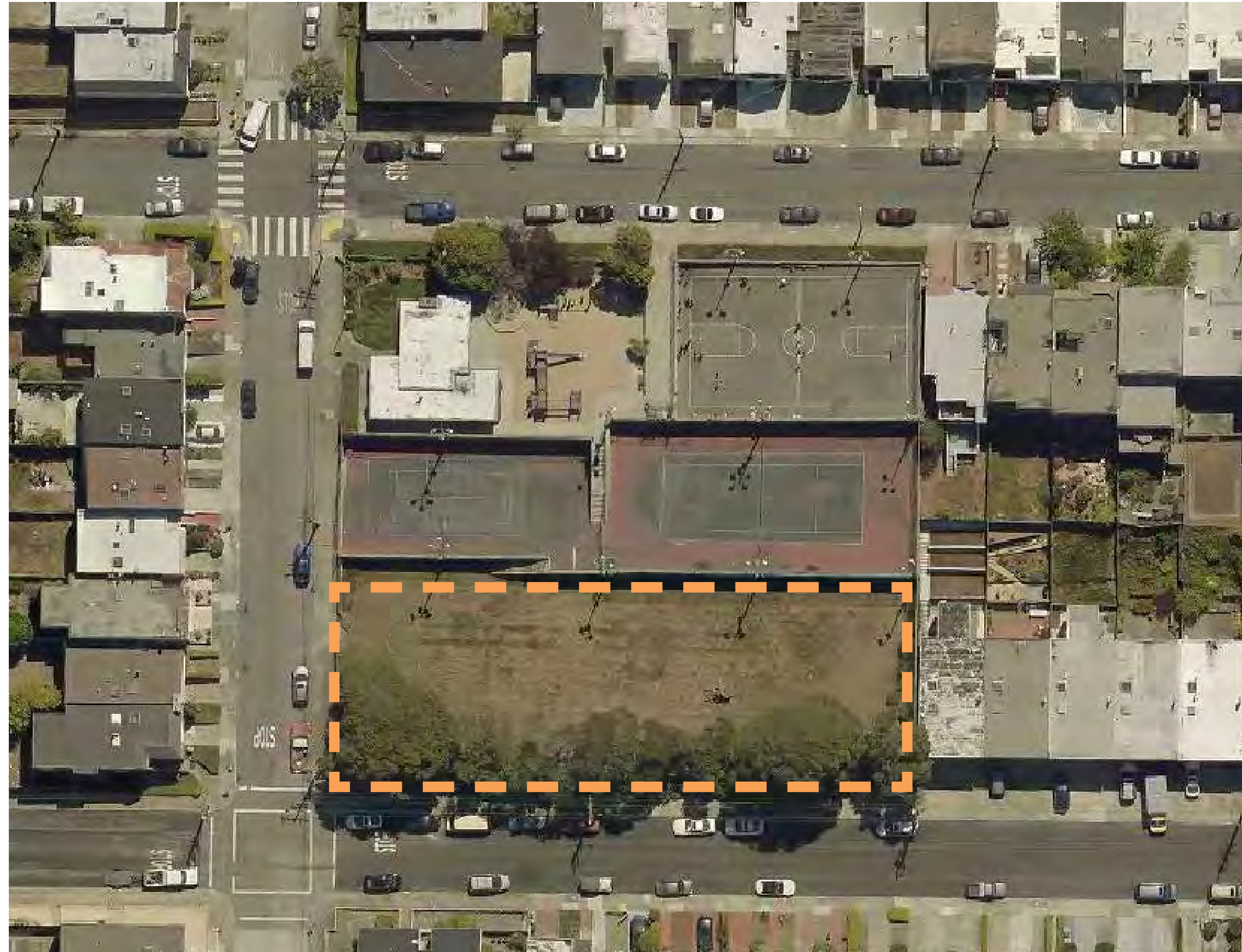
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### **Design Team**

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## PROJECT BUDGET

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\$700,000 Construction Budget

Source: State Local Assistance Grant

## PROJECT SCHEDULE

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### Planning

Meeting #1      November 20, 2019

Meeting #2      February 18, 2021

Online Survey      through February 21, 2021

Commission      March 2021

Design      Spring - Summer 2021

Bid / Award      Summer - Fall 2021

Construction      Late 2021 – Spring 2022



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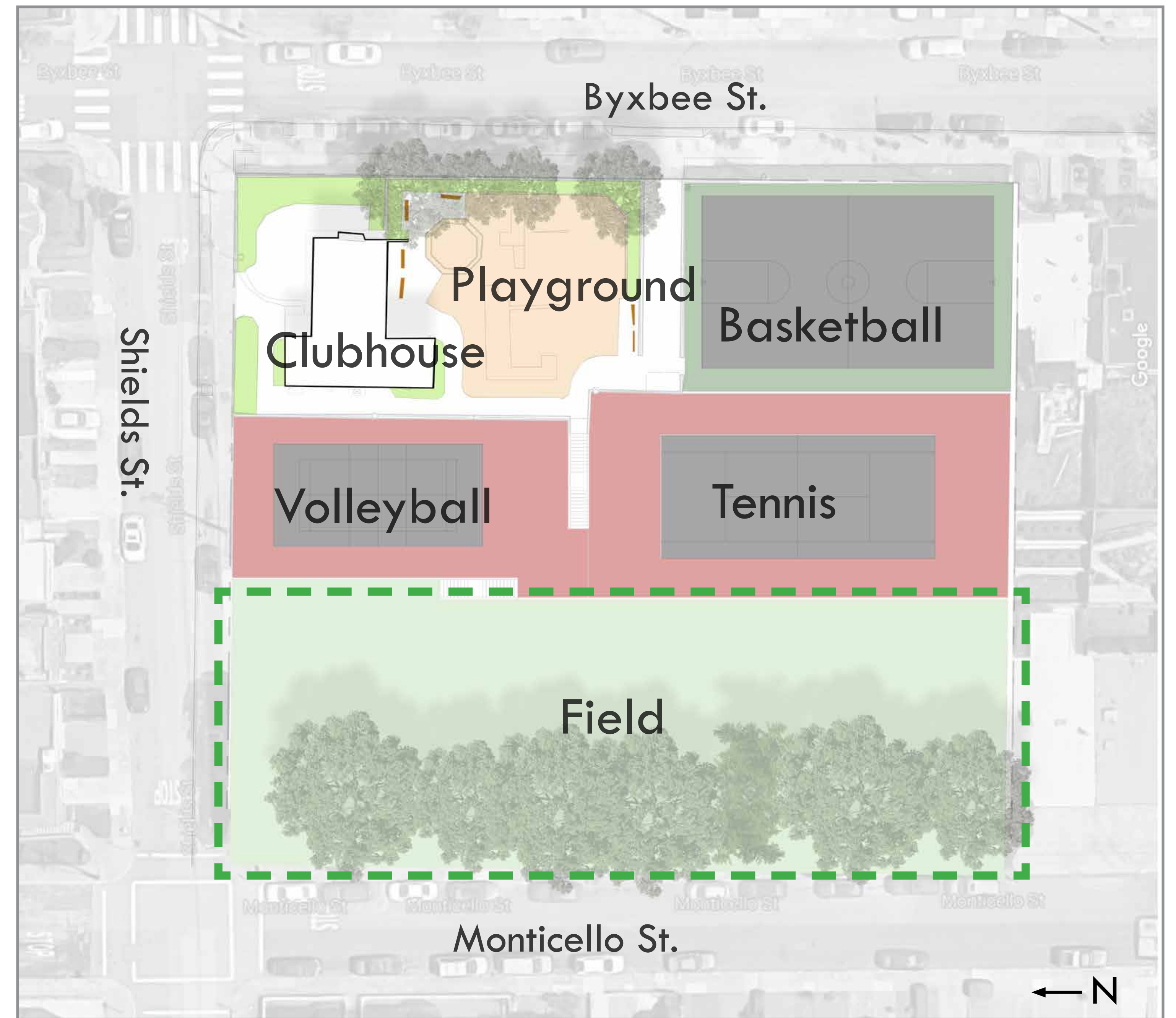
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**BUDGET AND SCHEDULE**  
Merced Heights Lower Terrace Improvements

## SITE DESCRIPTION

- Area 17, 000 sq. ft
- No formal programs at multi purpose field
- Community bring their dogs for daily walk and run
- Located at lower terrace of playground with stair access to sport courts / middle terrace
- Accessible entrance via Shield Street
- Good solar aspect
- Views over the neighborhood



Legend

Scale: NTS

--- Lower Terrace Project Limits



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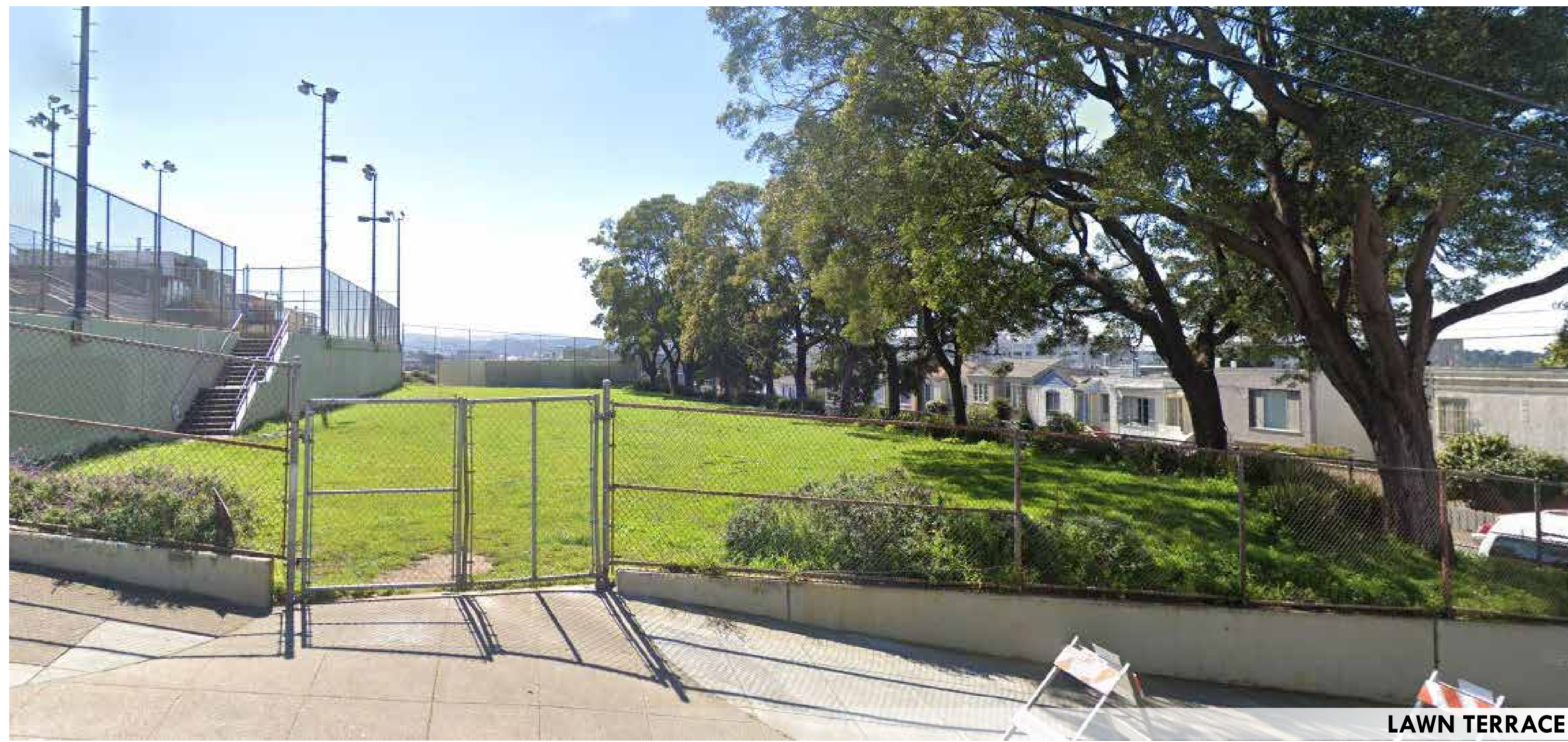
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## SITE CONTEXT

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LAWN TERRACE



RETAINING WALL



VIEW OF TERRACE CORNER FROM STREET



TREES



CONCRETE GUTTER (AFTER EXCAVATION)



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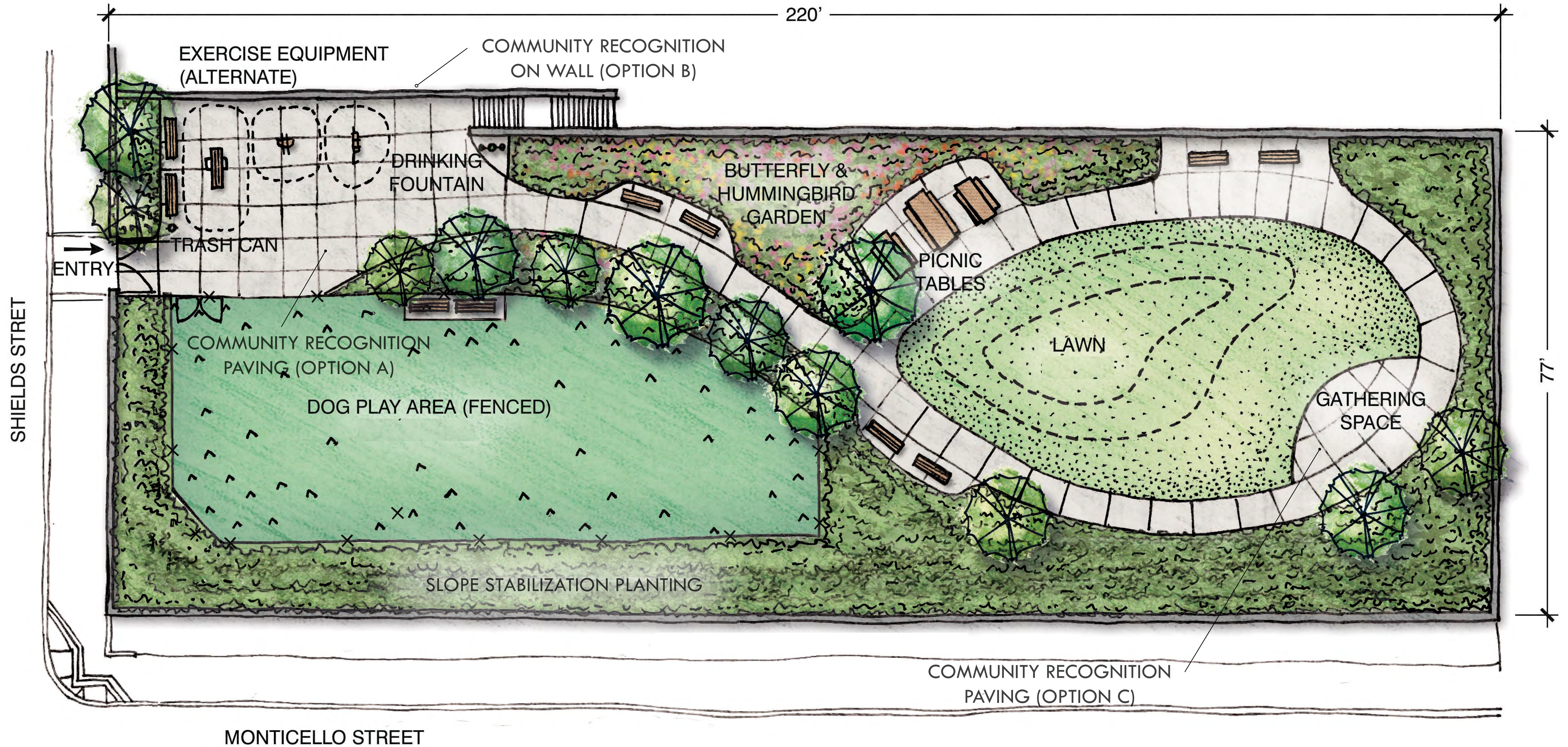
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# EXISTING CONDITIONS

Merced Heights Lower Terrace Improvements

# PROPOSED CONCEPT DESIGN:

A small park terrace featuring a design co-developed with the community to supplement the upper terraces with a place of passage, rest, and gathering for senior citizens and others. The curvilinear path leads visitors through the park from the entry plaza, to the rolling lawn and around and back. Seasonal trees and robust butterfly and hummingbird garden, and native shrub plantina wrap around the new park amenities.



**LANDSCAPE FEATURES**



**ROLLING LAWN**



**LOOP PATHWAY**



**GATHERING SPACE**



**DRINKING FOUNTAIN**



**OFF-LEASH DOG PLAY AREA WITH SYNTHETIC TURF AND 4' HIGH FENCING**

**COMMUNITY RECOGNITION**



**RECOGNITION PAVERS/PAVING**



**MEDALLIONS / TILES ON WALL**

**EXERCISE EQUIPMENT**



**BENCHES AND TABLES**



**BENCH**  
matches upper playground



**PICNIC TABLES**  
matches upper playground

**LANDSCAPE FEATURES + ELEMENTS**  
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## BUTTERFLY + HUMMINGBIRD GARDEN PLANTING



W SPECIOSA  
ISLAND SNAPDRAGON



ACHILLEA MILLEFOLIUM  
YARROW



CISTUS SALVIFOLIUS  
SAGELEAF ROCKROSE



GAURA LINDHEMERI  
BEES BLOSSOM



ACHILLEA MILLEFOLIUM  
YARROW



LAYIA PATYGLOSSA  
TIDY TIPS



LEONOTIS LEONURUS  
LION'S TAIL



LAVENDULA SPP.  
LAVENDER

## MEDIUM-SIZED TREES (15-20 FEET TALL)



GINGKO BILOBA  
GINGKO



ACER MACROPHYLLUM  
BIGLEAF MAPLE



CEANOTHUS 'RAY HARTMAN'  
RAY HARTMAN CEANOTHUS

## SLOPE STABILIZATION PLANTING



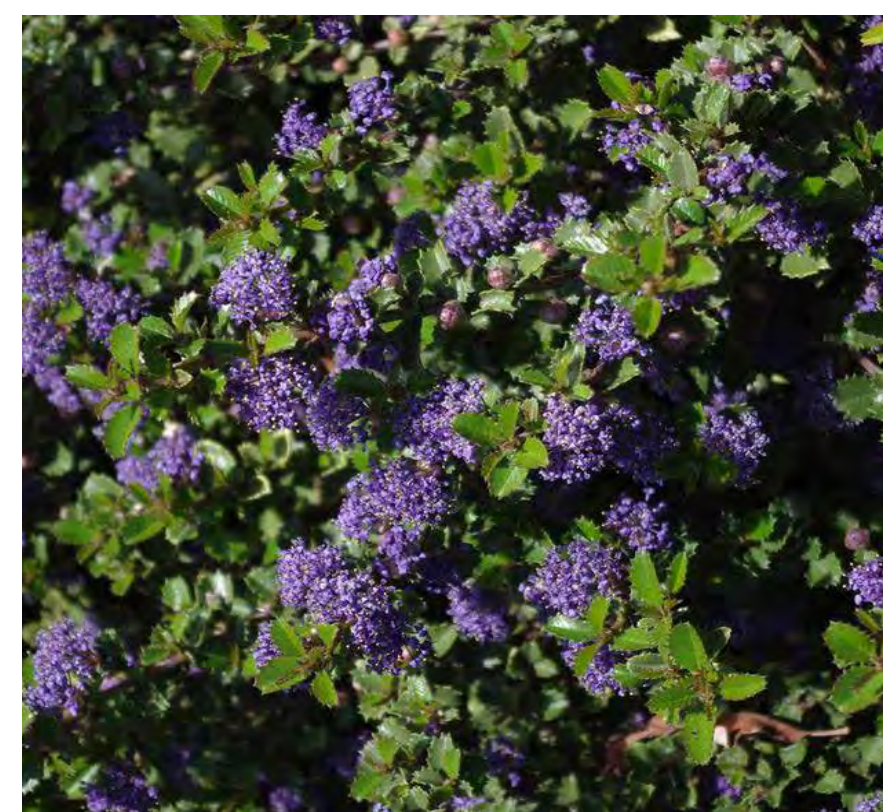
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BRUNO' COFFEEBERRY



ARCTOSTAPHYLOS X  
MANZANITA



CEANOTHUS 'YANKEE POINT'  
PROSTRATE CEANOTHUS



CEANOTHUS GLORIOSUS  
POINT REYES CEANOTHUS

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# THANK YOU!

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