



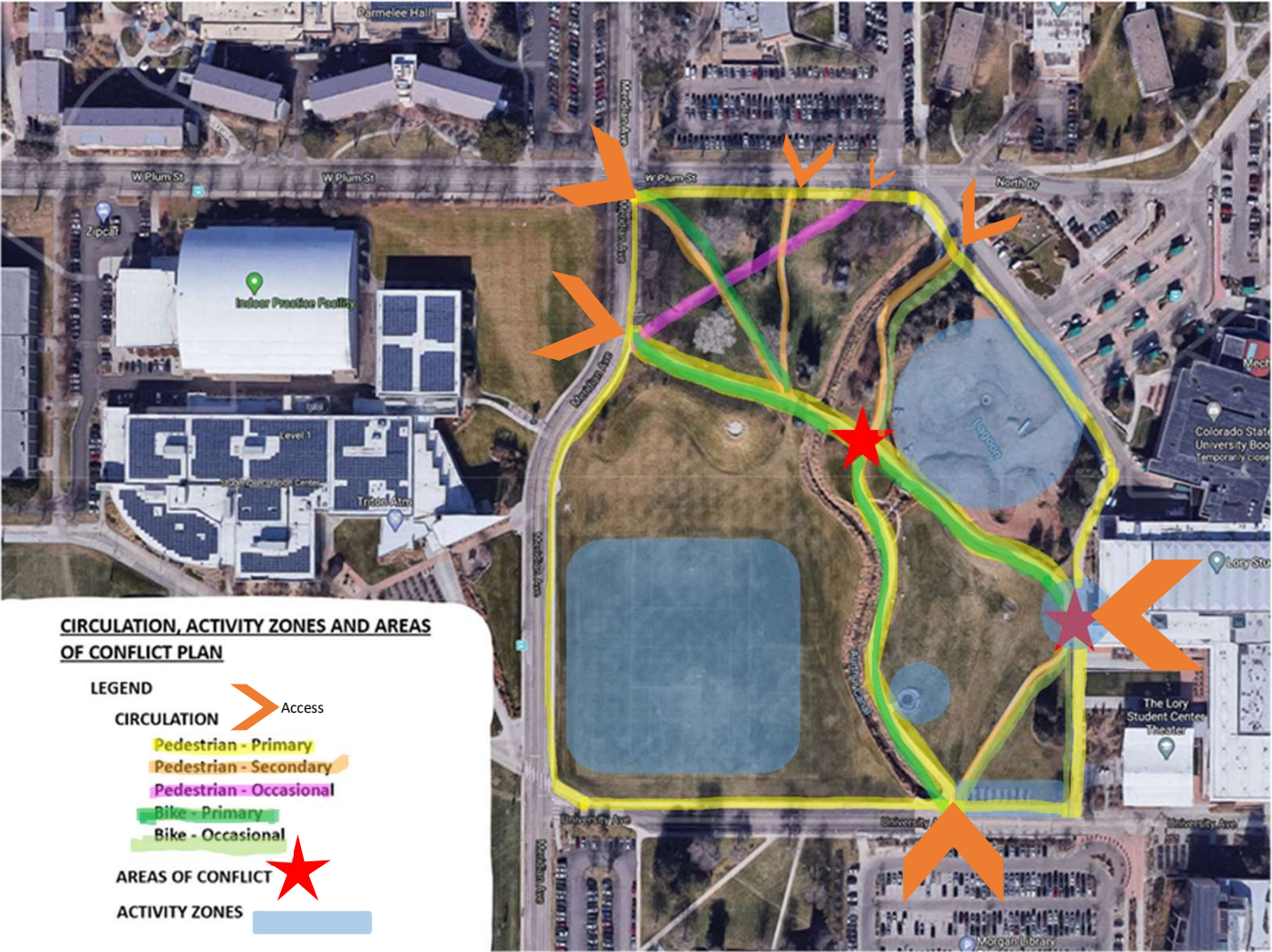
# Lory Overlook

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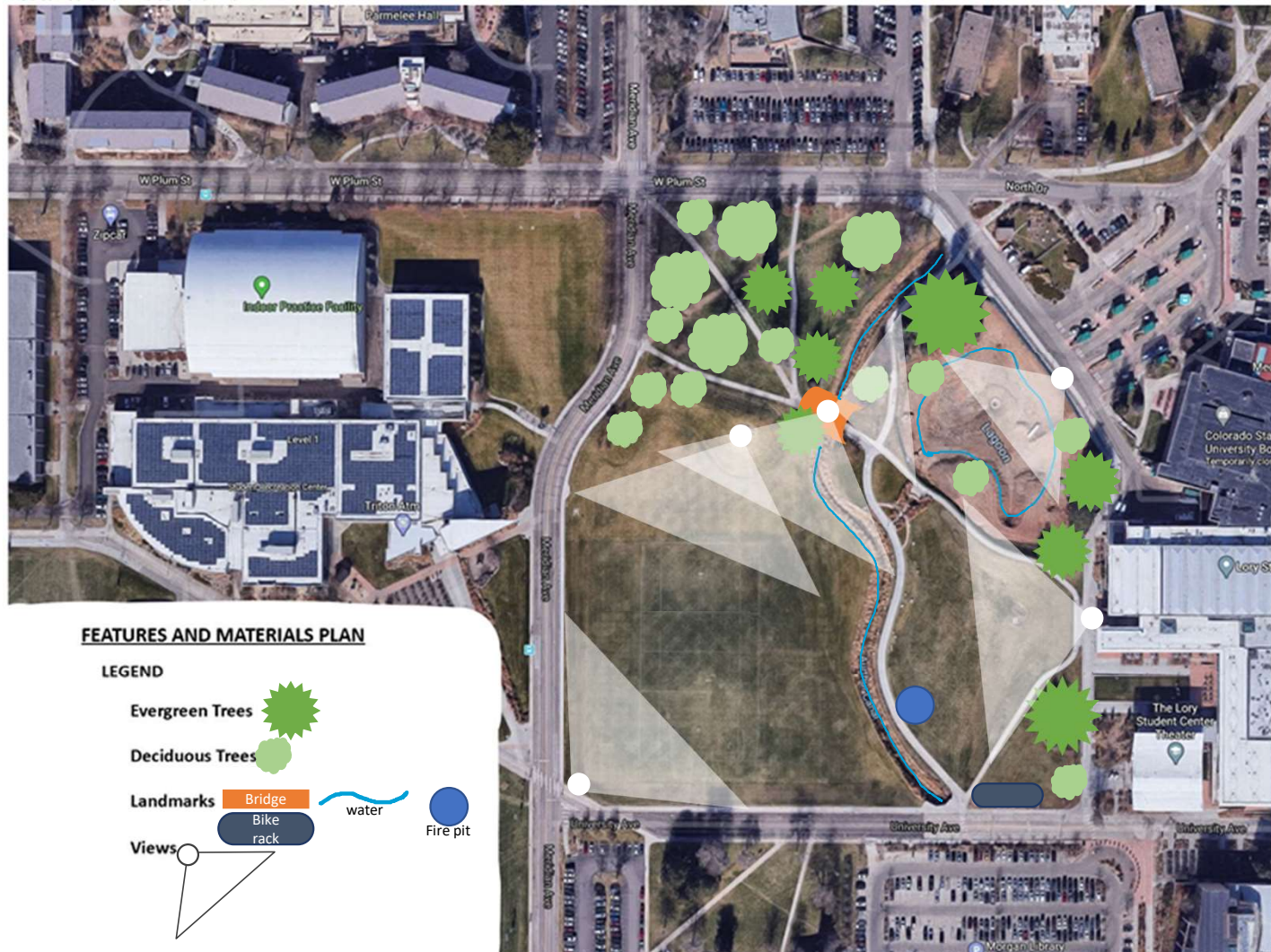
Current  
Circulation

Circulation, Activity Zones and Areas of Conflict Plan



## Current Features

## Features and Materials Plan





# Constraints & Opportunities

**Con:**

- 1. Historic irrigation ditch owned by city.
- 2. Sport field

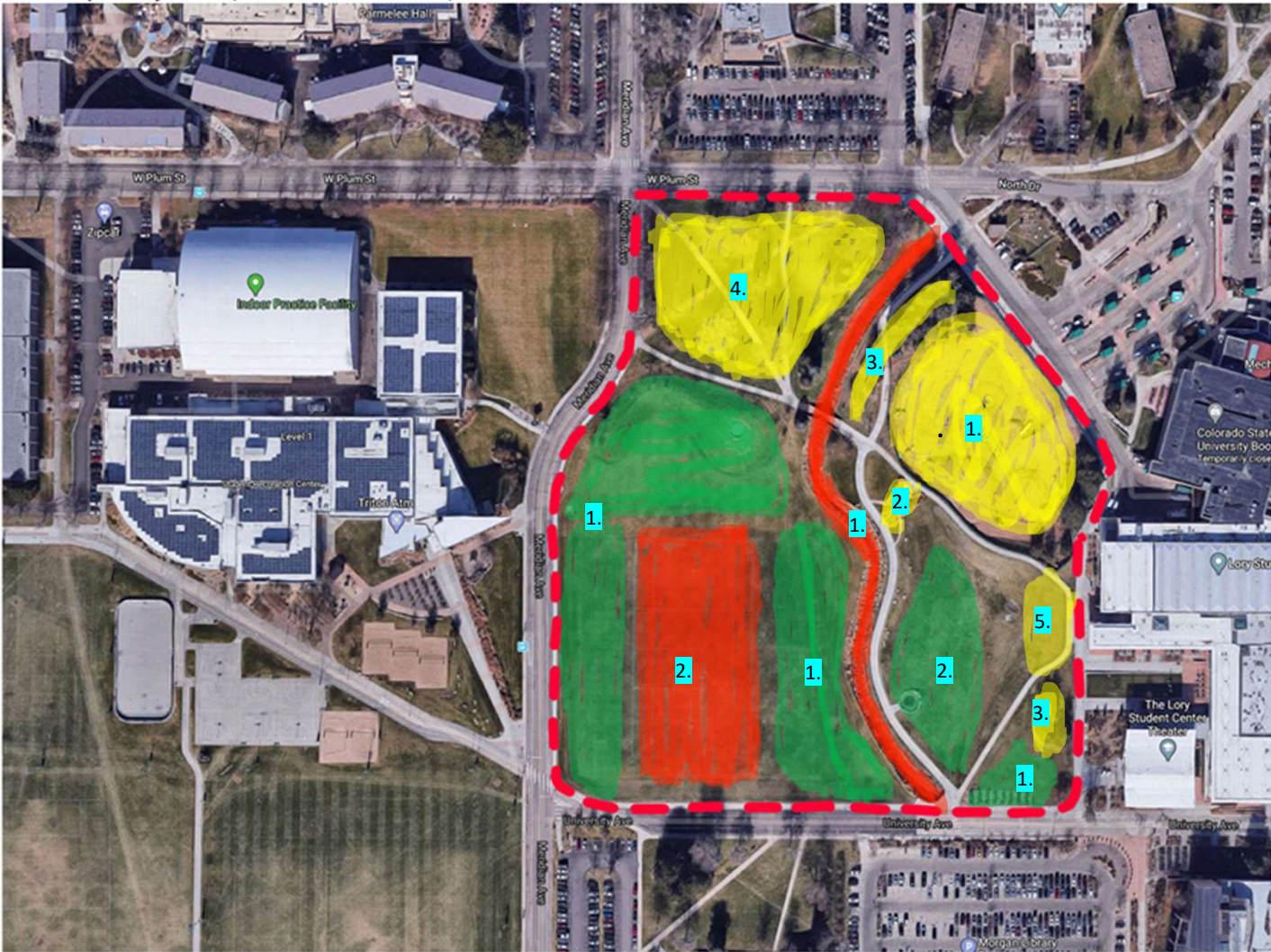
**Opportunity:**

- 1. Enhance open areas to highlight the high desert landscapes.
- 2. Fire pit is used but could be designed better.

**Both:**

- 1. Lagoon needs to stay but needs to be better designed to be used more often.
- 2. Drainage between the lagoon and ditch needs to stay but can be visually more appealing.
- 3. Memorials need to remain but are hidden as they are now.
- 4. Wooded area is poorly traversable as is.
- 5. Steep slope west of Lory Center is currently unused but has lots of potential.

Aerial Map of Project Site (under construction 2019)



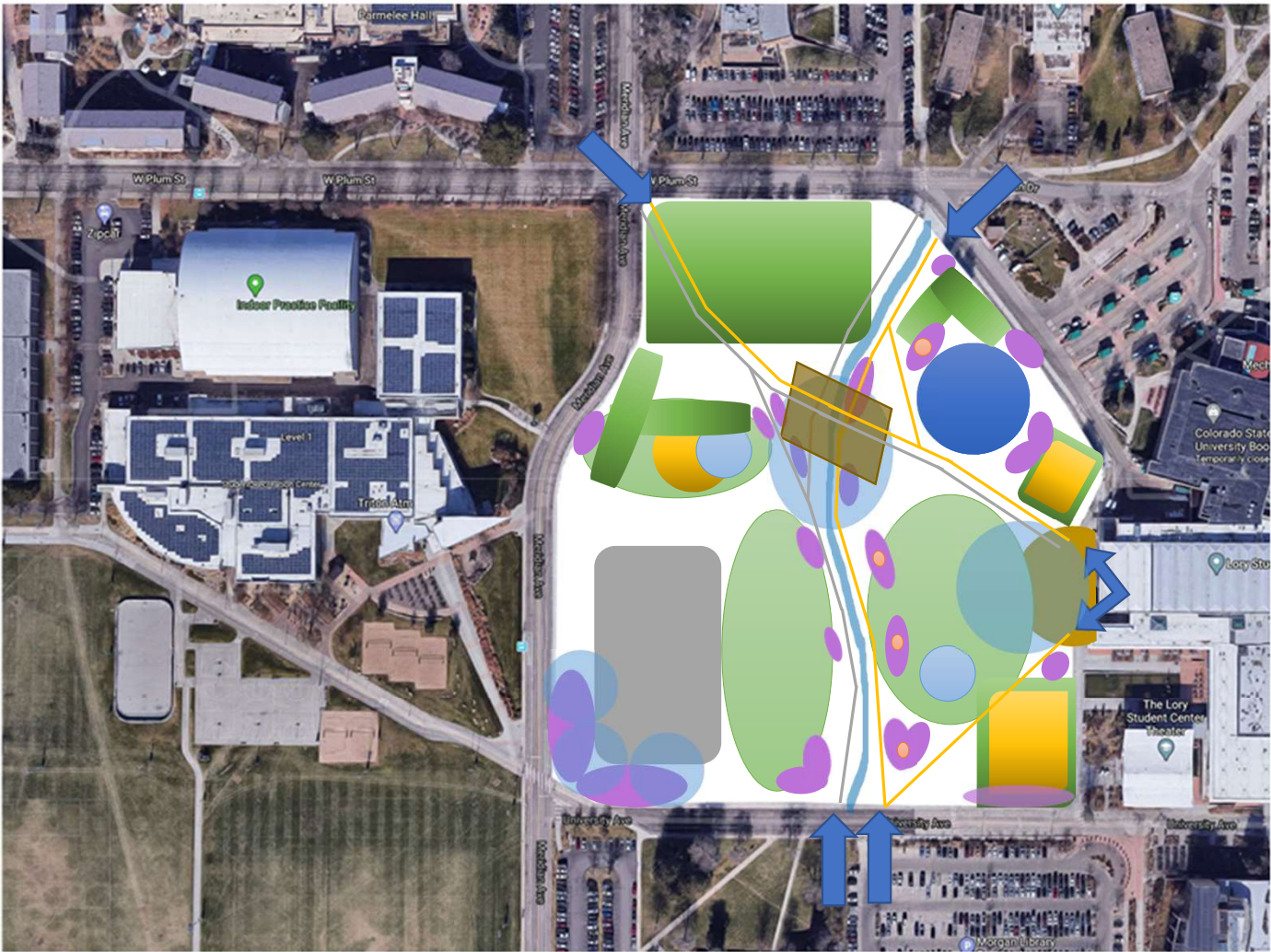
Base Map of Project Site



Redesign Idea

Lory Overlook  
Diagram

- Monument/Markers, moved
- Bioswales
- Bridge, modified
- Lagoon, enhanced
- Athletic Fields, 2
- Viewpoints, enhanced
- Proposed outdoor seating/classrooms
- Proposed high desert landscaping
- Proposed patio/overlook
- Mature trees
- Proposed bridge
- Proposed walkways, bike/pedestrian
- Arthur Ditch
- Access points (in/out)



Purpose Statement:

The purpose of this design is to enhance the significance of this space. This is a multi-use area that can become a staple center for university events, students and community members. This design draws attention to the importance of the location, highlighting the high desert landscape, as well as the history of the space and the college, but creating opportunity to enjoy the outdoors in a variety of ways

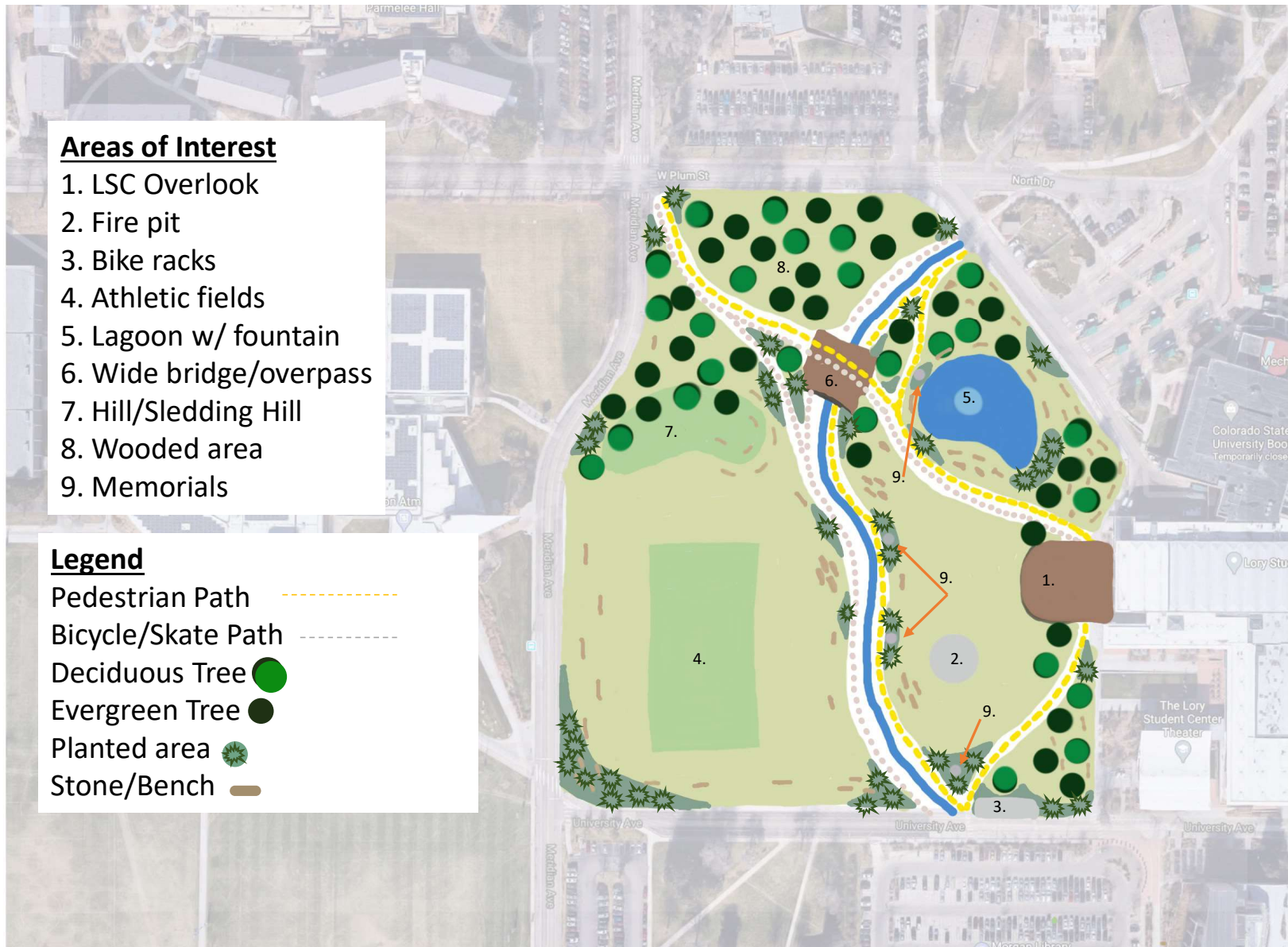
Master Plan

**Areas of Interest**

1. LSC Overlook
2. Fire pit
3. Bike racks
4. Athletic fields
5. Lagoon w/ fountain
6. Wide bridge/overpass
7. Hill/Sledding Hill
8. Wooded area
9. Memorials

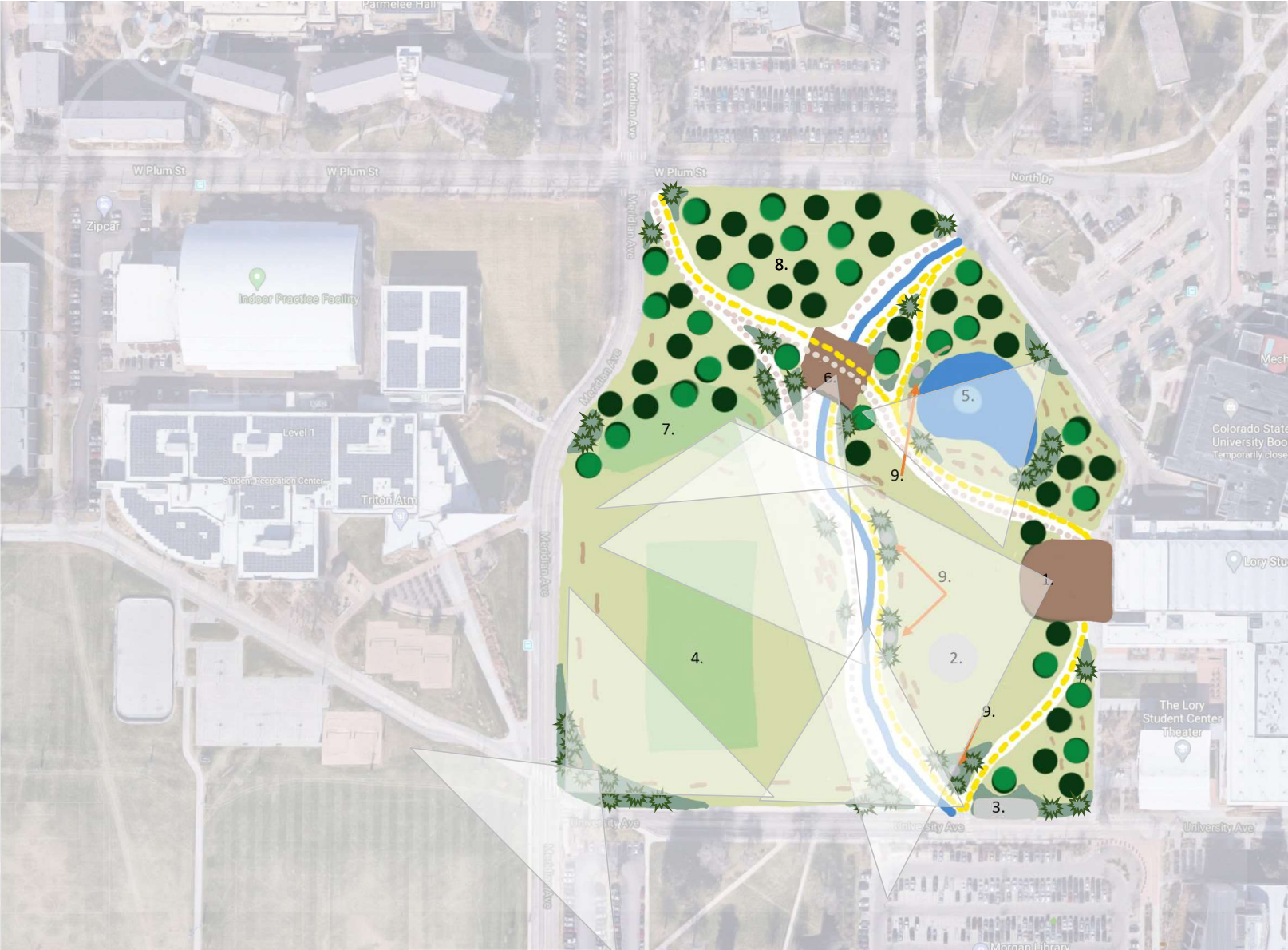
**Legend**

- Pedestrian Path      - - - - -
- Bicycle/Skate Path      - - - - -
- Deciduous Tree      ●
- Evergreen Tree      ●
- Planted area      ●
- Stone/Bench      —





Master Plan  
Views



Colorado State University (CSU), boasts one of the most beautiful, and oldest, campuses in the state of Colorado. With beauty can come problems, such as most of the campus being in a floodplain and serving as intense drainage for the city in the event of a massive flood. The area west of the Lory Student Center is one of the most important flood plains on campus and thus does not blend well with the rest of the wonderfully designed and manicured campus. The Lagoon has been a part of the campus since the mid-1900s and has since been remodeled to what is currently there – a smaller version that is tucked away and not very welcoming. Because this area is bland in comparison with the rest of CSU, it isn't utilized to its full potential. Currently, it is mostly used as a passageway for students to get from one side of the space to the other, with bicycles weaving in between pedestrians and a few conflict areas.

This plan keeps the current layout while emphasizing the important and historic aspects and views and alleviating the conflict zones. The main focal point of this design is the new Lory Overlook. This is an extension of the current patio and walkway that will extend over the bioswale immediately west of the LSC, creating a seating area complete with planters, tables, and beautiful views of the mountains and the historic A. From the Overlook, one can choose to walk northwest, along the lagoon towards the expanded bridge and into the wooded area, before leaving this area for residence halls or other parts of town. The lagoon has had a facelift, with the addition of a fountain in its widest part. This fountain not only adds ambiance to the space but also helps to keep the water circulating in the lagoon. Around the lagoon, there have been sandstone boulders added, which can double as seating or outdoor classrooms, and the '100-year flood' memorial has been given a place of honor, visible from any of the nearby paths. The bridge has been widened to accommodate both cyclists and pedestrians but has also been raised to act as an overpass for the paths on both sides of the Arthur Ditch. The wooded area has grown, by adding more trees, both deciduous and coniferous, mimicking the forests to the west of town.

Along Arthur ditch, sandstone boulders have been distributed to allow people to sit, climb, and relax. A pedestrian path now follows the length of the ditch, as well as a bicycle path on the opposing side. Planted areas of high desert plants have been added to give the ditch some character, rather than just being an eyesore cutting the space in two. The fire pit has been moved out to allow for more space around it and can be viewed from the Lory Overlook, allowing more students to participate in school functions involving the fire pit. The bike racks have been given much-needed shade. The athletic fields were not changed, but more sandstone seating was added around all sides, along with planted areas. This will allow spectators to have somewhere to sit and watch games. The berm to the north of the fields has also been given seating to allow for gatherings or outdoor classrooms. One section of the berm was left clear for sledding purposes in the winter. Native planters are added throughout the whole area to enhance the experience and boost ecosystems included in the area.

Overall, this plan will bring new life to the area and complete the design that was started years ago, while showcasing what makes this state and area so beautiful.