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Toronto Portlands

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Lifting Ground is a proposal for the reclamation and reintegration of the Toronto Portlands into the working fabric of the city. In an attempt to expedite the occupation of the site as well as to exploit the value of the land and its latent resources, Lifting Ground introduces a new ground plane in a series of connective tissues dubbed 'Greenways'. The Greenways run through the site, at times enveloping or burying buildings, at others revealing the built form, all the while providing resources vital to the modern city. Five main typologies have been devised: Recreation Greenway; Urban Agricultural Greenway; Civic Promenade; Educational Greenway; Culture and Entertainment Greenway. Raising the landscape allows for the remediation of industrial areas while allowing for occupation of the site, provides pedestrian access across the site and connects various pieces of program in seamless strips of public domain.



Top: Collaged East-West Site Sections
Bottom: North-South Site Section

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