

# OVERVIEW – NEW PARK AT 318 QUEENS QUAY WEST

A new 9,600m<sup>2</sup> (0.96 Ha) waterfront park is being designed at 318 Queens Quay West on Toronto's Central Waterfront. The site is bordered by Queens Quay Blvd to the south, Rees Street to the east, the Gardiner Expressway to the north, and 350 Queens Quay West (a residential condominium) to the West.



## FUTURE VISION FOR PARK

When completed, the New Park at 318 Queens Quay will serve as a keystone, unlocking the potential of the emerging network of parks along our Waterfront for area residents and waterfront park users citywide.





# SITE HISTORY ON THE WATERFRONT

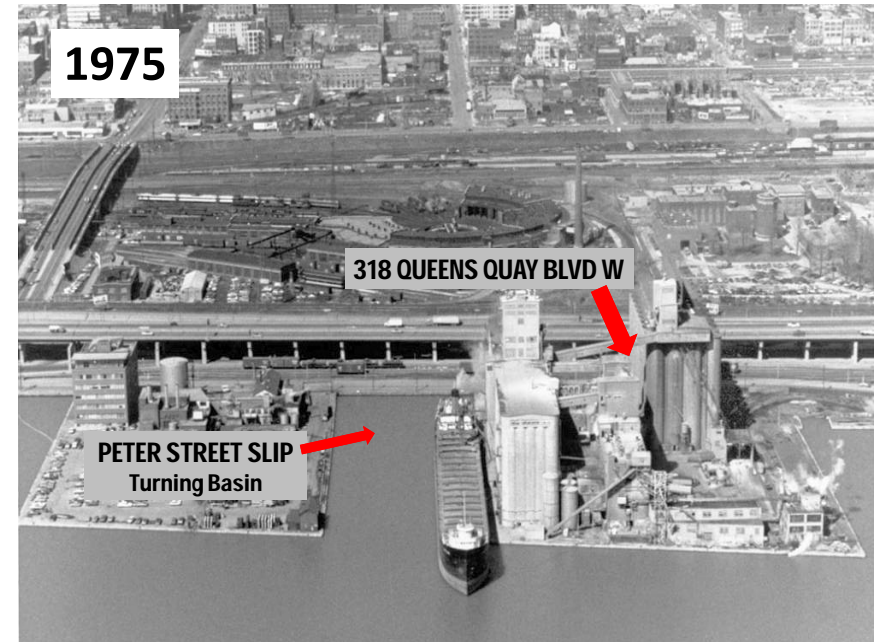
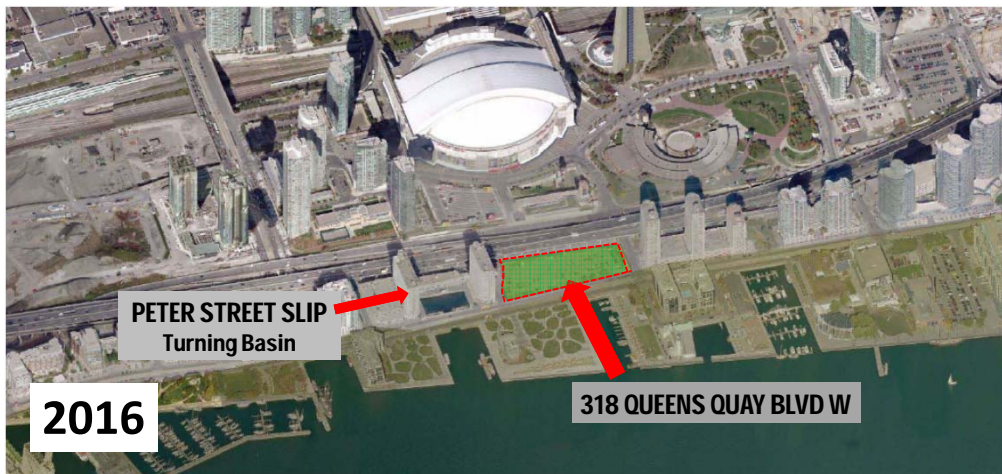
## 318 QUEENS QUAY THROUGH THE YEARS....

Industrial past of site: Home to the Maple Leaf Mills Silos.

1972 The Federal government expropriated the Maple Leaf complex in as part of the redevelopment of Harbourfront.

1997 Federal Government conveyed the 2.65 acre to the City as a to be developed as a future public park.

- The site is part of the 40 acres of land intended for parks and open spaces, as outlined in the Harbourfront Implementation Agreement (HIA) between the Government of Canada, Harbourfront Corporation and the City of Toronto (1992).
- The site is currently being leased as a public parking lot by Harbourfront Centre.





# SITE CONTEXT + CONNECTIONS

*The new design at 318 Queens Quay will need to address neighbourhood connections and complement and enhance important Waterfront features.*



## WEST – Maple Leaf Quay

- Courtyard and Turning Basin
- Residential and Commercial Uses
- Development application in progress

## EAST – Rees Street

- Sidewalk/Street connection to North
- Residential and Commercial Uses
- Rees Street Parkette

## NORTH – Roundhouse Park and Roger's Centre

- Tourist destination in City
- Key connection route to downtown core

## Lakeshore Blvd. and Gardiner

- Primary vehicular circulation access point
- Existing Pedestrian and Cycling Connections

## SOUTH – HTO Park and Lake

- Destination Park on the Waterfront
- Urban Beach
- Waterfront Promenade
- Martin Goodman Trail connections along Queens Quay Blvd.
- Clear views to HTO Park and Lake Ontario beyond

# GUIDING PRINCIPLES

In October 2016, a workshop was held with local stakeholder organizations to identify priorities, key themes and needs for the future park, described as “Guiding Principles”.

**A Winter City Park for All  
Season Use**

**Create Opportunities  
for Curiosity and  
Experimentation**

**Connected And Relevant  
– A Systems Thinking  
Design Approach**

**Innovation and  
Sustainability**

**Complement rather than  
Compete with Existing  
Context**

**Encourage Community  
Stewardship and  
Collaborative  
Partnerships**

Technical analysis and Budgets, together with public and stakeholder input on guiding principles, park program and future park concepts will inform the final park design.

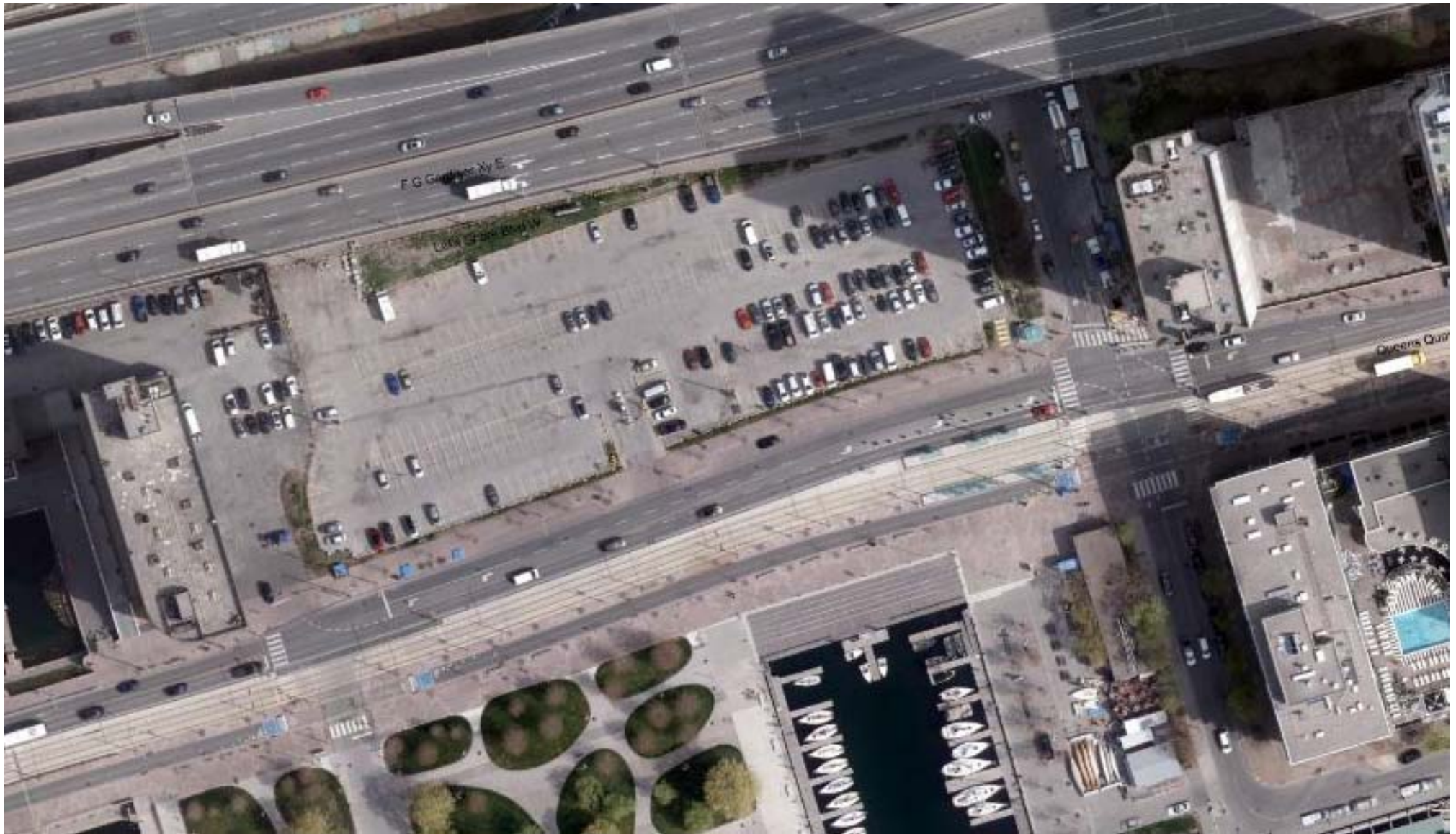
**YOUR IDEAS AND  
COMMENTS HERE...**







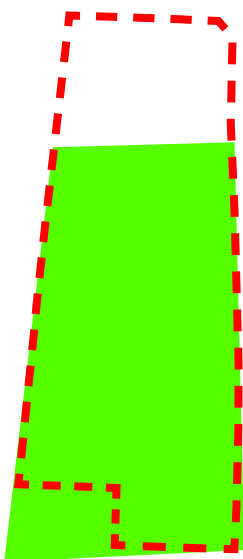
# 318 QUEENS QUAY – SITE AERIAL



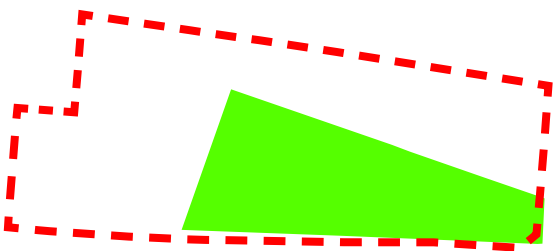
# SCALE COMPARISON



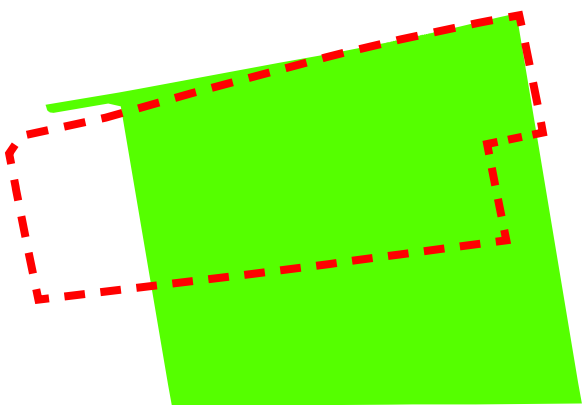
318 Queens Quay Blvd



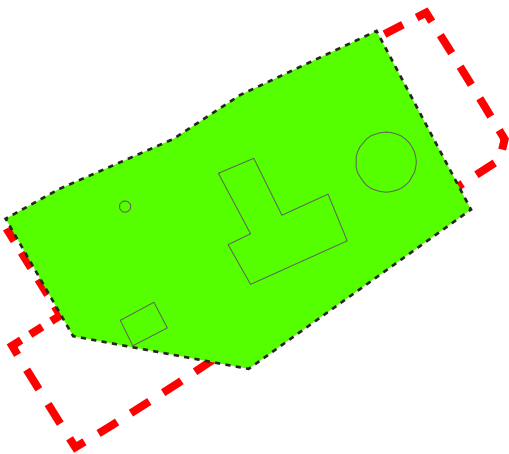
SHERBOURNE COMMON  
SOUTH  
**9,500 m2**



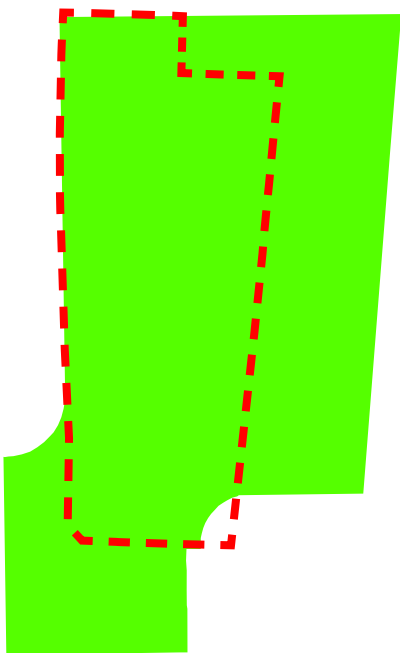
BERCZY PARK  
**3,600 m2**



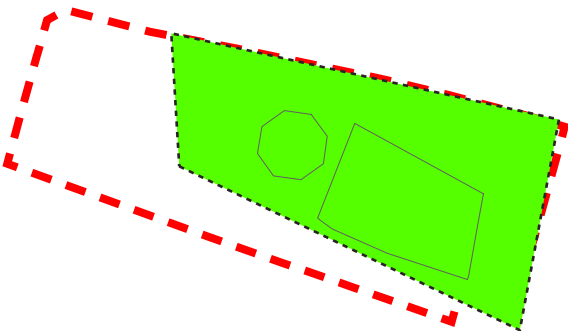
HTO PARK  
**13,200 m2**



SIR CASIMAR GZOWSKI PARK  
*PLAYSPACE + WADING POOL AREA*  
**~8,850 m2**



LITTLE NORWAY PARK  
**24,800 m2**



BUDAPEST PARK  
*PLAYSPACE + WADING POOL AREA*  
**~6,200 m2**



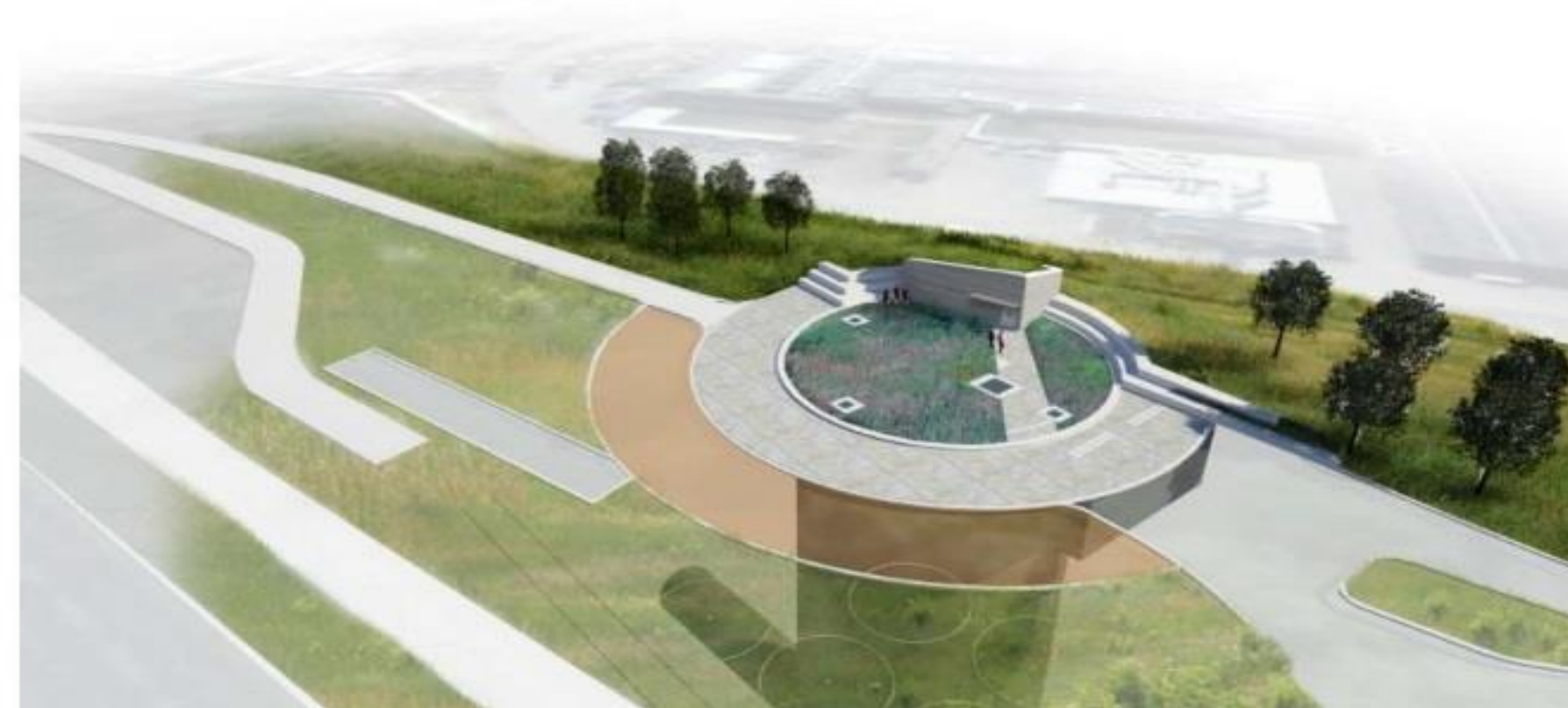
TORONTO MUSIC GARDEN  
**15,050 m2**



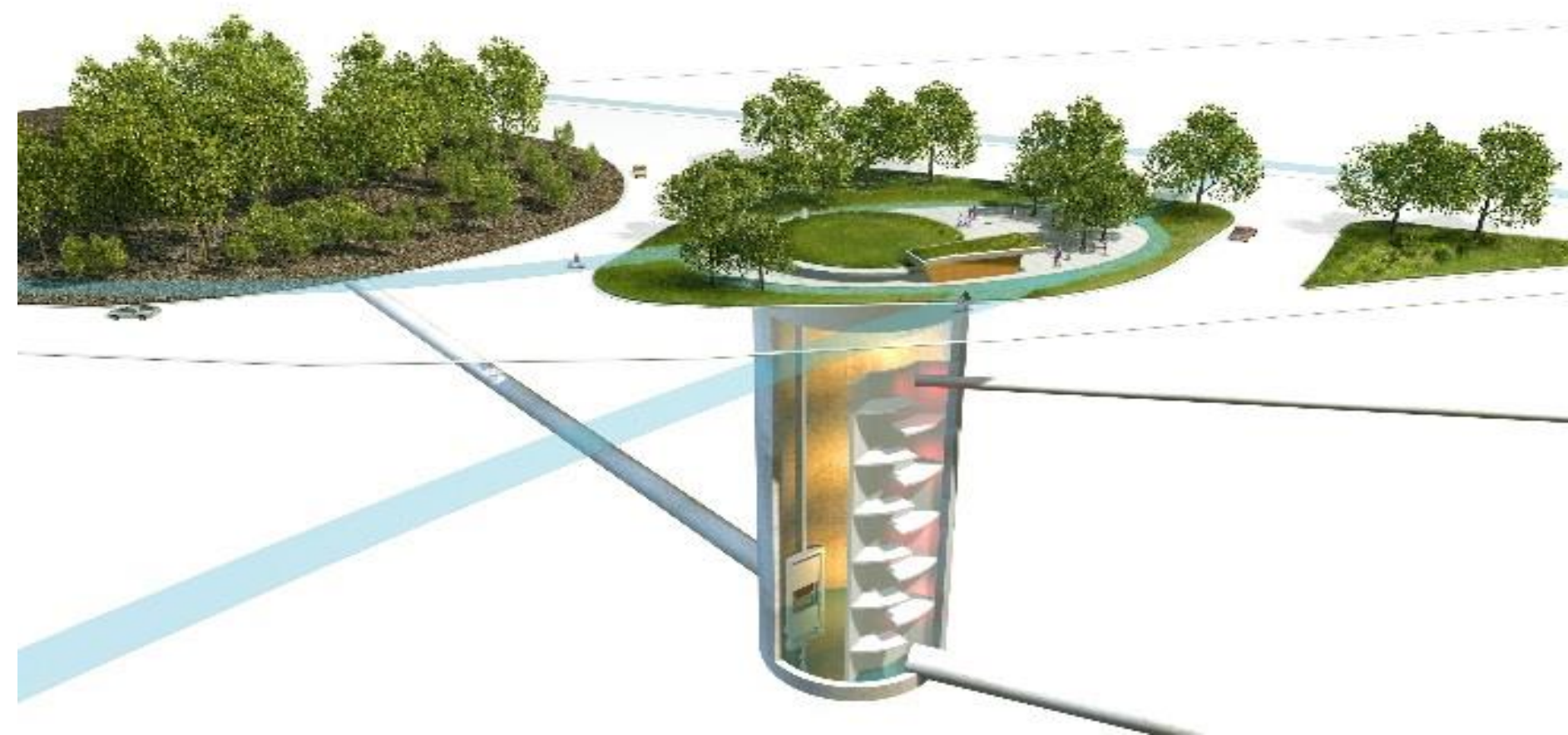
# DON RIVER AND CENTRAL WATERFRONT PROJECT



The new park will also house an underground vertical storage shaft as part of the Don River and Central Waterfront Project proposed by Toronto Water. The project is designed to “virtually” eliminate combined sewer overflows into Lower Don River and Toronto's harbour.



The 15m diameter shaft will be constructed at a future date, however the new park design will account for this in the concept evaluation and final design proposal.



The team will collaborate with Toronto Water through the design process to ensure that all technical requirements are met while Parks design vision and program goals and objectives are not compromised. The resulting new park design will be win-win for city departments and park users alike.



# DON RIVER AND CENTRAL WATERFRONT PROJECT



**1**  
Inner Harbour WWF Connections - Nine WWF Connections are proposed along the inner harbour of Lake Ontario. The large vortex drop chamber has been designed to integrate with the urban context.



**2**  
The Tunnel Boring Machine Launch Shaft will be located at Ashbridges Bay Treatment Plant. After completion of the 10.6 km - 6.3 m diameter Coxwell Bypass Tunnel, the site will be restored to promote public use of the space.



**3**  
A Baffle Drop Structure will be used to convey flow from the existing Coxwell Sanitary Trunk Sewer into the new bypass tunnel.



**KEY PROJECT STAFF:**

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Toronto Water Operations: Adam Zietara and Serf Fiorini  
Toronto Water ABTP Plant Construction: Scott Wilton

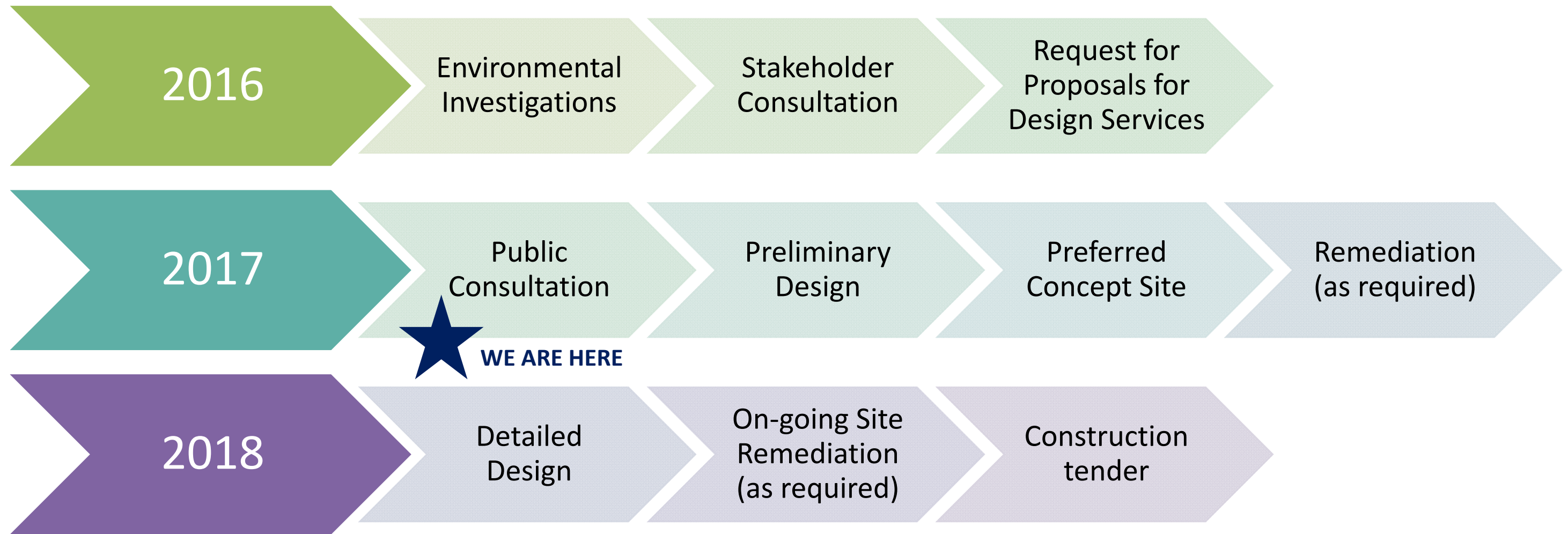
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Permit and Approvals: Nat Andres  
Deputy Project Manager: Ken Collicott  
Deputy Design Manager: Dan Cressman

**SCOPE OF WORK:** The City of Toronto is constructing a Wet Weather Flow (WWF) System to greatly reduce CSOs and improve the water quality in the Don River, Taylor Massey Creek and Inner Harbour of Lake Ontario. The City will construct 22 km of tunnels and connect 46 existing combined sewer outfalls to the tunnel system via diversion and drop structures to reduce overflows to waterbodies from the existing outfalls. The total cost of the Don River and Central Waterfront Project is estimated at \$1.5 Billion. The first stage of the project, the 10.6 km - 6.3 m diameter Coxwell Bypass Tunnel, will commence construction in 2018 and has an estimated capital cost of \$400 million.





# PROJECT SCHEDULE AND NEXT STEPS



## WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU

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# SHARE YOUR IDEAS

## Activity #1

### Idea Generation – Park Design Collage

Share your ideas by creating a collage.

**STEP 1:** Think about what features you would like to see in a new park at 318 Queens Quay West, **find** them in the **images** on your table, and **add** them (glue/tape/) to your aerial map to create a **collage**. If you think of something that is not represented in the images, draw or write it in.

**STEP 2: Identify** where you think park **entrances/exits** and **pathways** could be located:

Use an **X** to mark **entrances**

Use arrows **← →** to mark a **pathway**

*What's your vision for the new park at 318 Queens Quay West? What facilities and programming would you like to see included?*



## Activity #2

### Local Experts - Community Mapping Wall

Add your ideas to a collaborative community mapping wall to help identify local assets, barriers, and surrounding connections that are important to consider when designing the New Park at 318 Queens Quay West.

**The people who travel in, around, and through an area are the ones who know it best.**

*How could a new park add to the waterfront park system?*

*What local assets/amenities are nearby that could connect to the new park?*

*What challenges could limit use of the new park?*

*How can a new park be connected to the adjacent community context? North/South, East/West?*

*How would a new park influence or change the way you visit and spend time on Toronto's Waterfront?*

*What new park features/amenities would encourage four season use of the park?*





# SAMPLE IMAGES – Landscape Features





# SAMPLE IMAGES – Hardscape Features





# SAMPLE IMAGES – Recreation





# SAMPLE IMAGES – Flexible Space





# SAMPLE IMAGES – Site Furnishings

