



Beyond its Boundary

Developing a New Prototype
for Specialized Research

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Learning objectives

Inspiration | Collaborative Planning

Think beyond a project's programmatic boundaries and reinterpret the potential role of a specialized research facility as an element which helps to define and contribute to the broad goals of a research community.

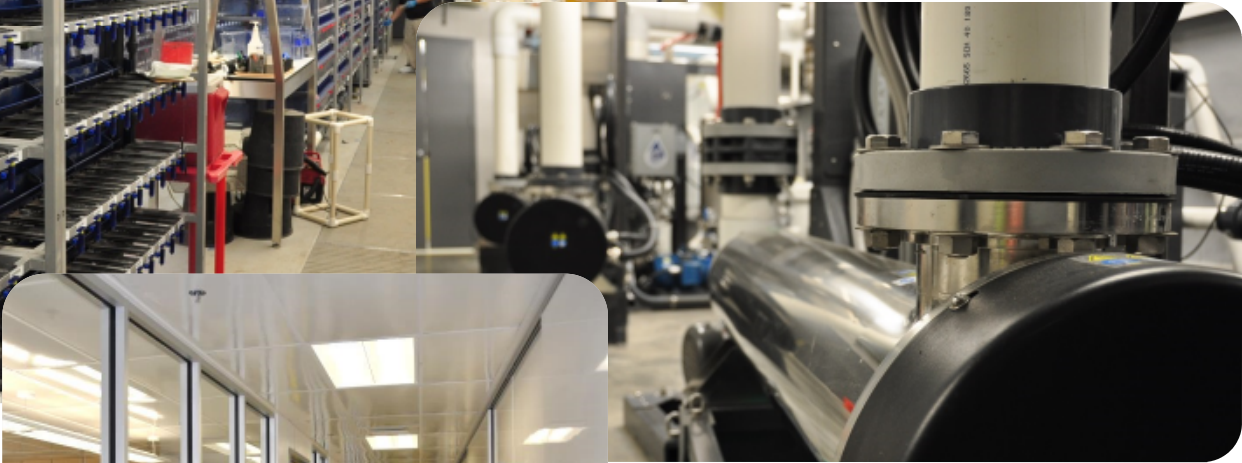
Implementation | “Occupied” Project Phasing

Learn specific design strategies and process techniques that facilitate enhanced phasing for “occupied” laboratory renovations.

Integration | Opportunity Making

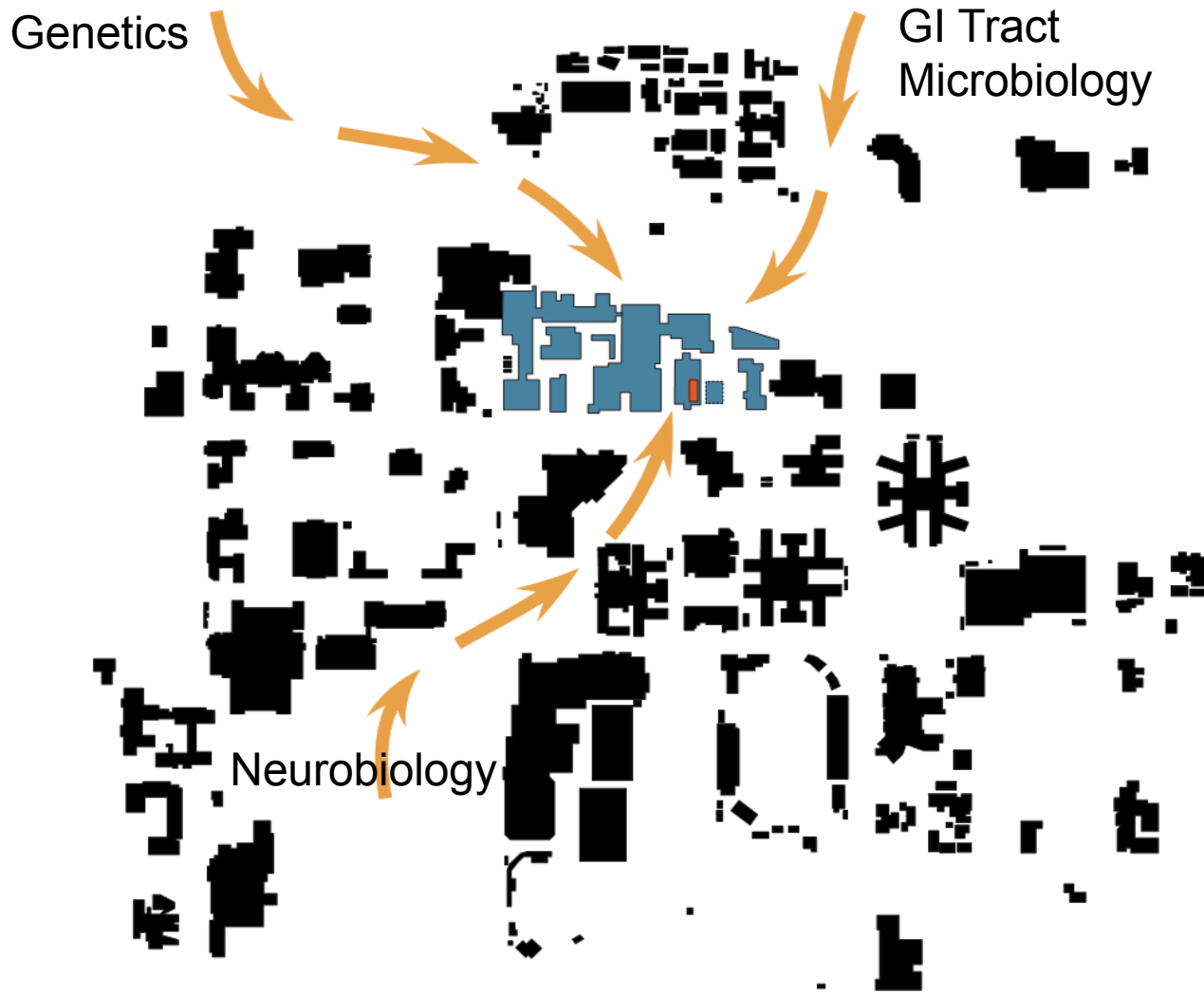
Integrate the use of specialized systems with local and district infrastructure to achieve energy and water conservation beyond what is possible with an isolated project.

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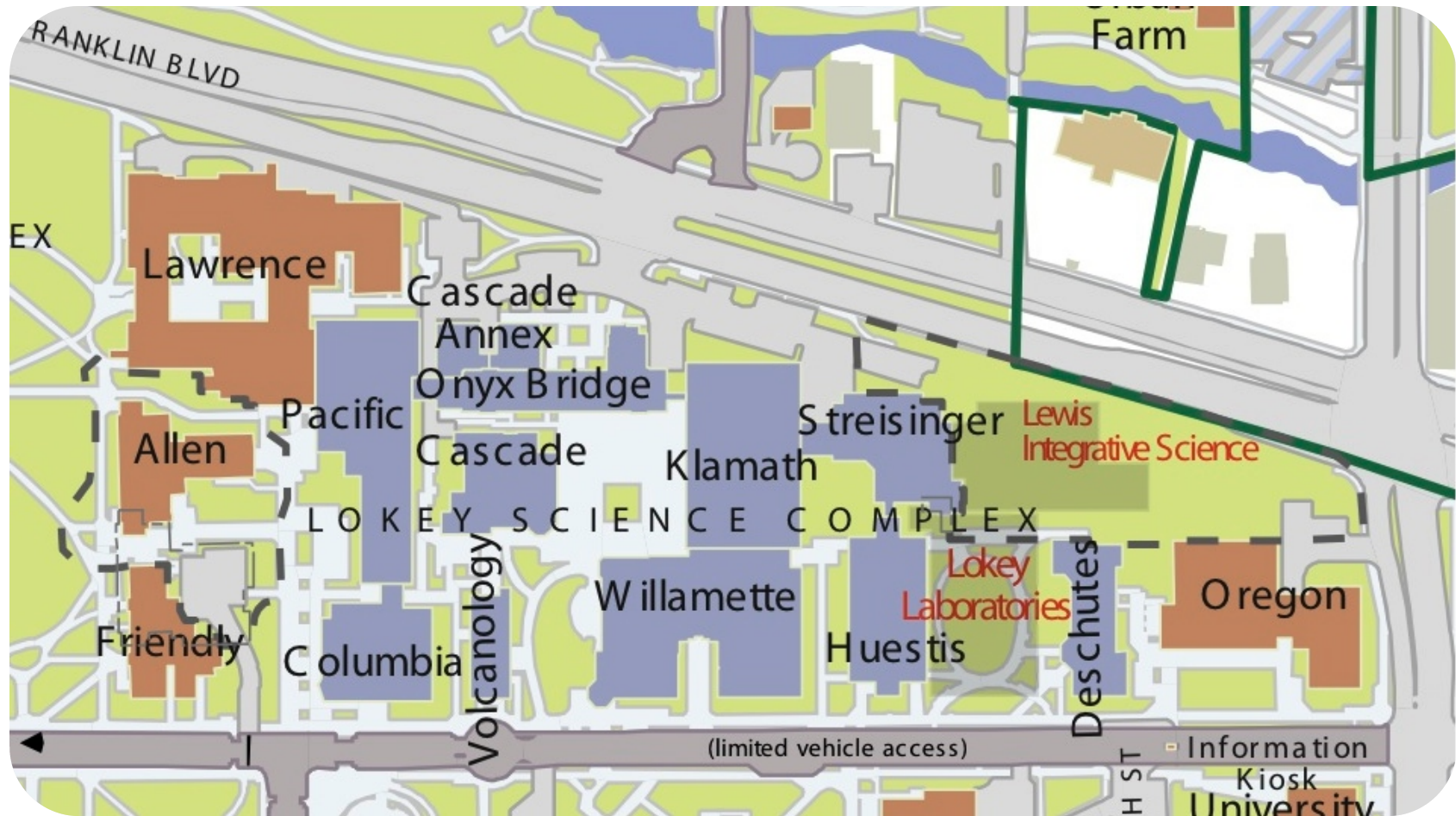
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Underground Research Facility in the Core of the Campus



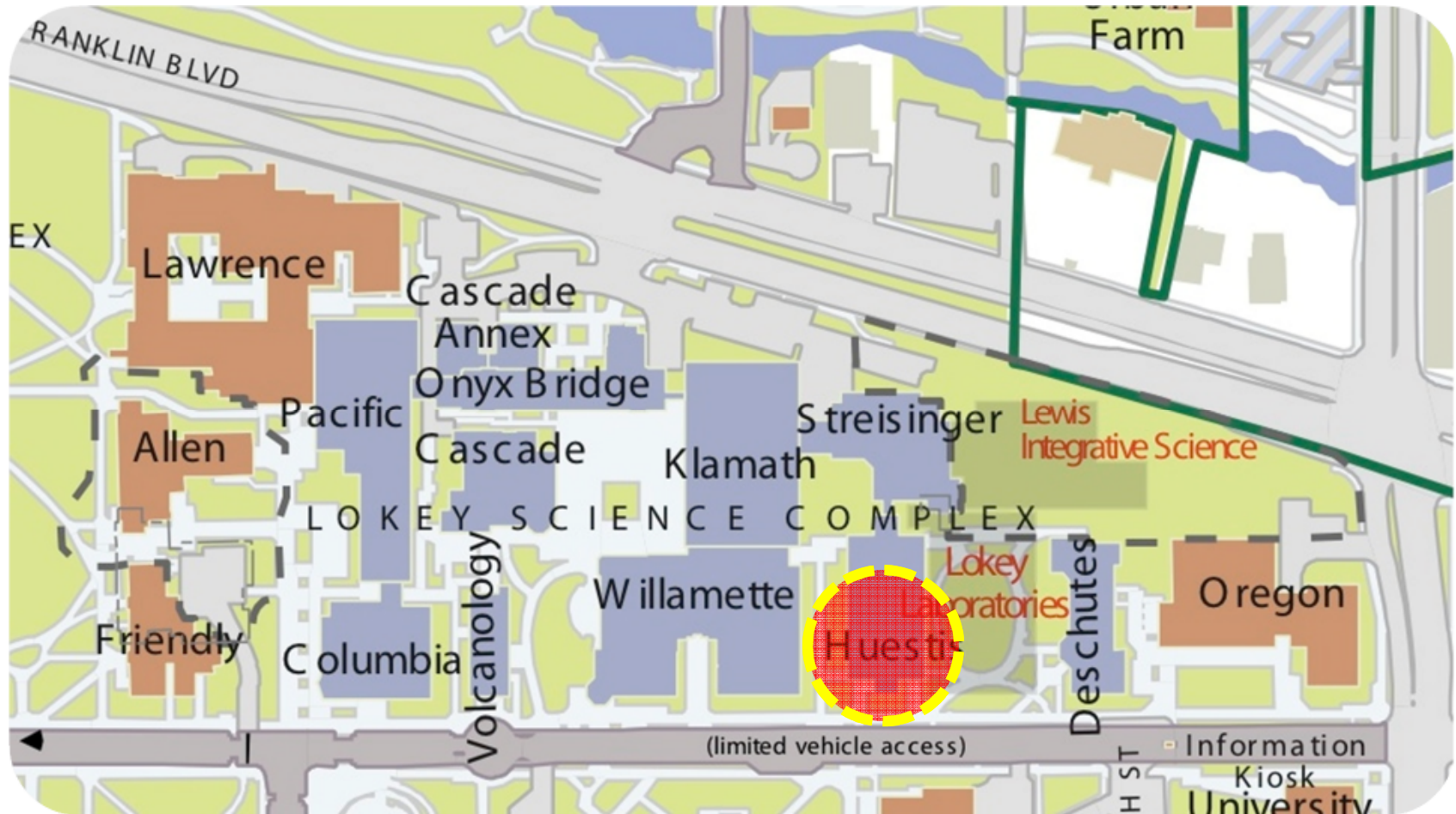
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Integrated Science Complex



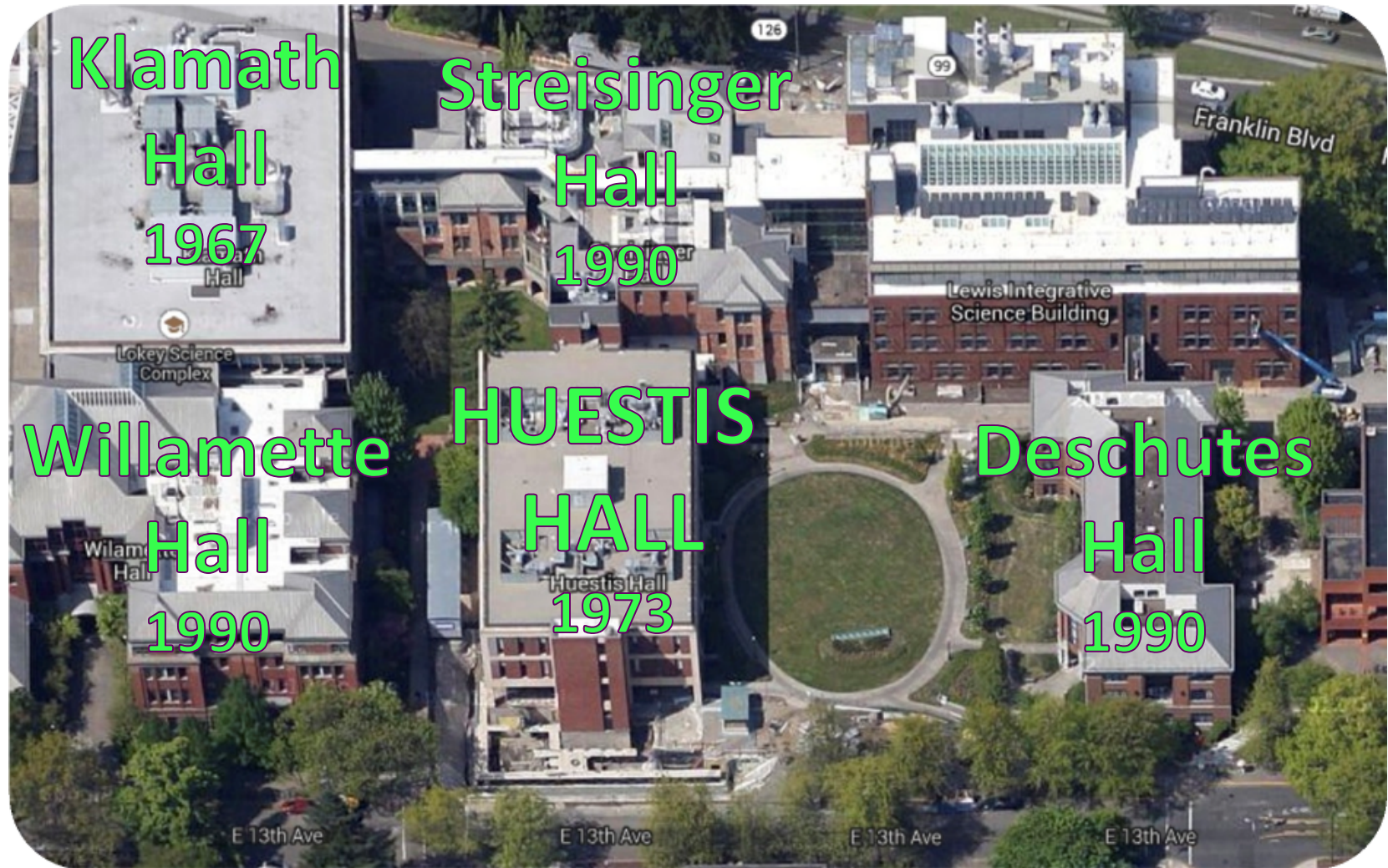
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Core Facility Replacement



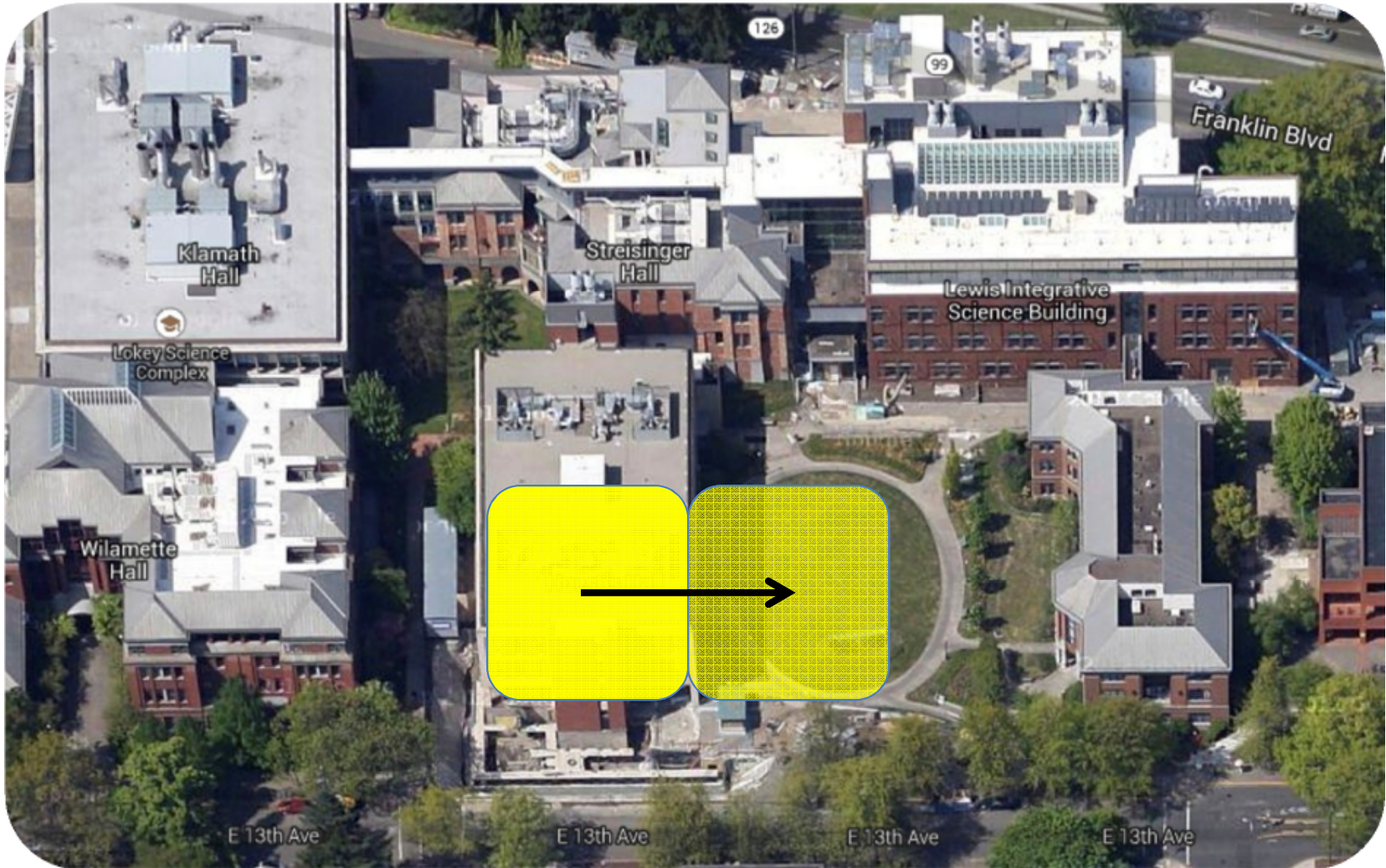
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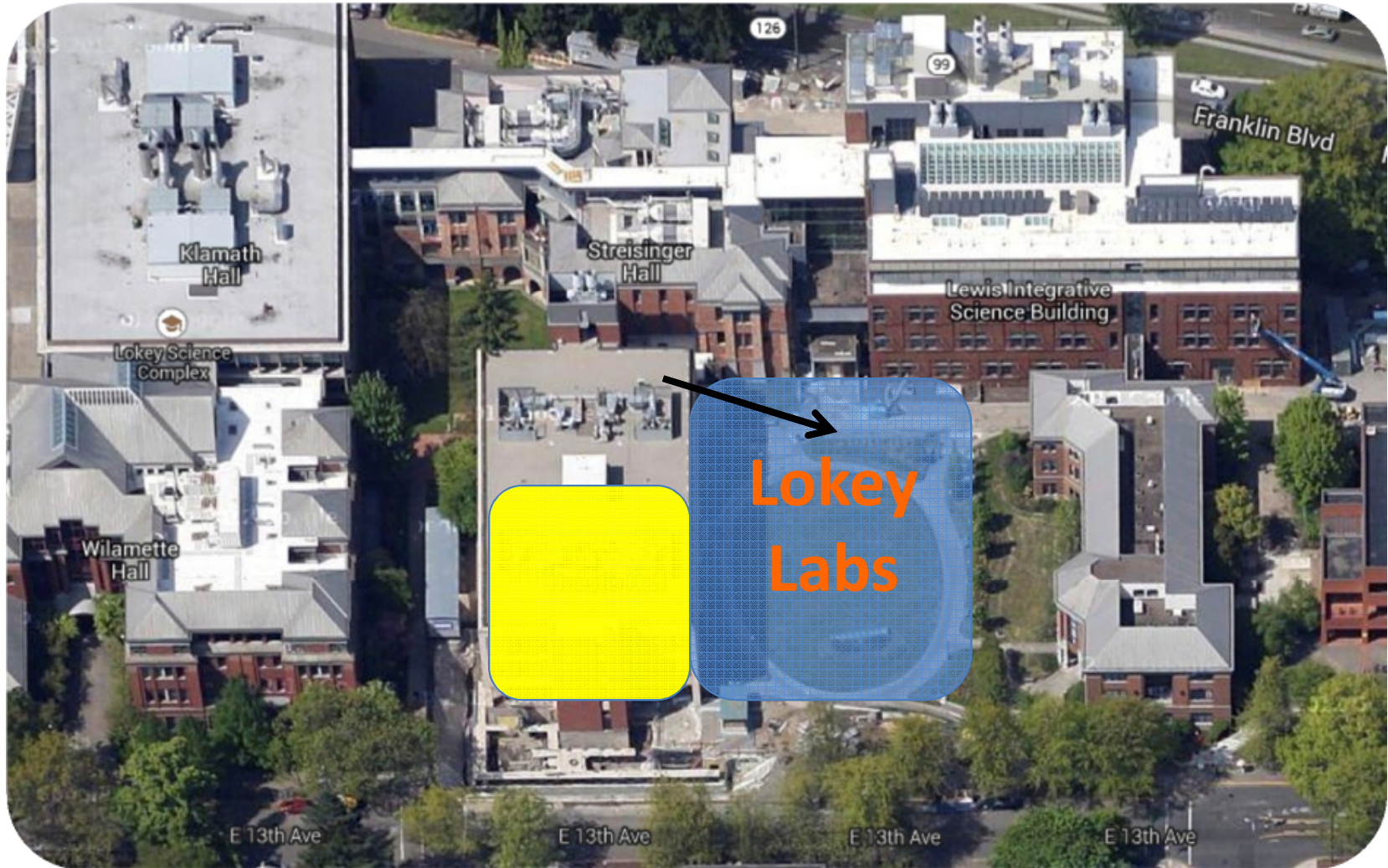
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Long range planning



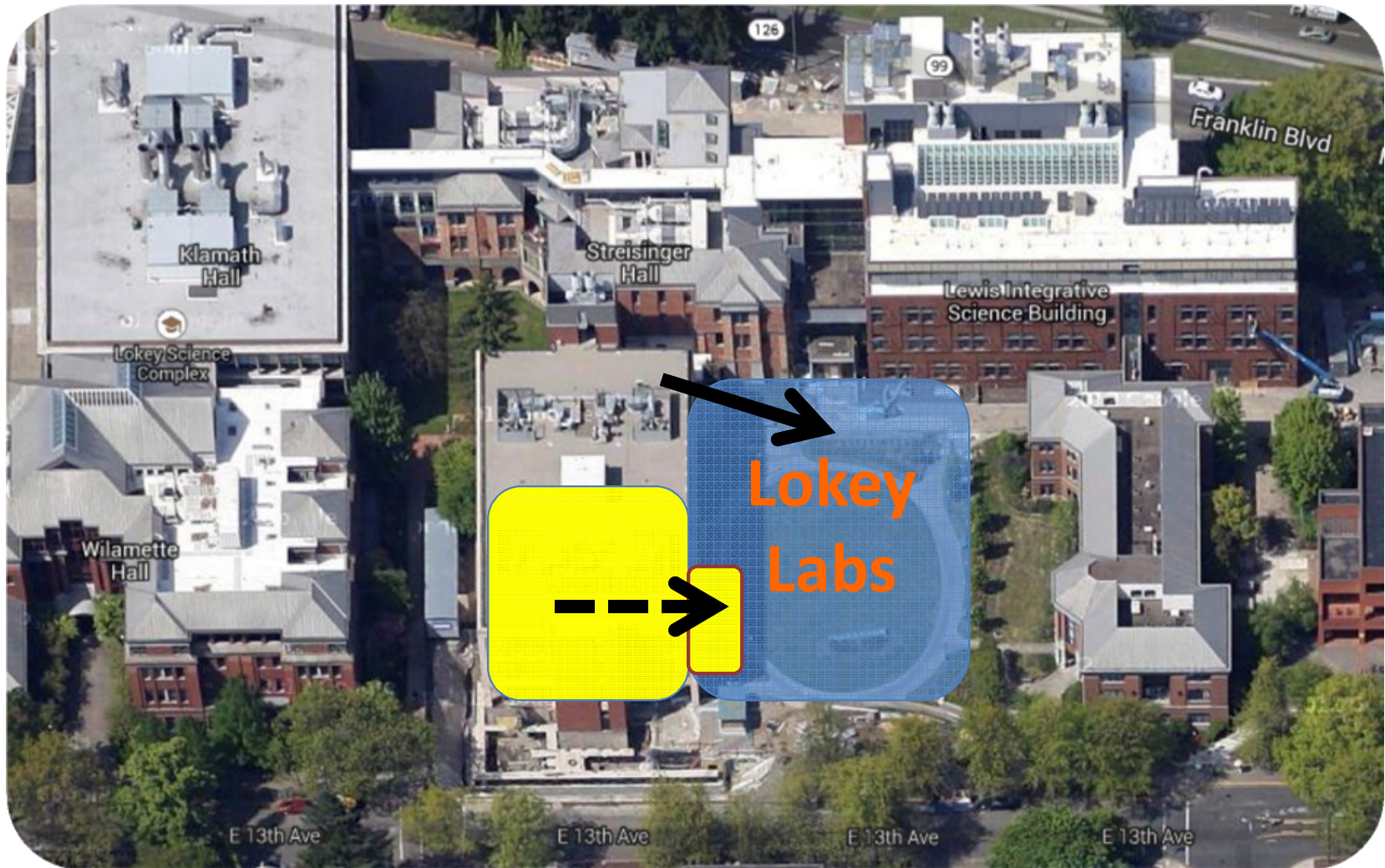
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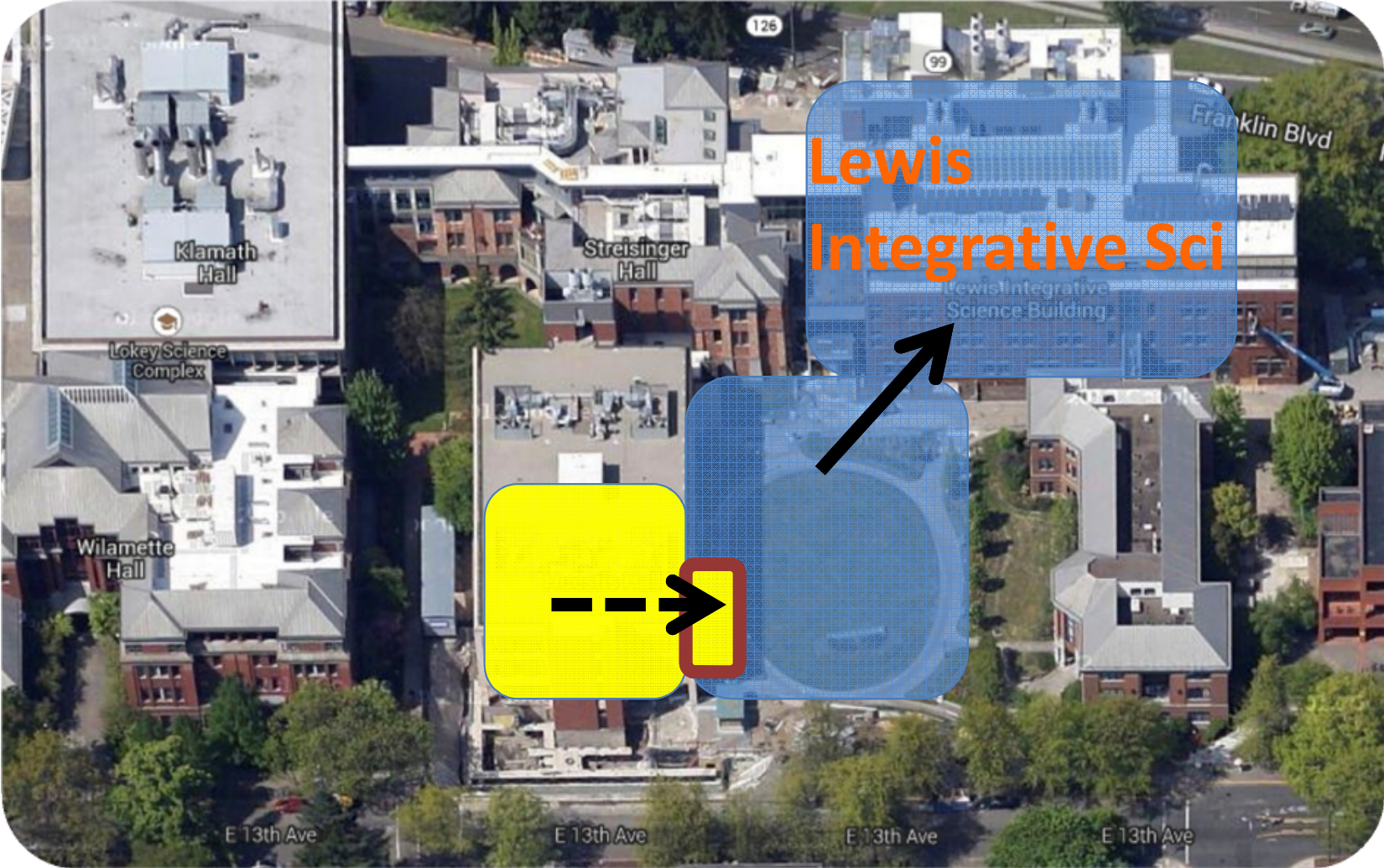
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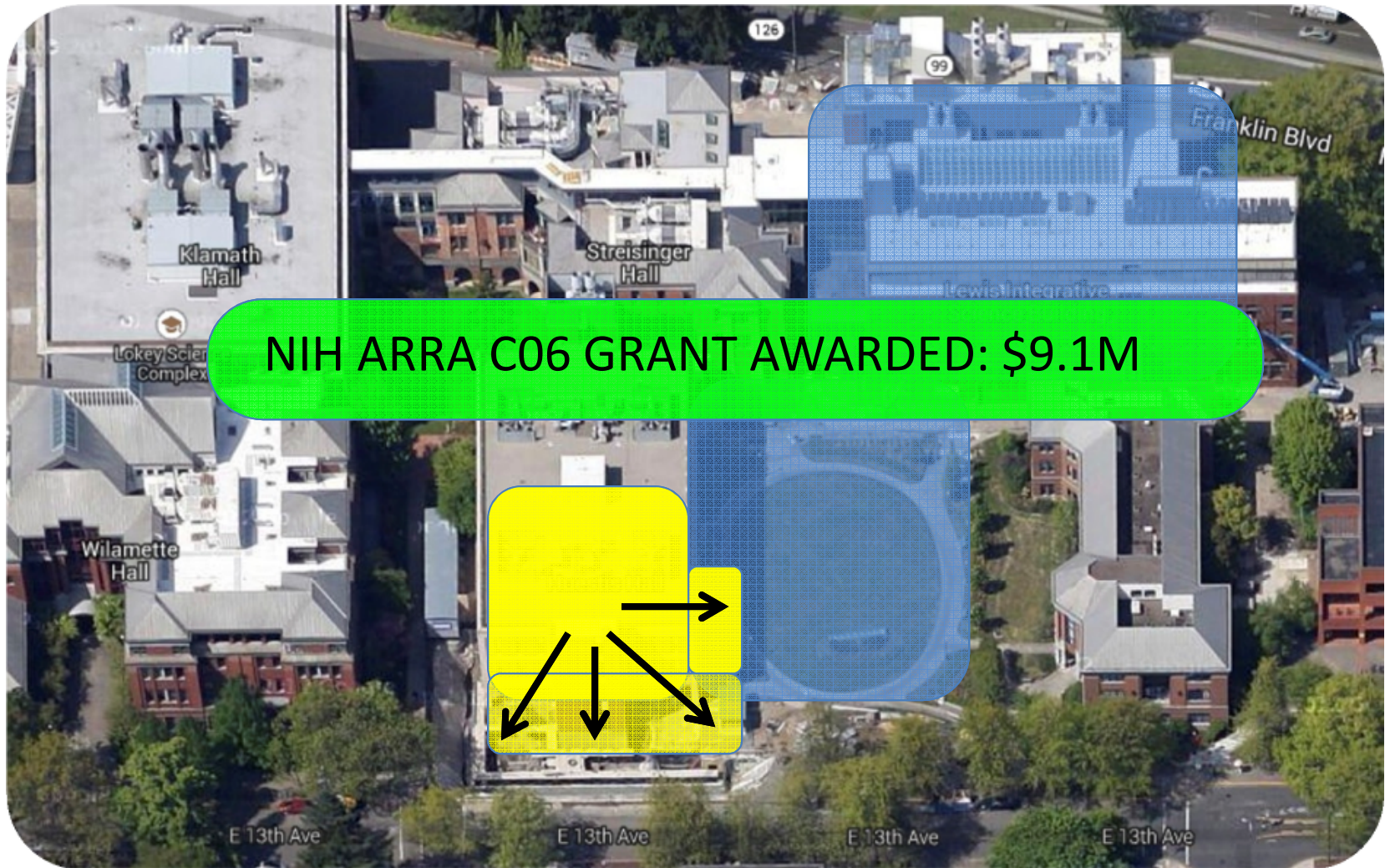
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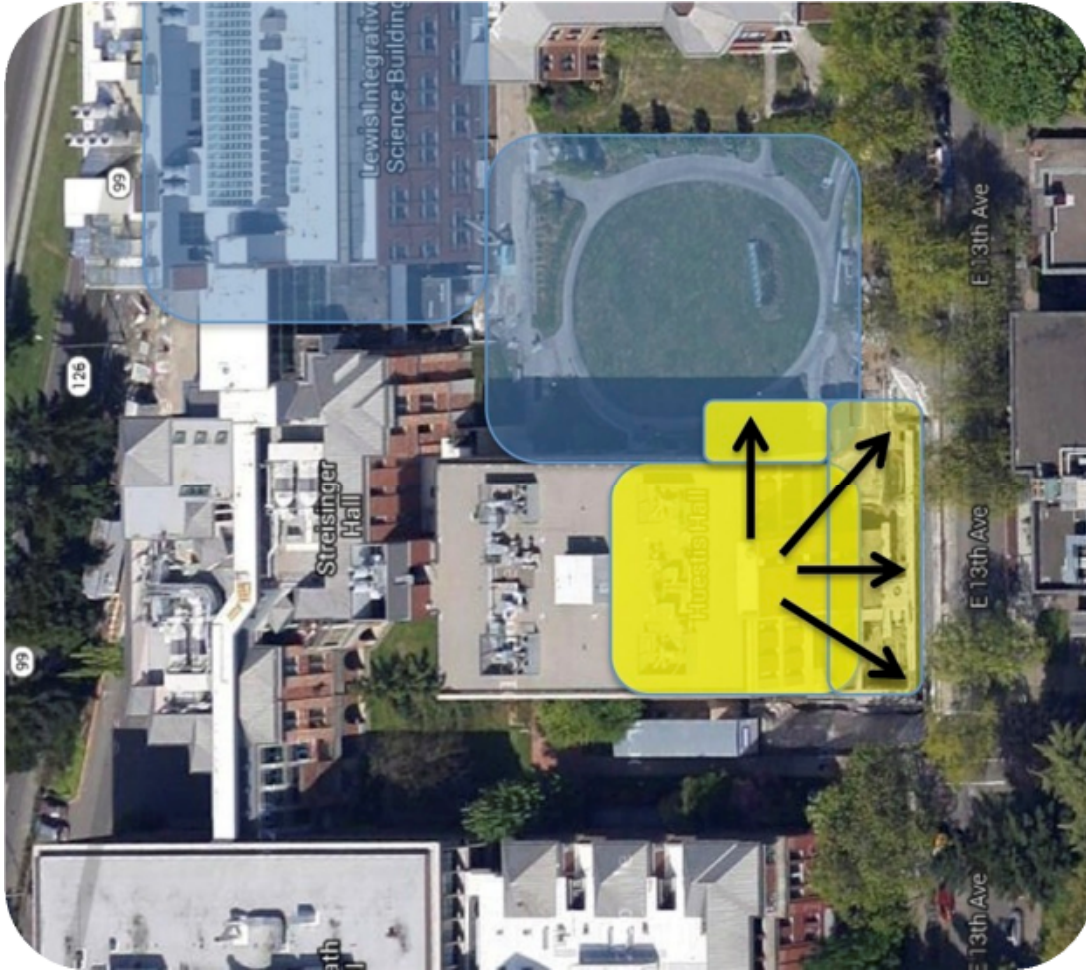
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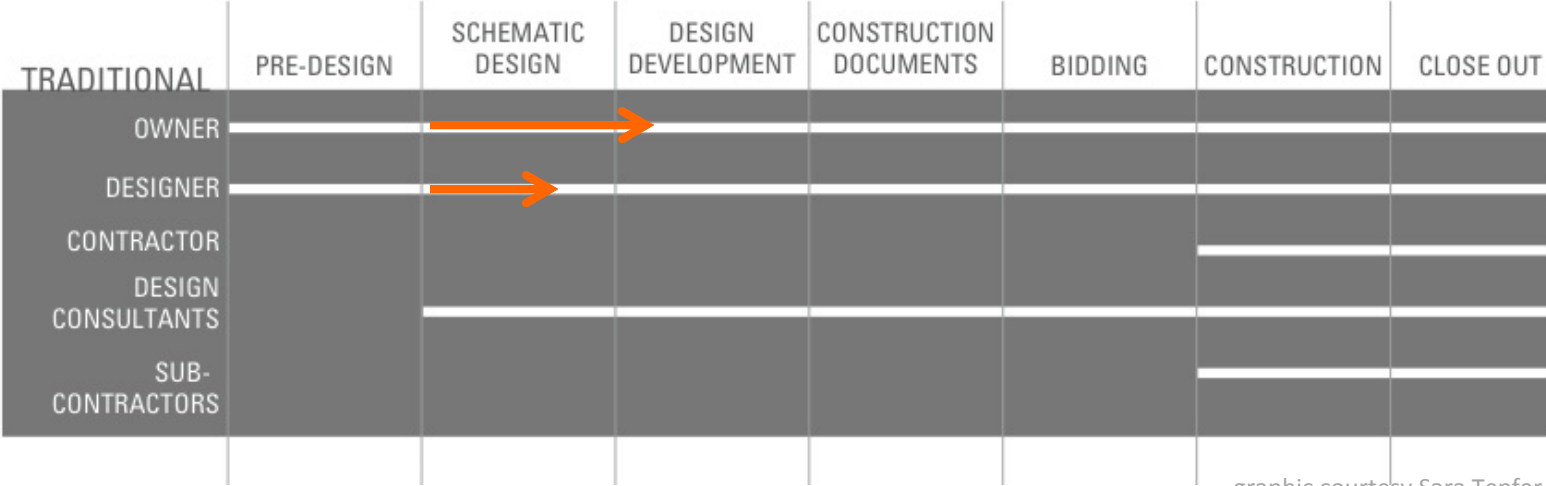
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Collaborative planning

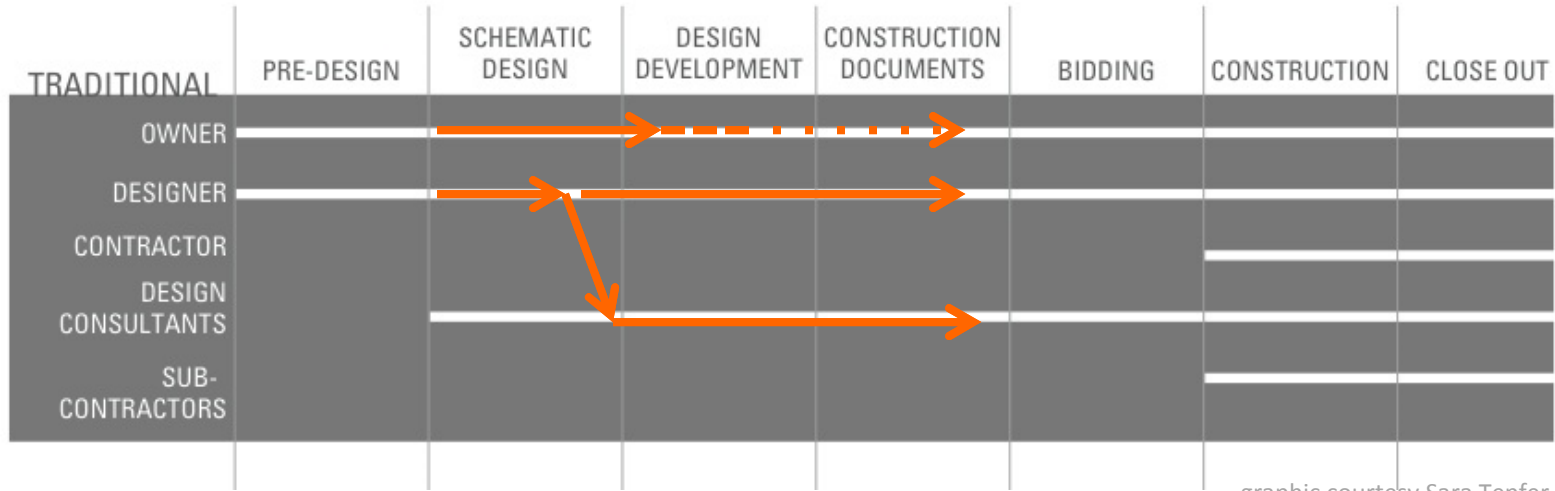


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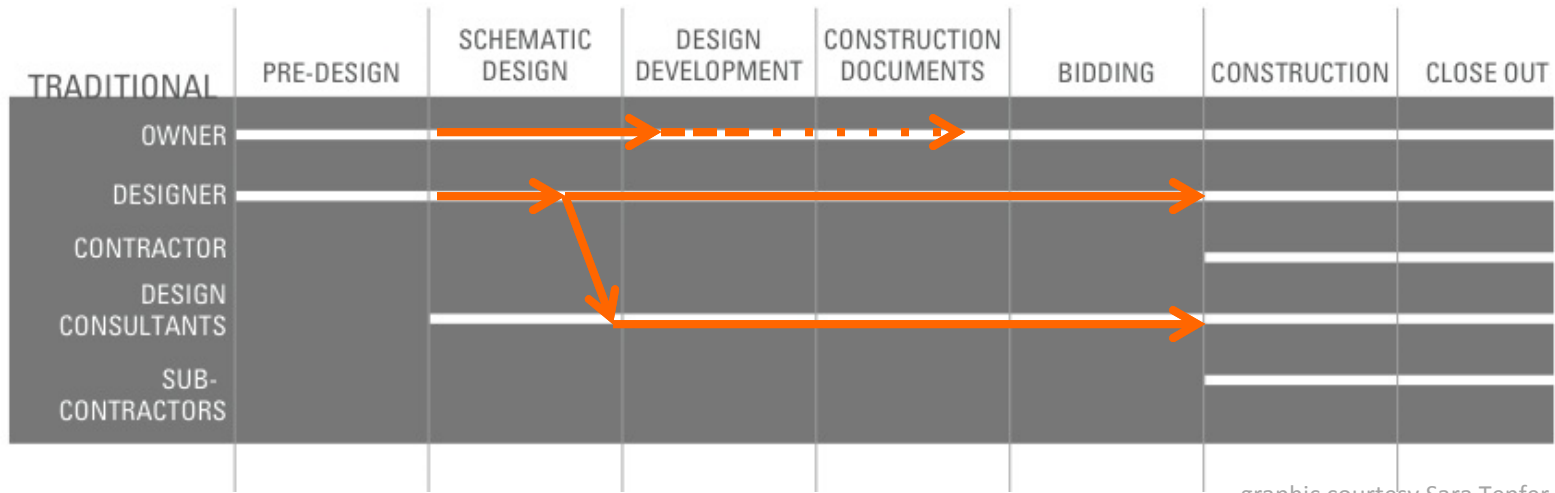


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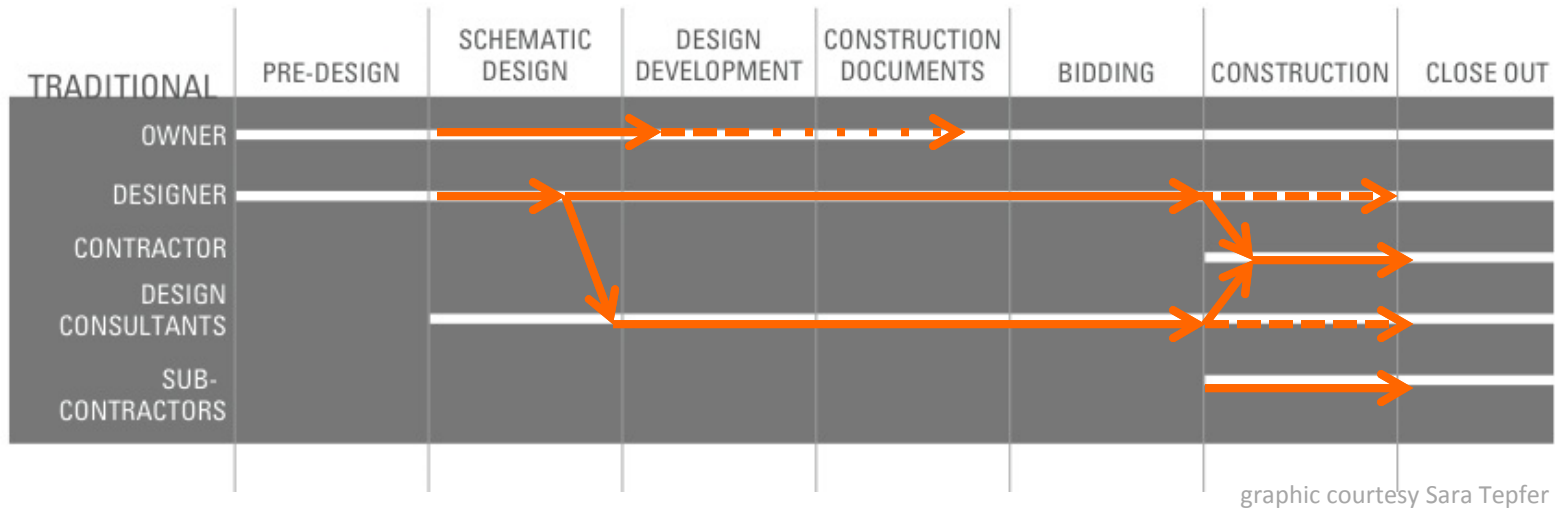


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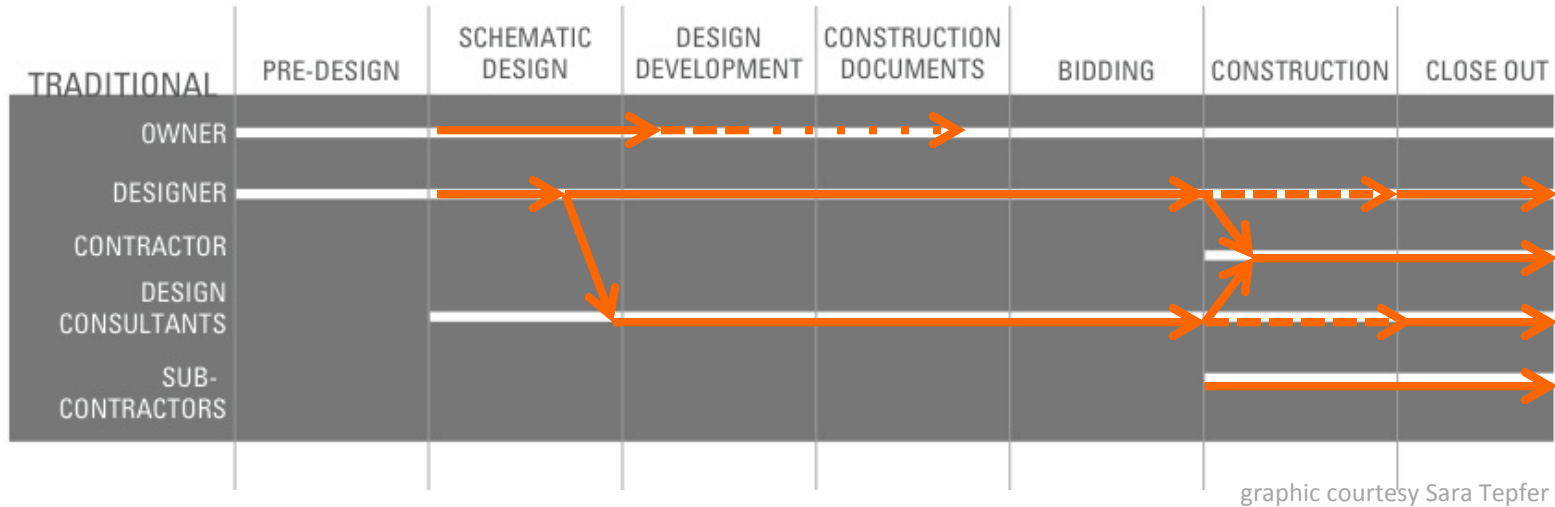


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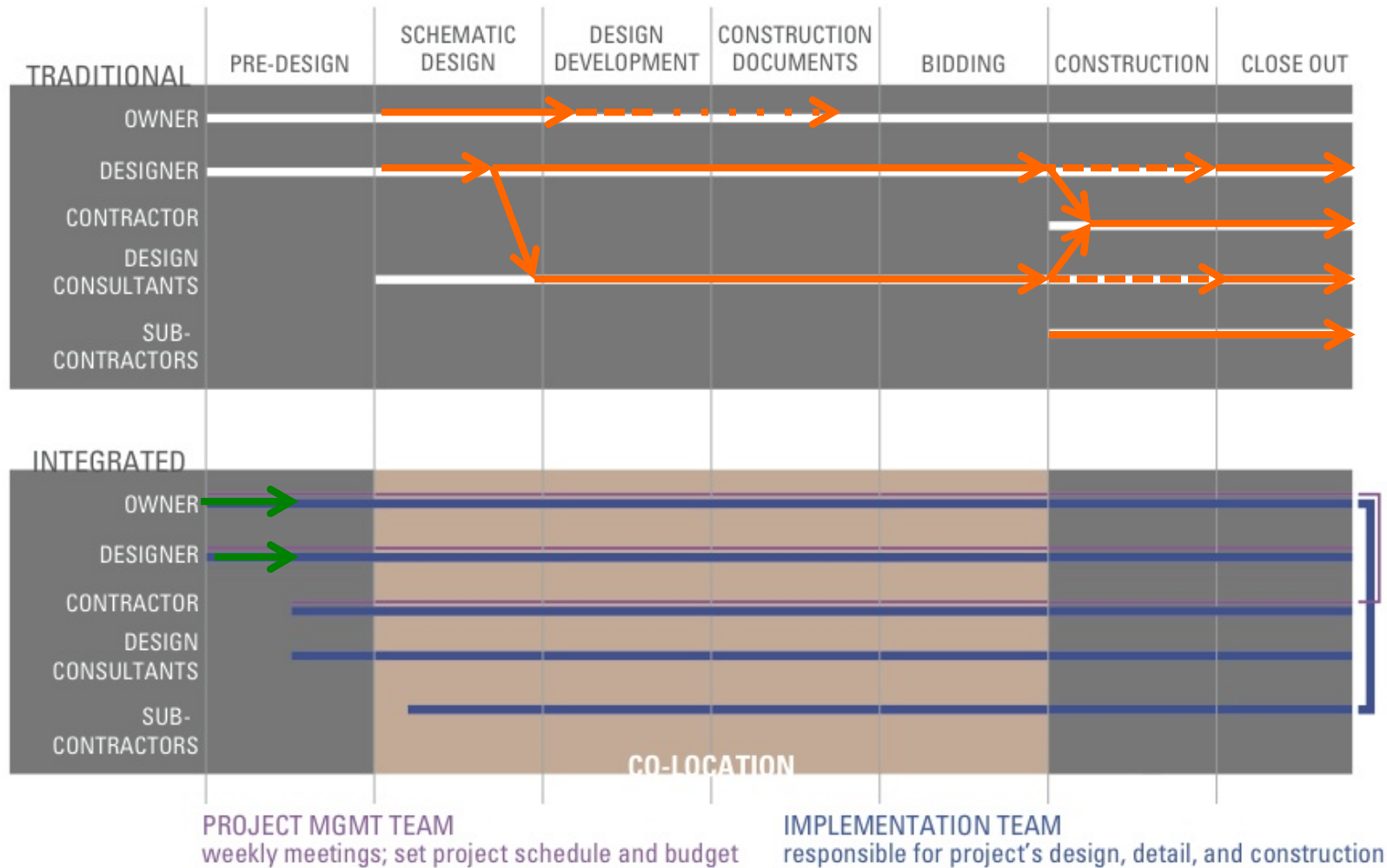


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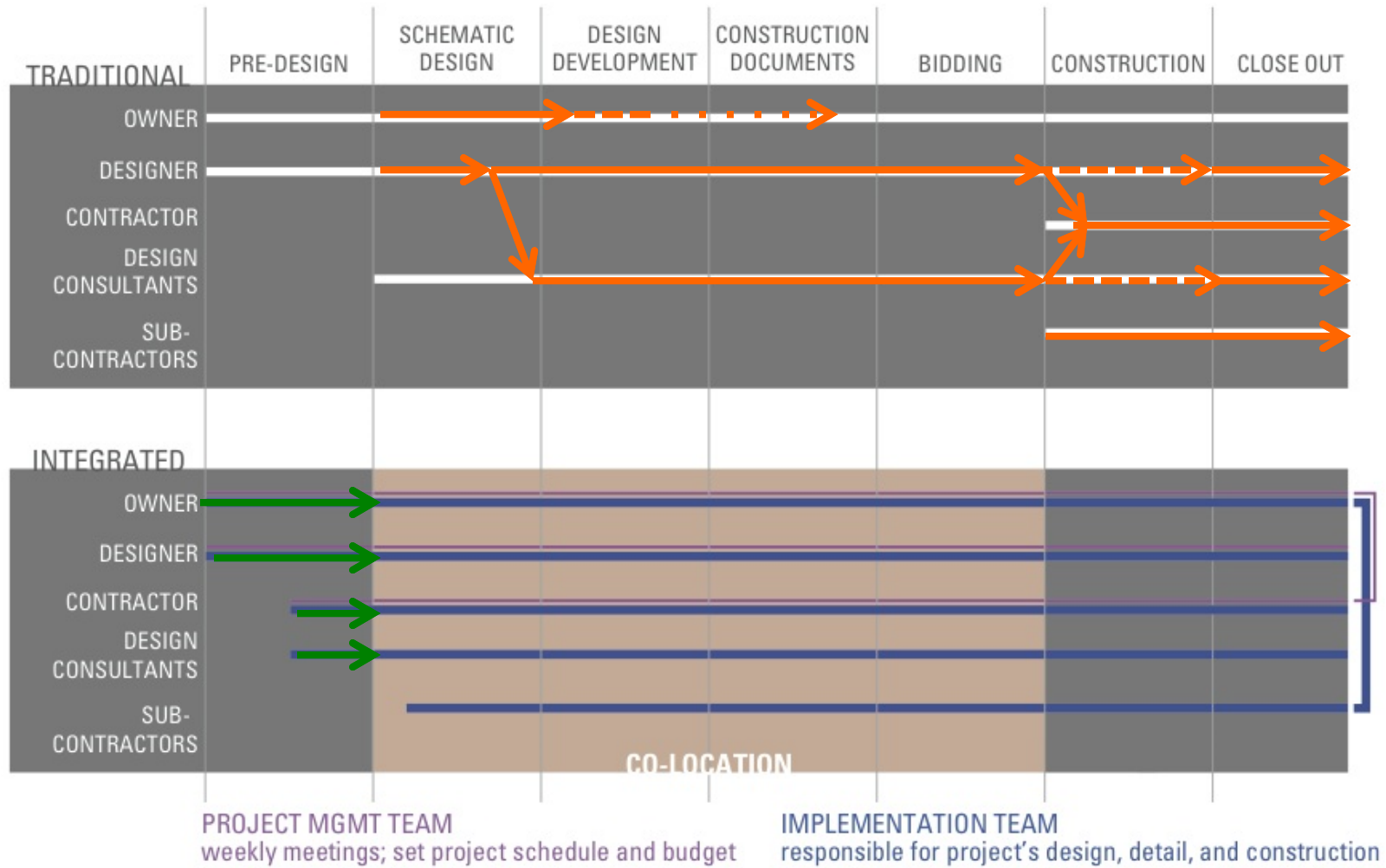


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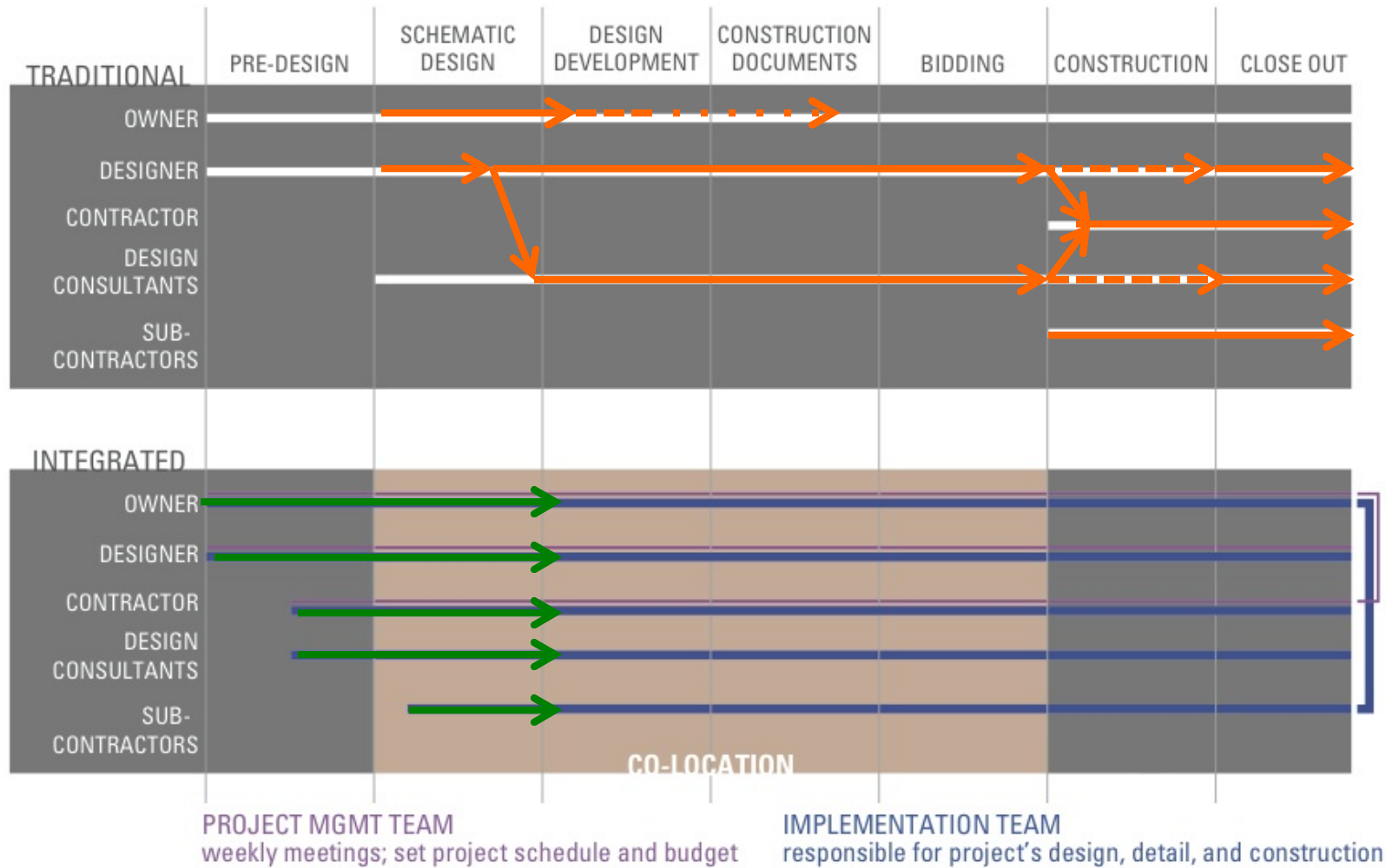


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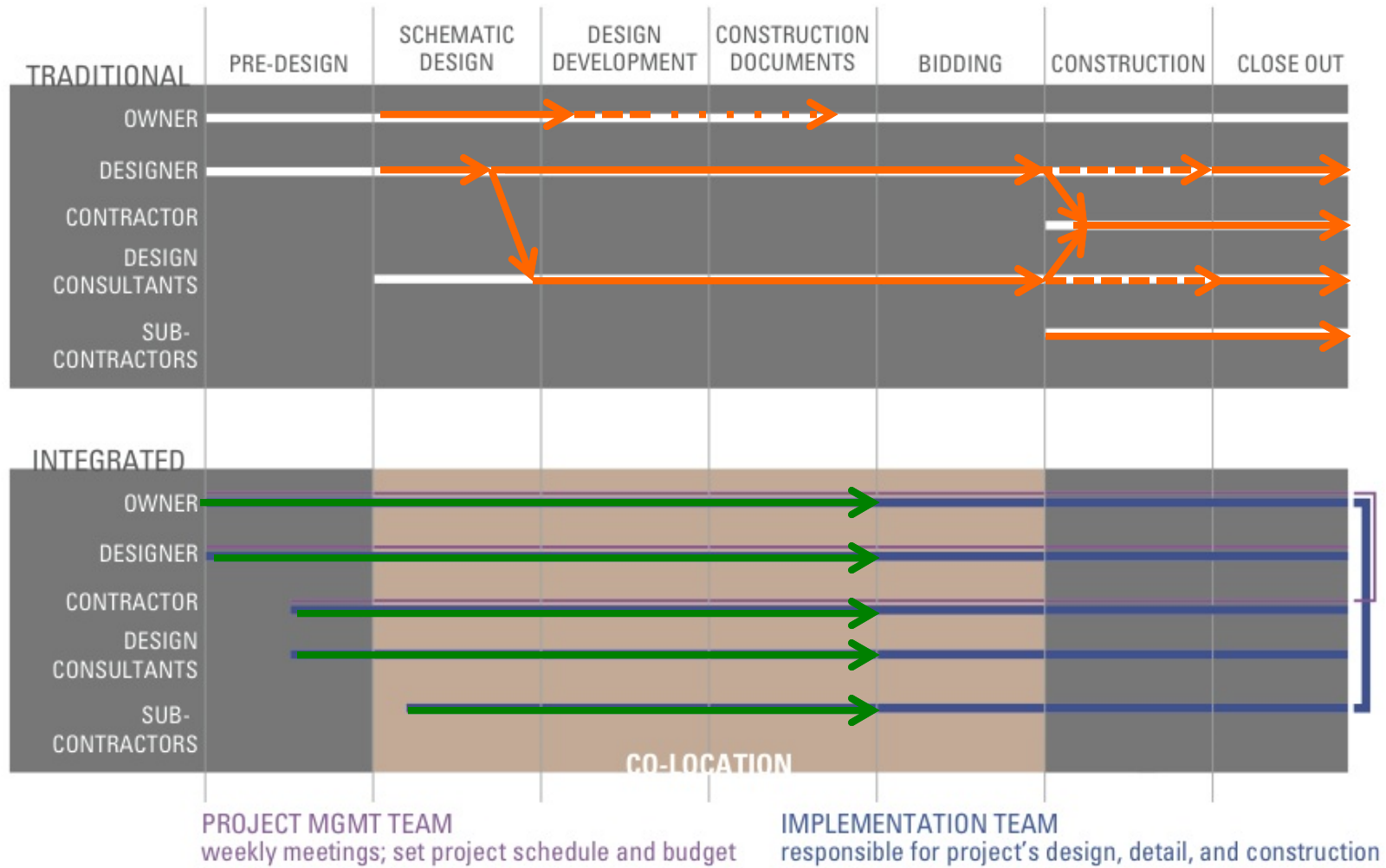


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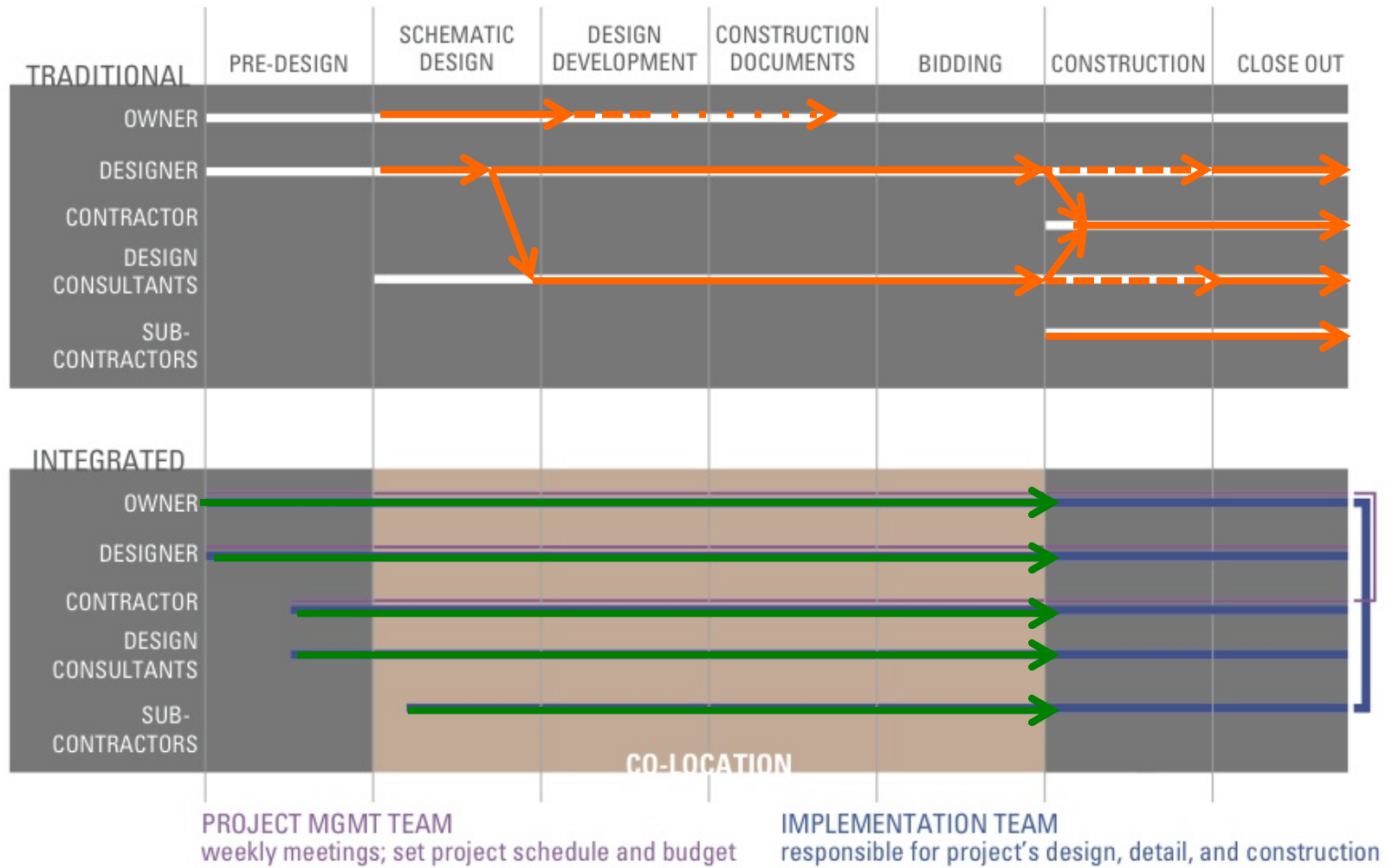


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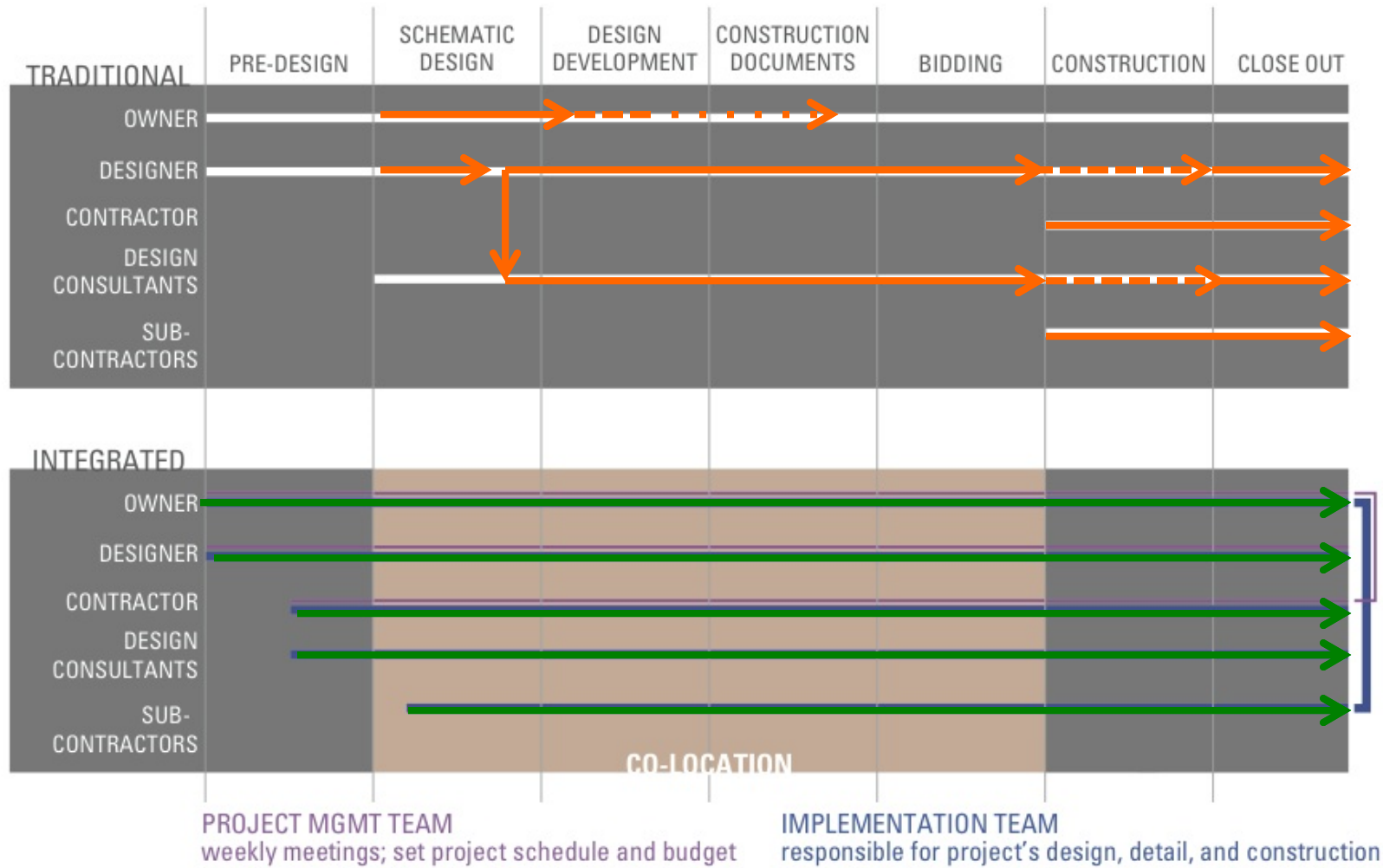


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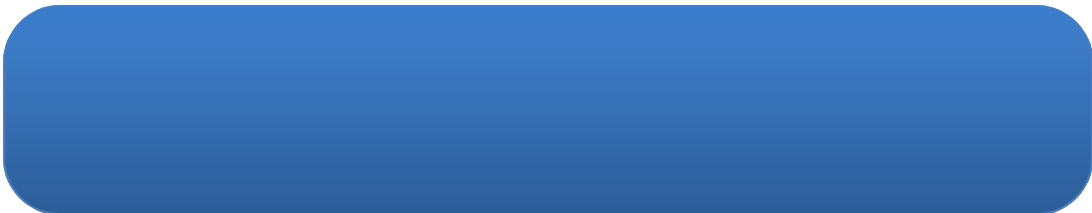


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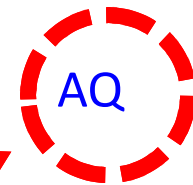


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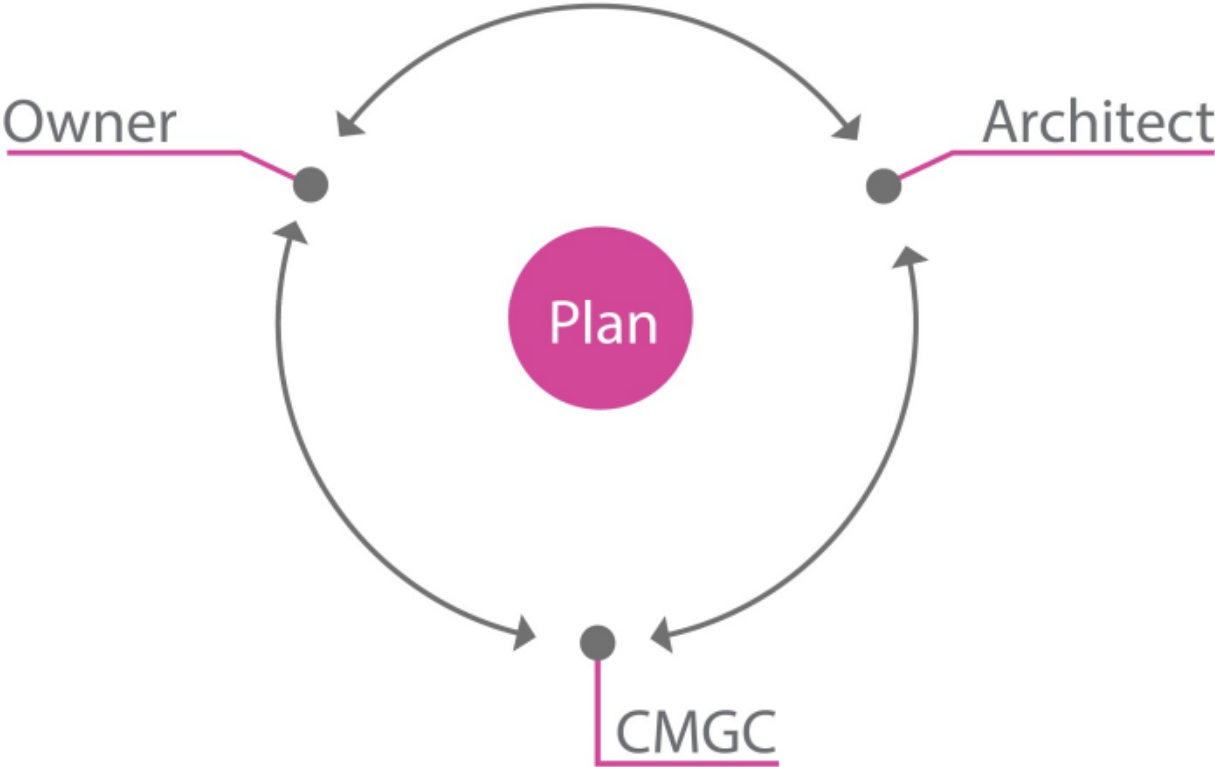
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“Occupied” Project



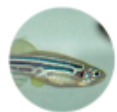
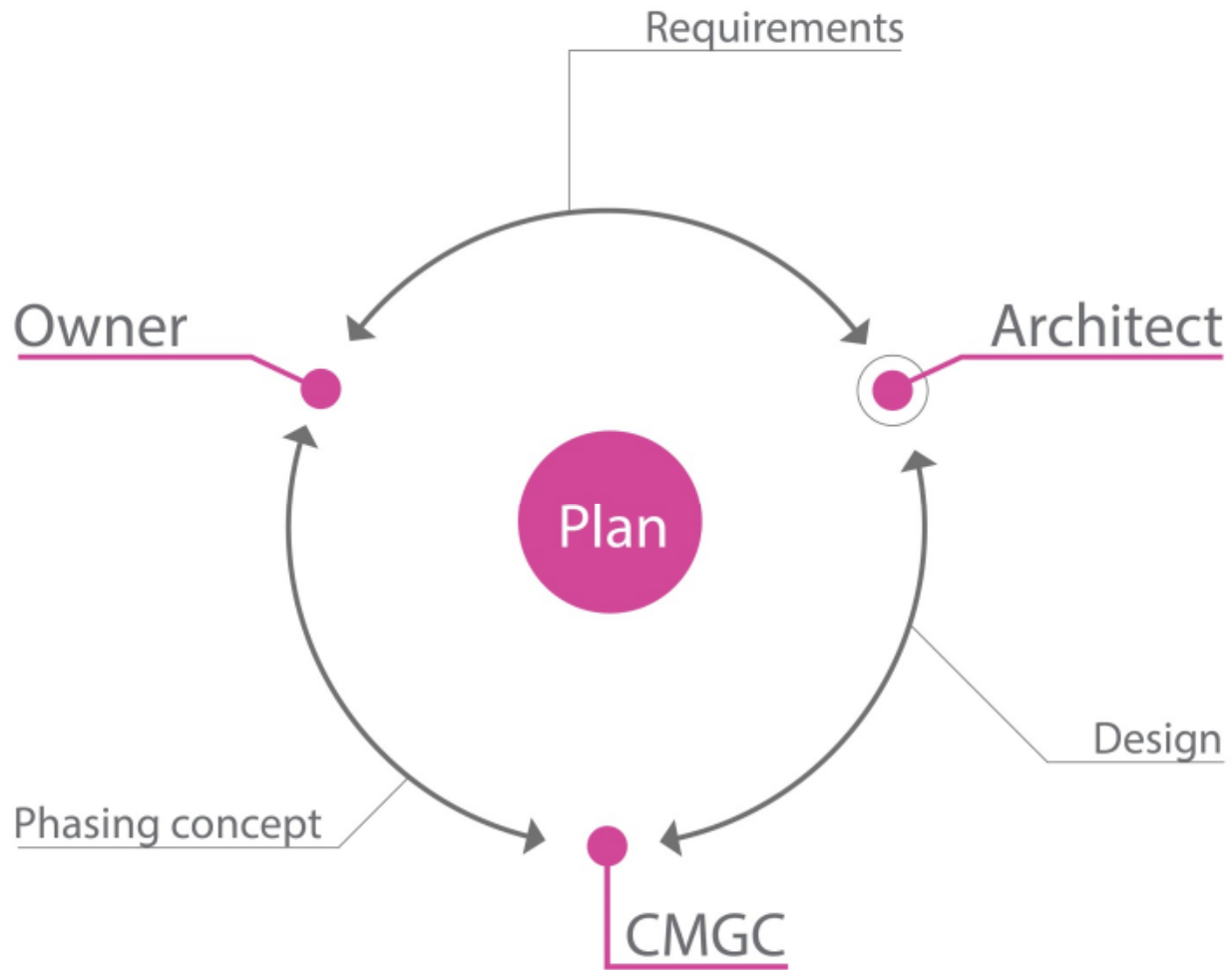
Project Phasing | Process



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- BIM
- Project Path
- Critical communication

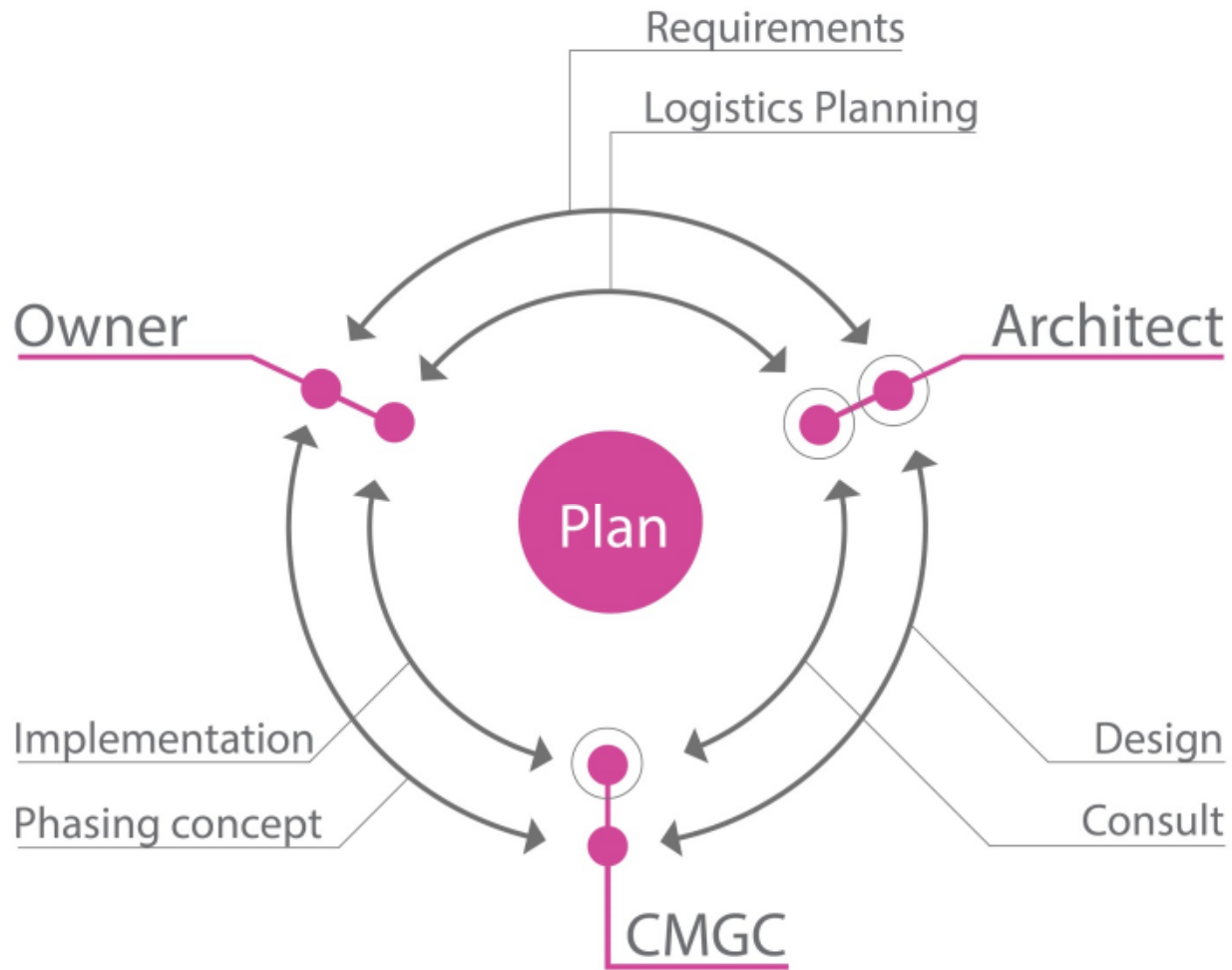
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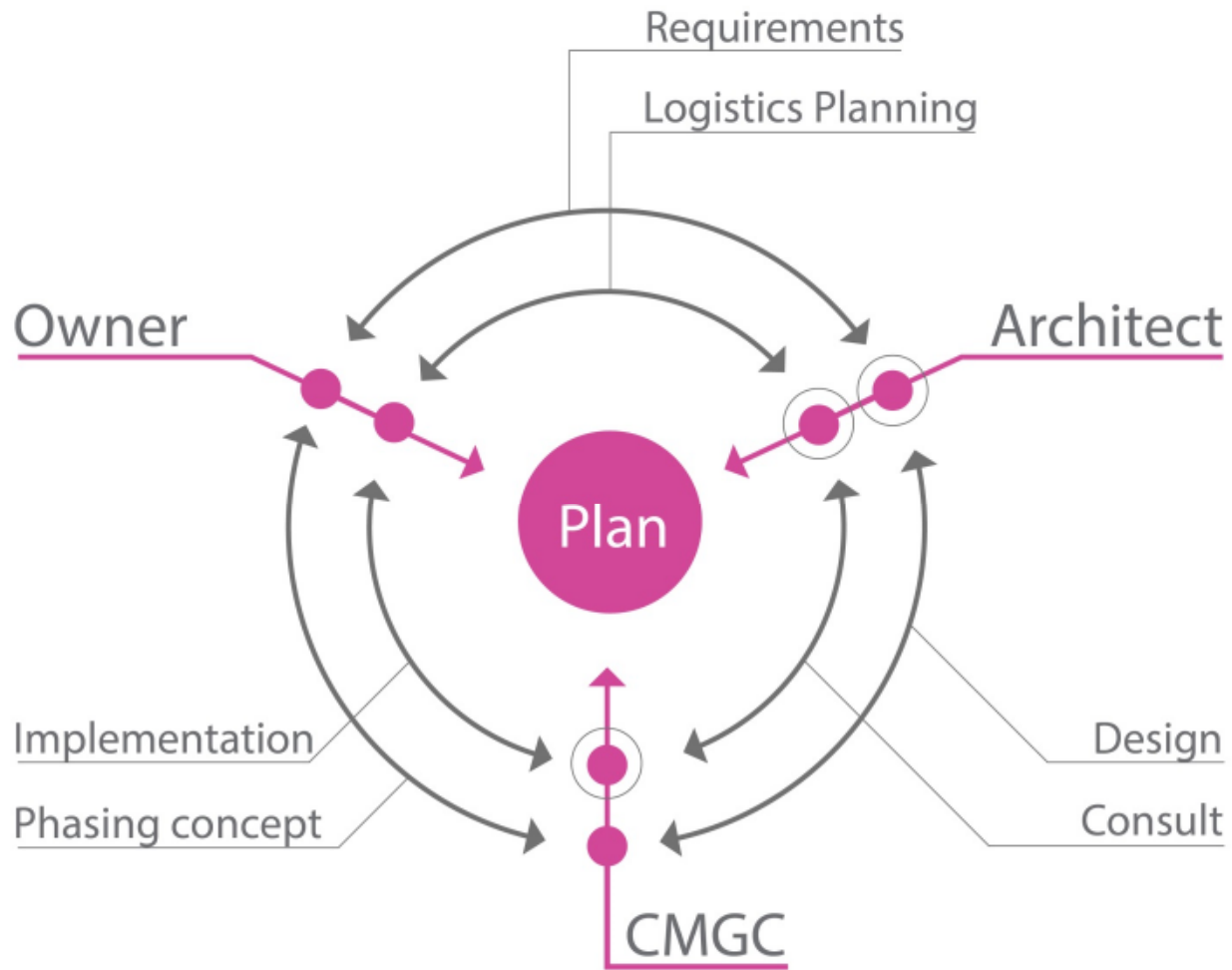
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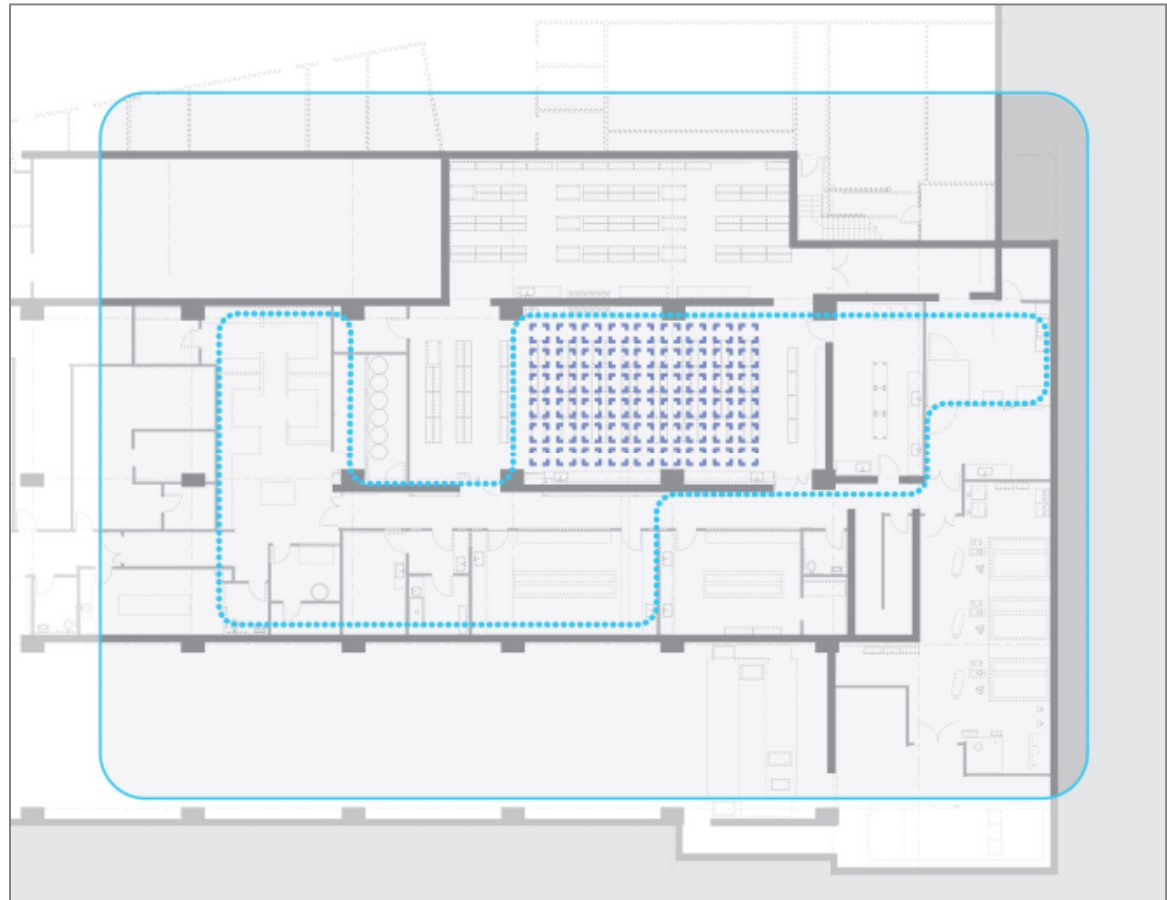


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Project Phasing | Implementation

Original Facility



Overall Capacity



Population Density/ft²

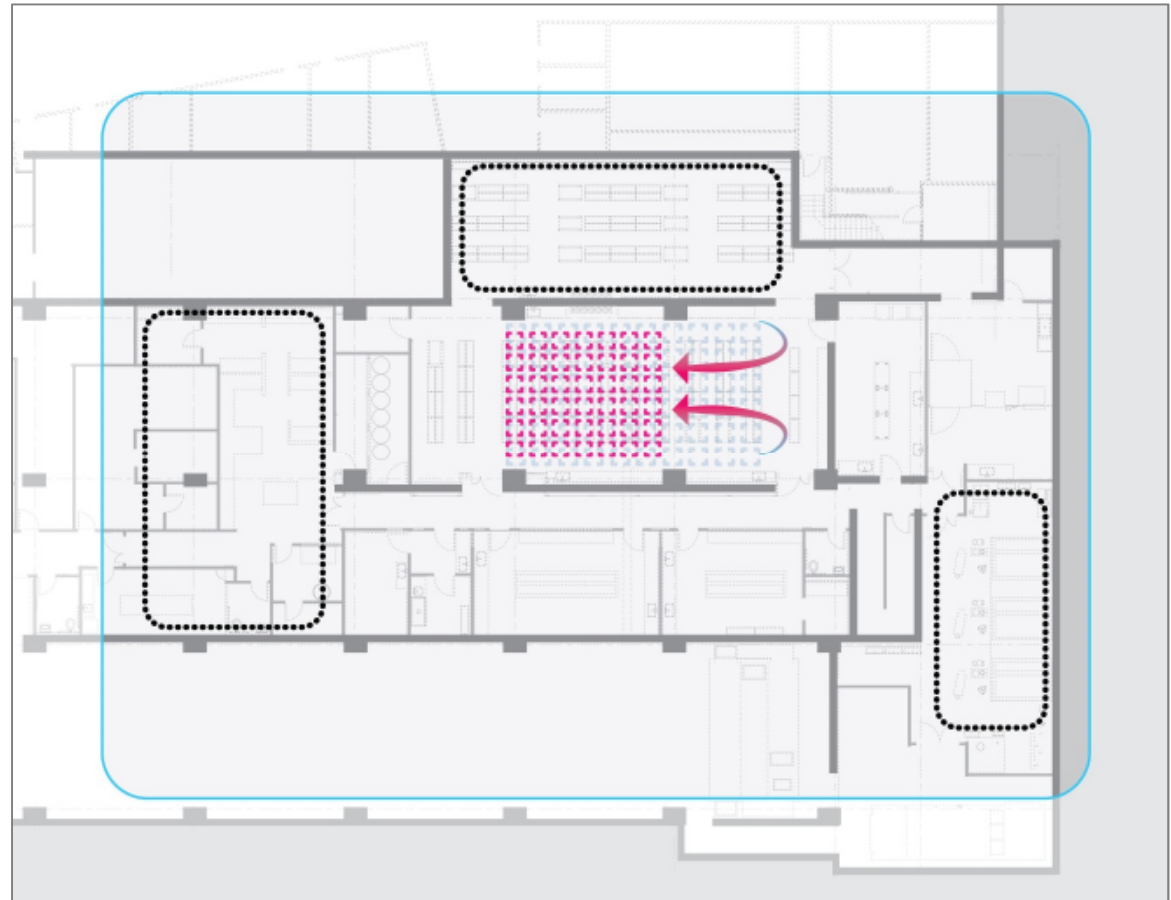


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Project Phasing | Implementation

Phase 0 “Downsizing”

- Coordinated Research Planning
- Population Management



Overall Capacity



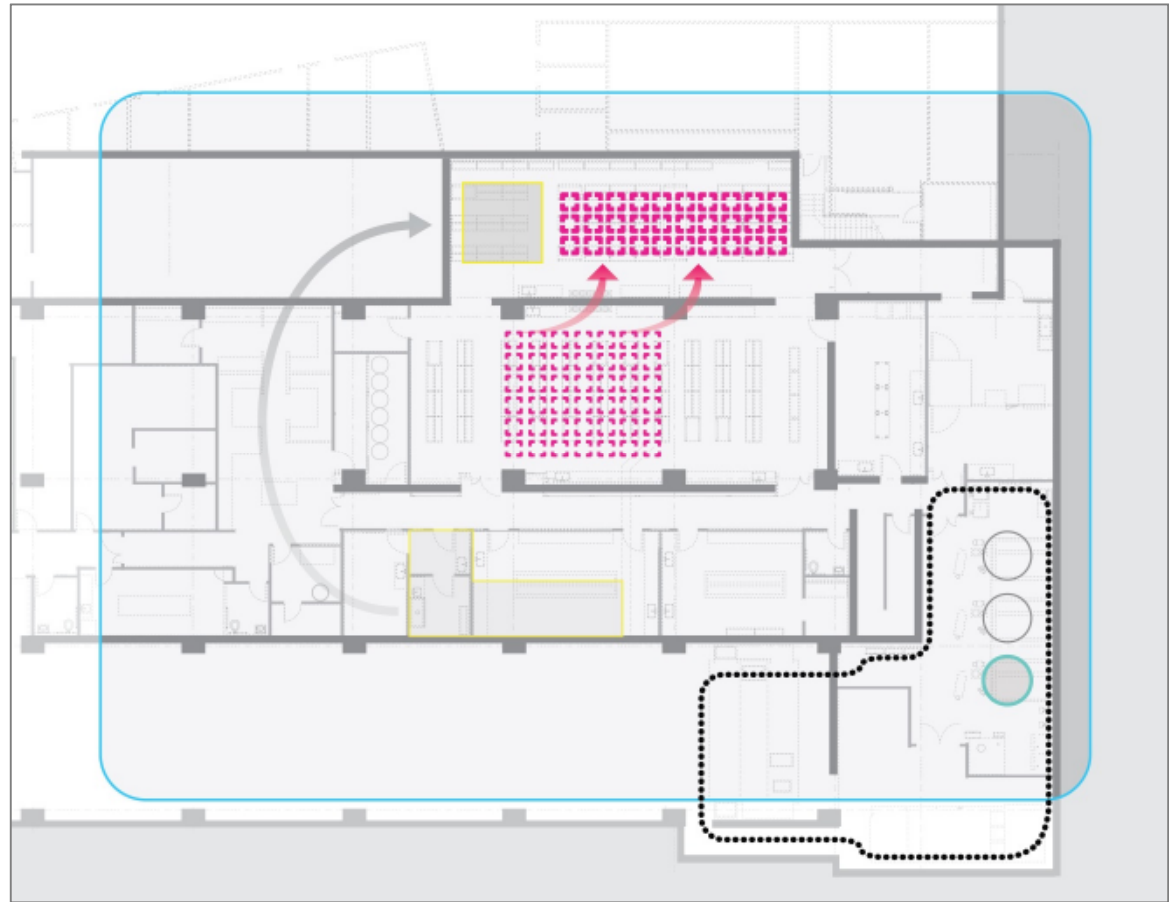
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Project Phasing | Implementation

Phase 1 “Compression”

- High Density Racks
- Multi-purpose Room
- Enhanced Water System Quality
- Time Sensitive Phase



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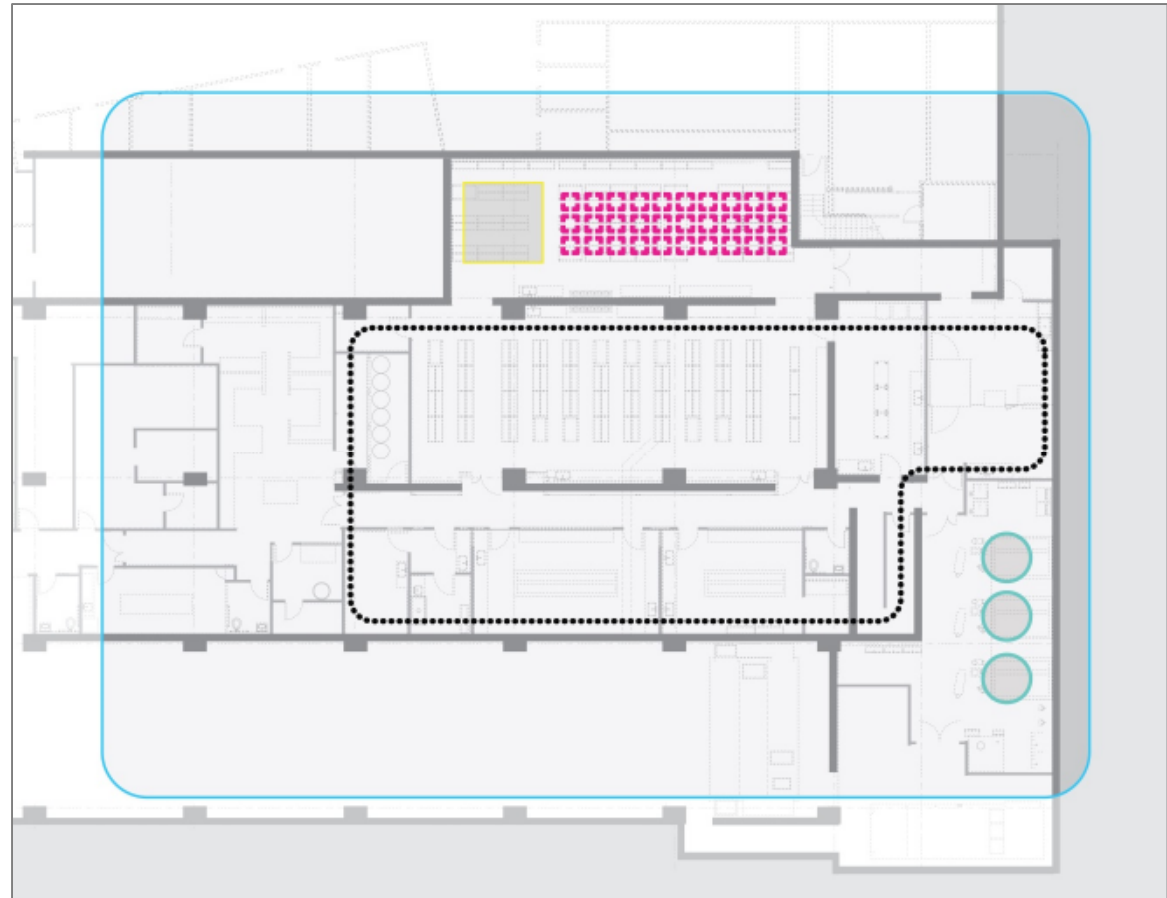
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Project Phasing | Implementation

Phase 2 “Build Out”

- Sustained Operation
- Temp Air



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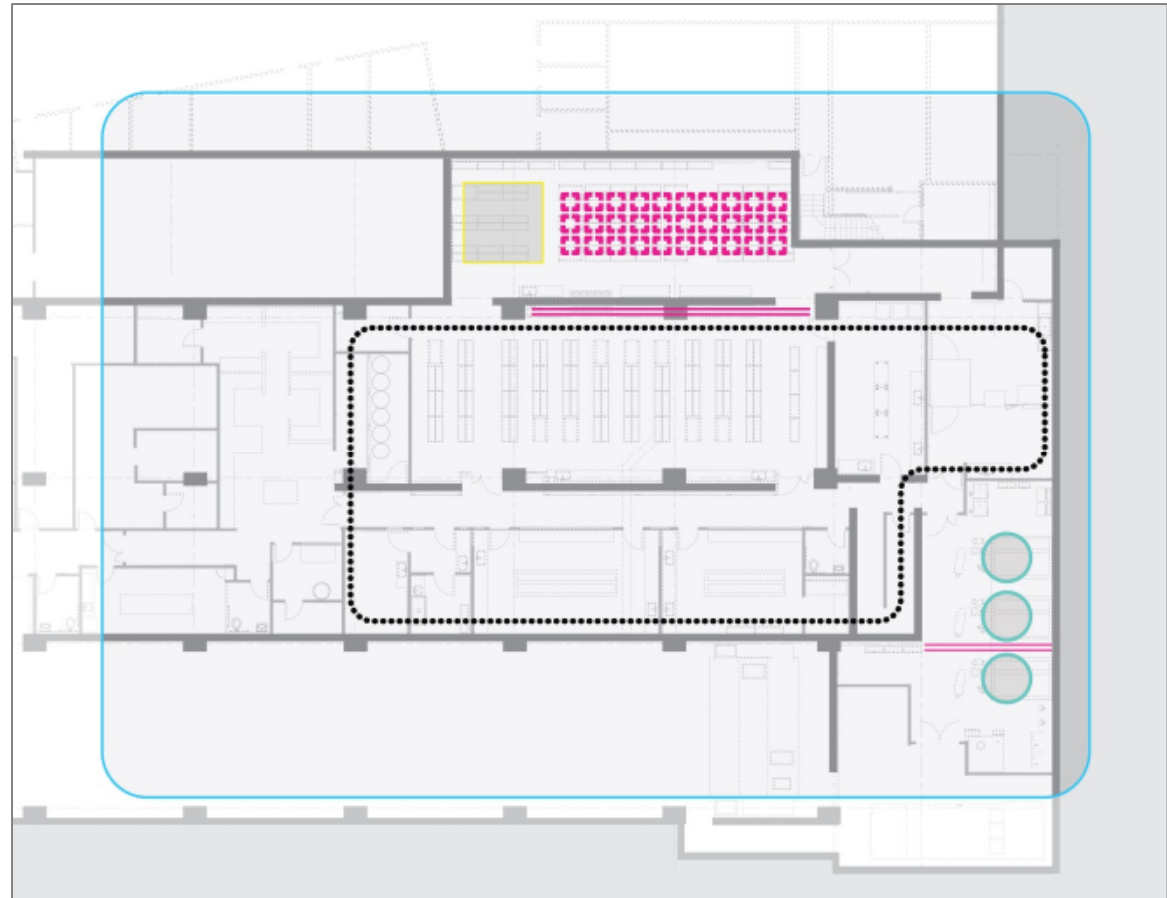
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Phase 2 “Build Out”

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Pathogen Issues

- Barrier Separation
- Discrete Circulation
- Decontamination Process



Overall Capacity



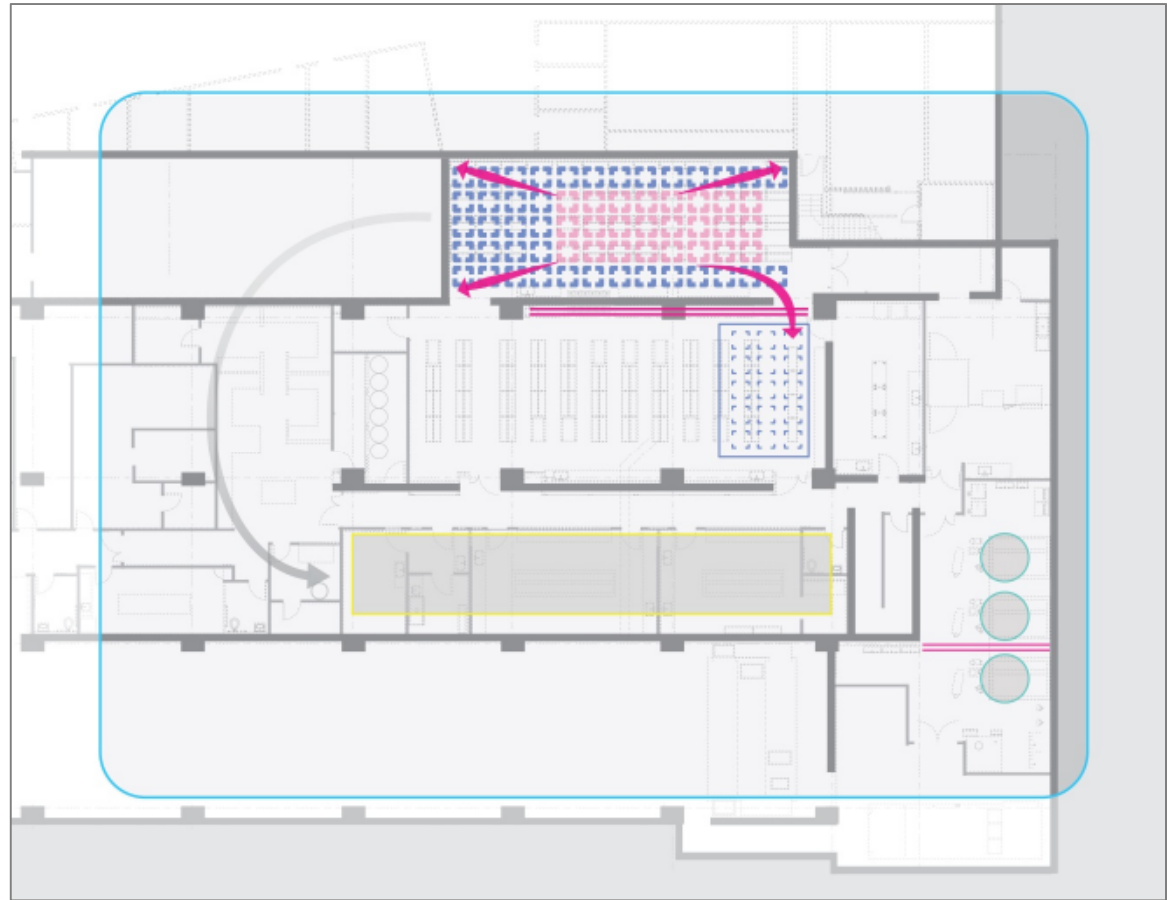
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Project Phasing | Implementation

Phase 3 “Migration”

- Isolated Nursery and Food Preparation
- Isolated Water Systems
- Full Use of Support Space
- Strategic Quarantine Process to Re-establish a Pathogen-Free Population



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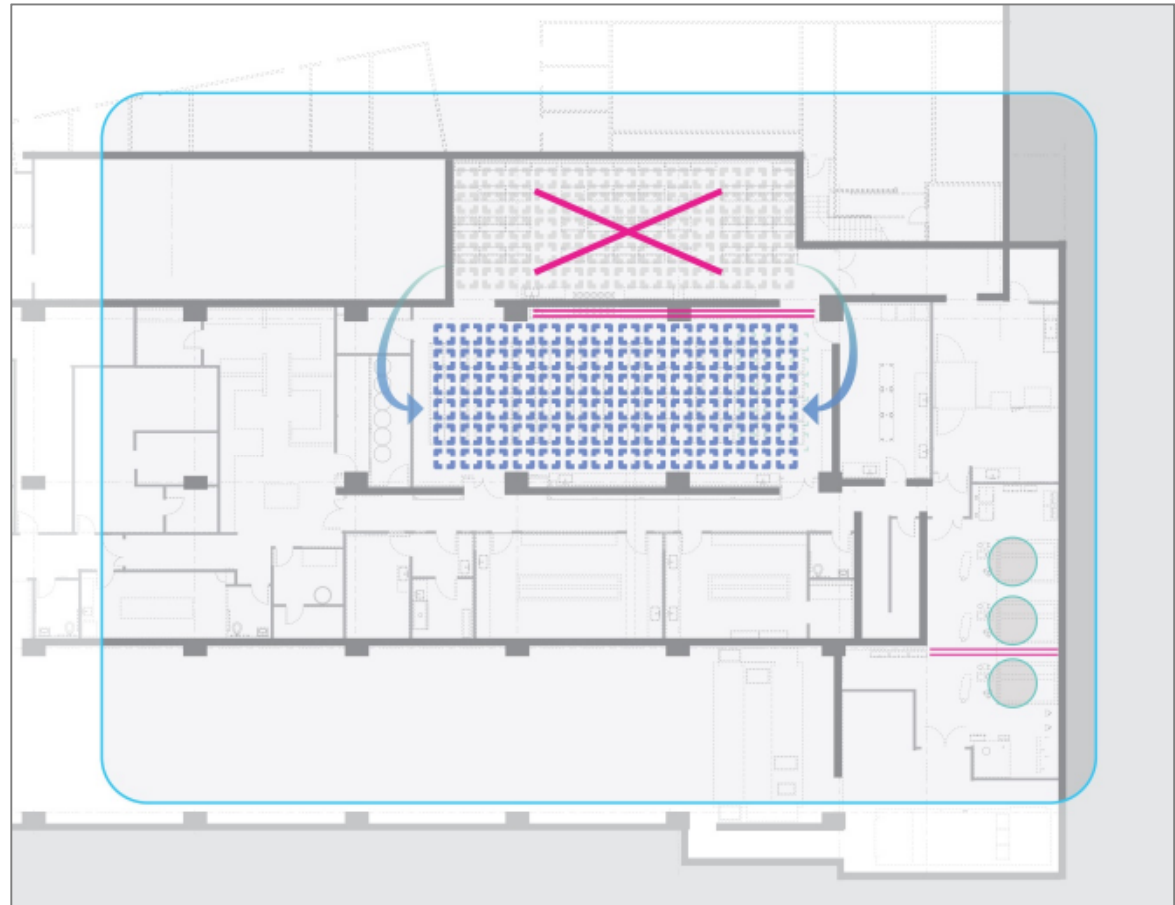
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Phase 4 “Decontamination” (1+ year out)

- Complete Sterilization of Phase 1 Facility



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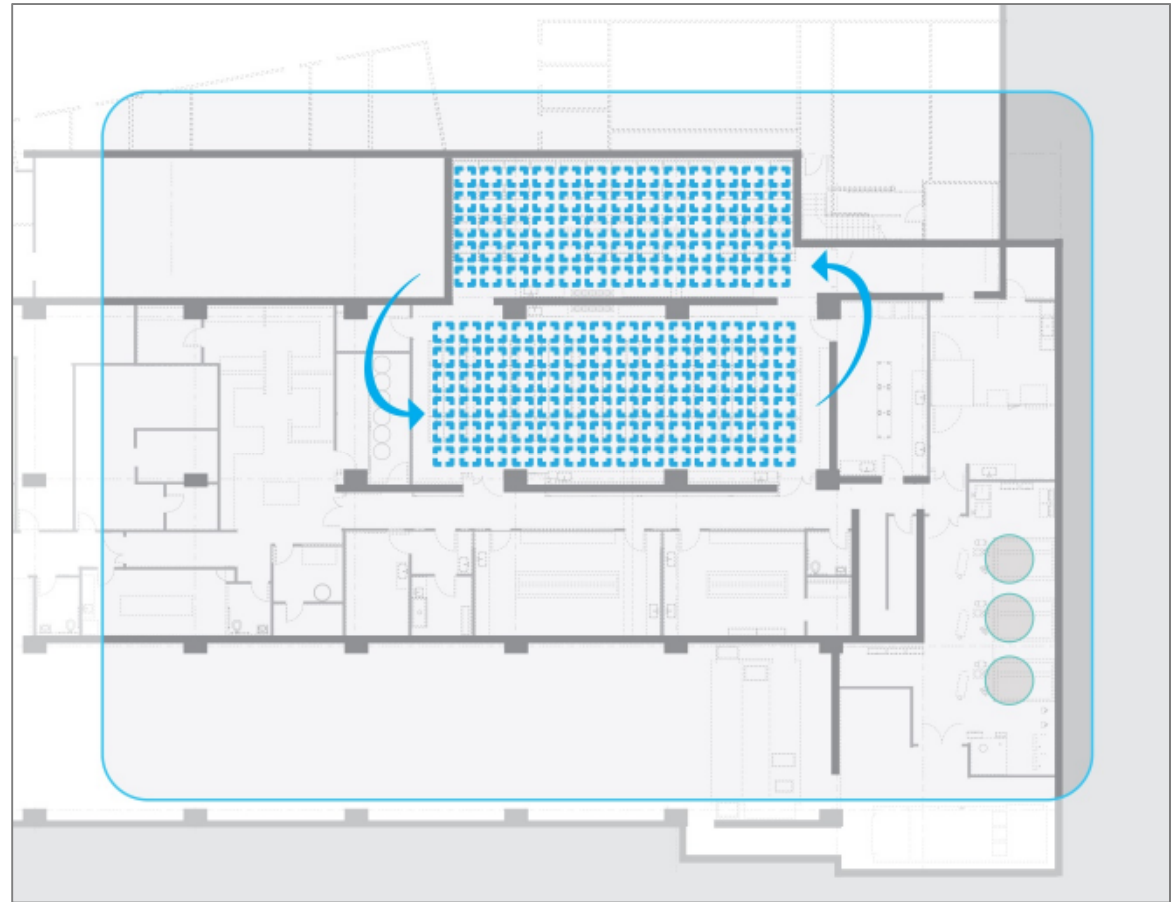
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Project Phasing | Implementation

Phase 5 “Full Expansion” (3+ years out)

- Full Use of Facility
- Water Systems Fully Combined
- Redundancy Restored



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Opportunity Making

Opportunity = Planning
+
Discovery



Opportunity Making | Local & District

Building-wide system improvements

- laboratory exhaust system: replace small low-exhaust velocity fans with ganged dilution fans



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Opportunity Making | Local & District

Building-wide system improvements

- **HVAC balancing:** adding full-building rebalance enhanced lab safety, saved energy, identified critical deferred maintenance items



Opportunity Making | Local & District

Building-wide system improvements

- **security:** fish facility security upgrades extended to upper floor lab access.



Opportunity Making | Campus

Extendable system improvements:

- domestic water/industrial water separation
- water piping replacement



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Opportunity Making | Aquatics

Reverse Osmosis Purified Water Plant

“Turning Demand into Supply”

- Campus research R.O. water originally supplied from aging centralized system.
- The zebrafish Recirculating Aquaculture System (RAS) will replace approximately 15% of its volume daily with purified water.
- This design parameter elevated the facility’s demand to almost 3 times the existing campus research demand.
- The new R.O. Central Plant associated with the Zebrafish Aquaculture System was upsized to accommodate the entire demand for the research complex.

Benefits:

- Increased Oversight
- Full Redundancy
- Equipment Upgrade
- Future conversion to fully pressurized distribution now possible



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Reverse Osmosis Purified Water Plant

*“Turning **Waste** into Supply”*

- R.O. production can typically reject between 40-70% of supply water.
- The original R.O supply plant and the original Zebrafish Facility were discharging this waste down the drain.
- Goal: to capture the reject water from the R.O. production and use for graywater applications in the project and adjacent buildings.

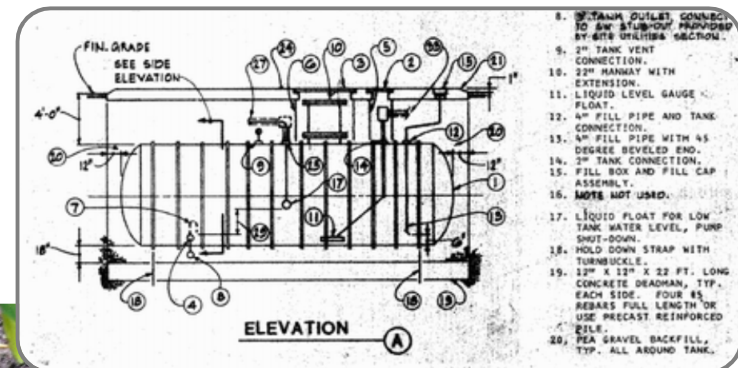


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Reverse Osmosis Purified Water Plant

*“Turning **Waste** into Supply”*

- Cost offset by reuse of abandoned underground Sea Water storage tank.
- Sea Water tank was cleaned and refurbished.
- The new graywater re-use system supplies all flush fixtures for the Zebrafish Facility as well as 100% of the flush fixtures for the recently completed Lewis Integrative Science Building adjacent to the project.



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Environmental Control

“Balanced HVAC and Aquaculture Systems”

- Traditional Aquaculture Systems include fully independent temperature control.
 - Leads to HVAC and Aquaculture expending energy to counterbalance each other.
- Integrated Approach – “Symbiotic Relationship”:
 - “Building provides preheated water to system to optimize R.O.
 - AQ system provides some preheat for that incoming water via reject water heat exchange.
 - HVAC controls ambient temp (83degF) accounting for equipment loads, and outside air conditioning
 - This allows an optimized electric heat source controlled by the aquaculture system to fine tune the water temp (4degF delta)
 - Counterbalancing is minimized



Opportunity Making | Aquatics

Environmental Control

“Redefining Aquatic Facility Standards”

- **Traditional Animal Facilities** are provided with 100% OSA (dictated by NIH Guidelines)
 - Aquatic Facilities however do not have significant airborne particulate or pathogen issues
 - The fish housing rooms, by necessity, are low chemical use areas
 - Air exchange is driven primarily by humidity control
- By allowing the HVAC to optimize % of OSA based primarily on humidity control the facility is allowed to retain most of its embodied heat.



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