



IMPRESSIONS OF FOREST STRIPES

CONCEPT FOR THE MEMORIAL EXPRESSION

This proposed memorial expression for the Flight 93 National Memorial marks and commemorates the site of a profound act of individual and collective courage. The impact of Flight 93 at this place changed the earth as it changed us all.

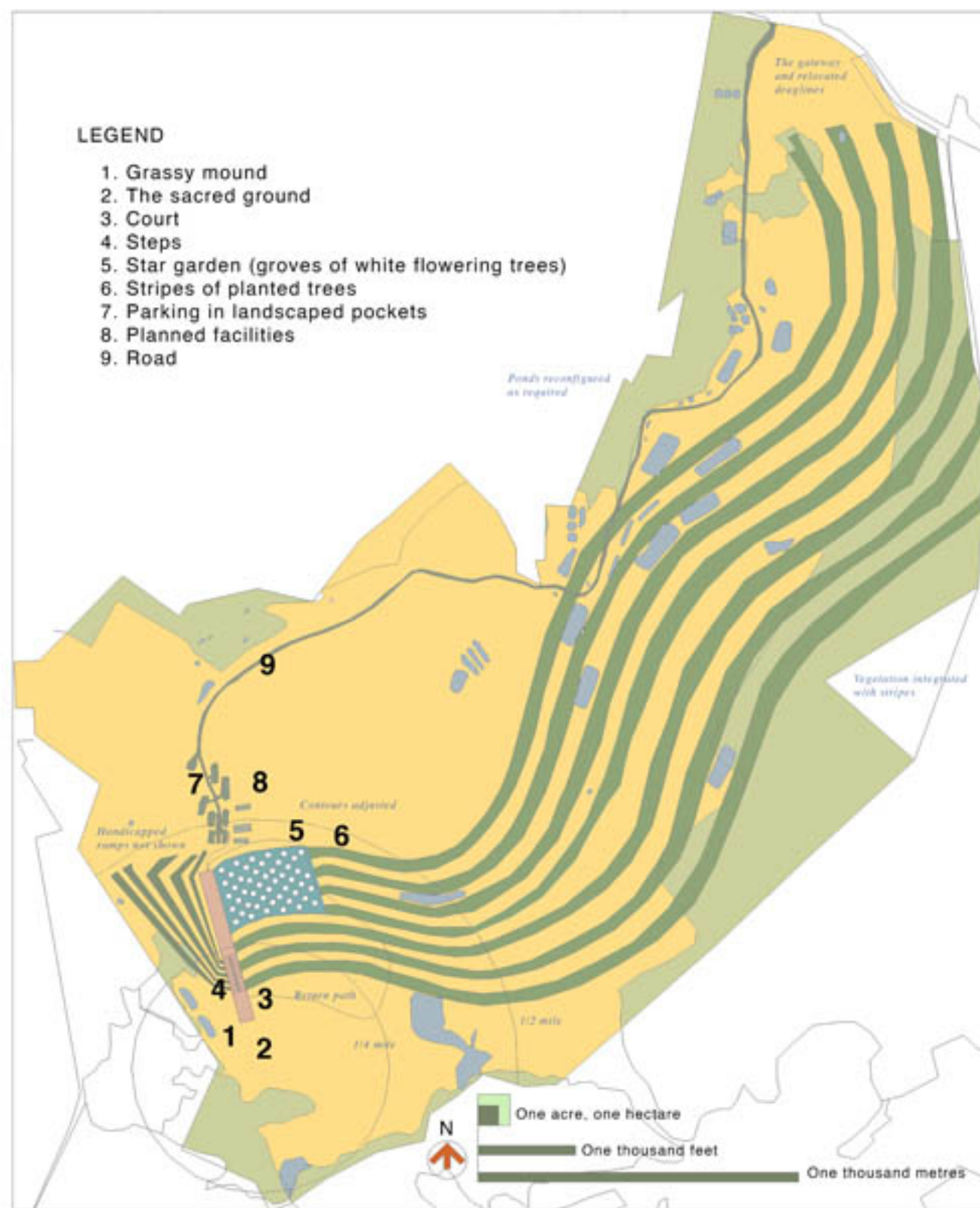
There is a clear desire for visitors to interact with the site as a means of coming to terms with the event. The proposed memorial expression provides for and celebrates this need for personal involvement.

Steps of Honour are constructed along the airplane's flight path to signal where the airplane connected with the land. Stripes emanate from the impact site as seismic, forested bands. The stripes remind us of the American flag. The American flag stands for courage.

This effect of the impact—as augmented in the form of a memorial expression—can be seen from the sky. From the earth it is further understood as an evolving healing—as visitors plant the trees that form the stripes and the stepped gardens that grow over time.

The steps provide vantage points for viewing the sacred ground and reflecting on the act of courage. The gardens arranged to either side of the steps encourage and allow visitors to plant seasonal flowers.

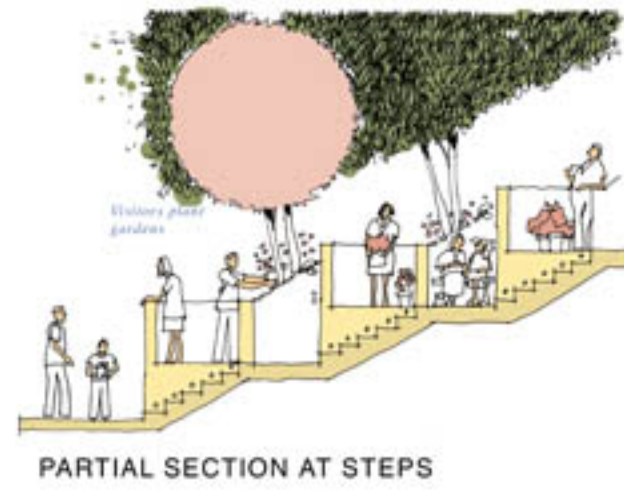
The stripes express and integrate the event with the entire site. The stripes also provide form, definition, and human scale; reflect the topography; allude to the history of the site and make peace with the wind.



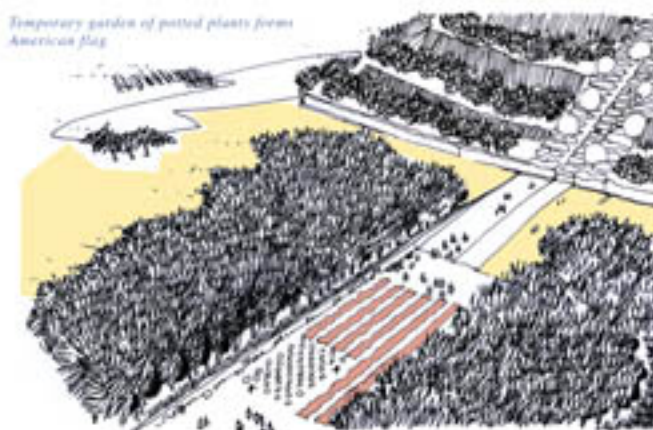
SITE PLAN



VIEW OF STEPS



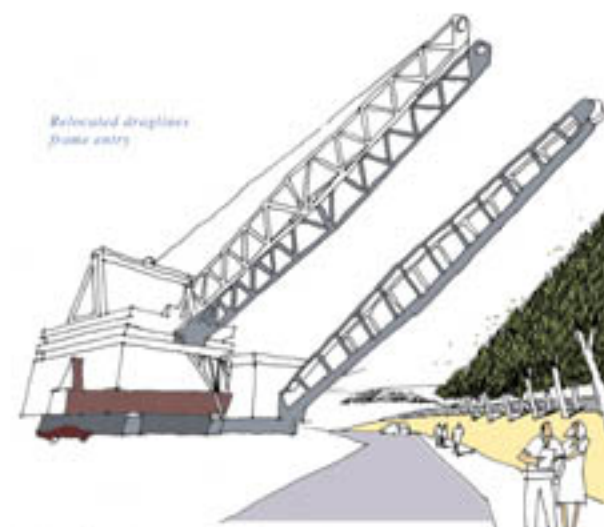
PARTIAL SECTION AT STEPS



VIEW OF COURT AND STEPS



SECTION AT COURT

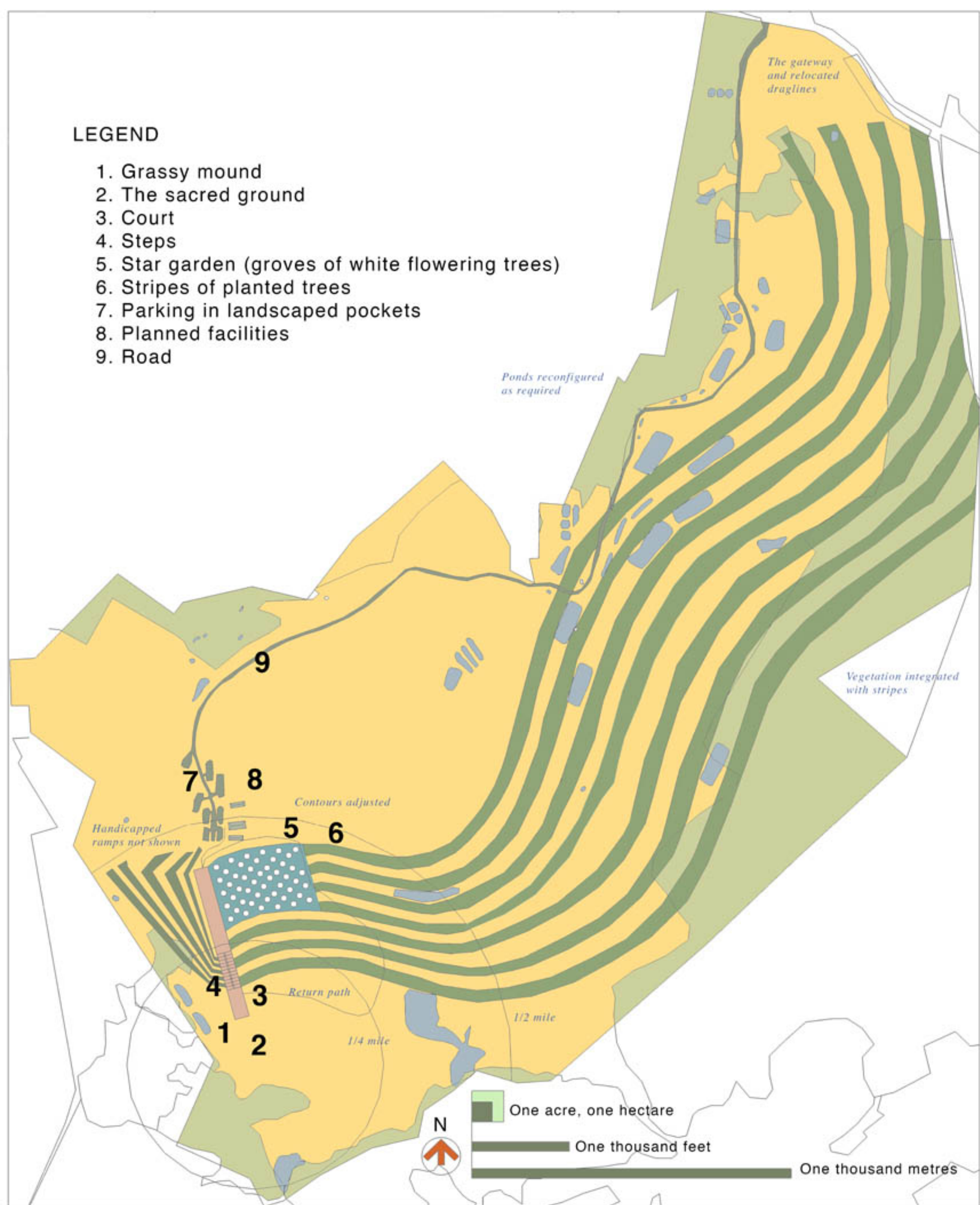


THE GATEWAY (US 30)

Concept for a memorial expression for the Flight 93 National Memorial

LEGEND

1. Grassy mound
2. The sacred ground
3. Court
4. Steps
5. Star garden (groves of white flowering trees)
6. Stripes of planted trees
7. Parking in landscaped pockets
8. Planned facilities
9. Road



SITE PLAN

