

# Welcome and Review of Vision and Goals

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# Goals

Mindful of the changing needs of our Sisters, who are aging and diminishing in numbers, the new educational needs of Mercy High School, and our congregation's concern for promoting a healthy ecology and sustainable Earth, the Sisters of Mercy are asking how we can better meet the current and future needs of our Sisters and the spiritual, educational, and residential needs of others.

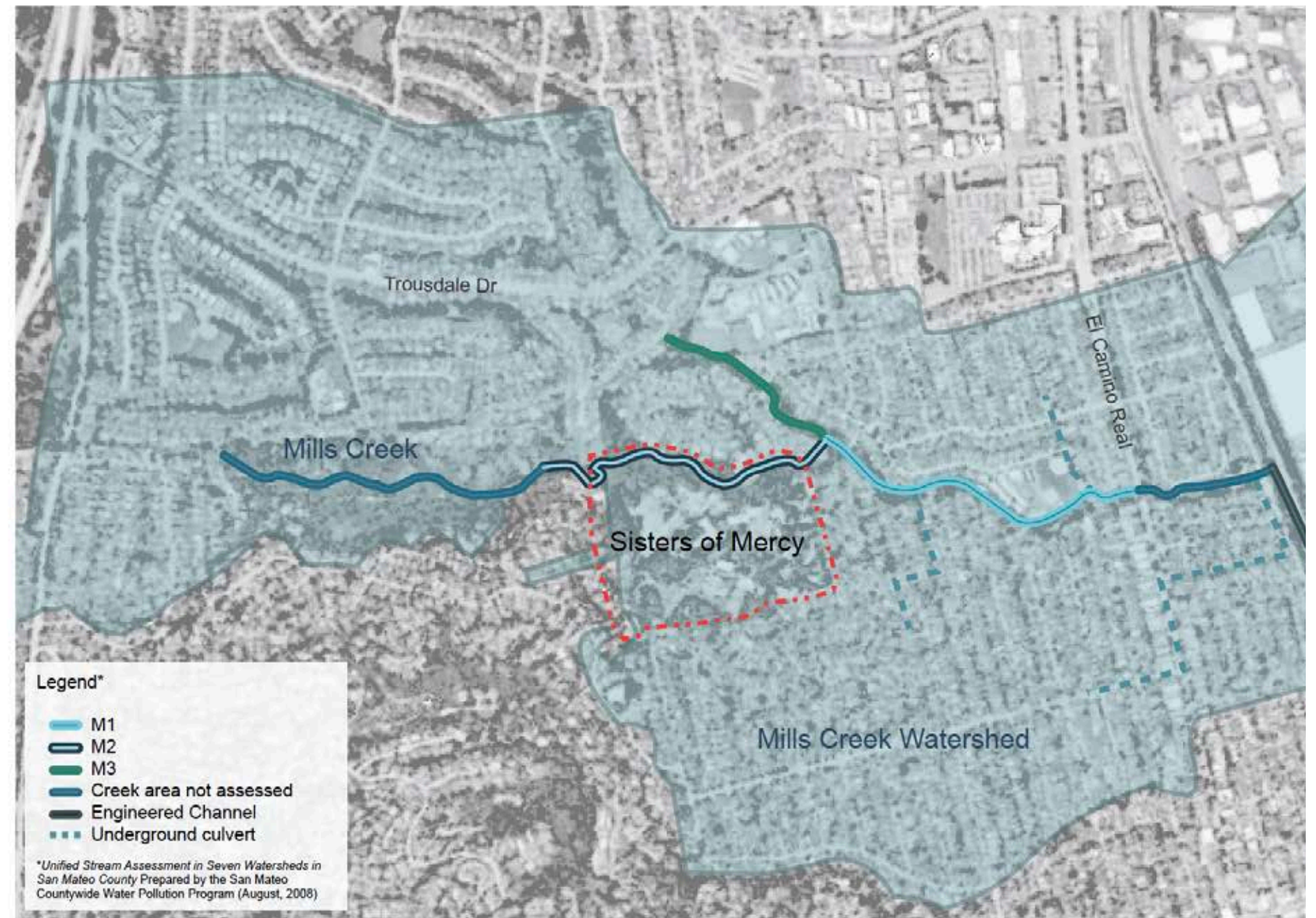
- Create new, accessible housing to meet the current and long-term housing needs of the Sisters.
- Protect the legacy and advance the educational and spiritual ministries of the Sisters of Mercy.
- Address the future needs of Mercy High School Burlingame with an Athletic/Student Life Center.
- Protect and enhance the historic and “woody” character of the campus while keeping it available to the public.
- Explore the opportunity to assist in addressing the housing needs of the broader Burlingame community.



# Campus Existing Conditions Findings

The Burlingame campus of the Sisters of Mercy provides a synthesis of naturalized open space, contemplative hospitality, existing density, and a history of community amenity that is unique to the City of Burlingame and San Mateo County.

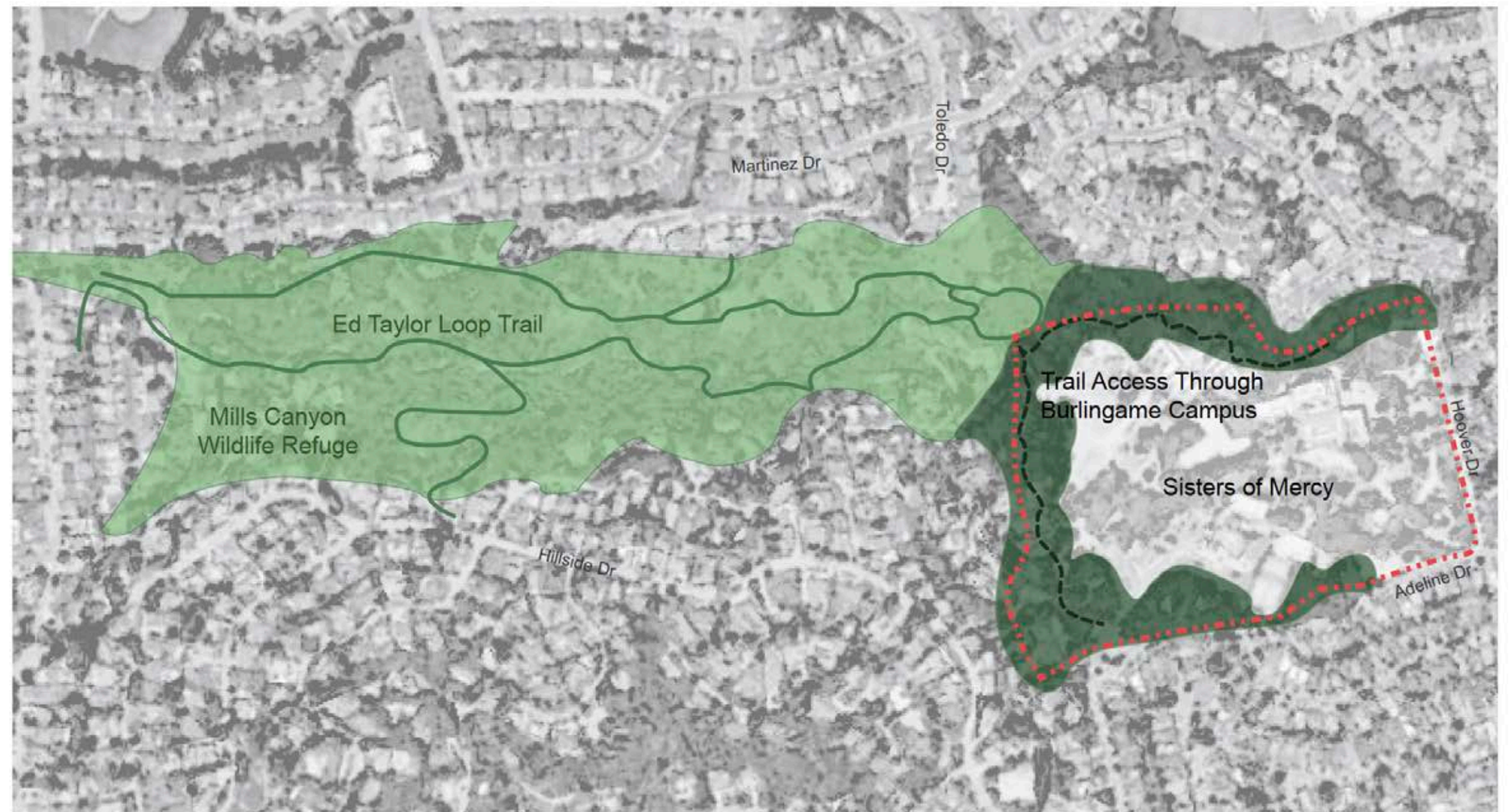
The campus is located in the Mills Creek watershed and bounded by Mills Creek to the east.





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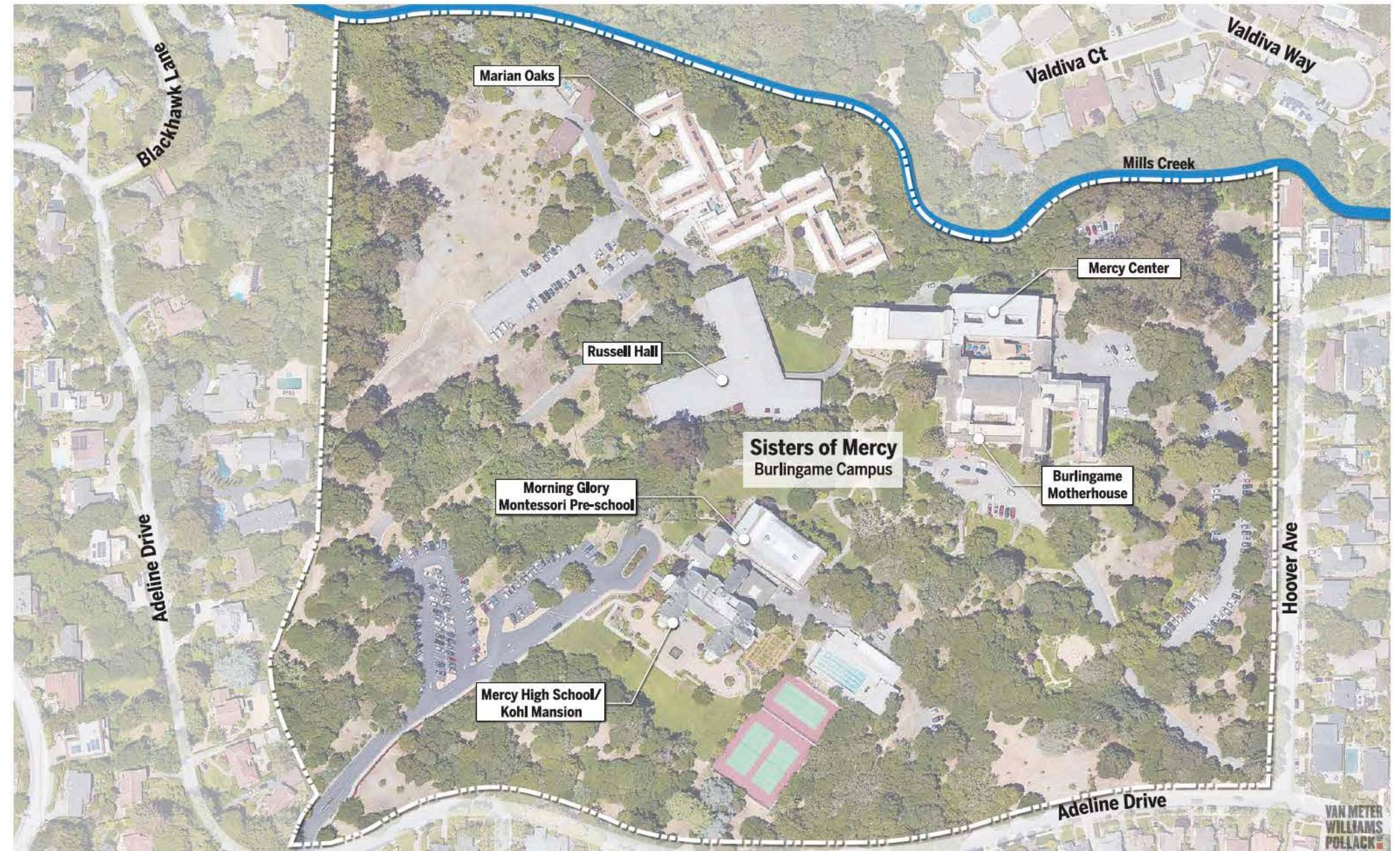
The campus is currently used by the community as an extension of the City park and trail network.





# Campus Existing Conditions Findings

As the needs of the Sisters change, their role within the community and their physical presence there will be reshaped as well.





# Campus Existing Conditions Findings

The campus is shaped by two types of constraints:

## 1. Physical Constraints

- Topography
- Stormwater
- Accessibility
- Trees

## 2. Regulatory Constraints

- Conditional Use Permit



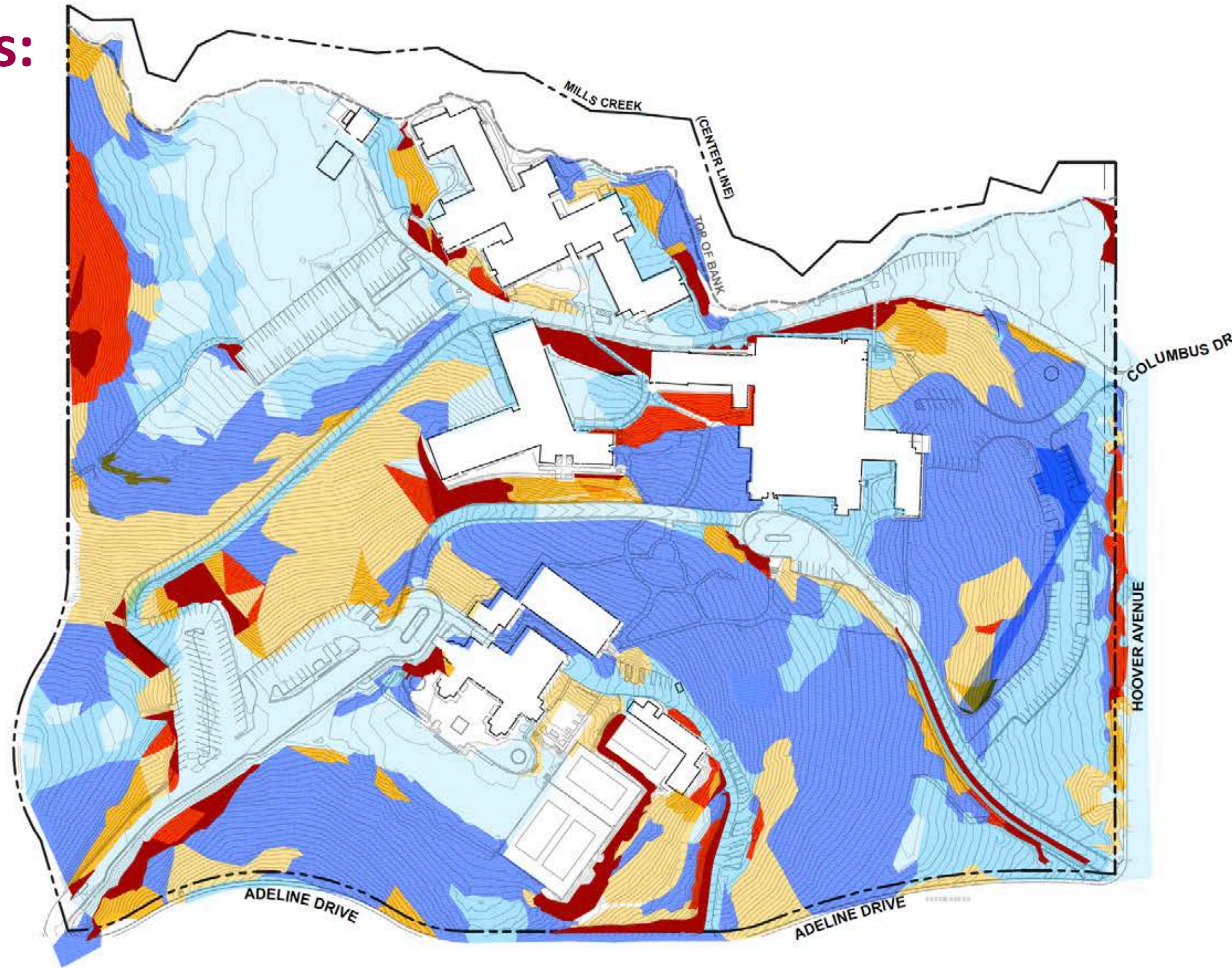
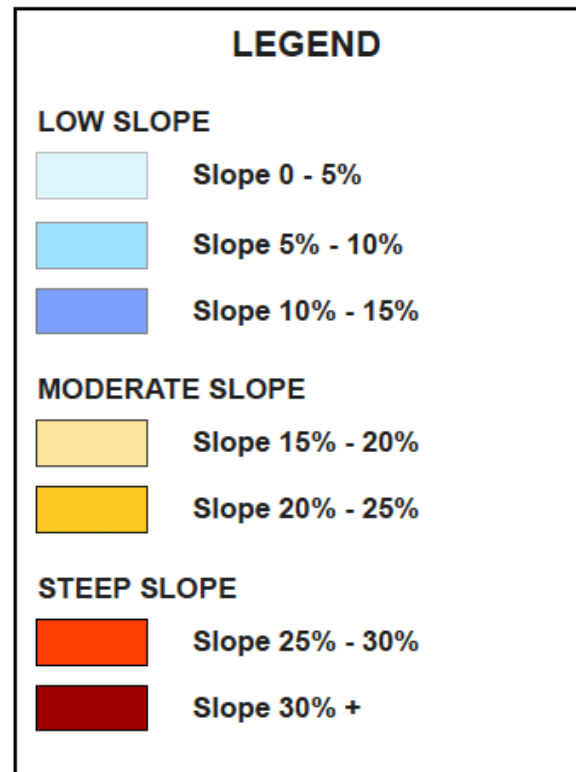
# Physical Constraints: Topography

Steep terrain across much of the property





# Physical Constraints: Topography





# Physical Constraints: Stormwater

## Solving Existing Problems

Assess stormwater mitigations to improve campus-wide stormwater issues to maximum extent feasible.

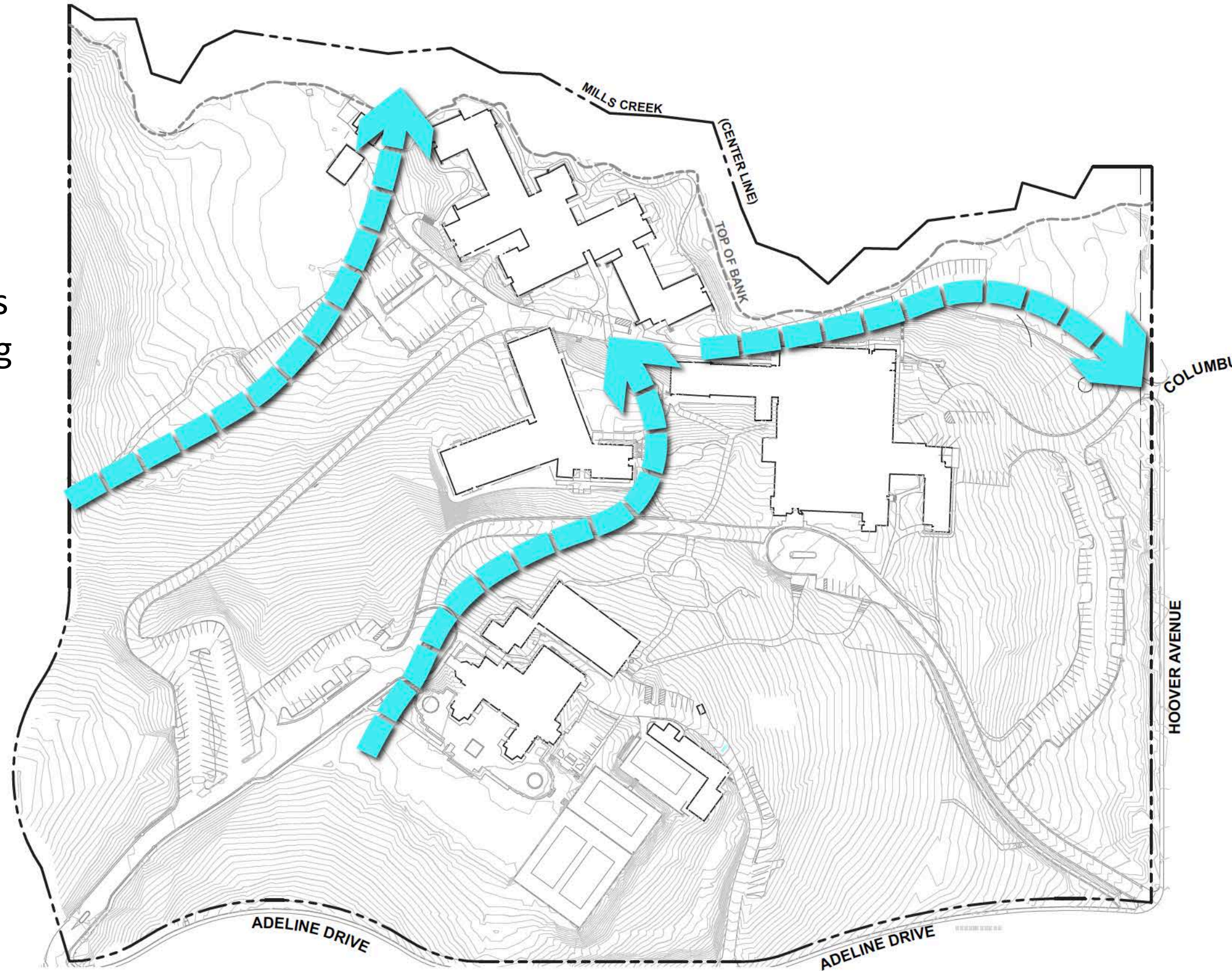
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# Physical Constraints: Stormwater

Prevent runoff before it enters Mills Creek or heads into the surrounding neighborhood.

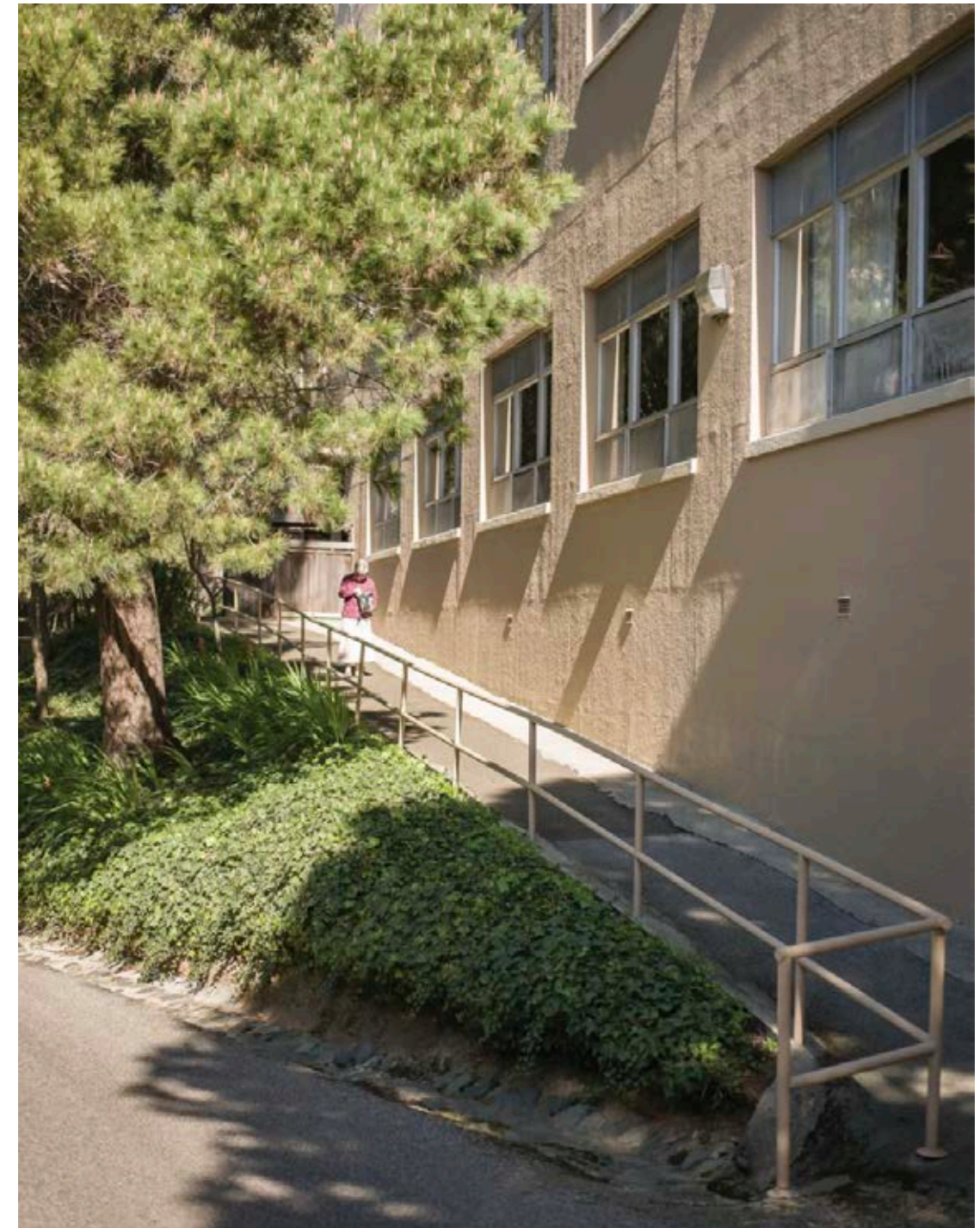




# Physical Constraints: Accessibility

## Solving Existing Problems

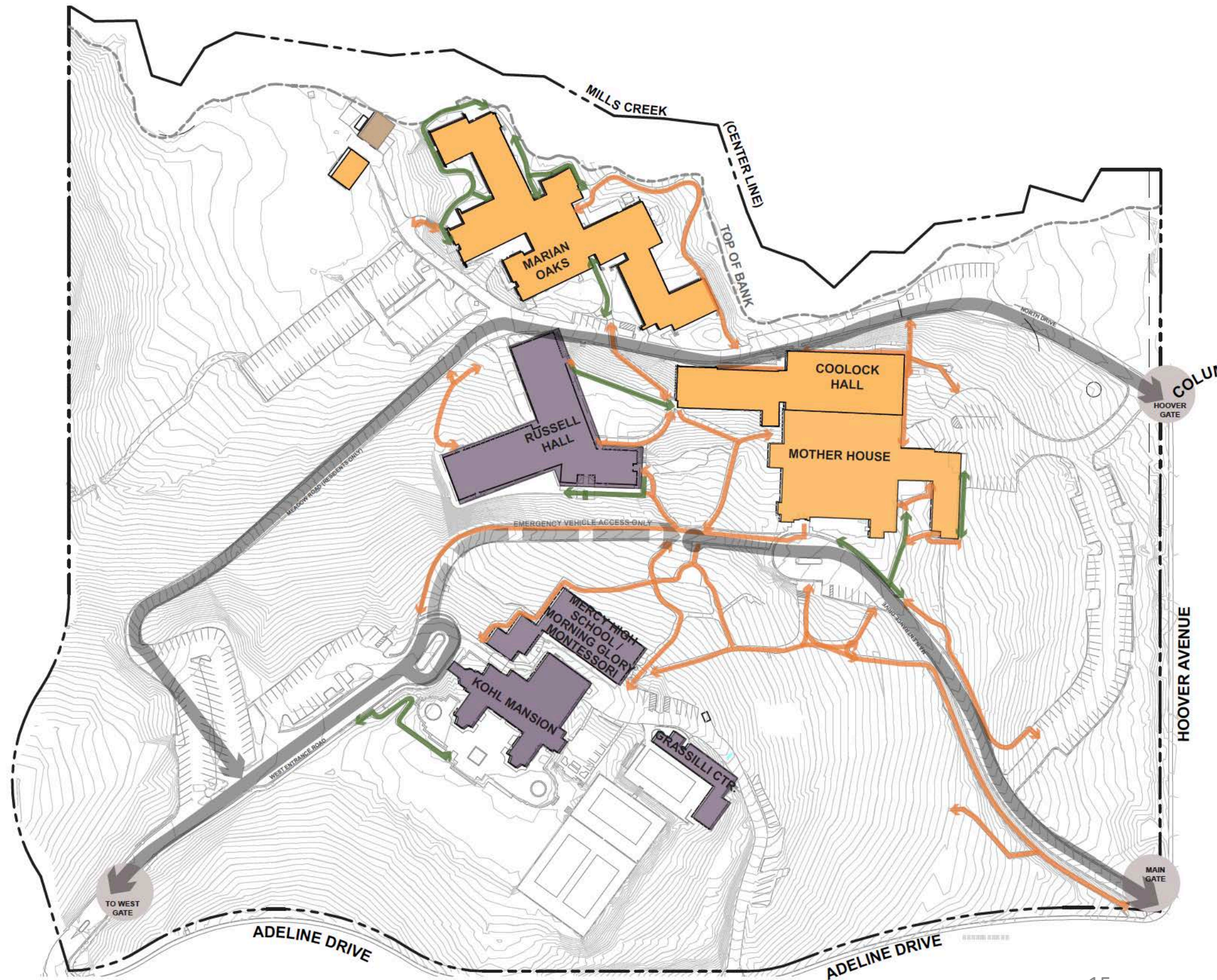
- Accessibility is required by law
- Accessible routes to parking and drop-off locations are needed





# Physical Constraints: Accessibility

- Improve accessibility for seniors between Mother House and Marian Oaks
- Improve accessibility for students between Kohl Mansion and Russell Hall
- Improve accessibility for members of the community





# Physical Constraints: Trees

- Remove hazardous trees that pose a risk to those on the campus
- Preserve the tree canopy that makes the campus so special







# Dead and High Risk Trees

High risk trees may be a danger to people, buildings, roads or paths.

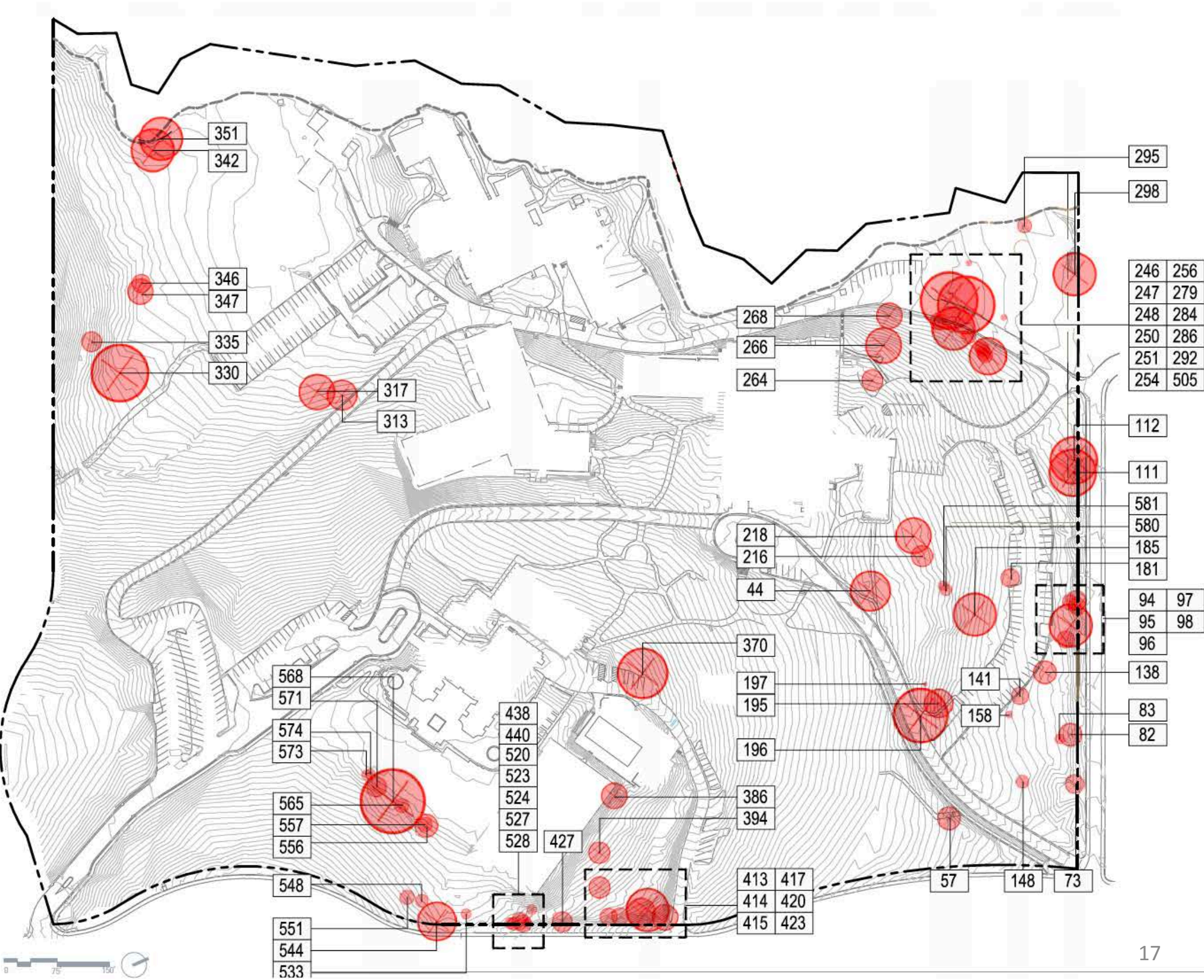
**LEGEND:**



TREE RECOMMENDED FOR REMOVAL WITH HEALTH RATING OF 0-1



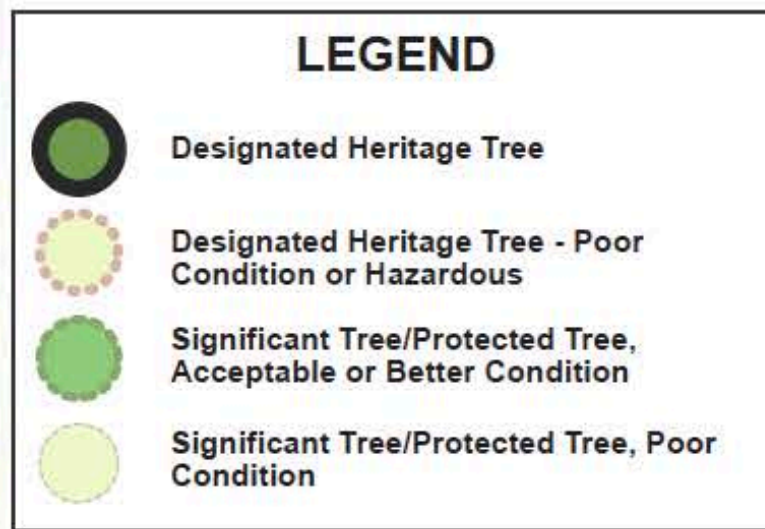
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# Heritage and Protected Trees

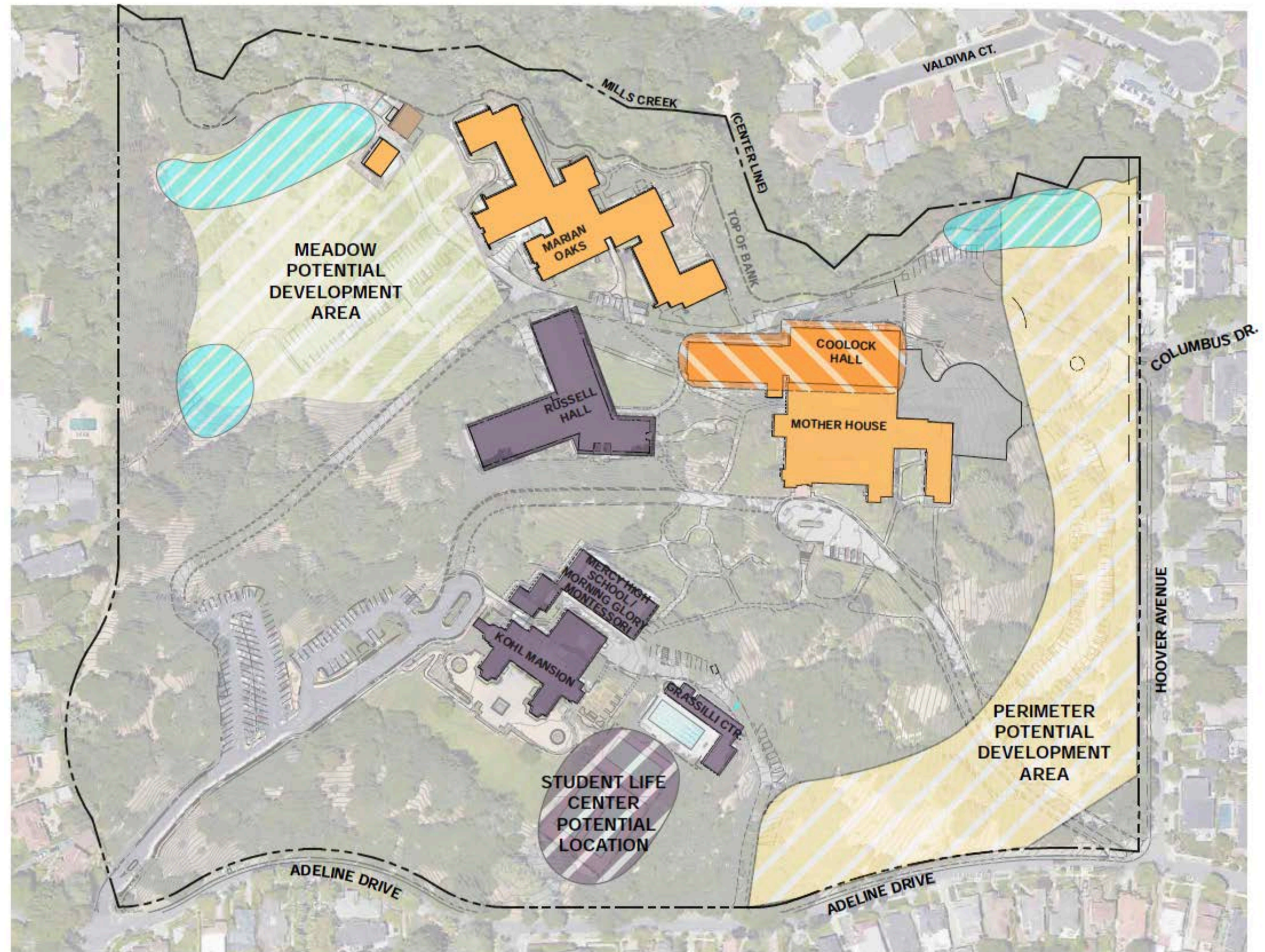
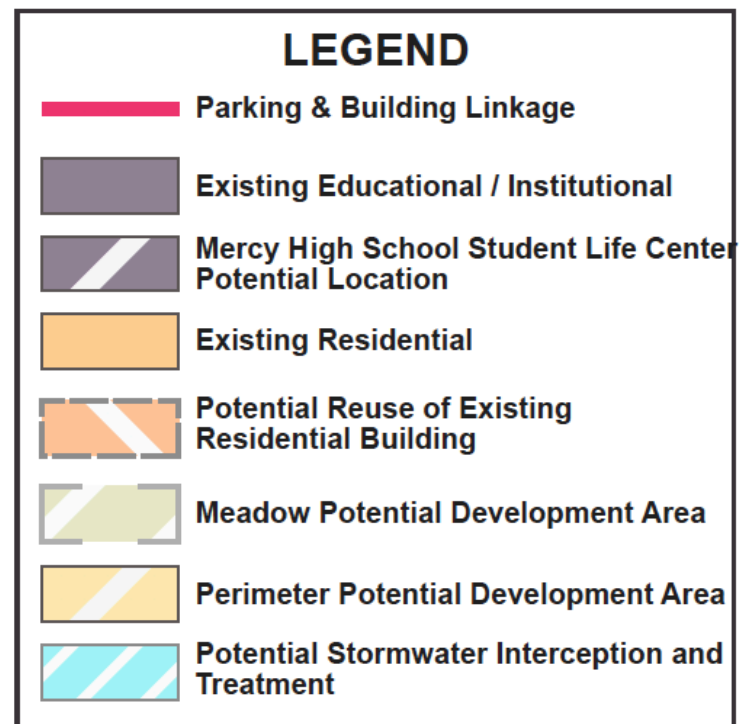
- Protected trees have a diameter of about 15"
- Heritage trees include any tree with a diameter over 48" or along with those of a certain age, rarity or historical significance





# Usable Area

- Meadow
- Adeline and Hoover
- Coolock Hall
- Student Life Center





# Q & A: Physical Constraints





## 2. Regulatory Constraints

**Current Zoning:**                      **Site Operates under a Conditional Use Permit**

**Any change in campus use will require:**

### **Environmental Review**

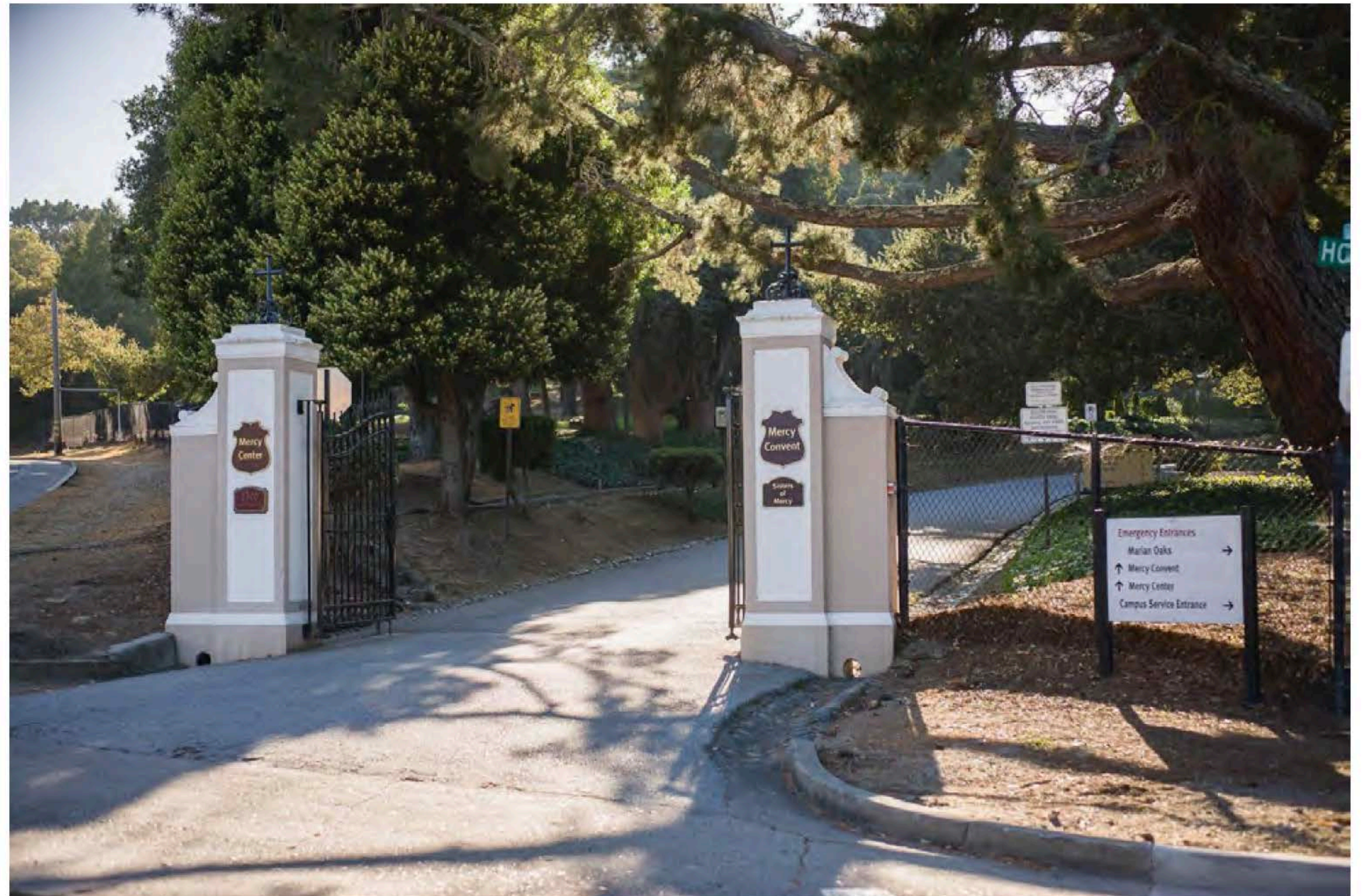
- Stormwater Study
- Tree Study
- Parking and Traffic Study
- Historic Resource Study

### **Compliance with City of Burlingame Process**

- Planning Commission
- City Council



## Q & A: Regulatory Constraints





# Community Engagement

- It is a respectful way of working in the community.
- The final plan is better conceived.
- The neighborhood is better served.
- Neighborhood relationships are strengthened.

The Administrative Team is made up of representatives of Sisters of Mercy, Mercy High School, and Mercy Housing.

## First Phase

**Goal: establish listening mode, gain understanding of neighborhood hopes and worries, build on existing relationships, actively demonstrate transparency, create trusted source of information.**

- Website launch
- Virtual Listening Session
- On-going responses by mail, phone, and website, individual and small group virtual meetings
- Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) and responses posted and sent
- 72 Feedback Forms Received (29 by mail, 43 on the website)
- 7 virtual Chats (21 individuals) more to be scheduled
- Website activity as of June 18:

677 Visitors, 157 Followers, 182 Comments,



# Community Engagement

## Current

**Goal: Share findings of the Existing Conditions Analysis and receive feedback**

- Continue and initiate on-going engagement in multiple settings
- Incorporate findings of the Existing Conditions Analysis, community response/input/feedback, financial assessments, into initial conceptual plan

## Future

**Goal: Share initial conceptual campus plan in early fall, 2020**

- Receive community feedback
- Incorporate feedback into conceptual plan
- Determine path to entitlements



# Questions and Answers

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# Conclusion and Thank You

Mercy Burlingame Campus – Community Meeting June 2020