

ST MARY'S COLLEGE
West Street
Toowoomba Q 4350



DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION - LEARNING CENTRE

LANDSCAPE DOCUMENTATION

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SITE LOCATION

ST MARY'S COLLEGE LEARNING CENTRE

LANDSCAPE INTENT

CONTRIBUTING TO THE VISUAL AMENITY

Landscape proposals seek to add to the visual amenity of the new Learning Centre. Arrival at the new building will be defined by the small, narrow Gingko Lemonlime Spires (5m high x 1m wide). These narrow trees will not detract from the building or restrict views but will create a landmark in the garden adding to the sense of arrival. Mass planting of Lorapetalum 'Purple Pixie' will create a low, growing dramatic contrast with the Gingkos. A new formal Camellia sasanqua hedge across the site frontage will be in keeping with the formal gardens along the front of the college. The hedge will provide an attractive backdrop to the entry lawn and sculpture garden. Low foliage planting at the amphitheatre entrance will add contrast through colour and varying leaf textures. On the roof terrace, a limited palette of distinct plants will provide a visual feature visible from the street. Climbers to the void and planter boxes on Levels 1 and 2 will create a vertical feature between floors.

USING SUITABLE SPECIES TO EACH MICROCLIMATE

The Learning Centre will feature gardens and planter boxes at ground level and above ground. Different orientations and exposures to sunlight will create a range of microclimates. The proposed plant species are intended to reflect the specific microclimate. Planting at the ground level, along the site frontages, will be exposed to full sun. Planting at the stepped access into the amphitheatre will at times be shaded, but during Summer may experience full sun in the middle of the day. The roof terrace east and northern planter boxes will be exposed to full sun and are likely to experience dry windy conditions at times.

MAINTAINING VIEWS TO THE HERITAGE BUILDINGS

There are existing viewlines available from Laurel Bank Park to the heritage buildings of St Marys College. These views are to be maintained as part of the development of the Learning Centre. The existing Photinia hedge will be removed to make way for a new wall and fence more in character with the front wall at the heritage buildings. A new Camellia sasanqua hedge, to be maintained at 1m to 1.5m height, will maintain views from the park to the heritage buildings.

INTEGRATING WITH THE EXISTING COLLEGE AND SETTING

The existing gardens of the college are typically formal and well maintained. The landscape proposals are for the adoption of a limited palette of species at each planting location to maintain simplicity both in appearance and for ease of maintenance.

USING RESILIENT SPECIES SUITED TO PLANTER BOX CONDITIONS

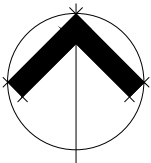
The roof top garden and planter boxes represent planting locations that will typically be subject to dry and potentially hot conditions. Plant species have been selected for their resilience. Planter boxes will incorporate dripline irrigation and drainage, however, the intention is to use plants that are resilient and generally tolerant of drier conditions. In particular, the roof terrace will incorporate three large planter boxes. Olive trees have been selected as the feature tree to these planters both for their toughness and also for their biblical significance. Olive trees hold significance in the Bible as a symbol of peace, prosperity, blessing, and God's provision.

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LANDSCAPE PROPOSALS - GROUND LEVEL



① Narrow, feature trees, *Ginkgo Lemonlime Spire*, as landmark trees at the entry with an understorey of *Lorapetalum 'Purple Pixie'* and *Lomandra 'Lime Tuff'*.



② *Camellia sasanqua* hedge (to be maintained at 1m to 1.5m high) to site frontage with low planting with *Liriope Evergreen Giant* to front of fence

③ Mass planting with *Lomandra Tanika*



④ Mixed foliage plants at amphitheatre entry with tree ferns as a feature - *Cyathea cooperii* (Australian Tree Fern), *Iresine herbstii* (Bloodleaf) and *Lomandra 'Lime Tuff'*.



⑤ Planter mass planted with foliage plant - *Asplenium australasicum* (Bird's Nest Fern)

⑥ Cafe planters with narrow *Ginkgo Lemonlime Spire* with groundcover, *Pelargonium Crispum*



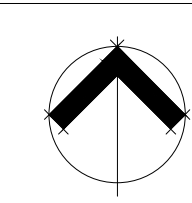
⑦ Shade tolerant planting to south side of building - *Blechnum gibbum 'Silver Lady'*

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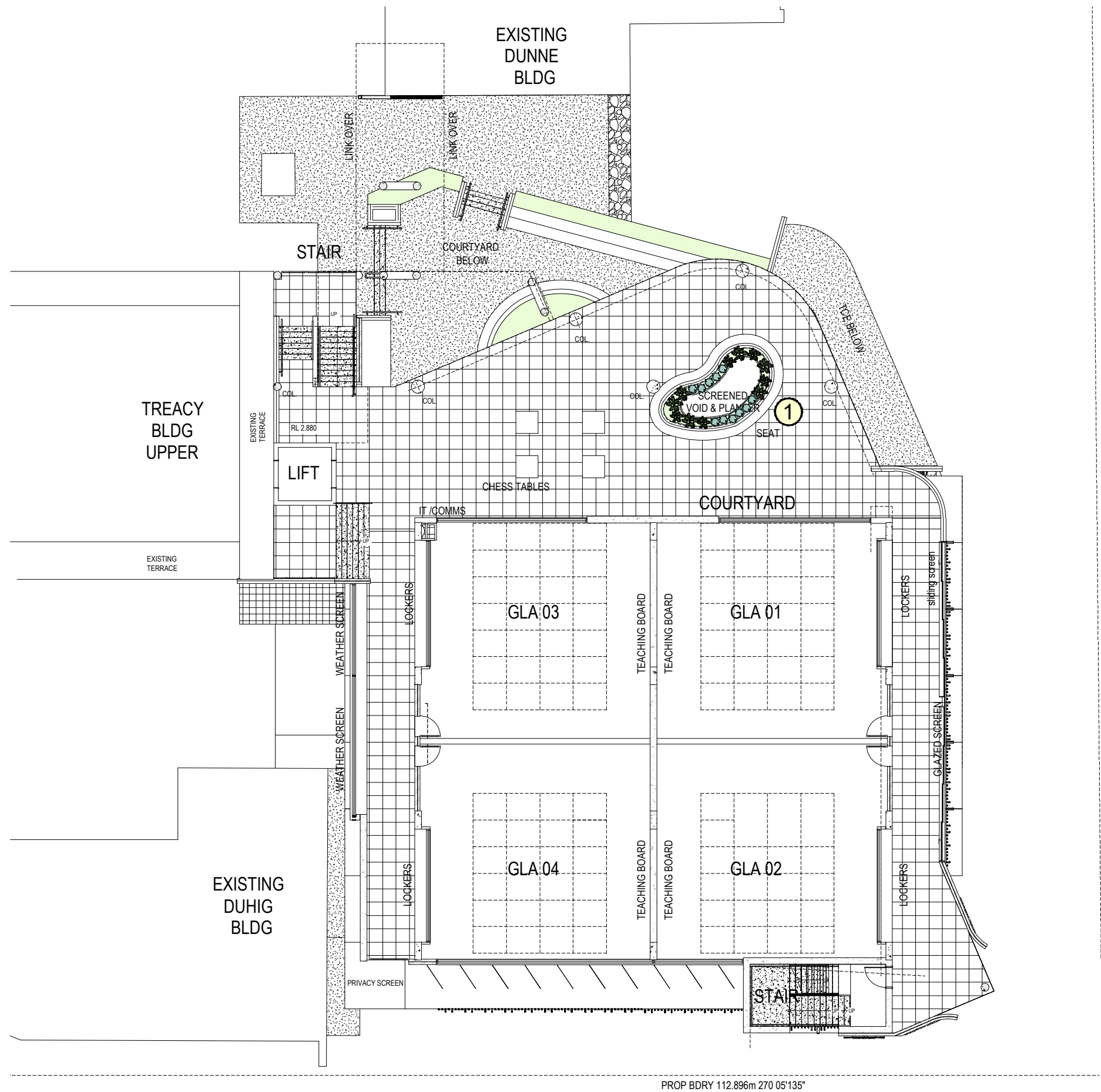
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LANDSCAPE PROPOSALS - LEVEL 1 GLAS



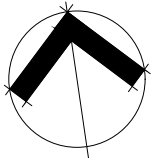
1 Level 1 to include a screened void and planter. Proposal is to have stainless steel wires extending from this planter upwards to the ceiling of level 2 and to include climbers that will extend from Level 1 up to the ceiling of Level 2. Proposed climbing plant is *Cissus antartica* (Kangaroo Vine). Balance of planter to include low, tough groundcovers - *Chlorophytum comosum* (Spider Plant)

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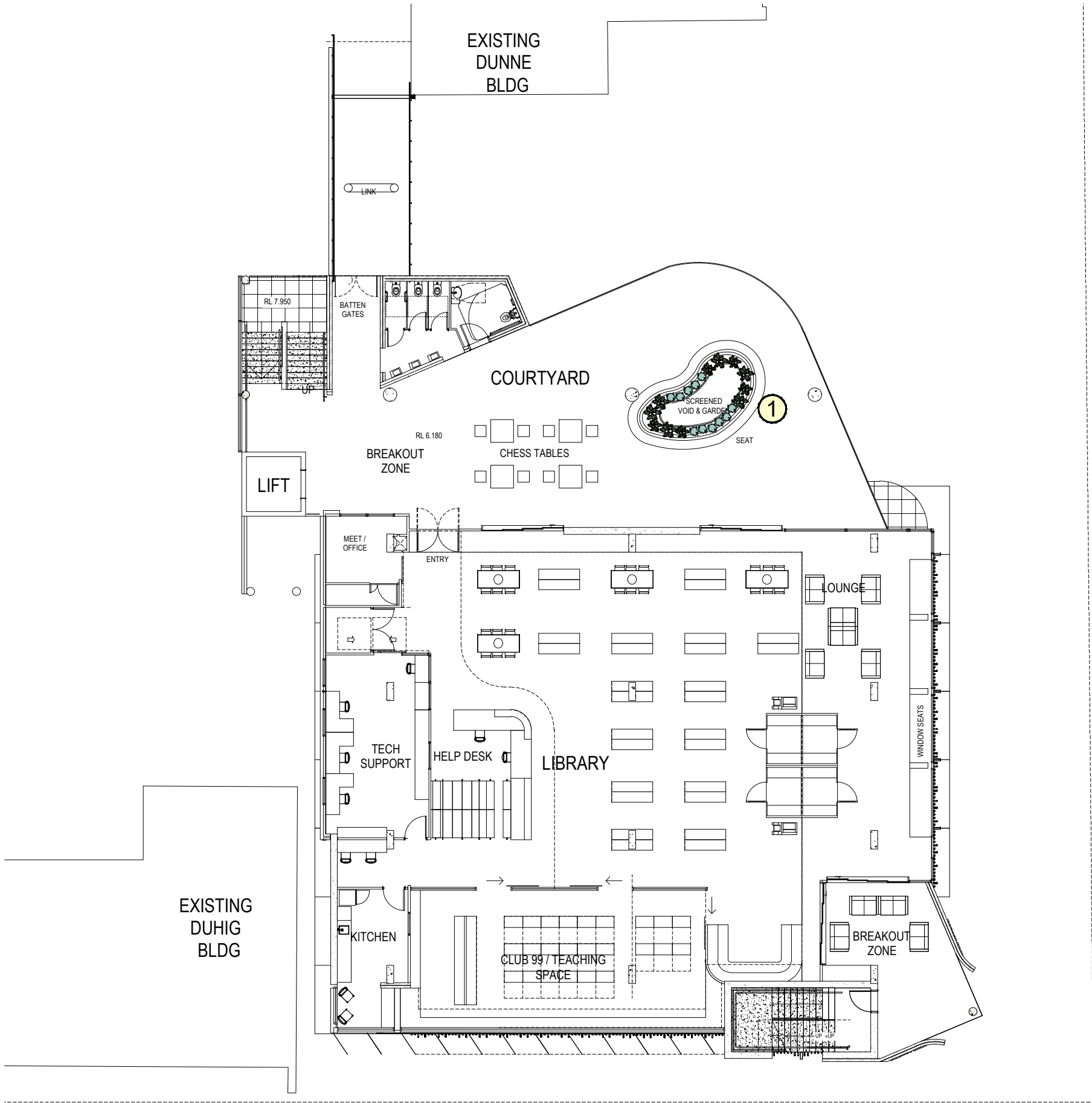


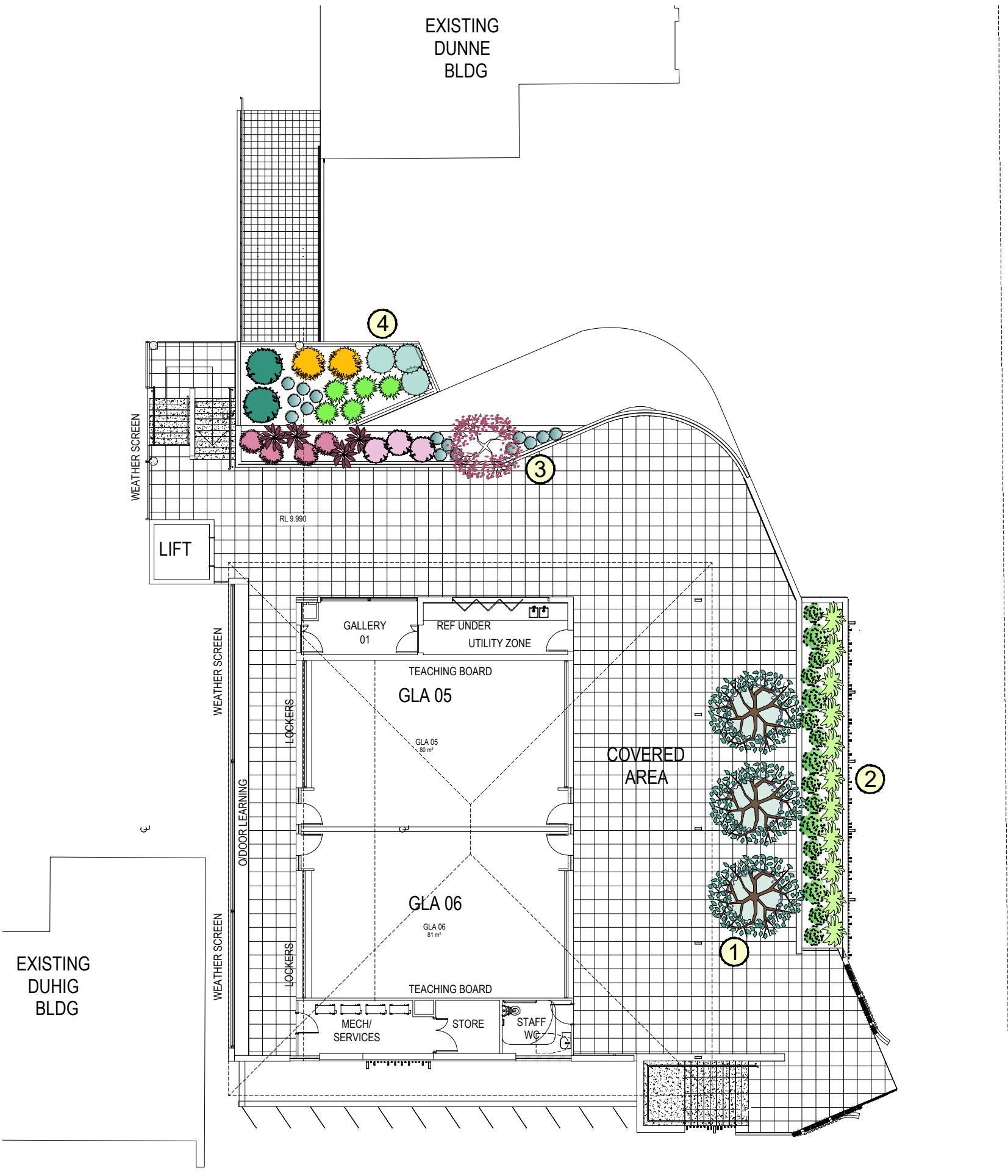
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- 1 Level 2 to include a screened void and planter. Proposal is to have stainless steel wires extending from the planter immediately below on Level1 that extend to the ceiling of Level 2. Climbing plants would climb from Level 1, through the void at Level 2 to the ceiling of Level 2. Proposed climbing plant is *Cissus antartica* (Kangaroo Vine). Balance of planter to include low, tough groundcovers - *Chlorophytum comosum* (Spider Plant)

PROP BDRY 154.294m 270 05'13"





LANDSCAPE PROPOSALS - ROOF TERRACE



- 1 Roof terrace to include three large pots featuring Olive Trees (*Olea europaea*) and groundcover planting with Lamb's Ear (*Stachys byzantina*). Olive trees hold significance in the Bible as a symbol of peace, prosperity, blessing, and God's provision.



- 2 East facing planter to roof terrace to include sculptural shrubs *Crassula ovata* 'Gollum' and *Crassula ovata* with low, weeping shrub to front, *Acacia cognata* 'Fettuccini'.



- 3 North facing planter (upper) to roof terrace to include groups of textural plants with dwarf Maple, *Acer palmatum* as a small feature tree. Shrubs and groundcovers to include *Cordyline negra*, *Pennisetum* 'Purple Fountain Grass', *Dianella* 'Silver Streak' and *Lorapetalum* 'Plum Gorgeous'.



- 4 North facing planter (lower) to roof terrace to include groups of textural plants including *Westringia mudi*, *Lomandra Tanika*, *Dianella* 'Silver Streak', *Banksia* 'Birthday Candles' and *Grevillea Superb*.

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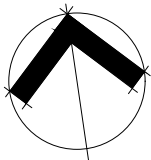
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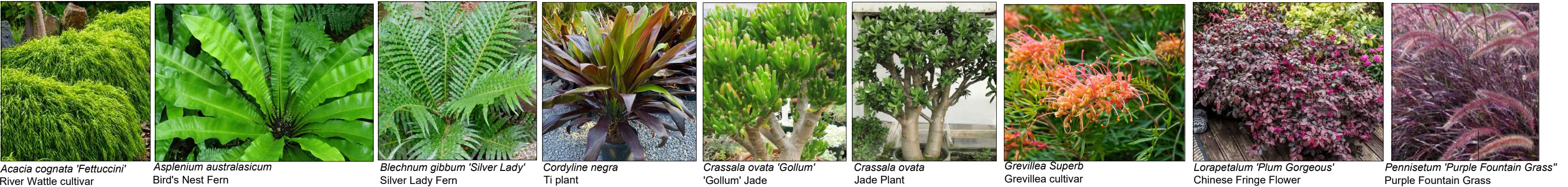


PROPOSED PLANTS

TREES



SHRUBS



GROUNDCOVERS/CLIMBERS



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