

A black and white photograph of a large-scale construction project in an urban area. In the foreground, there are multiple sets of railroad tracks with a CSX locomotive and several freight cars. To the left, there are storage containers and construction materials. In the background, a multi-lane highway interchange is under construction, with several lanes of road visible. Beyond the highway, a dense city skyline with various skyscrapers is visible under a clear sky.

I-90 ALLSTON INTERCHANGE

A MULTIMODAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECT

Throat Area Working Group
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Park Option A – Plan



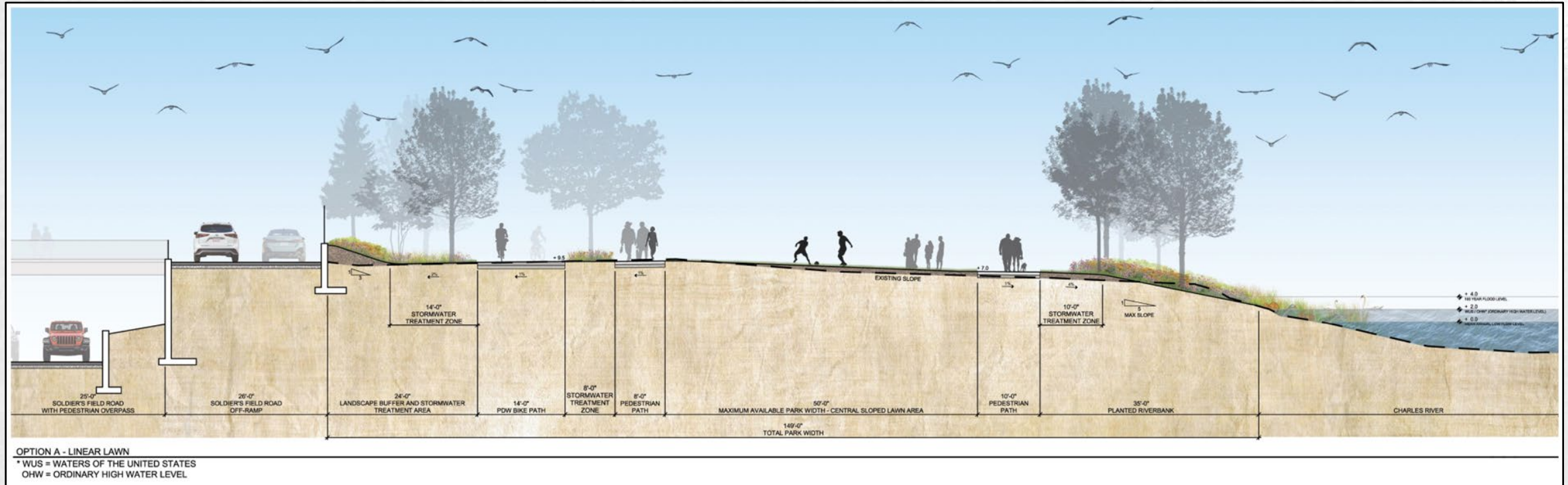
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- Provide stormwater management within parklands
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PARK OPTION A FEATURES

- Large linear lawn area
- Riverside path
- Internal park pathways and seating areas
- Pedestrian overpass bridge at south end of park

Park Option A – Section



Park Option B – Plan



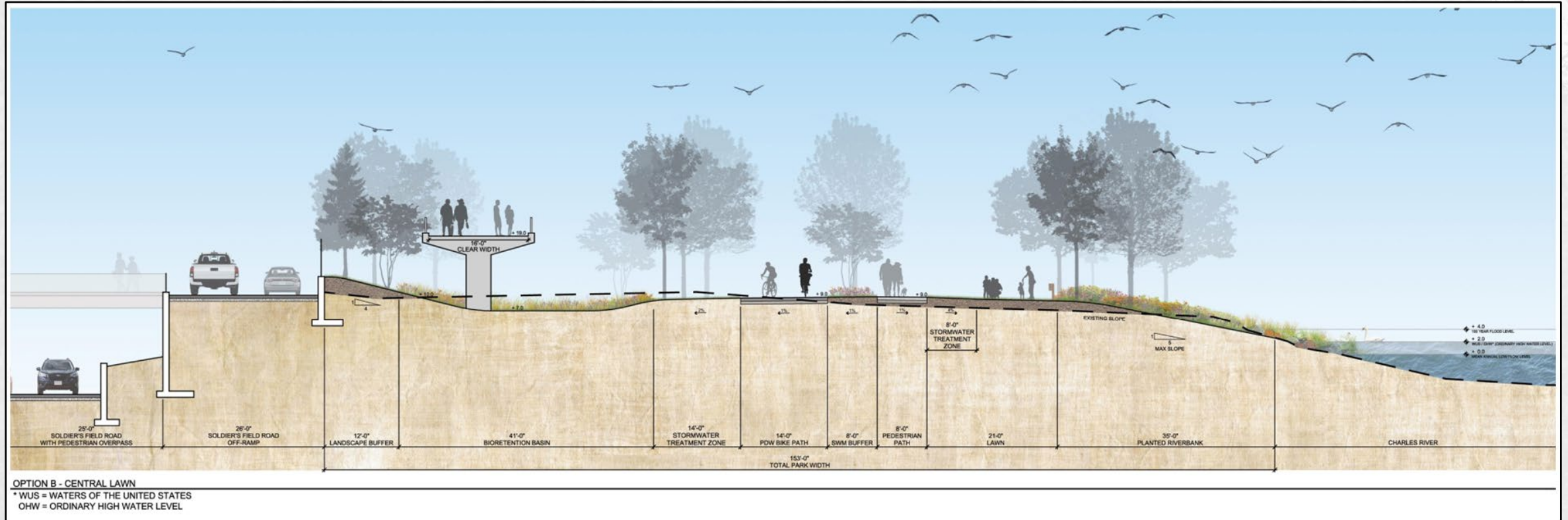
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PARK OPTION B FEATURES

- Central oval lawn
- Extended overpass ramp with stormwater retention basin under northern ramp
- Overlook with opportunity for shade structures

Park Option B – Section



Park Precedent Images – Stormwater



STORMWATER TREATMENT PLANTING APPROACHES

- Propose low maintenance planting approaches especially in larger stormwater treatment areas
- Consider more varied planting palettes in smaller swales or rain gardens to improve ease of maintenance

Park Precedent Images – River's Edge



RIVER'S EDGE PLANTING APPROACHES

- Remove invasives and manage new planting to prevent reestablishment of invasive species
- Prioritize planted riverbanks over other methods where feasible
- Use pollinator friendly planting
- Consider areas for low growing seed mixes and mown lawns to prioritize river-viewing