ANTI - MALL: THE REAPPROPRIATION OF AMERICA'S NEGLECTED SUPERSTRUCTURES









EXISTING PATTERN OF DEVELOPMENT







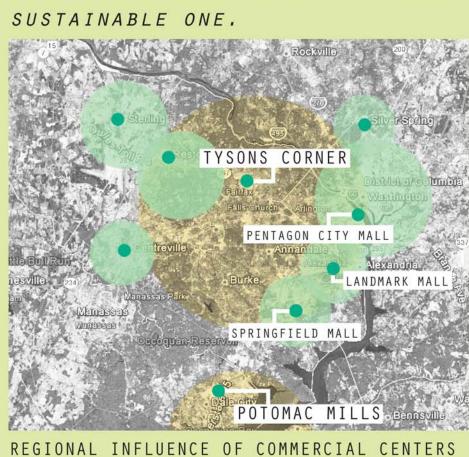




SPATIAL REORGANIZATION

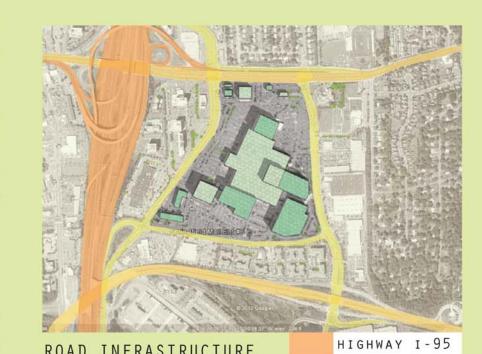
EXISTING SPATIAL CONDITIONS

THE CURRENT ECONOMIC CLIMATE HAS LEFT MANY COMMERCIAL CENTERS BUILT IN THE 1980'S AND 90'S VACANT AND DISUSED. ONCE THE FOCAL POINTS OF ORGANIZATION AND CONSUMER CULTURE FOR SUBURBAN AMERICANS, NOW BLIGHTED MALLS WERE BEHIND BY THE SAME FORCES OF WANTON DEVELOPMENT THAT FIRST BROUGHT THEM INTO BEING. USING NORTHERN VIRGINIA'S SPRINGFIELD MALL AS A CASE STUDY, THIS PROJECT PROPOSES THE REHABILITATION OF A REGIONAL SCALE SHOPPING MALL MULTIPURPOSE COMMUNITY FAR-REACHING PROPOSAL, LOCAL BUSINESSES AND GOVERNMENTS TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR TRANSFORMING THESE ABANDONED MALLS INTO MUNICIPAL CENTERS WHICH HOUSE RECYCLING AND WASTE-TO-ENERGY PLANTS, SOCIAL SERVICES, COMMUNITY EDUCATION CLASSROOMS, AGRICULTURAL OPPORTUNITIES, AND LIVING LANDSCAPES. THIS NEW FORM OF COMMUNITY CENTER STRIVES TO LAY BARE THE LIFECYCLE OF CONSUMER GOODS AND EDUCATE THE PUBLIC ABOUT SMART ENERGY WHILE ENCOURAGING SOCIAL INTERACTION AND HEALTHY LIVING HABITS WITHIN ANOMIC SUBURBAN AREAS. THIS PROJECT, APPLICABLE IN PART OR WHOLE IN COMMUNITIES ACROSS AMERICA, TO TURN THE FORGOTTEN ARCHITECTURES OF A BYGONE ERA INTO THE FORERUNNERS OF A MORE



EXISTING CONTEXT

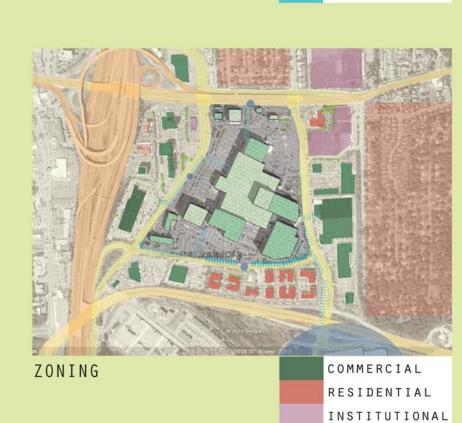


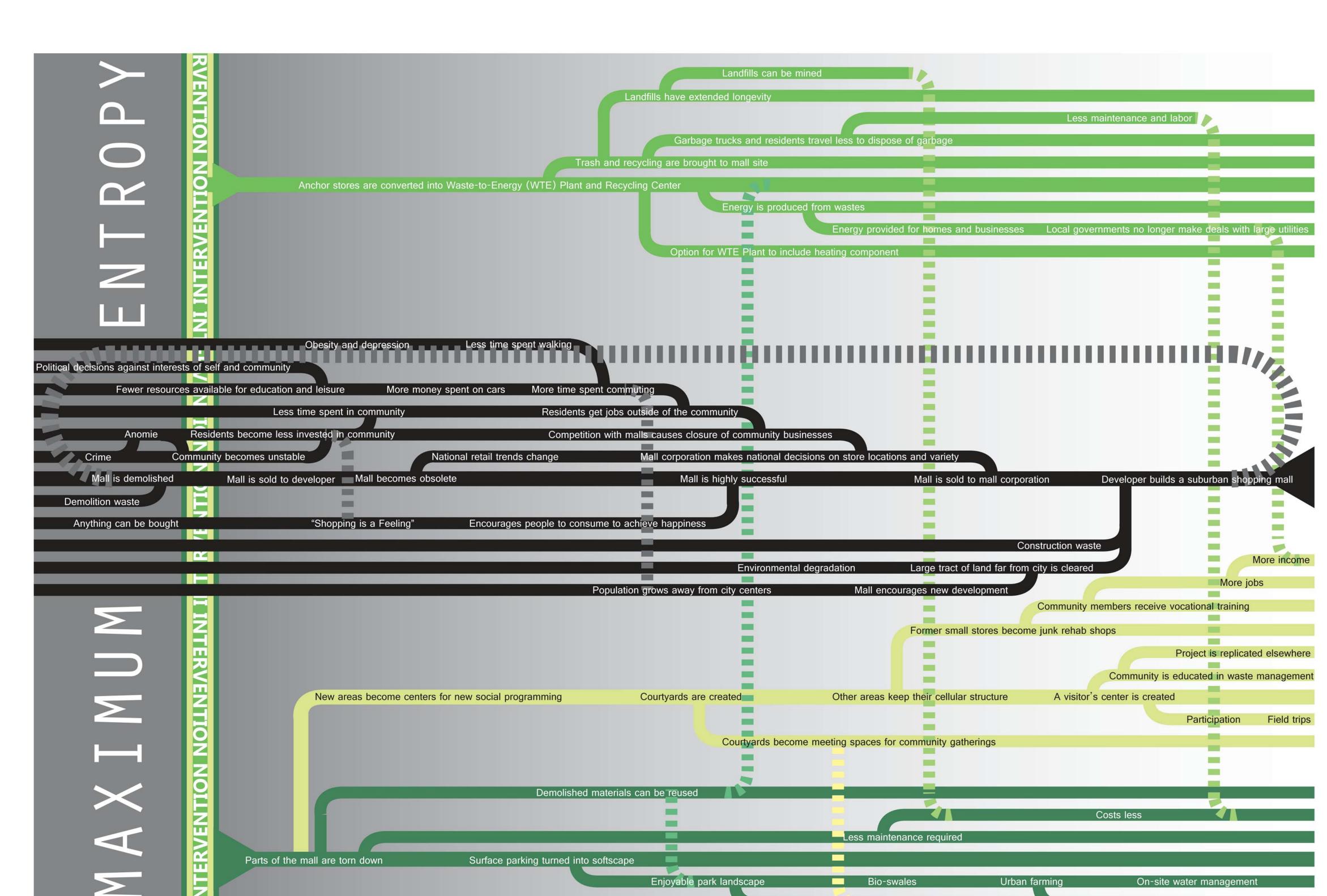




REGIONAL ROAD

LOCAL ROAD





SOCIAL PROGRAMMING

ENERGY AND RESOURCES

DIAGRAMMATIC PLAN





EXISTING LANDSCAPE



PROPOSED LANDSCAPE











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