

This design for the San Jose, Silicon Valley landmark represents the convergence of San Jose and Silicon Valley through an elevated minimalist green structure. It winds over and across the park, at a diagonal, connecting the two sections of Arena Green. The structure establishes a second level to the park, creating a new and exciting perspective and view of the surrounding San Jose area. The design displays and represents ingenuity, leading spaces like this into the future of recreation. When integrated into the park, the structure will provide spaces for everyone to enjoy, such as walkways and trails, tables and benches for lunch breaks, peaceful gardens, and open spaces for kids to explore.

The landscaping of both the East and West sides of Arena Green will stay consistent with a streamlined minimalist concept. Plants native to the San Jose area will be used to maximize the eco-friendly space for wildlife. Land hills will support the structure and blend it into the existing landscape as an extension of the earth - as if growing out of the ground. These hills are environmentally considerate, because once completed, the land that is added will serve as additional habitat for wildlife.

To meet the Net-Zero requirements, collaboration with engineers and specialists will be necessary to design a system that works to recycle and reuse natural resources required to maintain the site. For example, green elements, such as stormwater storage, stormwater reuse for irrigation, stormwater planters, rain gardens, native landscaping, interpretive signage, and other architectural elements will be implemented to realize and express a message of sustainability. To create a safe space for people passing through, the design can accommodate smart technology such as electronic maps and emergency blue light systems.

This landmark will attract all different kinds of people from kids, adults, sports fans, travelers from across the globe, to local residents looking for a break outdoors. The structure embraces the environment and provides a point of connection and passage for wildlife, residents and visitors - supporting all kinds of diversity and celebrating ingenuity. For the people of San Jose, the landmark will be a fun destination and a source of pride.