Palimpsest Landscape

FOREST SYSTEM THURGAU

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GOALS

Find a potential for the future urbanization of former rural areas, therefore the Thurgau region serves as an exemplary area of this condition. The urban development should be linked to a certain spatial quality of the place and it should be connected to the territory it surrounds. The outcome should be a sustainable territory by using the existing infrastructure and other qualities found on-site.

READING 1: QUIET HILLS

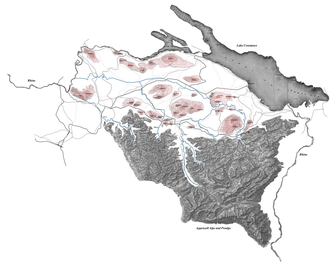
The widespread hills of the region are seen as a potential for the spatial development. The forest figures are their most significant visual feature. They could work as a structuring element in the territory, containing the following qualities: Landscape, Nature, Recreation, Sport. The hills are seen as a possible common space and should therefore be defended from privatization.

READING 2: METROPOLITAN VALLEYS

A dense network of infrastructures of communication are concentrated along the valleys that surround the hills. This metropolitan condition with the easy access to mobility is combined with the closeness to the landscape. The Metropolitan Valleys could sustain a significant increase of the population.

PROJECT: FOREST SYSTEM

The two readings should be intensified: Dedensify hill + densify valley. A new commuting and leisure network will be established as a starting point. This path delimitates and unifies the forest fragments on the hills by creating a Forest System. The Forest System reveals the Hills System as a continuous common space. By totalizing the view over the territory, it creates a symbolic landscape of the Thurgau. Three interventions on critical moments of the Forest System work as metropolitan public space: The path becomes a building.



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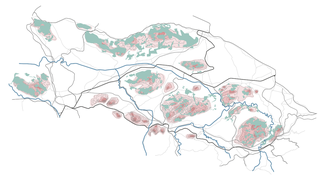

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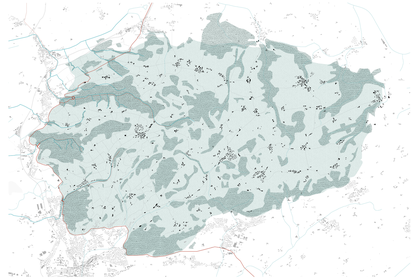

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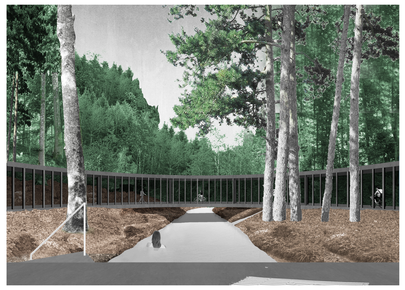

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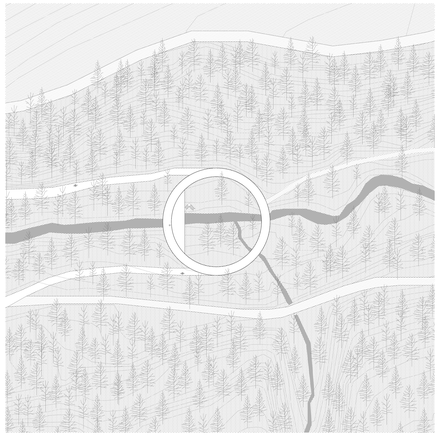

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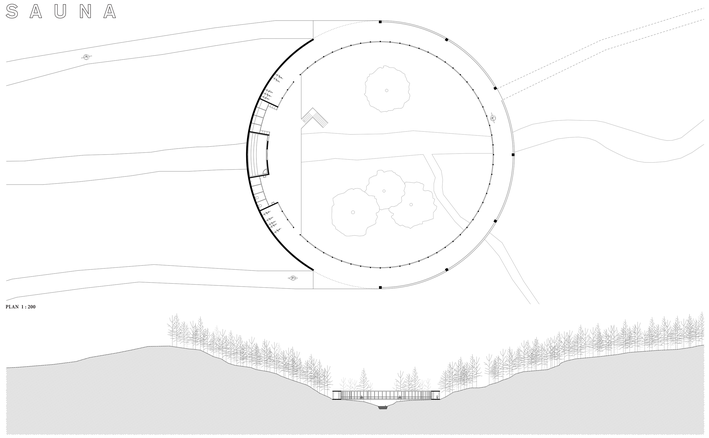

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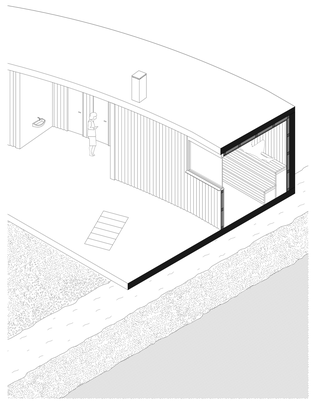

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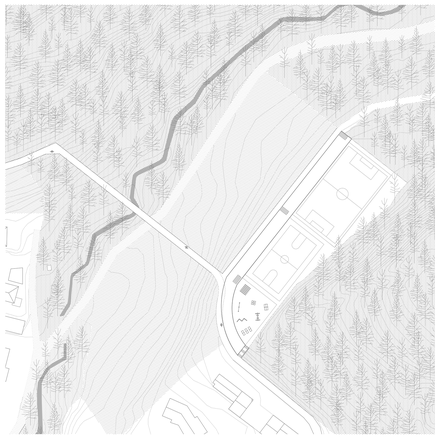

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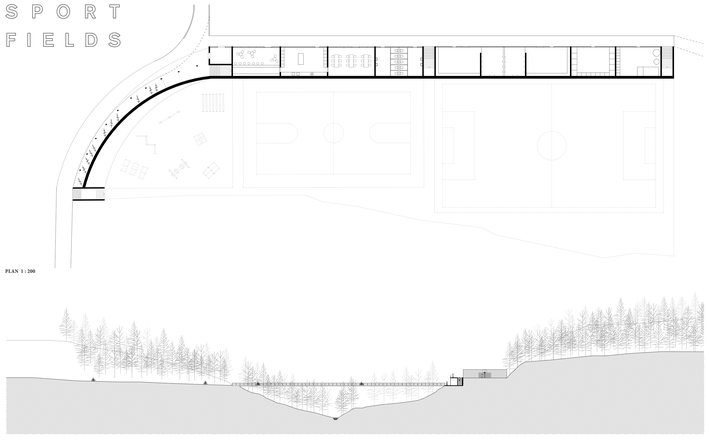

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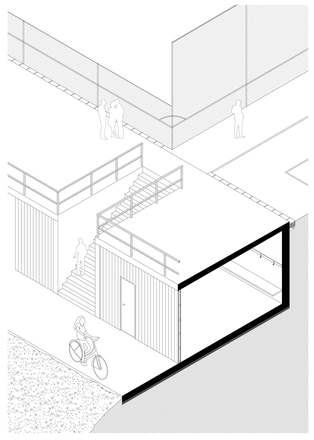

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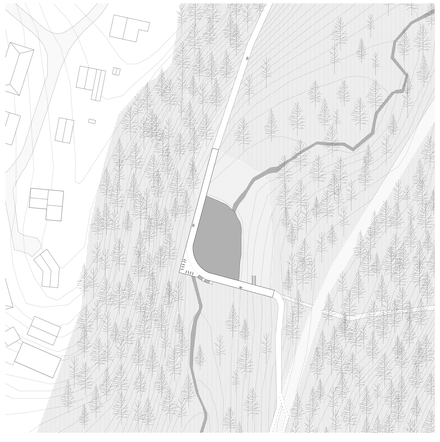

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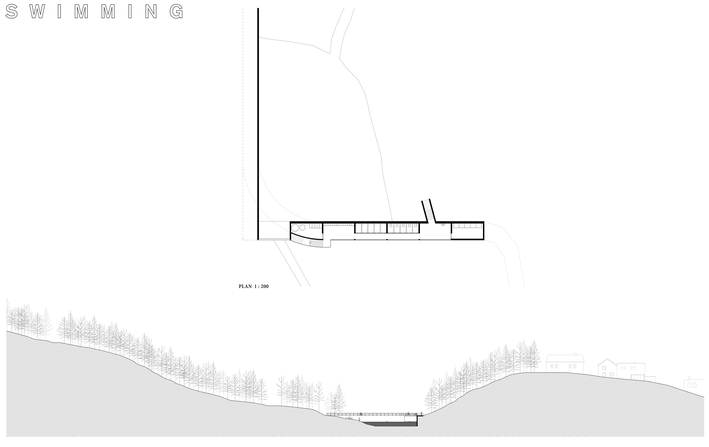

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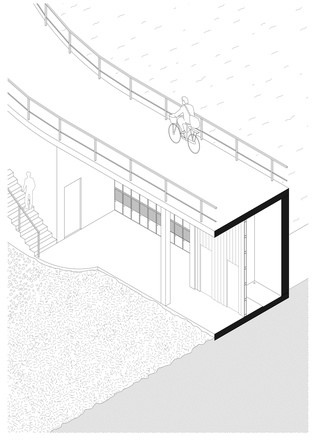

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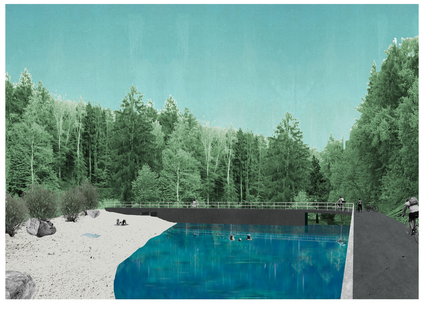

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