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What should the future design include?

Our vision for the site includes a long-term home for existing uses - including compost, nursery, outdoor classroom, and demonstration gardens - as well as public space, a large-scale salt marsh restoration, a stewardship & education center, and a small business incubator for green industries, all integrated into the design of the sewage tank.

Facilities
- Salt Storage
- CSO Tank and Head House
- Community Compost Facility
- Stewardship & Education Center
- Small Business Incubator for Green Industries
- Native Plant Nursery

Public Spaces
- 2nd Avenue Street End Garden
- Biodiverse Plantings and GI Demonstration Gardens
- Intertidal Marsh
- Turning Basin Boat Launch
- Connection via Pedestrian Bridges

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