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The Spruit: an urban corridor

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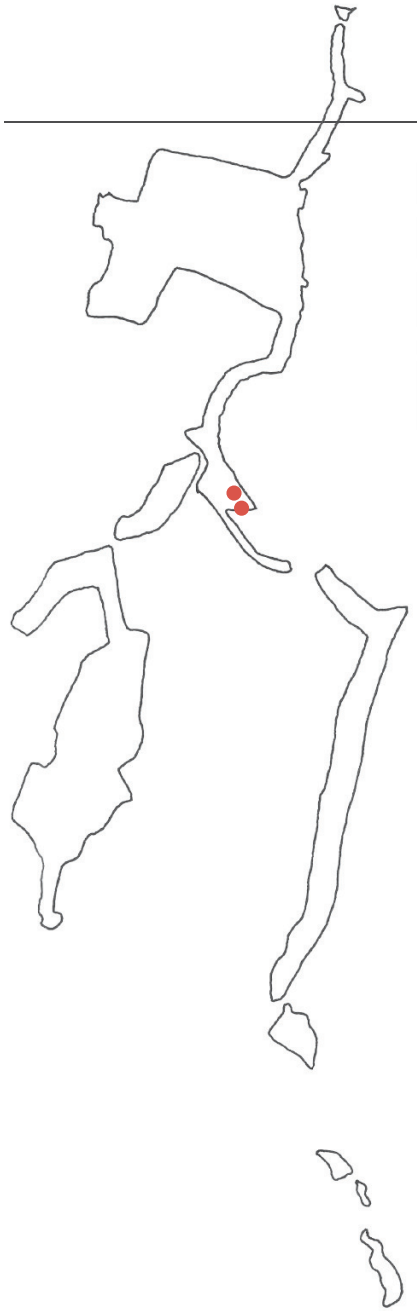

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& RESEARCH QUESTION



Figure v: Current site to Victory Street relation with buyback centres and Pirates Club (to the right).

Figure vi: The north edge of the site overlooking the Braamfontein Spruit and the new proposed connection.

Abstract:

The aim is to research the connections, intersections and influences, between architecture and nature, in order to create a resilient[1] and regenerative[2] architectural intervention within the urban landscape. To identify the hidden and untappaed potential of place and site, the spruit, in order to create positive experiences in nature by its users, viable economic opportunities, social upliftment and thriving ecologies.

Research question:

How can an ecological system be implemented to regenerate and maintain the wholeness of the system, throughout the inevitable changes brought by time?

1 Resilient is defined as the ability "to quickly return to a previous good condition", (Walter, 2008).

2 Regenerative is defined as the ability "to improve a piece of a system, especially by making it more active and successful", (Walter, 2008).

