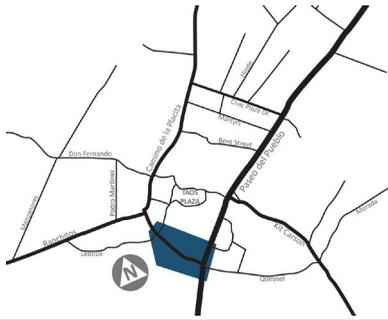


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Evolution of the South Gateway



The current trend is to fence and reject the street and sidewalk, creating a disjointed series of districts rather than a united urban framework.

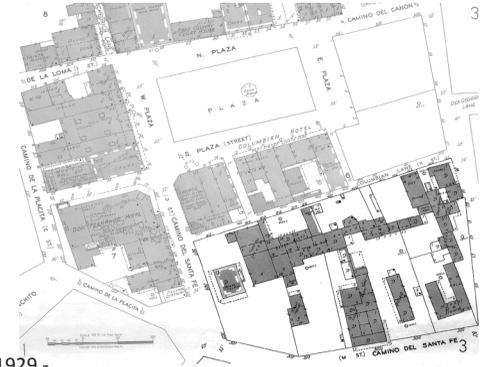


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The south gateway to Taos seeks to create a vibrant new district which acts as a vital anchor point to the plaza district. The south gateway is a mixed use area which is composed as an urban framework of stairs, bridges, patios and occupy-able roofs which create layers of spaces both public and private. The south gateway is designed for the pedestrian and encourages foot traffic and mingling as people pass through allies and patios and under portales which frame colorful spaces filled with trees, water and people.



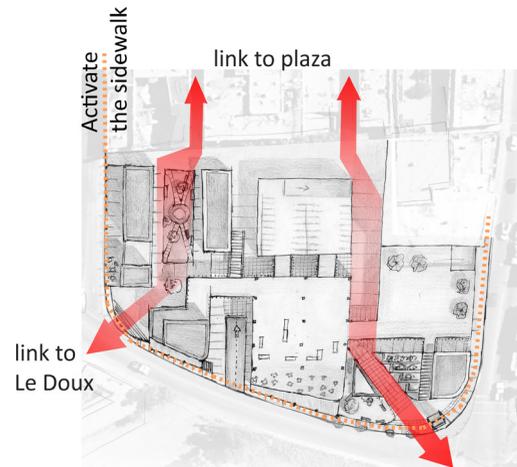
1909 - The area south of the plaza in 1909 was more developed than it stands today; it served as primarily a storage area and was built entirely out of adobe structures.



1929 - Nearly 80 years ago the south gateway was developed as a series of homes, studios, storage areas and even a hall -- all of which no longer exist. Multiple courtyards and enclosed public spaces were beginning to become evident.

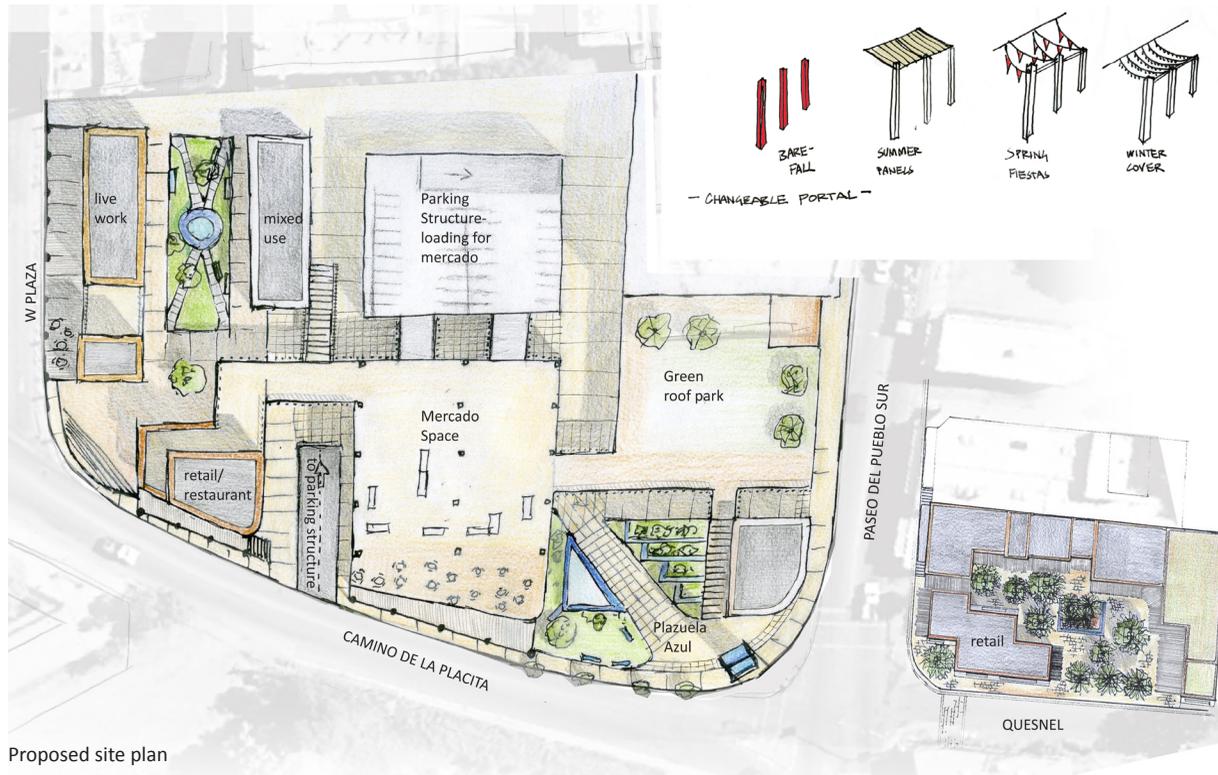
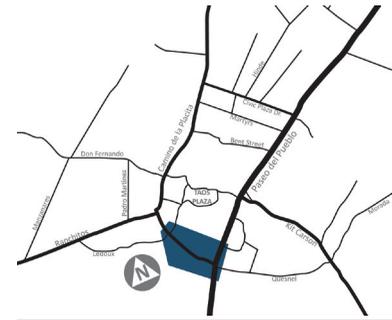


1980's - After the rise of the automobile, the area south of the plaza became primarily used for parking, with the exception of one green space at the corner of west plaza and Camino de la Placita which has since disappeared as well, leaving only a sea of asphalt as the existing south gateway



2020 The simple urban parti is to connect to surrounding areas by identifying existing paths and districts and uniting them.

Restoration and connection



Proposed site plan

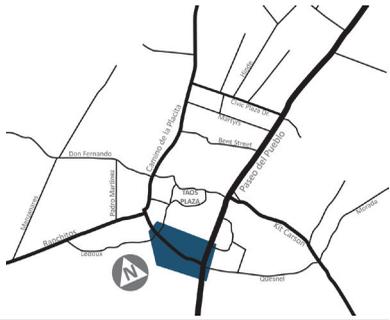


Looking North up Paseo del Pueblo Sur from Quesnel

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KEY GOALS

- Connect to the plaza and its existing alleys
- Connect to Ledoux and Quesnel
- Activate the street edge
- Create legible parking away from the street edge
- Create a large PV array which also harvests water
- Provide spaces for vendors to sell art, food, clothes etc.



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The proposed re-development of the south gateway is not an infill project, but a restoration project which seeks to bring back the density and green spaces which existed in the past. The south gateway connects alley's to the plaza and plays out to visually connect to Ledoux street as well as Quesnel creating a unified, legible walking district.



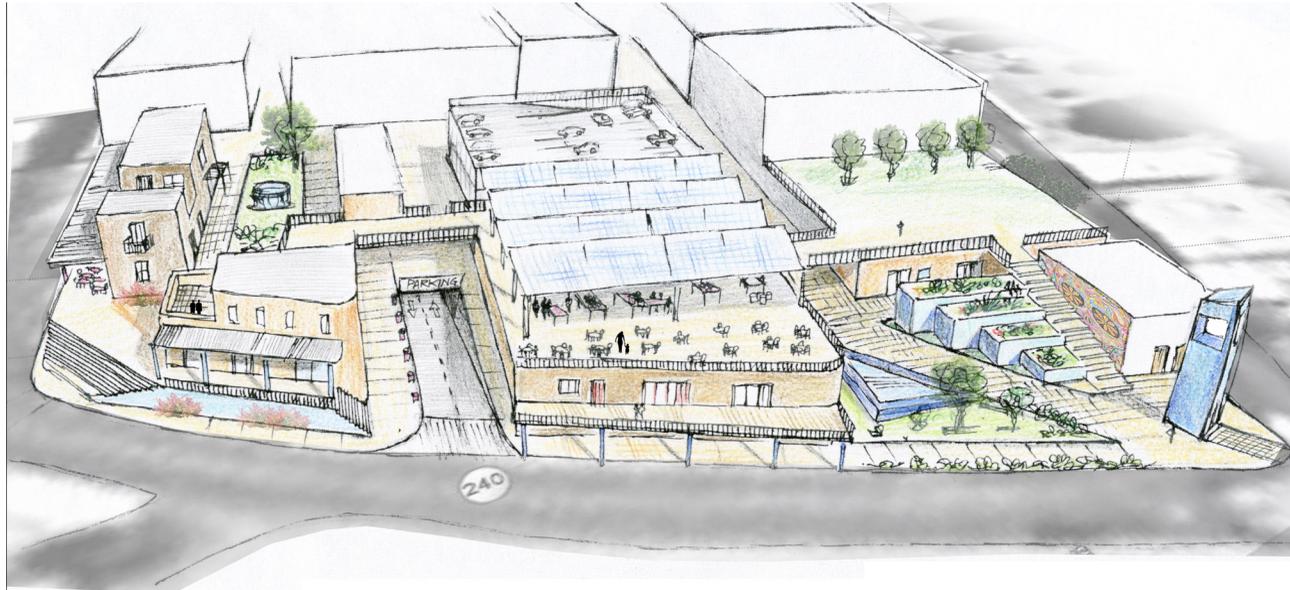
Walking from Paseo del Pueblo Sur into inner plazuela



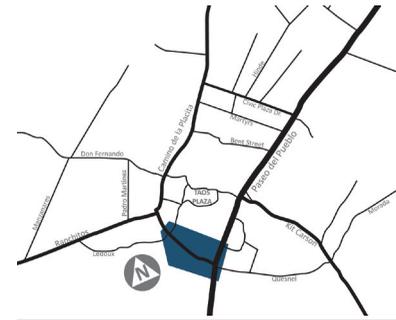
Quesnel Lane

Walking from Quesnel west to gateway south





Aerial view to the North over Camino de la Placita



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