

Current situation: diffuse border to the east, an urban prairie takes over



Existing neighbouring residential areas



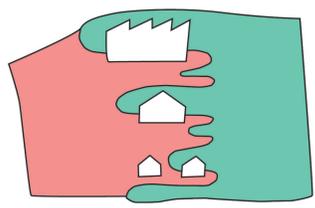
Current situation: an unstructured sea of asphalt unfolds within the site



Existing surrounding greenery

With the *productive city* as a main theme of the European 15, this project seeks to comment and transform the vast greyfield lands which are reaching a point of disrepair. It is here, at the edge of the city, that the structure of the city fabric falls apart, leaving an area in shattered islands floating in a sea of asphalt. To prevent the city from crumbling in its edges, we must recreate a structure and sense of connections.

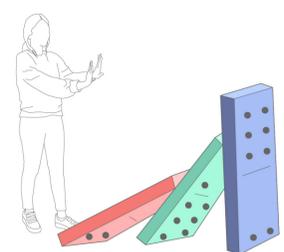
As we approach the retail area Myran, the aspects of greyfields become apparent. Less than a 10 minute bike ride from the centre of Enköping, the area is cut off from the city by the railway in the south, a highly trafficked car road in the west as well as the highway E18 in the north. Present within these strong borders is the ocean of asphalt with industrial sheds scattered over its surface, generating chaos and minimal structure. Here the cars reign, leaving the pedestrians to navigate in an open field without defined paths. To the east, an urban prairie unfolds with wetlands and forest. A better defined street scape is needed to structure the chaos and begin differentiating and organizing the program of the area.



Built + greenery intertwined

To fight the unstructured greyness we introduce an extension of the city of parks, allowing the green wilderness to stretch into the site in horizontal cuts, finally bringing colour to the site. As a result of climate change there are dramatic variations of ground water level in Sweden. By implementing open storm water management in the form of wetlands, disasters like flooding, polluted drink water and drought can be prevented.

To mend the absence of vitality in the site, a process extending over time is needed, involving a wide range of actors. A domino effect, starting with quick and small emergency interventions, engages local forces to activate as well as humanize the site. This aids the municipality in discovering the true needs of the site. It will not be a new shopping centre or another store that brings life into the area, rather, it will be life that brings new interest and investments to Myran.



Starting the domino effect

- Cultural activities
- Housing
- Retail & service
- Trade, business & innovation
- Manufacturing, e-commerce, high tech production & storage
- Grocery stores & large merchants
- Public Space



Growth of Myran throughout time