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Written statement, short description of the project in English, no more than 250 words

Villaherreros is a small rural nucleus, located in the north of Palencia, amidst rustic and agricultural countryside. Generational changes, migration to the city, and technological development have caused the decline of some meeting points and the deactivation and the abandonment of the Old Laundry Area. This was characterized in the past as a meeting place for the women of the town, gathering there in the act of washing clothes.

The proposal is based on the revitalization of this space through a series of modest interventions, restoring the rests of the Old Laundry and adding various elements to it. A new multipurpose space is produced, which allows resting and meeting areas by joining symbolic references of the washing action and the field. Consecutive low entity walls create limits and the extension of the Old Laundry, to configure various gathering areas. This is supplemented with the completion of the original volume of the building, adding to it a minimal concrete extension. This gives a greater architectural presence, but respecting the symbolic elements that make it up: the laundry bathtubs and the columns. On the other side of the stream, a more natural space is created, recalling the memory of the cultivation fields by arranging rows of aromatic native plants combined with subtle pavement bands to emphasize them. Besides, under the existing trees rest areas are arranged with minimal furniture.

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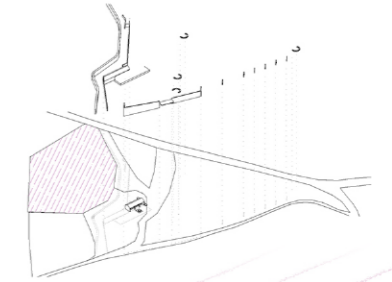
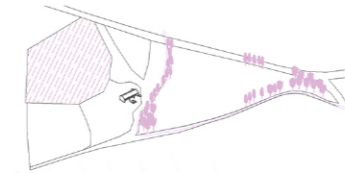
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SITUATION PLAN



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POPULATION	1800	1910	1920	1930	1940	1950	1960	1970	1981	1991
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PROPOSAL AXONOMETRY

NEW SCOPE OF OLD LAUNDRY AREA

Extension of the volume of the old laundries. Thanks to this intervention, new functions are added to the space. In the expanded volume there is also a small room that the people can use both storage and covered meeting place.

VIEWPOINT ON THE PROPOSAL

In the highest place of the intervention area there is a viewpoint to contemplate the landscape. From this point you can not only enjoy the view across the land of fields but also understand the full intervention.

HIGHER ROUTE

Configuration of a space that simply serves as a step or also as a small polyvalent 'stage' thanks to its elevated position. In contrast, the space that remains at a lower level is a perfect plain to perform any activity in relation or not to this elevated area.

REST AREA AND RELATIONSHIP WITH THE ROAD

In the southernmost part of the intervention area predominates existing vegetation, which is used in the intervention to generate a rest space, dark and cool in summer. On the other hand, the relationship with the existing road is very careful, trying to dissolve that existing barrier between vegetation and a rolled platform.

BRIDGE OVER SAN MILLÁN STREAM

Through a fold in the proposed wall a bridge is created to save the stream. This is a necessary point in the proposal as it facilitates the passage in the new path that borders the area of intervention.

HISTORIC FURROWS

Starting from these fragments of wall some furrows in the land are created. They link the present with the history and the agricultural character of the place. These 'plough' furrows will have different cultivated plantations throughout the year serving as an interpretation of how agriculture works in the place.

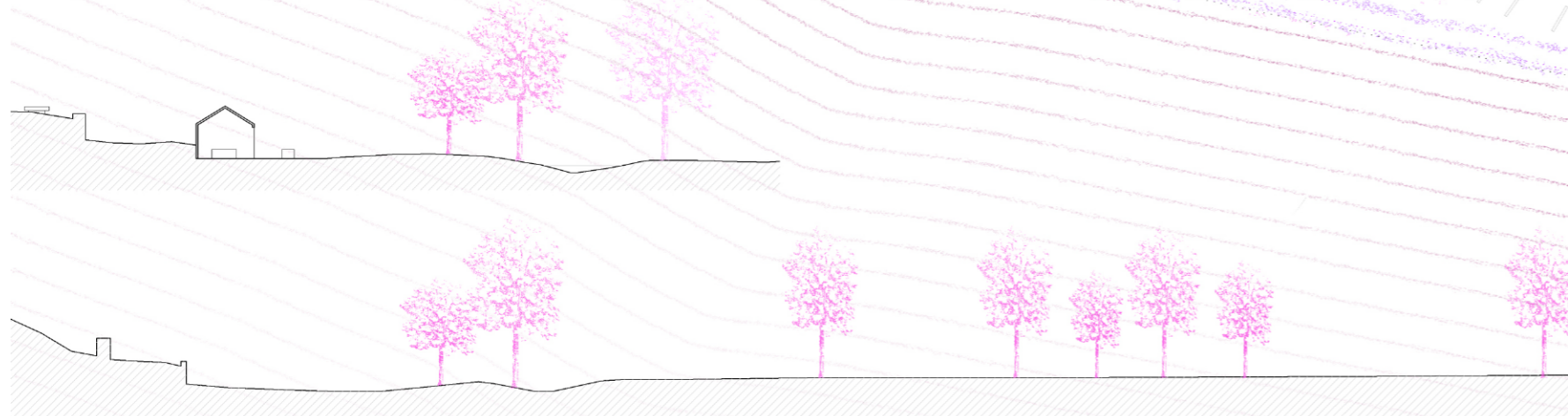
PROPOSAL PLAN



ROUTE IMAGES



PROPOSAL SECTIONS



REACTIVATING

When the memory of the past is blended with the society of the present

