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MODULATED LANDSCAPE



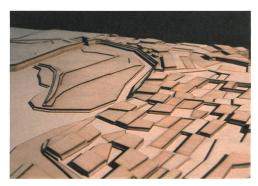
The new Rhine Delta constitutes a flat, nondescript area though harmonious landscape, with agriculture on the slightly higher plains, an extensive nature reserve in the lower wetlands, and recreational areas at its edges. The different programs on site are hardly perceived as no distinct change of the landscape defines them. The core concept is to restructure the area between the three bodies of water to intensify their use and perception.

The design allows the town of Fussach to grow more densely by defining its borders and introducing a harbor in close proximity to the historic village center. A new canal following the old drainage system connects the harbor to the lake as well as provides

Fussach with a clearly defined boundary for growth as well as an attractive waterfront.

The next step is to provide the area with agricultural land that is safe from flooding. With the material that is dug out to build the new canal, the bordering parcels used for agriculture are elevated to modulate a new landscape that not only holds back water but clearly differentiates itself from its surroundings. By continuing the canal along the borders of the communities of Fussach and Höchst, the existing nature reserve zone becomes disconnected from the mainland. Without direct public access, the purpose and perception of the reserve is strengthened. At the same time, the new shoreline provides public access

topographical model



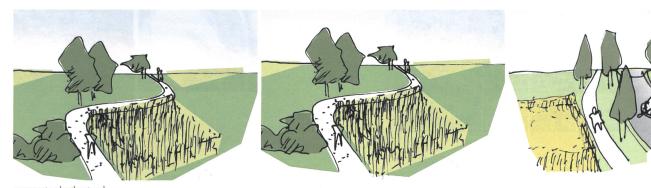


to the water, which increases the recreational value of the entire zone.

In order to intensify cultural uses, the peninsula 'Im Rohr' will provide the setting for large-scale works of art, where the terrain is modulated with various interferences and installations from which to perceive objects in the landscape. A path along the bay side of the peninsula offers different perspectives from which to observe the sedimental mountain (see the MAS project of Rupert Muldoon) taking shape at the mouth of the Rhine correction.



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