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Sector Analysis

Full Site

- Wind: block excessive winds or allow breezes to come through
 - Views: maintain existing views or create desired views
 - Water: potential for harvesting rainwater, avoid flooding and erosion, etc.
- Sun: winter (lower) and summer (higher) - create shade or allow sun in, consideration of exposure for plants
 - Access/Movement: create or maintain for people, pets, and wildlife
 - Fire: is there a threat from fire and can it be mitigated

External Fire Threat



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Zone Analysis

Full Site

- **Zone 0:** Home

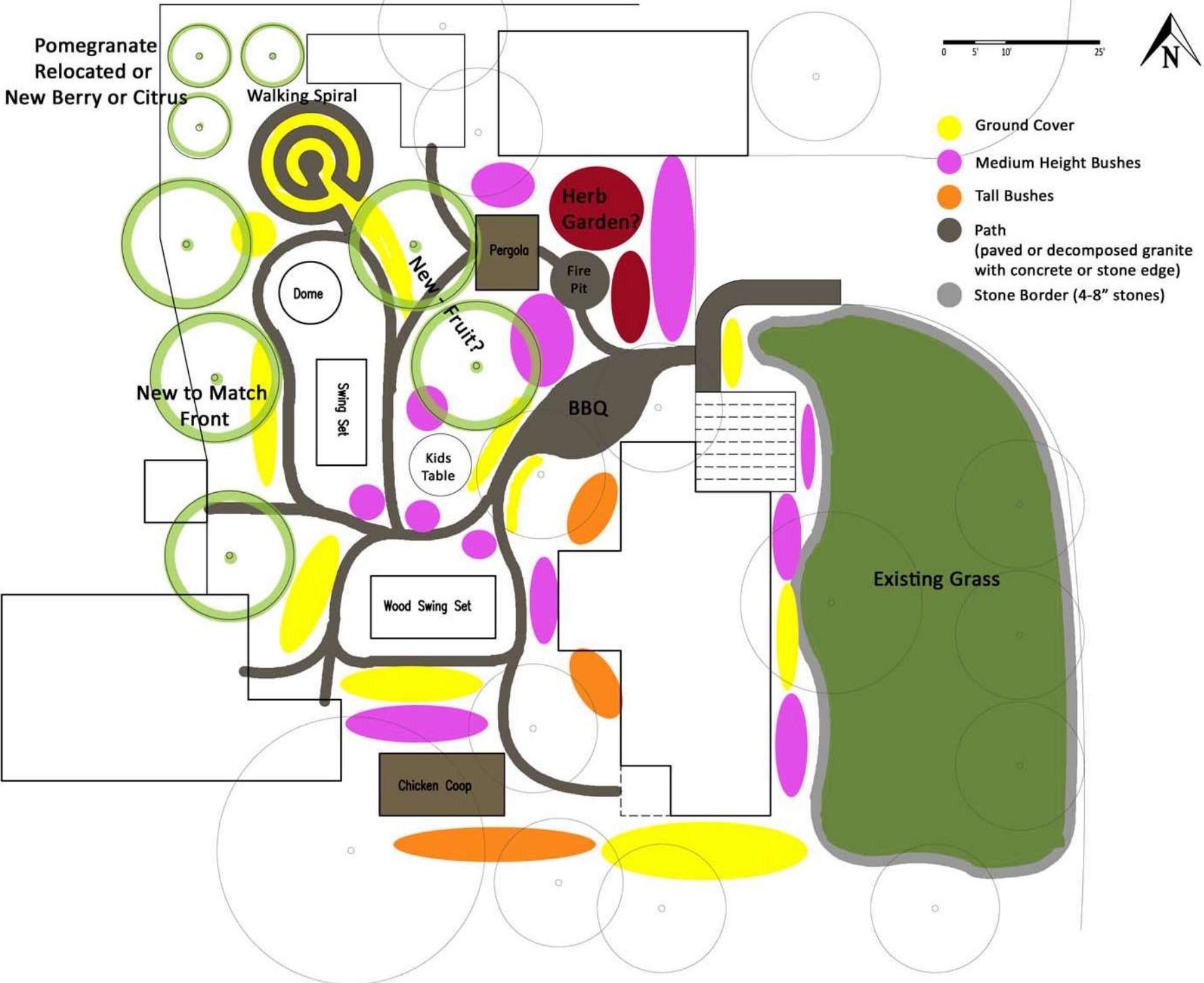
● **Zone 1:** High use areas / Area needing regular observation tending and harvesting

● **Zone 2:** Less intensive managed areas, but with animals & plants needing daily attention
- **Zone 3:** Occasionally visited areas with self-fed animals, broad-scale farmin, water storage, etc.

● **Zone 4:** Borderin on wilderness. Wild food gathering

● **Zone 5:** Natural area / Rarely visited

Pomegranate Relocated or New Berry or Citrus



0 5' 10' 25'



- Ground Cover
- Medium Height Bushes
- Tall Bushes
- Path
(paved or decomposed granite with concrete or stone edge)
- Stone Border (4-8" stones)

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Back Yard Basic Design

Paths - The path can be any material, concrete edge with decomposed granite (DG) between, river rock edge, pavers, etc. It depends on how much you want to spend and the style you like. An edge (rock or concrete) with DG between is probably the cheapest route. If your dogs are out they may dig up a DG path though. We are currently using pea gravel paths, which are good for us and the dogs.

Front Patio - I did not extend it too far towards the East as the slope of the roof will make it such that the overhang is too low, but did go farther North.

Misc. - You mentioned a "maybe" on chickens so added a coop, which can also serve as part of your visual barrier with your neighbors. Also added some small fun things to fill in space - a meditation spiral and an herb garden (the herb garden depends on how much your dogs are out. This can go in raised beds as well if dogs are free to roam a lot so they don't pee on them ;)

Yard - I basically left it, but really wanted it to have a continuous edge, so put the large river rock all the way around to enclose it.

Borders - In your back yard the paths are really the borders, which makes me want to lean toward doing the river rock as the edge. I have attached some pictures for reference for some of the things I have included. There is no grass outlined in the back, just paths, wood chips and/or pea gravel, with some areas that groundcover can fill in.

Kids Area - Would recommend "play wood chips" or "pea gravel" - really depends on what you do with the paths and your preference. For the rest of the backyard area I would just do wood chips. I prefer "Medium Deco" which is not fuzzy so will not give kids or dogs as many itty bitty itchy splinters.

**Pictures from internet for example only.*



Example river rock lined paths with DG (decomposed granite)*



Example river rock lined grass*



Meditation spirals*



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