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- Expand the footprint of the garden to the east boundary and rename the space an "Ethnobotany Garden." Highlight and add plants that have other ethnobotanical features such as food, shelter, dyes, etc.
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Continue plans with the Town of Silver City and local rainwater harvesting experts to repair the curb and establish a streetside basin.

- Assure all path widths are a minimum of 3' wide for ADA accessibility. Grade paths with 3 a 1-2% slope for drainage and apply a water-permeable binder to any gravel pathways.
- Build a 15"-18" tall **retaining wall** to protect the garden from flooding and provide seating for guests at the north end of the wall. As drawn, the retaining wall is only 4' away from the nearest tree trunk and may damage roots significantly. Shorten the length of the wall to eliminate this conflict.
- Replace or modify the fence directly south of the pergola to **increase screening** from 5 neighbors while still allowing for dappled sunlight (see examples right). Plant densely along the remainder of the south fence to increase screening. Where appropriate, provide a few "windows" in the screening for the neighbors to enjoy views of the garden.





#4 Example: Block wall with irregular openings

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Create a private circular gathering area with wheelchair seating.

#4 Example: Irregular wood slats



#4 Example: Ocotillo, reed, or other natural material

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