As populations migrate to lower risk areas, development should be clustered in locations with existing infrastructure and amenities. The multi-modal transit station incentivizes economic and population growth in LaPlace's town center, which is situated on a high-ground ridge along the Mississippi River. In addition to providing a centralized hub and transfer location for local and regional bus and automobile transportation in the near term, the station offers flexible space that can be used for rentals, public meetings, disaster staging and other civic uses. In the long-term, it will provide a hub for the proposed regional rail line between Baton Rouge and New Orleans. Quick rail service to these job centers will spur economic development on high ground with strong local and regional connections. Potential components include waiting and boarding areas, a solar energy system, a multi-purpose area, retail/concessions space to generate operating revenue and best practices on site for stormwater management in parking and green areas.

**Community Benefits**

- Manages stormwater runoff onsite and showcases green infrastructure components.
- Incentivizes housing and commercial development in central LaPlace. Supports additional investment in Main Street corridor.
- Expands transportation options for residents and improves access to jobs and services. Reduces energy use.
- Benefits regional economy by connecting south Louisiana workers to jobs.
- Ties into regional Mississippi River levee trail system.

**Key Info**

- **Project Area**: 1 acre
- **LA SAFE Investment**: Up to $4.7M
- **Estimated Project Cost**: $4.7M
- **Partners**:
  - St. John the Baptist Parish: South Central Planning and Development Commission; Louisiana Southern Rail Commission
  - Location: LaPlace

**Plan View**

- Phase I: New Multi-Modal Hub for Bus, Automobile and Future Rail Transportation
- Phase II: Building and Parking Expansion
- Long Term Vision
  - Park with Water Feature
  - Farmer's Market and Outdoor Plaza
  - Office & Retail with Outdoor Plaza
  - Retail Infill Buildings
- Manages stormwater runoff onsite and showcases green infrastructure components.