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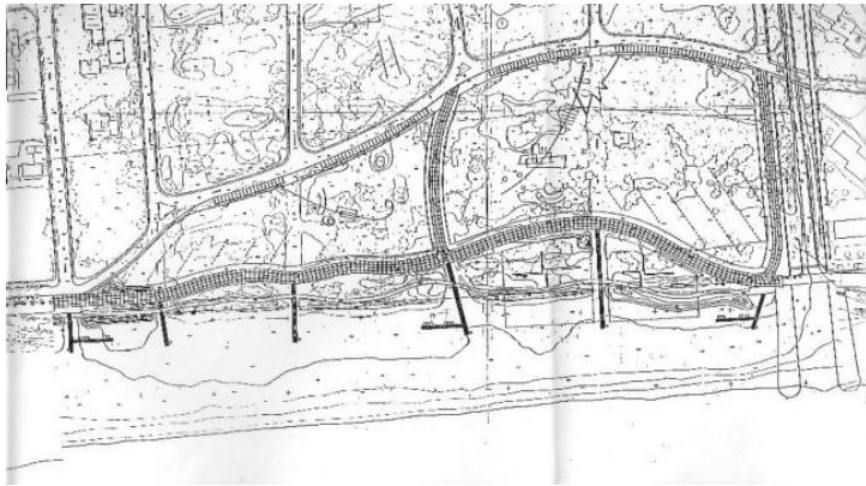
the promenade of Castelldefels, dune regeneration

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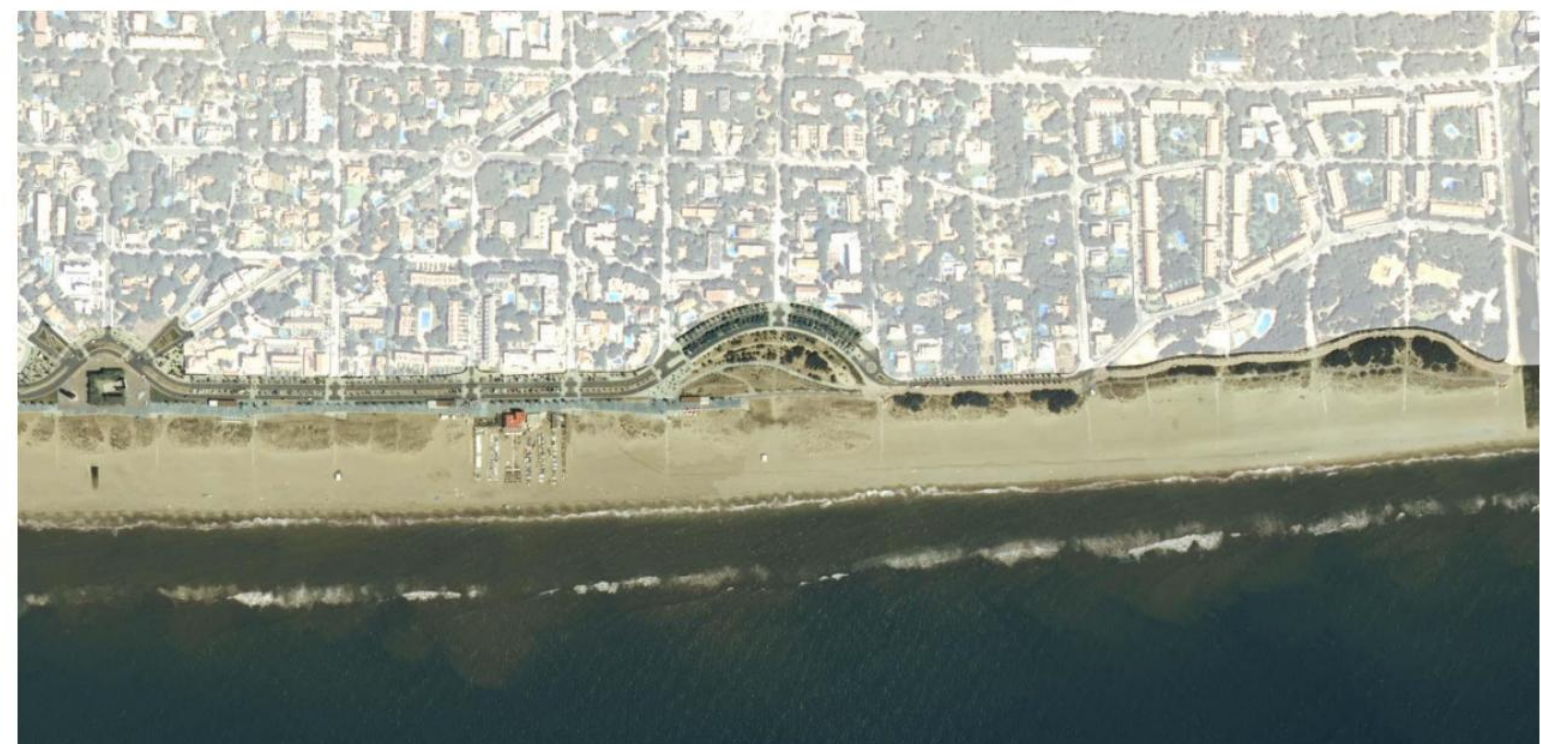
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Paseo marítimo Les Marines de Gavà 1989

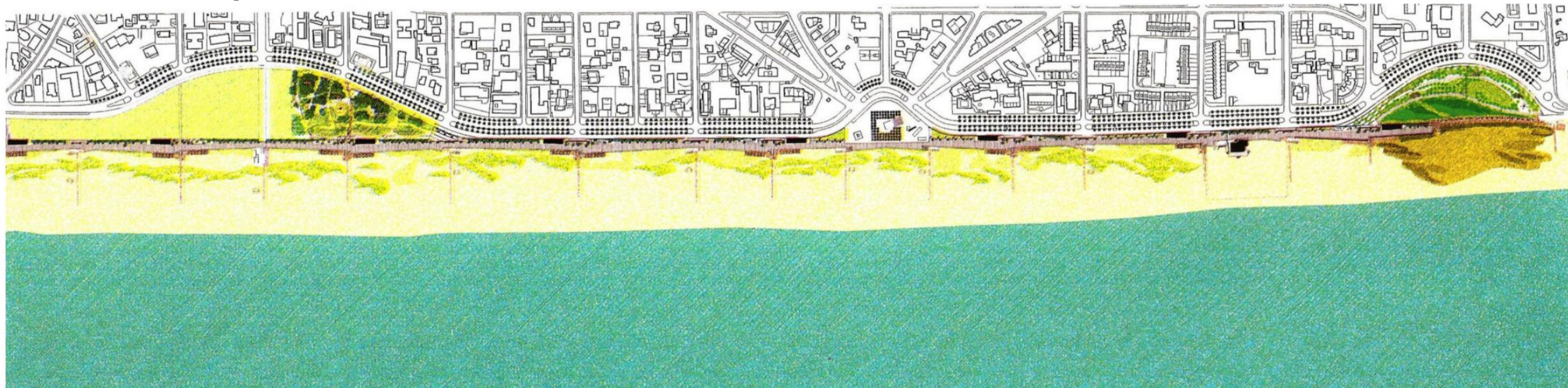


**Gavà connection section
Castelldefels from 1992**

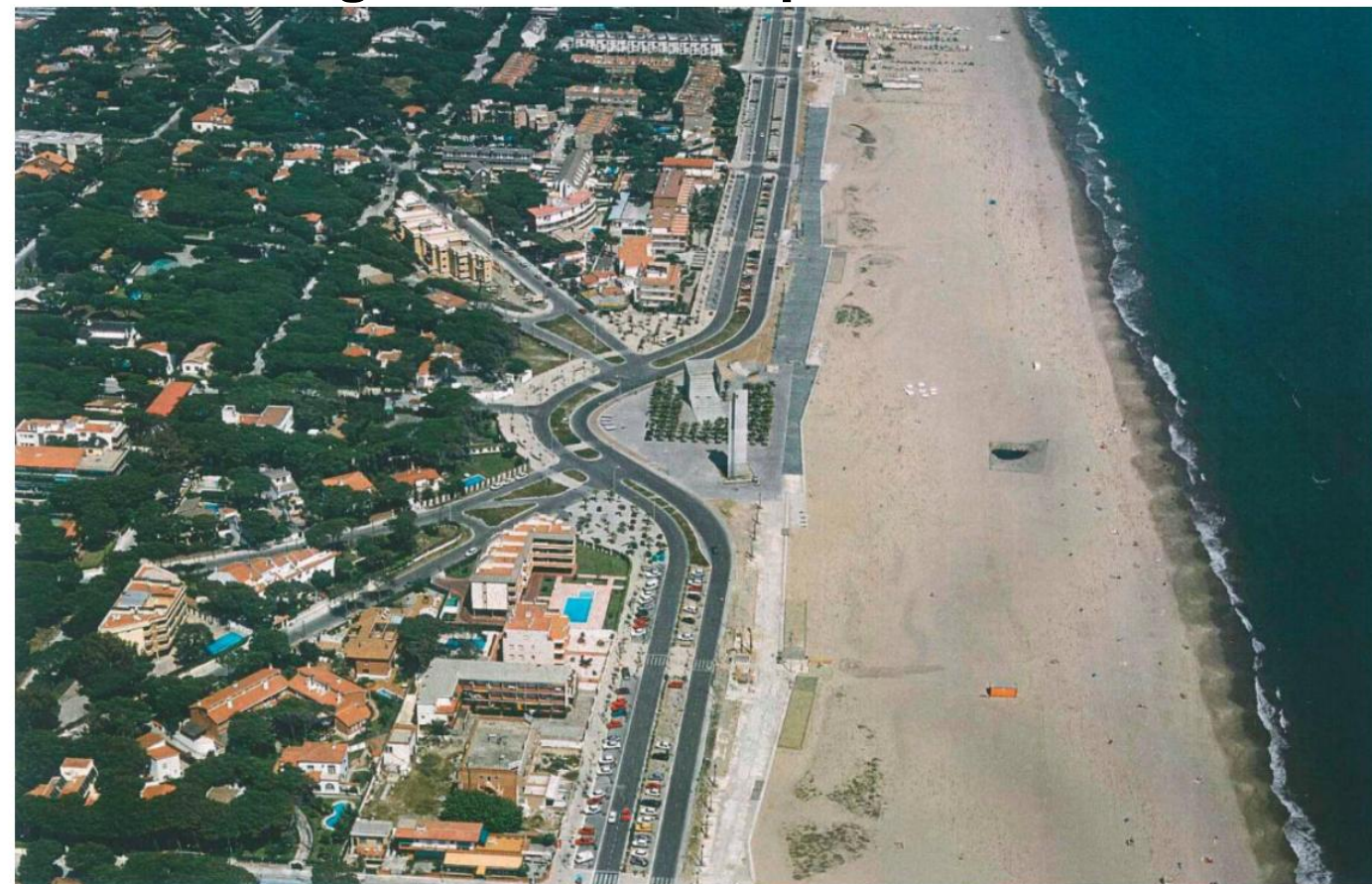


Castelldefels and Gavà promenades 2005

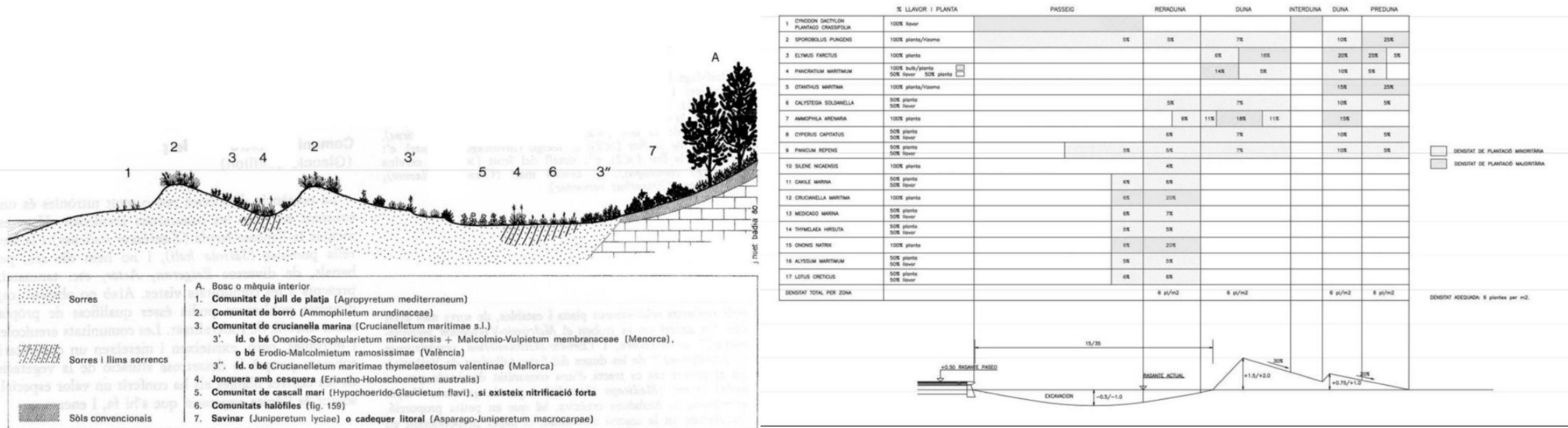
Castelldefels promenade section I, 1995



First experience with a seafront of more than 2 km, creating a new landscape.



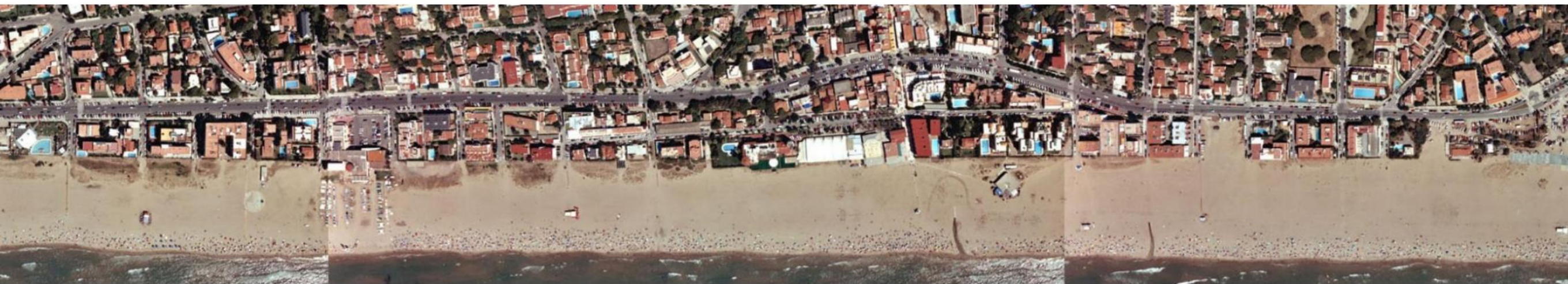
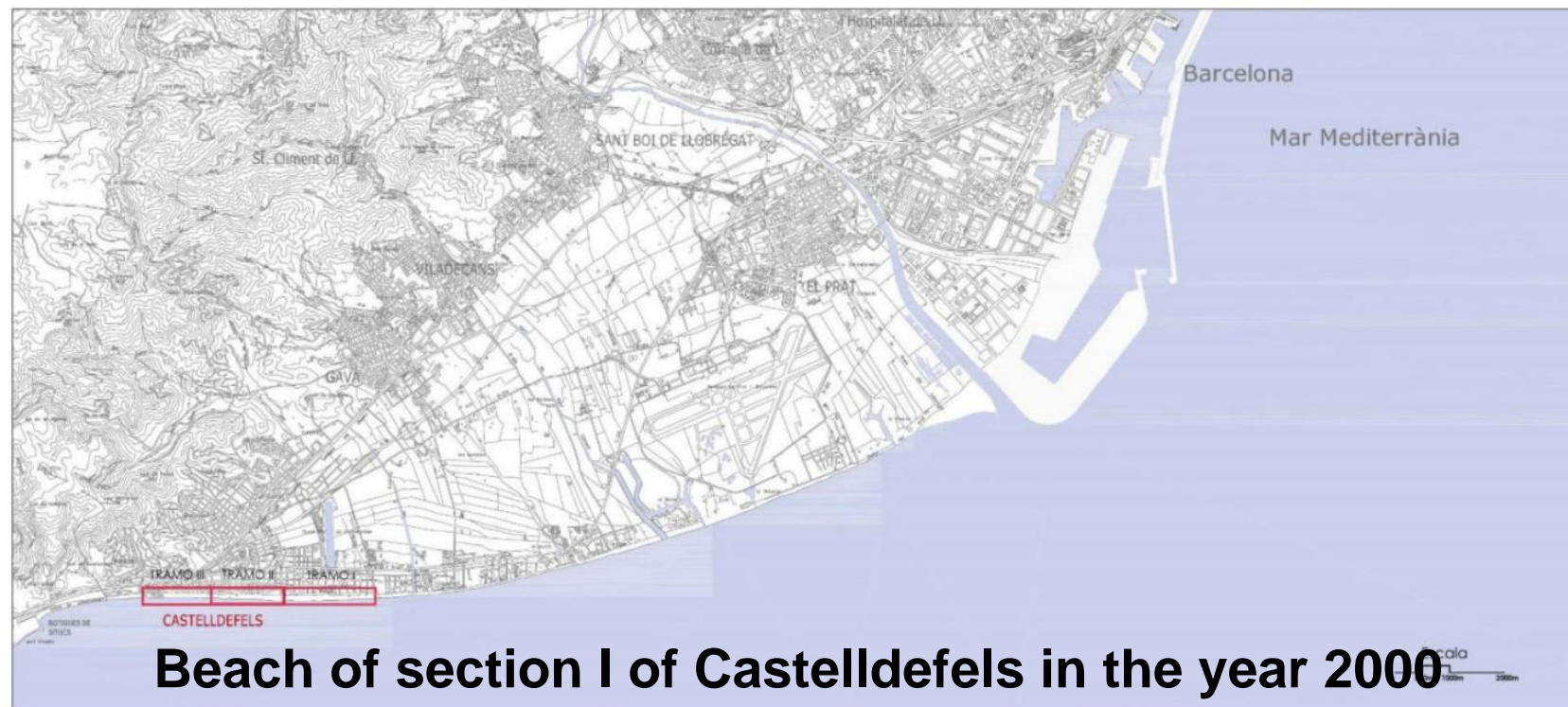
Plant profile of the Catalan sabina "The vegetation of the Catalan countries"



Current state of the dunes of the Castelldefels beach in Section I, already consolidated and self-regenerating



PASEO MARÍTIMO CASTELLDEFELS SECTION II DUNAR REGENERACIÓN



Despite the enormous size of the beach, it was all public domain and a promenade could not be built



Castelldefels promenade project proposal section II



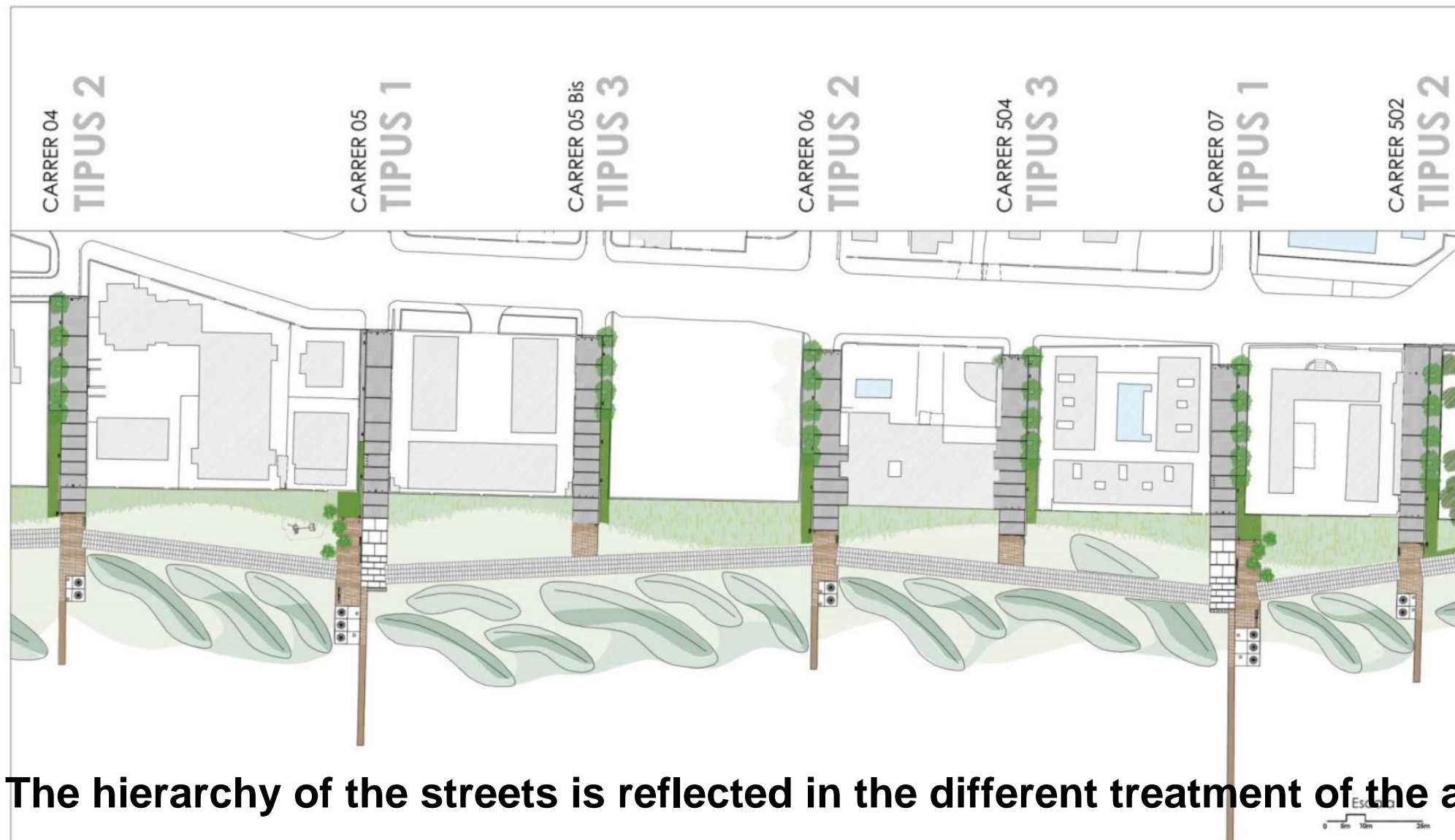
The proposal extends the urban fabric of Castelldefels on the beach



A polygonal footbridge is traced that links the axes of the streets



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The hierarchy of the streets is reflected in the different treatment of the axes



An innovative solution is proposed for the paving of the promenade, concrete slabs on a base of geocells filled with sand.



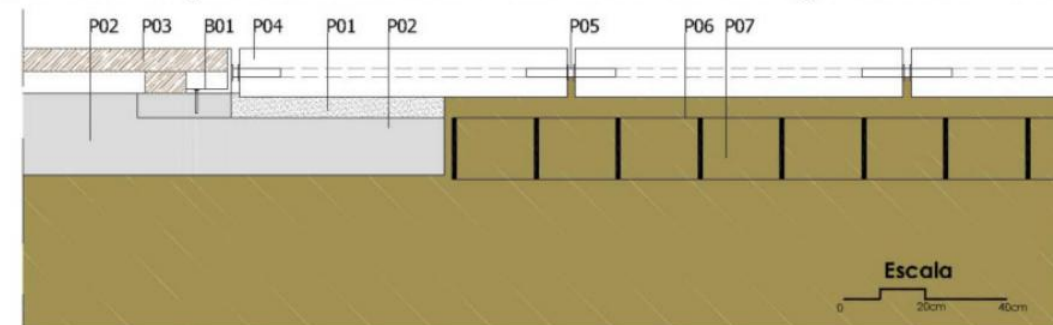
PAVIMENT PASSEIG

SECCIÓ TRANSVERSAL

Escala

0 1m 2.5m 5m

Detall unió paviment de fusta amb llosa de formigó 120x80x12cm



VORADA

B01 Vorada en L de 11x5cm de xapa metàl·lica galvanitzada remat de paviment del passeig amb tub metàl·lic d'encaix amb llosa.

PAVIMENTS

P01 Base de morter per a col·locació de lloses de paviment (3cm)

P02 Subbase de formigó HM-20/P/20/I acabat reglejat (20cm)

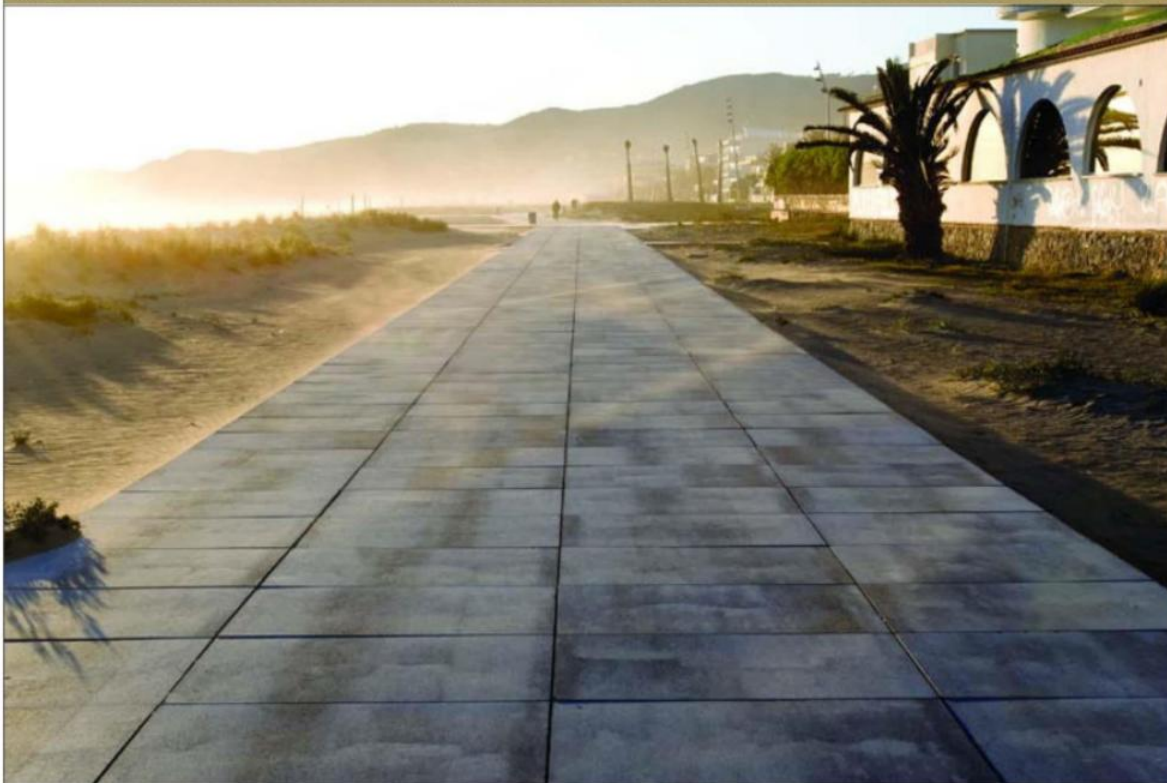
P03 Taulell d'acabat de plataforma de fusta de pi de flandes de primera categoria tractat a l'autoclau en seccions pulides de 9,5x5,7 14,5x5,7y 19,0x5,7 cm col·locades amb cargols d'acer galvanitzat.

P04 Llosa de formigó tipus GRAN LOSA VULCANO de 120x80x12cm bicapa amb forats laterals, de color gris.

P05 Peca metàl·lica galvanitzada de 20cm de O25mm.

P06 Base amb geocel·les de polietilè de confinament cel·lular.

P07 Reomplert de sorra sense aportacions de materials al·lens.



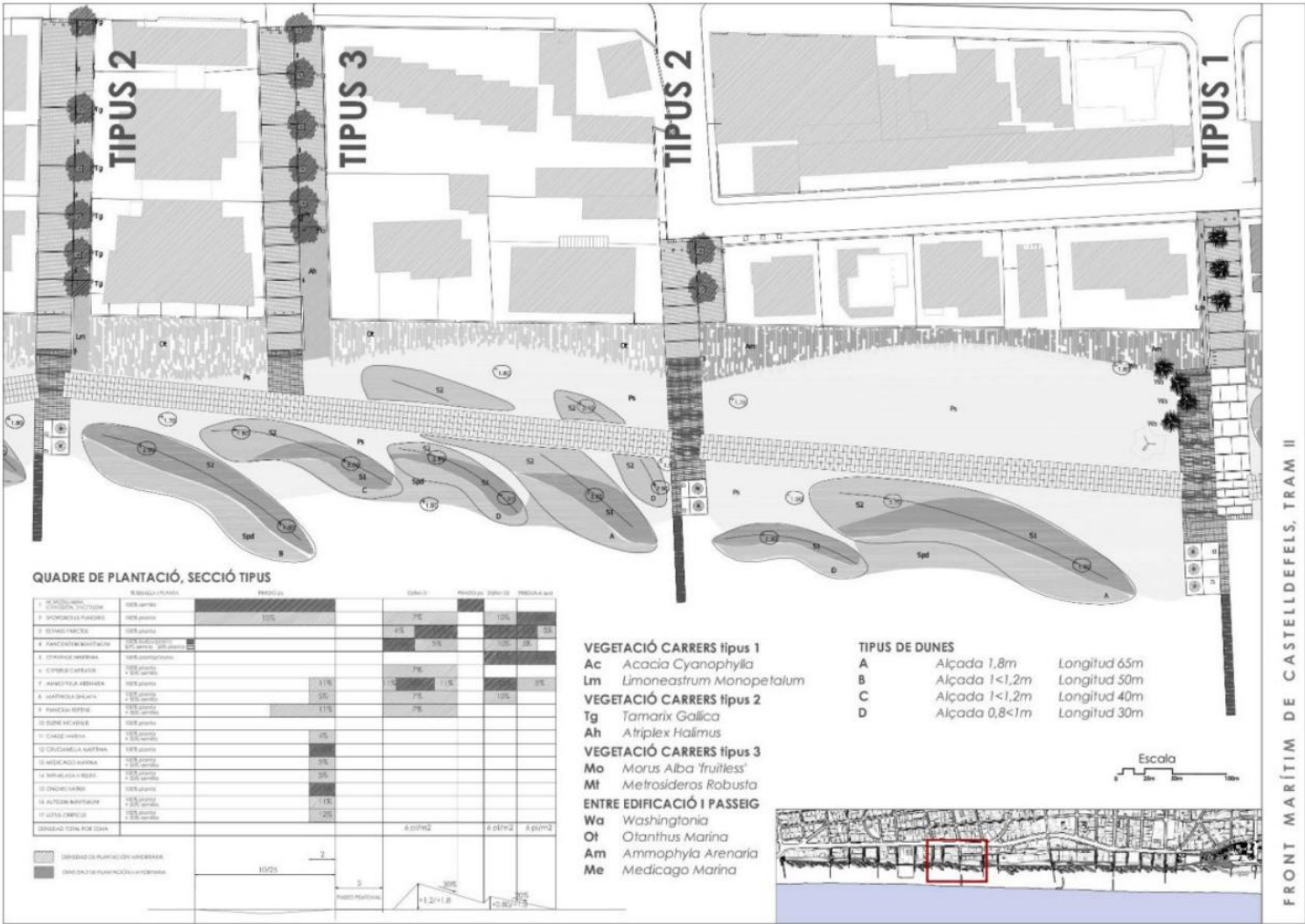
Paving tests with geocells and concrete slabs



The sand confined with the geocell proves to be a perfect flexible base for the pavement



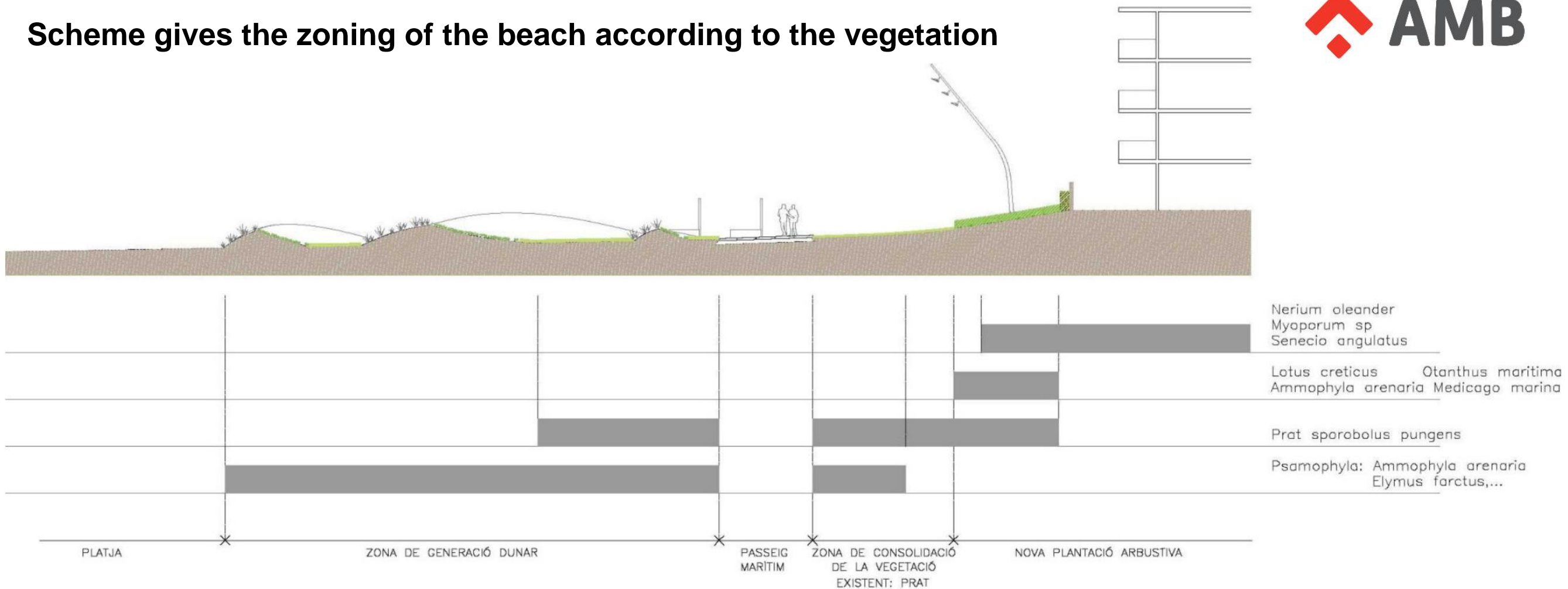
PASEO MARÍTIMO CASTELLDEFELS SECTION II DUNAR REGENERACIÓN



Dunes integrated into the promenade are designed, essential to protect the walkway from the invasion of sand



Scheme gives the zoning of the beach according to the vegetation



For the construction of the dunes, heather collectors are used and they are allowed to consolidate a year, while the existing seeds colonize the dunes and are later hydroseeded. In the end, the need for repopulation plants is less.

**The new landscape of the beach takes shape little by little
And the influx of users exceeds the forecasts**



Castelldefels promenade section III

COMPARATIVE



Playa de Castelldefels in section III - 1992

The construction of Port Ginesta in 1985 led to the beginning of the formation of a first embryonic dune line with a subsequent wetland



Playa de Castelldefels in section III - 2017

The consolidation is appreciated as a floodable beach

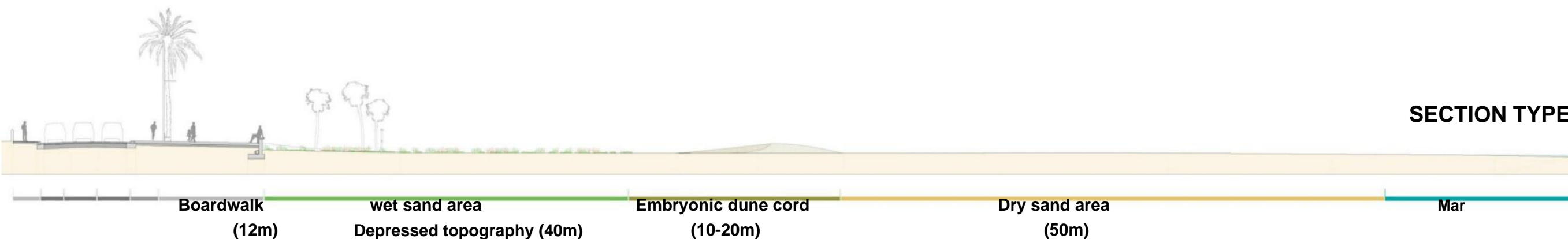
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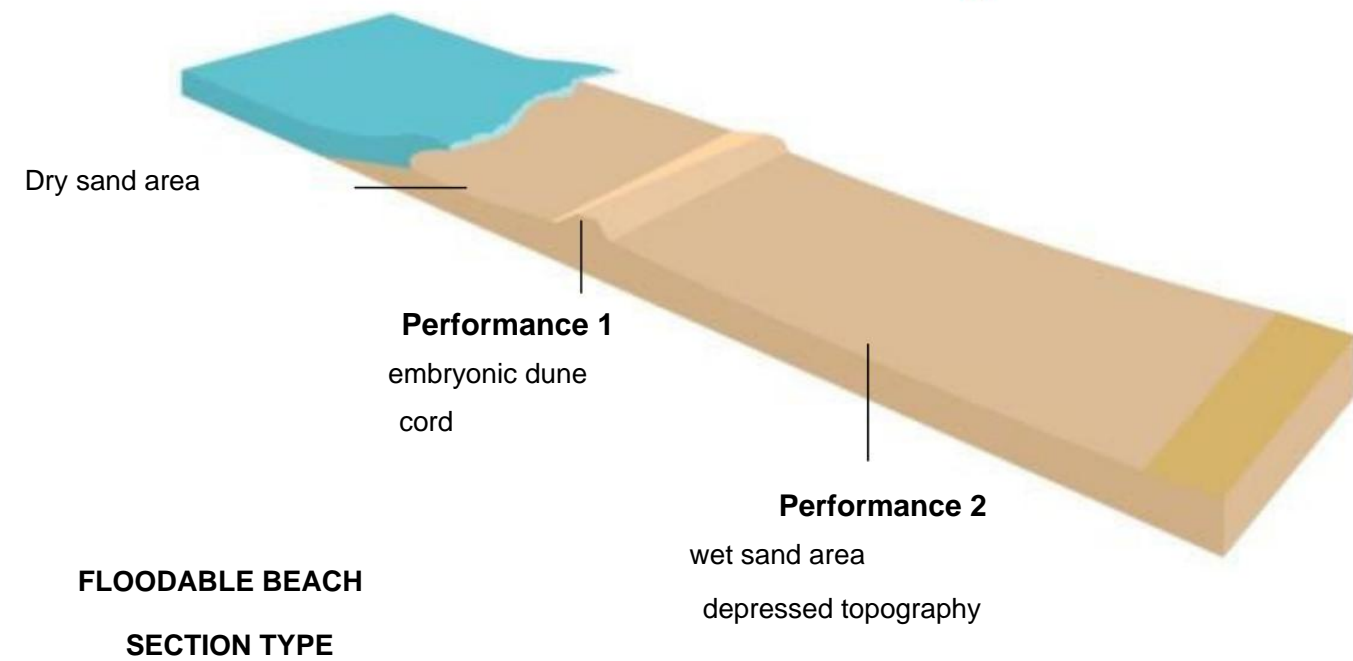
CASTELLDEFELS WALK PROJECT PROPOSAL SECTION III



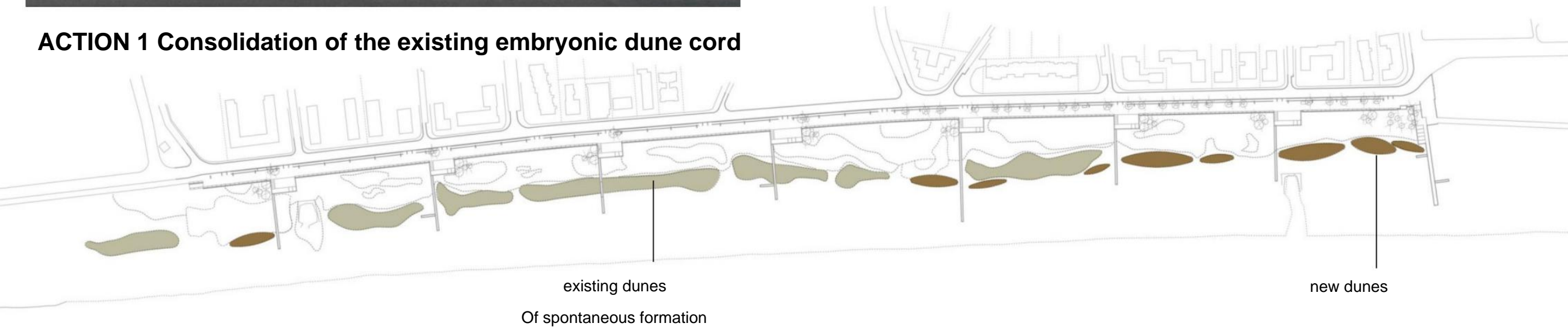
CRITERIA IN THE URBANIZATION PROCESS OF THE PASEO – RECYCLING OF MATERIAL FROM THE DEMOILING



Castelldefels promenade section III



ACTION 1 Consolidation of the existing embryonic dune cord



ACTION 2 Small plantations in an area of humid sand



Castelldefels promenade section III

REGENERATION - FORMATION OF THE NEW DUNES



STATE 1

formation new topography



STATE 2

Accumulation through
collectors



STATE 3

Plantation of *Ammophila
arenaria* (marrass)



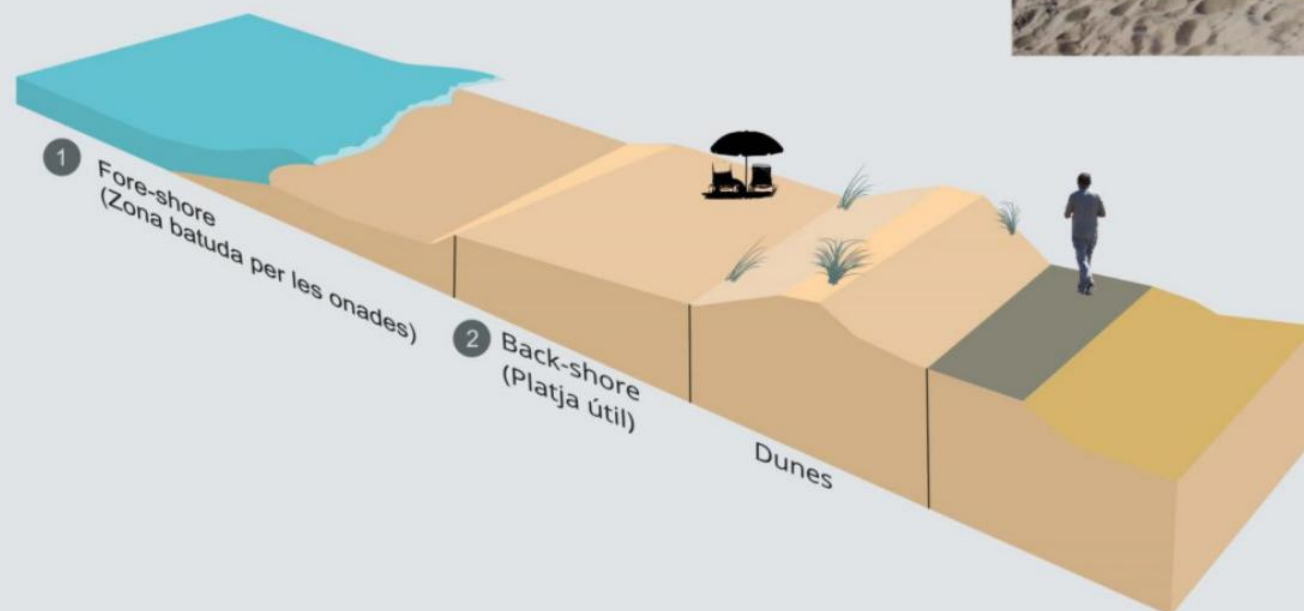
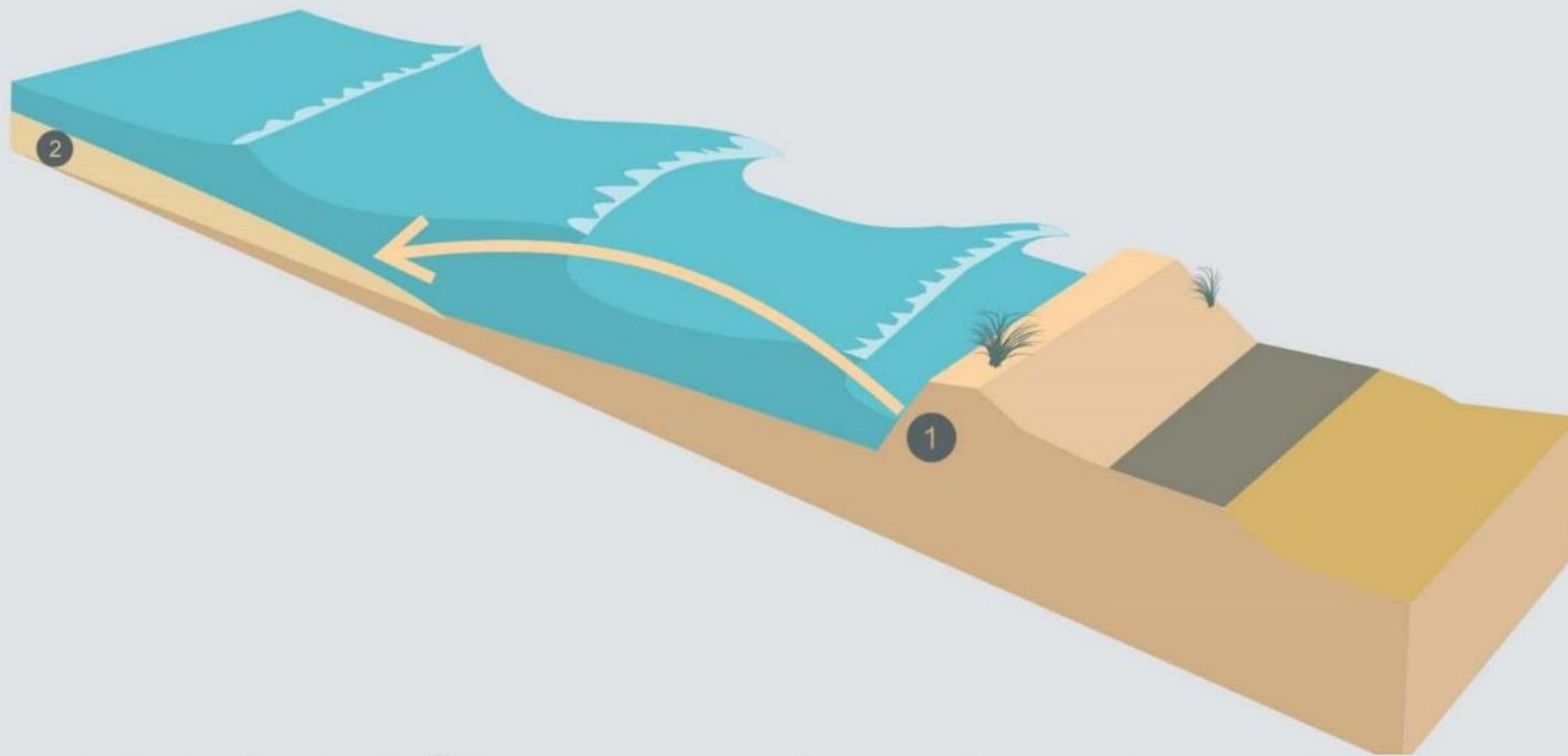
STATE 4

Protection



**What have
we
learned after all
these
experiences?**

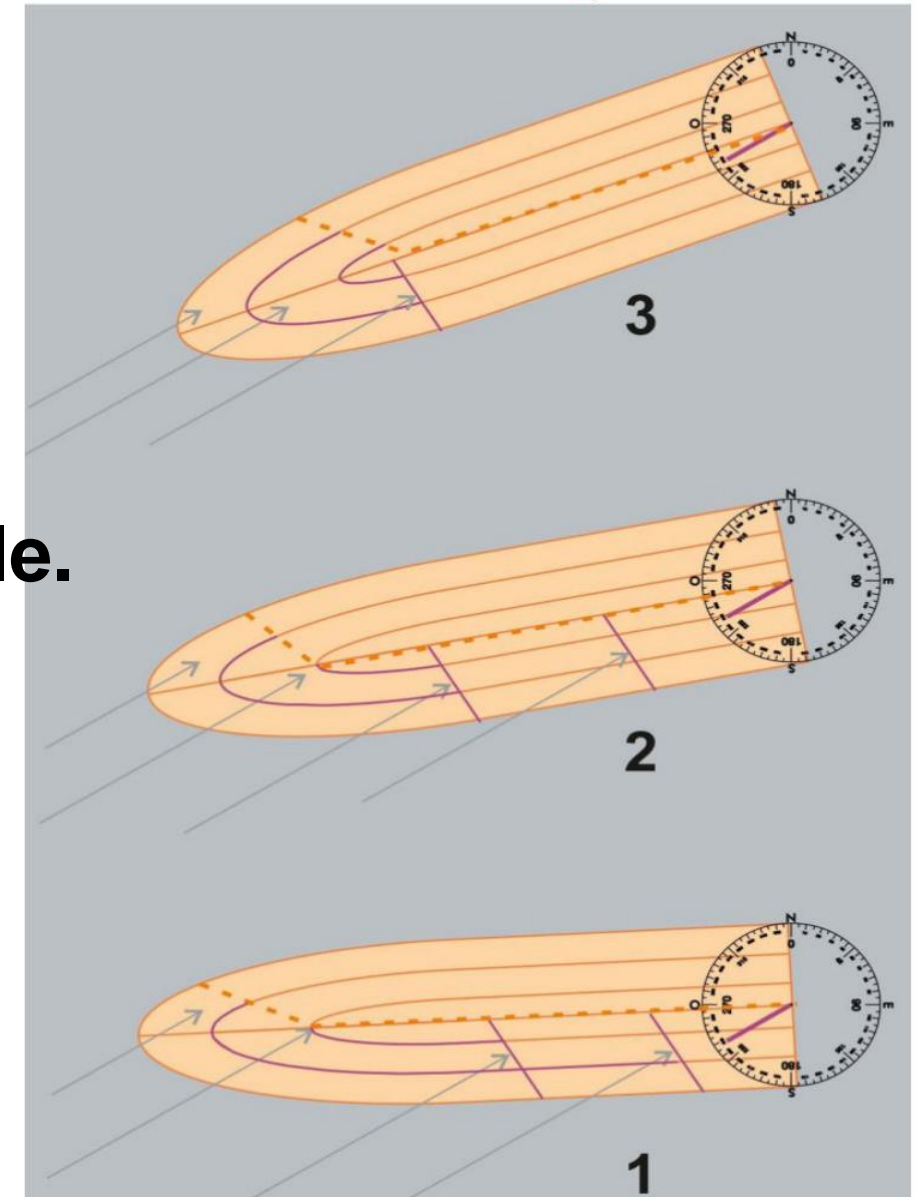
**The dunes are
physical barriers
that prevent the
flooding of the
beaches due to
extraordinary tides, high**





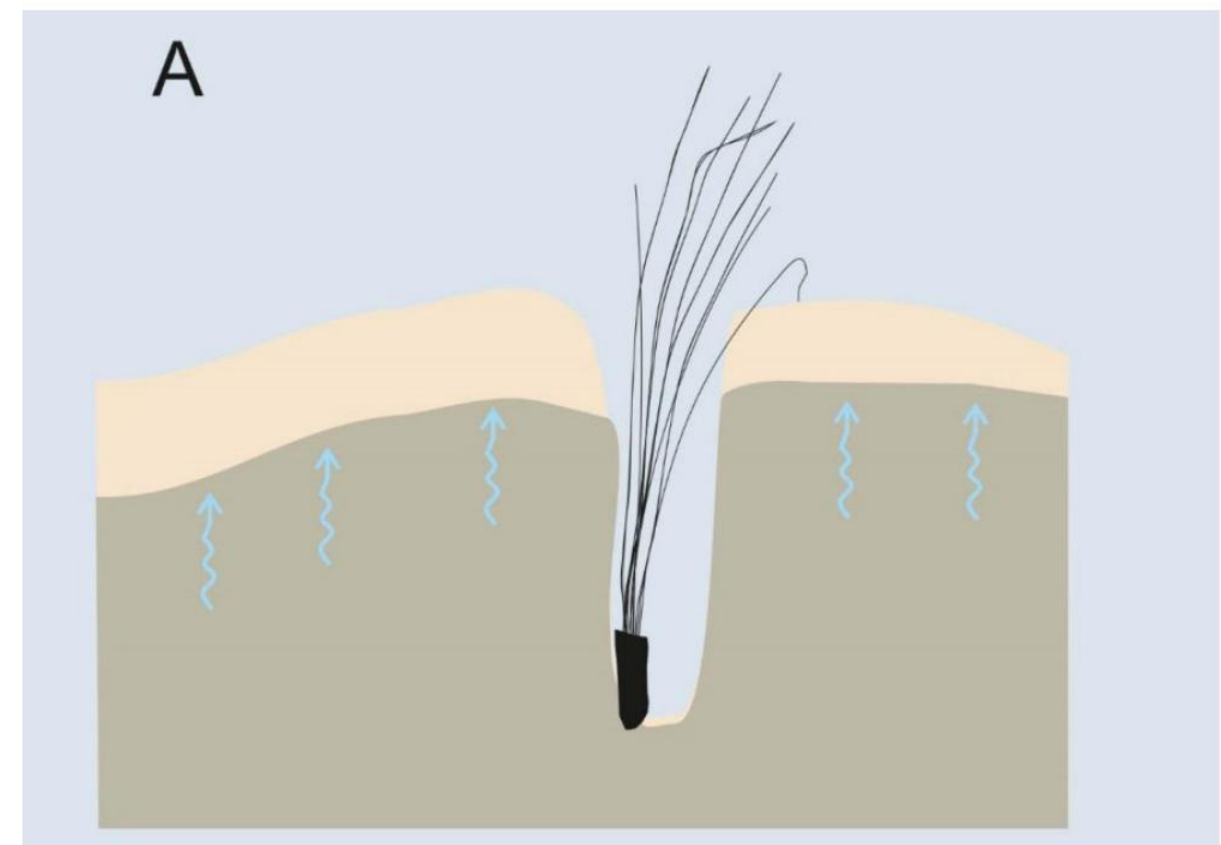
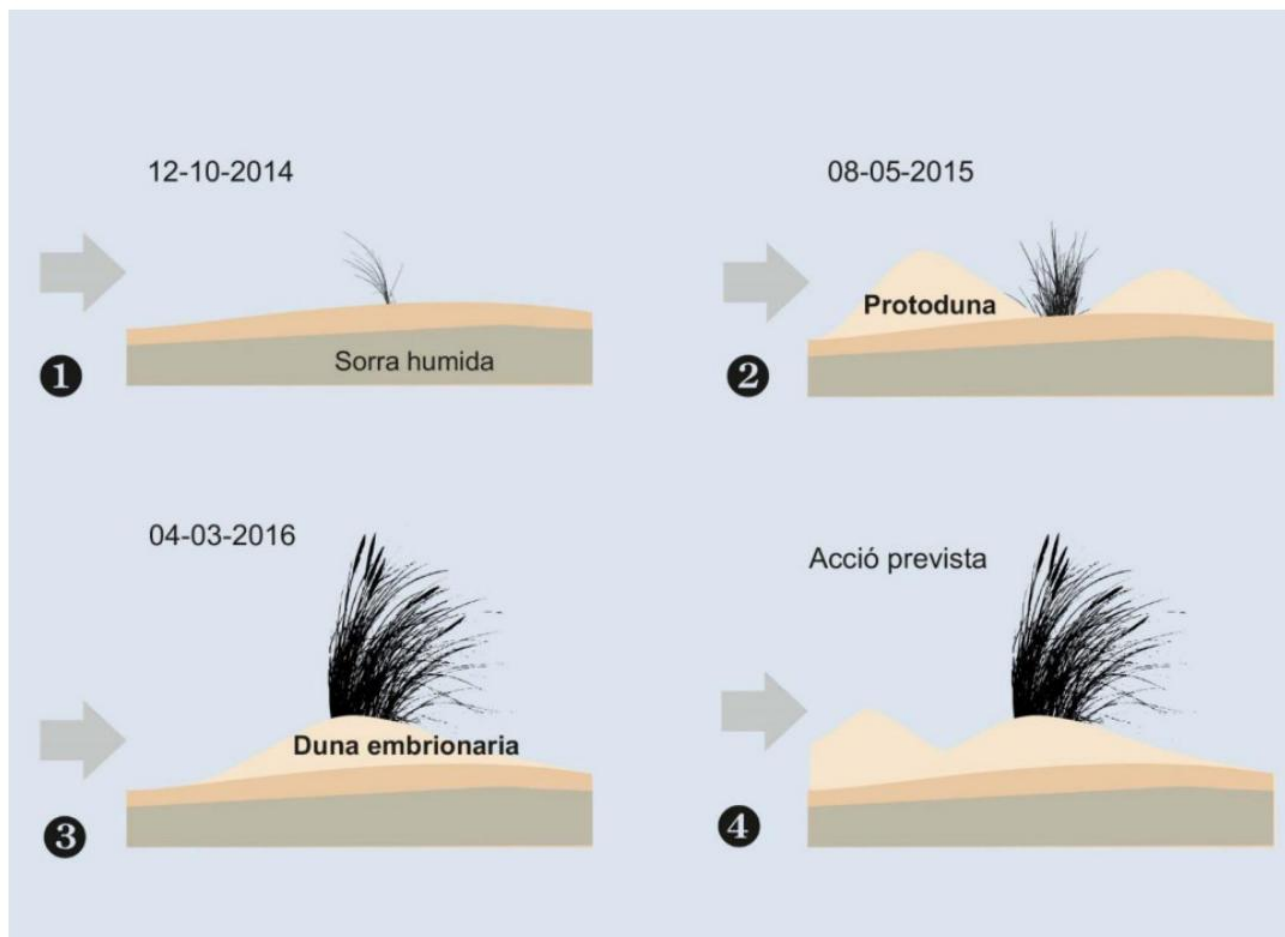
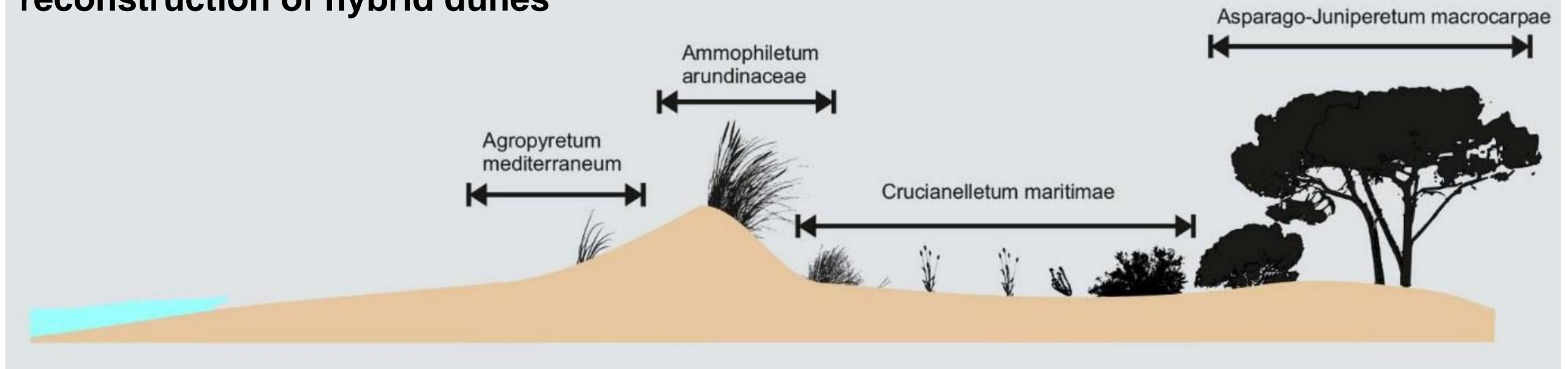
The new dunes or hybrid dunes must be an accumulation of sand and allow them to settle.

The orientation should be as parallel as possible to the wind to avoid erosion, if they are perpendicular they will need protection.



How should we plant the new hybrid dunes?

The *amophila arenaria* or the marram is the main species to be used in the reconstruction of hybrid dunes



Maintenance of hybrid dunes



They must be built on the beaches of Gavà and Castelldefels protodunes every two years, and replant them with the amophila in the deepest part of the dune.



The dunes have to manually clean and remove invasive species.



It is convenient to leave a protodunes in front of the existing dunes, to guarantee the contribution of clean sand.

