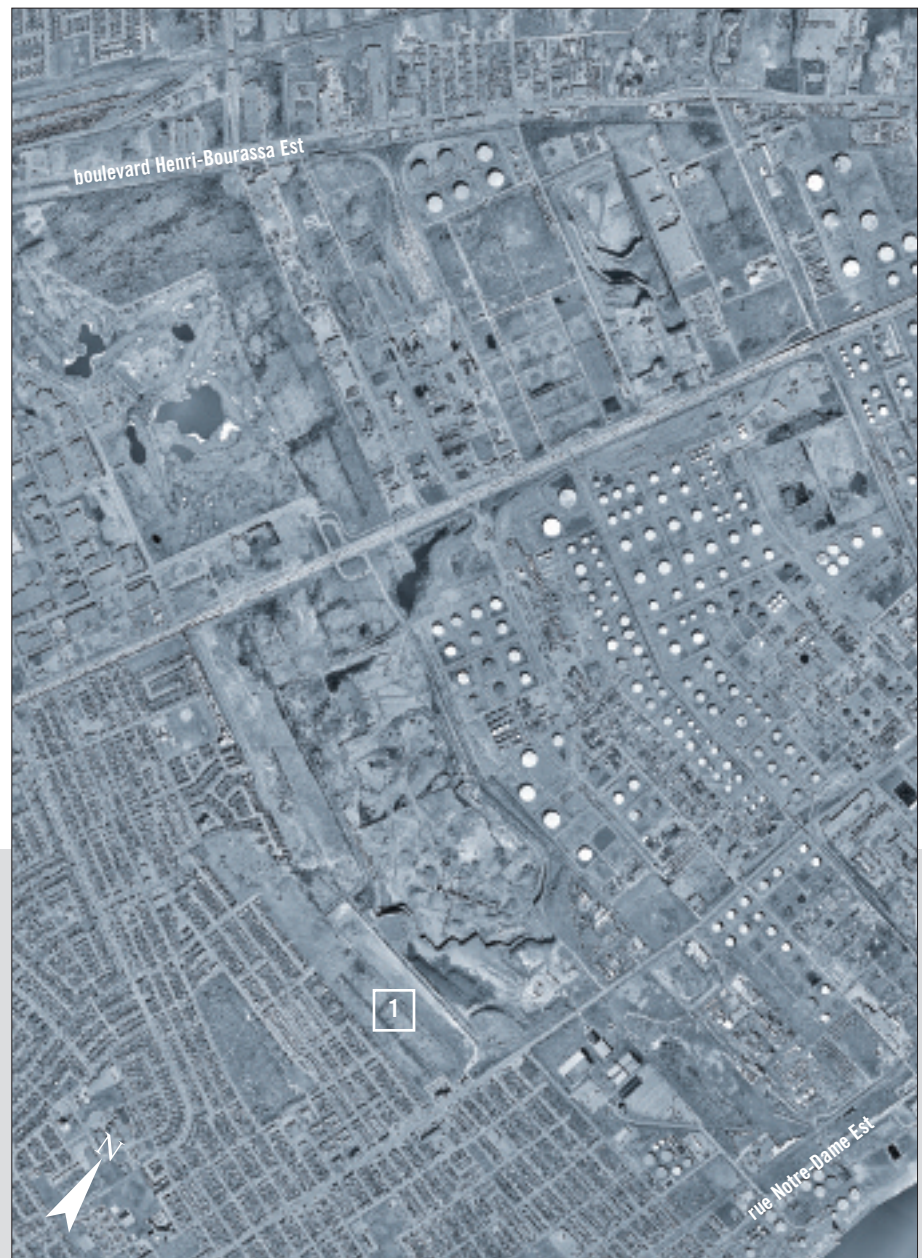


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## Bourget / Forget

### General goals

- Develop vacant or underused lots for residential and employment purposes
- Improve the area's accessibility for freight transportation as well as for motorists, public transportation users, pedestrians and cyclists



## Planning issues

This area, located on the boundaries of the boroughs of Anjou, Mercier – Hochelaga-Maisonneuve and Rivière-des-Prairies – Pointe-aux-Trembles – Montréal-Est, is characterized by huge vacant lots that are intended primarily for industrial use. These cover some 180 hectares, excluding the site of the still-operational Lafarge quarry. Considering the previous uses of this land, contamination risks may constrain the development of certain portions. Furthermore, the compatibility of the site's use with the neighbouring living environment must be ensured.

The area's development will require improving its north-south connections. In this regard, the extension of Rodolphe-Forget Boulevard between Henri-Bourassa Boulevard East and Notre-Dame Street East, including the redesign of its interchange with Highway 40, would improve the accessibility of the area for passengers and freight. Studies determining the precise route of the extension have yet to be completed.

Public transportation service in the area is presently limited by low-density land uses and the discontinuity of the road network. In this respect, the City is considering creating an east-west public transportation corridor, linking the projected metro station at the corner of Galeries d'Anjou Boulevard and Bélanger Street with the future Bourget Avenue. A north-south public transportation corridor running along Rodolphe-Forget Boulevard, which would strengthen the network and improve service in East End Montréal, is also under consideration.

The nature park between the Anjou Golf Course and Henri-Bourassa Boulevard East presents substantial potential for the enhancement of the natural environment. Presently closed to the public, it could eventually be used for a wide range of activities.

## Planning guidelines

- 1 Consolidate residential development in the southwestern section of the area with appropriate mitigation measures.
- 2 Ensure more intensive land occupancy and uses that are compatible with the adjacent residential area.
- 3 Improve the accessibility of the lots to be developed between Notre-Dame Street East and Henri-Bourassa Boulevard East through adequate infrastructure, while limiting through traffic in existing and proposed living environments.
- 4 Plan preferential measures for public transportation as well as street design that ensures the safety of cyclists and pedestrians.
- 5 Open the Anjou nature park for public use and a wide range of activities: ensure the accessibility of the park, especially to cyclists and public transit users.