WHITERIVER HOSPITAL
A PLACE OF HEALING

PRE PROPOSAL MEETING
APRIL 8 2026

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SUNRISE ON SITE

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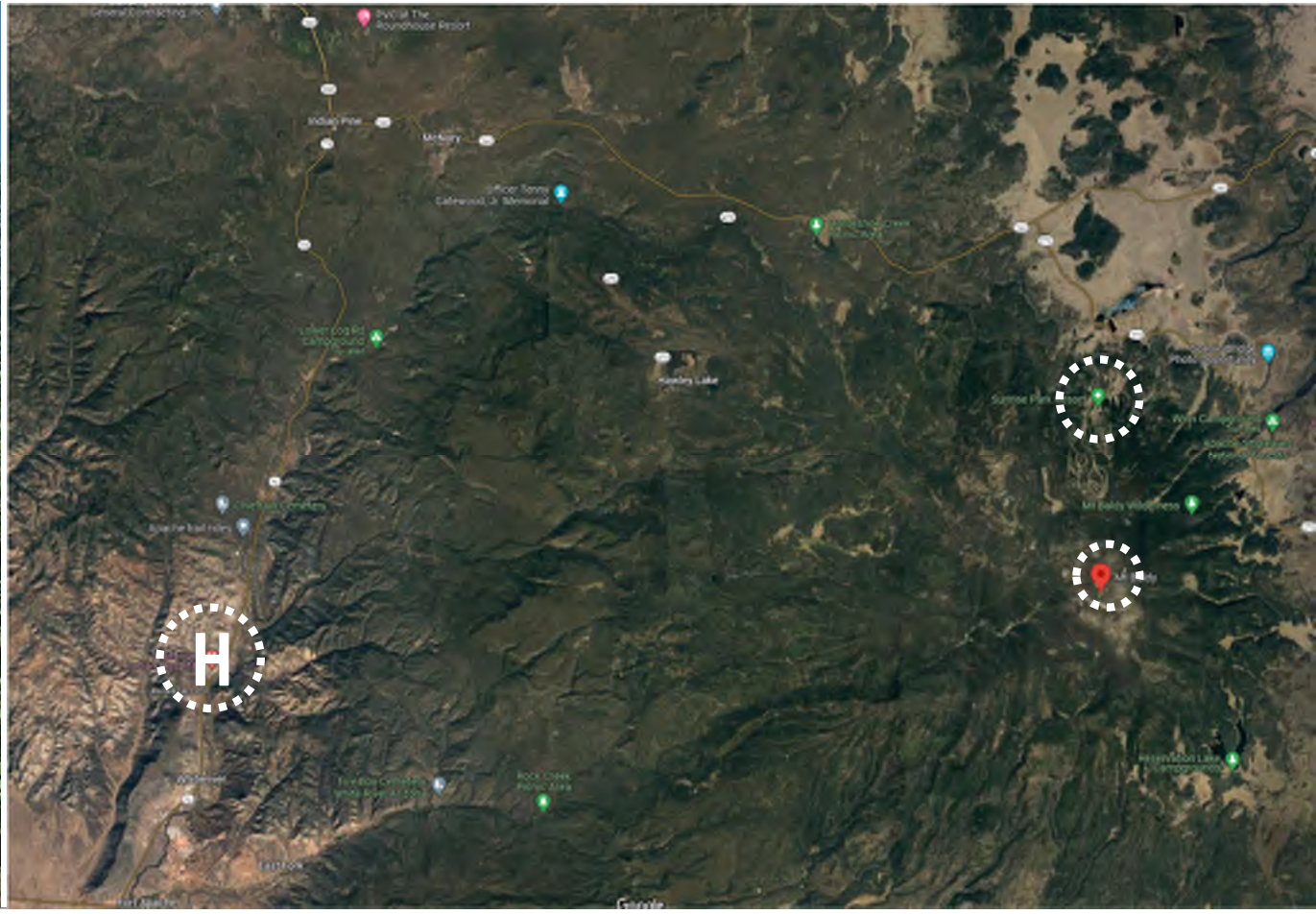
SUNRISE MOUNTAIN



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A GOOD OMEN

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“THE HALLWAY” …PATH OF THE GAN’

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ANOTHER BLESSING

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WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE LAMINAR FLOW SPRING

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WHAT STORY IS THE DESIGN TRYING TO TELL

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TRADITIONAL STRUCTURES, LIGHT AND TEXTURE

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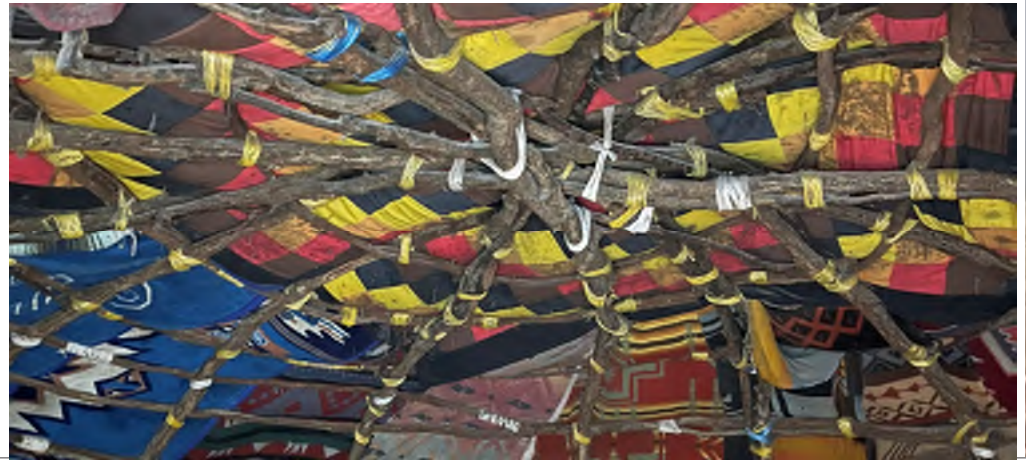
THE SWEAT



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YES, WE ACTUALLY GOT PAID TO DO THIS

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STUDY IN TEXTURES

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MEDICINAL PLANT DISCOVERY

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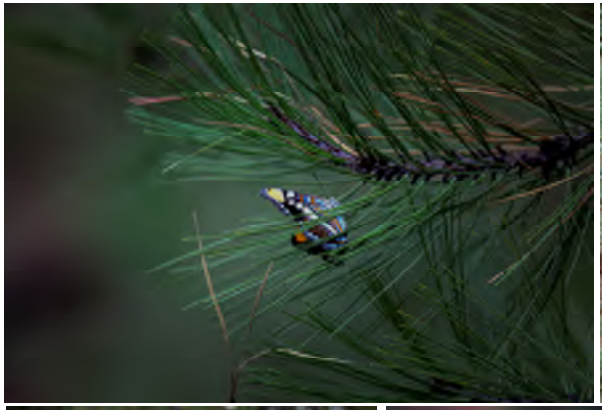
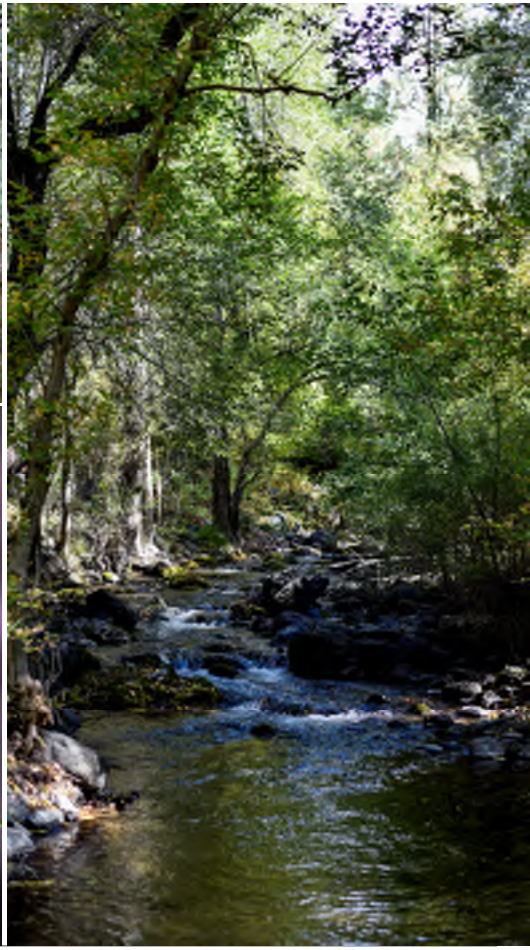
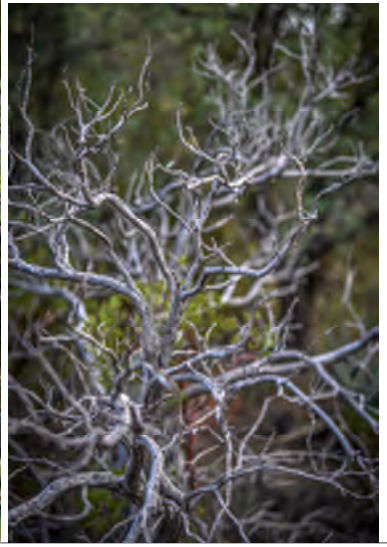
UNDERSTANDING PLANTS FOR OUR SITE







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SUNRISE

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CAT TAIL POLLEN

DESIGN
THE STORY
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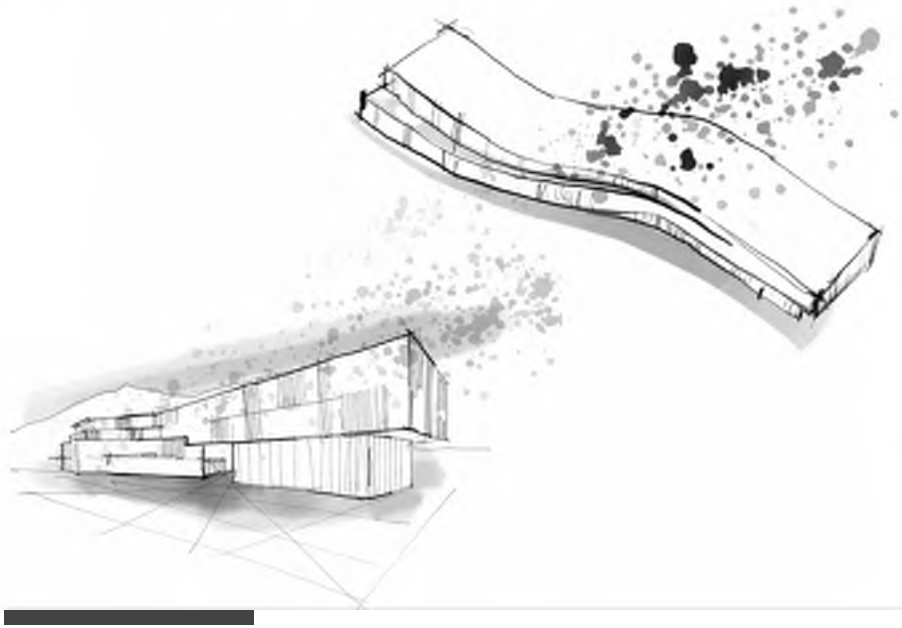
WHAT STORY ARE WE TRYING TO TELL

- Create a modern medical center while honoring traditions and stories shared during the design of this facility
- Create a facility that is uniquely WMAT
- A design that is unique to this site-Place

"Water is life- water gives life, water heals"

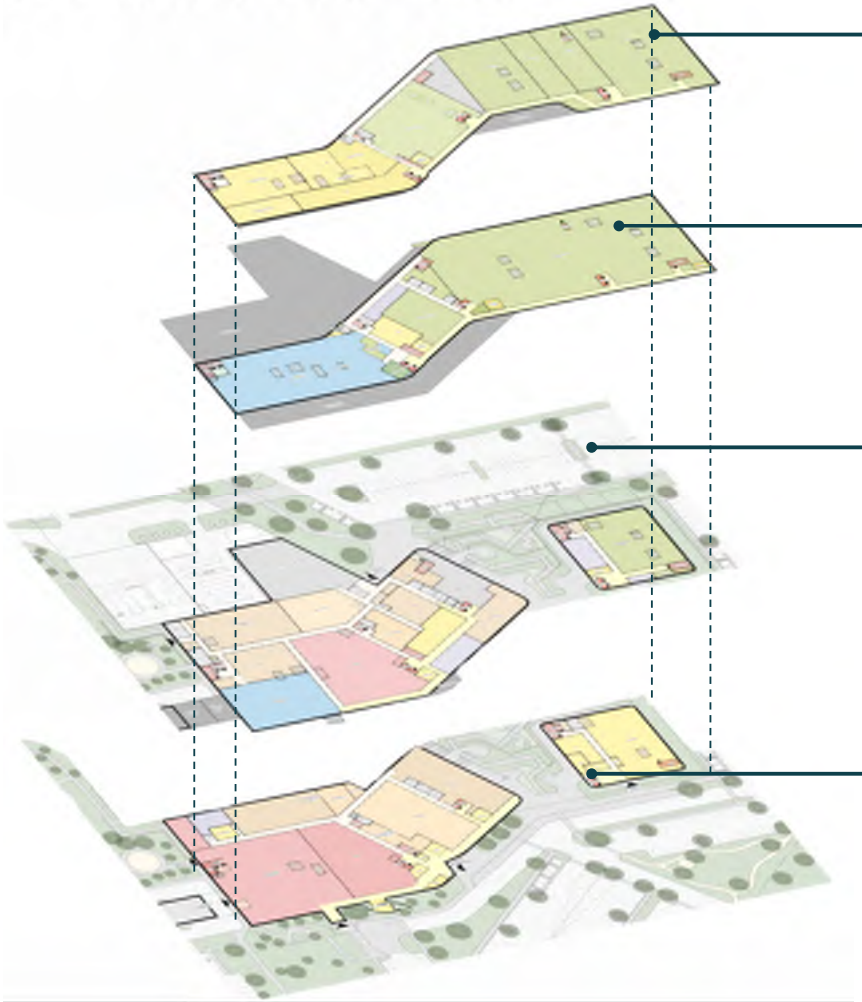
Being grounded and connected to Mother earth



"Winter is the time to tell our stories"

- *"We are people from here, we did not migrate, we have been here since time immemorial"*

PROGRAM STACKING



FOURTH FLOOR:
Administration, Business Office, HR, HIM, Quality Management, Physical Rehab, Research, Specialty Care, Pain Management, Eye and Audiology, Dental

THIRD FLOOR:
Acute Care
Behavioral Health
Primary Care
Purchased & Referral Care

SECOND FLOOR:
Labor & Delivery
Surgery
Medical Supply
Loading Dock, Property & Supply
Clinical Engineering, Facilities Management, Employee Facilities
Preventive Medicine
Education& Consult

FIRST FLOOR:
Emergency
Imaging
Pharmacy, Lab, Dietary
Wellness
WIC, ALTC, Social Security
Main Patient Entry

SITE APPROACH – FROM WHITE RIVER

CANYON WALLS

NEW SITE ENTRANCE

BUILDING APPROACH – THE PLAZA

THE 'HALLWAY' PLAZA AND WELLNESS MAIN ENTRY

BUILDING APPROACH – THE HALLWAY

THE ‘HALLWAY’ TO PLAZA AND STAFF ENTRY

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INTERIOR DESIGN

CONCEPTUAL APPROACH

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LOBBY

GRAPHICAL REPRESENTATION OF THE WHITE RIVER VISIBILE AROUND THE FIREPLACE

DINING

CONNECTION TO PLAZA

PRIMARY CARE WAITING AREA

3RD LEVEL VIEWS ACROSS LANDSCAPE

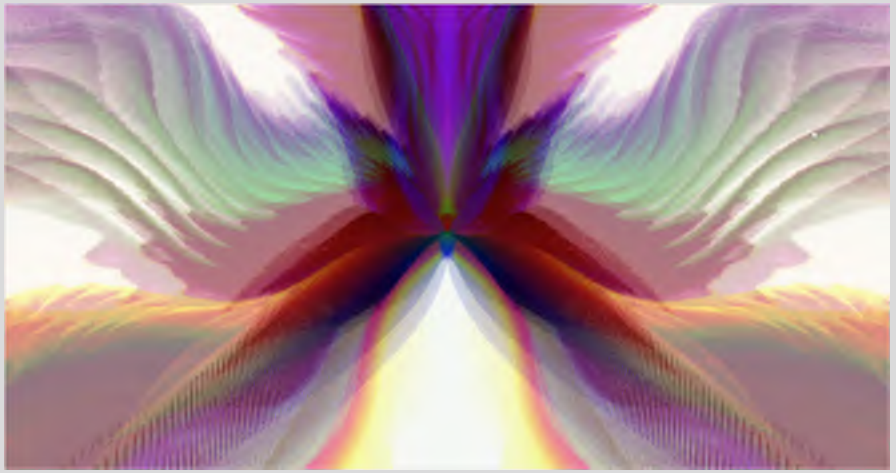
LABOR AND DELIVERY

PATIENT ROOM – CUSTOM WALL PROTECTION DEPICTING TRADITIONAL MEDICINAL PLANTS

BRANDED EXPERIENS & GRAPHICS

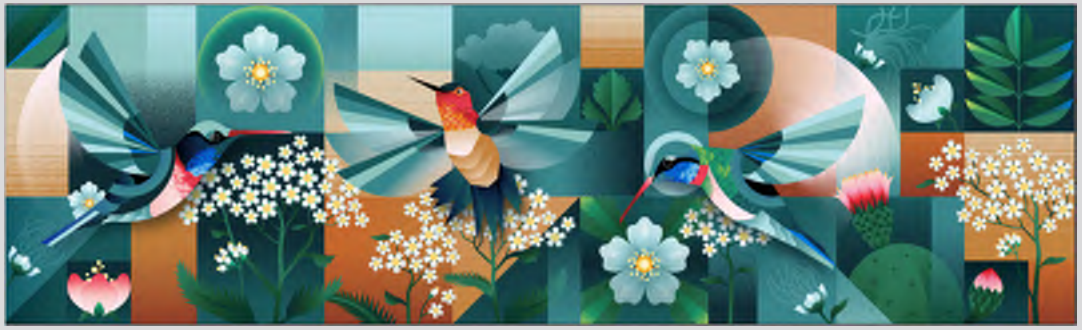
CUSTOM GRAPHICS ON WALL PROTECTION – FILES WILL BE PROVIDED TO SUCCESSFUL BIDDER

INSECTS USED AS PART OF WAYFINDING WERE SELECTED BASED ON THEIR IMPORTANCE TO THE WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE



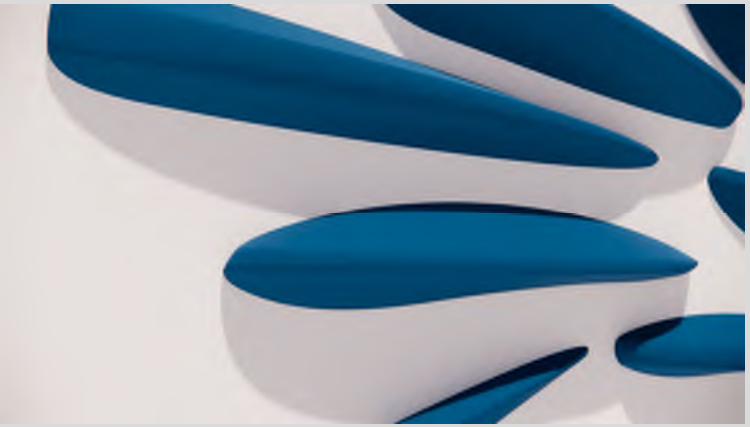
THE SOUND OF THE CROWN DANCER WAS USED TO GENERATE THE COLORFUL GRAPHICS FOR THE PHYSICAL THERAPY DEPARTMENT

HUMMINGBIRDS SYMBOLIZE A MESSENGER OF GOD



BRANDED EXPERIENCE & GRAPHICS

STAIR GRAPHICS AND 3D EAGLES – FILES WILL BE PROVIDED TO SUCCESSFUL BIDDER



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