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Rivermead golf course to be renovated by Canadian golf course architect Jeff Mingay

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Members of the historic Rivermead Golf Club in Gatineau (Aylmer), Quebec have approved a comprehensive course improvement project designed by Canadian golf course architect Jeff Mingay.

Originally designed by pioneer Canadian golf course architects George Cumming (1879-1950) and Albert Murray (1887-1974), Rivermead was renovated in 1989 by Ken Skodacek working with Ken Venturi (1931-2013).

Rivermead commissioned Jeff Mingay in 2017 to study its course and recommend improvements.

The aim of the comprehensive golf course renovation project is to improve the course's infrastructure to ensure it functions relative to modern expectations and caters to all golfers. At the same time, doing so presents the opportunity to simultaneously restore a look and feel to the course that celebrates its original, unique architectural style.

With assistance from Kelly-Ami Drainage Consultants and Daniel Lacroix Golf Creations, Mingay's plan focuses on improving drainage and reducing the total square footage of sand bunkers. Additionally, a bunker style more consistent with the course's design pedigree will be restored, green surrounds will be remodelled, and a long-range tree plan will be implemented over the coming years by golf course superintendent, Derrick Powers. The tree plan includes both new plantings and necessary removals.

The project is scheduled to be completed in several phases beginning October 1, 2018. The fall 2018 phase will include work at the 4th, 9th, 10th and 12th holes. Renovation of the par 3 8th hole was completed in fall 2017 as a preview for club members. Work on the remaining 13 holes and the practice areas, is scheduled to continue in 2019.

Quotes

"It's exciting to be working with another of Canada's most historic clubs. Rivermead is a really good golf course that is laid-out over an interesting and beautiful property. This project provides the opportunity to restore a look and feel that celebrates the Club's original, unique architectural style and will move the club most efficiently into its future."

- Jeff Mingay, Golf Course Architect

"Rivermead is committed to ongoing investments in golf course improvements and infrastructure projects. This comprehensive improvement project will make the course more distinctive and enhance player enjoyment while retaining its challenge, reduce bunker footprints, improve putting green quality by fixing

traffic issues around green complexes, and fix drainage to improve bunkers, turf health and golf playability.”

- Paul Yuck, President, Rivermead Golf Club

"Our intent is to create a remarkable variety of bunkers. Some will be small, others large. Some will be shallow, others deep. Bunker shapes will also vary. Some will have simple shapes, others will be more elaborate. Note that it's possible to create this type of variety and also retain "harmony" of design style throughout the course."

- Jeff Mingay, Golf Course Architect

About Rivermead

Founded in 1910, Rivermead is one of the first private clubs and best golf courses in the National Capital Region. The club offers a range of flexible membership categories to fit a variety of lifestyles, no initiation fees, a relaxed, welcoming atmosphere as well as a convenient location less than 15 minutes from downtown. The Club's objective is to provide members and guests - whether individuals, couples, families or businesses - with the best golf, dining and social experience in the region.

Of special pride is the Rivermead Cup, which was awarded to the winner of the Canadian Open until 1935. Since 1936, the Rivermead Cup has been awarded to the Low Canadian Professional in the Canadian Open. Recent winners include Mackenzie Hughes, Adam Hadwin, Mike Weir, Graham DeLaet, David Hearn and Stephen Ames.

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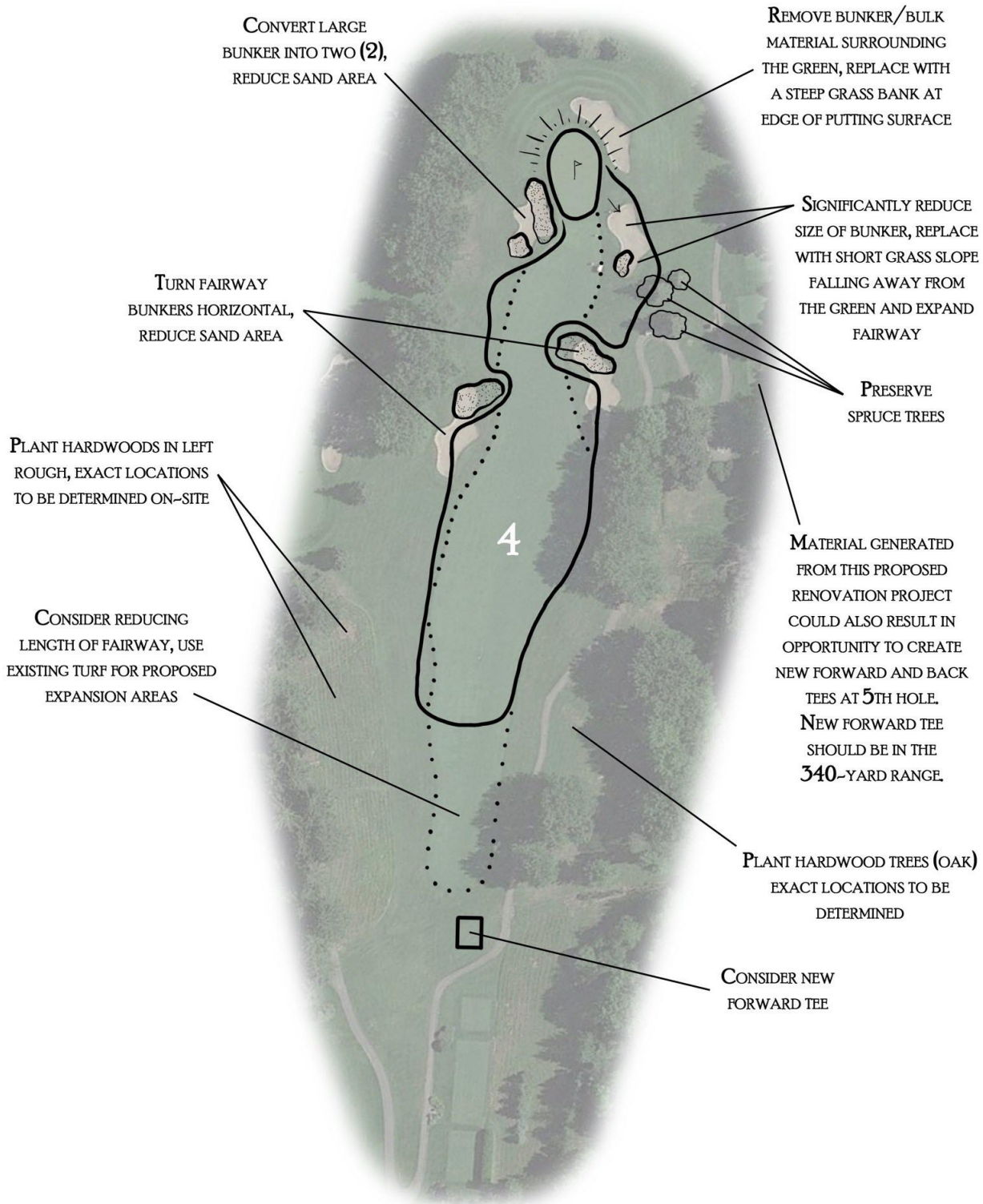
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BACKGROUNDER

Rivermead Course Improvement Project Phase 1

HOLE #4



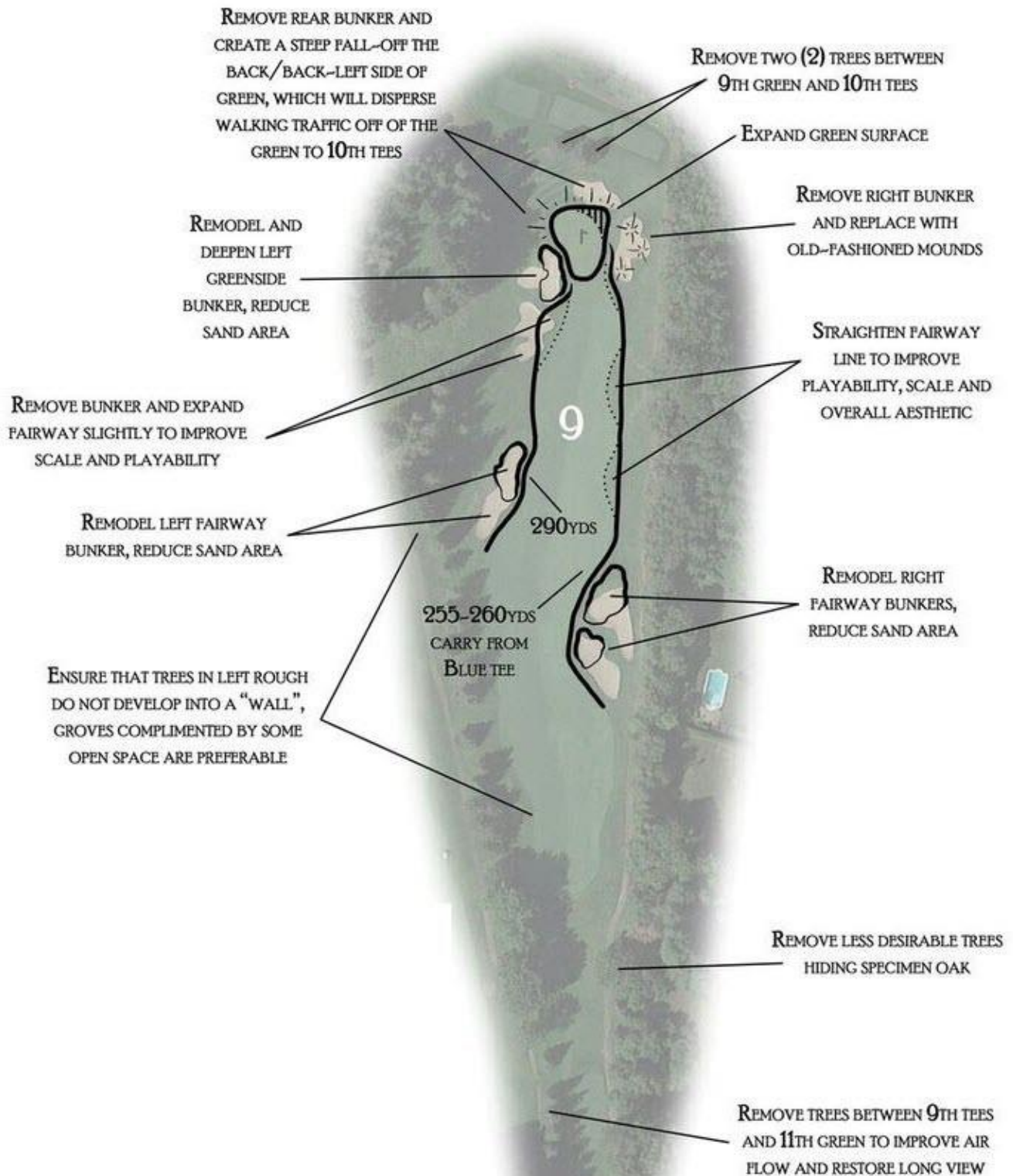
Hole # 4 Current View



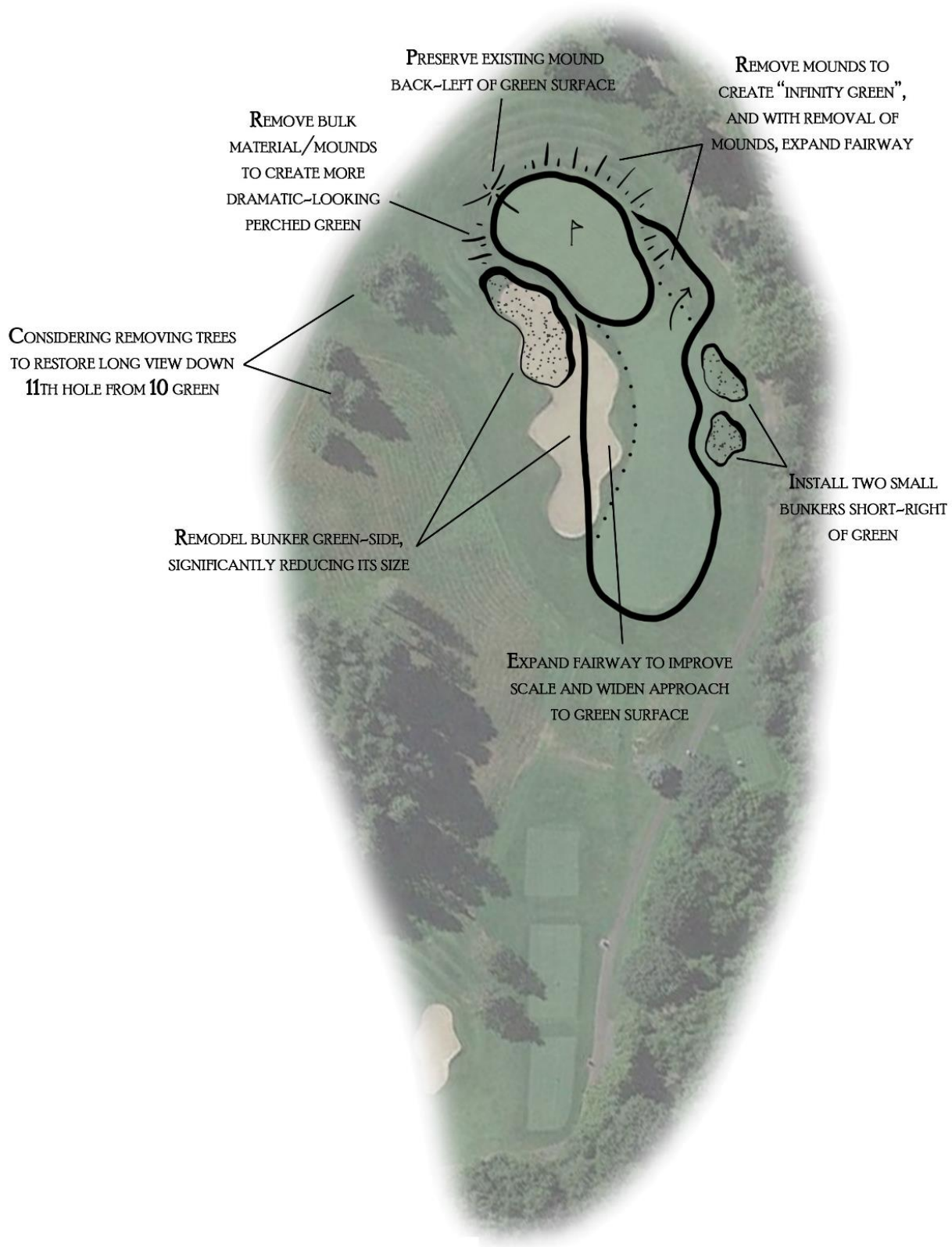
Hole # 4 After Improvement



HOLE # 9



HOLE # 10



Hole # 10 Current View



Hole # 10 After Improvement



HOLE # 12

