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# Ansel Tower

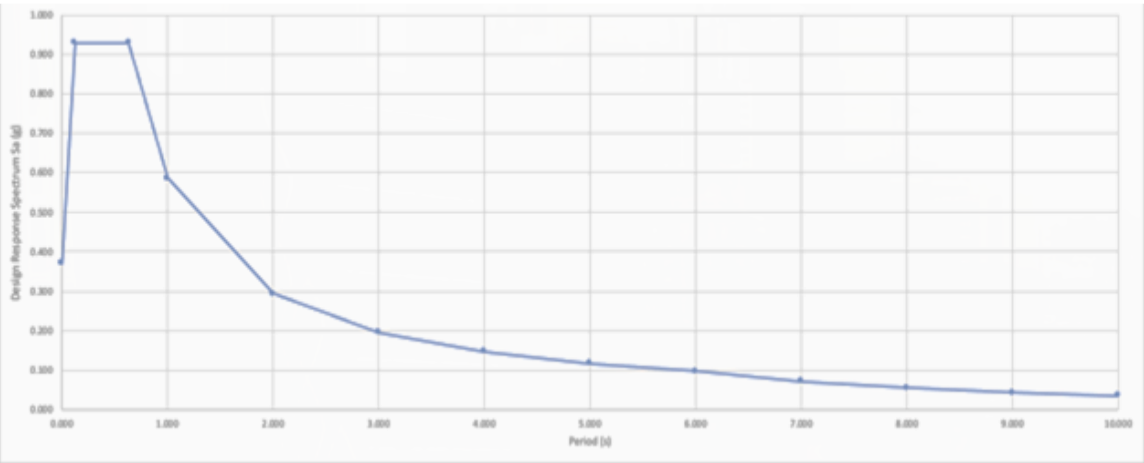
HOSPITAL ADDITION  
AND RETROFIT

The Seattle region in the North-Central Puget Sound Lowland lies within the Cascadia subduction zone, at the convergent boundary between the Juan de Fuca and North American plates. Seismic hazard in the region is due to three primary mechanisms: deep-focus oceanic-continental plate interface earthquakes, megathrust events at the subduction zone, and shallow crustal earthquakes of the continental plate [1]. This region typically produces soil profiles containing fine-grained unconsolidated deposits, which aligns with the findings of the boring log [6].



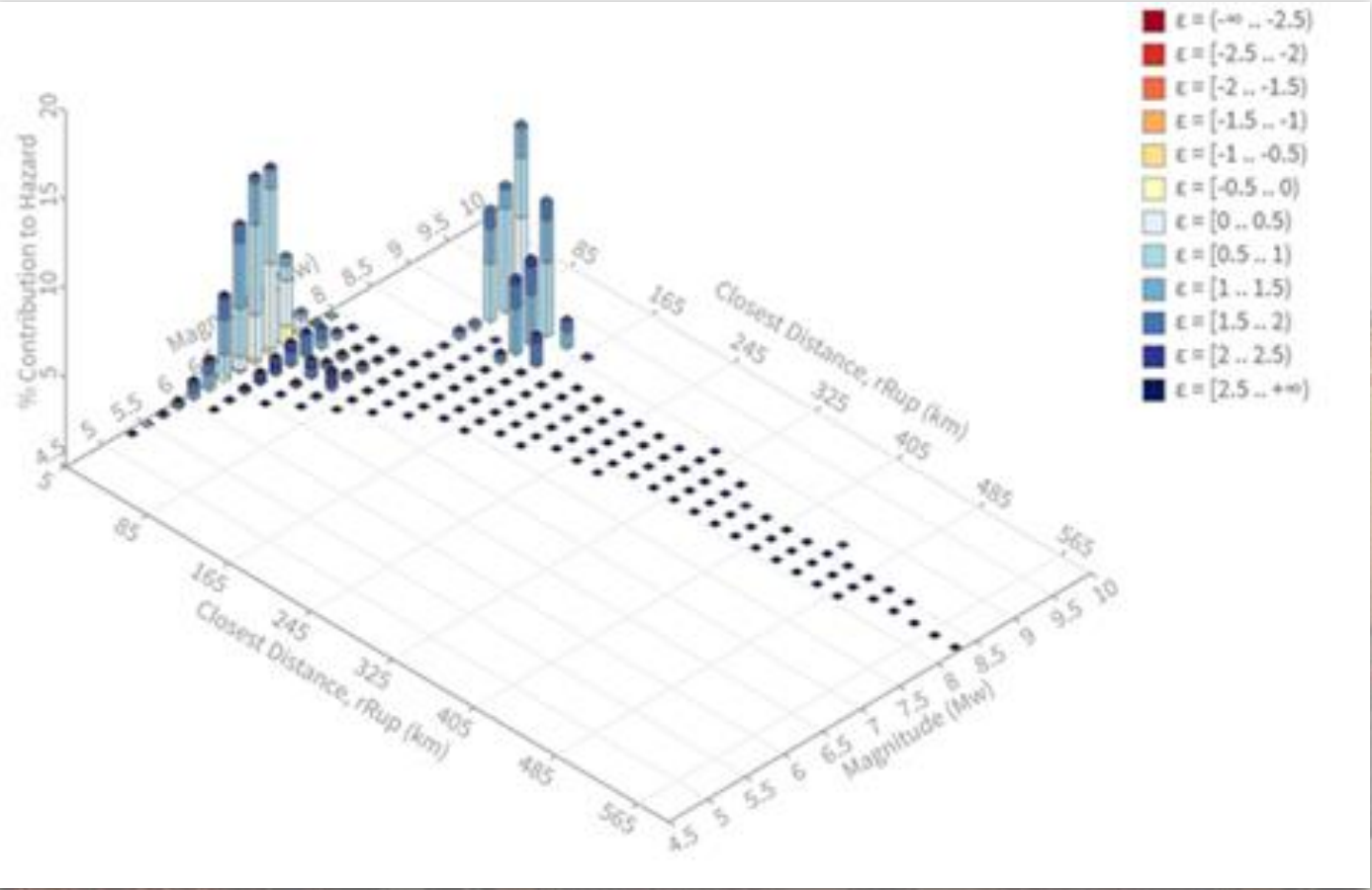
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|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| SITE CLASS              | E - Soft Clay Soil                    |
| RISK CATEGORY           | IV - High Risk                        |
| SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORY | D - Extensive Seismic Design Required |

Design Response Spectrum



Recommended Ground Improvement Techniques

- I. Compaction grouting
- II. Permeation grouting
- III. Jet grouting
- IV. Earthquake drains

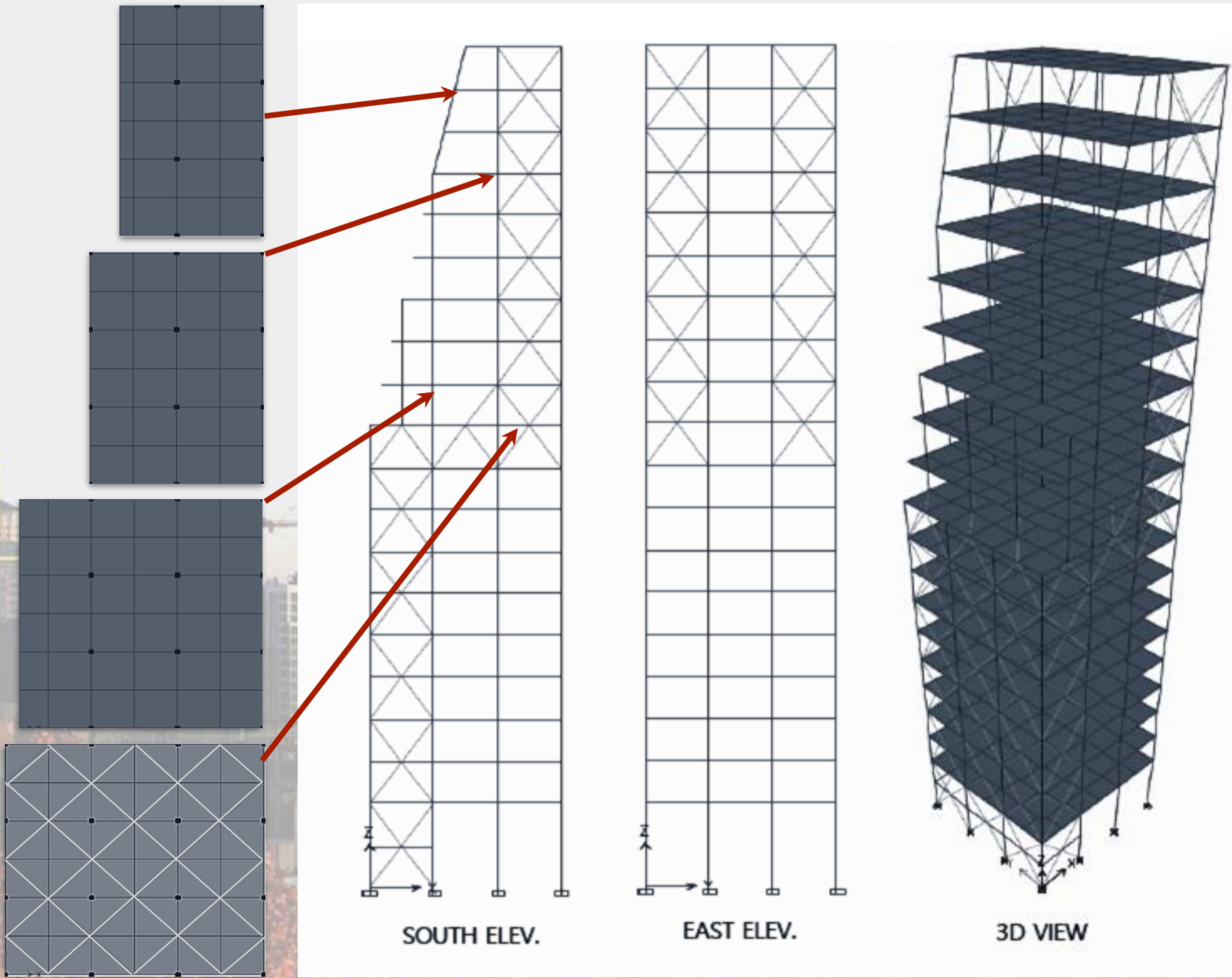


| Floor | Gross Area (in <sup>2</sup> ) | Architectural Access Area (in <sup>2</sup> ) | Height Constrained Area (in <sup>2</sup> ) | Total rentable area (in <sup>2</sup> ) |
|-------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| 19    | 80.04                         | 9.975                                        | 6.672                                      | 63.393                                 |
| 18    | 87.96                         | 9.975                                        | 6.672                                      | 71.312                                 |
| 17    | 96.00                         | 9.975                                        | 6.672                                      | 79.353                                 |
| 16    | 104.04                        | 9.975                                        | N/A                                        | 94.065                                 |
| 15    | 111.96                        | 12.741                                       | N/A                                        | 99.219                                 |
| 14    | 120.00                        | 12.741                                       | N/A                                        | 107.259                                |
| 13    | 128.04                        | 12.741                                       | N/A                                        | 115.299                                |
| 12    | 135.96                        | 12.741                                       | N/A                                        | 123.219                                |
| 11-1  | 144.00                        | 12.741                                       | N/A                                        | 131.259 x 11                           |
| Total |                               |                                              |                                            | 2065.712                               |

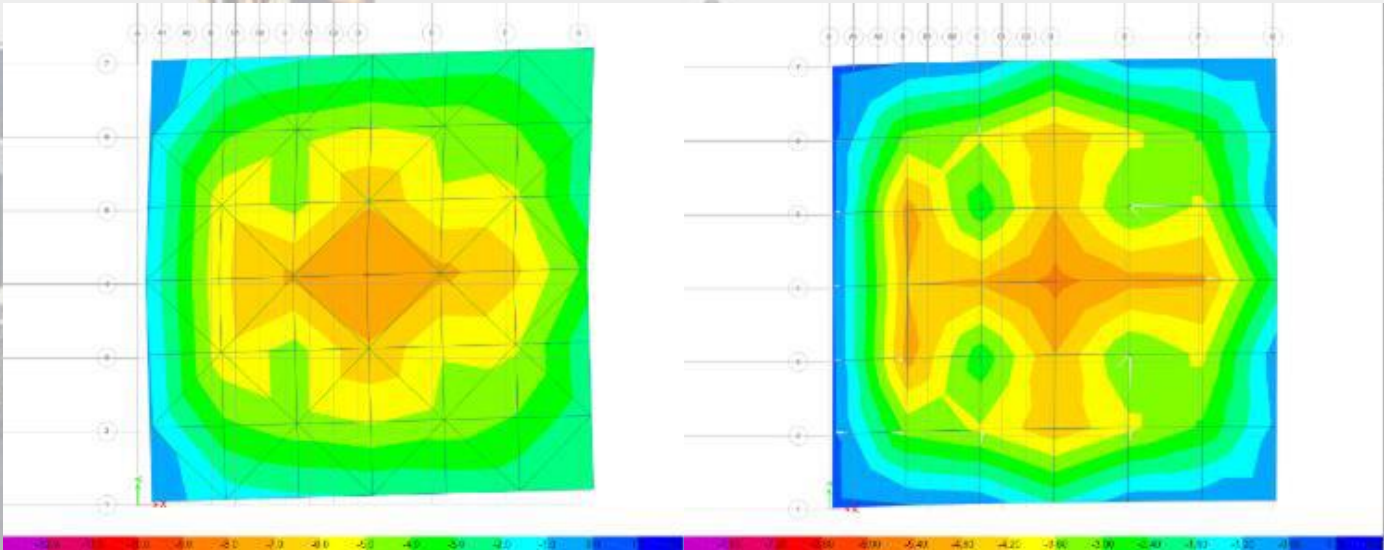
Total Weight of Addition: 0.258 lbs

| Mode   | Period | SumUX  | SumUY  | SumUZ |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| 1      | 0.018s | 0      | 0.4804 | 0     |
| 2      | 0.011s | 0.7141 | 0.4804 | 0     |
| 3 ...  | 0.008s | 0.7141 | 0.5867 | 0     |
| 23 ... | 0.002s | 0.8916 | 0.9027 | 0     |
| 34 ... | 0.002s | 0.9491 | 0.925  | 0     |

Total Rentable Floor Area of Addition: 884.378 in<sup>2</sup>



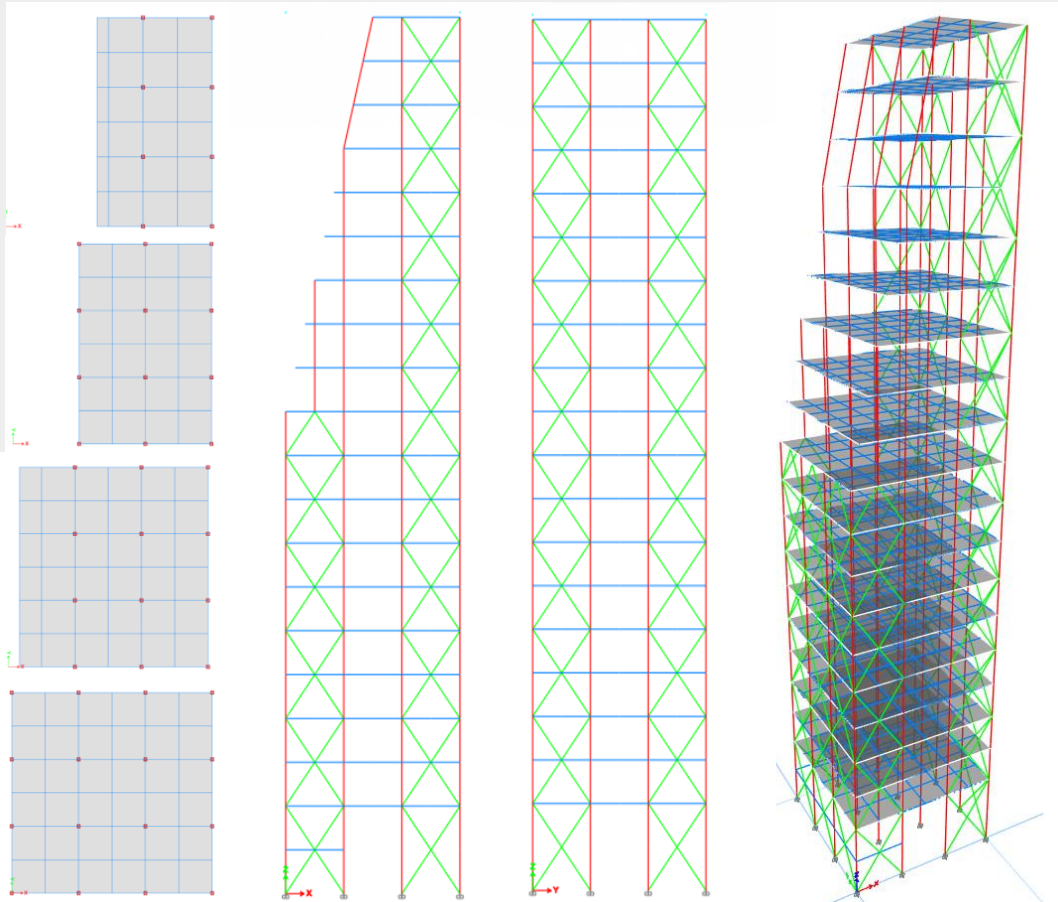
Concentric Braced Frames extended down the east face are a favorable solution in resisting lateral forces as they provide high strength and stiffness while also allowing natural light infiltration. Stacked multi-storey X-bracing was utilized to maintain continuity as well as balance the lateral resistance in the system design for ground motions in both directions.



Torsional irregularity improvements following the retrofit design.

### Collapse Risk

With the annualized collapse risk, the 50-year collapse risk was determined to be 1.95869%, which does not meet code requirements. The retrofit will need to achieve a minimum reduction factor of 1.96822 to achieve the minimum code requirements.

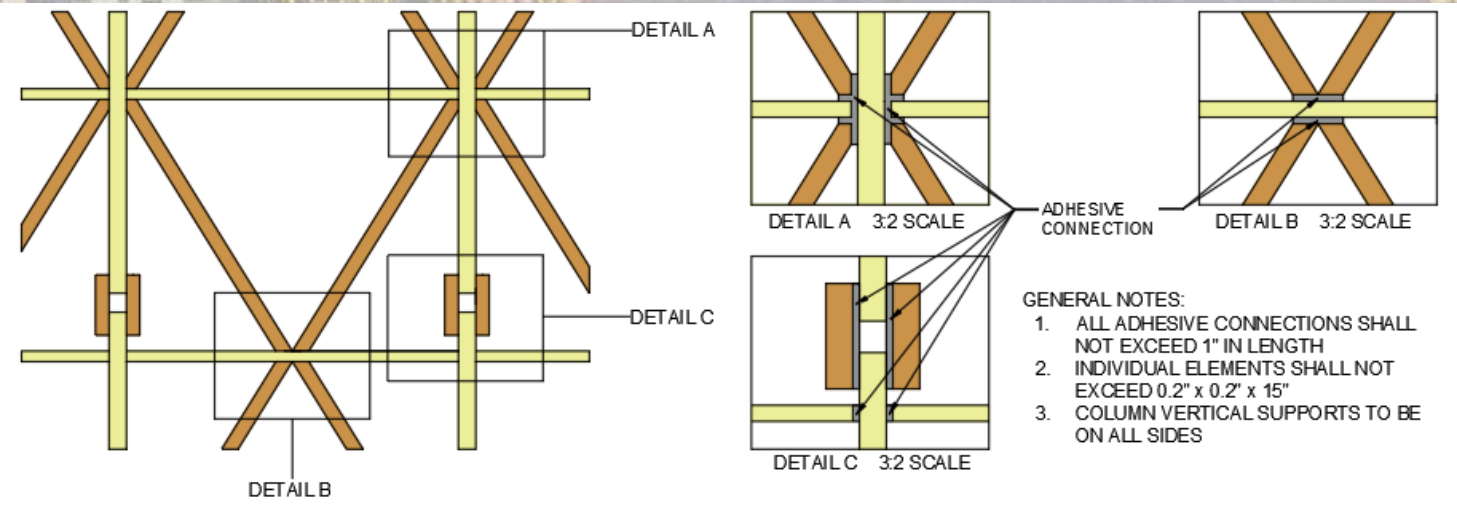


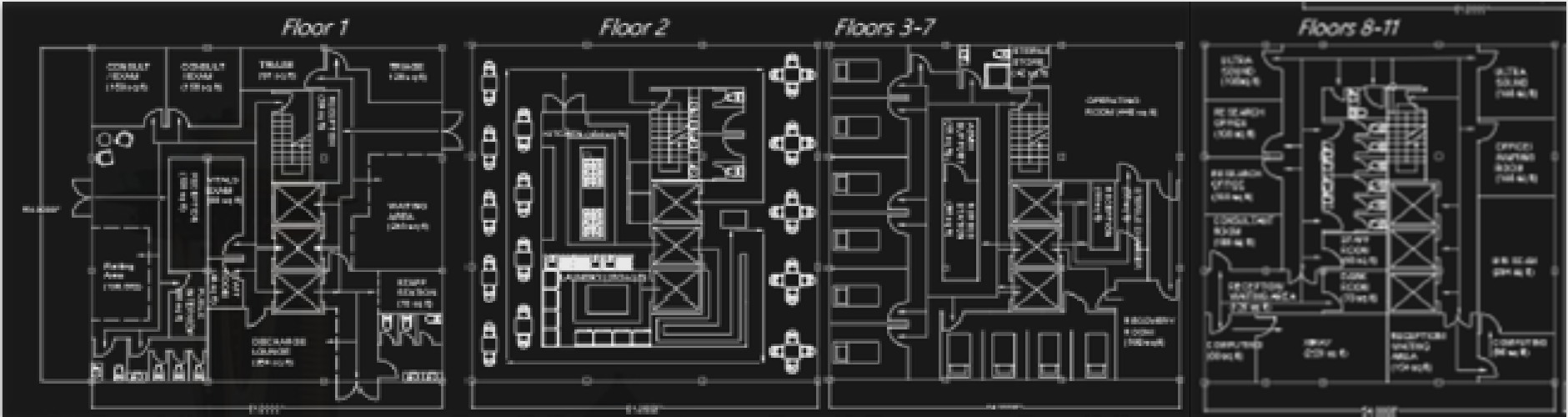
Total Rentable  
Floor Area  
After Retrofit

= 2065.712 in<sup>2</sup>

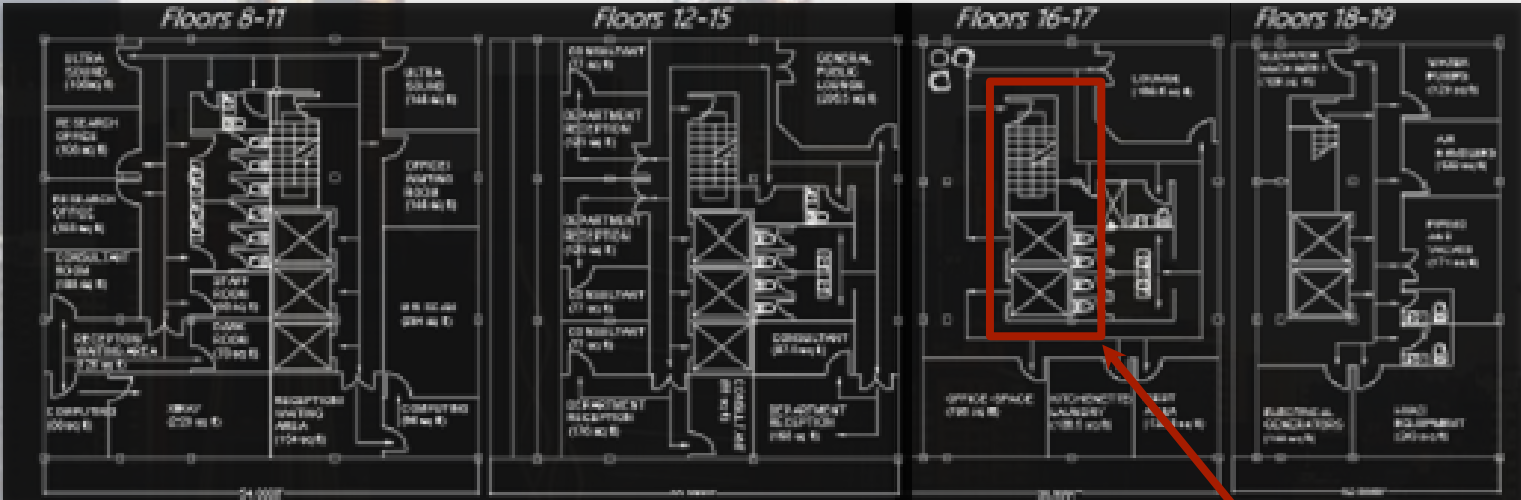
Total Building  
Self-Weight  
After Retrofit

= 0.508 lbs





Exterior design inspiration pulled elements from iconic Seattle buildings, such as the Rainier Square designed by Minoru Yamasaki.



The facade utilizes non-uniform elements to highlight the cascading design of floors eleven through nineteen, inspired by the nearby Cascadia mountain range.

| LEED Targets | LEED Category                          | Points |
|--------------|----------------------------------------|--------|
|              | Water Efficiency & Energy & Atmosphere | 20     |
|              | Indoor Environmental Quality           | 10     |
|              | Sustainable Sites                      | 4      |
|              | Materials and Resources                | 11     |

Patient and staff movements are shown on the floor plans, of which an integral part is the three elevators and emergency stairs located at the centre of the building.

