



## US SURVEY WS 2007 / 2008

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U.S. Survey is a research programme that aims to identify large-scale, geographical, infrastructural interventions in which the overlay of the artificial over the natural is of prime relevance. It does so in the context of the U.S. for it is a rich territory for such a combination. Contrary to the case of the majority of urban sites and artificial landscapes of Eurasia or Africa, most of today consolidated American such sites (with the exception of the settlements of the Native American Indians) were in their origins devoid of a consolidated man-made tradition. For that reason we believe the U.S. is an ideal territory for the exploration of the overlay of geometrical constructions onto prominent and untamed geographical features.

### US SURVEY FIELD TRIP

Four American landscapes. March 2008

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### US SURVEY RESEARCH SEMINAR GEOGRAPHY AND INFRASTRUCTURE

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New York City's Central Park has been subject to many readings: the lungs of a city, the origin of landscape architecture as a discipline, "a type of genetic coding of the modern city"... US Survey will explore one further reading of this particular American urban landscape that can apply to various other contemporaries American sites. As opposed to the long American tradition of interventions on terra incognita or unknown land, we will study Central Park as the beginning of a new approach: the recreation of known geographies. An approach very much en vogue throughout the world, but also, very unsustainable at times.

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