

# The Problem

Sudbury the Amalgamated Constellation City.

Our city's dispersed geography is a result of a meteorite impact 1.8 billion years ago. This led to pockets of mineral deposits allowing for the growth of mines and settlements around them.

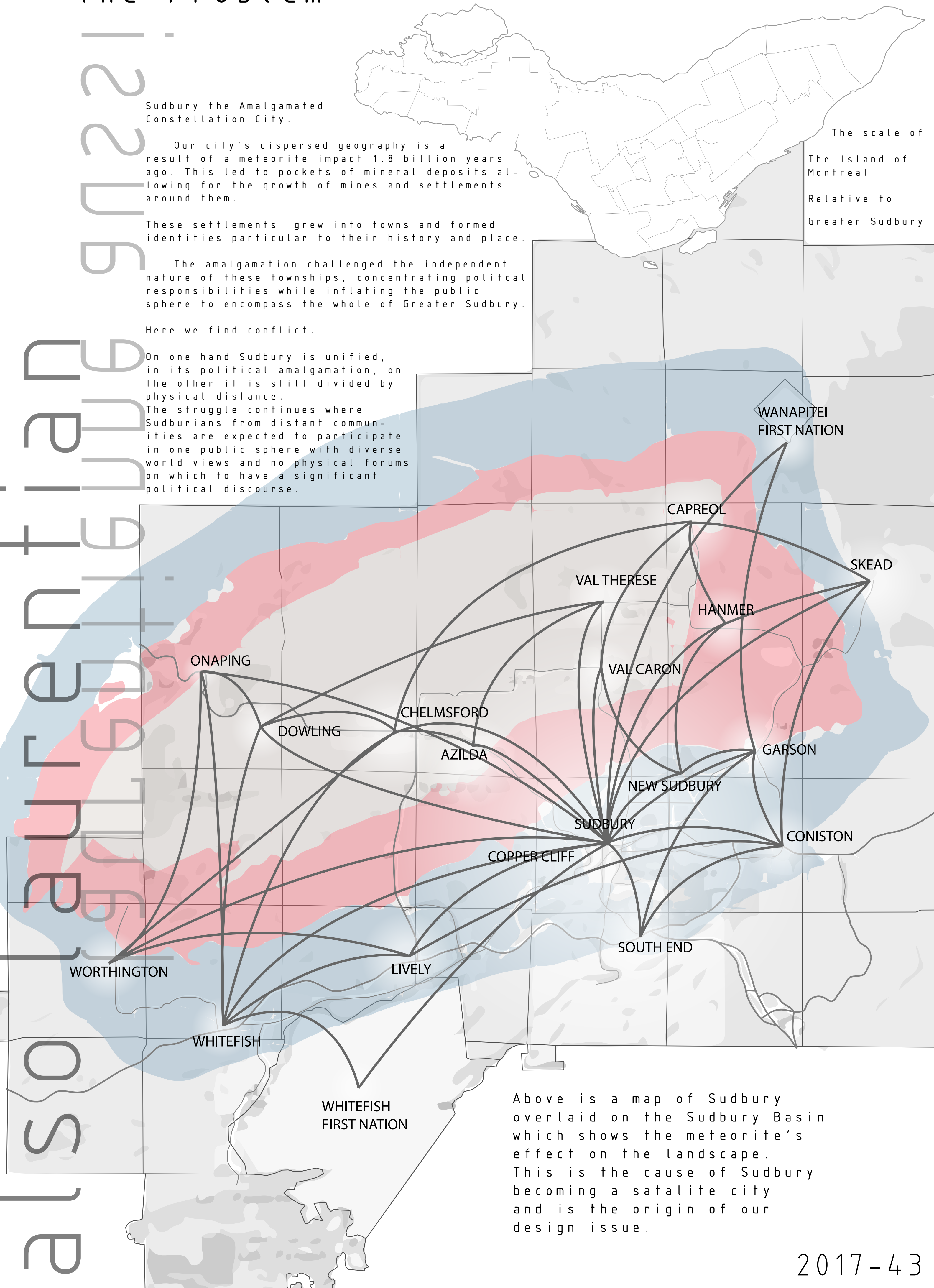
These settlements grew into towns and formed identities particular to their history and place.

The amalgamation challenged the independent nature of these townships, concentrating political responsibilities while inflating the public sphere to encompass the whole of Greater Sudbury.

Here we find conflict.

On one hand Sudbury is unified, in its political amalgamation, on the other it is still divided by physical distance. The struggle continues where Sudburians from distant communities are expected to participate in one public sphere with diverse world views and no physical forums on which to have a significant political discourse.

The scale of  
The Island of  
Montreal  
Relative to  
Greater Sudbury



Above is a map of Sudbury overlaid on the Sudbury Basin which shows the meteorite's effect on the landscape. This is the cause of Sudbury becoming a satellite city and is the origin of our design issue.



# The Solution



## The Goal.

We propose a media forum where Sudburians can exchange ideas face to face with other Sudburians. The goal to promote an understanding of the heterogeneous perspectives on Sudbury as a place and the implications of these many meanings.



## The Technical.

We propose to transform the town squares of each center around Sudbury with a live forum. Using the medium of holographic communication we invite the general public speak to those in other towns throughout the city.

The design is a kind of evolution in social media, insofar as it uses technology as a means of communication but extends it significantly by allowing political conversations to occur in a corporeal manner, increasing intimacy of and nuances of conversations that would otherwise, on traditional forms of social media, remain surface level and inconsequential in the political process of Sudbury.

