TRAIL 2
STOP 1: Windmills

Proposed Action & Intent:
The historic use of windmills to pump water in Greece, is an excellent topic to highlight on Trail 2 of the Water Walk. While some windmills were used to grind grain, others were used to pump water. Trail 2 hosts a number of windmills which could be used as stopping points to highlight their use in water pumping. The windmills are located directly along the trail, allowing for easy access, and vary in levels of disrepair. Simple signage next to one of these windmills would allow Water Walk participants to learn more about the windmills at a very low cost. Signage should include a history of the windmills, as well as historical photos or drawings that show them in their former state.

Next Steps:
Most importantly, the Water Board should learn who currently owns the windmills. From there, you will need to receive permission to highlight the windmills along the trail, as well as to post signage. Once permission is granted, signage needs to be created.
STOP 2: Plaka Baths

Proposed Action & Intent:

The baths at Plaka act as a natural hot spring due to their proximity to the famous caldera. Though the hot spring does not produce drinking water for the island, the baths have been included in the walking tour to highlight the diversity of water use on Santorini. The baths are used purely for recreational purposes and make for a great swim at the halfway point of Trail 2. After walking down a steep path to the water, participants can jump in for a refreshing swim before their walk back up the steep slopes of the caldera.

Next Steps:

Before the Plaka Baths can officially be added to a stop along the trail, permission will be needed from the owner. Once permission is granted, signage depicting the hot springs’ natural features and historic use can be created and placed at the entrance to the baths.
The map above was used to guide our walking tour paths. The tours listed in this document follow paths 5 & 7 of the walking tour map above. Future tours should consider this map when creating alternative walking tour paths and destinations. The map can be purchased at: http://www.anavasi.gr/product.php?lang=en&id=117