UMORE PARK
Cultivating a Landscape for Knowledge
Management Plan for the University of Minnesota Outreach, Research, and Education Park

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December 2000
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<td>1998 Spring</td>
<td>Task Force formed with representatives from four colleges and staff from central administration</td>
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<td>Task Force led community meetings</td>
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<td>USI begins process of exploration towards a more detailed plan and discussions with colleges and partners</td>
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<td>Interim Report to the Regents</td>
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<td>USI presents draft management plan to Task Force</td>
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<td>Task Force further details Academic Plan</td>
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A new way of thinking about

The University
Organizing the University
Facilities Planning
The Land
The University in the Region
Our Relationship to the Economy
Our Relationship to the Community
Our National Role
The Political Context
A three part alignment process

The Environmental Context
A systems approach to Umore Park

Management Precincts
A unique attitude for each kind of place
Political Context

At the level of the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area
Political Context

At the level of the county
**Political Context**  
The City of Rosemount

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### 2020 Land Use Plan Map

#### 2020 Comprehensive Plan Update  
City of Rosemount

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#### Figure 3.1-C
The Regional Environmental Context

Original Concept Map—1995
Potential Greenways and Natural Areas

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- Potential Natural Areas
- Potential Greenways
- DNR Scientific and Natural Areas
- Metropolitan Urban Service Area

Legend:
- Parks - MetCouncil coding
- Water - lakes, rivers, and streams
- Roads - major freeways and highways
Local Environmental Context  Watersheds

The 290 sq mile Vermillion Watershed represents a valuable natural resource at the edge of the urban environment.

Trout Stream Watershed Protection Initiative
An Environmental Framework

Setting the stage for an eco-system planning approach to MORE

River Systems
Habitat
Forest
Linkages
Human Activity
Sustainability
Adjacent Partnerships
MORE Park Vision Part 3
A Landscape Development Plan for the Site

MORE Park circa 2035

Changing the pattern from a residual land base to significant regional resource and recognizable landscape

There are three clear patterns
Pattern 1
Forest
Meadow
Stream
River
Habitat
Hill
Trail
Pattern 2
Forest
Village
Street
Pond
Crops
Fields
Hedgerow
Pattern 3
Edges
Entrances
Parkway
Fields
1. OPEN
2. RESTRICTED
3. CONTROLLED
Management Guidelines

A land use plan for MORE PARK

A guide to primary land uses and environmental qualities

Basis to begin the process of upgrading land uses.
The Vermillion Institute

The site should be considered as a place for interaction, collaboration, and sharing of information.
The Critical Next Steps
What can happen first

Rename the property

Establish a single management entity with an executive director supported by a University Advisory Committee and an external advisory council

Begin the process of establishing partnerships and stable external funding mechanisms to support public education and interdisciplinary research activities

Begin to define the public information centre and site improvement strategy