A Sustainable Solutions Framework for Planning and Urban Design

Sustainable Urban Design Symposium - MIT Greg Havens – Sasaki Associates

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environment

economy

Sasaki's Sustainable **Solutions Framework** ECONOMIC CO, BUILT SOCIAL m

SASAKI'S SUSTAINABLE SOLUTIONS

At Sasaki, we know our work will contribute to the resilience of the world's built environment, natural environment, society, and economy. The decisions we make in our projects today will affect the ability of future generations to meet their needs.

Across the breadth of our practice and through the depth of our work, Sasaki provides Sustainable Solutions at multiple scales—the region, the city, the neighborhood, the campus, the building. Across these scales, we integrate multiple professions, including planning and urban design, landscape architecture, architecture, civil engineering, strategic planning, and interior design.

We believe the most **creative and enduring solutions** across the full spectrum of design challenges will emerge from a strong foundation in sustainability—the "triple bottom line" of the social, environmental, and economic conditions unique to each project.

our work contributes to resilience

our work provides sustainable solutions at multiple scales

our work results in creative and enduring design solutions



ENERGY

Sustainable environments utilize energy efficiently and limit the need for fossil fuels: Our goal is to plan and design high performance environments that promote the use of renewable energy.



Integrated systems and BIM result in 74% energy savings

A comprehensive approach to building orientation, shade, ventilation, and water management

Wind turbines

along the waterfront produce electricity

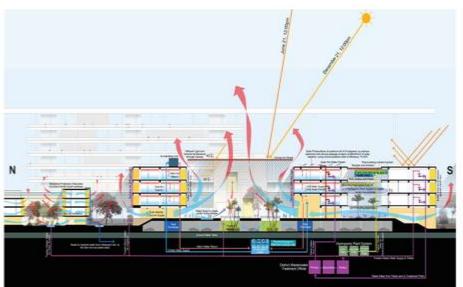
Operable clerestory windows provide daylight and promote natural ventilation







electricity reduction achieved through lighting retrolits



Khalifa University of Science, Technology and Research; Abu Dhabi, UAE



Dubai Aerospace University, Master Plan; United Arab Emirates

ODCLIMATE

responsive to climate: Our goal is

Canopy structures provide respite creating a cooler

microclimate

reducing heating and cooling loads

Enhanced microclimates

minimize the urban

heat island effect

and provide shade

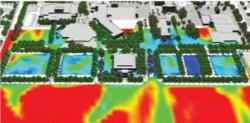
create shaded outdoor spaces







Lulu Neighborhood 2- Abu Dhabi. United Arab Emirates



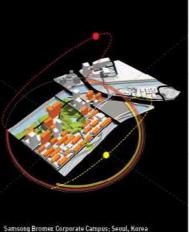
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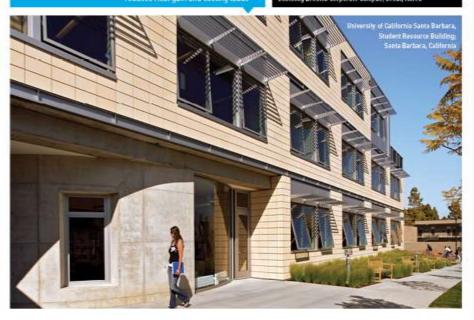


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Windbreaks

Optimal solar and wind orientation





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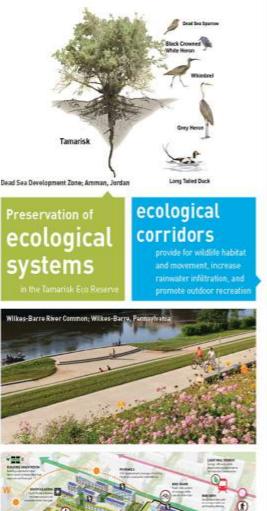
Sustainable environments are respectful of the flora and fauna indigenous to the place: Our goal is to preserve and enhance biologically diverse habitats.



Five acre wild flower meadow reduces mowing costs and saves \$32,400 annually

Minimizing human impact, establishing habitat corridors and creating riparian buffers restores degraded coastal wetlands











Interpretive signage and wayfinding educates visitors

Removing invasive plant species and reducing erosion preserves salt marshes

roof garden minimizes stormwater runoff and reduces heat island effec



601 Congress Street, Landscape Architectural Services; Boston, Massachusetts prohester Shores Beerl Redoration, avin HIL/Inher Malde Beach; in checter, Nascachusetts

WATER

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landscapes

Sustainable environments respect the Our goal is to provide creative and innovative strategies for preserving watersheds, enhancing water quality, and decreasing the demand for potable water use.



28,500 gallons of rainwater for irrigation

natural stormwater treatment facilities

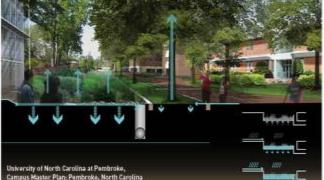


The design protects three natural systems

Rainwater provides 30% of domestic water supply











Haster Plan; Los Angeles, California





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MOBILITY

Sustainable environments address mobility in all of its forms: Our goal is to plan for a comprehensive system of pedestrian, bicycle, transit, and vehicular movement—a system that coordinates with the land use patterns and the transportation policies of a campus, community, or region.



Environmental education trails

link regional system: and neighborhoods to the riverfront bridges uptown and downtown districts



2 million transit trips decrease carbon emissions by **8,816** metric tons

A comprehensive bicycle network provides mobility options



Auburn University, Campus Sign Standards; Auburn, Alabama





Pardall Comider serves over **10,000** bike riders each day



29% reduction in singleoccupant commuting through alternative transportation plans

pedestrian networks encourage walking







connect urban districts

MATERIALS

Sustainable design demands non-toxic, low carbon materials: Our goal is to specify sustainable materials procured in close proximity to the site and that do not contribute to environmental degradation during extraction, manufacture, or delivery.



National Grid, New England Hain

Adaptive reuse to create a new law school maintains 95% of the building

Integrated design strategies encourage recycling

Adaptive reuse of buildings makes use of embodied energy





Crushed stonedust, preserved pier piles, local brick, marine wood, and recyled granite are utilized in the waterfront :



Recycling and salveging materials diverted

95% of construction waste from landfills Salvaged wood

ceiling of a new

dining hall

Bates College, Dining Commonly

ewiston, Mar

Bowling alleys transform into conference tables



Continuum; West Newton, Massachusett

COMMUNITY

Sustainable environments foster a sense of community: Our goal is to community engagement and interaction.

An integrated

communication

process builds

of the river corridor

Open space



Climate responsive

A park serves as a natural buffer and adjacent residences

design

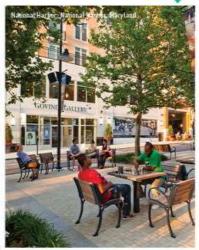




mixed-use development



places for people















Mission

PEOPLE			PLACE	COMMUNITY
Meet growth targets for 5,000 additional students, 160 additional tenured faculty, and related personnel growth.	Develop strategies for supporting the mission to "Go Big" and teach, research, and serve.	Support the athletic mission of the Nebraska Huskers and role in the Big 10 conference	Establish a sense of place that is reflective of a Big Ten Institution while preserving the character and image of UNL	Foster collaboration among UNL and the surrounding community
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Environment

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LAND	HYDROLOGY	LANDSCAPE	SPACE	INFRASTRUCTURE	MOBILITY
Reserve the land for the land grant mission	Incorporate green strategies for stormwater management	Create a "working landscape." Utilize native plants, minimize potable water, herbicide and pesticide use	Provide the facilities needed to support the mission	Review the capacity, condition and location of existing infrastructure	Reduce emissions by decreasing solo-occupant vehicle use
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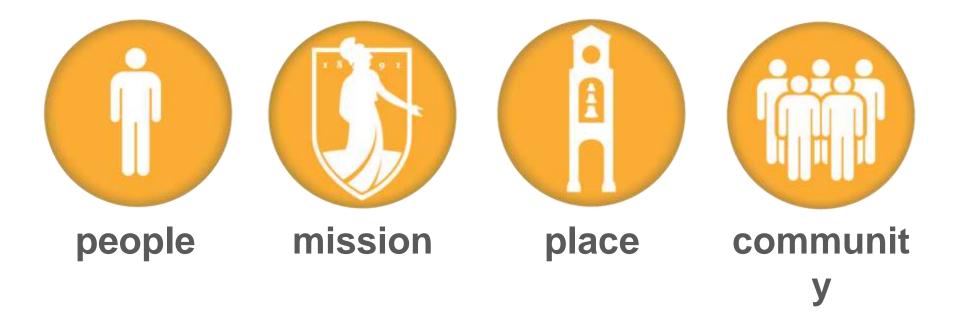
Resources

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WATER	ENERGY	EMISSIONS	MATERIALS	WASTE
Reduce potable water consumption per square foot	Aim for greater energy efficiency than required by building codes. Establish EUI targets for new construction and renovation	Aim to become climate neutral by 2050. 10% reduction in purchased electricity, heating, commuting, travel and fleet emissions by 2015	Increase the percentage of materials purchased that meet environmentally preferable purchasing guidelines	Lower landfill impact by reducing solid waste. Encourage recycling
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Finances

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COST	RESEARCH	ENDOWMENT	PARTNERSHIPS
Coordinate emerging capital projects with projected operational costs	Respond to the research mission and potential funding	Coordinate with fundraising efforts of the university. Support the capital campaign.	Respond to partnership objectives and opportunities
Operational Cost per Square Foot	Research Funding	Endowment	Partnerships with Private Sector
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social





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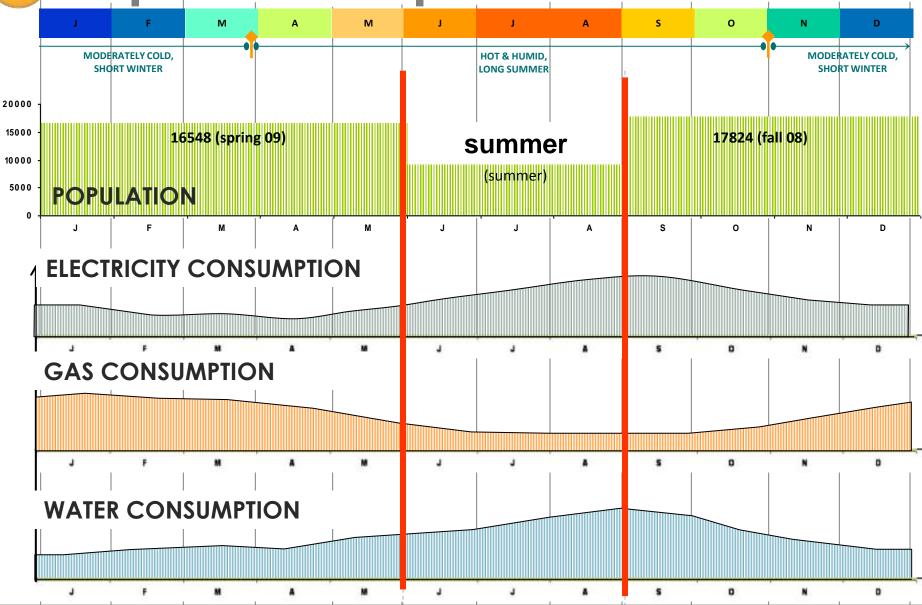


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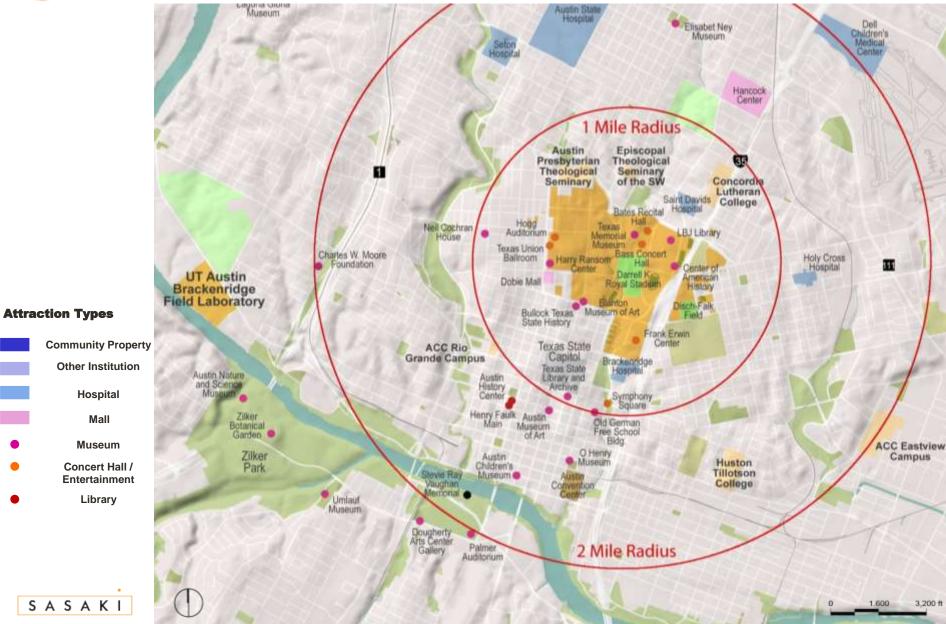
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residents

Population Impact



Community

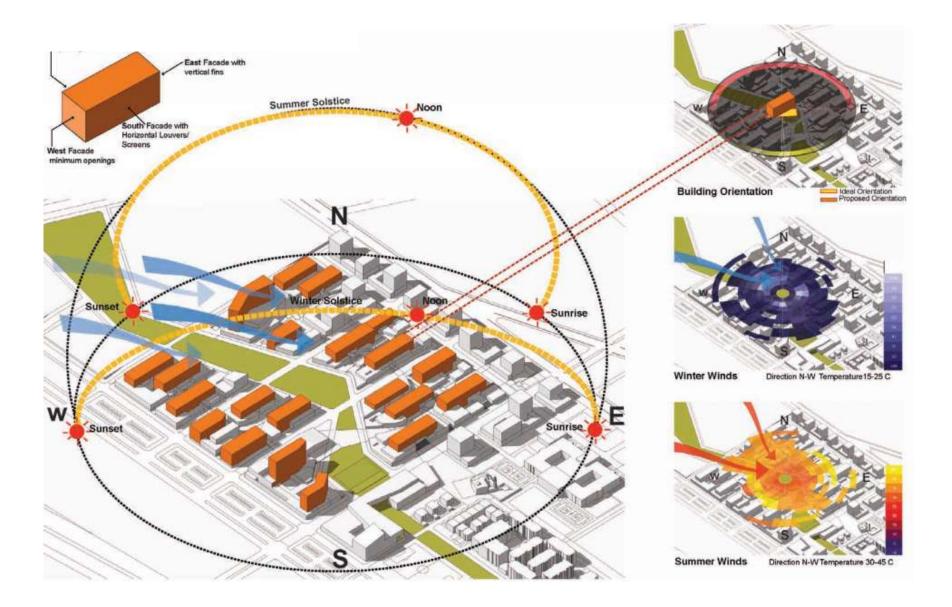


environmental NATURAL SYSTEMS

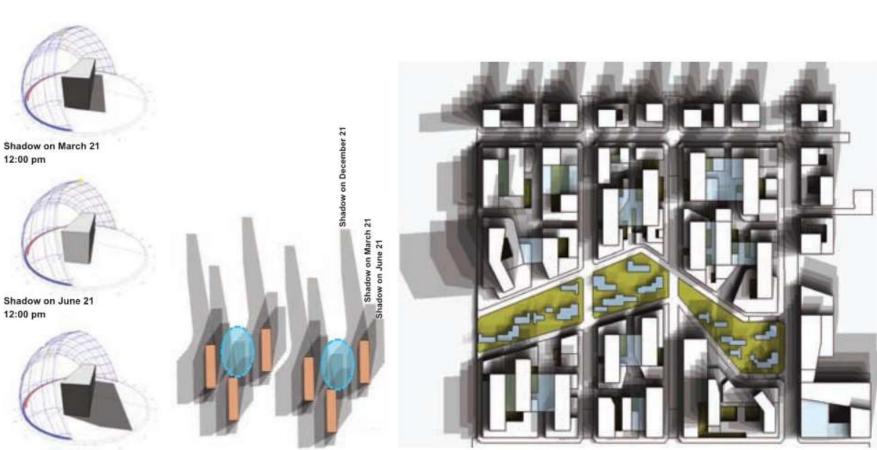




Orientation + Wind Analysis





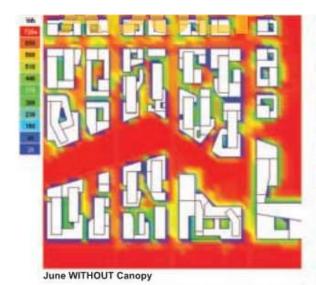


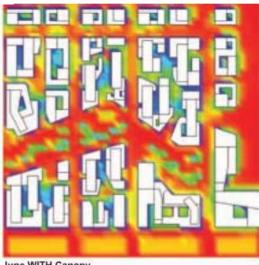
Shadow on December 21 12:00 pm

Cooler Micro-climate created between buildings

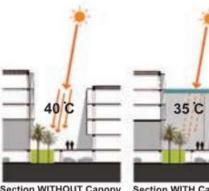
Average Annual Shadow Range (9 am- 4 pm)





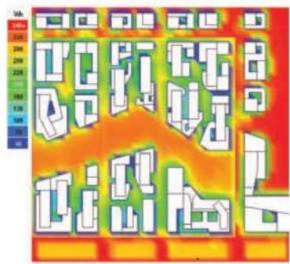




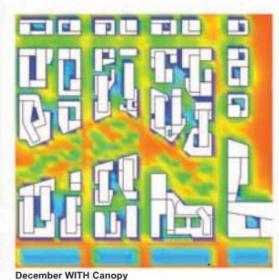


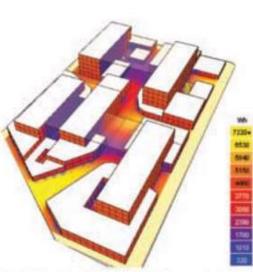
Section WITHOUT Canopy

Section WITH Canopy



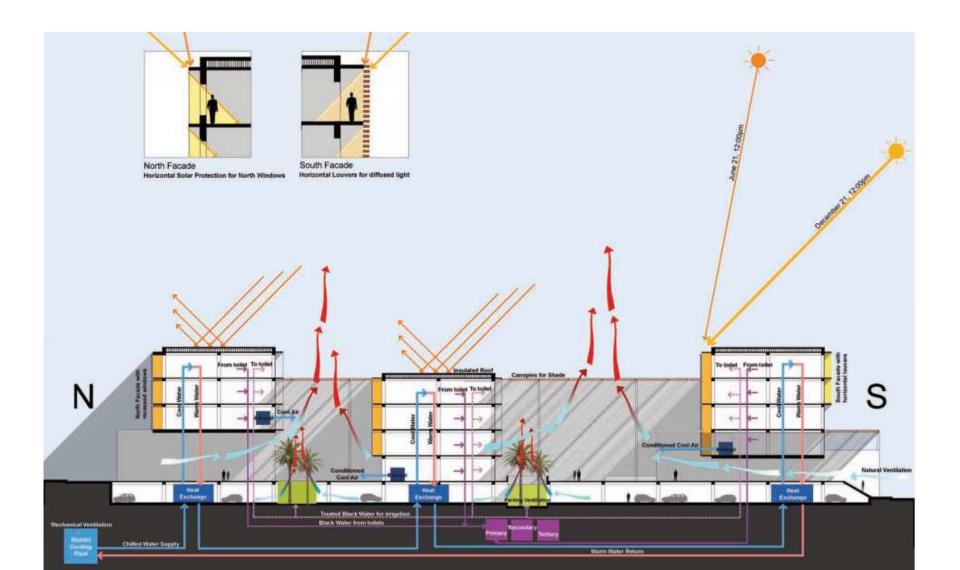
December WITHOUT Canopy





Typical Block Surface Radiation (with canopies)

Colored Sustainable Cooling Strategies



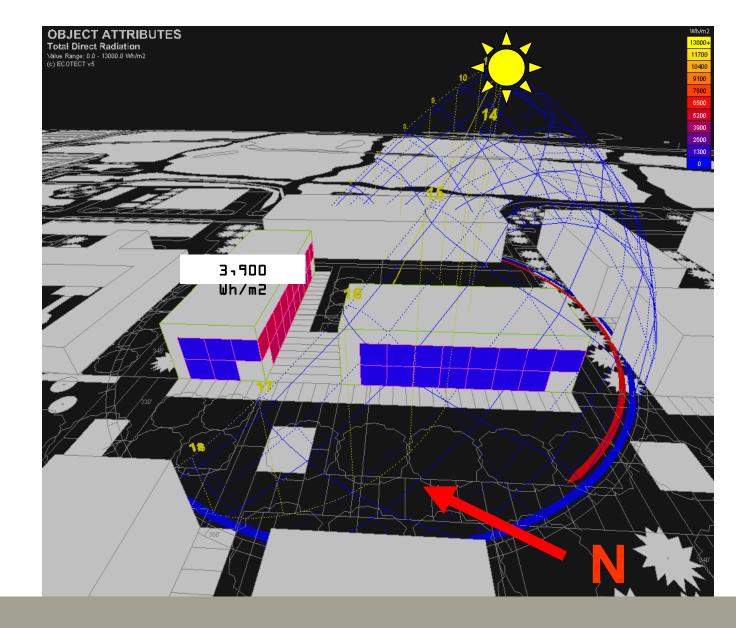




8 Solar Gain: summer south facing

Summer

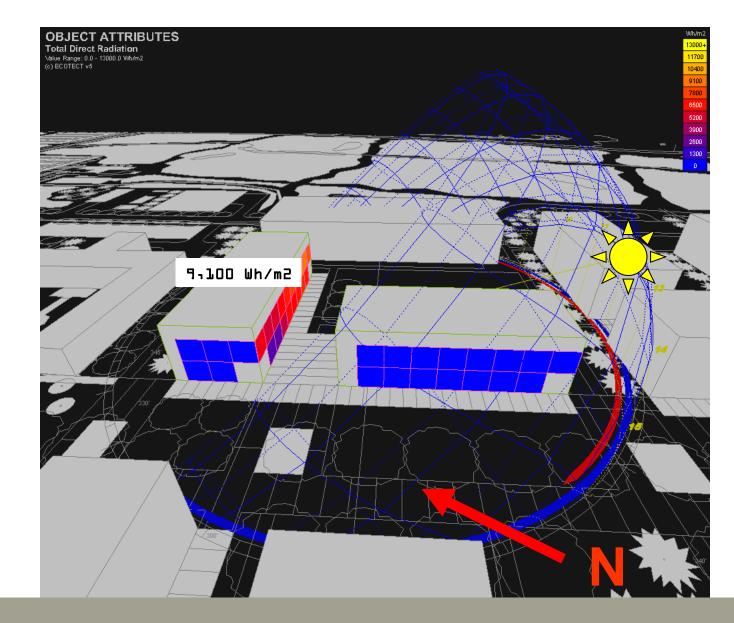
3,900 Wh/m2



8 Solar Gain: winter south facing

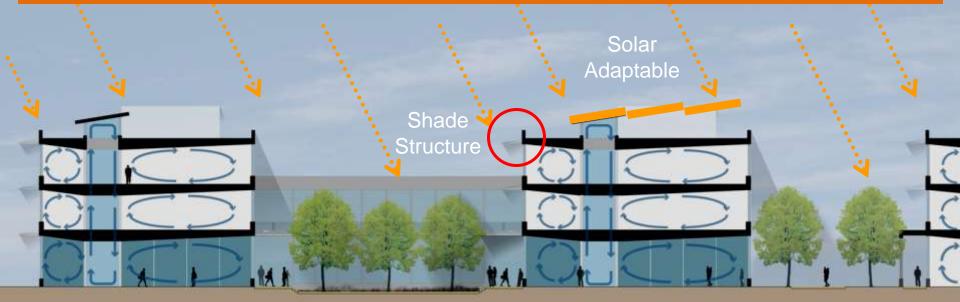
Winter

9,100 Wh/m2



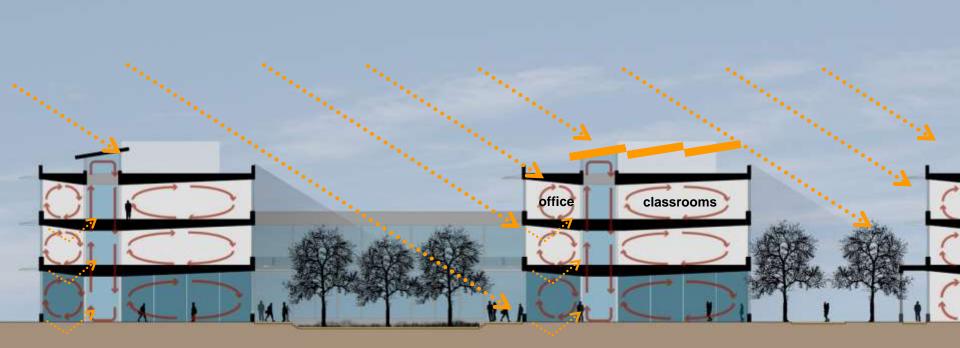
Conditioning Strategy

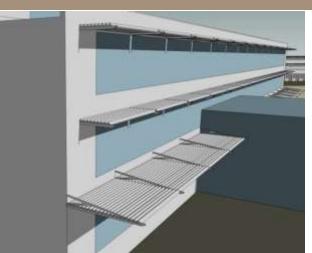
Shading reduces solar gain from 1,295,000 to 453,000 BTU per day





Winter Conditioning Strategy

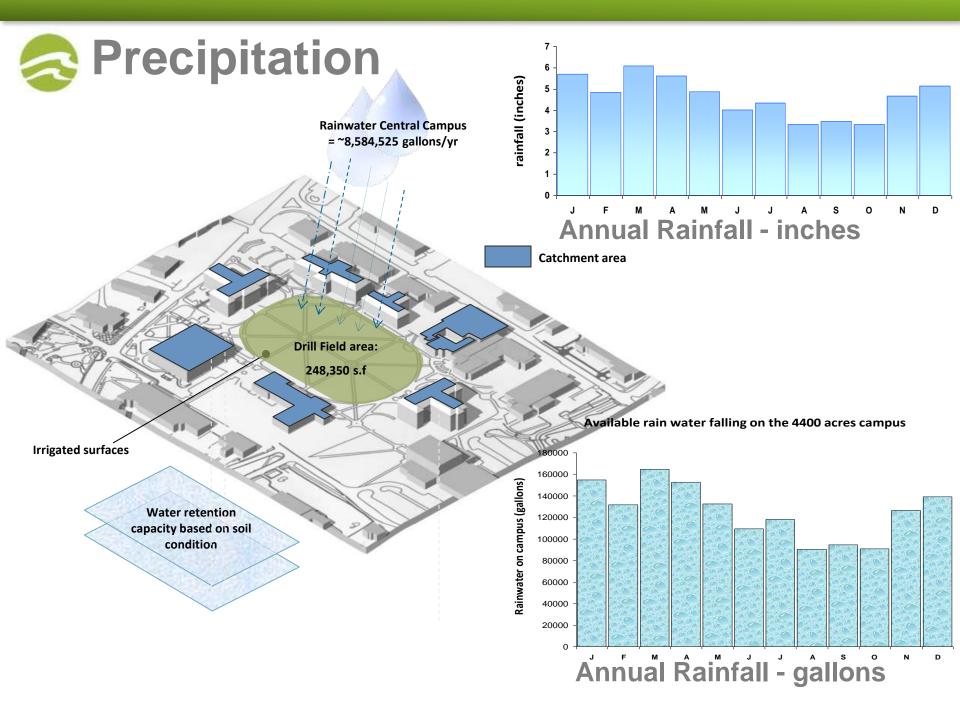




Building Energy Strategies

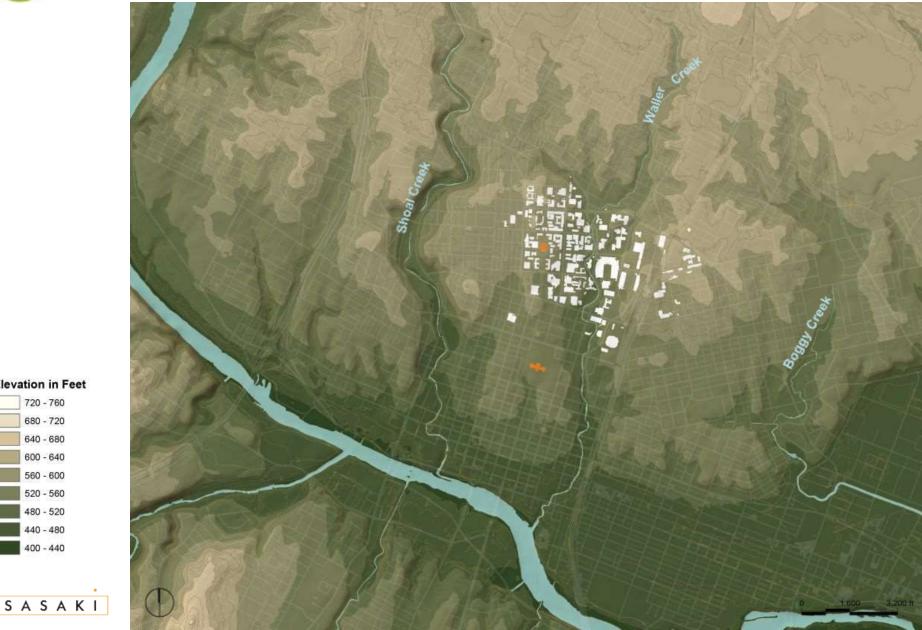
- orientation
- high performance envelope design
- cool roofs (Energy Star, shaded or green roofs)
- reduce electrical load (lower Energy Use Intensity EUI)
- design for day lighting
- •shading devices and new glazing technology
- ensure sub-metering is in place for each building
- design for solar adaptation
- low occupancy space south side; high occup.- north side





Topography + Streams

Elevation in Feet 720 - 760 680 - 720 640 - 680 600 - 640 560 - 600 520 - 560 480 - 520 440 - 480 400 - 440

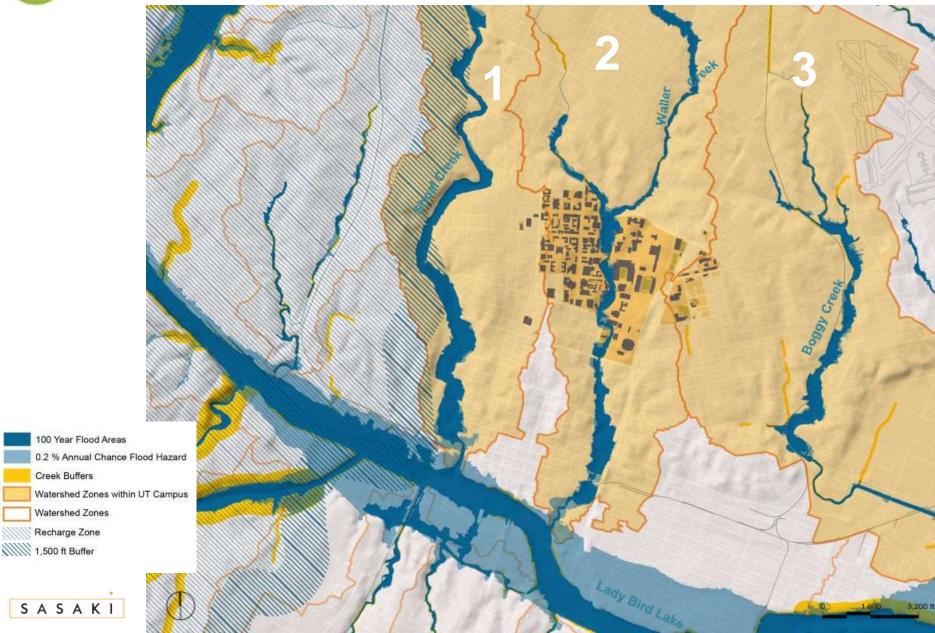


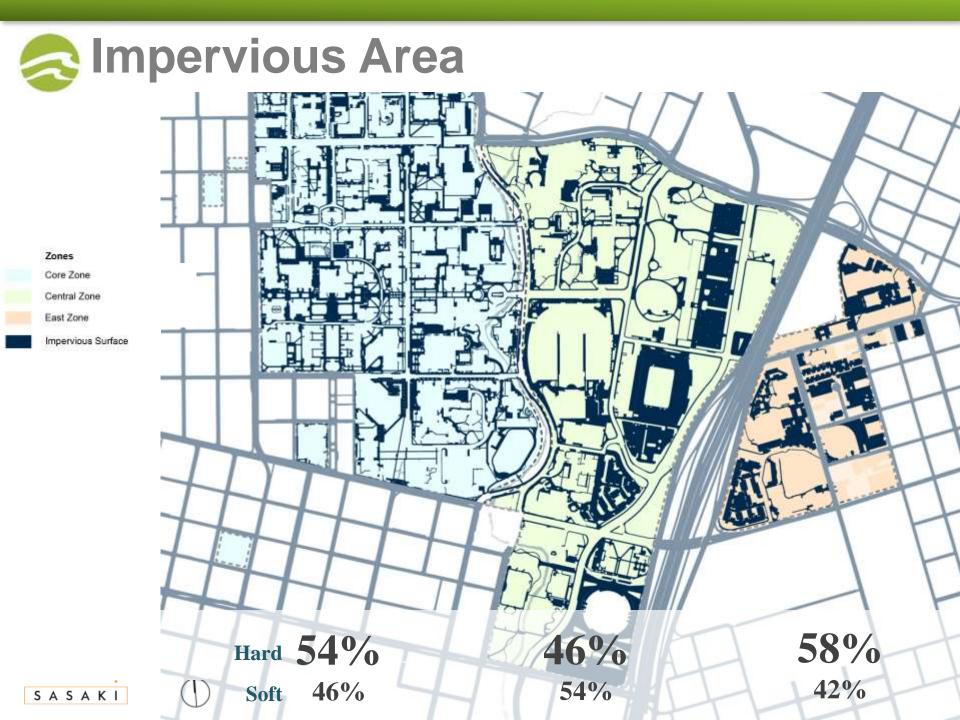
Open Space Structure



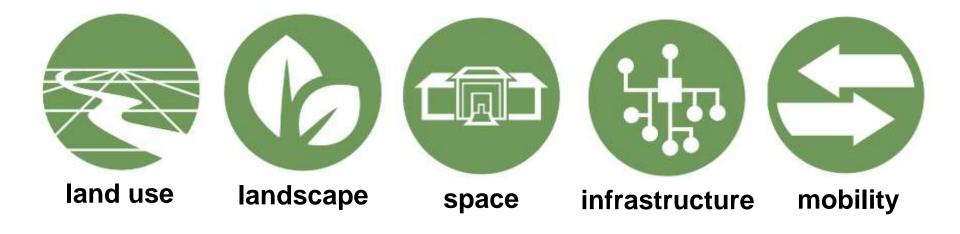
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Flood Zones & Soil Conditions





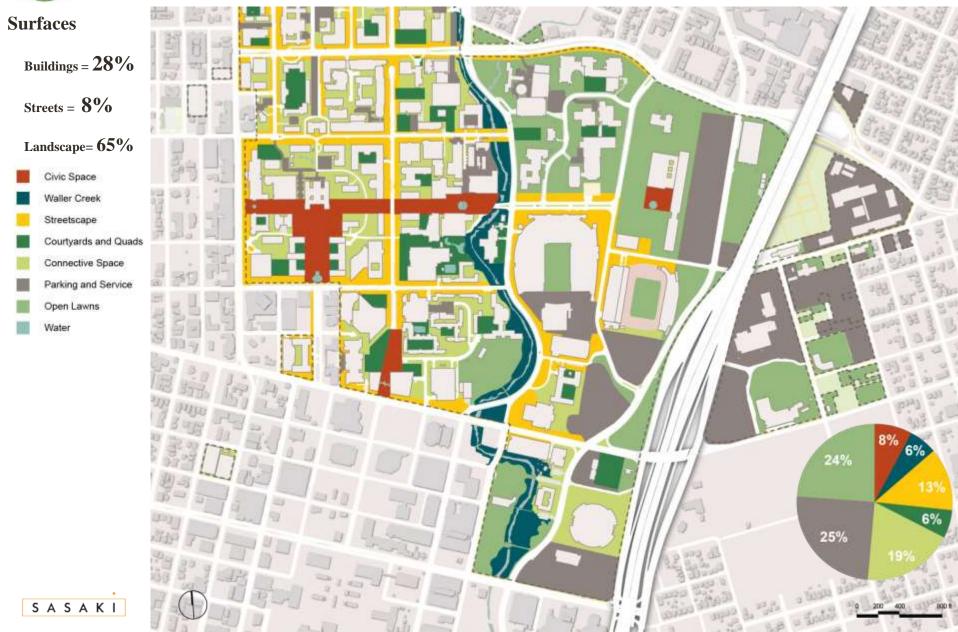
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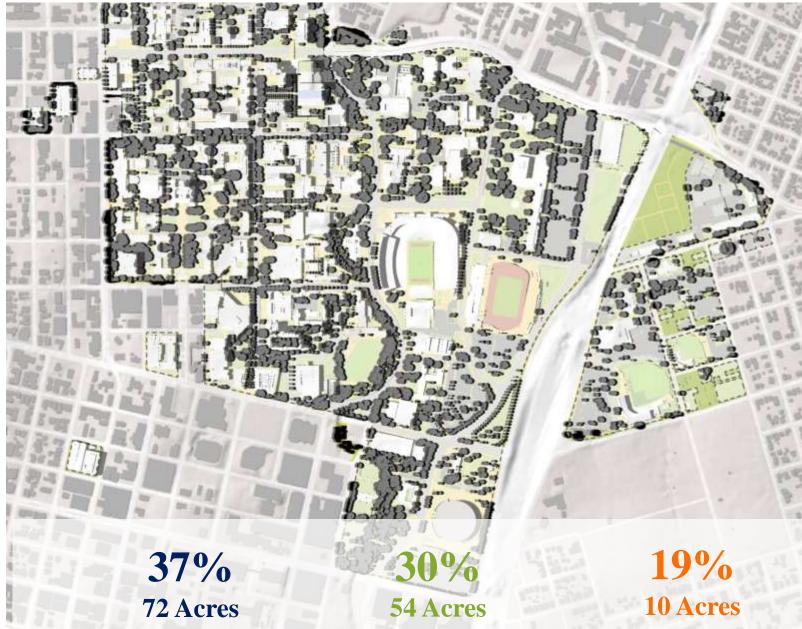
Develop a "working landscape"

Landscape Typology + Maintenance

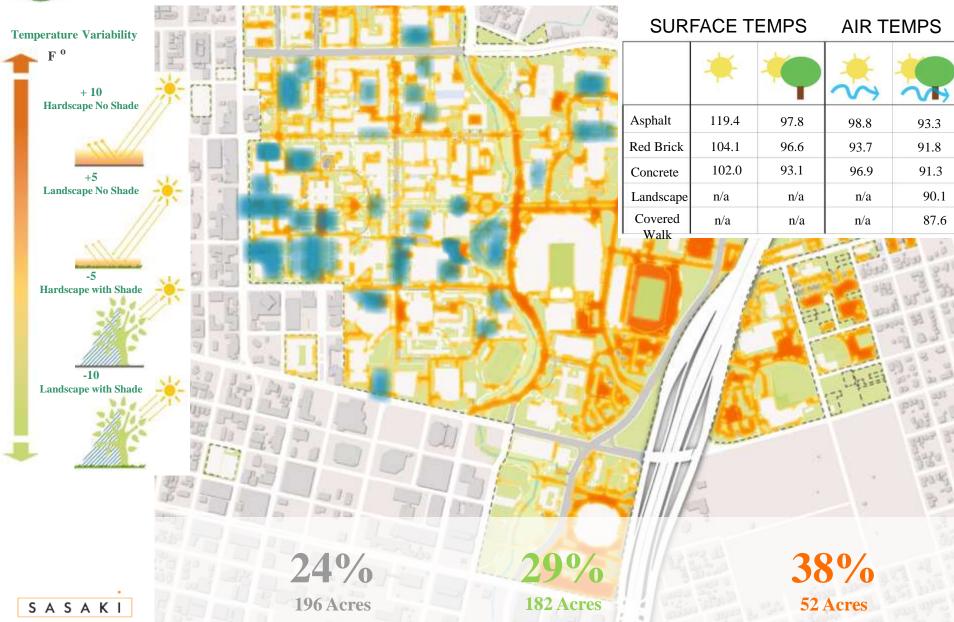




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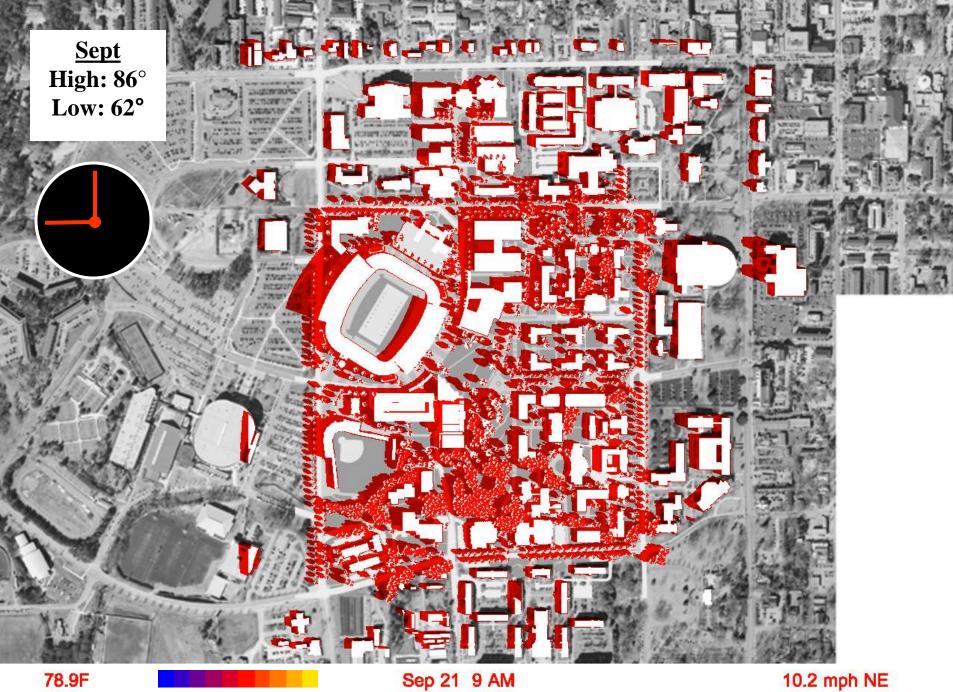


Weat Islands + Human Comfort Zones



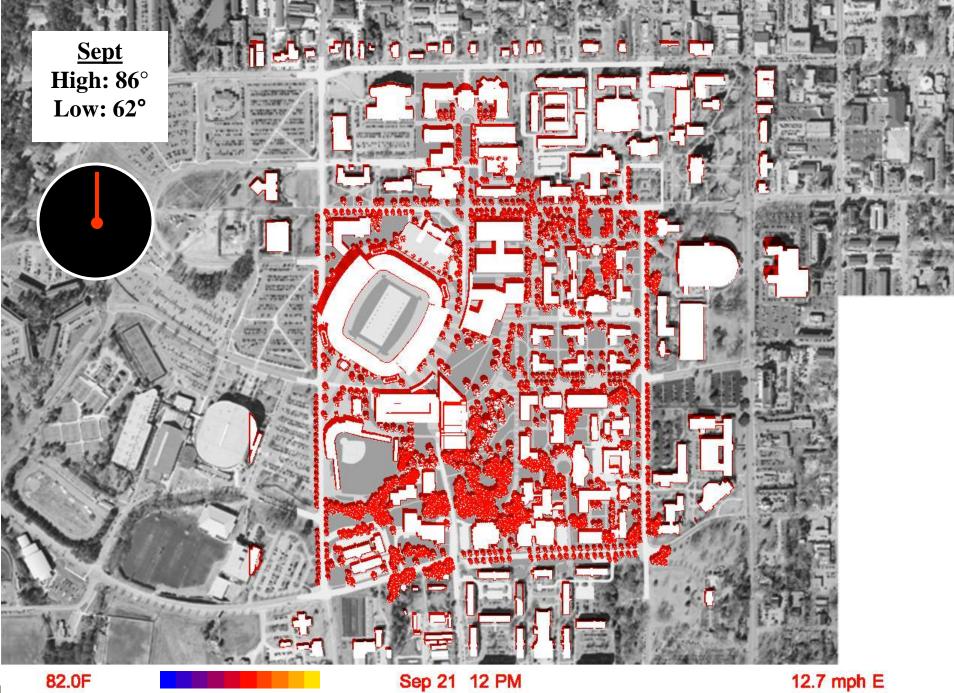


shade strategy



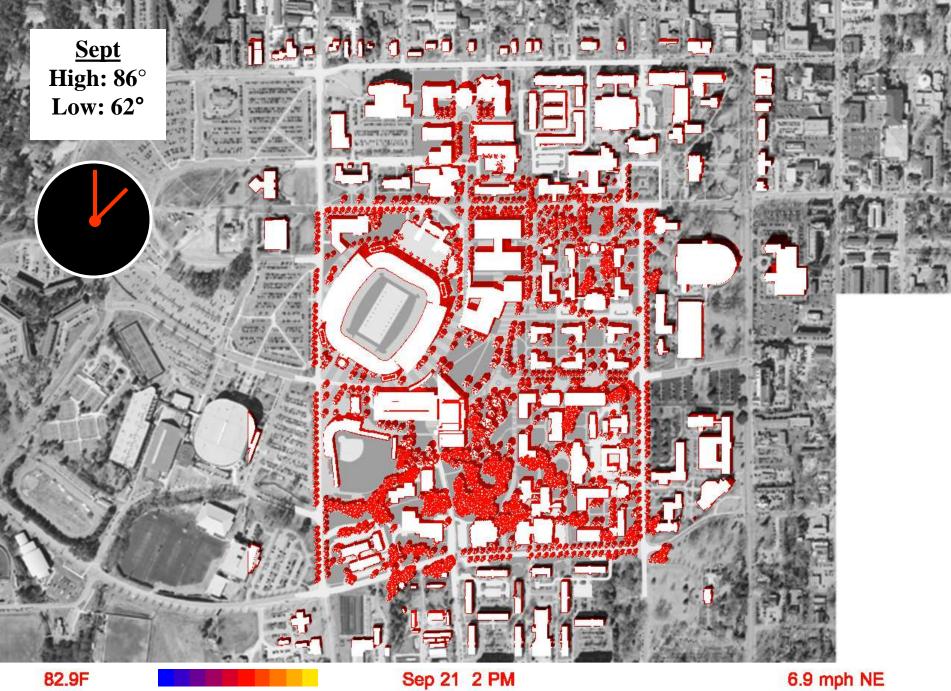
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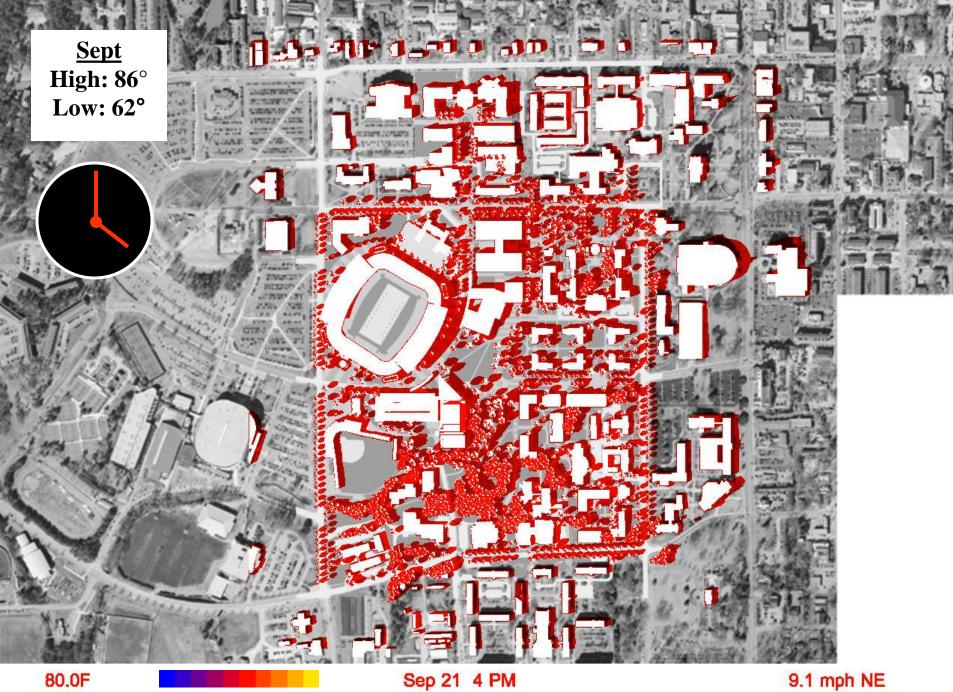
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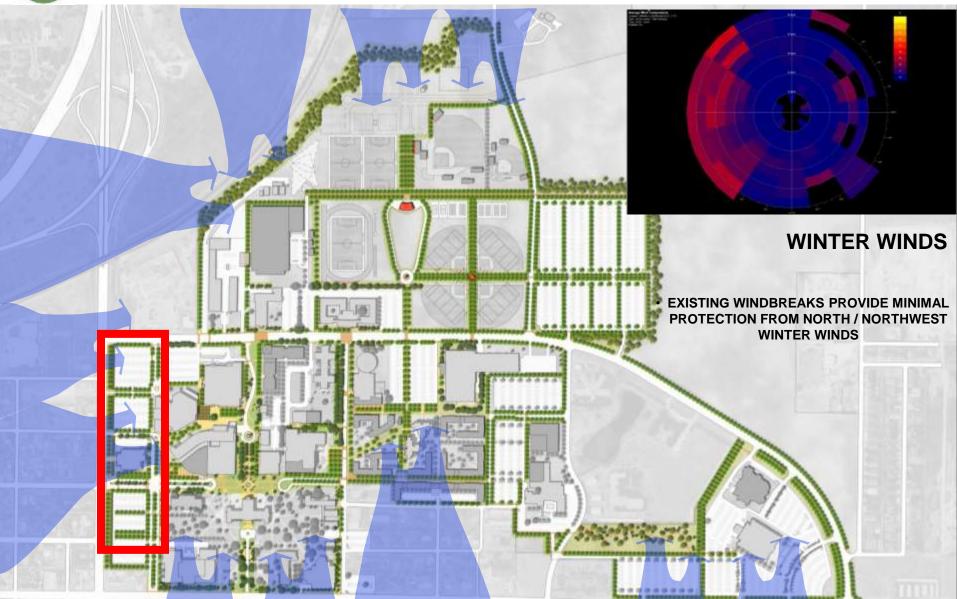








Windbreaks

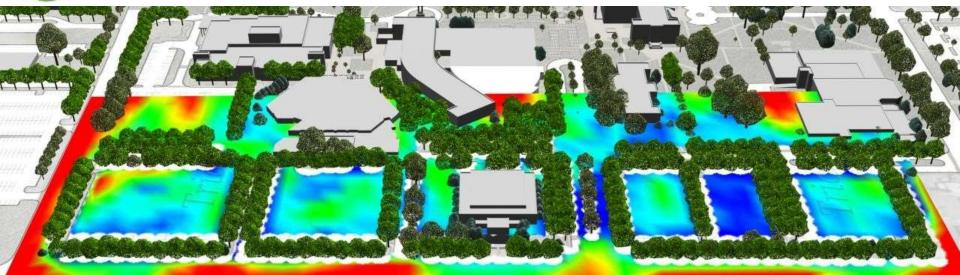






• Virtual Wind Analysis programs are utilized to determined the effectiveness of a wind break

Windbreaks: computational analysis

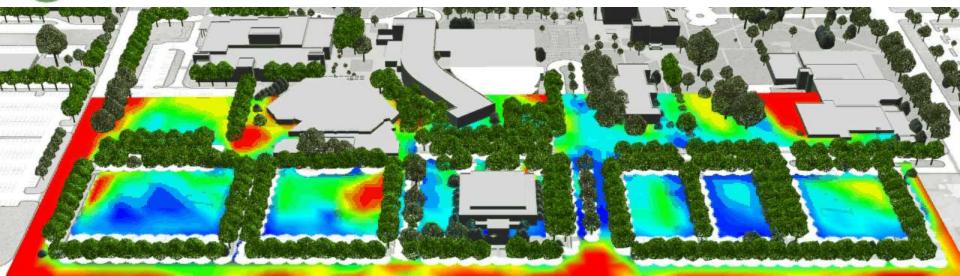


Wind Speed

0 mph

50 mph

Windbreaks: computational analysis



Wind Speed

0 mph

50 mph



Reforestation

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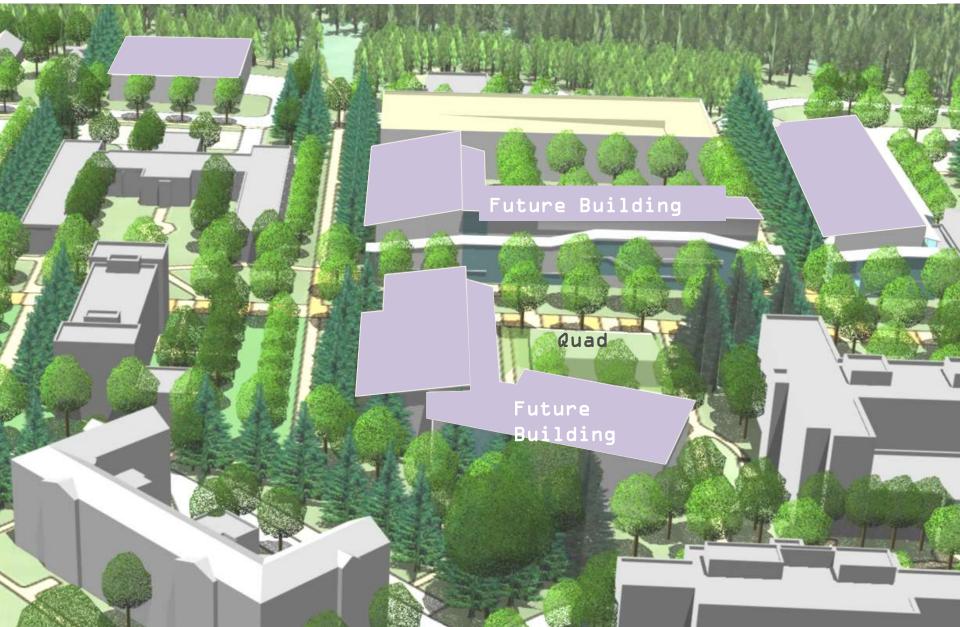
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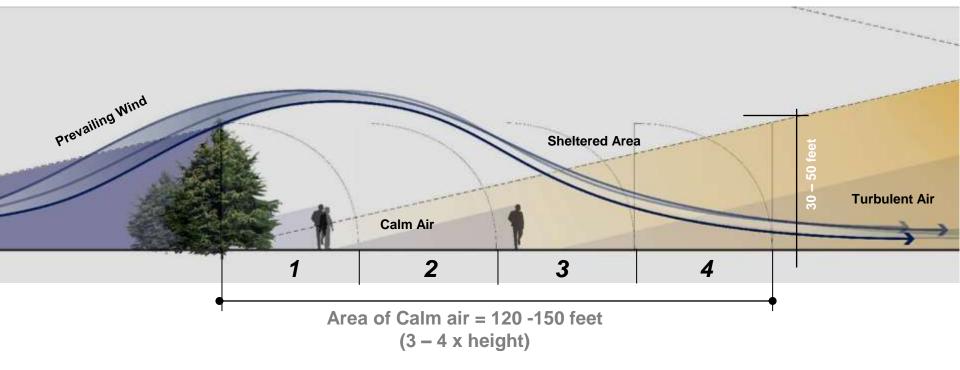
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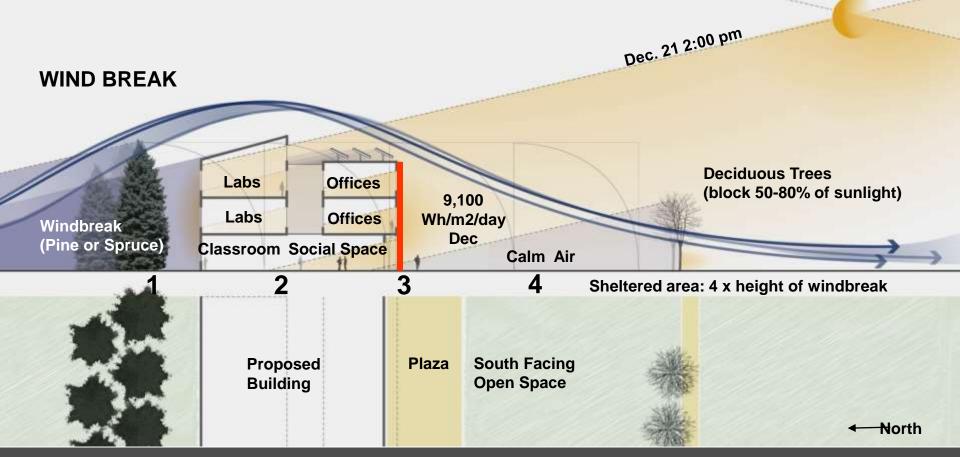






- Windbreaks and shelterbelts have been utilized to protect land from wind erosion and conserve soil moisture by reducing evaporation
- Windbreaks can assist in reducing wind speed, heating and cooling loads, and contribute to the visual quality of the environment.

Windbreaks and Building Placement





water management

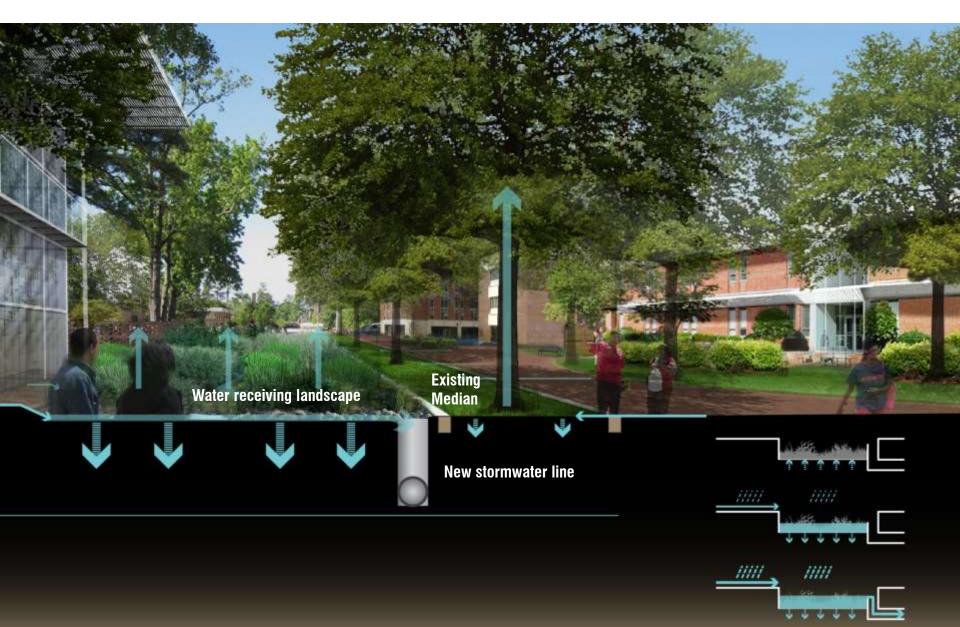




Water receiving landscape

Existing Median

Pedestrian Walkway



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A modified catch basin diverts storm water to lateral drains that feed into the planting areas via perforated underdrains.

As run-off seeps into the soil, excess water not absorbed by tree's root systems is stored in drainage stone below the planting beds. The water quality volume then infiltrates into the soil.

During large storm events, run-off flows into the city drainage system by passing over the over-flow weir.

 uitban tolerant, wet tolerant shade trees

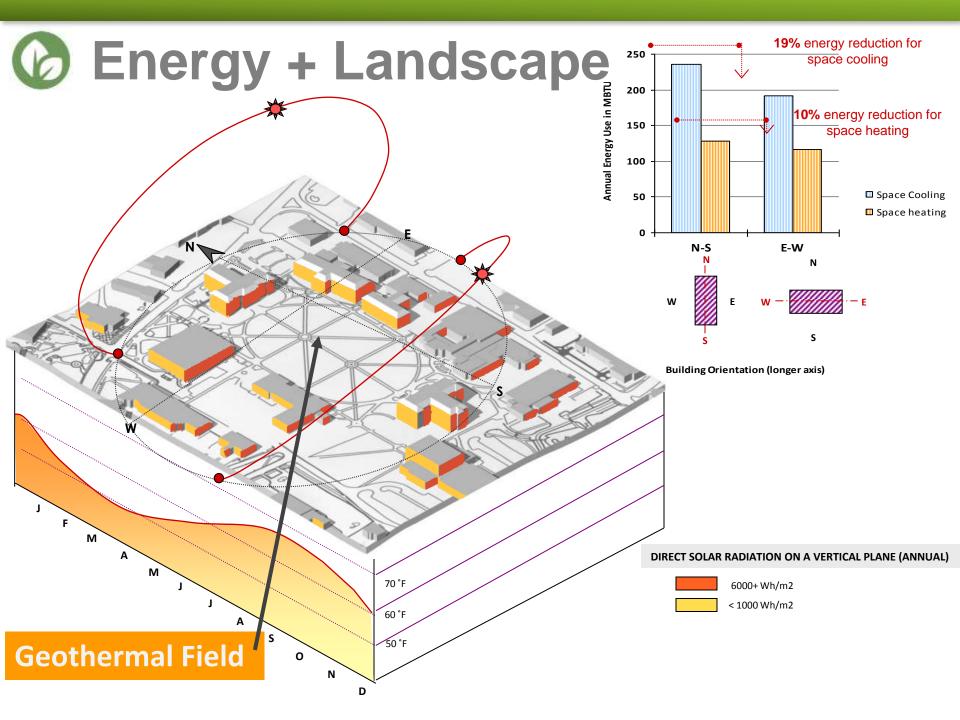
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energy production





carbon sequestration

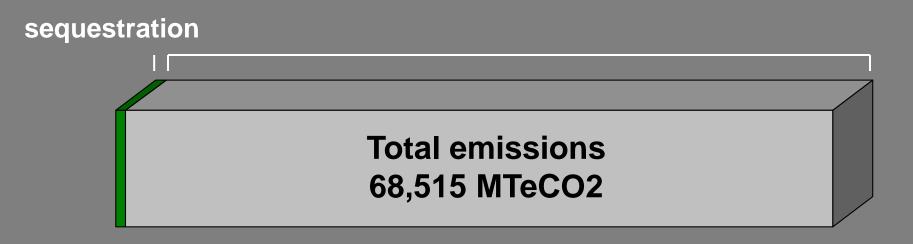






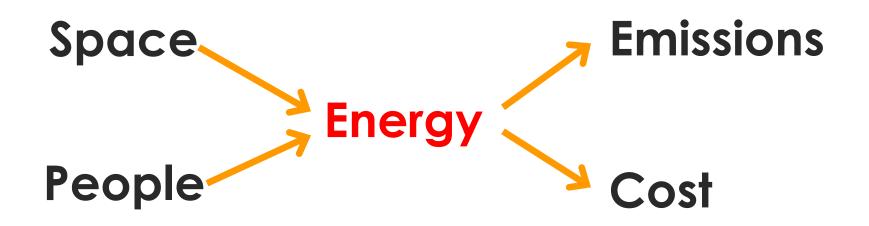
SEQUESTRATION THROUGH TREES ANNUALLY	CAMPUS EMISSIONS
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Tree cover sequestration: 1.5% of CO2 emissions



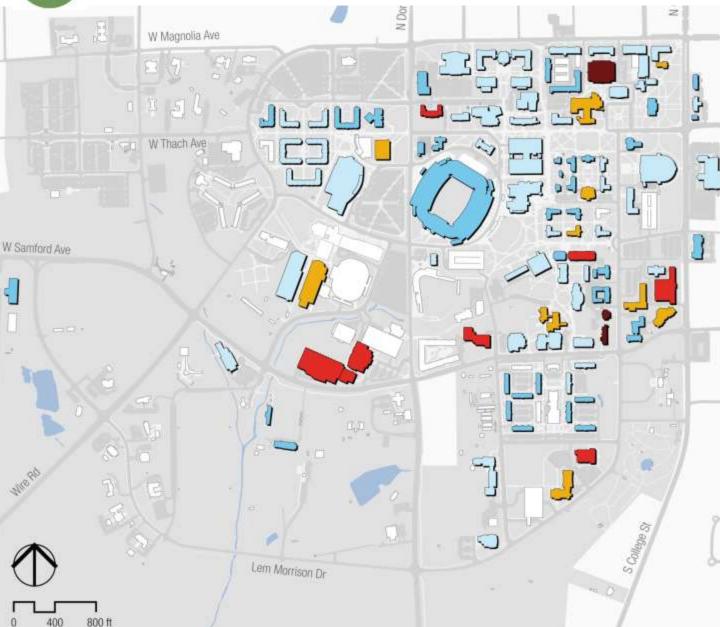




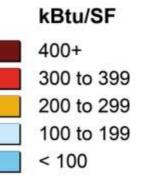




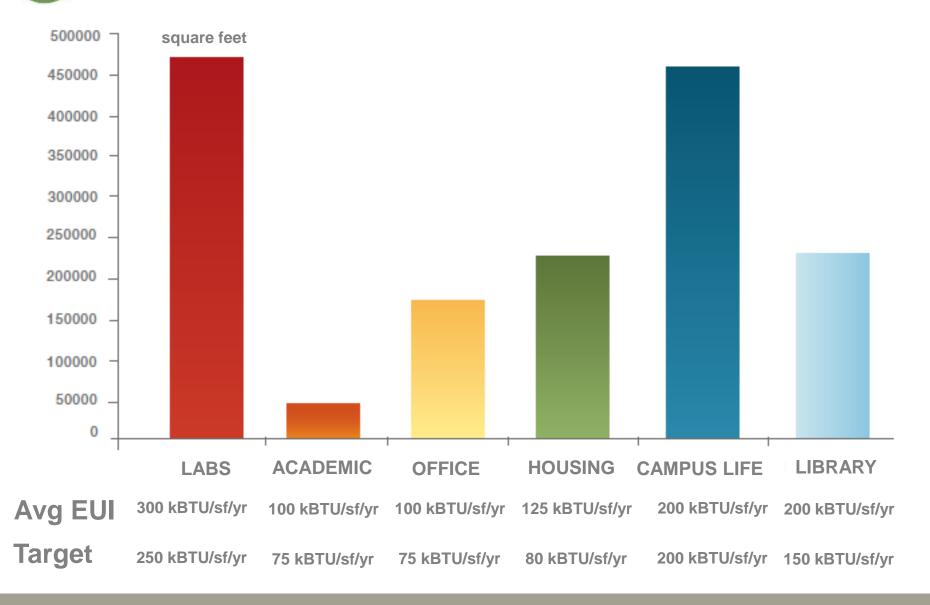
Energy Usage Intensity (EUI)



EUI, or energy use intensity, is a unit of measurement that describes a building's energy use. EUI represents the energy consumed by a building relative to its size. EUI is calculated by taking the total energy consumed in one year and dividing by the total floor space of the building.

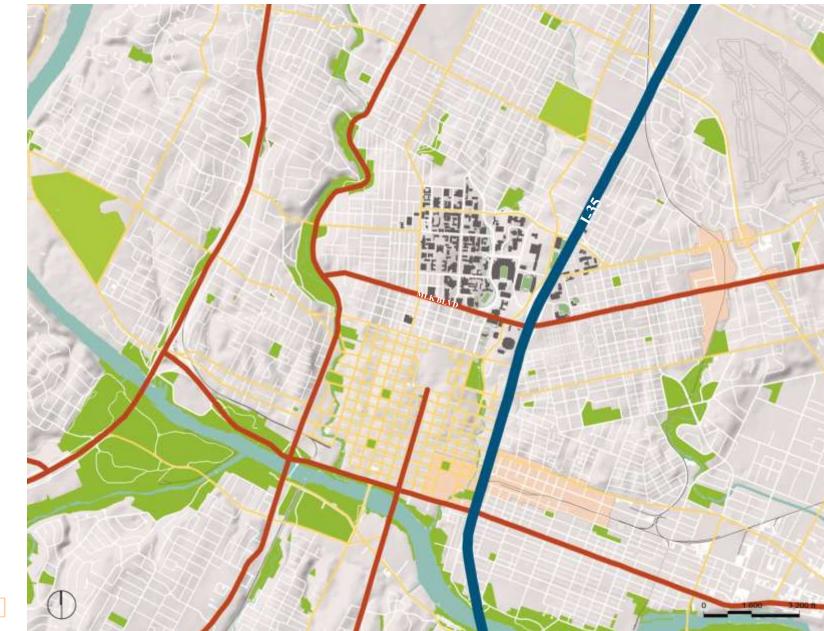


Space and Energy Use Intensity





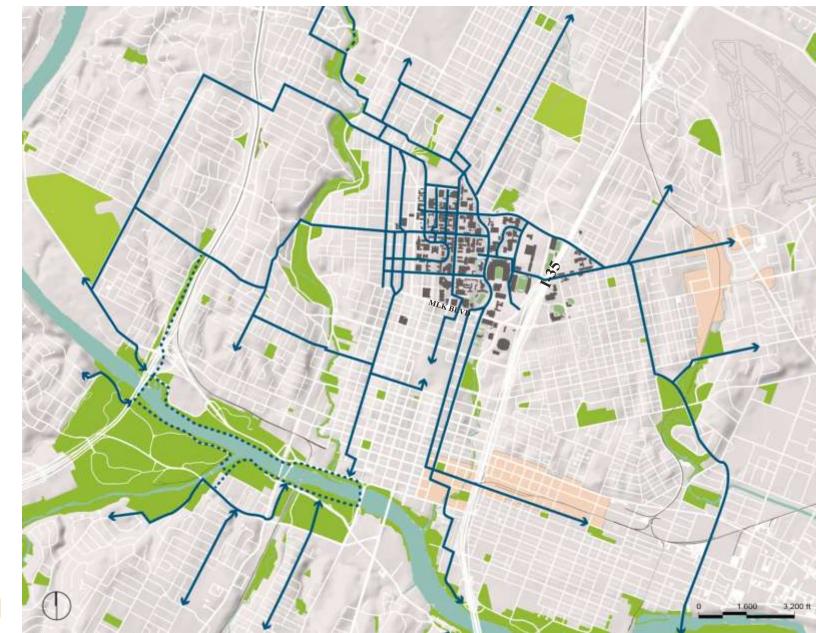




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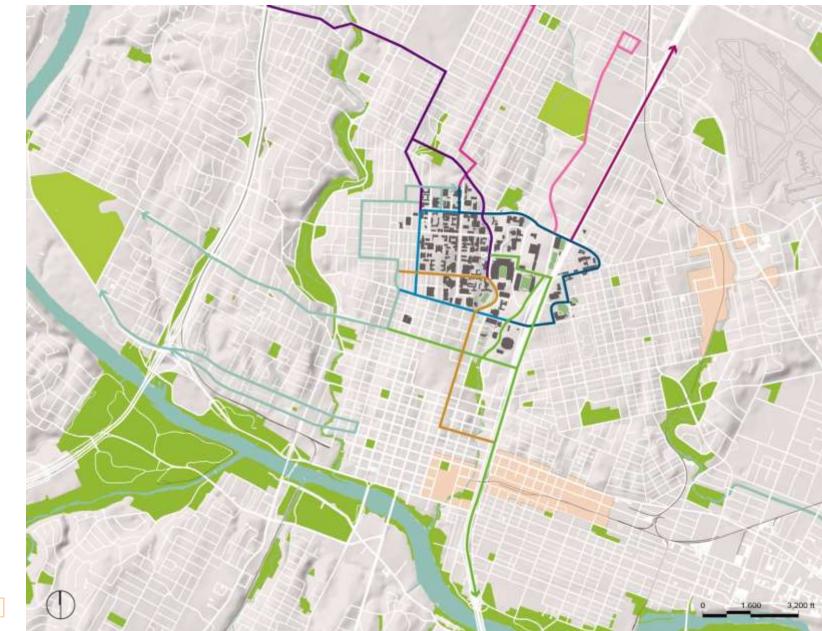
S Mobility Strategy – bicycle network

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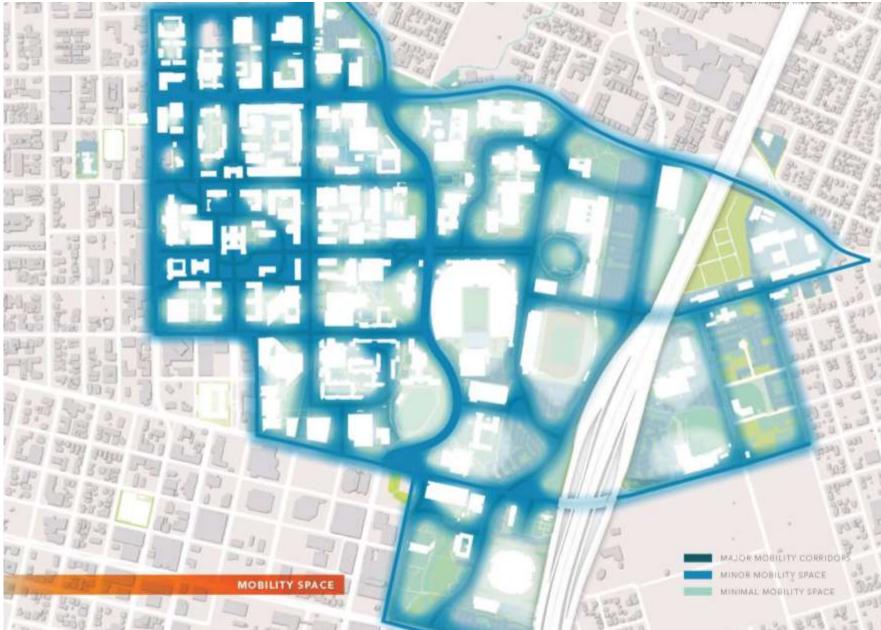


S Mobility Strategy – transit network

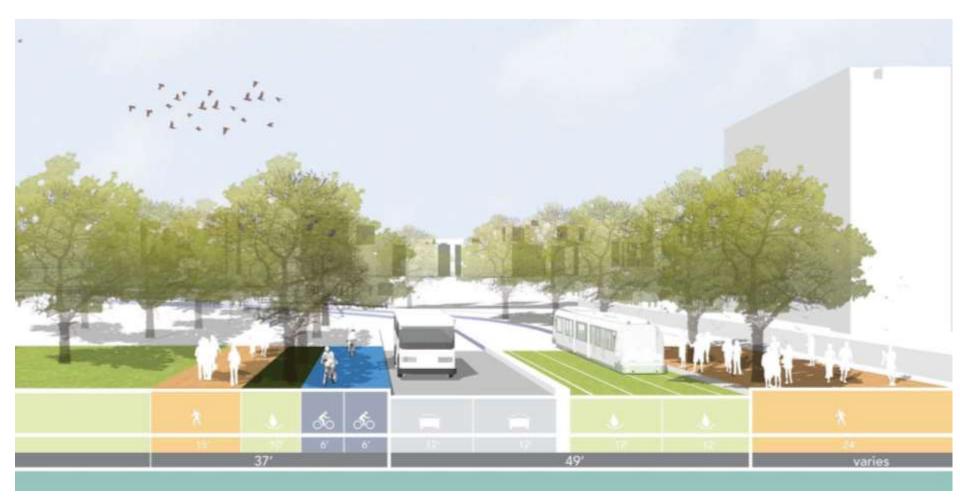
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S Mobility Space + Complete Streets



Solution Mobility Space + Complete Streets



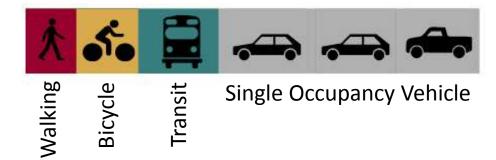
S Modal Split Targets 2010



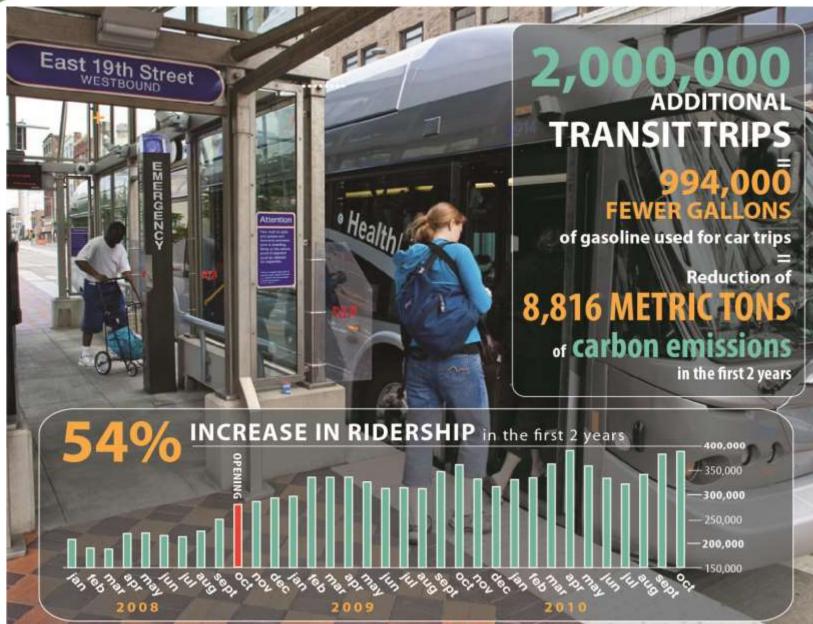
Walking Bicycle Transit

Single Occupancy Vehicle

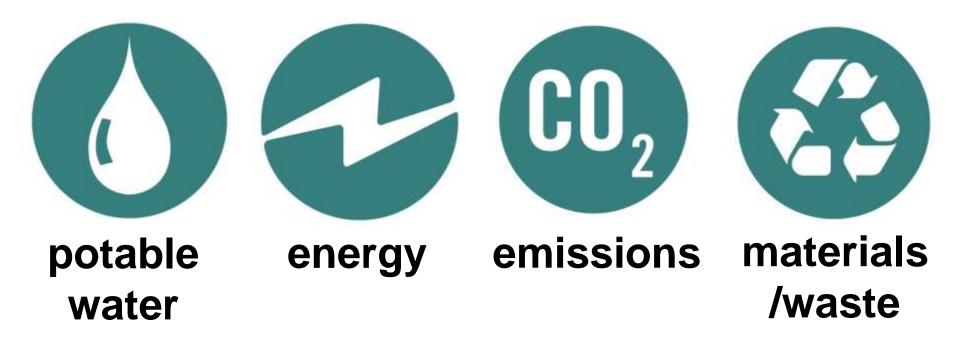




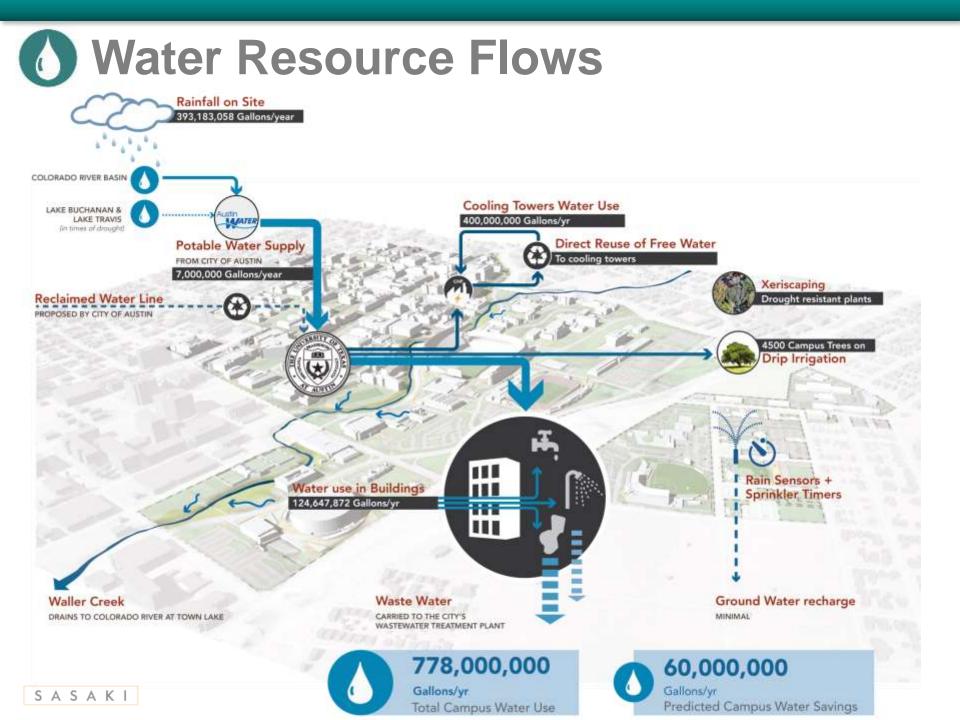
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RESOURCE FLOWS

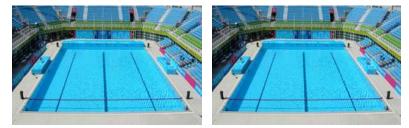




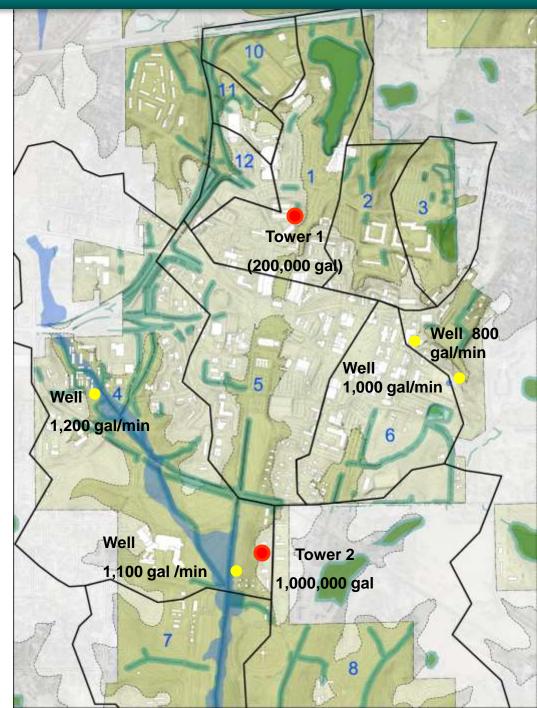


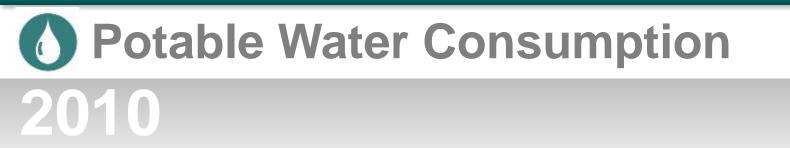


Average Daily Water Consumption: 1,000,000 gallons



Approximately 2 Olympic Pools per Day





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Summer 2010 Average Daily Consumption: 1,750,000 gallons



2020 Goal: 20% reduction in water use

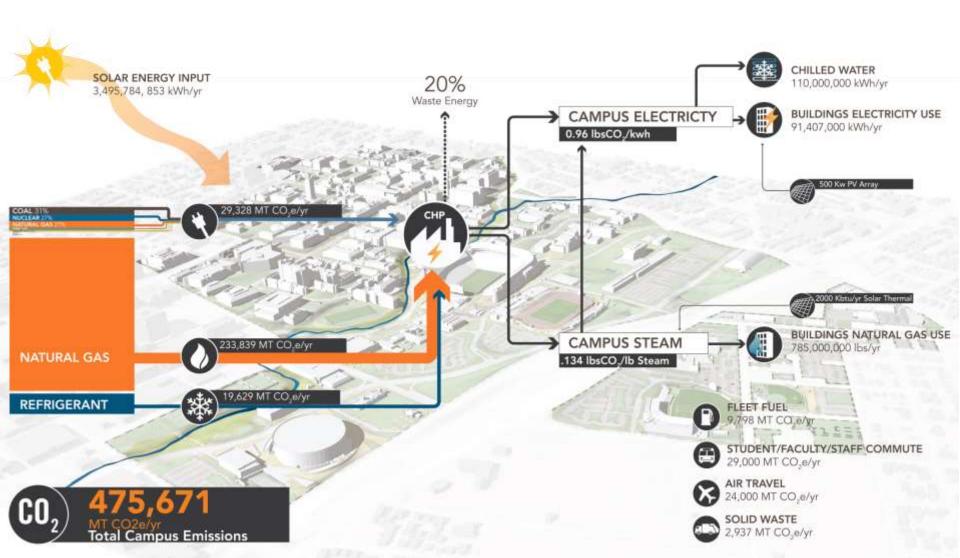
Targeted Daily Water Consumption: 800,000 gallons



20% reduction







Energy Consumption 2010

Annual Electricity Consumption (2009): 224,000 MBTU (65,684,000 kWh)



Annual Natural Gas Consumption (2009): 142,470 MBTU (1,424,708 Therms)



TOTAL MBTU: 366,587

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TOTAL MBTU: 366,587



Targeted Electricity Consumption: 180,000 MBTU



Targeted Natural Gas Consumption: 128,000 MBTU



Renewable ??







SCOPE 2 INDIRECT SCOPE 1 DIRECT SCOPE 3 INDIRECT



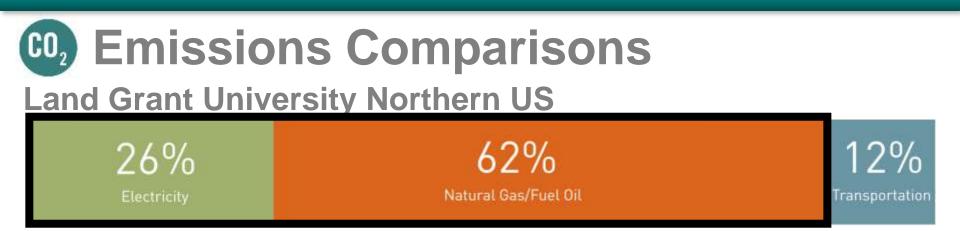
Fuel Combustion University-Owned Fleets Heating & Cooling











Land Grant University Southern US

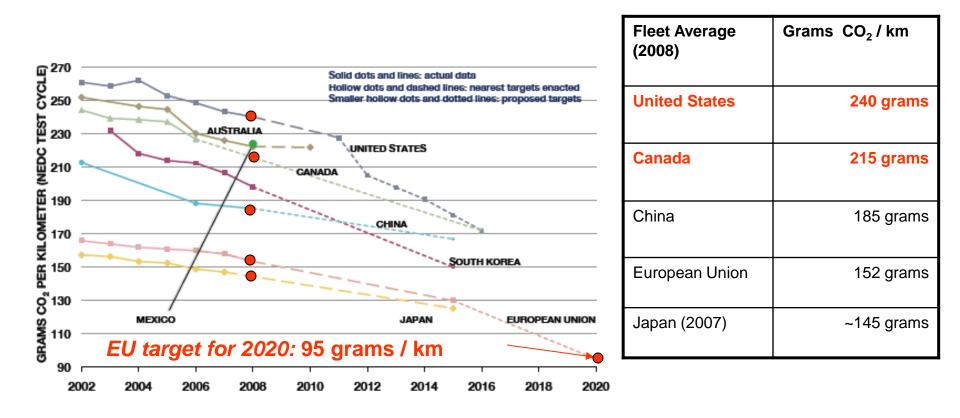


Commuter College Southern US





The US Fleet average: 240g CO₂ / km



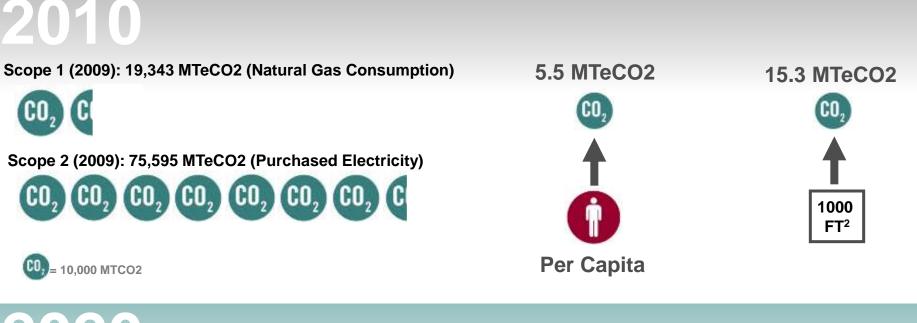
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Scope 1 Target: 15,000 MTeCO2 (Natural Gas Consumption)



Scope 2 Target: 60,000 MTeCO2 (Purchased Electricity)





materials / waste

Material Procurement

500 mile radius





3,922,708 lbs of solid waste



124,000 lbs recycled





30% reduction



economic

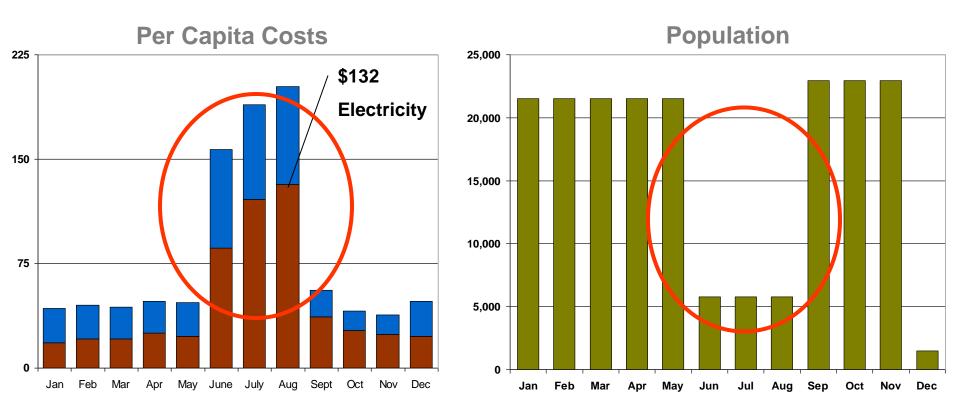


operational costs



Cost spent per capita:

electricity:\$18 per month to \$132 per monthnatural gas:\$14 per month to \$71 per month





economic development

Economic Partnerships





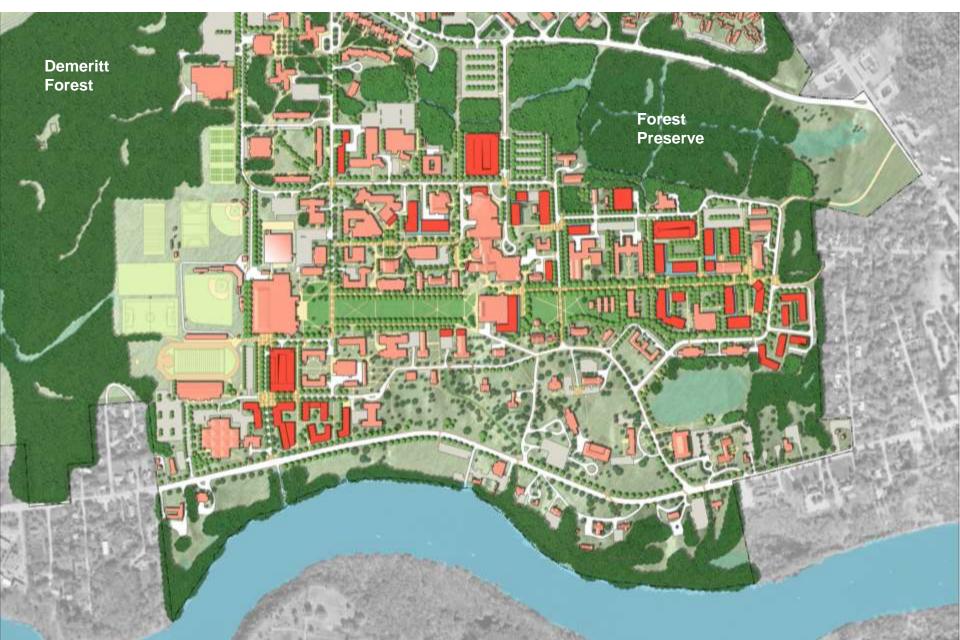
University of Maine Master Plan Case Study

AWARDS: SCUP / AIA MERIT AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN PLANNING, 2009 BSA CAMPUS PLANNING MERIT AWARD, 2010





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Sustainability Metrics Habitat ::

• Goals

- Increase connectivity
- Preserve woods and farm land

• Strategies

- Growth boundary
- Reforestation
- Riverfront restoration
- Wetland restoration
- Windbreaks

Outcomes

- Reforestation / Habitat Corridors
- Wetland restoration
- 800 acres of forest preserved



Demerritt Forest :

Spruce 29% White Pine 27% Red Maple 18% Balsom Fir 14% Hemlock 10%

> **Riverfront restoration** (removal of parking)

Reforestation /

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Wetland Restoration

Growth boundary

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Sustainability Metrics Water Resources ::

- Goals
 - Comprehensive stormwater management plan
 - Reduce impervious area
 - Increase water retention time
 - Decrease potable water use

• Strategies

- Re-establish wetlands
- Restore riverfront floodplain
- Create detention areas

Outcomes

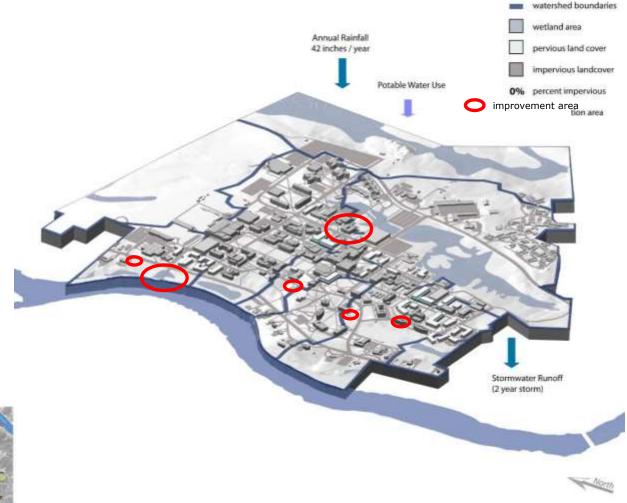
- Decrease in impervious area
- Decrease in run-off volume (cubic feet)
- Decrease in run-off rates (cubic feet / second)

Soil Analysis









Sustainability Metrics Access / Mobility : :

• Goals

- Improve the pedestrian experience
- Plan for transportation options / reduce parking demand
- Connectivity: interior/exterior circulation/community network

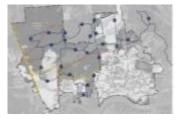
Strategies

- Establish pedestrian priority zone
- Park once and walk policy
- Relocate parking to the periphery
- Create campus shuttle / transit service
- Connectivity to community path

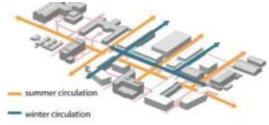
Outcomes

- Pedestrianized core
- Improved transit access/modal split
- Increase in resident population

Campus Trail Network



Coordinated Interior / Exterior Pedestrian Network



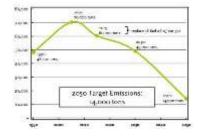


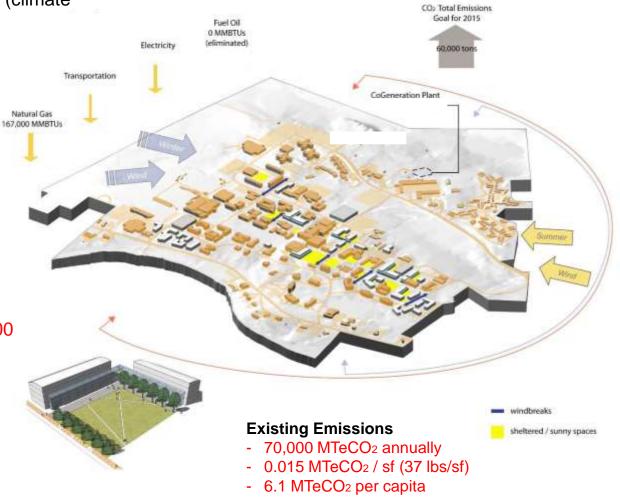
Sustainability Metrics Energy & Emissions : :

- Goals
 - Presidents' Climate commitment (climate neutrality)
 - Reduce CO₂ emissions
 - Reduce energy costs
- Strategies
 - Cogeneration
 - Transition fuel sources
 - Creating working landscapes
 - Building performance guidelines
 - Solar adaptability
 - Emissions reduction targets

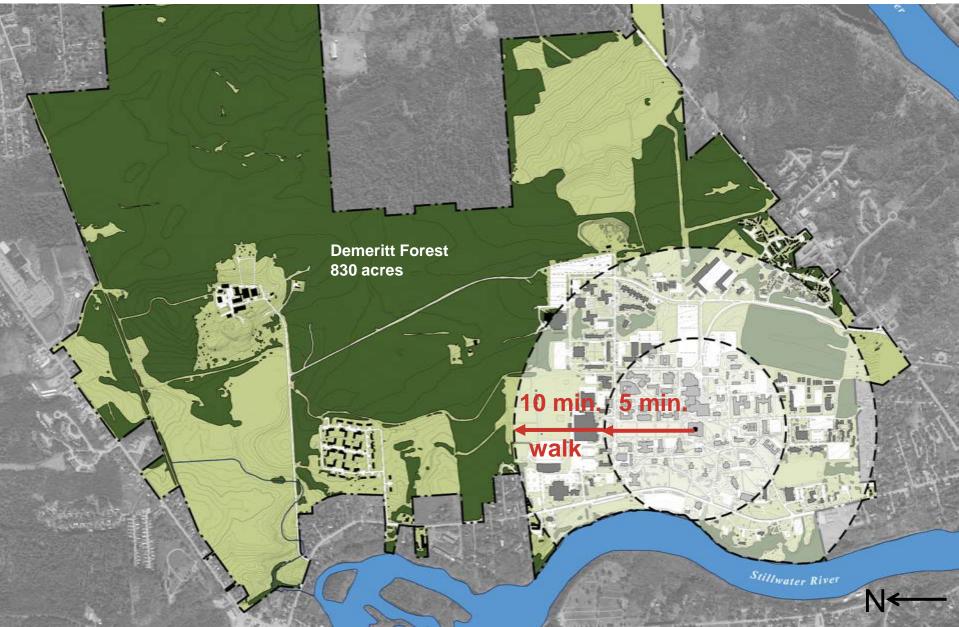
Outcomes

- 1.7 million additional SF
- Potential eCO2 increase 25,800
 MTeCO2 (assuming current fuel mix/power sources)

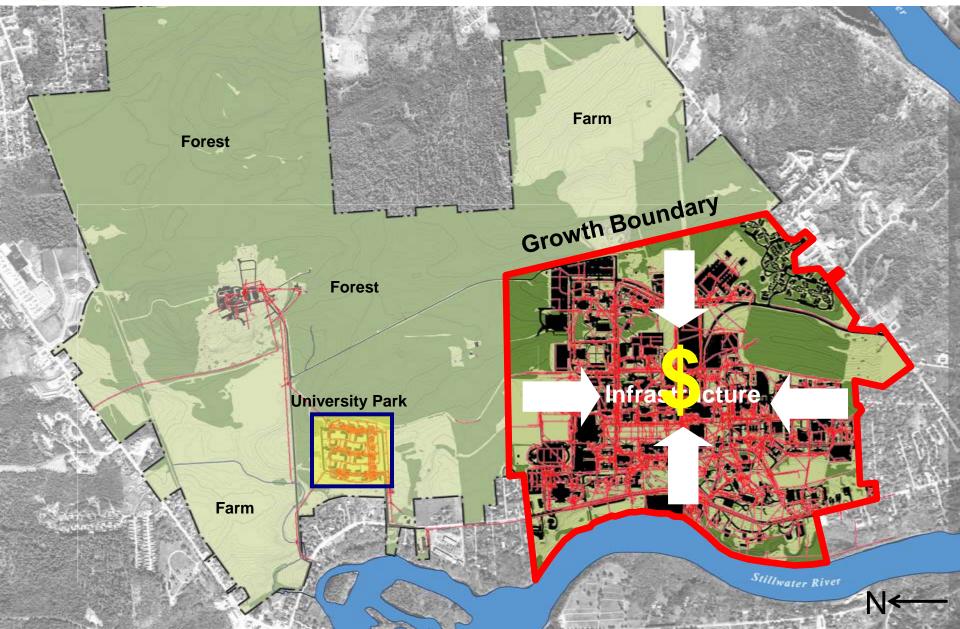












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