

# 2023 WASCANA CENTRE MASTER PLAN RENEWAL

Public Participation

October 2023



A branch of  
the Provincial  
Capital Commission

*We acknowledge the land on which we gather is  
Treaty 4 Territory and Home of the Métis*



## Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that the land on which we gathered for the conversations in support of this master plan is located on Treaty 4 Territory and Home of the Métis. We also acknowledge and honour Treaties 2, 4, 5, 6, 8 and 10 within the Province of Saskatchewan. We offer our thanks to the First Nations for their care of and teaching about our earth and our relations. May we honour those traditions.

# Agenda

1. Where We Are in the Master Plan Process
2. What the Master Plan Does
3. What Has Changed Since the 2016 Update
4. Next Steps

# Work Plan Schedule



# Engagement Schedule



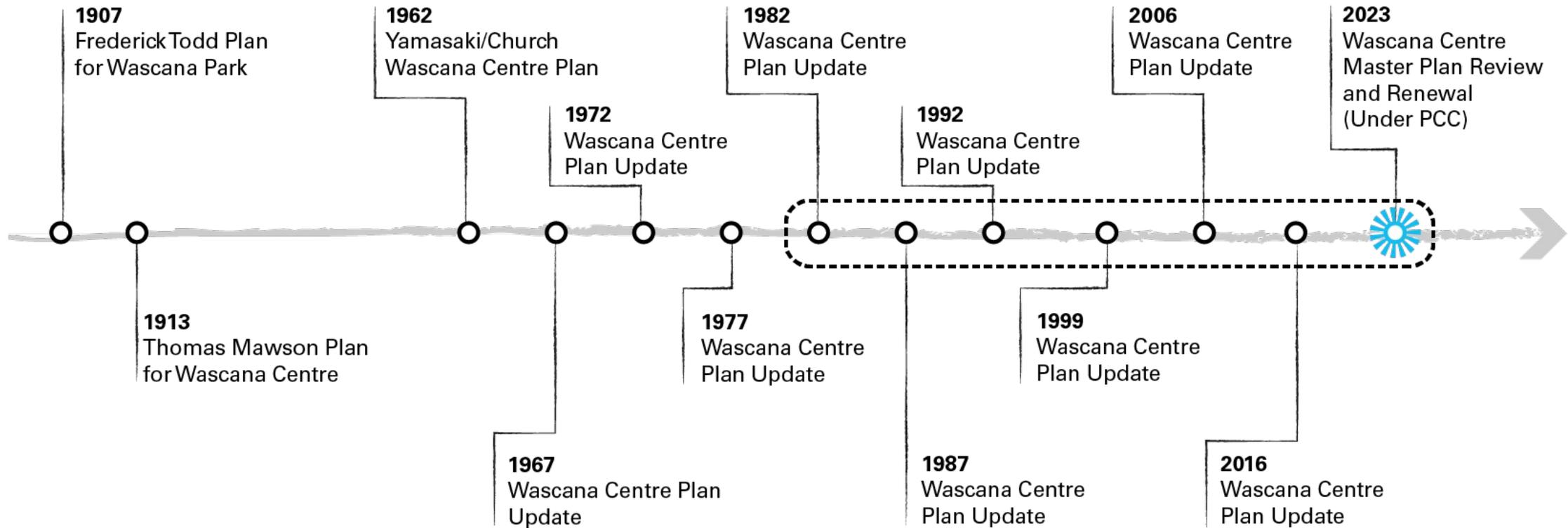
**ON GOING INPUT AND ENGAGEMENT**

<p>Inform how the public can participate Consult the public on key topics and issues</p>	<p>Gain the public's input and ideas on the draft vision and objectives for the Master Plan Review planning principles and pillars</p>	<p>Review and invite public feedback on the initial Master Plan draft</p>	<p>Review the updated Master Plan draft Collect public comments</p>	<p>PCC Board of Directors review and approve Master Plan Public notified upon approval and posting</p>
<p>Indigenous Community Leader Interviews Indigenous Community Sharing Circle Public Open House Online Survey</p>	<p>Indigenous Community Leader Interviews Online poll Community pop-ups</p>	<p>Indigenous Community Leader Interviews Indigenous Community Sharing Circle Public Open House Online Survey</p>	<p>Final draft of Master Plan posted online for comments</p>	<p>Approved Master Plan posted online for viewing</p>

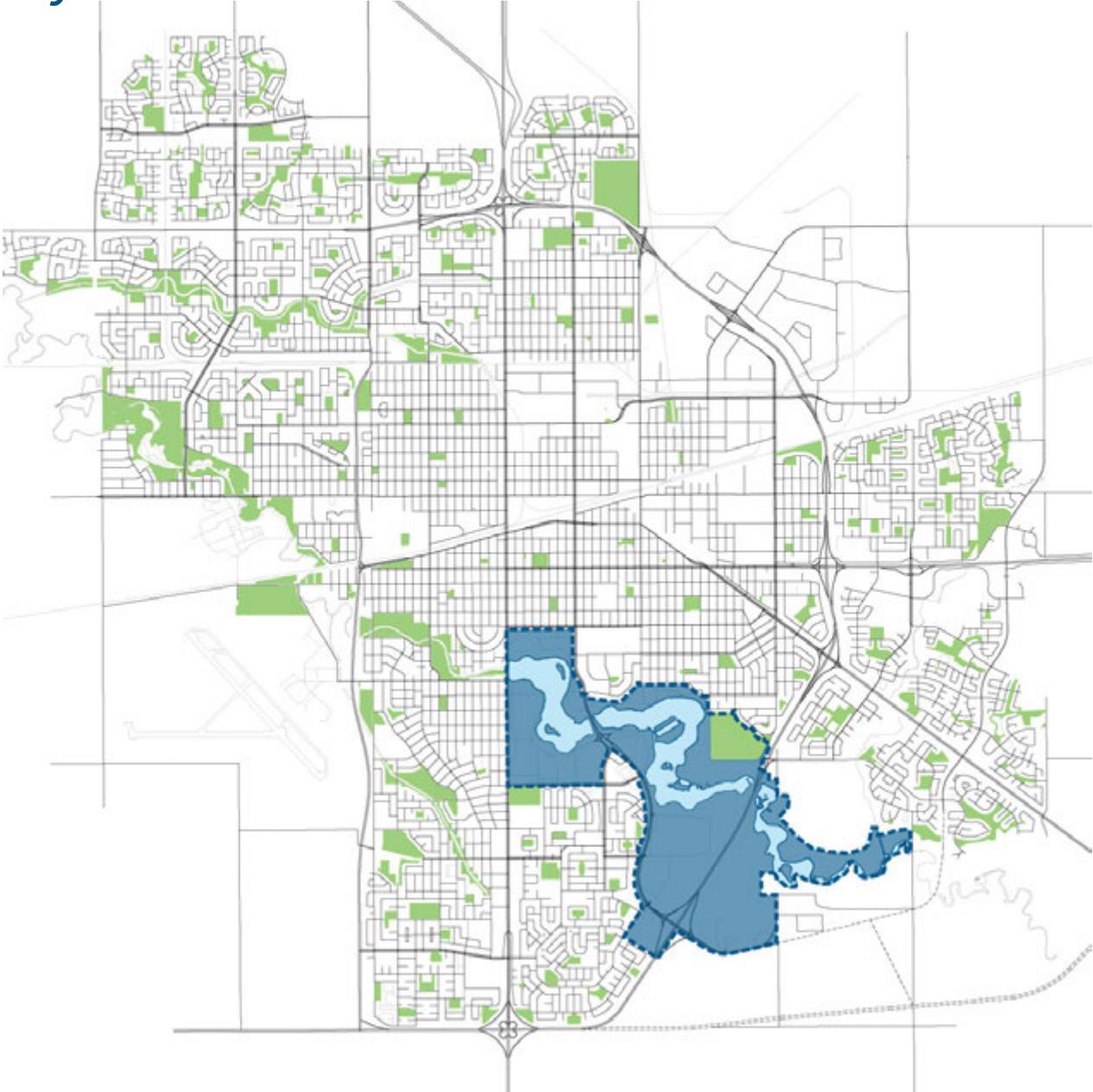
# THE MASTER PLAN



# History of the Plan

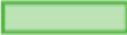


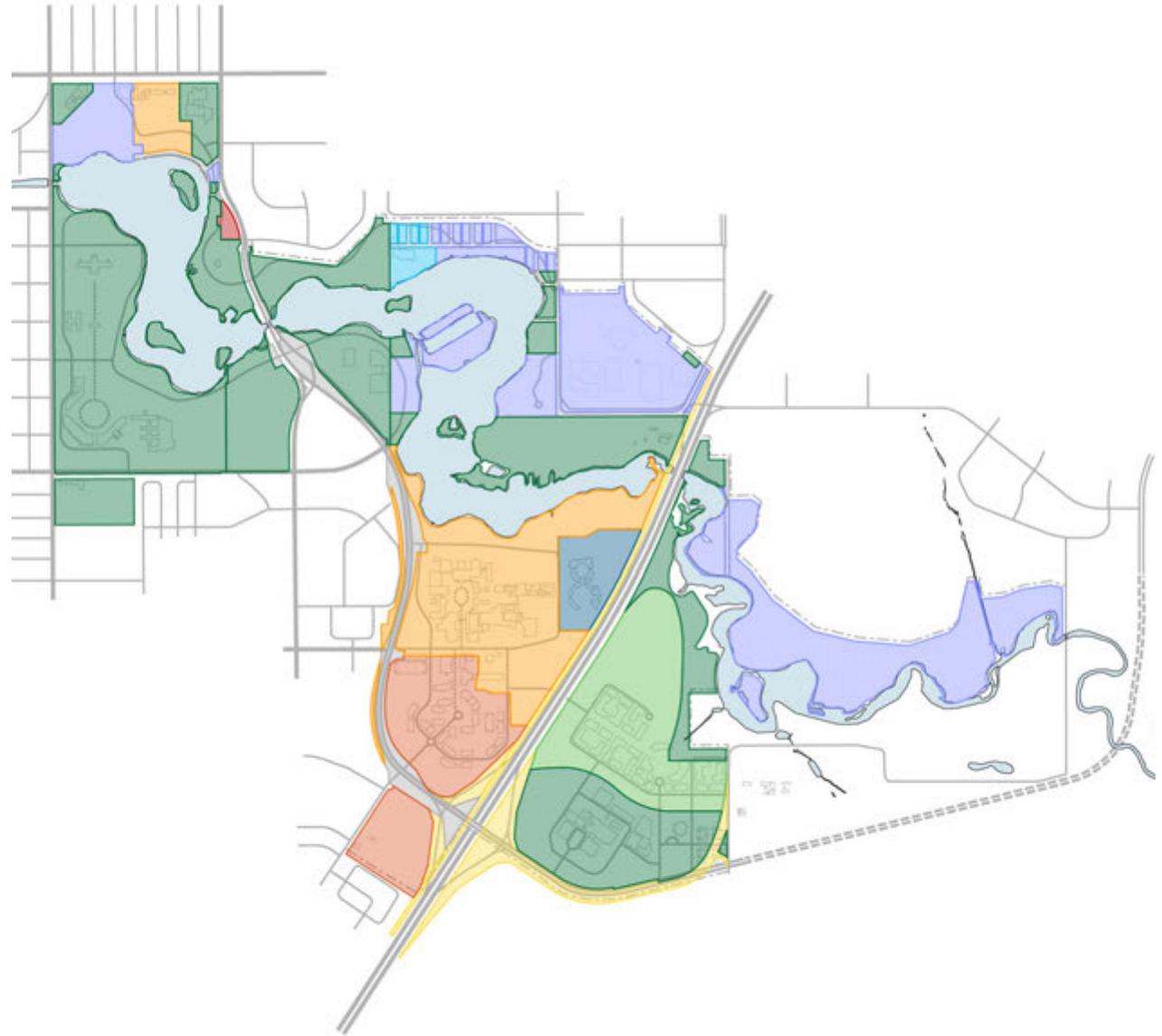
# Wascana in the City



# Statutory Partnership

## Wascana Centre Land Ownership Map

Provincial Government	
Prov. Gov't - leased (to U of R)	
SaskPower/SaskEnergy	
Saskatchewan Highways & Trans.	
City of Regina	
University of Regina	
U of R (leased to prov. gov't.)	
First Nations University of Canada	
Federal Government	
Vested Roadways (Crown Land)	



## *The PCC Act : Five Purposes (Pillars)*



# WHAT WE'VE HEARD SO FAR

# Stage 1 Engagement

**1**

**First Integrated  
Indigenous  
Engagement Process**

**160<sup>+</sup>**

**Attendees at  
Open House**

**670<sup>+</sup>**

**Survey  
Responses**

## Stage 2 Engagement

**7**

**Pop-Up  
Events**

**300+**

**People Engaged  
through Pop-Ups**

**270+**

**Survey  
Responses**

# Key Messages

## **HERITAGE AND CULTURE**

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What qualifies as Heritage  
Acknowledging Indigenous Presence

## **TENSIONS BETWEEN USES/USERS**

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Movement/Circulation  
Priorities within Purposes  
Over-Programming/Over-Developing

## **REDEFINING LANDSCAPE CHARACTER**

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Prairie/Formal Landscapes  
Reduce Resources for Maintenance  
Enhance Ecological Quality

## **STRENGTHEN LANGUAGE**

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Clarifying Land Use  
Conforming/Non-Conforming Uses  
Suitable Commercial Use in the Centre

## **ADDRESSING REPRESENTATION**

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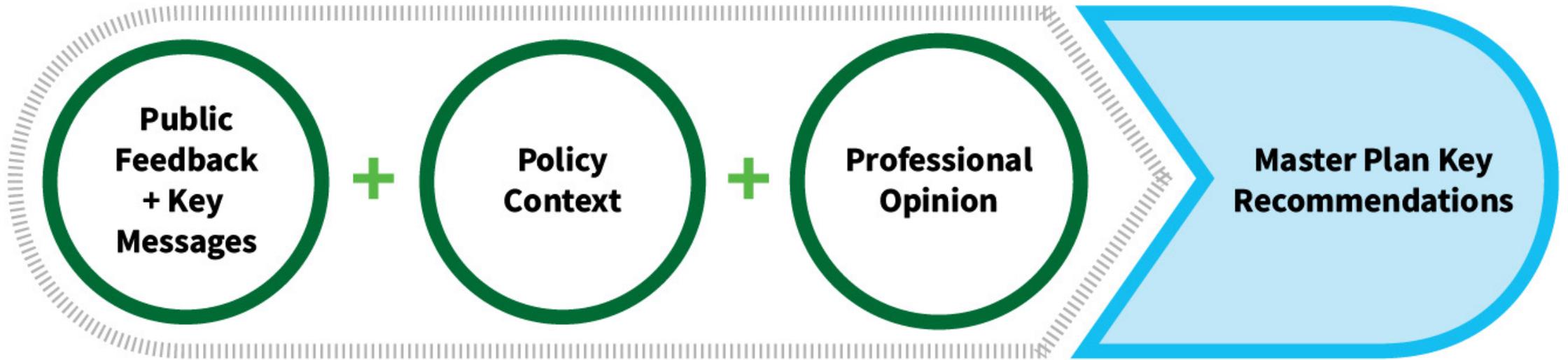
Need to reach a broader audience

## **DECISION MAKING**

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Authenticity of the Process  
Board Composition  
Clarifying Management Model

# How Key Feedback Informs the Master Plan



# STAGE 2 FOCUS - VISION AND PLANNING PRINCIPLES

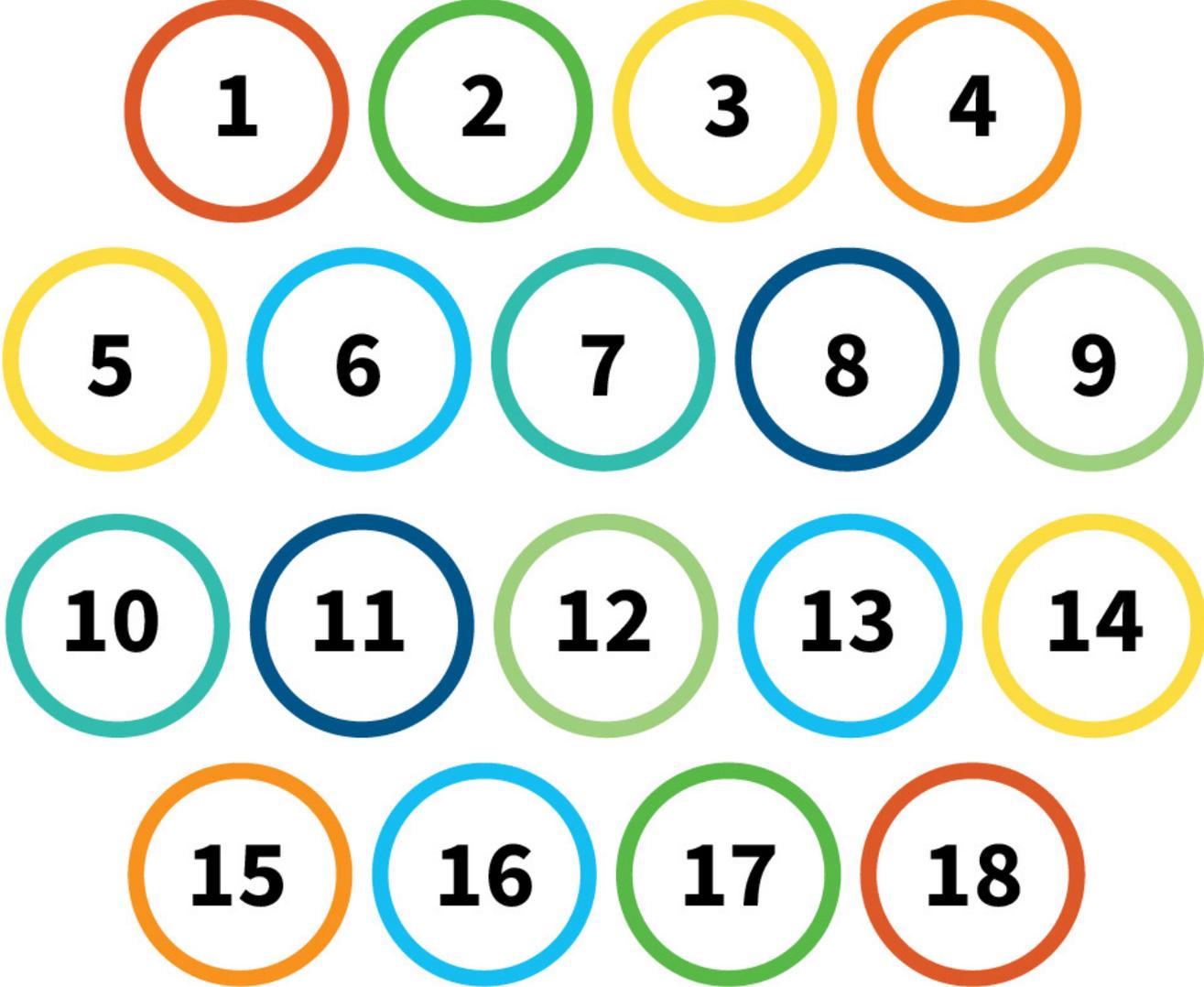
# What is a Vision?



## A Vision for the Next 100 Years

Wascana Centre is a place to gather, share, and celebrate the history and diversity of Saskatchewan. It demonstrates stewardship of public land for the benefit and enjoyment of current and future generations through conservation, recreation, education, and culture.

# 2016 Planning Principles

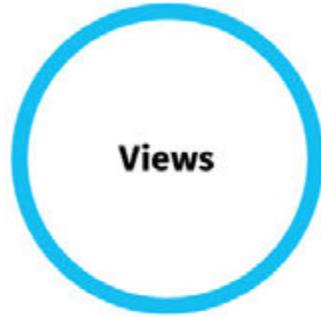


# Draft Planning Principles (June 2023)



## Experience

Universal Access  
Plan for All  
Seasons  
Safety and  
Well-Being



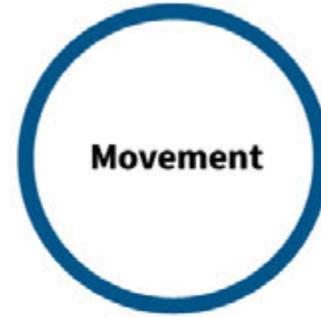
## Views

Significant Views  
Views within the  
Centre  
Surrounding Views



## Culture and Character

Reconciliation  
History  
Mature and  
Developing Areas  
Landscape  
Character  
Built Heritage  
Commemoration  
Public Art,  
Interpretation and  
Communication



## Movement

Active  
Transportation  
Pedestrian Trails  
Micro-Mobility  
Orientation and  
Wayfinding  
Roads Through  
Wascana  
Scenic Drives  
Access Routes and  
Parking



## Operations and Management

Landscape  
Management  
Water Use  
Water Quality

## Feedback from Stage 2

- Support for many of the updates
- Need simple, clear language
- Concerns about:
  - » Reconciliation getting lost or limited within “Culture”
  - » Conflicts between different types of active uses on land and water
  - » Low emphasis on sustainability and conservation

# Revised Planning Principles (2023)



## Reconciliation

United Nations  
Declaration on  
the Rights of  
Indigenous Peoples

Truth and  
Reconciliation  
Commission of  
Canada  
Calls to Action



## Placekeeping and Placemaking

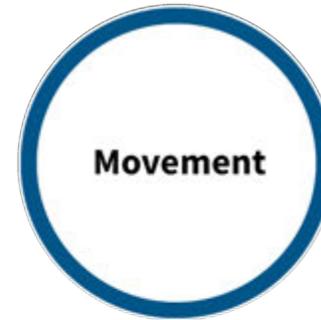
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## Stewardship and Sustainability

Landscape  
Stewardship  
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Management  
Ecological  
Protection/  
Conservation  
Soil Management  
Water Stewardship/  
Water Use  
Water Quality  
Water Access

# Reconciliation



# Placekeeping and Placemaking

## Placekeeping and Placemaking

- History
- Mature and  
Developing Areas
- Landscape  
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- Built Heritage
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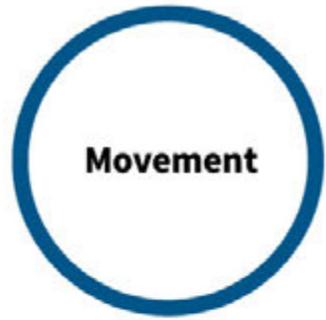
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# Movement



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- Pedestrian Trails
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- Orientation and Wayfinding
- Roads Through Wascana
- Scenic Drives
- Access Routes and Parking



# Stewardship and Sustainability



- Landscape Stewardship
- Landscape Management
- Ecological Protection/ Conservation
- Soil Management
- Water Stewardship/ Water Use
- Water Quality
- Water Access



# STAGE 3 FOCUS - KEY RECOMMENDATIONS AND PLANNING AREAS

## Key Recommendations – 2 Types

Master Plan  
Recommendation

PCC Operational  
Recommendation

## Key Recommendations – 4 Themes

Reconciliation

Sustainability

Equity

Heritage

# Key Recommendations – Reconciliation

Work with communities to identify and designate space for practicing ceremony, sharing Indigenous knowledge, languages, history, arts, and living culture.

Identify opportunities within Wayfinding and Interpretation to integrate Indigenous language and history to elevate awareness for Indigenous presence within Wascana Centre.

Integrate Indigenous knowledge and land-based practices in the management of open spaces.

Develop protocols to better enable permitting and hosting Indigenous ceremonial and cultural events.

Create permanent, sustainably-funded advisory and staff roles for Indigenous Knowledge Holders to share practices, protocols, and inform decision-making.

# Key Recommendations – Sustainability

Expand opportunities to integrate local prairie ecologies throughout active park and conservation areas.

Leverage ecological functions of habitats and plantings around and within the lake to support water quality management.

Create opportunities to observe wildlife within Wascana Centre while minimizing human impacts on habitat.

Identify performance standards for infrastructure and facilities that support low-emission, low-impact operations.

Develop pesticide-free management practices.

## Key Recommendations – Equity

Identify opportunities to dedicate active transportation trails to enhance safety for all park users.

Leverage site improvements to enhance safety year-round and at all times of day.

Ensure year-round activities and program sites integrate convenient access to washrooms and facilities.

Simplify and clearly communicate procedures and protocols for hosting community events within Wascana Centre.

Develop community advisory roles to inform decision-making processes beyond the master plan.

## Key Recommendations – Heritage

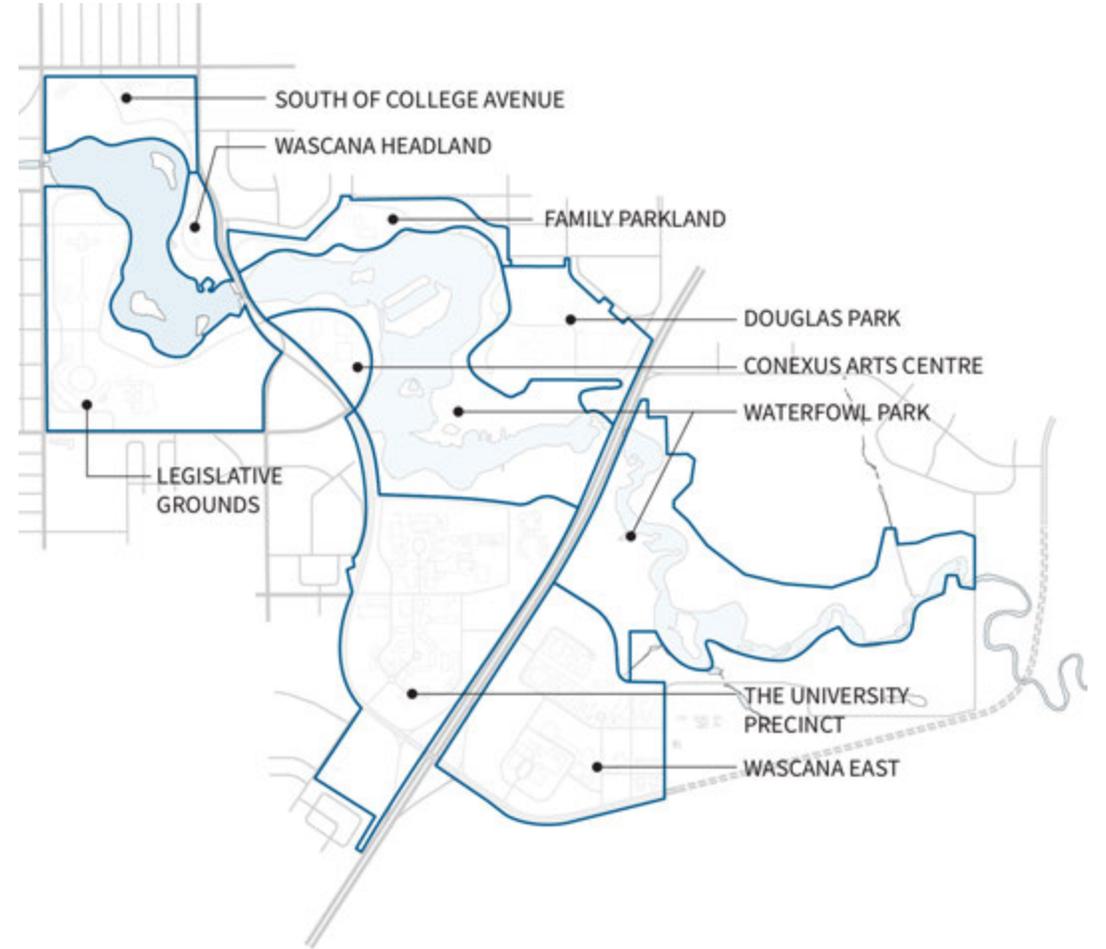
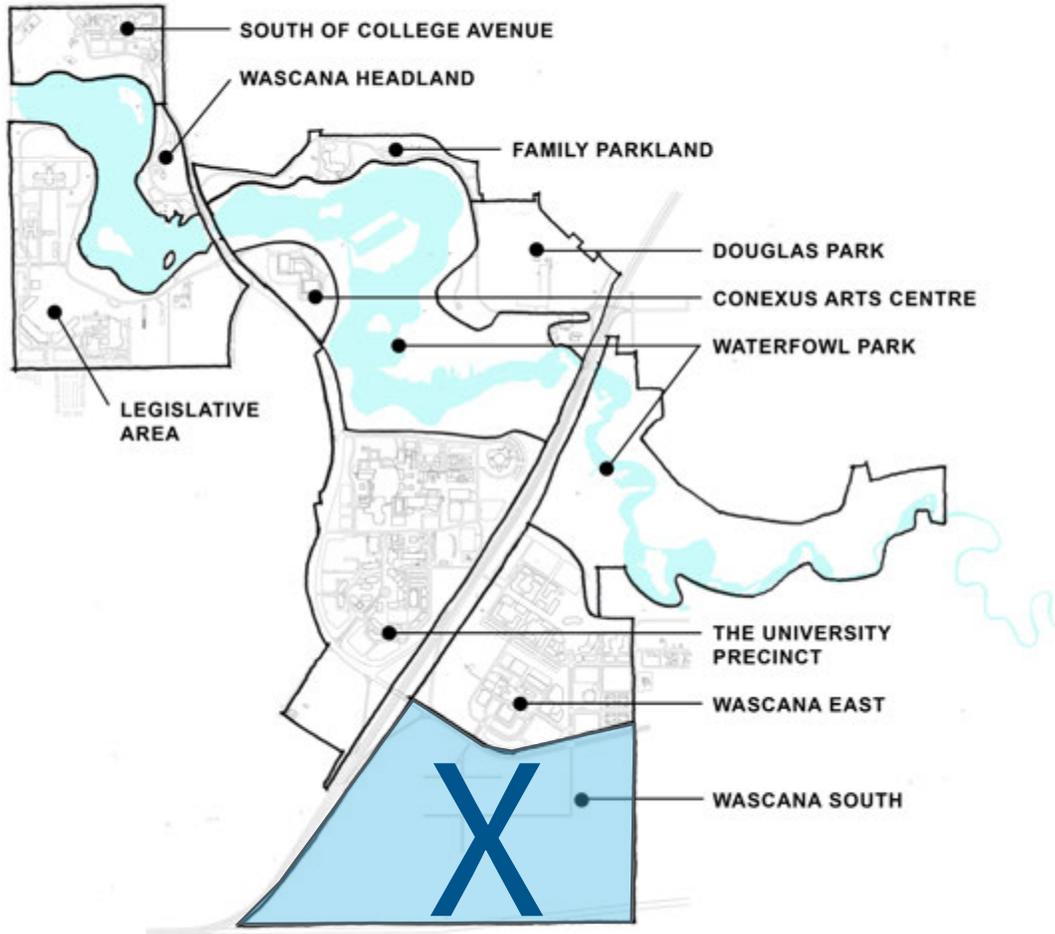
Prioritize placemaking and placekeeping as approaches to elevate Indigenous stories.

Expand cultural heritage protections to include significant landscapes and open spaces as well as places of importance for diverse communities.

Identify spaces and features to share and celebrate the living history of Wascana Centre.

Work with communities to develop land-based approaches to commemoration and reduce reliance on monuments in park areas.

# Study Limit Change - Removal of Wascana South



# South of College Ave.

## Updates Prior to 2023:

- Removed CNIB building.
- Included Conexus building.
- Realigned Wascana Drive at College Avenue.

## Updates During 2023 Review:

1. Include Nature Regina Gardens.
2. Update Wascana Pool.



South of College Ave.



# Wascana Headland

Updates Prior to 2023:

- None.

Updates During 2023 Review:

- None.



# Wascana Headland



Trafalgar Overlook

Vascana Race Club

The Pier

Pedestrian Bridge

Pedestrian Bridge

Pine Island

Finishing Line Facility

Wascana Drive

Marina

# The Legislative Grounds

Updates Prior to 2023:

- None.

Updates During 2023 Review:

1. Consider Meadow for cultural programs and events, including Indigenous uses.



# The Legislative Grounds



# Conexus Arts Centre

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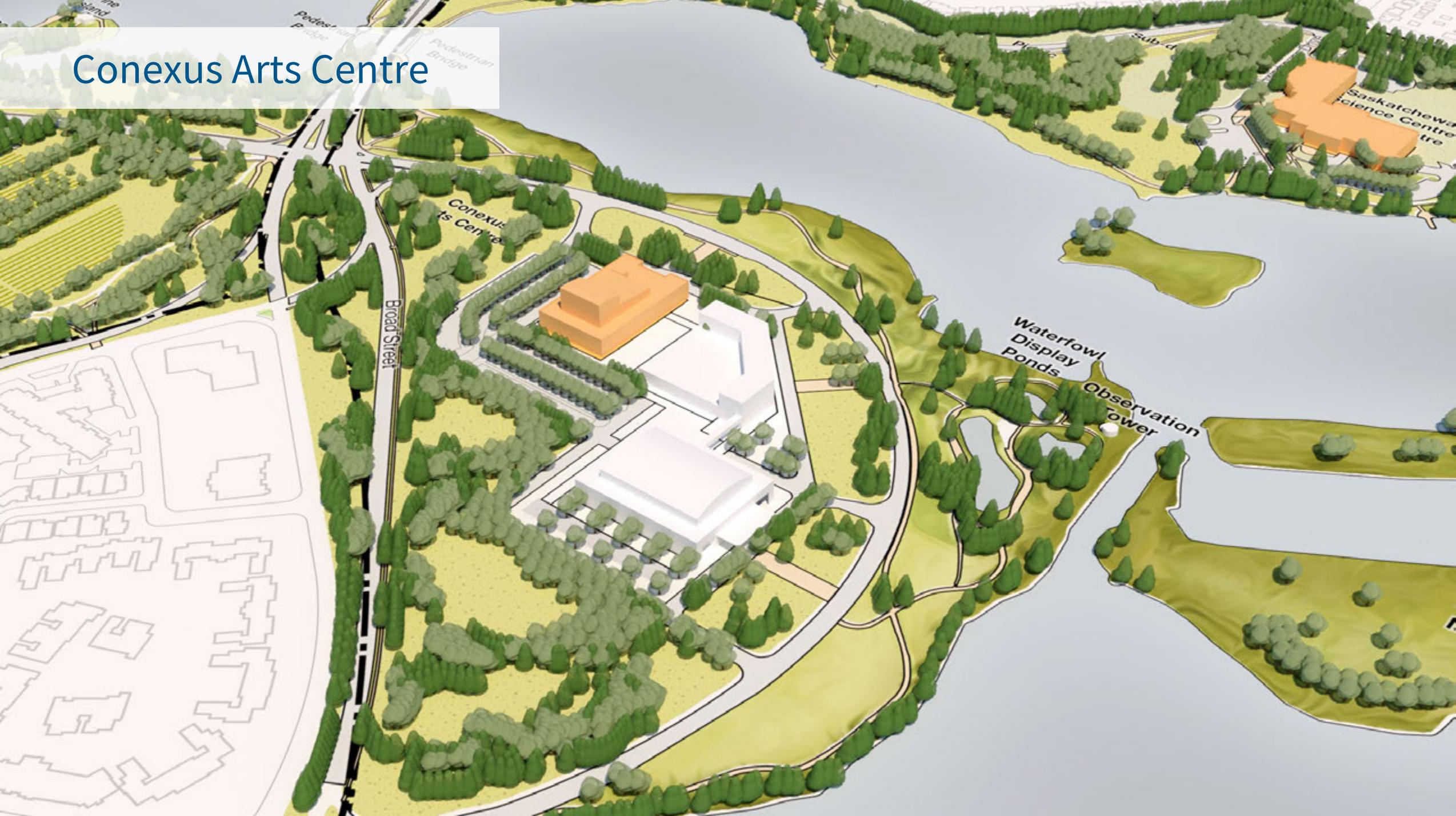
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Updates During 2023 Review:

1. Remove Outlook and relocate Pedestrian Bridge (with Family Parkland and Waterfowl Park).



# Conexus Arts Centre



# Family Parkland

Updates Prior to 2023:

- None.

Updates During 2023 Review:

1. Remove Outlook and relocate Pedestrian Bridge (with Conexus Arts Centre and Waterfowl Park).



# Family Parkland



# Douglas Park

## Updates Prior to 2023:

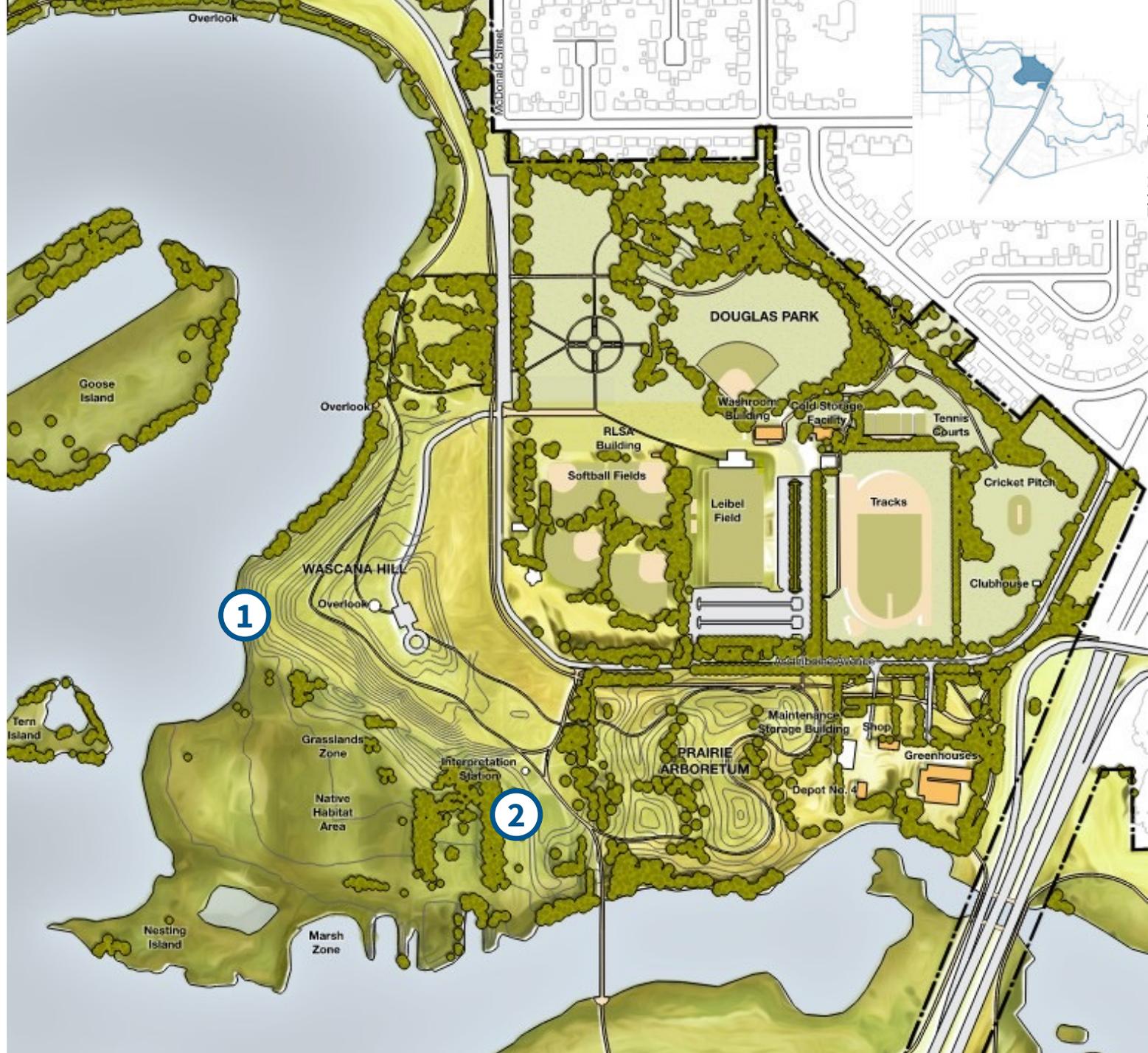
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## Updates During 2023 Review:

1. Remove Lowland Pathway.
2. Relocate Interpretation Station.

## Updates We're Anticipating:

- Add Pickleball Courts.
- Further Updates to Trails.



# Douglas Park



# The University Precinct

## Updates Prior to 2023:

- None.

## Updates During 2023 Review:

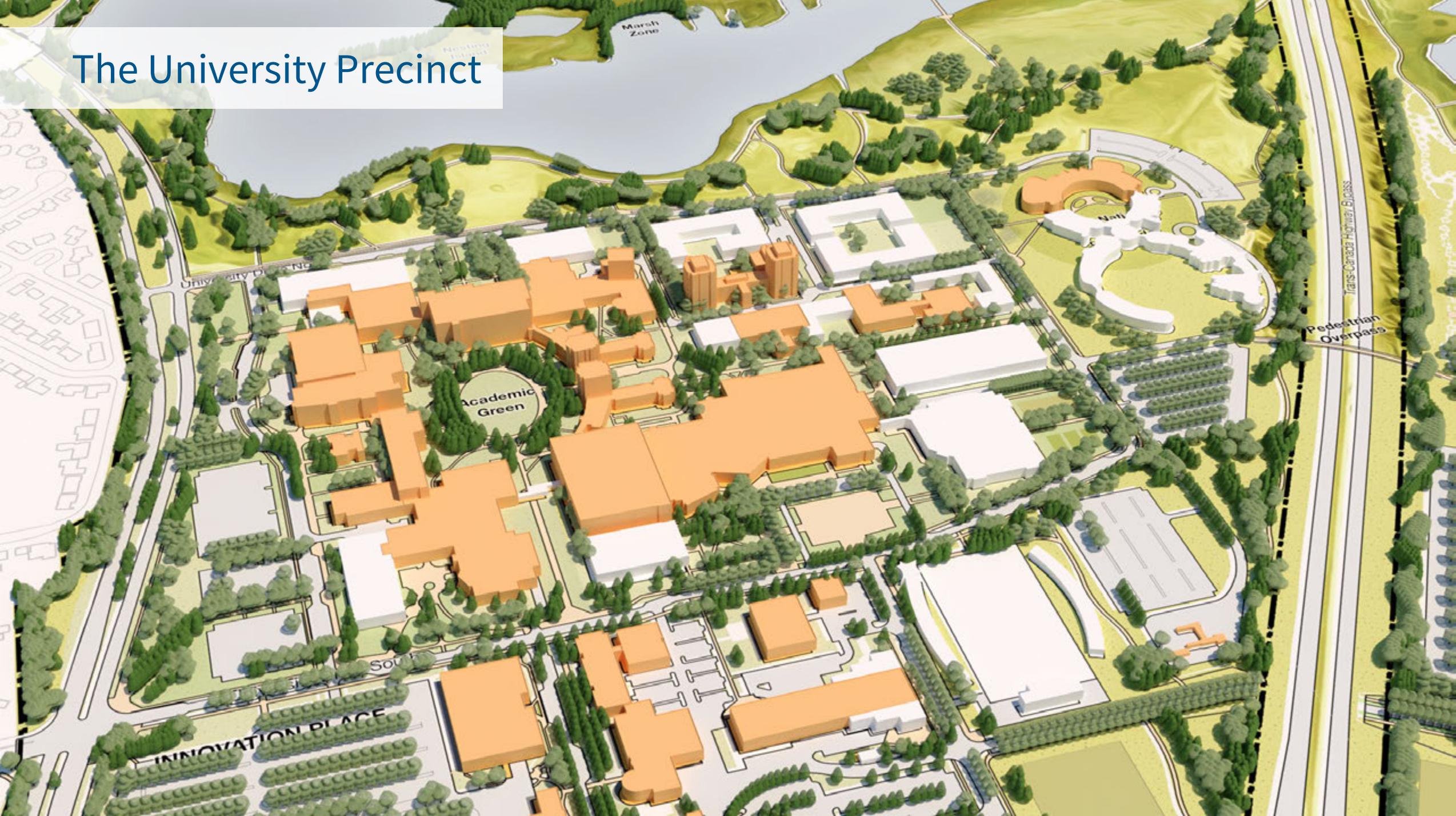
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## Updates We're Anticipating:

- Reflect changes shown in UR Campus Master Plan (2024 Update)



# The University Precinct



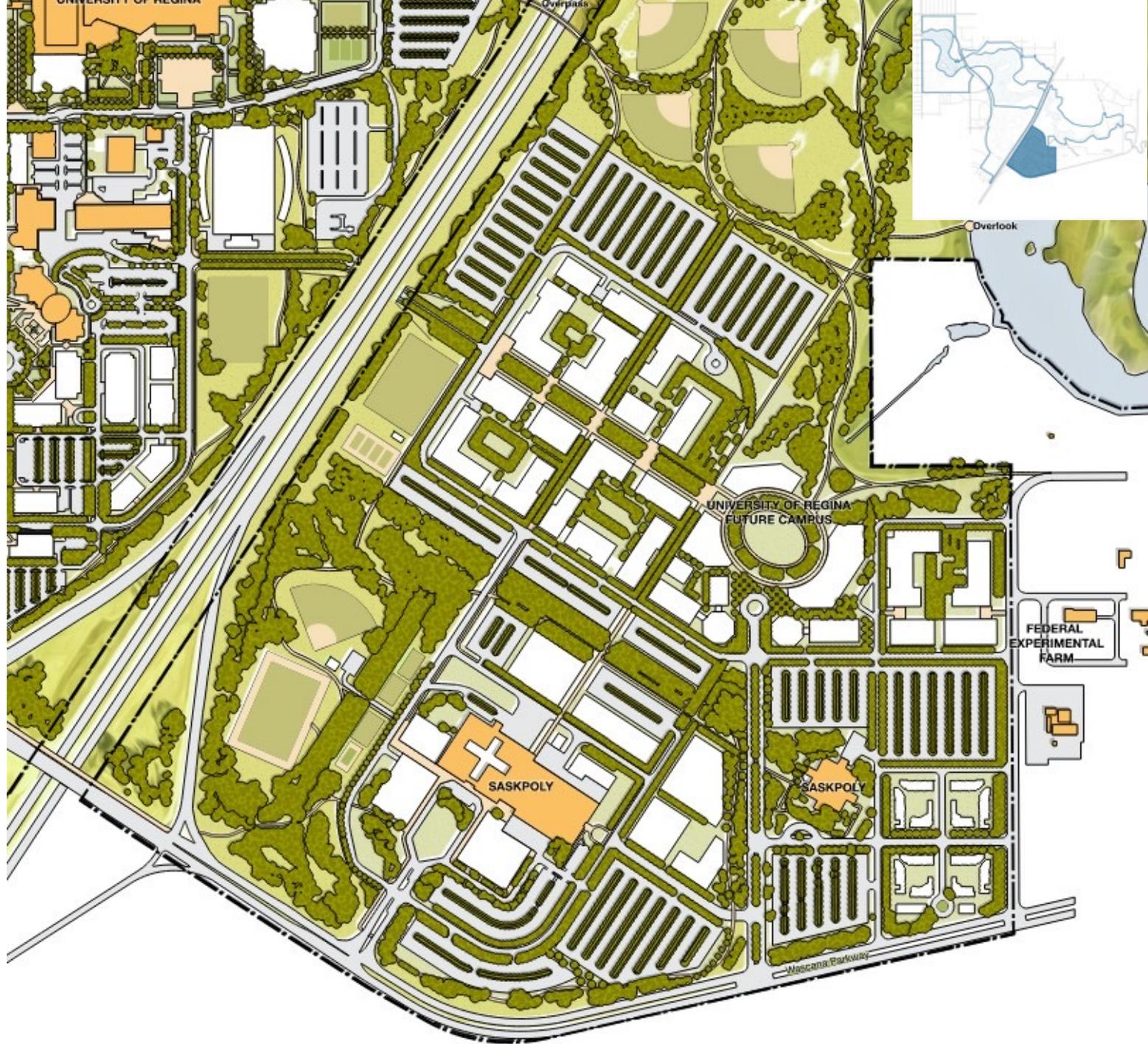
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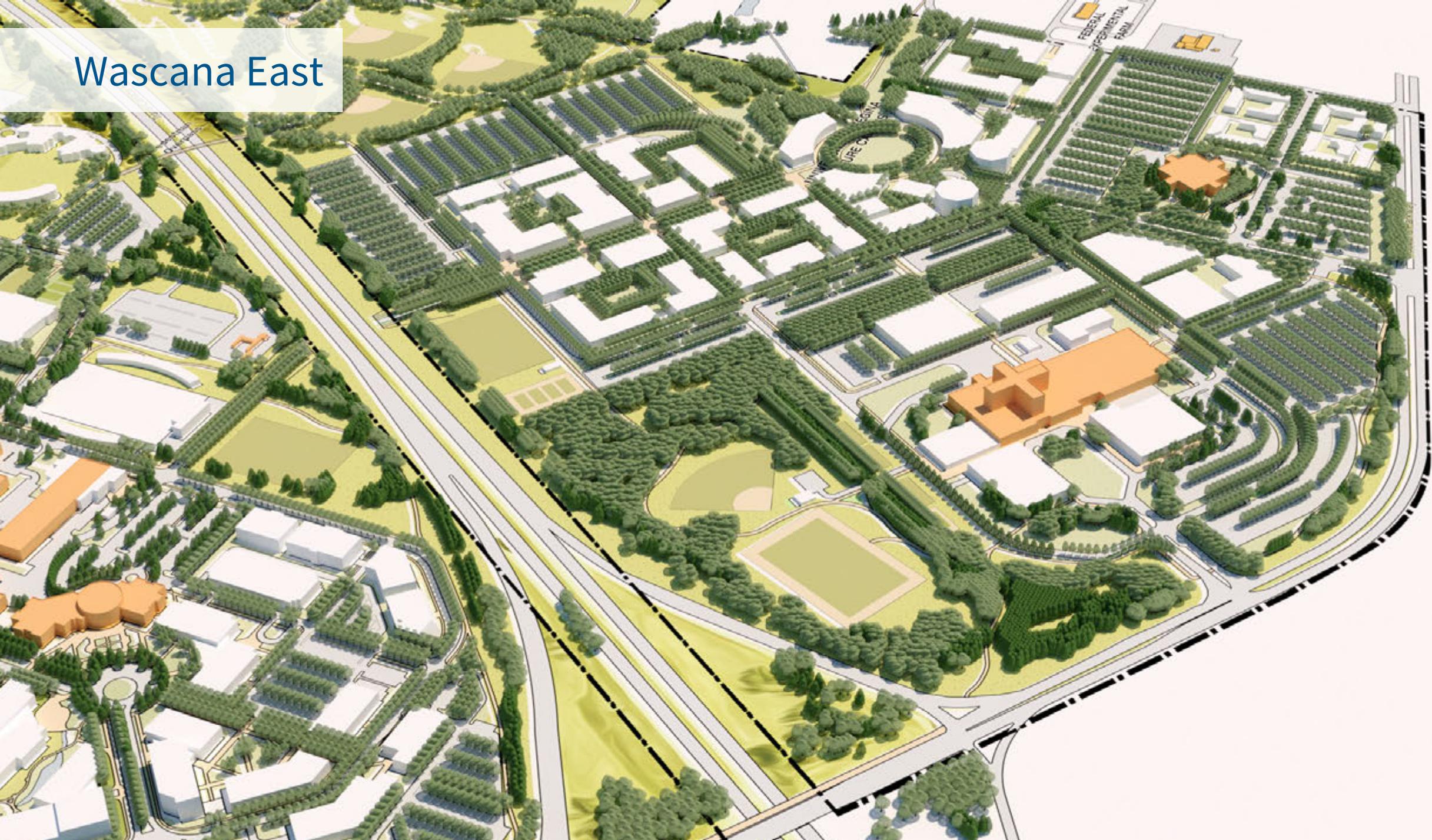
- None.

Updates During 2023 Review:

- None.



# Wascana East



# Waterfowl Park

Updates Prior to 2023:

- None.

Updates During 2023 Review:

1. Expand graphic plan to show full area.
2. Relocate Outlook and Pedestrian Bridge (with Conexus Arts Centre and Family Parkland).



# Waterfowl Park



# Q & A

# Questions & Feedback



# Next Steps

- Online Survey
- Stage 4: Final Master Plan

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