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# Lot Information Inside









































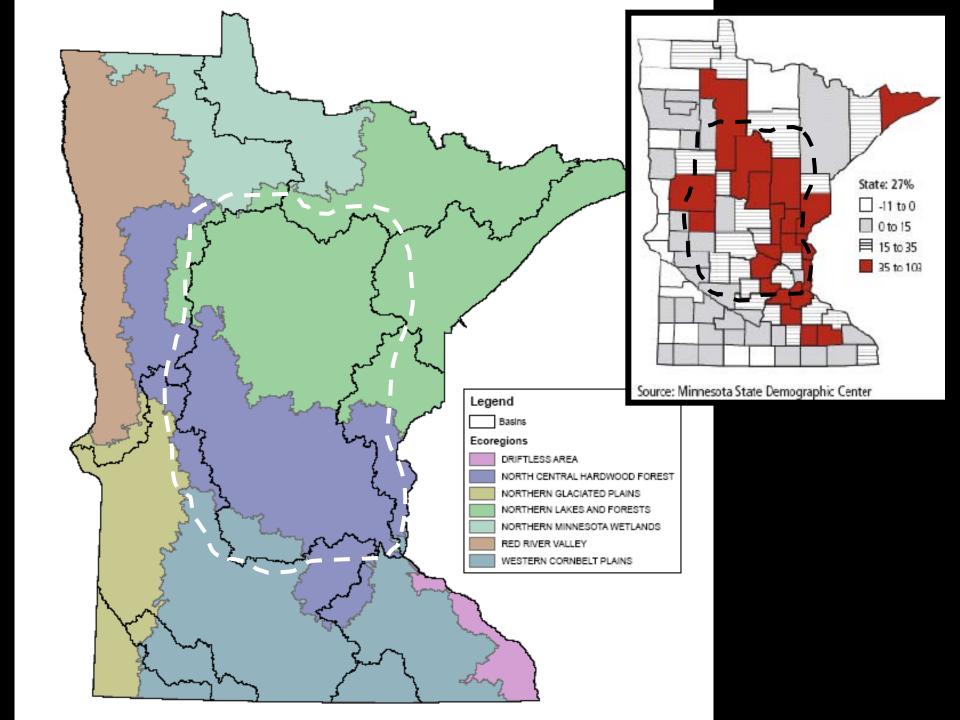
## Growth and development is reality

How can we avoid the pound of

cure?

- 1. The fate of water quality resides with local government and land use planning
- 2. Current zoning code and ordinance will replicate existing problems and priority resources will continue to be lost or impaired
- 3. Higher density with mixed use land development can significantly reduce environmental impacts associated with current land use planning processes.
- 4. We must have public engagement and responsibility to take action

# Trends in land use and the Mississippi Basin (Population and impervious cover)



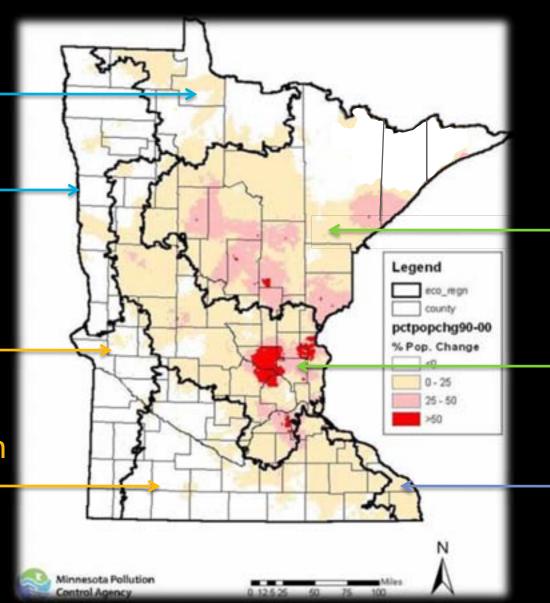
#### % Impervious change 1990 - 2000

Northern Minnesota wetlands

**Red River** 

Northern glaciated plains

Western corn belt plains —



Northern lakes forests

North central hardwood forests

**Driftless** 

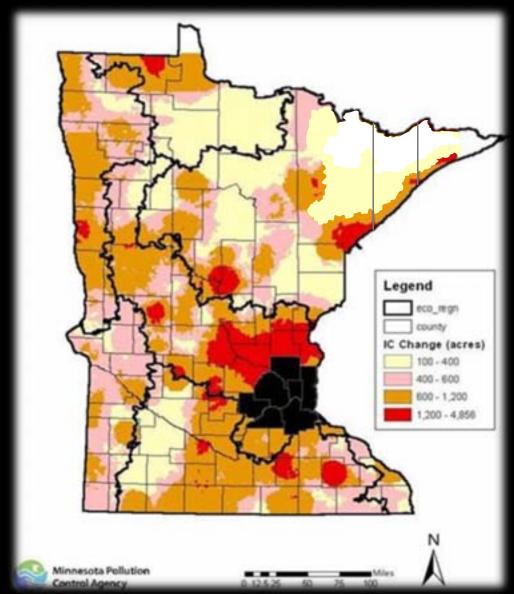
Projected impervious acres change

2020

1990 to 2000 Impervious change added ~1,506 square miles

By **2020**We expect to add an additional: 1,553,798 acres, or

2,428 square miles

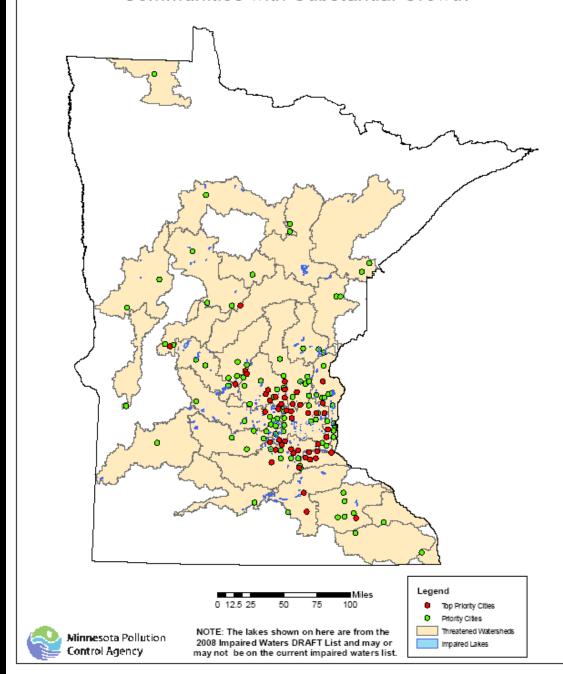


There are approximately 150 Communities growing at a significant rate.

1/3 of those communities are adding:

3,000 additional impervious surface acres or more per city by 2020

#### Communities with Substantial Growth



Additional impervious surface impact is expected to be 893,506 acres by 2020.

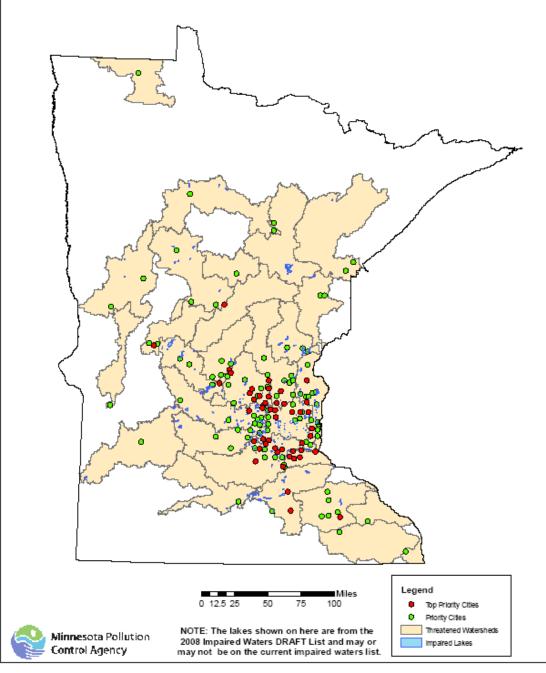
#### 1,396 square miles

For just the top 150 communities

93% of these communities are located in just 9 watersheds.

✓ Most are in the Mississippi Basin.

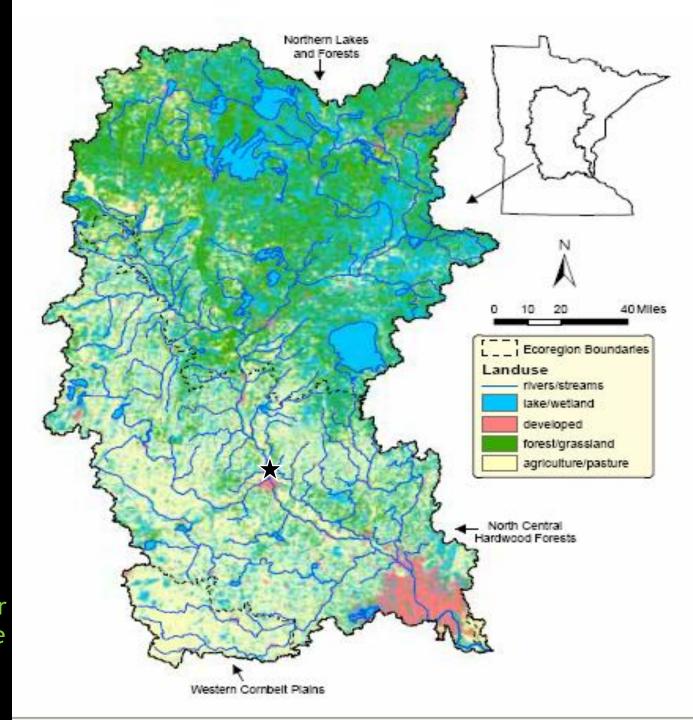
#### Communities with Substantial Growth



#### Land Use Mississippi Basin

(1) Basin
(3) Eco-Regions
Diverse land cover
Forest
Grass Land
Agriculture
Developing
residential and
commercial

By 2020
(314) Square miles
IC cover total
(206) Square miles
IC cover Upper
portion alone



#### 17 Counties9 Watersheds

Counties	Count
Dakota	7
Sherburne	6
Scott	5
Carver	5
Anoka	5
Wright	5
Washington	4
Hennepin	3
Hennepin	3
Benton	2
Stearns	1
Chisago	1
Crow Wing	1
Douglas	1
Olmsted	1
Rice	1
Steele	1

#### 57% of total impervious cover change

Watershed			
Mississippi	25		
Minnesota	8		
St. Croix	4		
Rum	4		
North Fork Crow	3		
Cannon	2		
Zumbro	1		
Long Prairie	1		
Sauk	1		

Lake Pepin (Red Wing)	8
Twin Cities	7
Saint Cloud	8
Sartell	1
Brainerd	1

Total impervious acres change statewide = 2,428 Square Miles

Top 150 = 1,396 Square Miles  $\sim 57\%$  of total

Top 49 = 456 Square Miles

Top 20 = 288 Square Miles

Top 10 = 207

#### Mississippi Basin

MS4 Communities		IC acres	Confidence Factor	Population	Population	Population			
LUG's Requesting Assistance		2020 Project	(+/-)10%	1990	2020	% change			
Watersheds		,	error rate			J			
NAME	TYPE	IC acres Total	% IC Change 2020				Watershed	Basin	County
New Market	City	2986	14117%	227	6700	1918.1%	Mississippi and Lake Pepin (Red Wing)	Lower Mississippi	Scott
Rockville	City	9998	4031%	579	3395	353.3%	Sauk	Upper Mississippi	Stearns
Victoria	City	3556	2404%	2354	19600	387.0%	Mississippi (Twin Cities)	Upper Mississippi	Carver
Rogers	City	6355	2154%	698	14400		North Fork Crow	Upper Mississippi	Hennepin
Hugo	City	6794	2023%	4417	29000		Mississippi (Twin Cities)	Upper Mississippi	Washington
Dayton	City	4236	1657%	4392	20100	327.8%	Mississippi (Twin Cities)	Upper Mississippi	Hennepin
Empire twp.	Township	3408	1186%	1340	4650		Mississippi and Lake Pepin (Red Wing)	Lower Mississippi	Dakota
Otsego twp.	Township	3144	1114%	5219	11051	73.0%	Mississippi (St. Cloud)	Upper Mississippi	Wright
Baldwin twp.	Township	4618	1040%	2909	8638	84.9%		Upper Mississippi	Sherburne
Albertville	City	2427	974%	1251	7911		Mississippi (St. Cloud)	Upper Mississippi	Wright
St. Francis	City	2743	883%	2538	10400	111.8%		Upper Mississippi	Anoka
Livonia twp.	Township	2995	781%	2288	7040	79.7%	Mississippi (St. Cloud)	Upper Mississippi	Sherburne
St. Michael	City	4278	752%	2506	17429		North Fork Crow	Upper Mississippi	Wright
Becker	City	6123	701%	902	6051	126.4%	Mississippi (St. Cloud)	Upper Mississippi	Sherburne
Farmington	City	4186	665%	5940	27100	119.2%	Mississippi and Lake Pepin (Red Wing)	Lower Mississippi	Dakota
Becker twp.	Township	4361	653%	2336	5998	66.4%	Mississippi (St. Cloud)	Upper Mississippi	Sherburne
Ramsey	City	9163	615%	12408	45000			Upper Mississippi	Anoka
Sartell	City	3540	590%	5393	18240		Mississippi (Sartell)	Upper Mississippi	Benton
Big Lake twp.	Township	4064	554%	4452	10602		Mississippi (St. Cloud)	Upper Mississippi	Sherburne
Baxter	City	5052	499%	3695	10272	84.9%	Mississippi (Brainerd)	Upper Mississippi	Crow Wing
Rosemount	City	9477	487%	8622	30100		Mississippi and Lake Pepin (Red Wing)	Lower Mississippi	Dakota
Monticello	City	4051	398%	5045	12711	61.6%	Mississippi (St. Cloud)	Upper Mississippi	Wright
Lakeville	City	10806	363%	24854	78400		Mississippi and Lake Pepin (Red Wing)	Lower Mississippi	Dakota
Elk River	City	8838	351%	11143	26313	60.0%		Upper Mississippi	Sherburne
Buffalo	City	3214	338%	6856	15290		North Fork Crow	Upper Mississippi	Wright
Sauk Rapids	City	2982	282%	7823	15319	50.0%	Mississippi (St. Cloud)	Upper Mississippi	Benton
Alexandria	City	3265	251%	8029	11708		Long Prairie	Upper Mississippi	Douglas
Blaine	City	9517	243%	38975	76100		Mississippi (Twin Cities)	Upper Mississippi	Anoka
Lino Lakes	City	2653	239%	8807	26300		Mississippi (Twin Cities)	Upper Mississippi	Anoka
Andover	City	4652	216%	15216	39000		Mississippi (Twin Cities)	Upper Mississippi	Anoka
Maple Grove	City	9575	213%	38736	75700		Mississippi (Twin Cities)	Upper Mississippi	Hennepin
Apple Valley	City	7686	189%	34598	69100		Mississippi and Lake Pepin (Red Wing)	Lower Mississippi	Dakota
Hastings	City	3147	168%	15440	27500		Mississippi and Lake Pepin (Red Wing)	Lower Mississippi	Dakota
Rochester	City	14147	140%	70729	113256		Zumbro	Lower Mississippi	Olmsted
Inver Grove Heights	City	5580	139%	22477	40600		Mississippi and Lake Pepin (Red Wing)	Lower Mississippi	Dakota
Faribault	City	3687	121%	17085	27501		Cannon	Lower Mississippi	Rice
Owatonna	City	3904	112%	19386	27101	20.8%	Cannon	Lower Mississippi	Steele
		201209 Acres	314 Square Miles						

### Questions?

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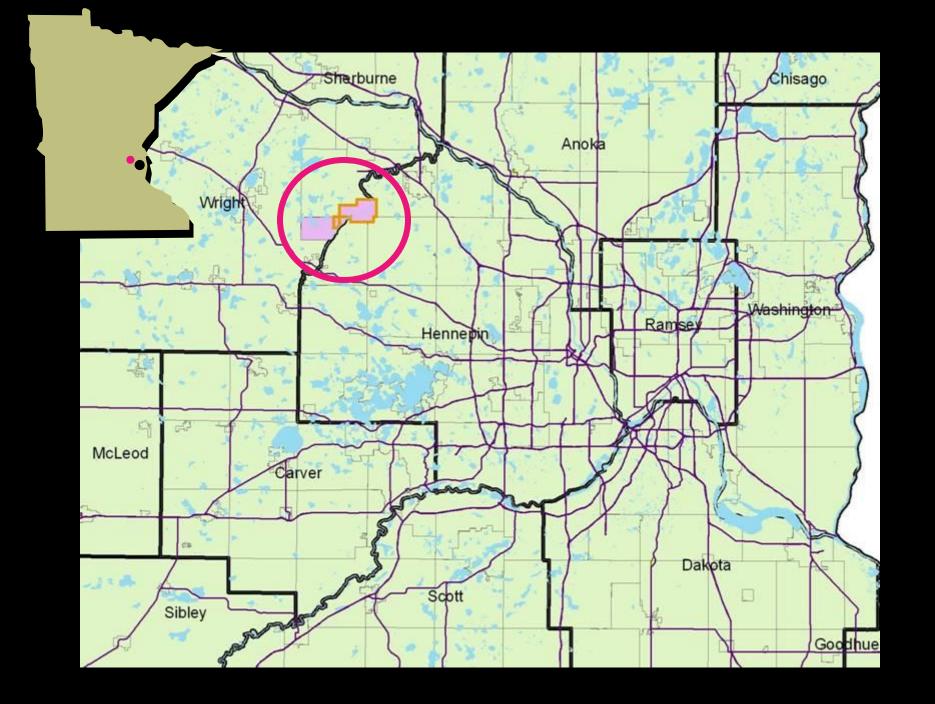
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### Hanover Pilot Study

Vision shift
Problems solved, and
different land use planning processes





Urban core - developed suburbs

Developing suburbs

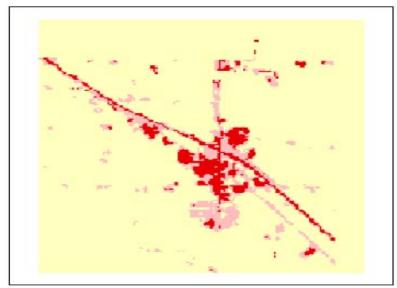
Urban/rural transition

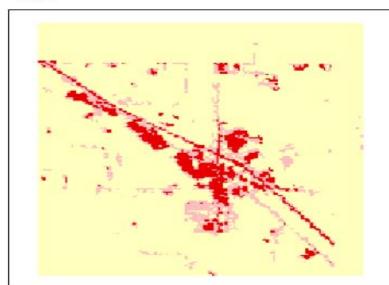


Rural and agricultural

#### City of Rogers Impervious Coverage based on Satellite Remote Sensing

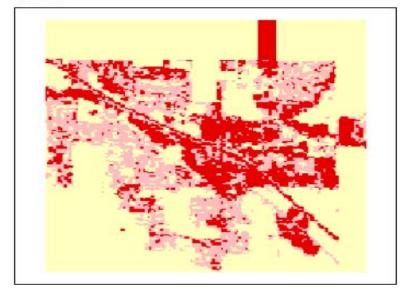




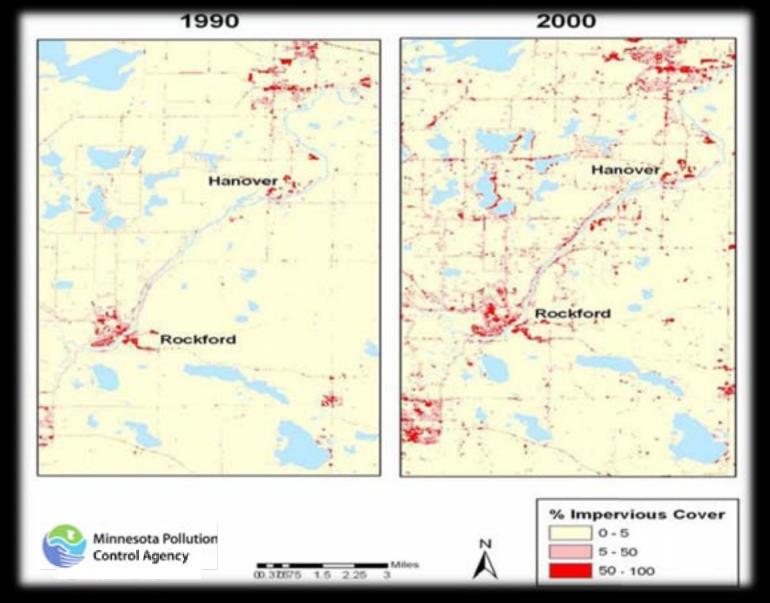


#### 1998





## Impervious cover in the Hanover, MN area ~300% increase





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High quality natural resources

Crow River impaired water



## Rural character



## View sheds



### Development Problems 2002 - 2006

#### Increased growth pressures

- development proposals
- annexation requests

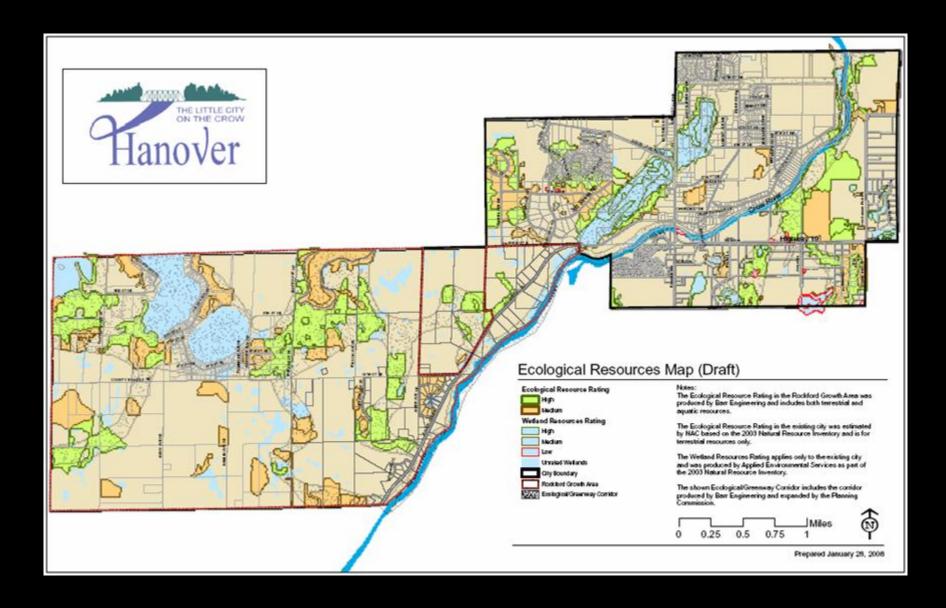
## Difficulty preserving rural character

## Unhappy with most new subdivisions

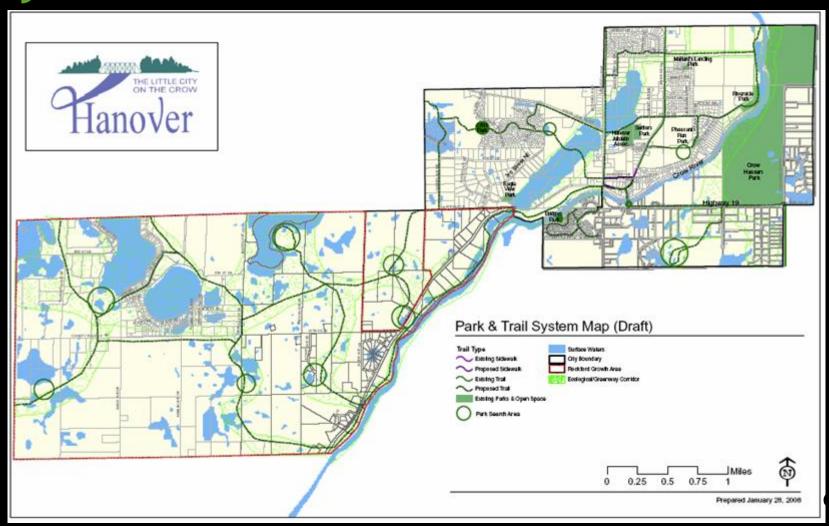
- few amenities: trails, parks,
- cookie cutter
- visual quality: homes, SW ponds



## Hanover, Minnesota



# Ecological resources & corridors provide basis for future park & trail system and economic benefit



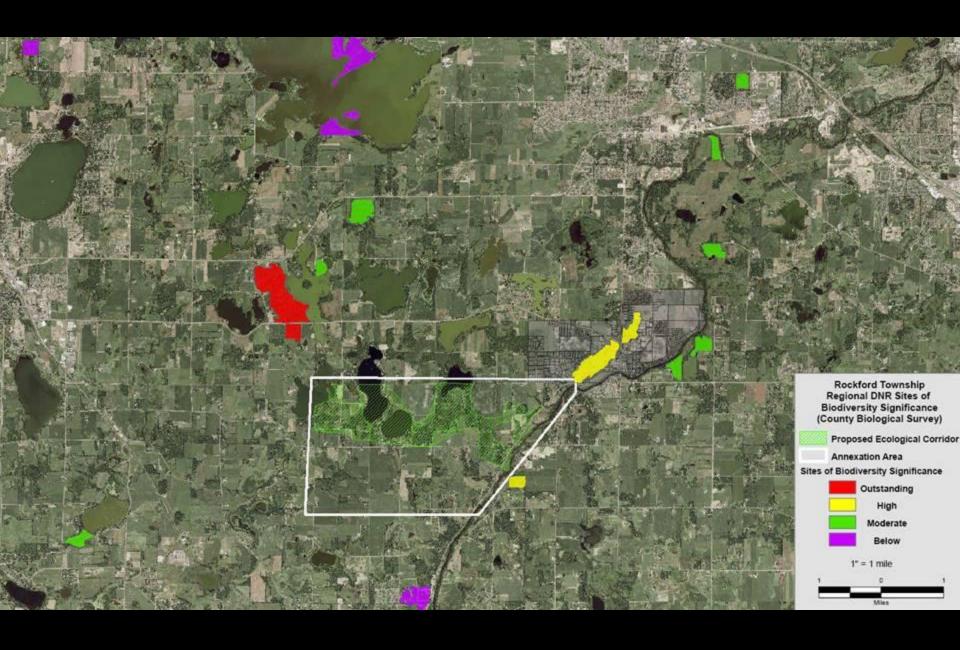
# Vision shift and goals

#### **Current Reality**

- large lot development
- minimum standards
- traffic management
- zoning guides density
- significant run-off
- loss of priority resources
- impaired waters

#### **Future**

- Respect landscape (NRI)
- minimize impacts to natural and built environments
- Preserve priority and sensitive resources
- Significantly reduce run-off
- Focus on basin and watershed performance objectives
- lot lines drawn last rather than first (land guides density and use)











### 380 acres

(Less 76 acres)

20 Acre =15

 $10 \, Acre = 30$ 

 $2.5 \, Acre = 103$ 

#### RURAL RESIDENTIAL 2.5 ACRE LOTS

Hanover Conservation Design City of Hanover, Minnesota

August 2007

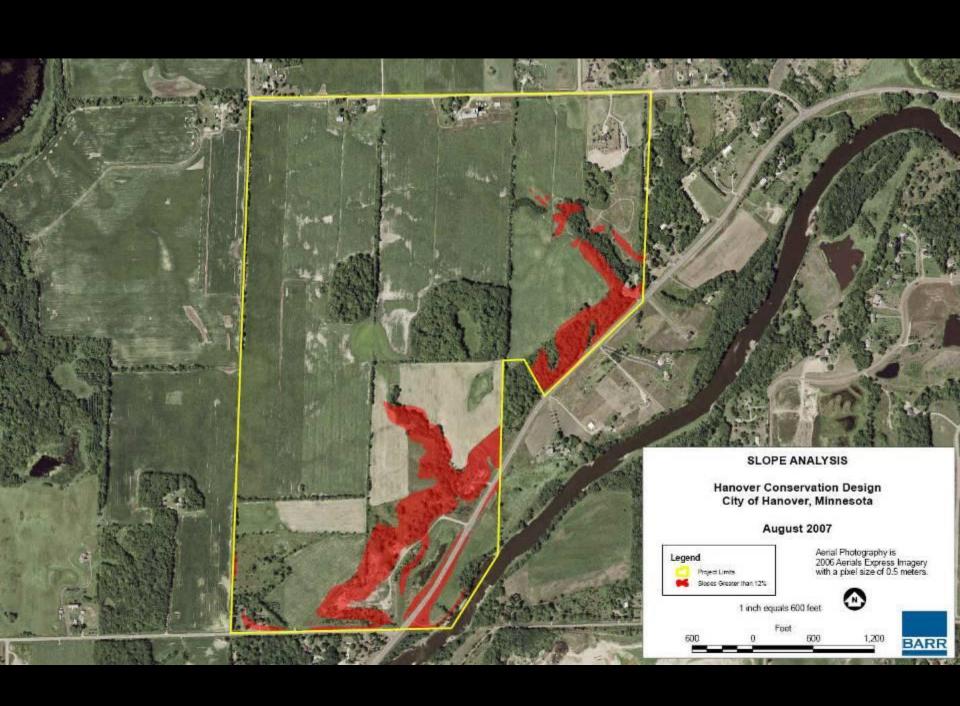


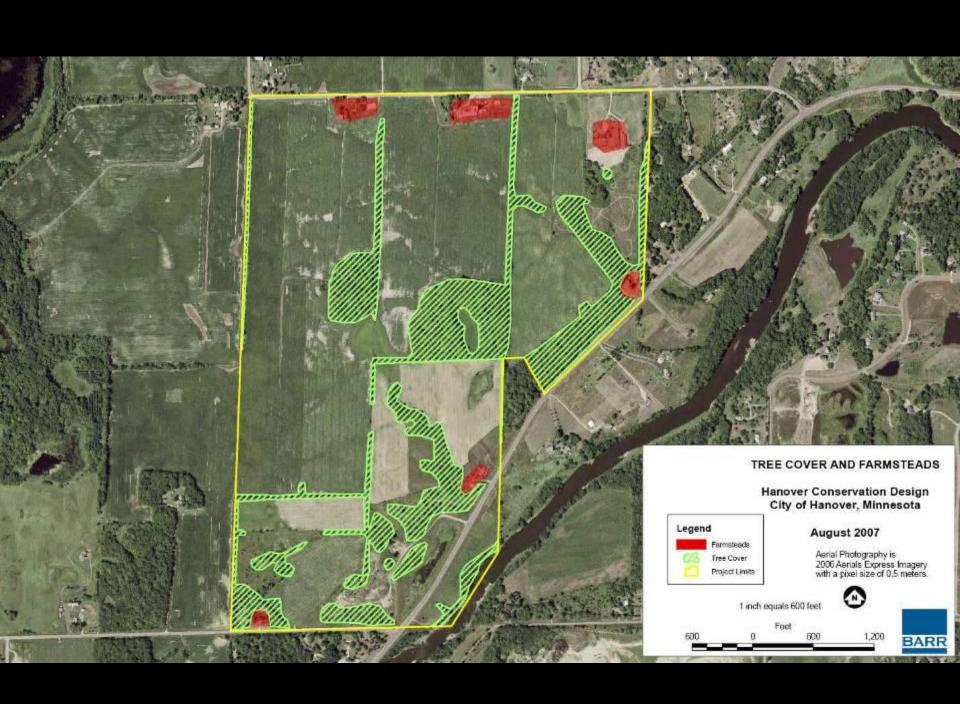
1 inch equals 600 feet

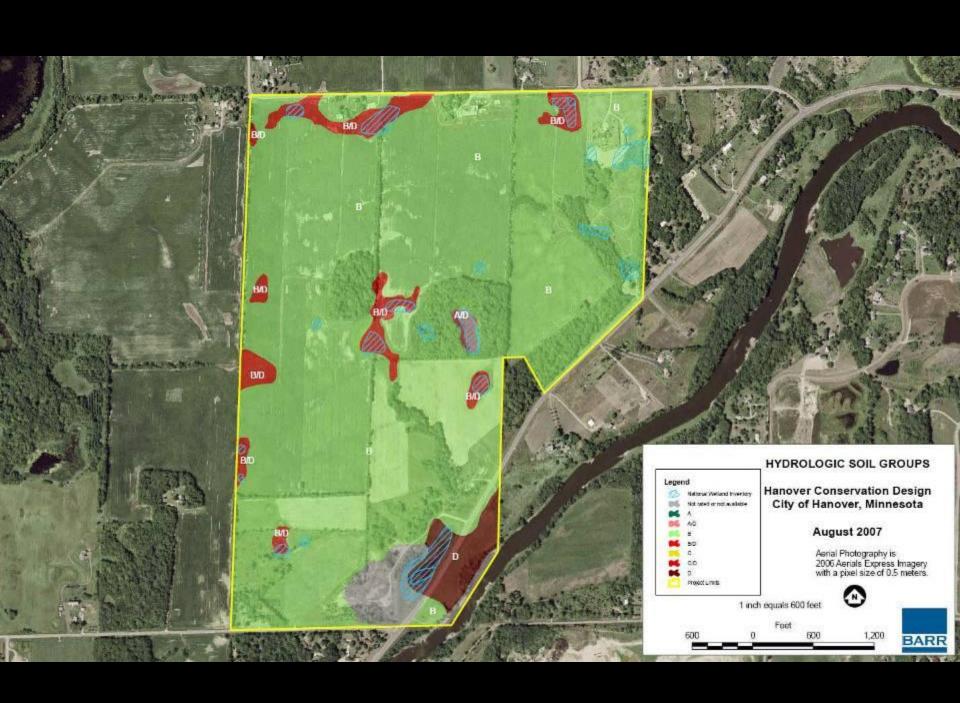
Feet 600 0 600 1,200

Lats

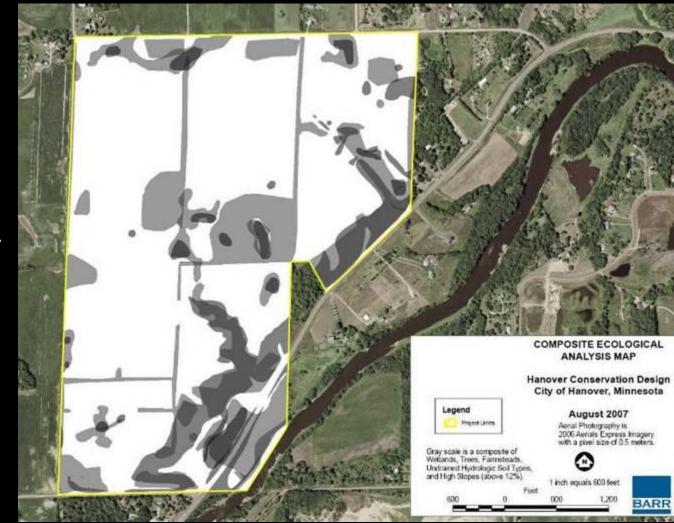


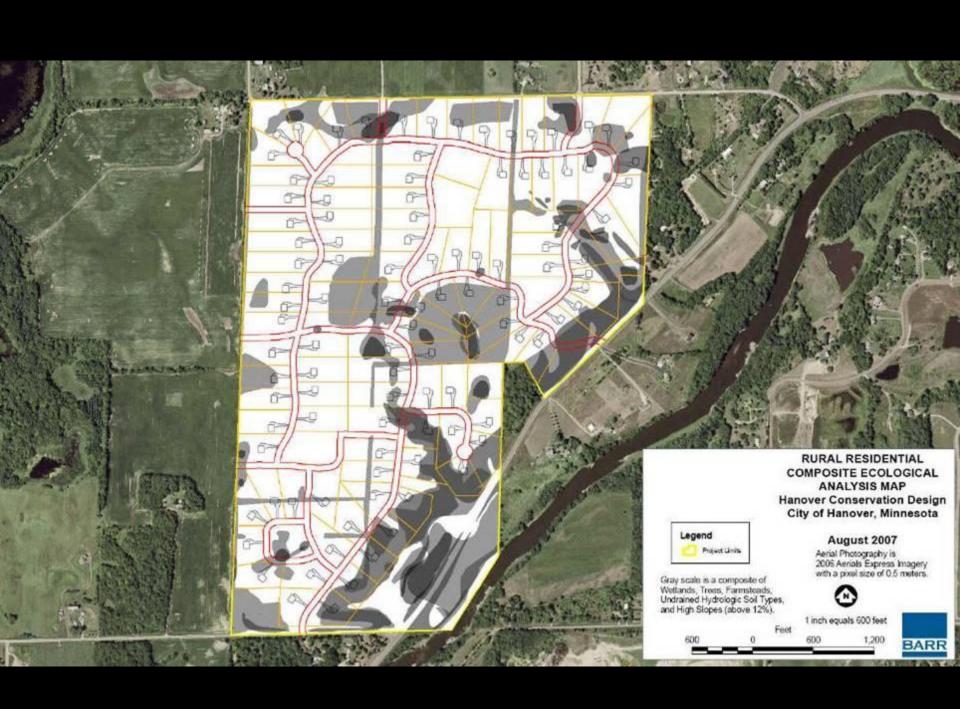


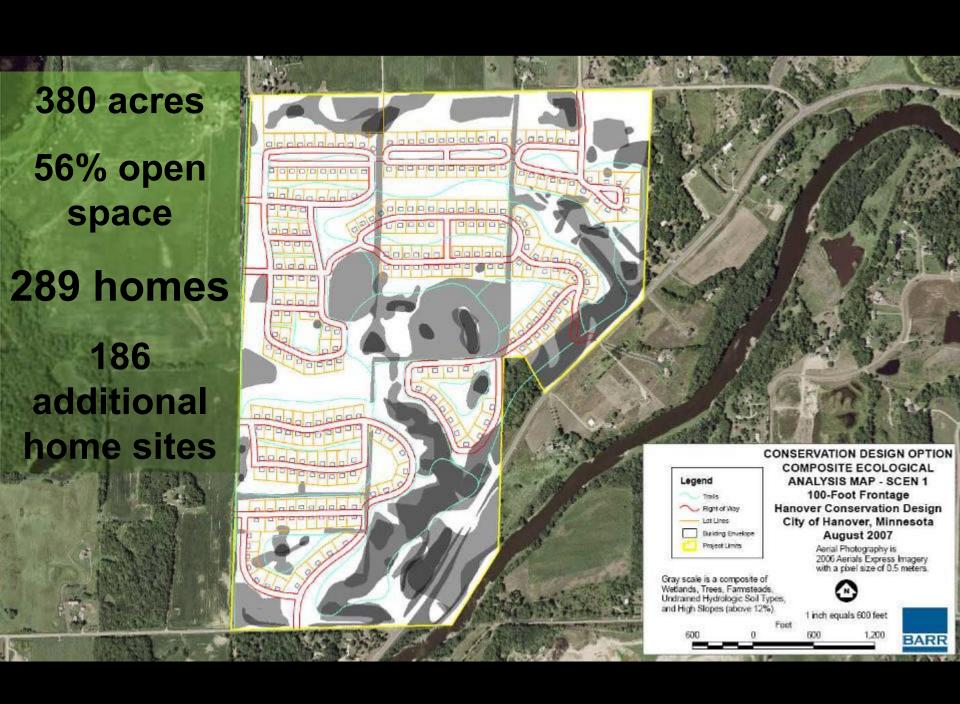




conservation design less than 50% of developable land (white space) is developed.













Scenario 1 100 ft lot frontage 1/3 acre 189 homes



#### Scenario 2 80 ft lot frontage 1/4 acre 373 homes



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# Quality of Life, Public Value, Economics

Density considerations

Land development choices, and

Cost comparison analysis

#### Large Lot Zoning

Research analyzing environmental pollutant loads on a per capita basis (rather than a per unit land area basis) show that higher density results in a lower pollutant load for a given population when compared to the same

population at lower density.

- Does not preserve rural character
- Not as economically viable
- Contributes less to tax base
- Typically doesn't serve community vision and values (Comp Plan)
- May not yield desired environmental objectives

#### Land development choices



#### **Enhanced Quality of Life**

- Rural character preserved
- More privacy
- More recreation





- Increased property value
- Enhanced view-sheds
- Less to maintain







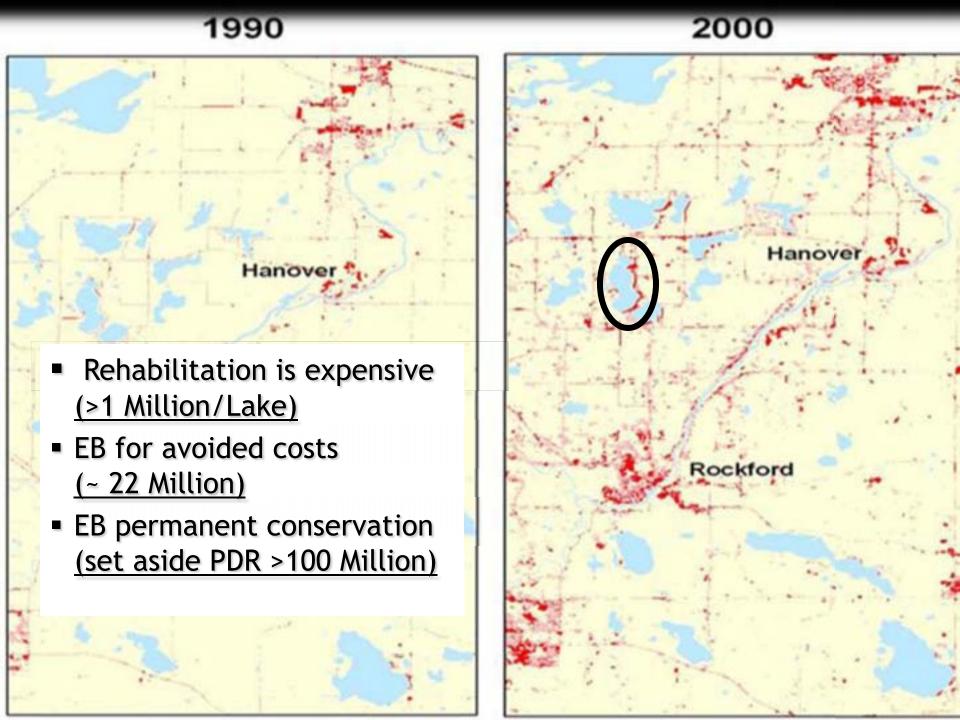
- Economically viable
- Increase tax base
- Reduce property development disputes
- Preserve & protect WQ

### Development analysis

Rural	Conservation design 1 & 2	
residential	Scenario 1	Scenario 2
design	(100-ft frontage)	(80-ft frontage)
380 acres	380 acres	380 acres
329 acres	329 acres	329 acres
2.82 acres	0.33 acres	0.26 acres
0.31 lots/acre	0.88 lots/acre	1.13 lots/acre
103 lots	289 lots	<b>373 lots</b>
4.6 miles	6.6 miles	6.6 miles
19.5 acres	20.8 acres	20.8 acres
42.2	53.3 acres	62.7 acres
50.5 acres	211 acres	210 acres
13%	56%	56%
0.7 miles	9.4 miles	9.4 miles
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### Cost comparison of rural residential & conservation design #1 (100-ft frontage)

	Rural residential	Conservation design #1
Roads	\$1,275,918	\$1,357,824
Sanitary	\$1,103,310	\$1,566,720
Water	\$858,130	\$1,218,560
Storm sewer	\$108,150	\$85,050
Walking/biking trails	\$32,525	\$436,762
Total	\$3,378,033	\$4,664,916
Cost per lot	\$32,796	\$16,142



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Environmental performance (subdivision pilot) Environmental performance (commercial pilot) Credits

#### Environmental performance

	Current zoning	Conservation design
Removed: phosphorus	60%	92%
suspended solids	85%	98%
Open space	13%	56%
Impervious cover	118.5 acres	53.3 acres ~ 55% reduction
Sprawl factor	1,066 acres	380 acres ~ 64% reduction
Cost per lot	\$32,796	\$16,142 ~ 49% reduction
Runoff volume reduction	0	83%







- Stormwater used to water plants
- Mimics natural hydrology
- Recharges ground water
- dirt, oil, and other garbage goes to rain-gardens rather than river
- No ponds.Infiltratesstanding waterin 24 hours
- >80% reduction in runoff
- >90% reduction in phosphorus
- Engineered for the 10 year storm event
- Bank saved time and money



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