Approved in October 1996, the UIUC Master Plan provided an update, including developments in the past few years, for the area of the campus most often thought of as “the main campus”—that is, the area from University Avenue on the north to St. Mary’s Road on the south. The approved Master Plan will provide visionary development guidelines from which administrators can make informed, coordinated, and cost-effective decisions.

In May 1999, the Board approved the South Campus Master Plan in order to guide the long-range use and development of the campus area south of Florida and Kirby Avenues at the Urbana-Champaign campus. Objectives for the South Campus Master Plan: to accommodate the long-term research land replacement and growth needs of the College of Agricultural, Consumer, and Environmental Sciences (ACES); to accommodate the land and building requirements of other University units on the south campus; to improve pedestrian and bicycle systems on the south campus; to avoid circumstances where public roads compromise the safety and efficient operation of the south campus research facilities; and to identify land for acquisition and possible sale or exchange.

In 1999, the Board approved the South Campus Master Plan in order to guide the long-range use and development of the campus area south of Florida and Kirby Avenues at the Urbana-Champaign campus. In 2001, the Board authorized a new focus on economic development and the transfer of research-based technology to create new economic enterprises for the State of Illinois. The project area is 680 acres of land bounded by St. Mary’s Road on the north, Lincoln Avenue on the east, Windsor Road on the south, and Neil Street on the west.

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