Campus Master Plan and Major Projects Update

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UWRF MAJOR PROJECTS

✓ Cascade Avenue
✓ Ames South Fork Suites Addition
✓ Falcon Center
✓ Ramer Renovation – Phase I
  • Rodli Hall Renovation
  • May Hall Addition and Remodeling
  • New Science and Technology Building
Cascade Avenue
Jesse H. Ames South Fork Suites
Ramer Field
Science and Technology Building
UNIQUE TEACHING FACILITIES IN THE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

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UWRF STRATEGIC PLAN – GOAL 1: DISTINCTIVE ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

--Distinctive Academic Excellence in CAFES based in part on the successful blending of theory with practical application

--Combination of classroom and out-of-classroom learning experiences

--Significant emphasis placed on hands-on, relevant, real-world activities, including our use of laboratory facilities

--Employers consistently tell us that hands-on experience sets UWRF graduates apart from others
CAFES FACILITIES

--Intentionally include “Laboratory” in referring to our Farms, but same could be said of the Greenhouse and Food Pilot Plants

--These facilities are TEACHING LABORATORIES in the same sense other programs utilize traditional laboratories (ex. Chemistry, Biology, etc.)

--Centered around providing for students and their experiences

--”Working facilities” but structured for students, including classes/labs, employment, and internships
UWRF LABORATORY FARMS

--Campus Laboratory Farm – part of main UWRF campus; houses equine program, fruit breeding, forestry

--Mann Valley Laboratory Farm – located 3.5 miles northwest of River Falls; houses other livestock enterprises (dairy, beef, swine, sheep), row crop and forage production, grazing, forestry

--Critical components in hands-on experiences for students; must be relevant and current with respect to industries served

--Managed as one Farm unit; logical consolidations of activities and enterprises have occurred over time

--Dairy enterprise moved from Campus Laboratory Farm to Mann Valley Laboratory Farm in 2007 with completion of Dairy Learning Center
UWRF LABORATORY FARMS

--Row crop production concentrated at Mann Valley; efficient use of specialized equipment

--Equine enterprise at Campus Farm managed separately and with little overlap from other livestock enterprises at Mann Valley

--Soil types at Campus Farm more conducive to Horticulture programming

--Both Farms provide convenience and access - especially true of the Campus Farm

--Challenges but also clear opportunities for programming across the Urban/Rural Interface

--Nearing completion of Master Plan process that will help guide development and renovation of facilities over next 20 years
CAMPUS LABORATORY FARM
MANN VALLEY LABORATORY FARM
FOOD PROCESSING PILOT PLANTS
IT’S ALL ABOUT THE STUDENTS
QUESTIONS?