

# National Institute of Standards and Technology Campus Master Plan Background

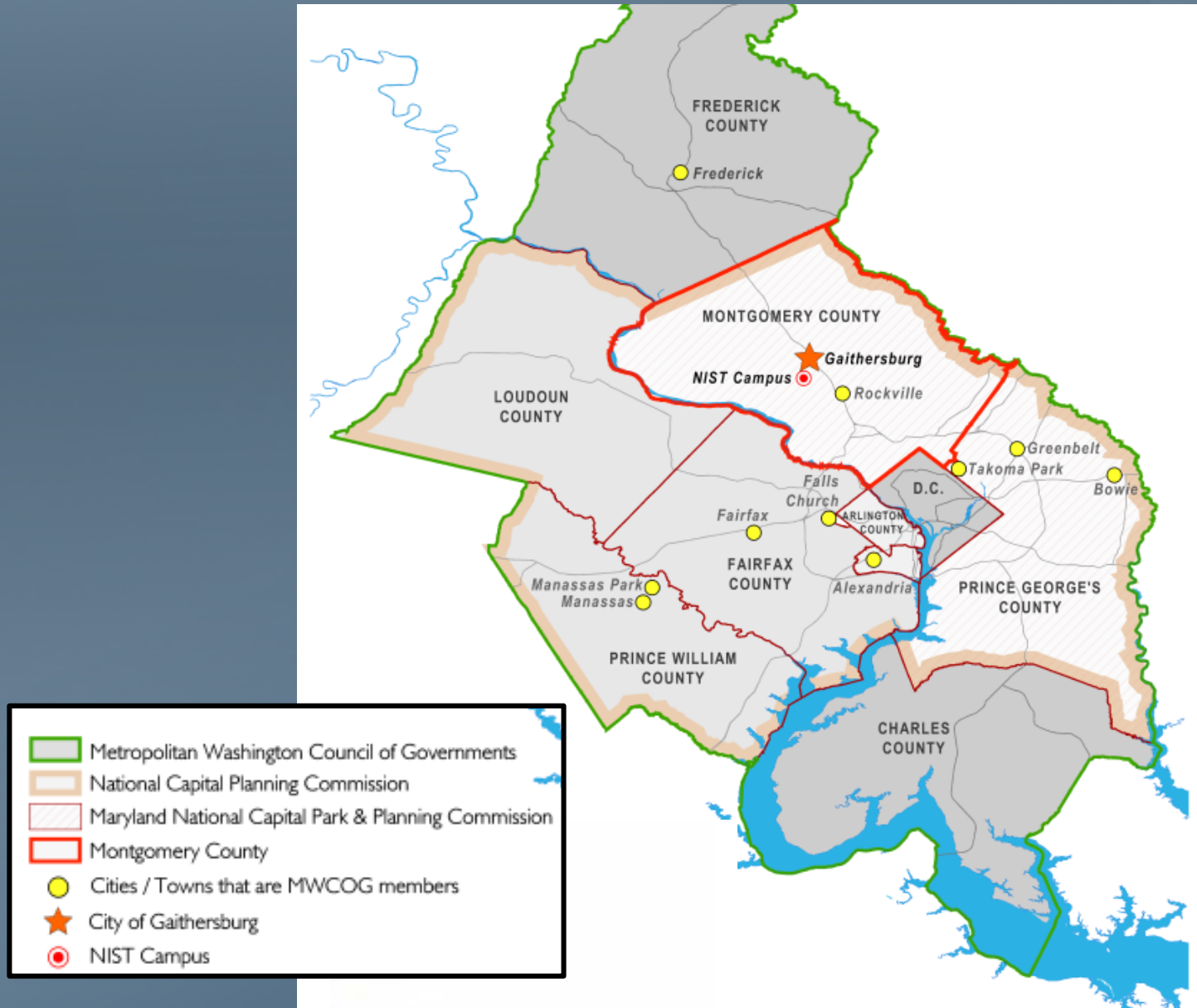
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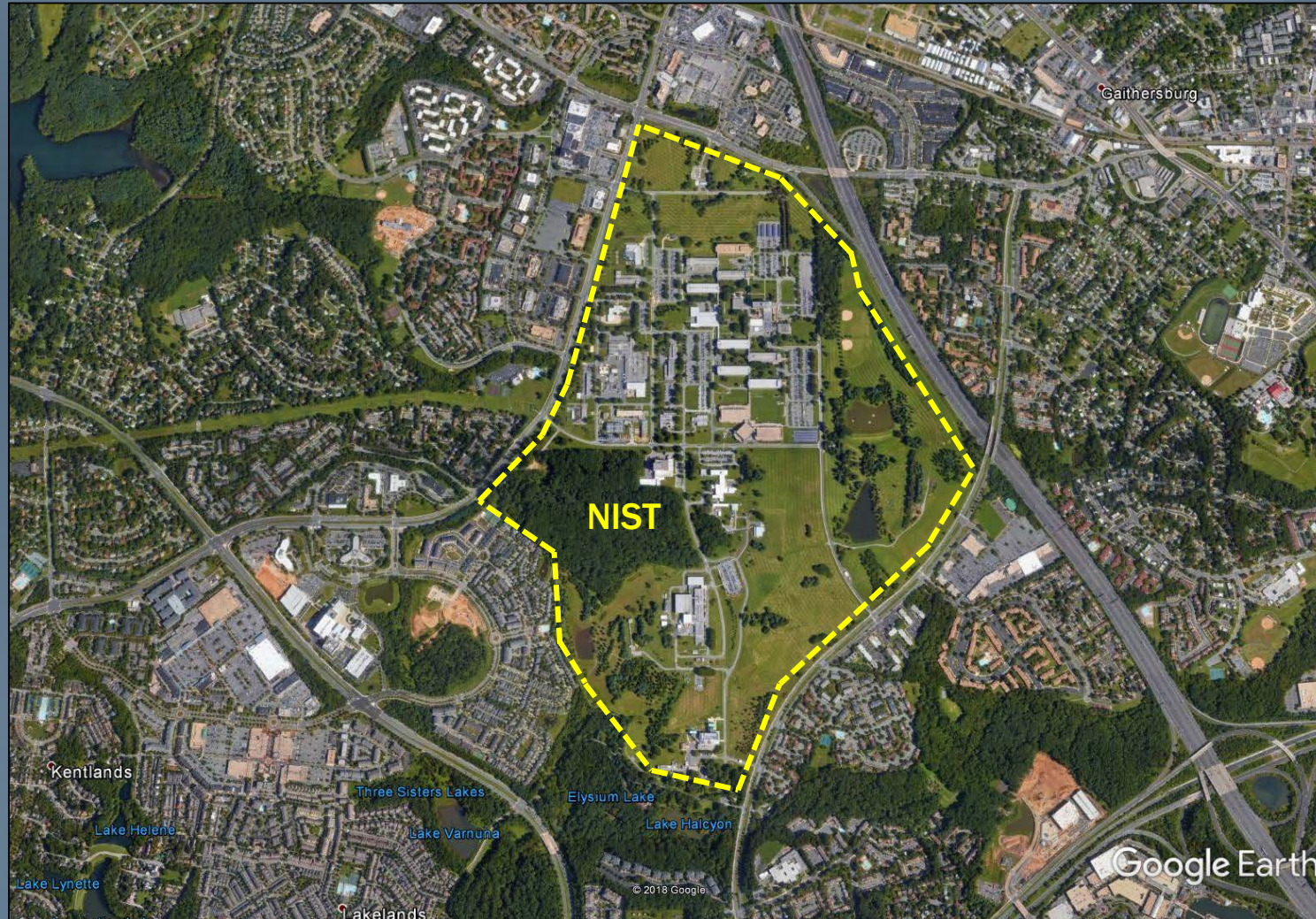
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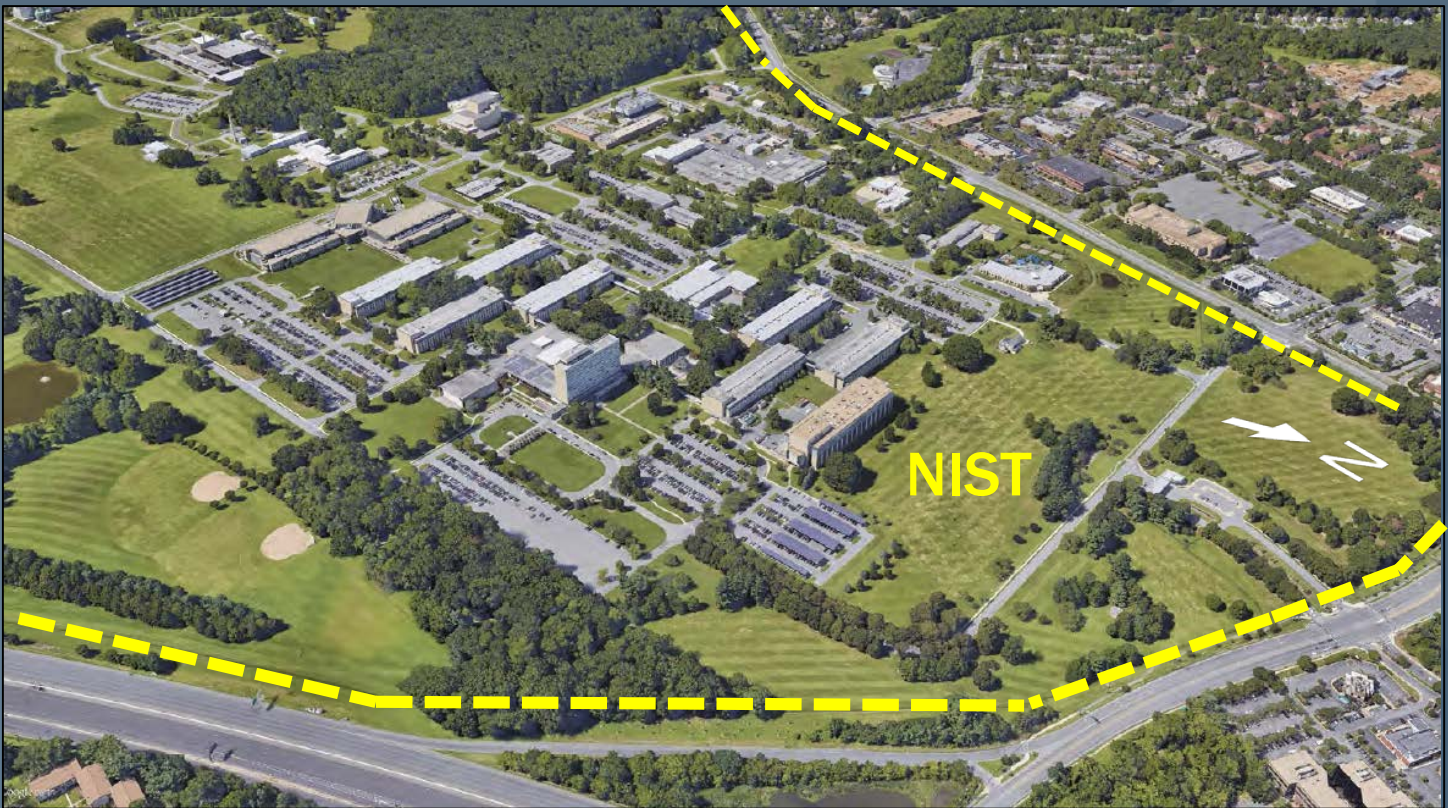






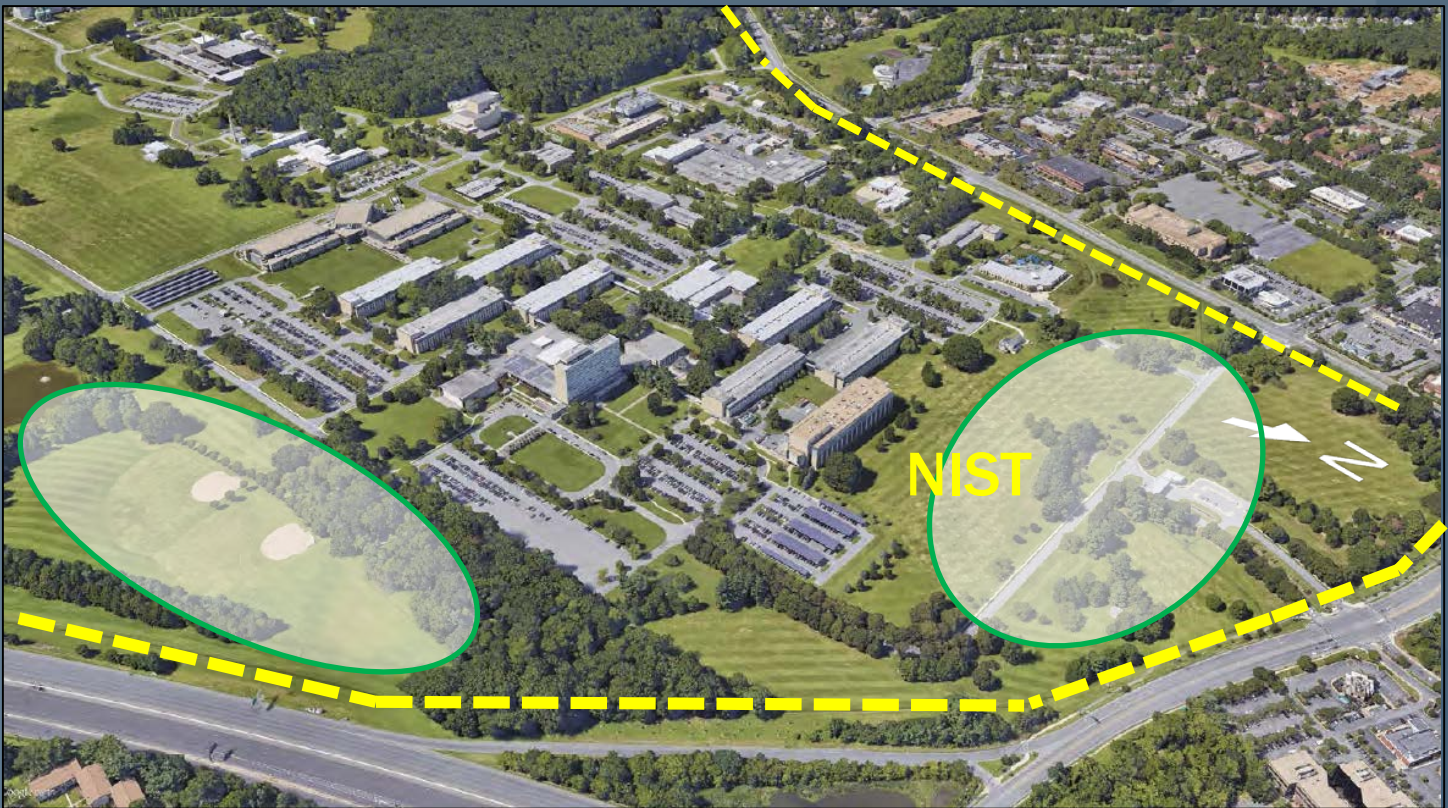


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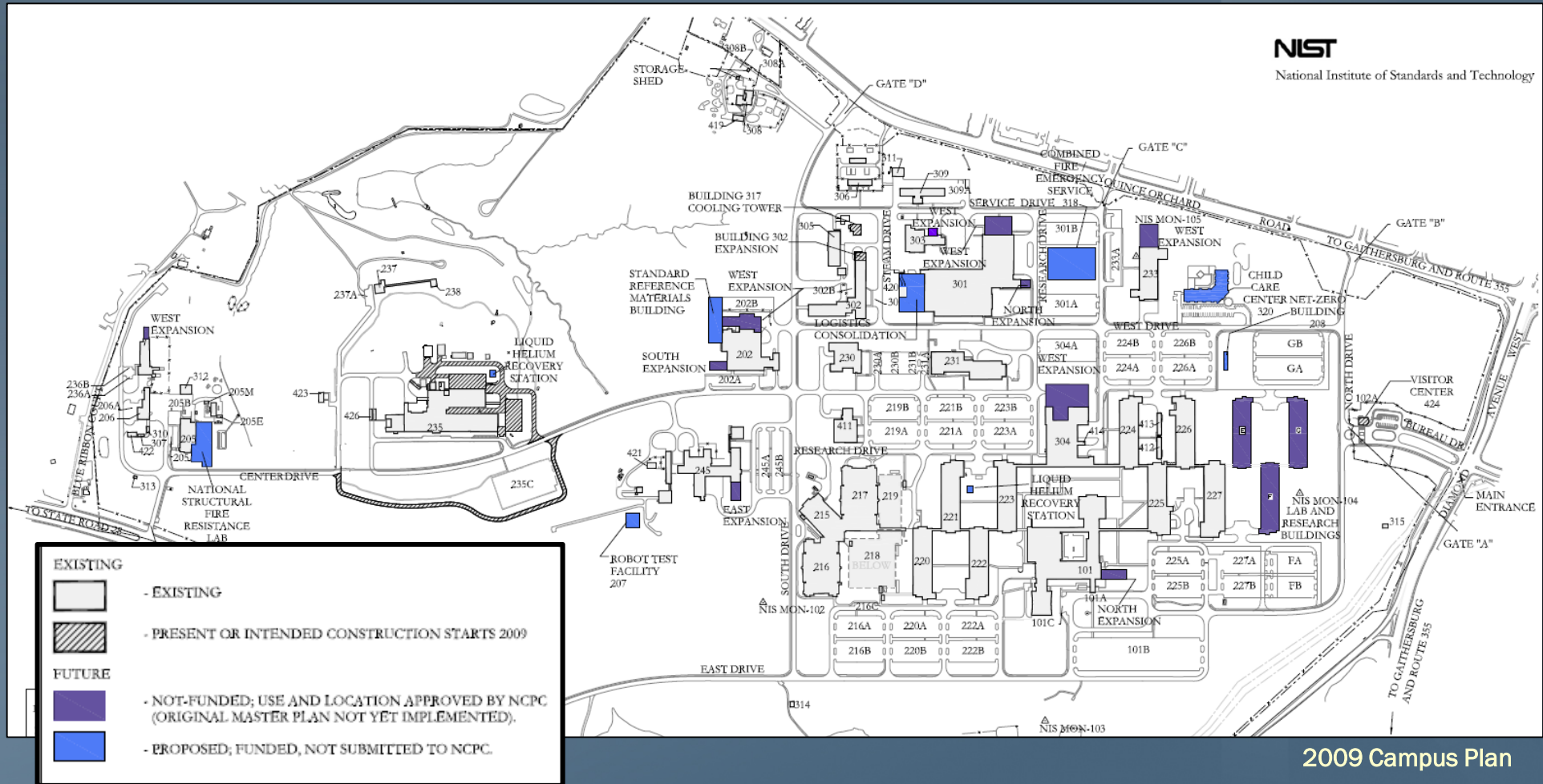




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- Many of the 1960's-era buildings needed modernization.
- Many of the 1972 master plan projects were never constructed due to lack of funding.
- Many of the 2009 projects were constructed with "American Recovery and Reinvestment Act" funding.



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# Campus Master Plan

Background Information  
for the  
National Capital Planning Commission  
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## National Institute of Standards and Technology

**Mission:** *To promote U.S. innovation and industrial competitiveness by advancing measurement science, standards, and technology in ways that enhance economic security and improve our quality of life.*

- Founded in 1901 as National Bureau of Standards, NIST is a non-regulatory agency and Federal research laboratory in the US Department of Commerce
- Relocated from Washington DC to Gaithersburg in 1960's as NIST HQ
- Additional NIST owned locations in Boulder & Ft. Collins, CO and Kauai, HI
- National presence through research coops/agreements, Manufacturing Extension Partnership Centers, and advanced Manufacturing USA Institutes

### Example NIST Services:

- Calibration Services
- Standard Reference Materials
- Lab Accreditation
- Time Services



NIST 1964

- Acoustics
- Additive manufacturing
- Biochemistry
- Biology
- Biotechnology
- Chemistry & Chemical Engineering
- Computer science
- Dimensional metrology
- Engineering
- Fire Research
- Forensic Science
- Materials Science
- Mathematics and Statistics
- Mechanical Engineering
- Medical Physics
- Metallurgy
- Molecular Biology
- Nanotechnology
- Neutron Research
- Quantum Physics
- Robotics
- Structural Engineering
- Wireless Communications

## Current Drivers

- Aging buildings with obsolete systems
- Poor Lab Environmental Controls, limiting research
- Outdated site infrastructure
- Security & circulation issues at Gates

## Common Issues

- Historic District Context
- Stormwater management
- Pedestrian connections
- Parking
- Landscape – unity & maintenance
- Energy Efficiency & Sustainability

## Future Requirements: 20 Years

- Precision measurement and flexible labs for expected program growth
- Specialty labs for planned research
- Office space for improved utilization and expected 27% staff increase
- CCT driven changes & linkages

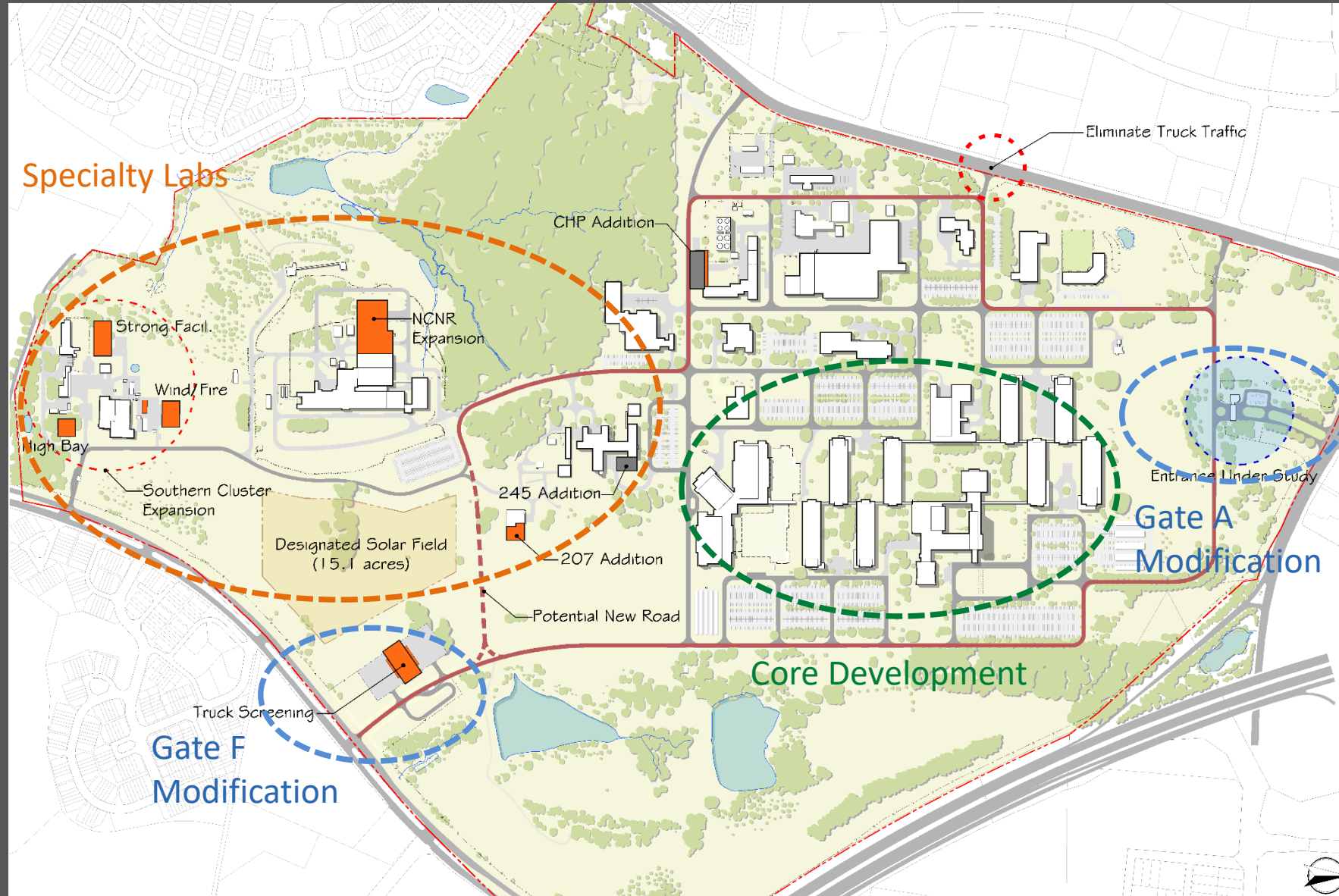
- Establish a framework for future development (20-year horizon)
- Meet near and long-term needs of the campus in support of NIST research mission
- Maintain attractive campus environment
- Respect & embrace campus historic district designation
- Advance NIST and DoC sustainable design goals

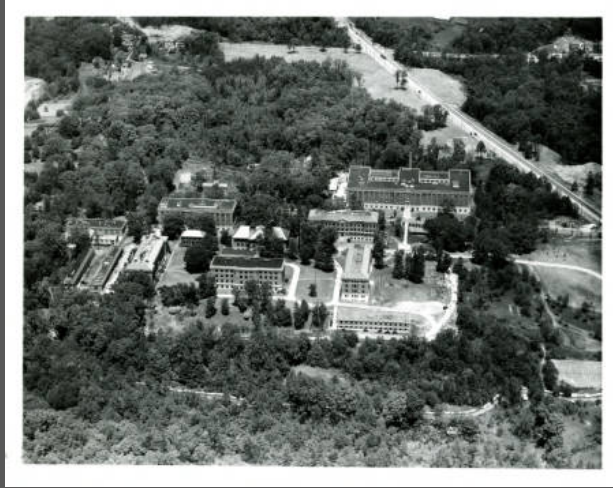


- Space Program represents current needs for upgrade & replacement as well as anticipated growth in research programs.
- Growth projections based on planned research programs by Laboratories, and related support by administrative organizations.
- Staff projections are in line with the historic growth patterns.

MASTER PLAN PROGRAM	EXISTING		20 YEAR PROJECTIONS		20 YEAR GROWTH & CHANGE	
	People #	Space ASF	People #	Space ASF	People #	Space ASF
ASF = Assignable Square Feet						
<b>PROJECTED GROWTH</b>						
People	4,007		5,106		1,099	
Office/Labs/Support Space		615,463		2,339,446		513,744
Subtotal - Growth	4,007	1,825,702	5,106	2,339,446	1,099	513,744
<b>ADDITIONAL FACILITY NEEDS</b>						
Expansions/New Facilities				93,755		93,755
<b>TOTAL EXISTING &amp; NEW FACILITIES</b>						
	ASF	1,825,702		2,433,201	ASF	607,499
	GSF	3,641,255	est. GSF	5,050,000	est. GSF	± 1,400,000
<b>RENOVATION</b>					GSF	2,083,965







The original NBS Campus, ca. 1930



Chemistry Building Ground Breaking, 1916



Stone Gate Post and Gate at Upton Street



Relocated Post and Gate at Gaithersburg



*View looking South: note the combination of new landscape design elements such as allee of trees, and the retention of natural landscape elements such as forested area to the top right*

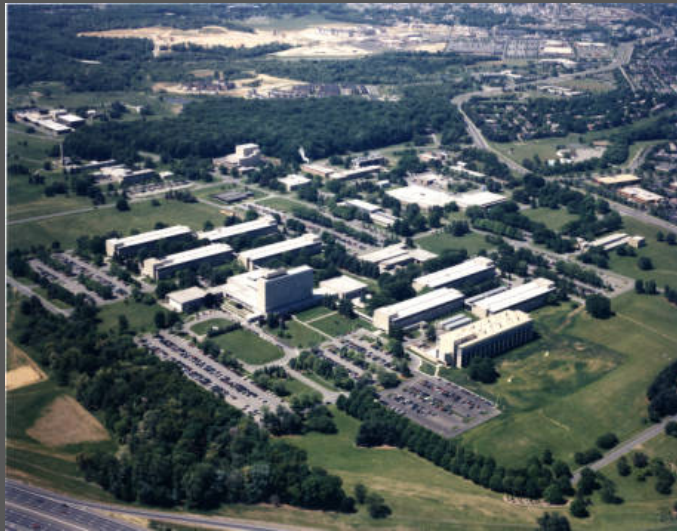
# NIST Gaithersburg Campus 1964 - 2017



1964



1975



2000



2017



1964, view looking west



2017, view looking west

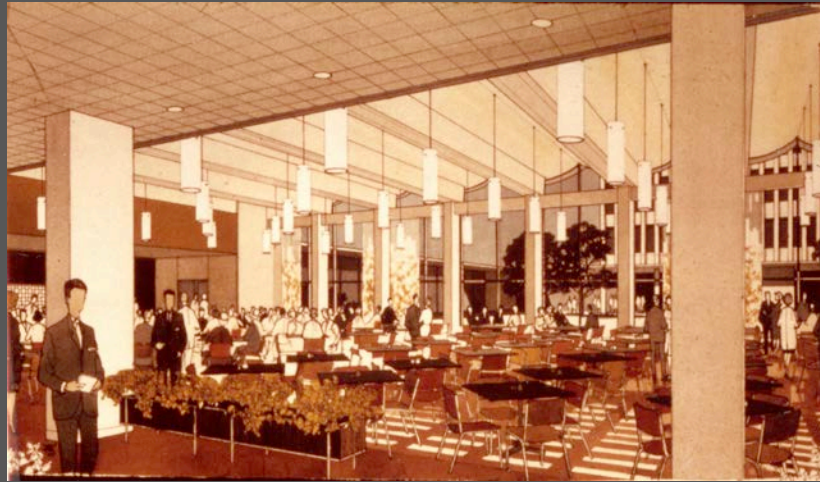


1964, view of Library from arcade



2017, view of Library and adjoining arcade

# Building 101 Cafeteria and Courtyard

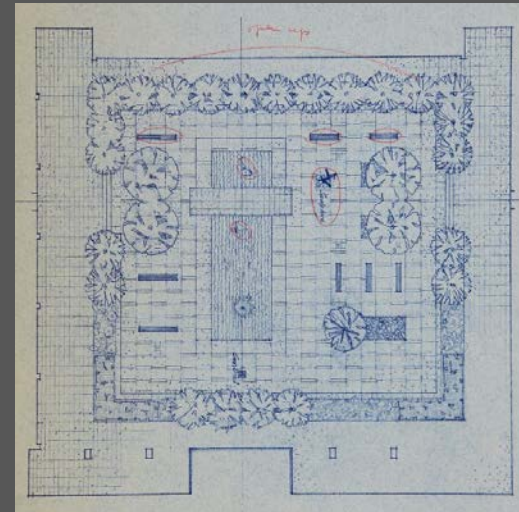


Architect's original rendering of Cafeteria



Proposed refurbishment, 2017

*courtesy of OKKS Studios/Delta Engineers*



Contemporary views and original plan of the Courtyard, *photos courtesy of Jason Stoughton, NIST*



*Built 1964, Chart of the Nuclides in glass block wall*



## Campus Core: Research Buildings



Building 220: General Purpose Laboratory



Building 227: General Purpose Laboratory



Building 225: Typical General Purpose Laboratory



Building 215: Nano-Fabrication



Building 217: Advanced Measurement Laboratory (Precision)



# Support Buildings



Building 301: Supply and Plant Building



Building 302: Steam and Chilled Water Plant



Building 304: Shops (Instrument)



Building 320: Childcare Center



Building 318: Emergency Services Building



Masonry Test Wall



South Pond

Prominent Landscape Features



Building 101 Entry



Allée along North Drive



North Pond



LEGEND

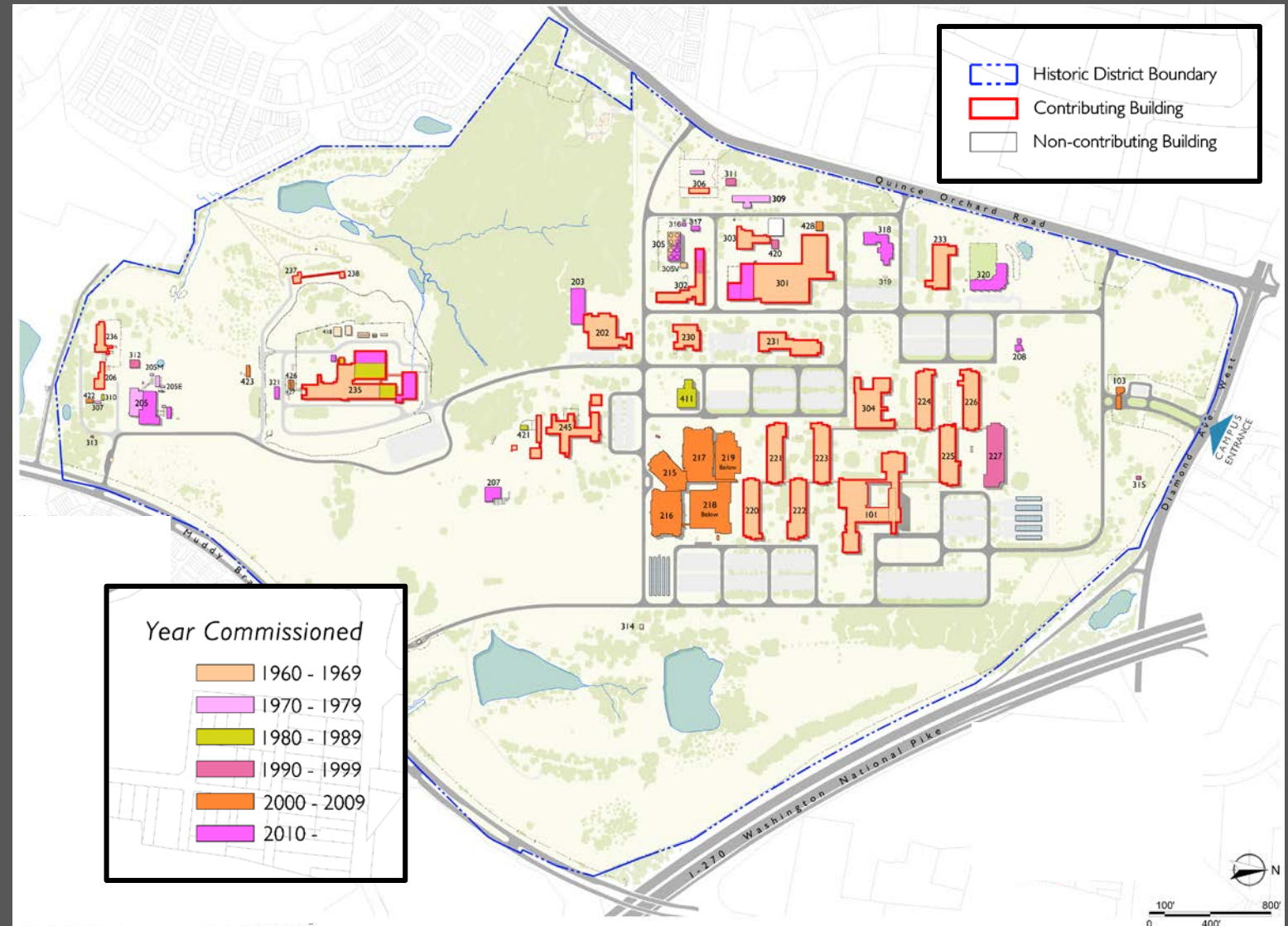
- Forested area
- Designed landscape to be preserved
- Tree canopy from campus core to be preserved
- Champion tree

## NIST Campus as a Historic District is recognized for:

- Association with developments in science and technology
- Significant example of Post-WW II research campus design

### Implications:

- NIST is the Steward of all cultural resources within the campus
- All buildings constructed in 1960's are contributing resources to the District
- Campus improvements are reviewed for compliance with federal preservation standards



### Aged research facilities are unable to support precision measurements and research:

- 50 year old infrastructure systems have outlived their useful life & are energy inefficient
- Lack of temperature stability
- Lack of humidity control
- Lack of vibration control
- Inadequate quality & quantity of power
- Deficiencies in piped services to labs
- Lack of sprinkler systems for fire protection
- General degradation in infrastructure equipment & distribution
- No redundancy of infrastructure systems
- Components for legacy equipment are difficult to obtain
- Building exterior envelopes are uninsulated and not energy efficient



Building 225: Typ. General Purpose Lab (1964)

## Phase I includes:

- Collect & analyze data
- Assess impacts of regulations & polices
- Review recent & ongoing planning studies
- Conduct OU interviews/questionnaires
- Conduct employee survey
- Develop a master plan program
- Prepare alternatives & select master plan concept
- Initiate NEPA tasks

### Contextual Analysis

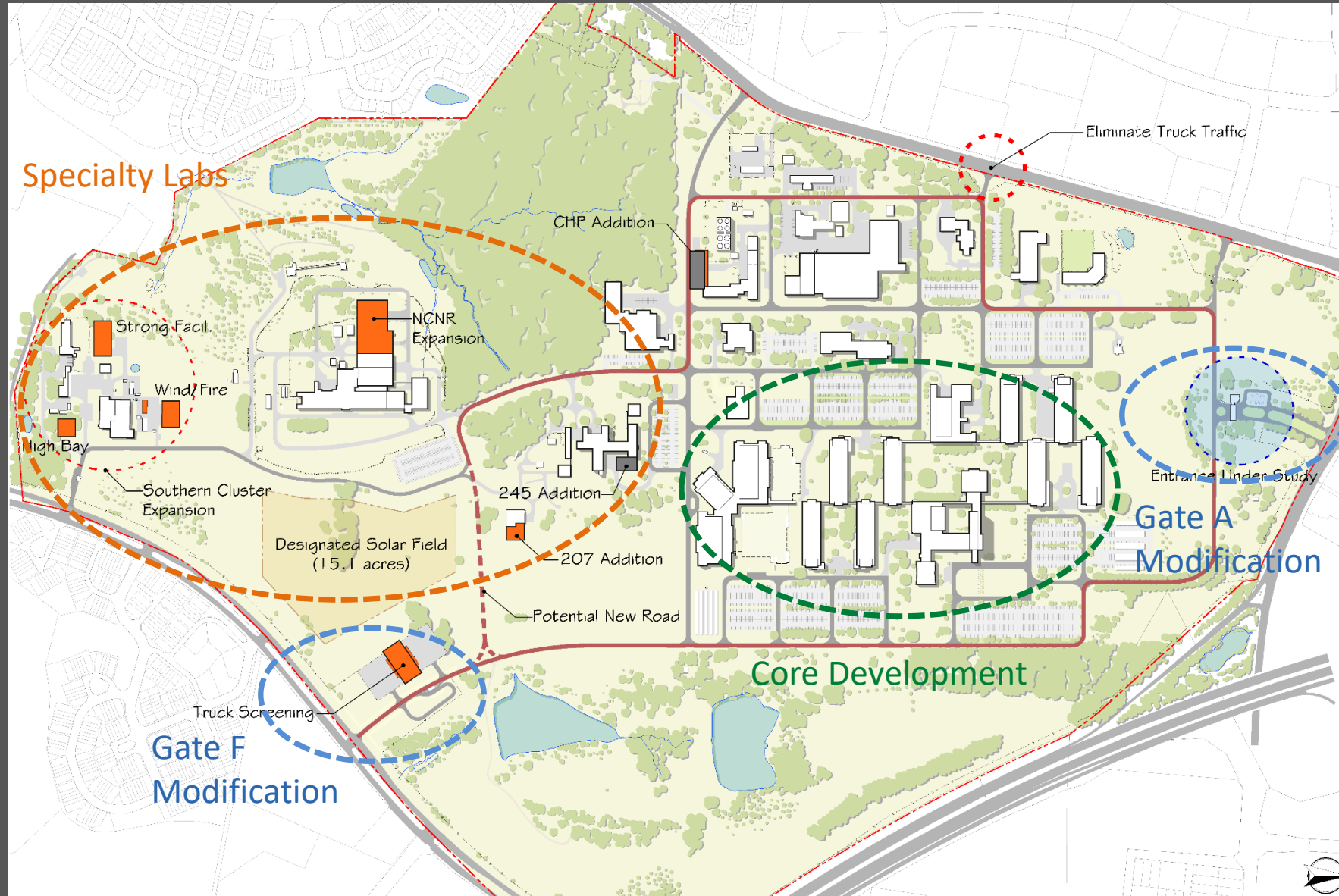
- Regional Analysis
- Natural and Built Environment
- Circulation & Transportation
- Utility Infrastructure

## Phase II:

- ➡ • Develop draft Master Plan and draft Environmental Assessment (EA)

## Phase III:

- Develop final Master Plan, EA and ROD or FONSI



# QUESTIONS / DISCUSSION



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