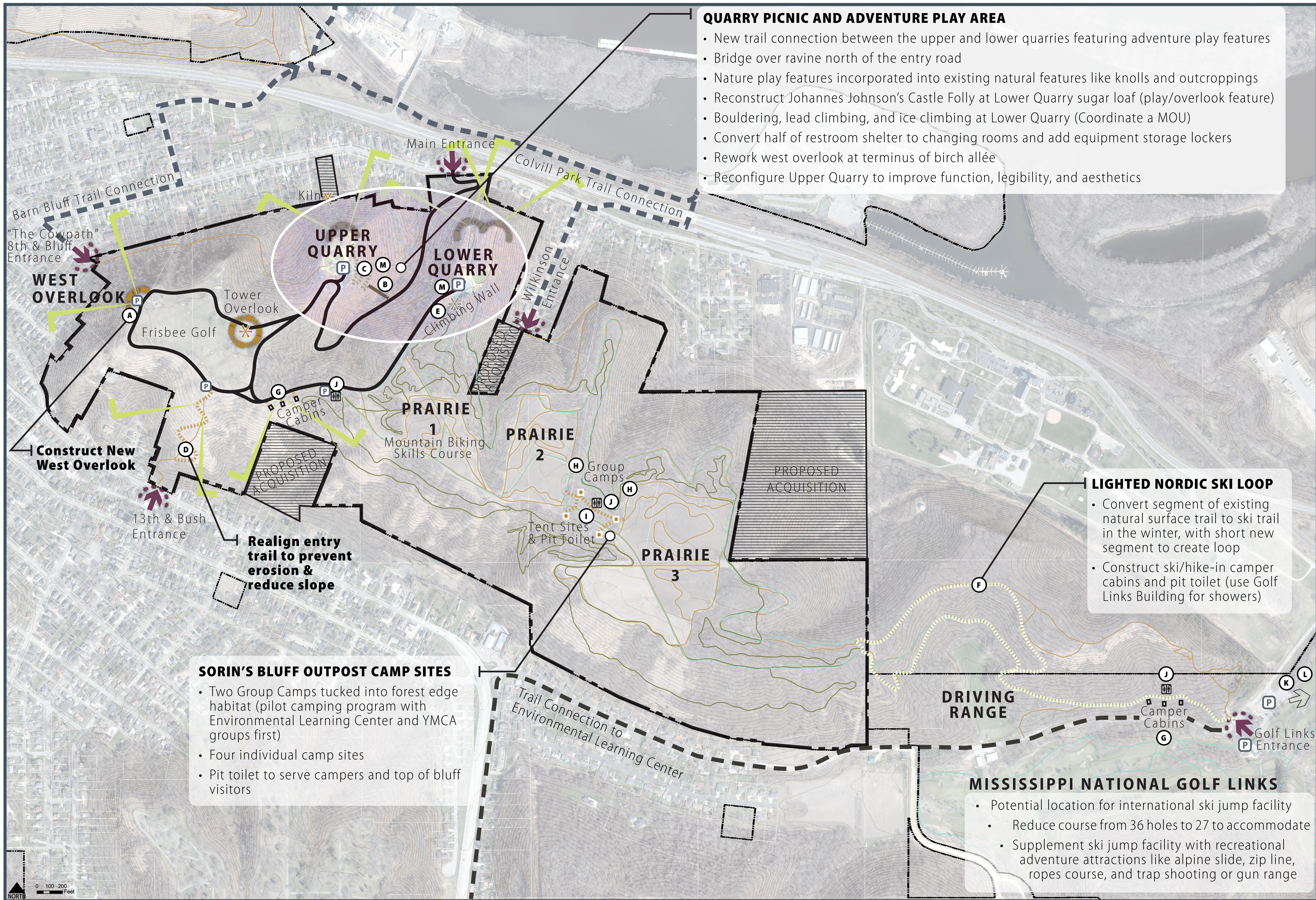


# MEMORIAL PARK CONCEPT PLAN



**QUARRY PICNIC AND ADVENTURE PLAY AREA**

- New trail connection between the upper and lower quarries featuring adventure play features
- Bridge over ravine north of the entry road
- Nature play features incorporated into existing natural features like knolls and outcroppings
- Reconstruct Johannes Johnson's Castle Folly at Lower Quarry sugar loaf (play/overlook feature)
- Bouldering, lead climbing, and ice climbing at Lower Quarry (Coordinate a MOU)
- Convert half of restroom shelter to changing rooms and add equipment storage lockers
- Rework west overlook at terminus of birch allée
- Reconfigure Upper Quarry to improve function, legibility, and aesthetics

**SORIN'S BLUFF OUTPOST CAMP SITES**

- Two Group Camps tucked into forest edge habitat (pilot camping program with Environmental Learning Center and YMCA groups first)
- Four individual camp sites
- Pit toilet to serve campers and top of bluff visitors

**LIGHTED NORDIC SKI LOOP**

- Convert segment of existing natural surface trail to ski trail in the winter, with short new segment to create loop
- Construct ski/hike-in camper cabins and pit toilet (use Golf Links Building for showers)

**MISSISSIPPI NATIONAL GOLF LINKS**

- Potential location for international ski jump facility
- Reduce course from 36 holes to 27 to accommodate
- Supplement ski jump facility with recreational adventure attractions like alpine slide, zip line, ropes course, and trap shooting or gun range

# KEYED PRECEDENT PHOTOS



E Ice Climbing

F Lighted Skiing Loop

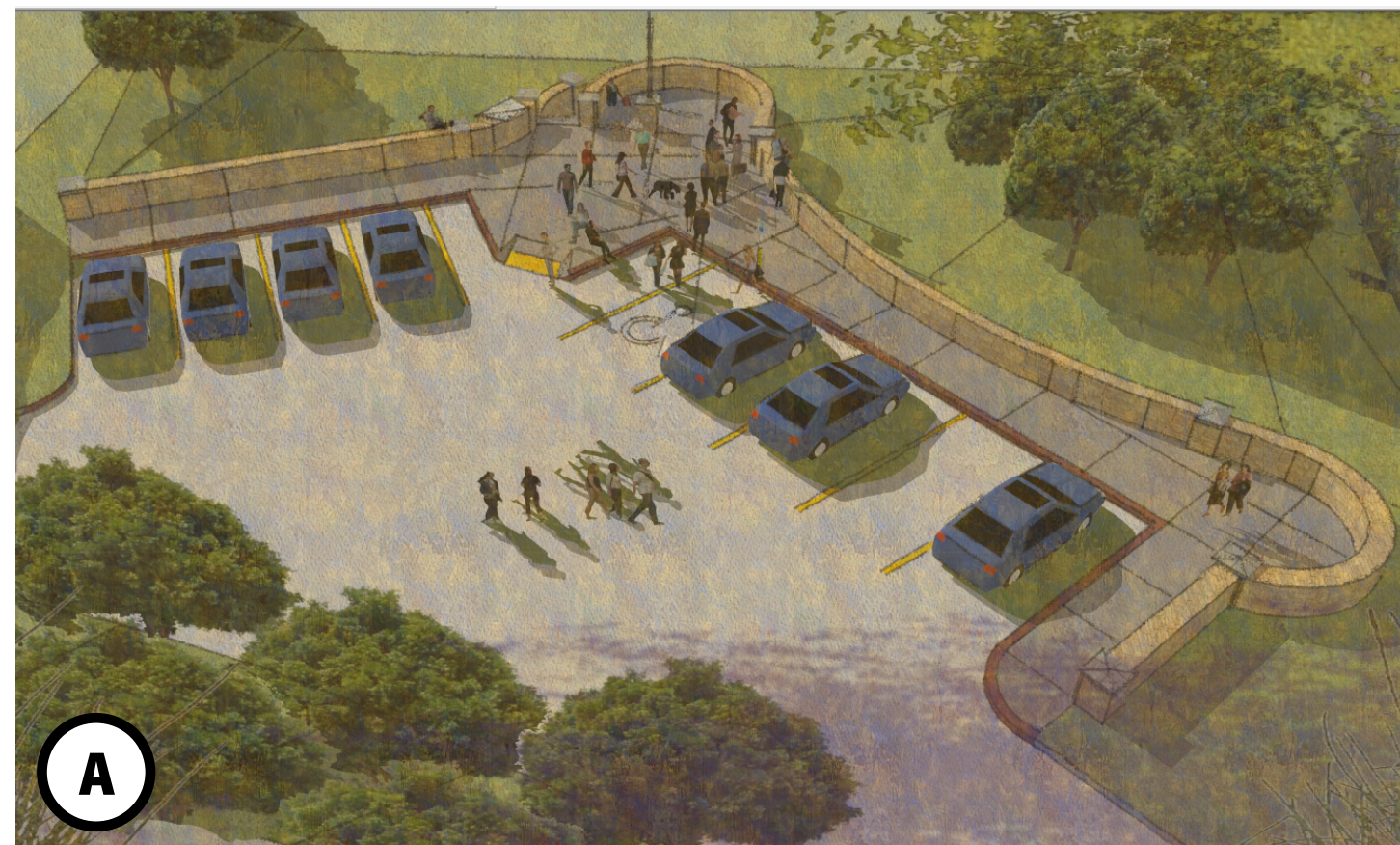


G Camper Cabins



H Group Campsites

## WEST OVERLOOK CONCEPT



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## TRAIL IMPROVEMENTS



B Ravine Bridge Connecting Quarries



C Quarry Connector Adventure Trail



D New Sustainable Entry Trail

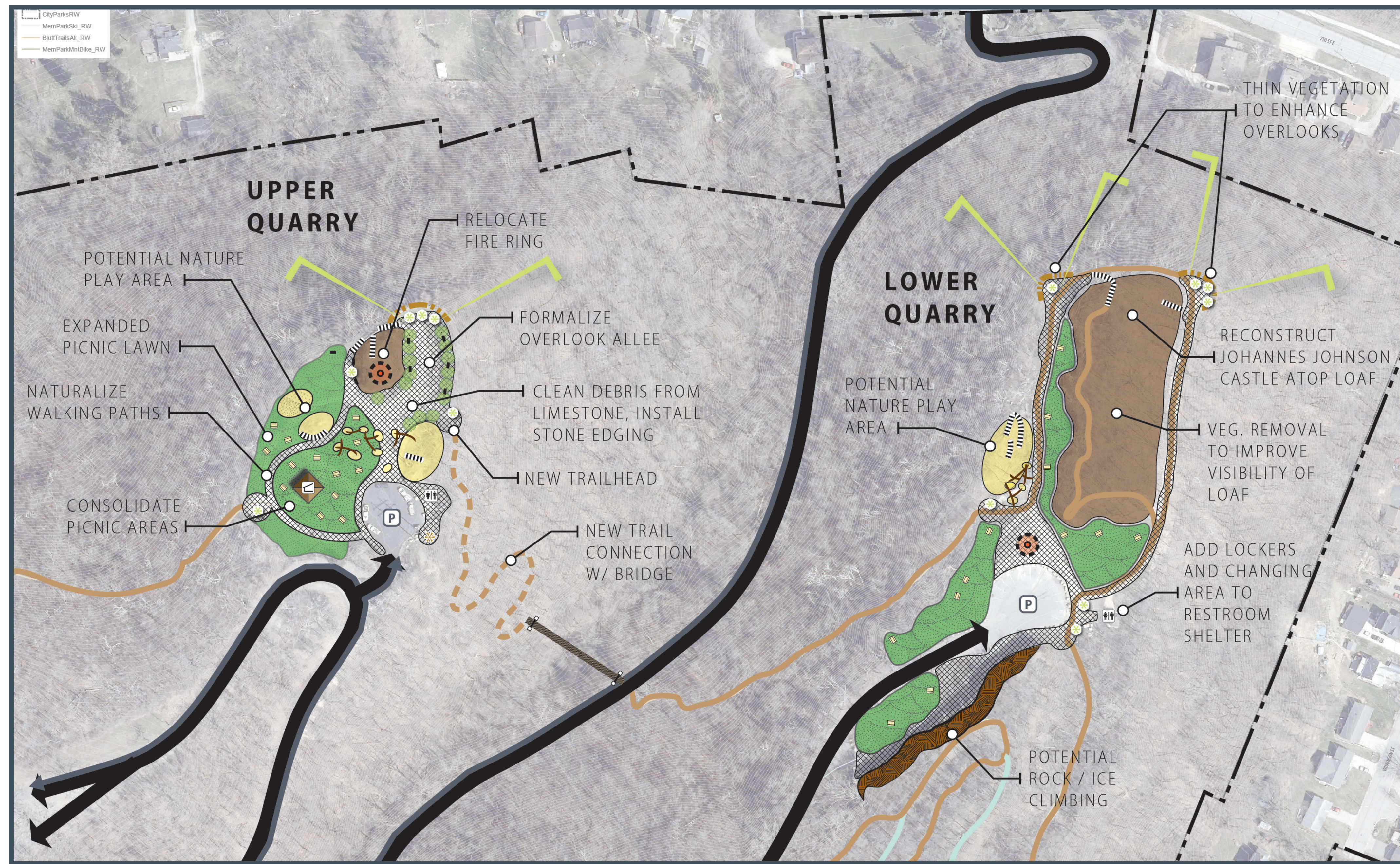


I Rustic Hike-in Campsites

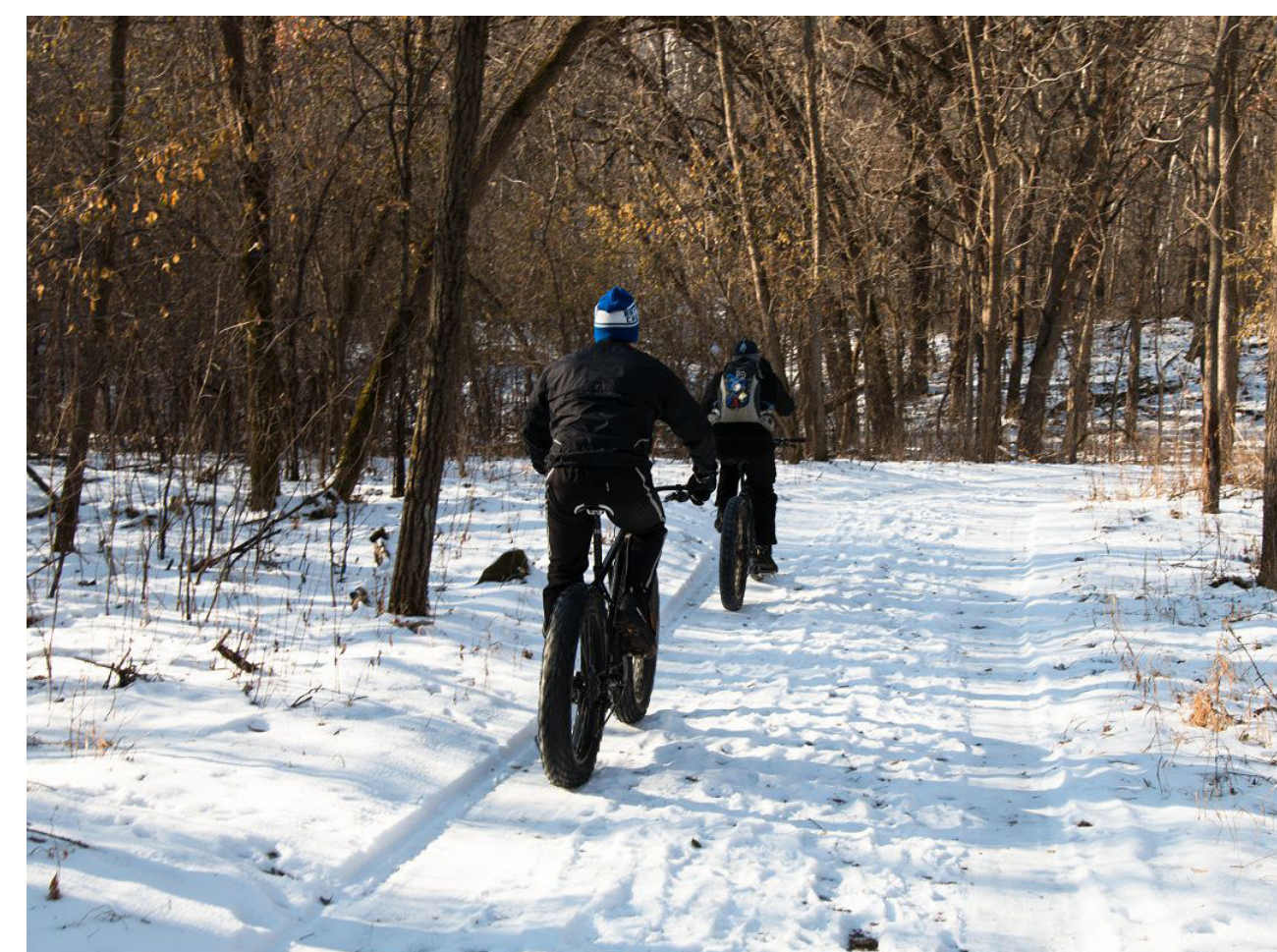


J Pit Toilet

## QUARRY PICNIC AND ADVENTURE PLAY AREA



## PRECEDENT IMAGES



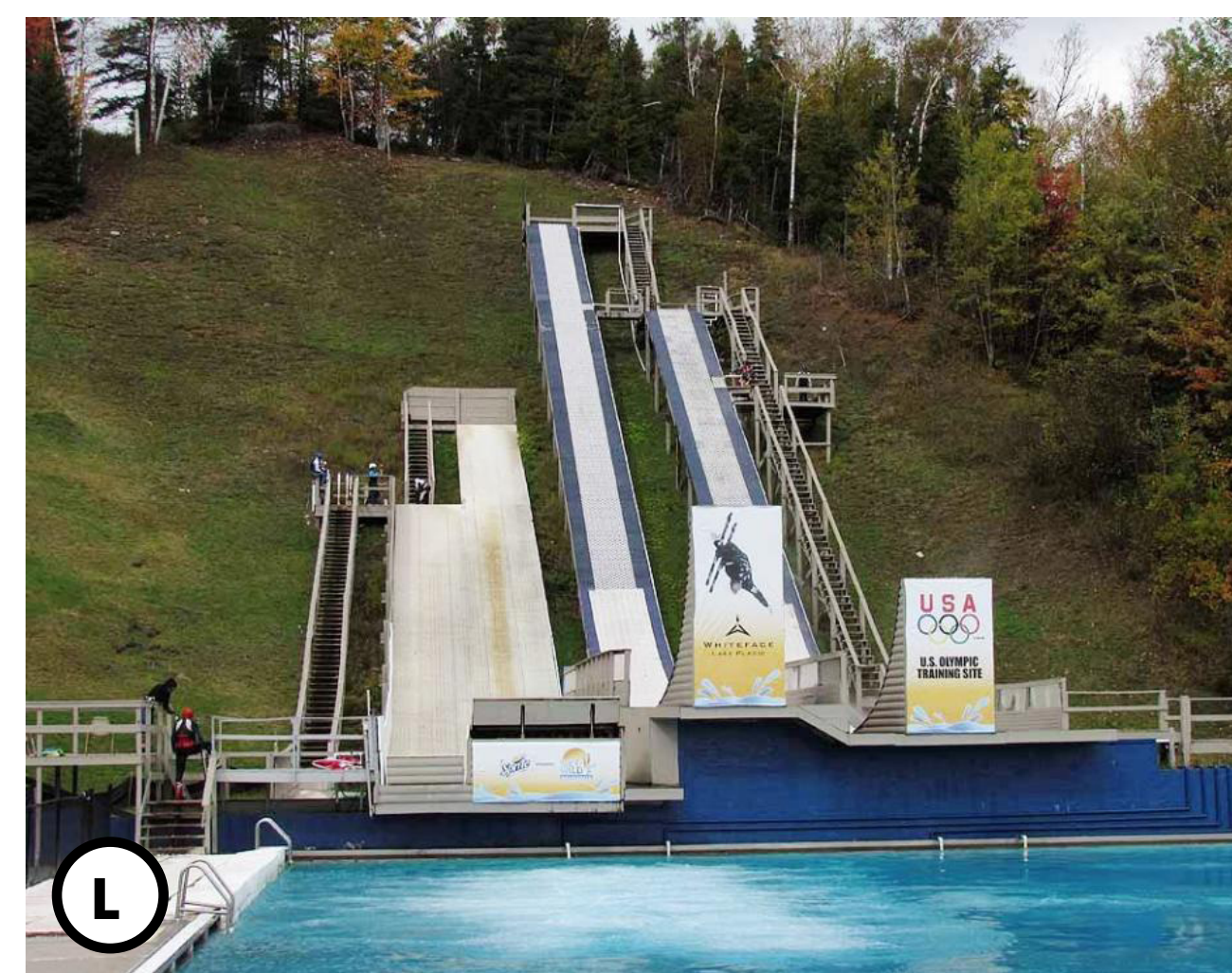
Fat Tire Biking



Bouldering



Alpine Slide



Ski Jump Facility



Adventure Nature Play



## MEMORIAL PARK CONCEPT OVERVIEW

Memorial Park has great bones, but struggles with legibility and lacks a focused brand.

It offers something for everyone and has been described as “Everyone’s Park,” but with its striking views and recreational value, it could have more regional renown.

This concept proposes improvements that would allow Sorin’s Bluff to be marketed as a recreation destination for outdoor enthusiasts and visitors from around the region in conjunction with Barn Bluff, the Cannon Valley Trail, and the Cannon/ Mississippi Rivers in order to buoy tourism in Red Wing.

## THE CONCEPT WORKS ON:

- Improving access within the park and connections to nearby locales (Colvill Park and Barn Bluff, the Cannon Valley Trail, the Environmental Learning Center)
- Creating more consistent trail gateways, entrances, and recognizable names for the areas of the park to improve legibility
- Emphasizing existing and promoting complementary active outdoor recreation opportunities to brand the park and adjacent golf course land as an all-season destination that includes:
  - Hiking
  - Camping
  - Adventure/nature play
  - Mountain biking
  - Ice climbing
  - Lighted nordic skiing
  - Rock climbing
  - Bouldering
  - Fat tire biking
  - Ski jumping
  - An alpine slide

## WHAT DO YOU THINK?

Place dots on the boards and share your thoughts using a comment card and/or the sticky notes provided:

● I like this!

● This could use some work.

■ What about this idea?