ILLINOIS RIVER CENTER AT HAVANA

Linking Resources for Success

Governor's Conference on the Management of the Illinois River System (October, 2005)



Linking Resources For Success

COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION STRATEGY

Nature Based
Tourism & Other
Tourism
Development
Initiatives

City of Havana

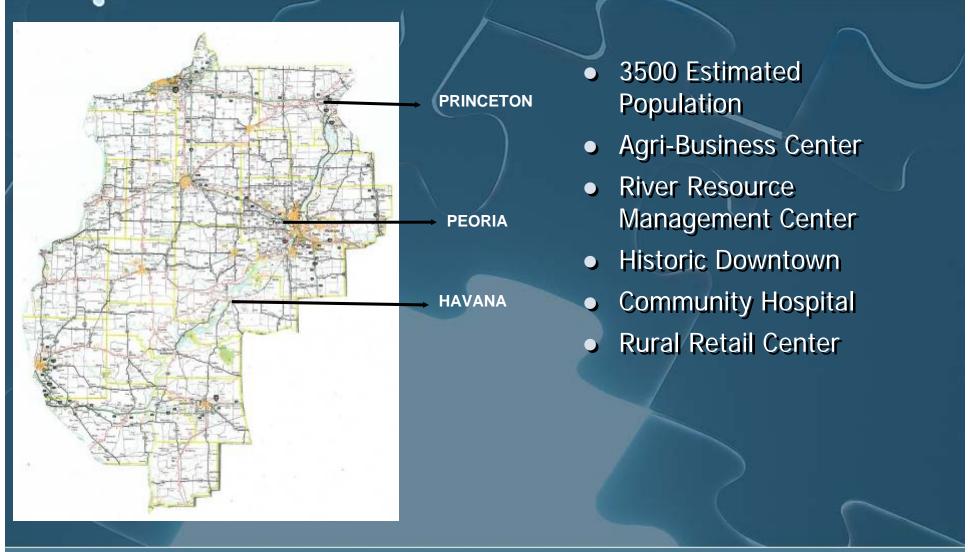
Community Revitalization

Agri-Business & Multi-Modal Transportation Development

GOAL: To take advantage of the Illinois River as an important natural, cultural, and economic resource to help further the overall revitalization of the community



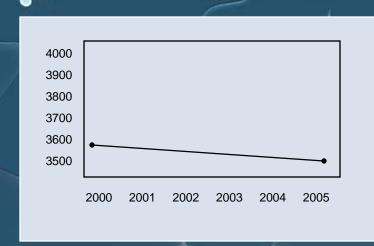
Havana's Demographics & Location



Identifying & Understanding Local Community Development Challenges

- Stable or Declining Population
- Loss of Jobs
- Lack of Adequate Reinvestment
 Occurring in Certain Areas of the City

Identifying & Understanding Local Community Development Challenges



Stable or Declining Population



Lack of Reinvestment



Plant Closures



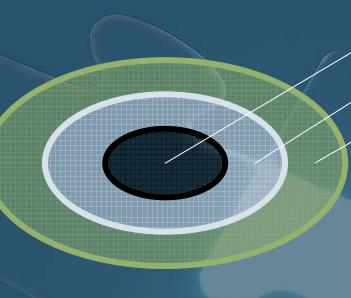
Lack of Reinvestment



- Local Development Interests
- Local Business Expansion Interests
- Regional Trends & Activities
- Regional Markets & Opportunities



Understanding & Developing Havana's Regional Role



City of Havana
Local Area
Multi-County Area

- Tourism Development
- Agri-Business & Multi-Modal Transportation Development



City of Havana Community Revitalization Opportunities

CULTURAL-BASED & NATURE-BASED
TOURISM OPPORTUNITIES

ILLINOIS RIVER VALLEY CULTURAL RESOURCES

- Agriculture
- •Fishing & Hunting Industries
- Native American History
- Others

CONNECTING THE REGIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

ILLINOIS RIVER VALLEY NATURAL RESOURCES

- Emiquon
- Chautauqua
- Others

ILLINOIS RIVER AS A TRANSPORTATION RESOURCE

- Regional Port Facility
 - Agriculture HUB
 - Coal Transport
 - Others



Regional Opportunities: Establishing Linkages

TOURISM DEVELOPMENT

- Joined Peoria Area
 Convention & Visitors'
 Bureau
- Participated in Regional
 Nature-Based Tourism
 Planning & Scenic Highway
 Initiatives
- 3. Established Havana as a Tourism HUB for Regional Marketing Program
- 4. Established Local Tourism Coordinating Group
- 5. Developed the "Illinois River Center" Concept

REGIONAL TRANSPORT HUB DEVELOPMENT

- 1. Havana Economic Development Coordinator Appointed to Regional "TransPORT" Board
- 2. Local Agr-Business Players Contacted and Their Expansion Interests Assessed
- 3. Sunrise Ag and City Developed Regional Port Concept & Agreement Was Approved
- 4. Plans for Related Industrial
 Park and Tie to Existing
 Business Park Being Developed



Community Revitalization: Local Project Formation

DOWNTOWN & RIVERFRONT REVITALIZATION

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AMENTITIES

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BUSINESS RELOCATIONS

COMMUNITY
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STRATEGY

AGRI-TOURISM OPPORTUNITIES

WORKFORCE &
BUSINESS DEVELOP.
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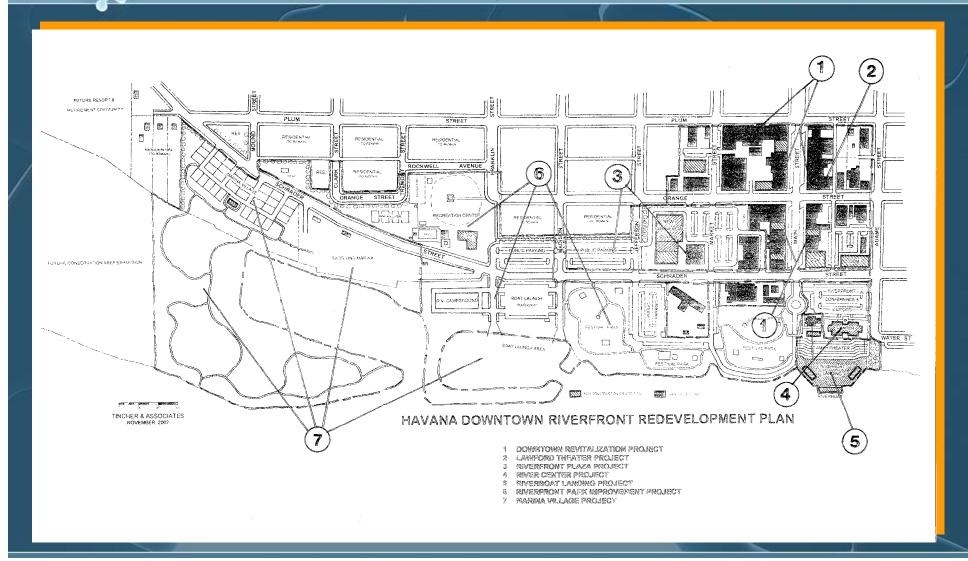
BUSINESS PARK & INDUSTRIAL PARK DEVELOPMENT

REGIONAL PORT

AGRI-BUSINESS EXPANSION & REGIONAL PORT DEVELOPMENT

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Local Project Formation Downtown & Riverfront Revitalization Plan

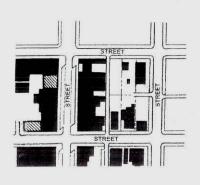




Downtown & Riverfront Revitalization Plan - Downtown Revitalization Project -



Downtown & Riverfront Revitalization Plan - Community Theater & Visitors' Center Project -



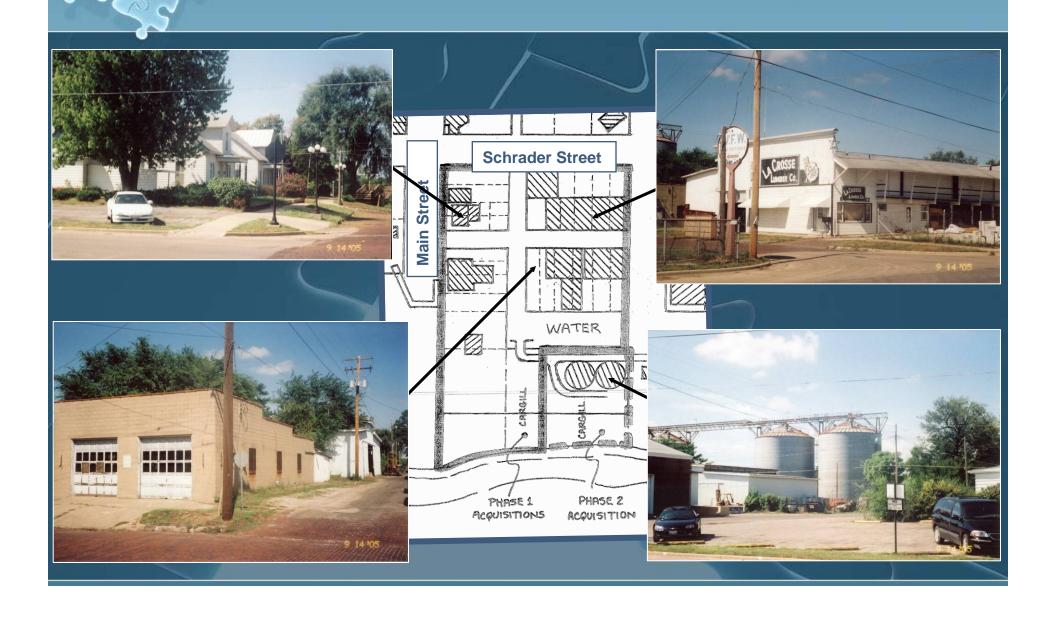


LAWFORD THEATER PROJECT

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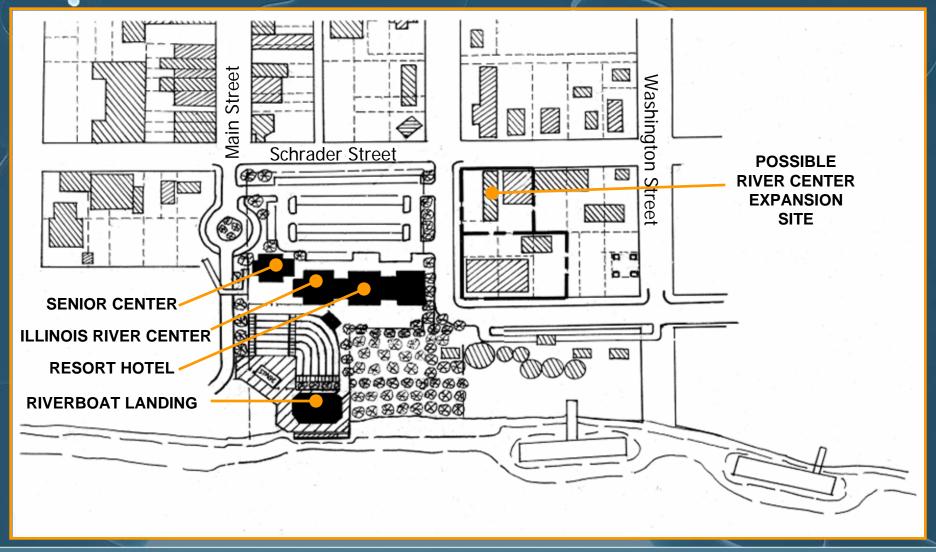


Illinois River Center Site Consolidation





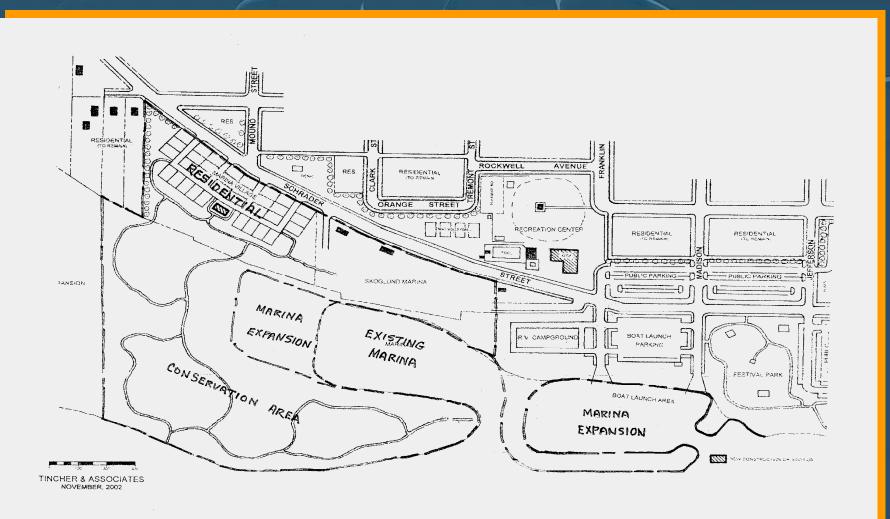
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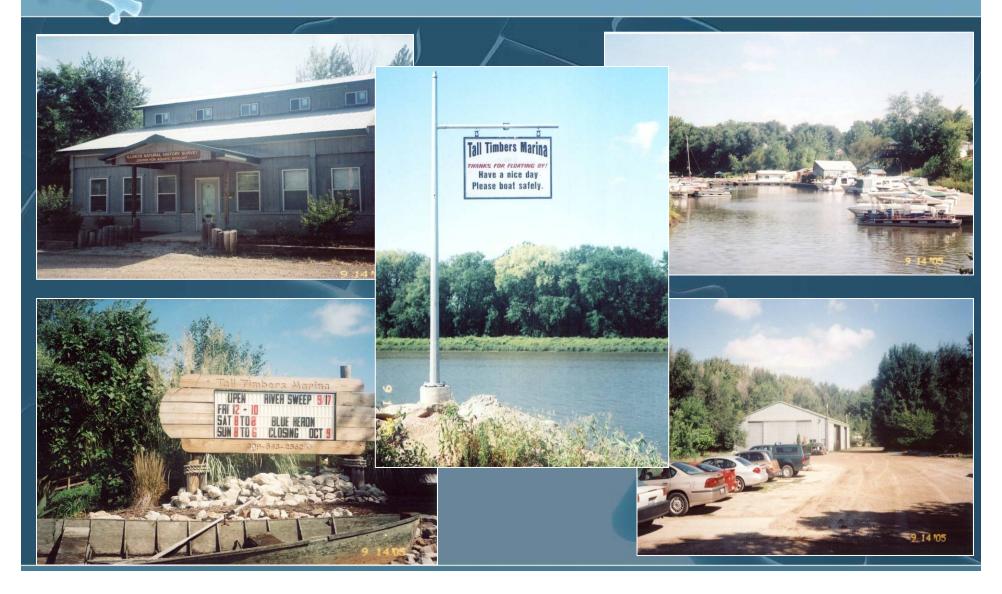
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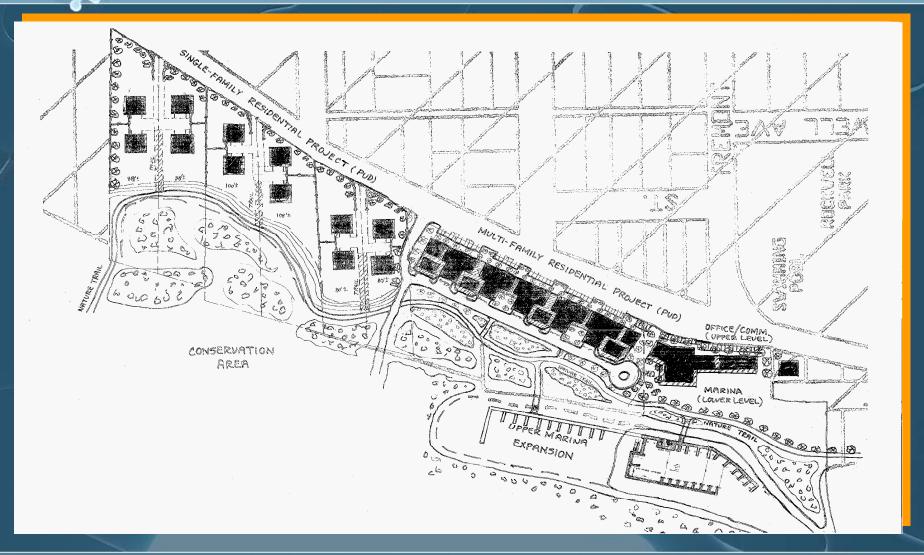


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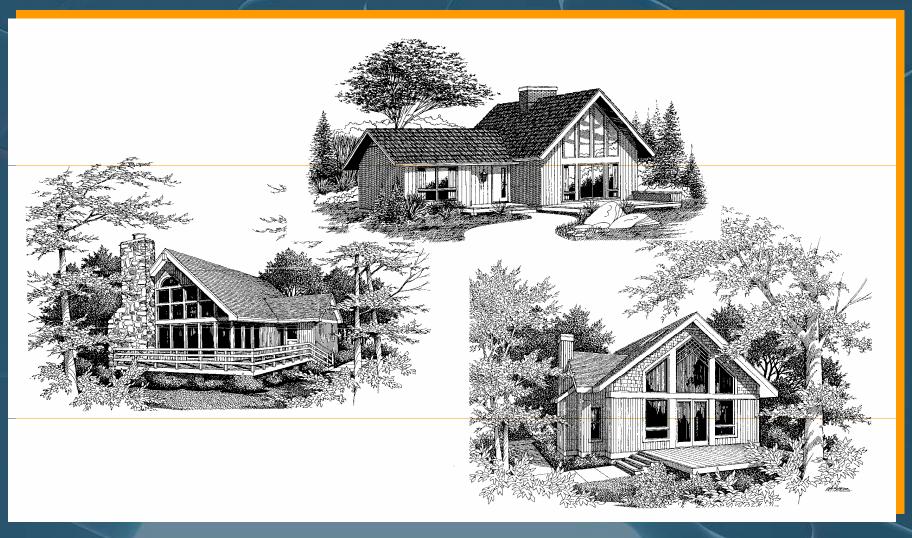


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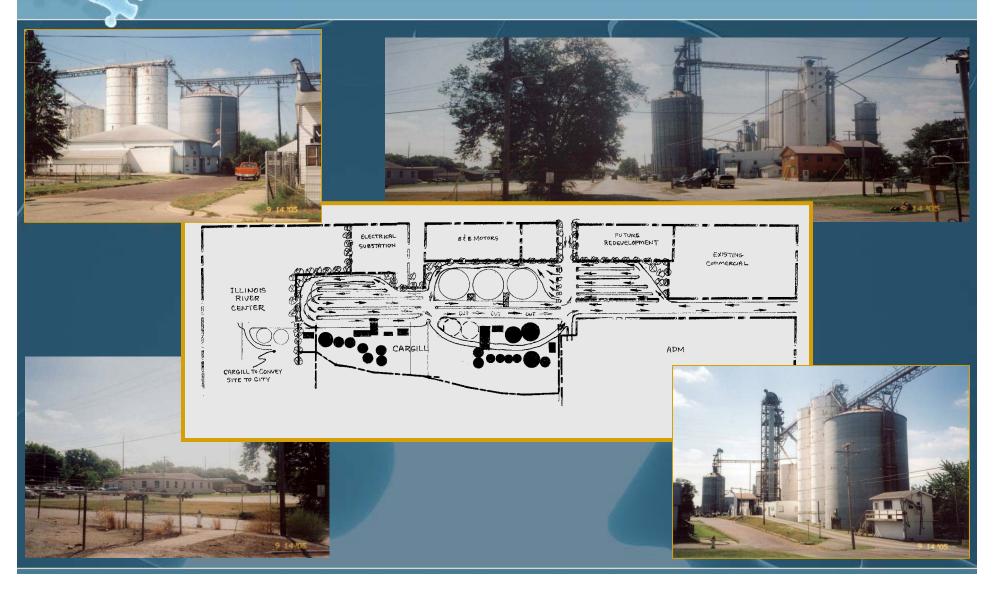




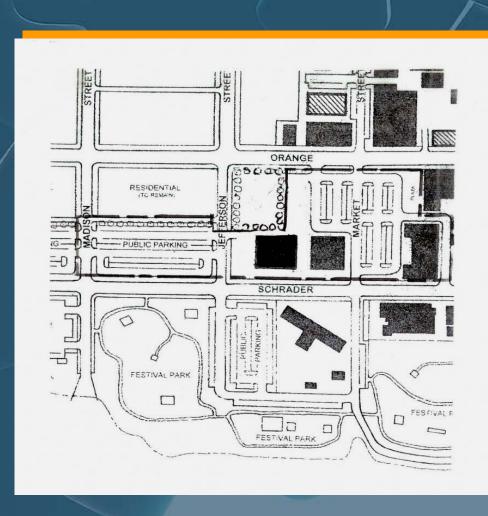
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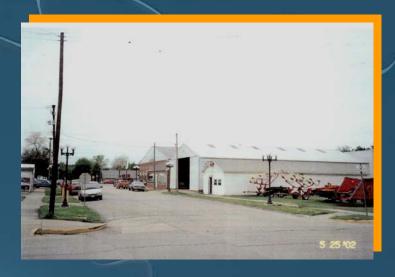


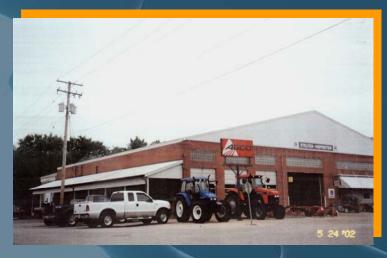
Downtown & Riverfront Revitalization Plan - Cargill Relocation & Expansion Project -



Downtown & Riverfront Revitalization Plan - Riverside Plaza Project -









Nature-Based & Other Tourism Development Plan

- Establishing Havana As a Tourism Hub -

"GREAT LAKES TO **GREAT RIVERS**"

NATURE-BASED TOURISM TRAIL



ILLINOIS RIVER COUNTRY MARKETING AREA

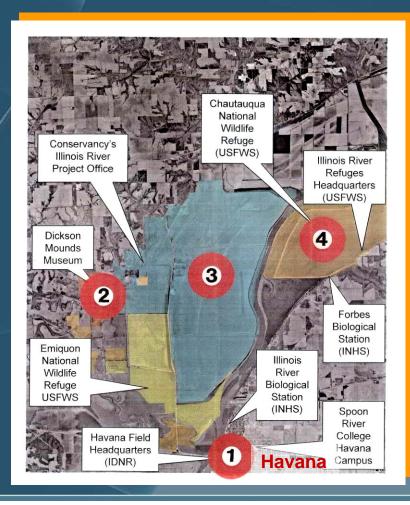
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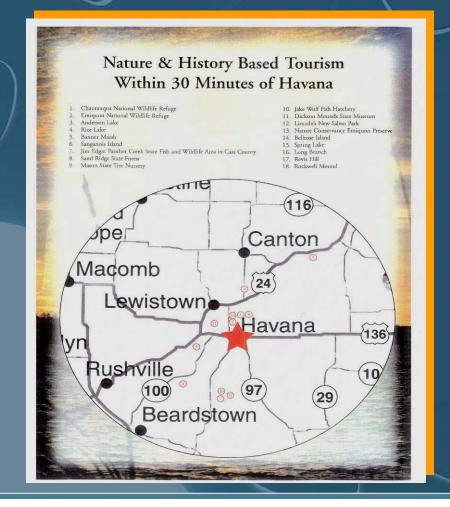


Establishing Havana As a Tourism Hub

Havana Area Tourism Hub



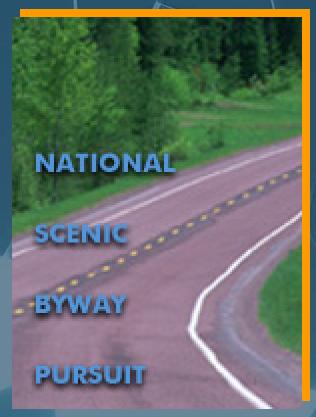
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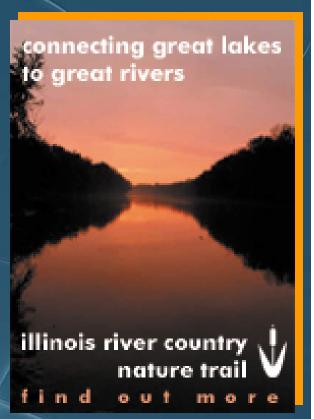
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Illinois River Country Regional Advertising Campaign

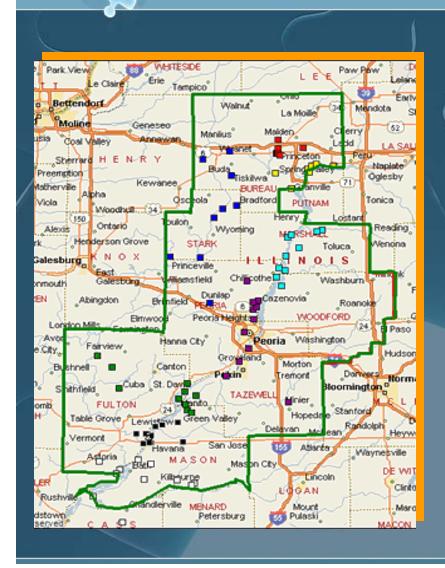


National Scenic By-Way
Designation



Illinois River Country
Nature Trail

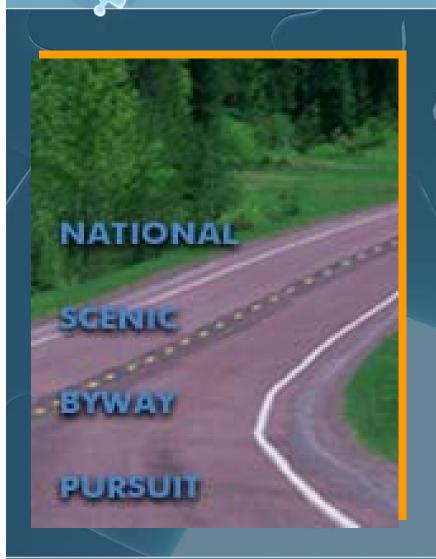
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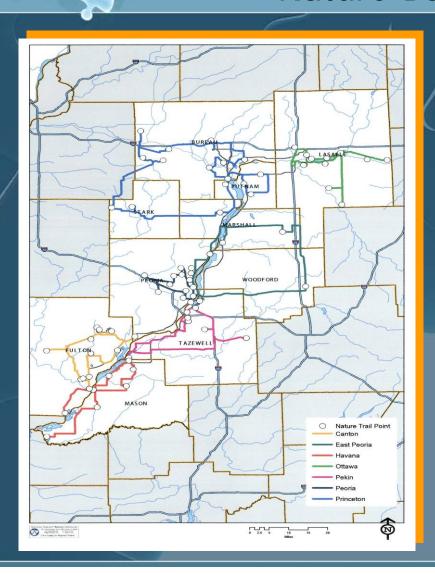
- Promote Region to Over 15 Million People Who Live Within 3-Hour Drive
- Use Local Funding To Leverage State Grants
- Increase Awareness of Opportunities
- Solicit Editorial Support
- Added Value From Cooperative Marketing

Nature-Based & Other Tourism Development Plan - "Illinois River Road" National Scenic By-Way Designation



- Establish Eligibility For Federal Scenic By-Way Grants
- Create Opportunities For Other Grants
 - > Economic Development
 - Highway Enhancement
 - Education
 - > Etc.
- Establish National Tourism Focus

Nature-Based & Other Tourism Development Plan - "Great Lakes To Great Rivers" – Nature-Based Tourism Trail





- Unifies & Connects 100+ Nature-Based Destinations Along The Illinois River
- Establishes Local Trail Loops
- Establishes A National Tourism Focus



"Great Lakes To Great Rivers" Nature-Based Tourism Trail

nature trail

connecting great lakes to great rivers



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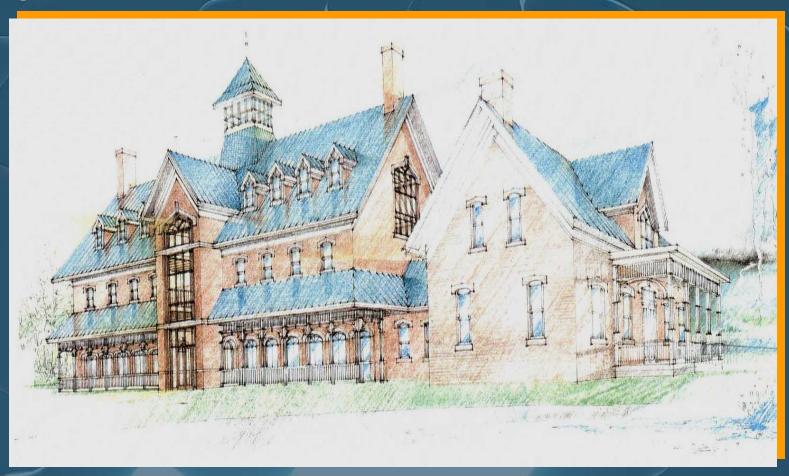
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illinois river country nature trail

- Havana Riverfront Park
- Chautauqua National Wildlife Refuge
- Jack Wolf Memorial Fish Hatchery
- Sand Ridge State Forest
- Mason State Tree Nursery
- The Llama Farm
- Sanganois State Wildlife Area
- Emiquon National Wildlife Refuge
- The Nature Conservancy's Emiquon Preserve
- Dickson Mounds Museum

Nature-Based & Other Tourism Development Plan

- Illinois River Center At Havana -



Illinois River Center Project



Illinois River Center At Havana

EMIQUON

Natural Resources
Experience,
Education &
Lodging Center

A Major Multi-Faceted Regional Tourist Attraction

MOUNDS MUSEUM

Cultural Heritage Experiences & Education Center

CHAUTAUQUA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

Natural Resources Education & Research

HAVANA

Community History,
Family Activities,
Entertainment,
Education &
Lodging Center

A Cooperative Planning, Development, Programming & Promotion Endeavor

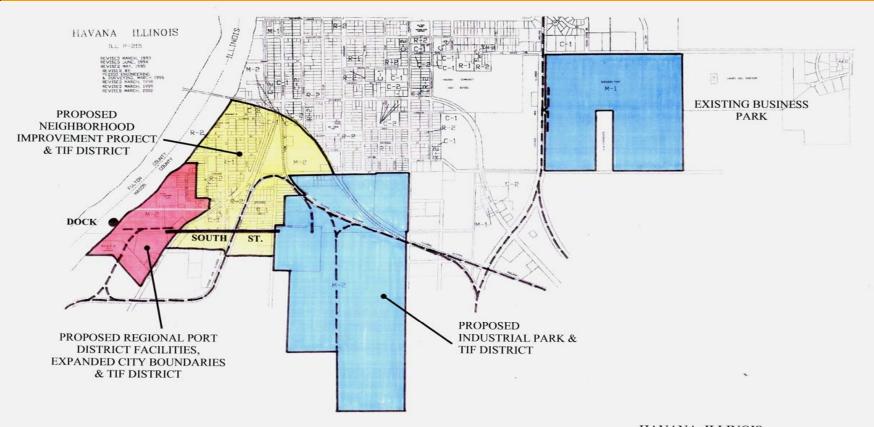


Illinois River Center At Havana Operational Elements



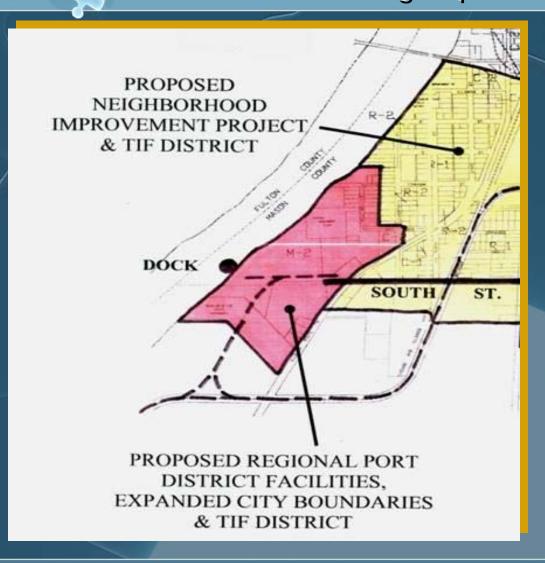


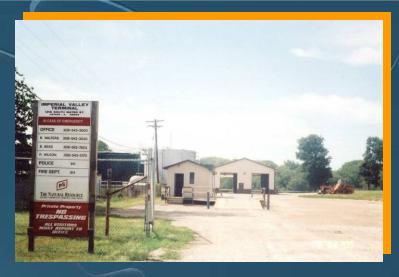
Agri-Business Expansion & Regional Port Development Plan



≈ HAVANA, ILLINOIS ≈
REGIONAL PORT DISTRICT FACILITIES
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INDUSTRIAL PARK & BUSINESS PARK
CONNECTIONS

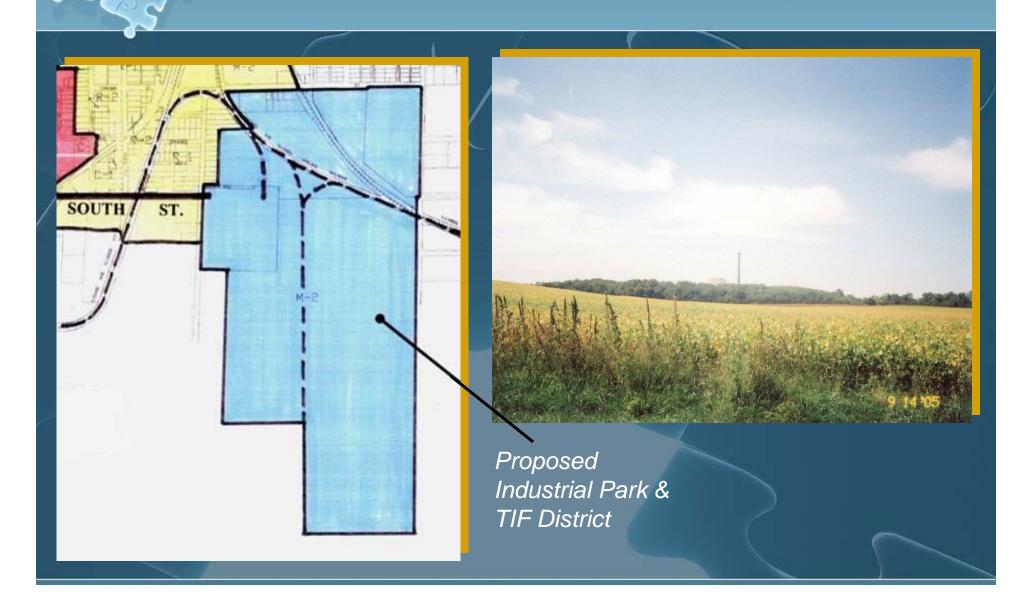
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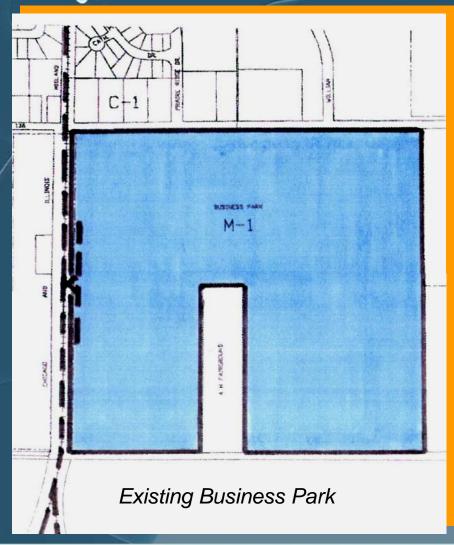








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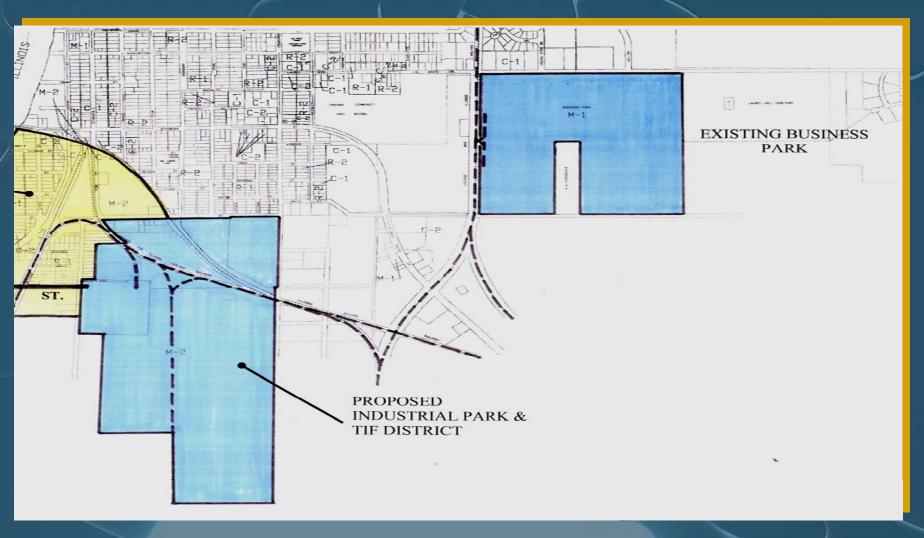








Business Park & Industrial Park Connections





Havana, Illinois Community Revitalization Strategy - CONCLUSION -

The Illinois River is Havana's vital link to Tourism Development and Agricultural Development Opportunities, which are key to the City's overall Community Revitalization Strategy. We believe that through our project planning and comprehensive marketing endeavor that we have positioned the City to be the recipient of major new investments both now and in the coming years.