

Micro Community



Urban development has boundaries along with limited resources and infrastructure. With a town such as Fargo, N.D. that is enduring extensive growth rates, engaging the properties along the Red River (Fargo's eastern edge) can be explored instead of avoiding the previously deemed unbuildable properties. We have the technology and information pertinent to a successful exploration right in front of us, yet we are still hesitant to the idea mainly stemming from where society has "pigeon-holed" the concept of living on the water in the past. In order to truly explore this concept, we must look to the future, and NOT the past, to take advantage of its possibilities.

A design that does not build above, fight against, or become temporal... but one that adapts as needed to fluctuating river levels and becomes dynamic given the parameters of mother nature.

"A strange idea? Not for people who dare to think outside the box. It is up to the climate change generation now." (Olthuis, 2010)

