Human's Offense – Nature's Defense

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What's The Point?

No matter how long or to what extent humans intervene with a natural setting, mother nature will always eventually take back ownership of the land.



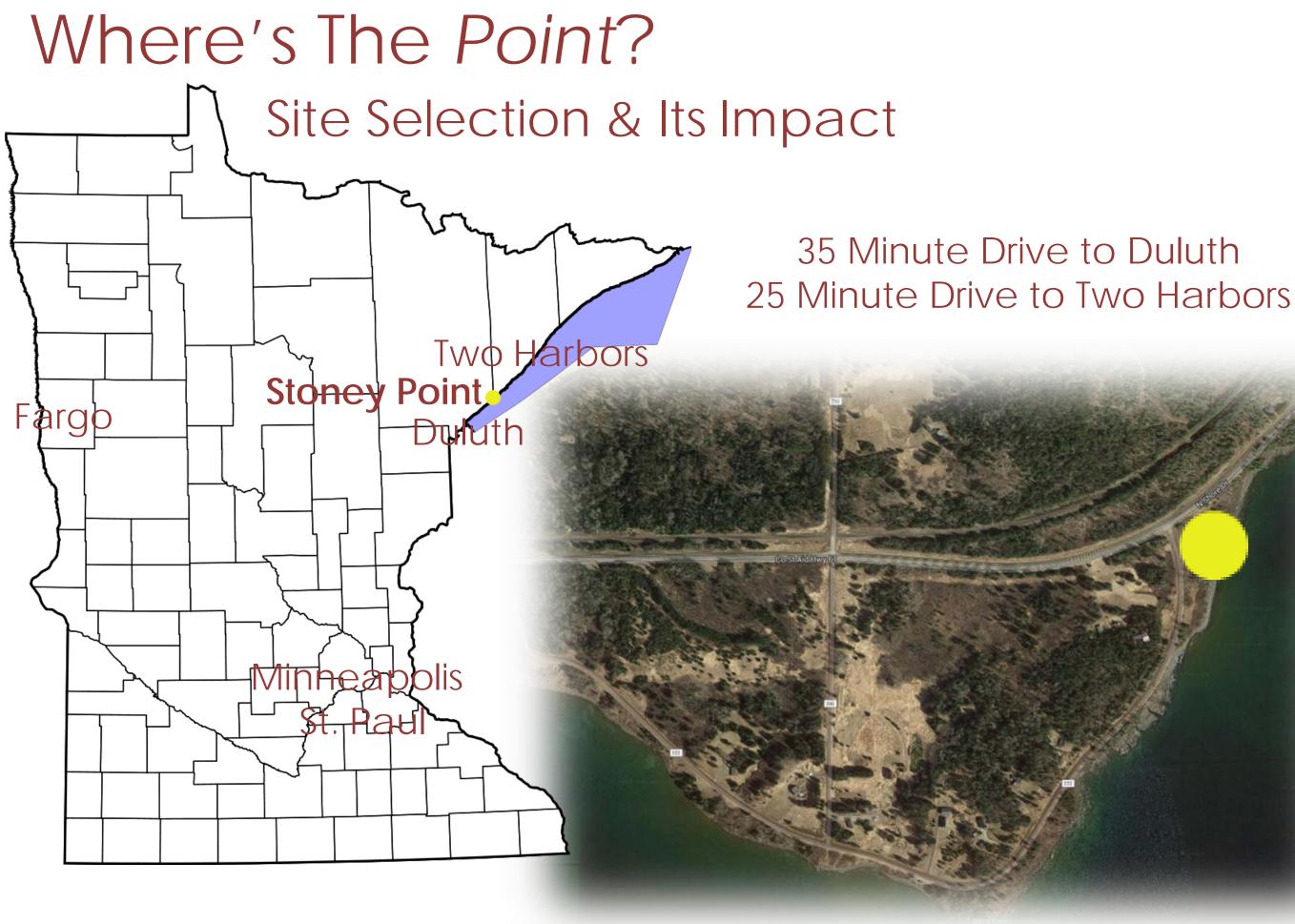
As humans, we must accept this reality, learn from past mistakes, and design for its eventuality

Describe The Point

Site Selection & Its Impact Culture of the North Shore A Design for the Public A Design With Nature's Future in Mind





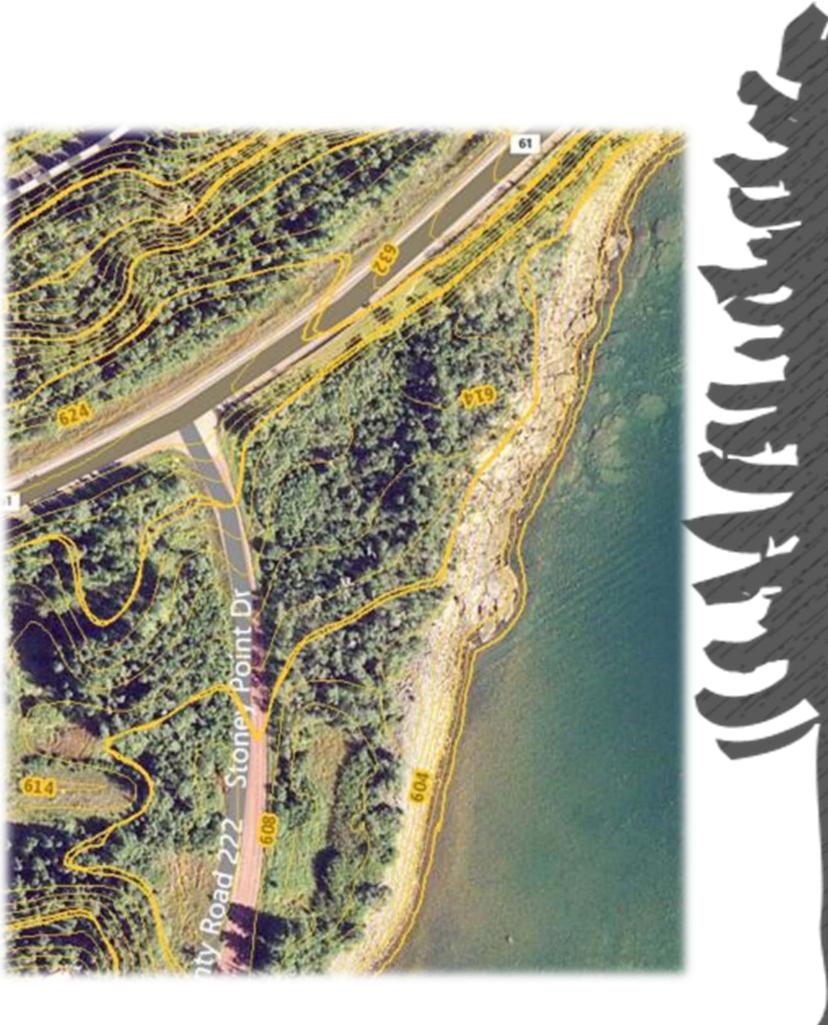


The Old Point

Existing Site Conditions...

Topography Geology Vegetation Wildlife The Lake





The New Point

Intersection of North Shore Scenic Drive and Stoney Point Drive – Along shore of Lake Superior

- Visited by thousands of people each year
- Protected under
 governing agencies
- Misunderstood by many
- Understood by few



The New Point

Building Visible From Roads – Easy Access 🔨

Building Open to Lake to Maximize Views from Top Floor

Foot Traffic to Increase on the Point

Short Hiking Trails Throughout Site

Building Placed Where Plantings Are Minimal to Decrease Amount of Plants to be Removed

Exhibits Located Along Trails

Remember The Point Culture of The North Shore

Remembrance of What is Important



Split Rock Lighthouse



Hiking Trail – Tettegouche State Park

Remember The Point

Scenic Views Hiking Trails Natural Phenomenon



Gooseberry Falls State Park



Forest – Tettegouche State Park



Discover The Point A Design for the Public







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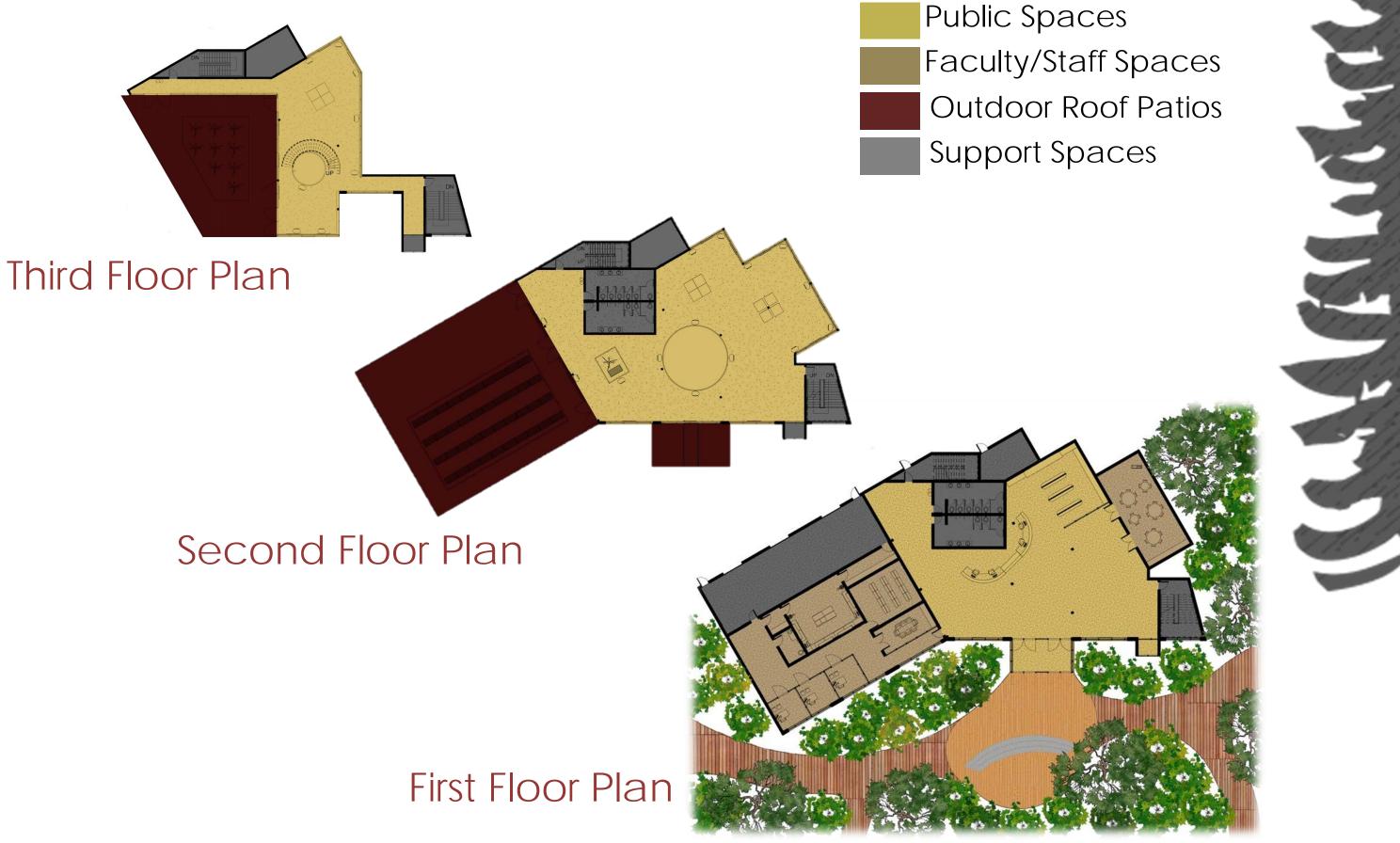


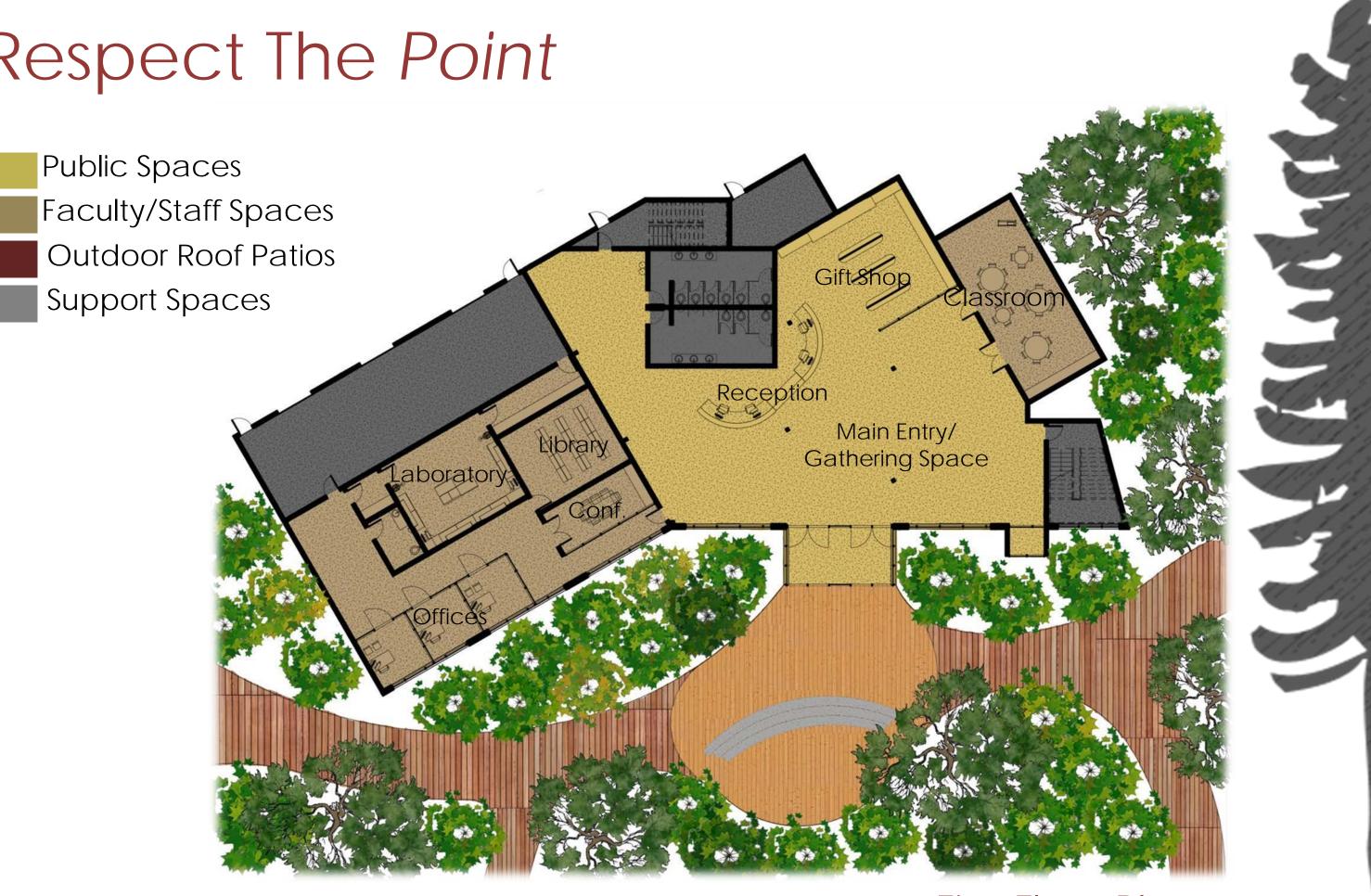
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Before







First Floor Plan

Public Spaces Faculty/Staff Spaces Outdoor Roof Patios Support Spaces

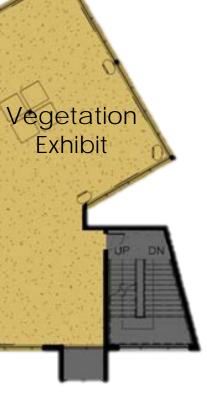
Outdoor Roof Patio

Photovoltaic Solar Panels

 Wildlife

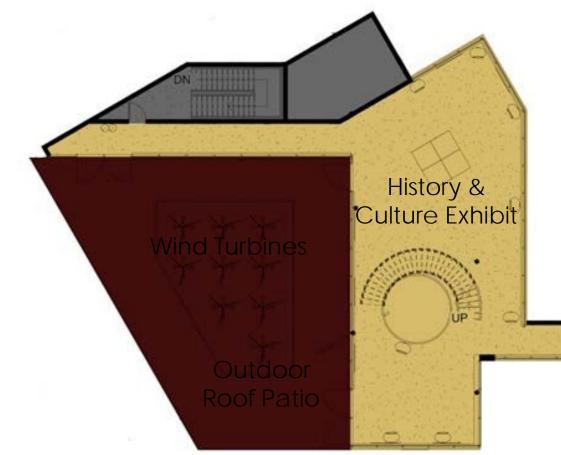
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Second Floor Plan

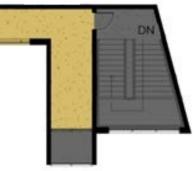




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Third Floor Plan







Understand The Point





Preserve The Point

SAGE GLASS **APPLICATION**

SUNLIGHT SUN HEAT

Glass gives occupants of a building a visual connection to the outdoors. With natural light filling a space, people are happier, healthier, and more productive. When the heat and glare from the sun are prevented, the quality of life of those occupants increases.

Sage glass significantly reduces the energy consumption needed to heat and cool a building. This product truly gives occupants individual control over how they want a space to feel. The glass can become as opaque or transparent as the users want/need, which creates a space that can be bright and vibrant or dark and intimate.









Birch Plywood Panels

Encounter The Point

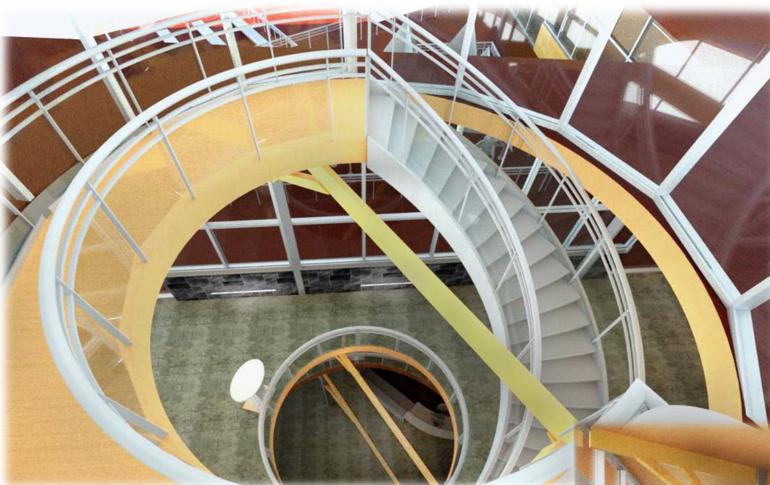


Second Floor Exhibit Space

First Floor Gathering Space



Experience The Point



Looking Down Atrium

Third Floor Culture Exhibit



Take Back The Point



Future

That's The Point









Thank You Questions/Comments