Video Transcript Station 2: Vision Algonquin-Cary Subarea Plan Virtual Open House

The plan's vision statement was created from community input to paint a picture for the future of the area.

It states that by 2035, this area will be a unique destination that brings the communities together and enhances surrounding neighborhoods. It will connect to downtown Algonquin and Cary, the Prairie Trail, Fox Bluff Conservation Area, the Fox River, and nearby communities through a comprehensive transportation network. Restoration of the mining areas will create vibrant and serene places that balance natural areas, recreation amenities, and new development. And as the planning area transforms over time, new improvements will continue to enhance the area's connectivity to the surrounding community and maintain its delicate balance of land uses. In order to achieve this vision, the plan provides design principles to help guide future restoration, development, and infrastructure decisions.

These principles include:

- 1. Expanding parks, open space, and recreation
- 2. Pursuing compact and walkable development
- 3. Protecting natural resources
- 4. Orienting development toward the water
- 5. Buffering existing neighborhoods from new development and parking
- 6. Connecting to the surrounding communities
- 7. Displaying the history of mining operations in future development
- 8. And finally, incorporating market and fiscal realities into development and infrastructure decisions

The next three stations highlight the plan's recommendations for three subareas focused on Land Use and Development, Open Space and the Environment, and Transportation and Infrastructure.