GREEN RESERVE

FIGURE 1

UTSA Park West Green Reserve

FIGURE 2

The Central and East Campuses' Green Reserve

Zone 1

Zone 2

Zone 3

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Key to preserving the integrity of the Long Range Plan is the establishment of a Green Reserve for the Main Campus. The Green Reserve serves several purposes: it will help preserve the heritage of the campus as part of the Texas Hill Country; it reinforces the campus civic structure by designating certain areas as open spaces that should be preserved indefinitely; it protects areas of natural beauty, sensitive and species-rich riparian habitats, and endangered species habitat, it provides a green buffer between the campus and adjoining roads and highways; it protects the recharge zone of the Edwards Aquifer; and it provides a recreational amenity.

The Green Reserve is subdivided into zones which vary in character and which therefore have distinct guidelines for their preservation and maintenance.

Zone 1 consists of the primary quadrangles and fields of the campus. These spaces are the most formal in character and will receive the highest level of maintenance. No buildings may be built in this area except small, pavilion-like structures, subject to design approval.

Zone 2 consists of the more naturalistic, parklike areas of campus which transition from its formal center to the wooded areas at its periphery. Zone 2 requires a moderate level of maintenance. Small, pavilion-like structures, subject to design approval, may be built in these areas, as well as water quality basins. Basins in this zone, however, should be naturalistic in character and subject to design approval.

Zone 3 consists of the East Campus, wooded buffer areas on the campus periphery, the wooded area of Rattlesnake Hill, and portions of Leon, Maverick, and Huesta Creeks. This zone requires very low maintenance. In addition to small free-standing structures, water quality basins may be constructed in this zone. These basins require less aesthetic design control than those in Zone 2, although screening landscape should be provided.









