

March 2, 2018

Re: Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)
Scoping Letter
Upgrade Fuel Reliability
Central Heating Plant: East of Longhorn Drive and South of Greenwood Avenue
University of Wisconsin – Platteville
DFD Project # 17F1E

Potentially Interested Party,

Ring & DuChateau, LLP has retained Ayres Associates on behalf of the University of Wisconsin System Administration (UWSA) and University of Wisconsin – Platteville (UW-Platteville) to prepare an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for the proposed fuel storage upgrade at UW-Platteville's central heating plant that is south of Greenwood Avenue and east of Longhorn Drive in Platteville, Wisconsin. The EIA will be prepared in accordance with the Wisconsin Environmental Policy Act (WEPA), Wisconsin Statutes 1.11, and UWSA guidelines (Board of Regents' Resolution 2508, November 6, 1981). An initial requirement of the EIA is the scoping process. The intent of the scoping process is to identify at an early stage potential beneficial or adverse impacts of the project on the physical, biological, social, and economic environments. Because you or your agency or group may have an interest in the project, we are inviting you to participate in the scoping process.

Project Background

The Central Heating Plant consists of two steam boilers that can be fired with either coal or natural gas, and two steam summer boilers that can be fired with either natural gas or fuel oil, although there is currently no fuel oil storage onsite.

The Central Heating Plant uses natural gas as the primary fuel and coal as the secondary fuel. Gas supplies are subject to interruption and a secondary fuel is necessary. A project is needed to change the secondary fuel from coal to fuel oil, provide fuel oil storage, and necessary boiler changes.

Proposed Project Action

This project includes the installation of on-site fuel storage, new gas/fuel oil burners on the existing coal/gas boilers, economizer, and associated equipment in the UW-Platteville Central Heating Plant to allow for 72 hours of operation during a natural gas shutdown, outage or curtailment. This is in accordance with the Department of Administration (DOA) and UW System Administration (UWSA) Risk Management recommendations.

This project is targeting a budget of \$4,938,100 related to general construction, HVAC, electrical, hazardous material abatement, and other fees. Funding sources will utilize General Fund Supported Borrowing (GFSB).

Below is a summary of the targeted project schedule:

Project Schedule

Submission of Documents for Final Review	July 2018
Bid Opening	February 2019
Begin Construction	June 2019
Substantial Completion / Occupancy	December 2020

A project location map and aerial photo of the project site are provided as Attachments 1 and 2, respectively.

EIA Schedule

The EIA report will evaluate the potential positive and adverse environmental impacts of the project in accordance with the WEPA and UWSA guidelines. Issues identified during the scoping process will be addressed in the Draft EIA report. As part of our standard EIA process, Ayres Associates will perform research using available databases and resources to collect information pertaining to environmental, social, economic, cultural, or historic aspects of the project. The Draft EIA report will be made available to the public for a 15-day comment period anticipated to start on March 21, 2018. A notice will be published in state and local media to announce the availability of the Draft EIA. Following completion of the public comment period any comments received will be evaluated.

Appropriate revisions will be incorporated into a Final EIA document based on comments received during the 15-day comment period meeting.

If you are interested in this project, we welcome any comments, suggestions, or other input you feel are important. Please submit your comments related to this project in writing by **March 10, 2018**, for consideration in the Draft EIA report. Send your comments to:

Ben Peotter, PE
Ayres Associates
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If no comments are received from you or your group, we will assume that there are no project issues that negatively impact you, or that you would like to comment on.

Ayres Associates Inc



Ben Peotter, PE
Project Manager

Enclosure

RESPONSE FORM

Environmental Impact Assessment Scoping Process
Upgrade Fuel Reliability
University of Wisconsin – Platteville
DFD Project # 17F1E
Platteville, Wisconsin

I have the following comments regarding this project and items to be considered as part of the scoping process:

[Please write comment here. Attach additional pages if necessary.]

Please complete the following information and sign if submitting comments:

Name: _____

Title/Representing: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

E-mail Address (optional): _____

Signature: _____

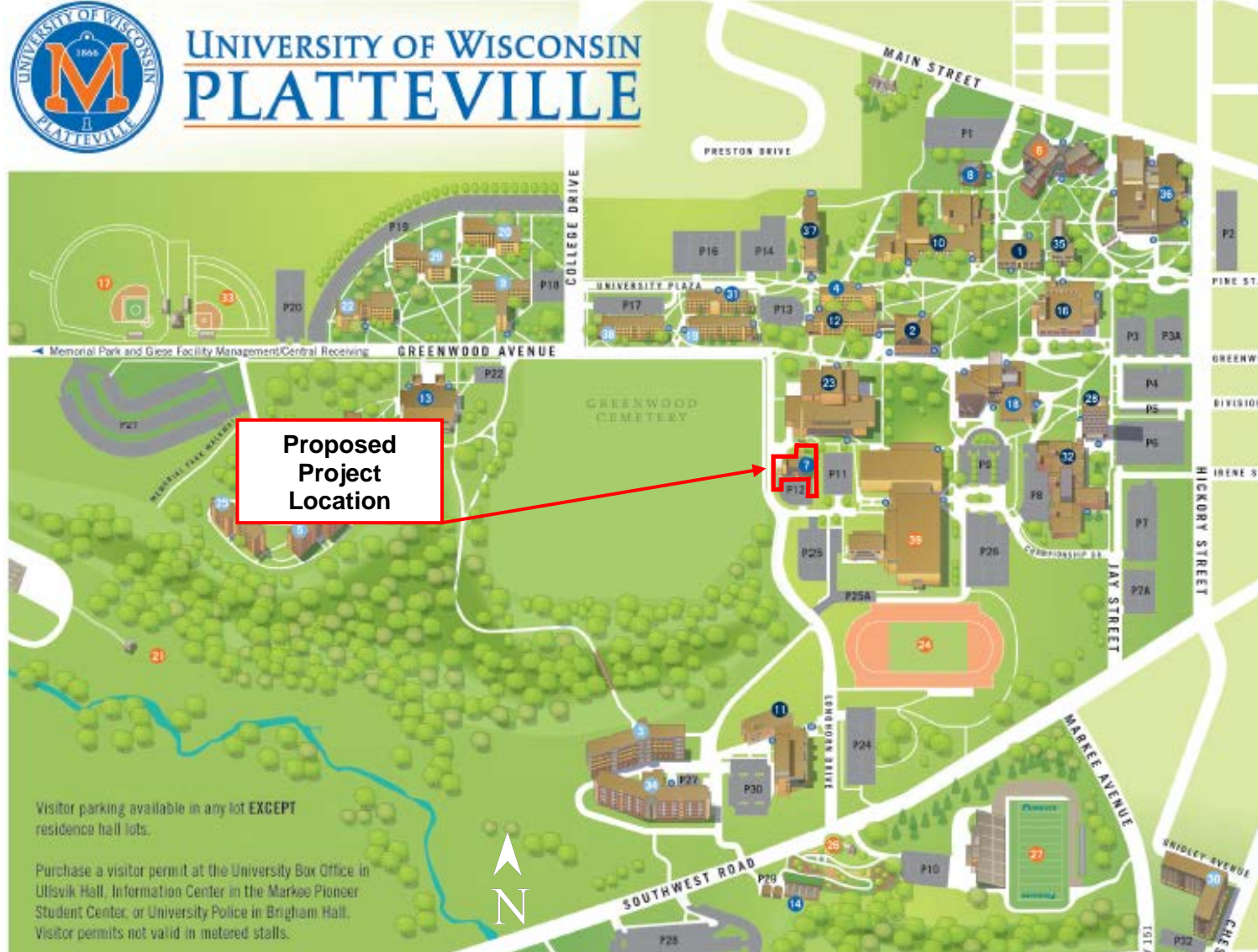
- I am interested in continuing my involvement in the public participation components of this project. Please continue to send me project notices.
- I am NOT interested in continuing my involvement in the public participation of this project. Please do NOT continue to send me project notices.

Please return this form by March 10, 2018, to:

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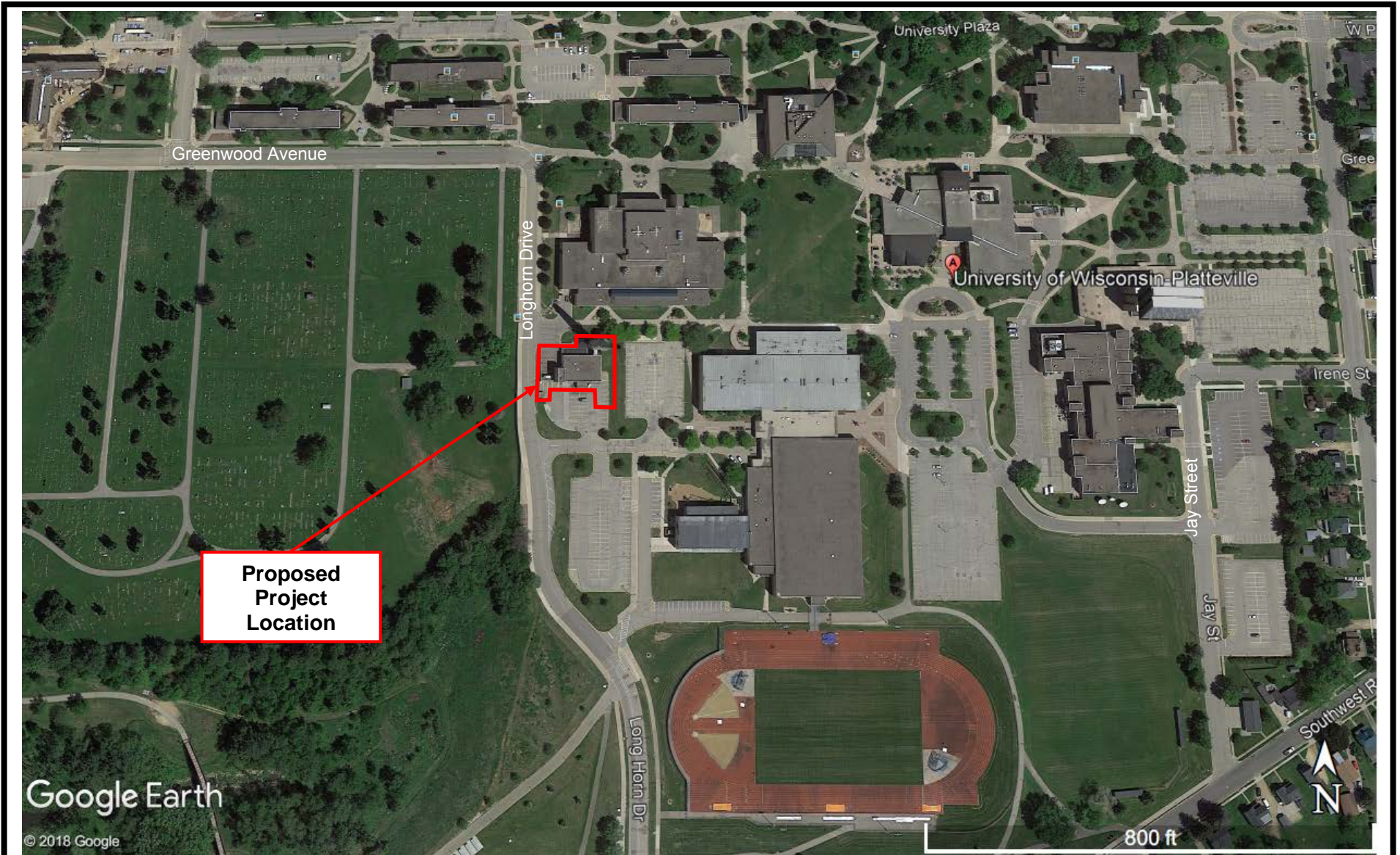


Base Map Source: University of Wisconsin Platteville, Campus Map - <https://www.uwplatt.edu/map>

Attachment 1
Campus Map

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Base Map Source: Google Earth Pro, 2015 aerial photograph

Attachment 2
Aerial Map of the Project Site

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WEPA Compliance Document Distribution List										
Upgrade Fuel Reliability - EIA										
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DFD Project #17F1E										
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Utilities										
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City of Platteville	Platteville Public Library	225 West Main Street		Platteville	WI	53818		ND	M	ND
M = mailed a hard copy; E = electronically mailed; M*= Mailed notice of availability; ND = not distributed										