

District 3-B West Side

Boundary:

North: Mississippi River

South: Annapolis Street

Main Roads:

North-South: Smith Avenue, Wabasha Street, Robert Street, Lafayette/52

East-West: Water Street, Fillmore Avenue, George Street, Annapolis Street

Description:

This district is divided between the upper bluff lands and the river flats. Residential and mixed commercial occupy the upper bluff lands while industry and the downtown airport occupy the river flats. Large amounts of parkland are found along the Mississippi River.

Tree Species:

The tree inventory has not been completed for this district.

Urban Forest Management:

Lower River Flats:

The land between the bluffs and the Mississippi River contains industrial land uses as well as the downtown airport and parklands including Harriet Island. Planting boulevards vary greatly and many do not support tree planting.

Trees are difficult to establish in this area due to the large amount of industrial land use, sandy soils that dry rapidly, and flooding of the Mississippi River floodplain. Maintenance is done on an as needed basis.

Upper Bluff lands:

Development on the uplands is primarily residential and mixed use commercial built in the early 1900's. Planting boulevards are typical though some streets do not have curbs and are not planted. Shallow limestone bedrock creates alkaline soils and shallow soil profiles for tree planting and infrastructure. Views to downtown are valued by residents and tree management along Prospect Boulevard and Park reflect residents' requests to maintain this view-shed.

Small pockets of oak wilt have been identified in district 3 and will require on-going management to reduce the spread of this fungus to other oak trees. Red Oaks are more susceptible.

District Descriptions



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