

Figure I-7: Mississippi River Corridor Critical Area Chapter Implementation

The Mississippi River Corridor Critical Area (MRCCA) Chapter guides land use and development along the Mississippi River.

		Item	Timeline	Funding Sources
Critical Area	1	Adopt zoning regulations consistent with MRCCA rules to protect environmentally sensitive areas, including shoreland impact zones, natural drainage routes, gorges, bluffs and bluff impact zones.	Short-Term	• TBD
	2	Adopt zoning and performance standards and/or permitting processes to protect native plant communities and significant vegetative stands, areas of unstable soil or bedrock, and sites of cultural or historical significance.	Short-Term	
	3	Adopt zoning consistent with MRCCA rules to require mitigation for impacts to Primary Conservation Areas when issuing discretionary zoning approvals.	Short-Term	
	4	Adopt zoning, including permit requirements, restricting clear-cutting in certain Primary Conservation Areas consistent with MRCCA rules.	Short-Term	
	5	Adopt vegetation management practices for park lands and, where feasible, promote vegetation management for screening views of buildings and other urban development from public viewing areas.	Short-Term	
	6	Amend the City's existing MRCCA ordinance to comply with the goals and policies of this plan, as well as with Minnesota Rules, part 6106.0070, Subp. 5 – Content of Ordinances.	Short-Term	
	7	Update the zoning map to reflect new MRCCA districts.	Short-Term	
	8	Work with the Saint Paul Port Authority and other partners to eliminate any negative environmental effects of industry through regulation, enforcement and financing agreements.	Short-Term	
	9	Work with the Saint Paul Port Authority to maintain barge fleeting and other commercial navigation operations.	Short-Term	

General Timeline Guidelines:

Short-Term (0-5 years)

Medium-Term (5-10 years)

Long-Term (10+ years)