



## The 2014 Campus Master Plan Update PART 4 CONTINUED STEWARDSHIP

Kenyon College possesses amazing natural and architectural resources. Long-term planning and management requires careful evaluation and assessment to ensure these campus resources are preserved.

The sustainability of Kenyon's natural, architectural and economic resources should remain a continued priority for the College. Beyond this 2014 Master Plan, the College should continue to prioritize the minimization of vehicular travel and the strengthening of a pedestrian campus, the reuse of existing buildings wherever feasible and the location of programs based on best fit for long-term sustainability.

Many of the recent campus buildings have prioritized sustainability and achieved LEED Silver or Gold certification. North Campus Apartments achieved a Gold certification in the LEED for Homes program, with two-flow plumbing fixtures, and energy saving measures including geothermal heating and cooling, and high-efficiency lighting and equipment. In the West Quad, both the Gund Gallery and Horvitz Hall achieved LEED Silver certification. The Gund Gallery, like North Campus Apartments, uses a geothermal system, and relies primarily on daylighting with large windows in offices and north-facing skylights in the galleries. The exterior stone was locally quarried, limiting transportation costs and emissions often associated with construction projects. Horvitz Hall similarly maximizes natural lighting, and uses efficient equipment to minimize the heating, cooling, and ventilation costs typically associated with an energy-intensive studio arts building.

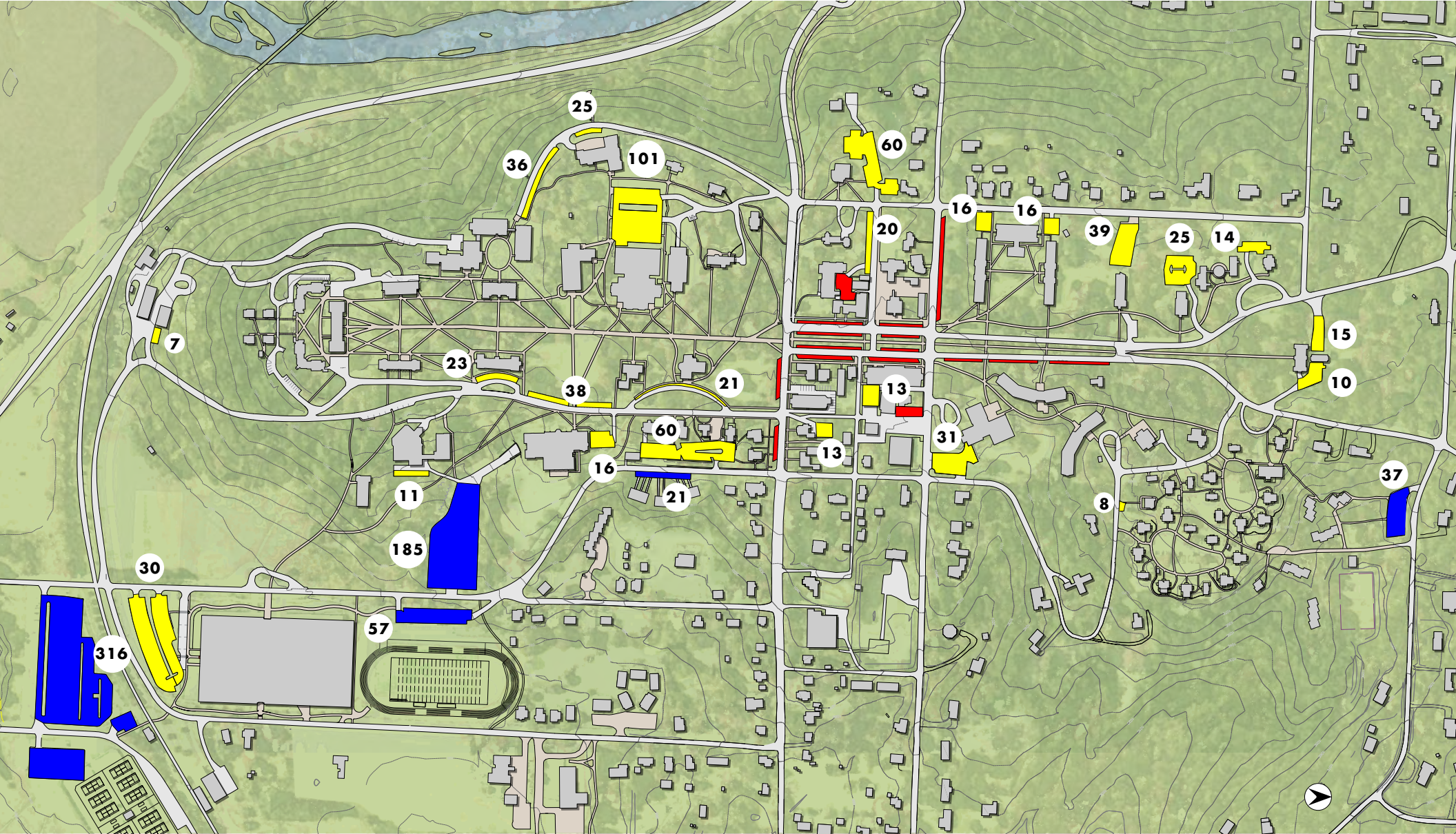
These LEED achievements complement the many other campus initiatives being undertaken to promote sustainability as a College-wide effort and as an integral part of each student's experience. Stewardship of the natural and built campus environments will continue to reduce the College's carbon footprint and energy consumption, and exemplify for students the values of sustainability in their personal and civic lives.



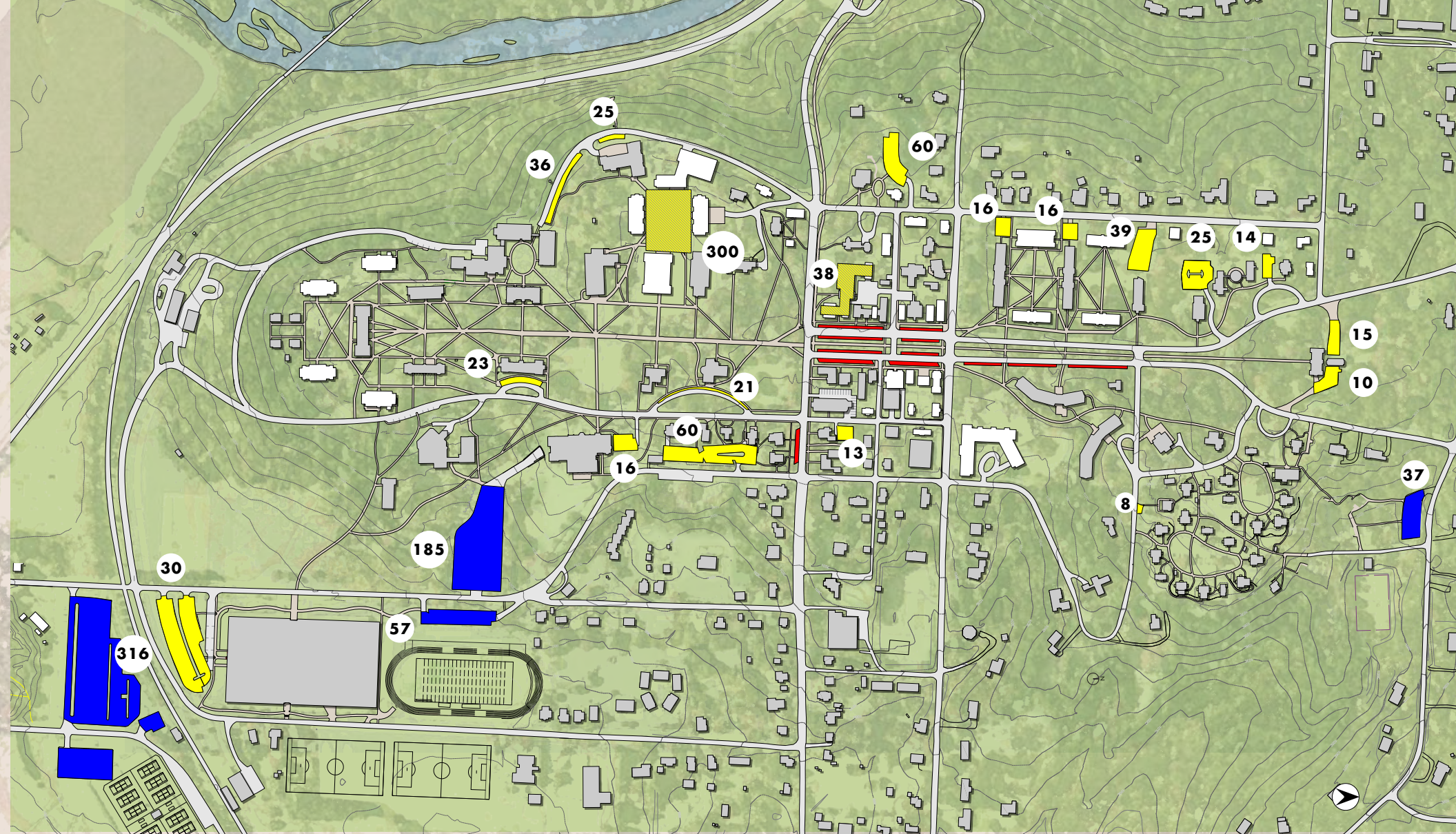
*View towards the Kenyon Athletic Center and Meadow Lane fields*

## Meadow Lane Fields

With the completion of the Kenyon Athletic Center in 2006, athletics and recreation at Kenyon have enjoyed a state-of-the-art indoor facility at the foot of the ridge. The majority of the athletic fields sit in the lowlands on the far southeast edge of campus. Tellingly they do not appear on most campus maps. Consolidating some of the more remote fields in the vacant parcel across from the KAC on Meadow Lane would eliminate the need for more distant facilities and allow for the creation of an additional turf field that is needed to support the demands of team sports and recreation. This move would have the additional benefit of maintaining the important view shed from the top of the ridge.



Existing Parking Plan



Proposed Parking Plan

### Existing versus Proposed parking count summary

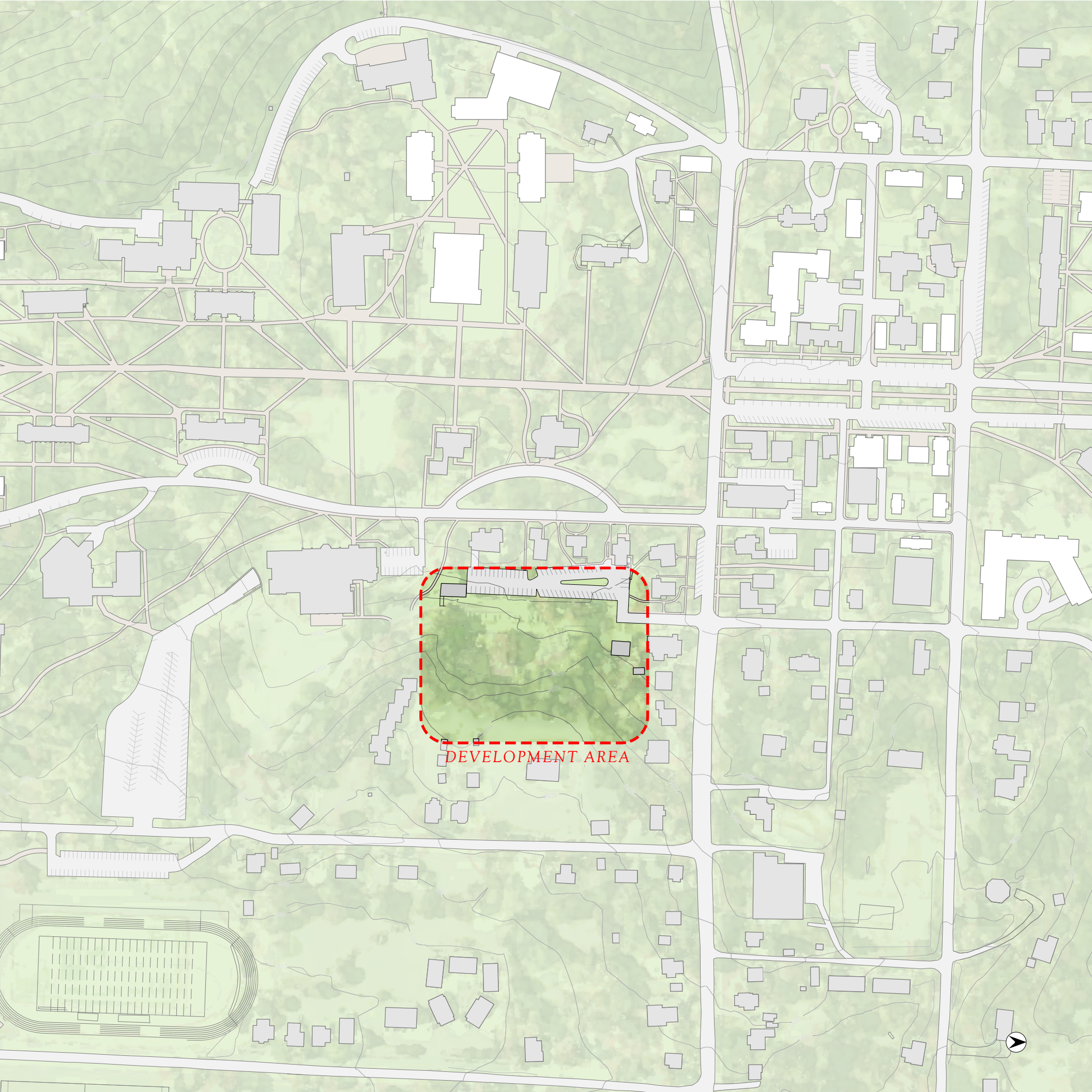
Existing Parking		Proposed Parking	
<span style="color: blue;">■</span> STUDENT	616	<span style="color: blue;">■</span> STUDENT	595
<span style="color: yellow;">■</span> FACULTY / STAFF / VISITOR	640	<span style="color: yellow;">■</span> FACULTY / STAFF / VISITOR	757
		<span style="color: grey;">■</span> underground parking lot	
<b>TOTAL Existing</b>	<b>1256</b>	<b>TOTAL Proposed</b>	<b>1352</b>
<span style="color: red;">■</span> VILLAGE PARKING	Campus-adjacent parking	<span style="color: red;">■</span> VILLAGE PARKING	Campus-adjacent parking

## Parking

While assessment of campus parking has shown sufficient capacity, the distribution and location of parking continue to be an issue. The master planning process explored options for creating centralized yet discreet parking opportunities, such as the West Quadrangle garage, that would limit conflicts between pedestrians and vehicular traffic, create pathways for service deliveries and support the pedestrian nature of the campus. Removal of parking along West Wiggins and College Park Street that interferes with the sense of arrival and campus cohesion has been proposed. Visitor parking has been prioritized and student parking has been consolidated at the campus periphery. Convenient parking in the Village Center should be preserved to support expanded retail and commercial activity and long-term College parking, especially during regular business hours, should be moved out of the Village core.

The following principles should guide future parking plans:

- Concentrate student parking at the perimeter of campus to reinforce walking as a primary means of transportation
- Eliminate surface parking in the campus core between the Library and Horvitz Hall
- Eliminate parking that obstructs views into the campus core



## Future Campus Development

The West Quad offers a plan for academic and administrative development within the campus core to meet the current needs of the College. Future expansion beyond the core, although not currently under consideration, may one day be a reality. Expansion close to the academic core without altering the experience of Middle Path is a challenge. The area south of Acland Street that currently houses the Acland and Morgan apartments is an ideal location close to the academic core and that would not displace or compromise architecturally significant buildings.

*Future campus development should be situated away from the central spine of campus, in order to preserve the distinctive, broad views from Middle Path, such as the view of Rosse Hall, above.*