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North Campus Corridor will provide gathering place for university, public sector and private sector
Welcome to the neighborhood

To Agronomy North Farm.
To Biosecurity Research.
This rendering is from the vantage point of the National Bio.

As the federal government selected a site near the north end of Kansas State University’s Manhattan campus in the future home of its foremost animal disease research facility, a partnership of university, civic and business interests came together to plan, develop and improve the area around the major laboratory.

Today, with construction of the $1.25-billion Natural Resource and Agri-defense Facility, or NRHF underway, the university, the Kansas State University Institute for Commercialization, the Kansas State University Foundation, the city of Manhattan, Riley County, the Manhattan Area Chamber of Commerce and K-State Athletics have put their plan into action. The collaborative team is developing an area where the public and private sectors can co-locate with the university, support the K-State research and education mission, build on the university’s expertise in global food systems and bioscience, and create value for all.

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The North Campus Corridor Master Plan comprises 11 phases to improve access, safety, infrastructure and aesthetics. Phases one through four are underway now; the first notable results will be wider streets, improved intersections, trail and sidewalk access, and continuation of the historical limestone walls and entrance gates. The rest of the phases will be complete by the time NRHF becomes operational in 2023.

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See Peterson, the university’s chief governmental relations officer and K-State vice president for Commercialization, are quick to highlight the excellent relationship between K-State and the community. For more information, please see engagement.k-state.edu.

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