Virginia City & Nevada City

Historic Site Development Master Plan



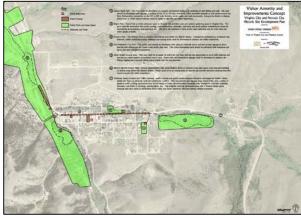
Owner The Town of Virginia City Madison County The Montana Heritage Commission c/o Paul Reichert, Executive Director 101 Reeder's Alley Helena, MT 59601

Completion Date 2009

Project Cost Projects within Master Plan \$5,700,000 to \$6,800,000

Work Responsible For 100% of Site Work 75% of Master Planning

Consultants
A&E Architects



Description

The Historic Site Development Plan worked closely with the Town of Virginia City, Madison County and the Montana Heritage Commission to create a new road map for the future of Virginia and Nevada Cities. The fragile historic area is limited in how much development is appropriate, while its success is directly linked to what amenities it can offer to its tourism market. A collaborative process was formulated to assist advancing local business interests while protecting the State's historic assets. The plan identified guidelines to increase the visitor stay, ways in which the educational programs can be expanded and specific improvements that will promote a 3-season tourist destination and growing local business economy. Workshop input from over a dozen stakeholder groups was utilized to develop opportunities and constraints.

The Master Plan recommendations consisted of a series of site recommendations, building recommendations and management recommendations that will serve to guide future preservation efforts, educational program development, cultural tourism marketing, new facilities planning and management decisions regarding land and buildings.













