



**2007 Rural Summit Planning Team
agenda
October 24, 2006
Wells Fargo, Bloomington**

1. Welcome & Intros
2. Theme overview & proposed conference agenda – Jane

Proposed Thriving by Design conference program components – at community, region & statewide perspectives “Everything Relates: Truth & Consequences” - (Possible Session managers – UM Applied Economics, Center for Rural Design, Center for Small Towns; MN Design Team, Land Management Information Center, Initiative Foundations, Minnesota Rural Partners, Office of Rural Health & Primary Care, Center for Rural Health, Center for Rural Policy & Dev, MnSCU, and more)

- a. **Economic & demographic** realities and future trends
 - i. Community Entrepreneurship strategies
 - ii. Aging population, New Minnesotans and workforce
 - b. **Information & Communications Technology** realities and future trends (organizer - Joy Gullikson)
 - c. **Health Care** realities and future trends
 - d. **Education** realities and future trends
 - i. School age population declines
 - ii. K-12 and higher ed impacts
 - e. **Physical landscape** – built & natural environment: land use, transportation, water quality, housing, “Main Street” and more
 - f. **Design & Planning tools and processes** – GIS MN Environmental Atlas (MN Design Team, Center for Rural Design & Jim Ramstrom)
3. Logistics
 - a. Registration – Denise
 - b. Conference venue – Craguns – Denise
 - i. Exhibits
 - ii. Transportation – carpooling?
 - c. Pre-Summit & Summit special events
 - i. Thriving by Design Competition
 1. Campus Compact

- a. Design and Planning undergrad & graduate programs
- 2. Judging panel – includes:
 - a. Mn Planning Assn
 - b. MN Design Team and/or College of design
 - c. Community members
 - ii. Minnesota Design Team towns reunion
 - iii. Entertainment – Concordia College singers
- d. Sponsors
- e. Publicity
- 4. Next meeting date – schedule thru April, 2007