

Vermillion River Corridor Plan Draft Principles

- 1. The Vermillion River is an outstanding, valuable natural resource system that is our responsibility to protect for today's and tomorrow's generations.**
- 2. The Vermillion River's natural resource value is significant, but its unique ecological value as a cold-water fishery should be a priority in decision-making.**
- 3. The Vermillion River Corridor Plan will improve vital natural systems and provide a framework for a sustainable network of diverse land uses.**
- 4. Vermillion River Corridor stewardship should protect and enhance:**
 - Water quality**
 - Ecological diversity, integrity, and resiliency**
 - Economic vitality for compatible land uses**
 - Landscapes and views**
- 5. Appropriate access to the Vermillion River Corridor should be enhanced and increased, with opportunities for public enjoyment, education, recreation, and community involvement.**
- 6. The Vermillion River Corridor Plan should provide for a variety of appropriate recreation, such as wildlife watching, canoeing, kayaking, fishing, hiking, biking, and picnicking.**
- 7. The Vermillion River Corridor planning process will be inclusive of all stakeholders, build a shared corridor vision, and provide methods to resolve potential conflicts.**
- 8. The Vermillion River Corridor Plan will build collaboration among landowners, government agencies, businesses, institutions, organizations and others.**
- 9. The Vermillion River Corridor Plan will draw on previous Vermillion River work, the best scientific knowledge available, and best practices from other corridor projects; and will also serve as a model for protecting other river corridors.**