I. Introductions
   A. Meeting Roster/Sign-in Sheet

II. Site Contamination/Remediation Update
   A. Jim Aiken, Senior Environmental Consultant & Hydrogeologist, from Barr Engineering provided an update of the Phase II work that is proposed to be completed for seven sites of concern (SOC) within the UMore Mining Area (UMA). Jim Aiken summarized information previously gathered for these sites and described the proposed work plan for further investigations. The University and Barr will continue to coordinate with the MPCA on finalizing the work plan.

   B. The schedule for completing field investigations is early fall 2009. The Draft Environmental Impact Statement (Draft EIS) will summarize the findings of the investigations as well as discuss the completion of response action plans (RAPs) and Environmental Contingency Plans (ECPs) that will be developed during the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and submitted to MPCA and Dakota County. These RAPs and ECPs will be utilized should mining operations commence to define how the operator(s) working on site will address situations such as well abandonment, reporting and handling of underground storage tanks, and/or handling an unidentified drainfield.

III. Groundwater Update
   A. Jim Aiken, Senior Environmental Consultant & Hydrogeologist, from Barr Engineering provided an update on the groundwater flow model analysis being conducted using the Metropolitan Council’s Metro Model II. The multi-aquifer flow model will be used to evaluate the potential impacts on groundwater and water supply in areas in close proximity to the UMA.

   1. The preliminary findings indicate groundwater flows in the area of UMore Park are generally from the southwest to the northeast (towards the Mississippi River). Therefore, according to these findings groundwater in the UMA does not flow south towards the Vermillion River.

   2. The next steps in the groundwater assessment will be to run simulations that can be tailored to represent forecast development conditions and pumping rates, mining operations at the UMA, and what effects the mining lakes may have on drinking water supplies/wells. It was suggested that the forecast population and development projections should address recent comprehensive plan updates.

   3. Jim Aiken indicated the modeling efforts would not consider thermal transport since the Vermillion River is not anticipated to be affected due to the northeast groundwater flow pattern.
IV. Development Since Previous TAC Meeting
   A. Chris Hiniker, Senior Planner SEH, summarized the project related activities that have occurred since the January 22, 2009 TAC meeting. The Scoping public hearing and open house was held on February 5th and the public agency comment period expired on February 16th. Approximately 80 individuals attended the open house. Chris Hiniker highlighted a shift in the eastern boundary line of the UMA that was made to ensure no overlap between the University’s plans for mining within the UMA and future development plans on other portions of the UMore Park property.

V. Review Scoping Decision Document
   A. Bob Rogers, Project Coordinator, SEH provided an overview of the Scoping Decision Document (SDD) that has been prepared and was distributed prior to the meeting. Bob Rogers indicated the purpose of the SDD is to transition between the scoping process and the detailed environmental review process that will be completed with the preparation of an environmental impact statement (EIS). The SDD defines the major elements to be studied in the EIS as well as provides responses to comments submitted on the Scoping EAW. The Board of Regents of the University is scheduled to meet on June 11th and 12th and will be requested to approve the distribution of the SDD. Assuming the board approves the document, the technical analysis for the EIS will begin immediately and likely take several months to complete.

   B. Representatives from both Empire Township and the City of Rosemount requested that clarifying language related to the University’s constitutional autonomy and status as a state entity be incorporated into Section VII of the document to indicate the University’s intent on complying with local regulations and standards. Steven Lott and Larry Laukka indicated they would carry the message of concern to the University’s Office of General Counsel. Janet Dalgleish mentioned that she has worked on numerous projects around the state and that the University has always strived to work cooperatively with the local units of government and that they intend to do the same on the UMore Park Sand and Gravel Resources Project.

VI. Next Meeting – Chris Hiniker indicated the next TAC meeting will likely occur in July/August when additional technical analysis has been completed and the results/findings can be shared with the TAC. Future TAC meetings will be used to provide early reviews of the reports and Draft EIS documentation.