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Welcome. We have a proud past as part of Alberta Agriculture since 1935 and are looking to an exciting future. The Centre's researchers explore new crops, new cultivars and crop management techniques to assist Alberta producers be competitive in the global market, whether producers are growing grass seed, horticultural crops or some of the new crops. Thank you for stopping by; please enjoy our landscaped grounds at your leisure

Sundial-marks the 65 anniversary of the Centre. Your body casts the shadow to tell the time.

Rose Garden-a collection of shrub roses. Some of the roses in the collection are one of a kind, the results of early Canadian rose breeders like Skinner, Bugnet, Erskine and Wallace.

The Rose Garden is being maintained through the support of volunteers and Communities in Bloom Brooks. This effort is helping to ensure the survival of the rose garden.

Forever Green Pinetum-collection of 120 coniferous trees and shrubs of 26 species. Some trees were planted in the 1950s.

Rock Garden Border-The rocks are buried about $\frac{3}{4}$ of their depth and the plants are set into the crevices

Golden Prairie Arboretum-4 hectares, 531 specimens of 312 species of 68 genera. Planting began in 1981. There are about 100 lilacs in the collection.

Visitors: Take care when on the grounds. We are really excited about our new greenhouse that is being built. We have construction crews and large equipment moving around on the facility so take care when on the grounds and watch for large vehicles moving around.

Be sure to stay out of fenced areas and obey all signs.

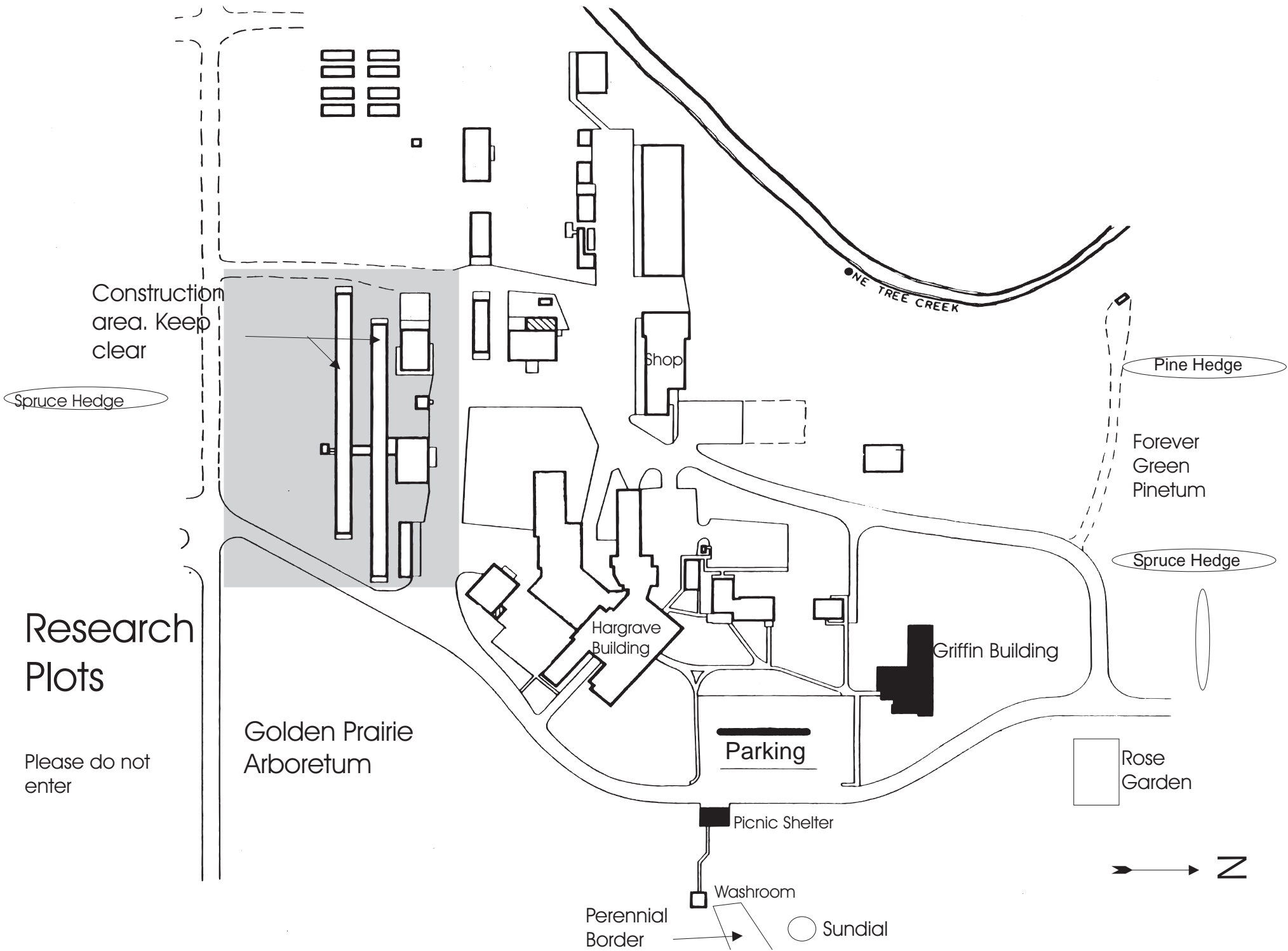
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Quick Facts

- ☞ surrounded by semi-arid short grass prairie
- ☞ site is 127 hectares (316 acres)
- ☞ winter temperatures as cold as -40°C (-40°F), but warm west winds (chinooks) can cause the temperature to rise 20 degrees in a few hours
- ☞ summer temperatures can reach 39°C (102°F)
- ☞ annual precipitation average 300 mm (12 inches), half can be rain in the growing season
- ☞ annual average 2,400 sunshine hours
- ☞ average growing season is 137 days

Crop Diversification Centre South





Construction area. Keep clear

Spruce Hedge

Research Plots

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Golden Prairie Arboretum

Shop

Hargrave Building

Griffin Building

Parking

Picnic Shelter

Washroom

Perennial Border

Sundial

ONE TREE CREEK

Pine Hedge

Forever Green Pinetum

Spruce Hedge

Rose Garden

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