

## District 15 Highland

### **Boundary:**

North: Randolph Avenue  
East: Interstate 35E  
South/West: Mississippi River

### **Main Roads:**

North-South: Cretin Avenue, Cleveland Avenue, Fairview Avenue, Snelling Avenue, Hamline Avenue, Lexington Parkway, Interstate 35E  
East-West: Randolph Avenue, Ford Parkway, Montreal Avenue, West Seventh/Fort Road, Shepard Road

### **Description:**

Residential neighborhoods are the primary land use in district 15 and development patterns range from traditional gridded neighborhoods to curvilinear street layouts near the Mississippi River and south of Montreal Avenue. Increased residential density occurs between West 7<sup>th</sup> and Shepard Road as well as south of Ford Parkway on Cleveland Avenue.

Commercial activity is located along Ford Parkway, Cleveland Avenue, Snelling Avenue, and West 7<sup>th</sup>. Industrial land uses generally occur along the Mississippi River including the Ford plant site at Ford Parkway and Mississippi River Boulevard.

### **Tree Species:**

A significant number of ash trees are planted in district 15 reducing species diversity and increasing the threat posed by the emerald ash borer. Maple trees also form a large percentage of the urban tree canopy and increased species diversity will be necessary to improve long term forest health and stability.

### **Urban Forest Management:**

Planting boulevards range from non-existent to sixteen feet wide across the district.

Mississippi River Boulevard is one of the most highly used parkways in Saint Paul and includes separate bicycle and pedestrian pathways overlooking the Mississippi River. Many of the mature oaks along the west side of the boulevard are in poor condition due to root damage that occurred during the construction of these paths. City right of way and tree management extend into the boulevards on the east side of MRB.

Parkways within district 15 include Ford Parkway, Highland Parkway, and Edgcombe Road. Additional streets with planting medians include St. Paul Avenue and Montreal Avenue.



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