Several areas adjacent to North Campus offer opportunities linked to goals of this plan. Included are areas shown in Figure 42 which are partly on the campus, partly on private land and partly on City of San Diego land and street right-of-way. This chapter is an inventory of the relationship issues and recommendations.

New Intersection

UCSD and the City of San Diego are currently coordinating the design of a new intersection for Genesee Avenue and North Torrey Pines Road. Two new landscape triangles, one on the tip of North Point and the other west of the intersection, should be designed together. This would preserve the visual integrity of the Ridgeline and the historic hedgerows along old Highway 101.

North Point Extension

This area is currently road right-of-way and is one of the two “triangles” discussed above under New Intersection. The right-of-way will be presumably be abandoned when the new intersection is completed. The triangle may be available for use by agreement with the City of San Diego. In any case, it is in the interest of the University to see that it is landscaped and maintained because of its prominent location. It is also considered as a possible site for an open space use such as a spectator court associated with the tennis complex.

Torrey Pines Center Landscape

The landscape character of the area adjacent to Torrey Pines Center North and South has been considered in defining the character of the North Campus Torrey Pines district. The rustic landscape of eucalyptus trees and Torrey pines should be improved to provide a visual link between the Center
and North Campus, rather than to adjoining office parks. Improvement should include planting more Torrey Pines and Eucalyptus to soften views of the Torrey Pines Center South, removal of palm trees and replacement of turf with drought tolerant groundcovers.

**Gliderport, Torrey Pines City Park**

This area is composed of both University land and City of San Diego park lands. The University land is available for future development. There is a potential to link the highpoint wedge with the ocean both visually and physically. The potential will be enhanced as Torrey Pines City Park is developed. A view wedge to the ocean crossing both City Park and University land contributes greatly to the vista from the campus high point. Future development guidelines should consider this point. There can be development on the gliderport within the wedge if it is less than three stories in height and 200 yards from the bluff. Development higher than three stories should be north of the wedge. The landscape of this area should be similar to the character of the Torrey Pines district of North Campus which is intended to have a rustic naturalized character. It should have less green lawn and be less lush in character than the golf course and research park landscapes. (Figure 43)

**Thurgood Marshall College Edge**

The concept of creating a separation between Thurgood Marshall College and North Campus neighborhoods is based on the Master Plan study concept of having a contrast between neighborhoods. North Campus will have a strongly defined edge of dense trees and building walls which create a gateway. This defined architectural edge contrasts with the more open character of Thurgood Marshall College. Future development or redevelopment of the edge site in Thurgood Marshall College should retain the open naturalized landscape edge of that college.

**The Park**

The rustic character of the Park to the east and southeast of North Campus is critical to achieving the design ideas for the neighborhood. Preservation of the Park’s character is addressed in the Master Plan study.
Slope Landscape at Athletic Fields

Athletic fields, bleachers and side slopes to the ridge are outside of the neighborhood but critical to its image. Expansion of the bleachers near the highpoint ridge is proposed. The design should be integrated with that of the highpoint wedge and node. The viewpoint at the wedge might extend over the slopes north of the bleachers to provide a vantage point to the mountains as well as athletic events. Development of athletic fields bleachers should be in keeping with the design guidelines for the Ridge district. These guidelines stress sensitivity to views and simple, refined design. A specific concern is that the bleacher expansion may include barriers such as chain link fencing used in a strictly utilitarian manner along ridge walk. The bleacher area should be visually integrated into the open plaza character of the highpoint wedge.