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**Norris Design Honors High Performance and Adds Four New Staff**

*Leading landscape architecture and planning firm increases firm depth and expertise with recent promotions and new additions*

**DENVER, Colo., July 11, 2006** — Norris Design, a leading landscape architecture and planning firm, today announced the expansion to its senior team and four new hires.

The following individuals were recently promoted: Jordan Dame, who joined Norris Design in August of 2004 as a landscape architect, is now a firm associate. Dame specializes in GIS analysis and 3D visualizations and is currently implementing these technologies for the acclaimed Prairie Gateway Sports Complex in Commerce City.

Joanna Waldenmyer joined Norris Design in the fall of 2004 as a landscape architect and is now project manager. Waldenmyer's expertise is centric to planting design, assisted living landscape design and planning and landscape review for habitat restorations. She received her MLA and Bachelor's in cultural anthropology from the University of Michigan.

Leanna Vielehr, also joining Norris Design in 2004, was promoted to full-time project manager after demonstrating her talent as an intern for six months. She plays an instrumental role in the design and planning of the firm's residential developments. Vielehr received her MLA from the University of Colorado at Denver and holds an undergraduate degree in planning from the University of Colorado at Boulder.

"Norris Design is committed to rewarding extraordinary talent as we believe our people are the greatest contributors to our firm's success and future growth," said Jon Seier, principal and partner at Norris Design. "Jordan, Joanna and Leanne have all exceeded firm and client expectations, bringing ideas to life in an aesthetic and memorable way."

In addition, the following professionals have joined the Norris Design team:

- **Phil Walters, landscape architect:** Walters brings experience working in commercial and residential construction and landscape design. He also brings expertise in xeric plant stems from having worked at the City of Aurora's xeric demonstration garden. Walters received his BLA from Colorado State University in 2005 and is currently pursuing a second degree in organizational management in Christian leadership from Colorado Christian University.
- **Todd Wainwright, landscape architect:** Wainwright brings expertise in branding, construction documentation, creative recreational design and the integration of sustainable design and smart growth principles into projects. He received his BLA from Louisiana State University in 2004.
- **Lonni Grattan, marketing/PR coordinator:** Grattan brings four years of design experience, specializing in business development, media relations and graphic presentations. She received a BS in Advertising and a minor in Marketing from Kansas State University in 2002.

- **Chris Bates, 3D animator:** Bates brings expertise in 3D Studio Max, particularly with the use of camera paths and particle effects in design. He received his Bachelor of media arts and animation from the Art Institute of Colorado in December 2005.

Added Seier, "We're also excited to welcome our new team members as their diverse backgrounds and combined expertise will add immeasurable value in helping our firm grow and reach new milestones."

### **About Norris Design**

Founded in 1991, Norris Design is a leading planning and landscape architecture design firm with offices in Denver, Colorado, Indianapolis, Indiana and Tucson, Arizona. The company is experienced in amenity-based community planning, mixed-use master-planning, urban design, environmental design, park and recreational design, and landscape architecture. Norris Design offers an innovative approach to preservation of natural resources, helping to shape successful living, working and recreational spaces for people and communities around the world. For more information, visit [www.norris-design.com](http://www.norris-design.com).

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