

## **VISUAL RESOURCES**

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Wood River channel restoration, other wetland restoration efforts and recreation facility development continued in 1998. Informal monitoring of these surface disturbing activities showed greater short-term visual contrasts to the existing environment. As these areas are re-vegetated and the wetland areas re-established, it is fully expected that the visual resources will be greatly improved over the previous grazed pasture land area. It is also hoped that through additional landscaping, and cottonwood and willow plantings the visual resources will be further enhanced. As stated in the Wood River RMP/EIS, the area's visual resources are to be managed for the long term objectives of improving or providing positive effects to visual resources.