

Introduction

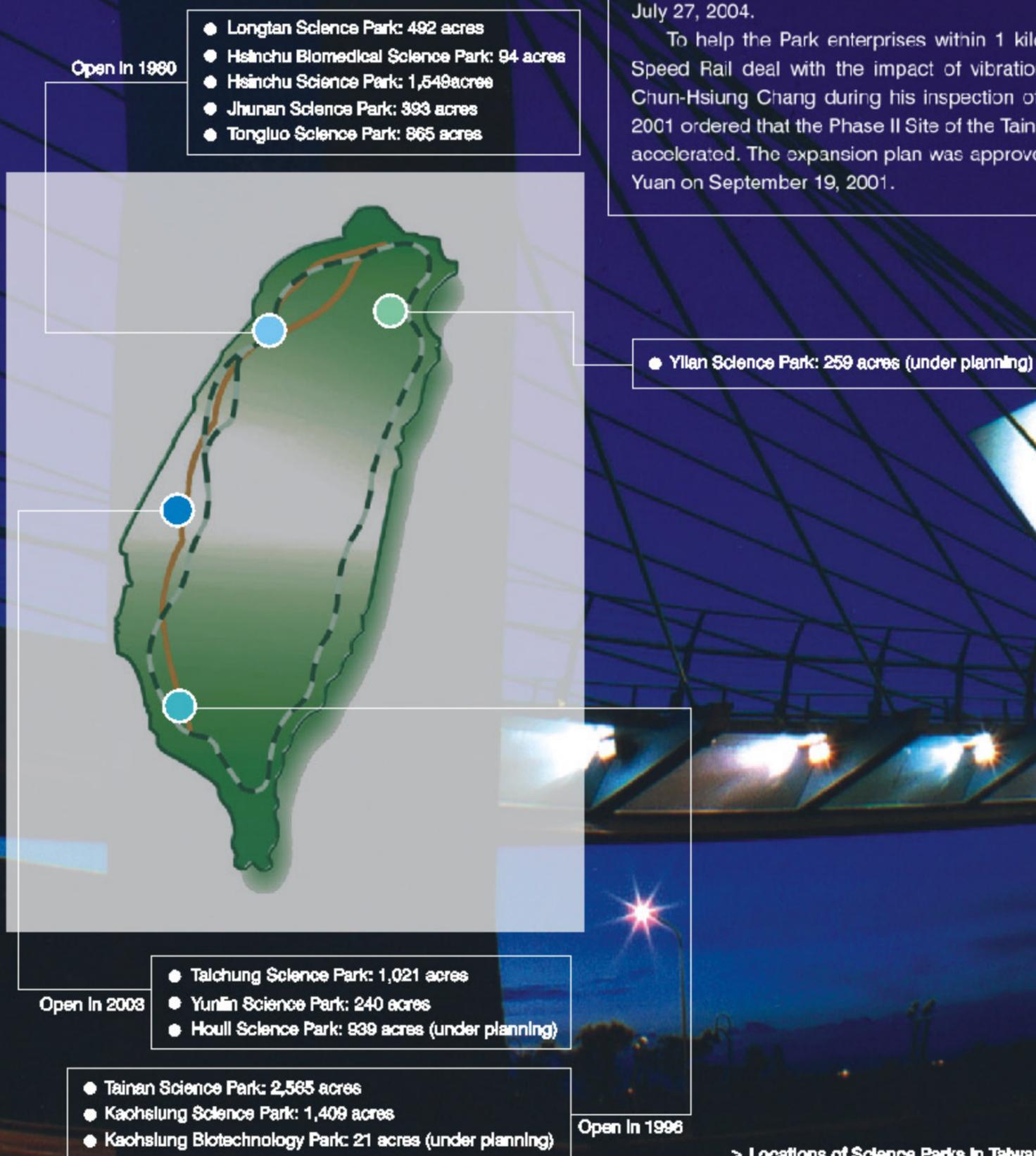
The scope of Southern Taiwan Science Park (STSP) includes Tainan Science Park and Kaohsiung Science Park. Tainan Science Park is situated between Sinshih, Shanhua and Anding Townships of Tainan County with a total area of 2,565 acres. Kaohsiung Science Park is situated between Lujhu, Gangshan and Yung-an Townships of Kaohsiung County with a total area of 1,409 acres.

The Origin of the STSP

On July 1 of 1993, the 2,388th executive meeting of the Executive Yuan approved an Economic Revitalization Project in which the establishment of a science park in southern Taiwan was proposed. The STSP Development Plan (which covered the Phase I Site of the Tainan Science Park) by the National Science Council was approved by the Executive Yuan in May 1995 to mark the beginning of southern Taiwan's high-tech development.

In 2000 when the economy was booming, over 80% of the industrial land available for the Phase I Site of the Tainan Science Park was leased out, and requests for more industrial land continued to pour in. In response to the demand of the Integrated Circuits(IC) and TFT-LCD industries for large-block factory land, the Executive Yuan agreed in May 2000 to designate the Intellectual Industrial Park developed in Lujhu by Taiwan Sugar Corporation as the site for the Lujhu Science Park. The project was officially approved on April 6, 2001. The Lujhu Science Park was renamed as the Kaohsiung Science Park on July 27, 2004.

To help the Park enterprises within 1 kilometer of the High Speed Rail deal with the impact of vibrations, former Premier Chun-Hsiung Chang during his inspection of STSP on May 17, 2001 ordered that the Phase II Site of the Tainan Science Park be accelerated. The expansion plan was approved by the Executive Yuan on September 19, 2001.



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