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April 7 @ 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM

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Harford County Agricultural Preservation Advisory Board
April 7, 2020 6:00pm via Conference Call

Agenda

Review and approval of February meeting minutes

1. Review proposed legislation
2. Review request by Raine Archer (ag-tourism use)
3. Review request Lands of Pennington (child lot)
4. Review request by Brian McNutt (child lot)
5. Rank County applications received to date
6. MALPF program settlement & offer updates
7. County program settlement updates
8. House Bill 1362 update

Adjourn

March 8, 2020

Mr. Bill Amoss
Harford County Agricultural Board
Bel Air, MD 21014

Dear Bill,

Re: Farming Me...sowing the soul
2239 Price Road
Darlington, MD

Great to talk with you the other day. Thank you for your ideas.

Did call Dave Culver. He is deciding where to categorize Farming Me...sowing the soul. He has a meeting tomorrow regarding this and will call me in the afternoon. Hopefully I will be able to then receive a Zoning Certificate from Hazel.

We operate our week long day agricultural experiences for children of all ages on our farm-Archer Farms Inc. in Darlington, MD. The day experiences are 9 am – 3pm. Teachers are hired who are very dynamic (also fingerprinted with background checks) and believe in our mission-to support children in the difficult job of growing up. We like to say WE GROW CHILDREN.

We do consider this agritourism. We want to share and teach the value of farming to others. We especially like to have local Harford County people who want to share their talents, work with us. We had 35 children in our pilot program. Most of our children have never been on a farm. We do invite and pay “Featured Artists” who have a special talent or interest to share with our children. For example Kim Little, a local neighbor brought her spinning wheel to teach spinning. An artist brought minerals to share and the children made bracelets. We participate in yoga on the hill while watching deer run by or an eagle flying high above.

Farming Me...sowing the soul offers children a variety of experiences on a working farm. We began this as a heartfelt need by us to allow children to learn to play again, to put the electronics away, to be outside in a safe environment. Working farm life made sense to us as a “vehicle” to offer hands on agricultural experiences for children. Farming is such a wonderful way for children to learn about life and themselves. We teach patience through animals. Children learn to work with animals to earn the animals respect which aides in their own self-respect. They develop relationships with others and the animals in their environment. Children see our farm neighbors working in the fields. Everything about agricultural life is presented in these experiences.

Please look at our website:
Farmingme.com to see the wonderful experiences we offer.

In regard to the criteria MALPF uses to investigate various operations on a farm we feel we are exactly within the guidelines.

#1. The setting is on a working farm with various types of farms around us.

#2. Farming Me...sowing the soul actually promotes Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation's mission. For example, we teach the multi-dimensional value of farming. We have heard many children say they want to be farmers or "I never knew meat comes from a cow and not McDonalds!". We teach the difference between hay and straw or the difference between a beef cow and a dairy cow. Our open space on the farm is used to learn to ride bikes, watch the behavior of animals, learn yoga, journal or just look up and count the clouds. One child who visited said "Mom I feel so free here".

#3. Farming Me...sowing the soul uses many lessons learned from hundreds of years of farming. We teach about the uses of machinery old and new. We shear sheep with electric clippers while also exhibiting to our campers the old hand shears that were used many years ago. We discuss the fact that living an agricultural life gives one fulfillment, exercise, pride, and a sense of community. One is always learning and farming is a great way to live.

When "guests" leave our farm we hope they have learned something new about themselves and the agricultural world. Most importantly we want them to have a sense of joy and peace because they have been on our farm to experience a wonderful and fulfilling lifestyle.

Thank you for your time in considering Farming Me...sowing the soul.
We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Christi Grieninger
Raine Archer
Steve Archer

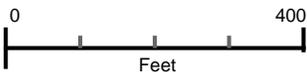


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Archer Request

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VIA EMAIL ONLY

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RE: Lands of Pennington- Request for Release of a Lot
from the Harford County Agricultural Land Preservation Program
Installment Purchase Agreement No. 1998-11

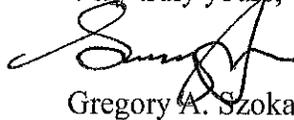
Dear Bill:

As I indicated to you, I represent the Estate of Doris S. Pennington. As part of the estate administration, the home located at 806 Thomas Run Road, Bel Air, Maryland, was bequeathed to Mr. and Mrs. Pennington's daughter, Lillie Jeannine P. Watson. I have attached the SDAT information regarding the house and additional lands. This request is only for the house and two (2) acres of land.

The Deed of Easement to Harford County is dated May 5, 1998 and is recorded among the Land Records of Harford County in Liber C.G.H. No. 2700, folio 28. The approval for the Pennington agricultural purchase was construed in Bill No. 97-67 and was approved on January 12, 1998. I have attached a copy of the Deed of Easement.

Please advise me as to what other information you may require. My thanks for your assistance with this request.

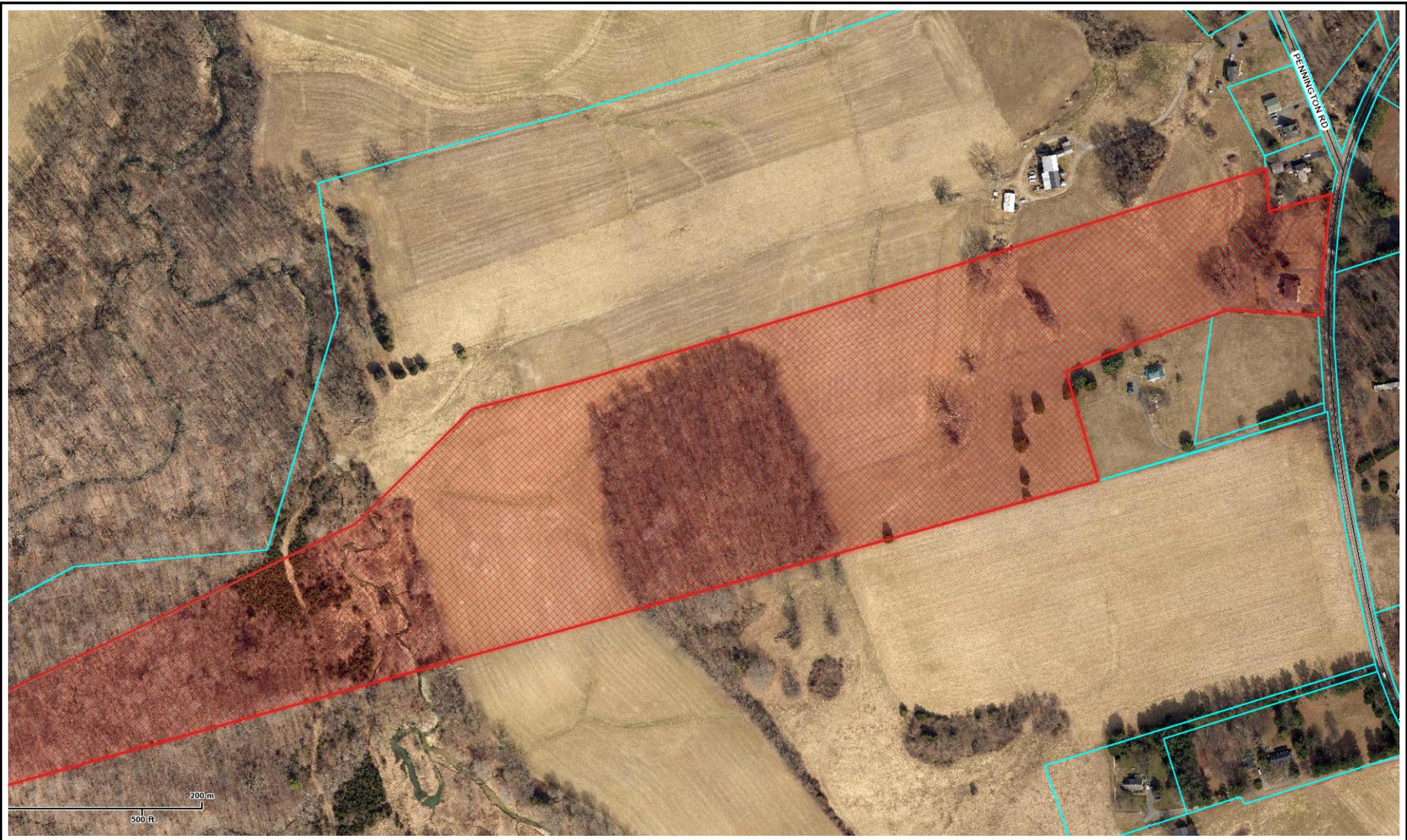
Very truly yours,


Gregory A. Szoka

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Attachments

cc: Lillie Jeannine Watson
Bradley Pennington

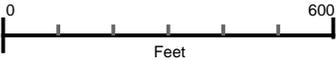


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Pennington Request

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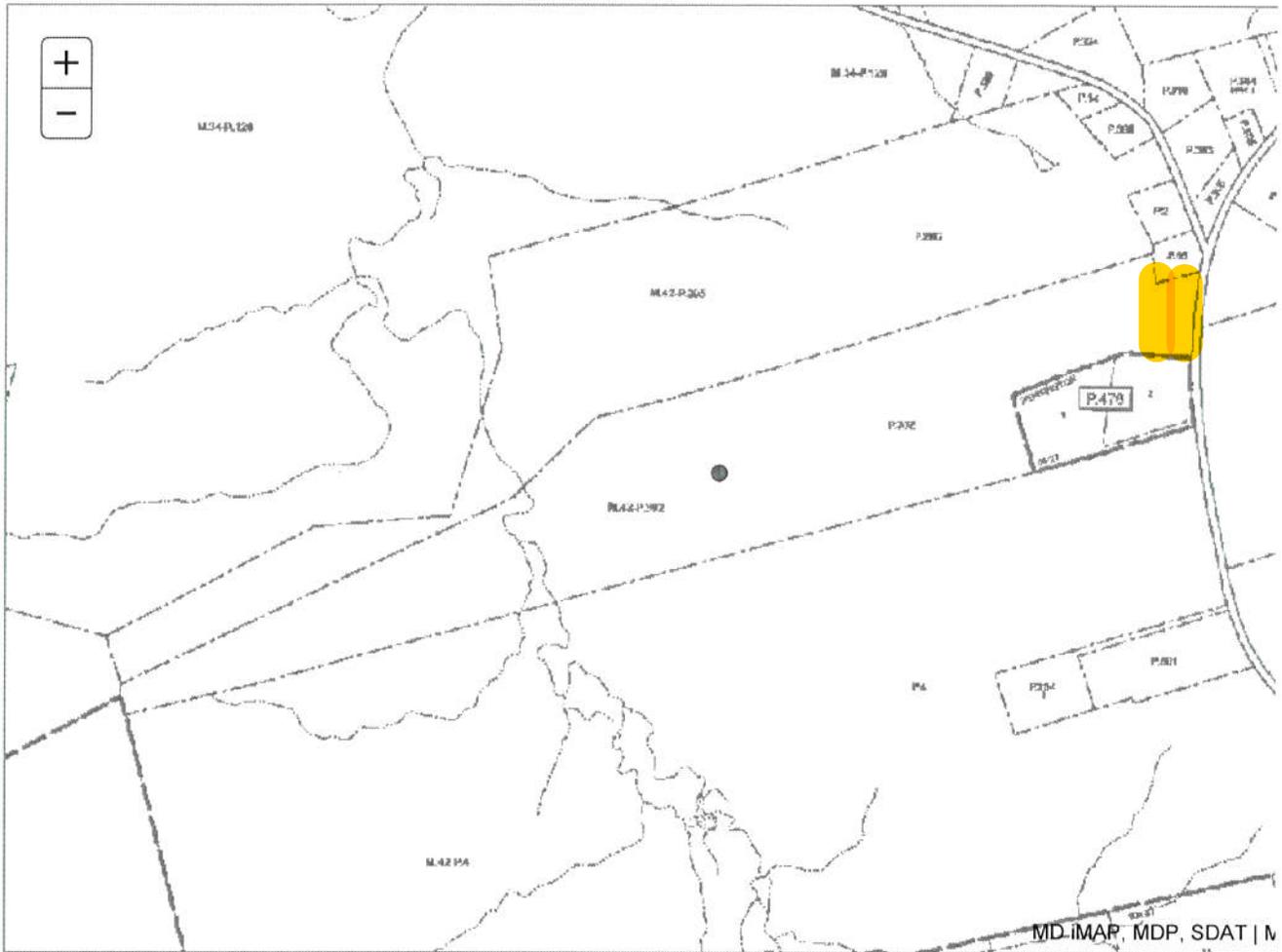
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New Search (<https://sdat.dat.maryland.gov/RealProperty>)

District: **03** Account Number: **056473**



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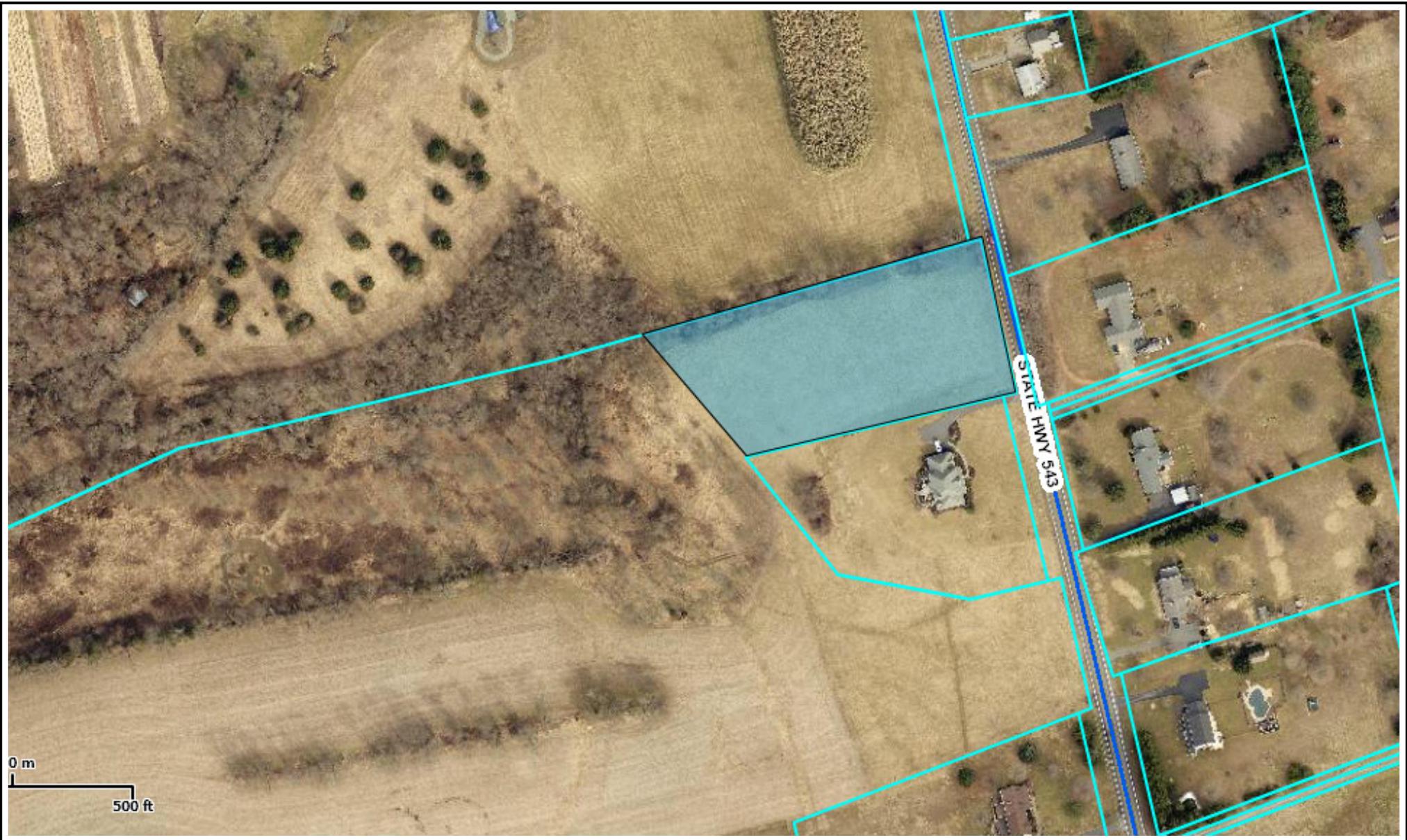
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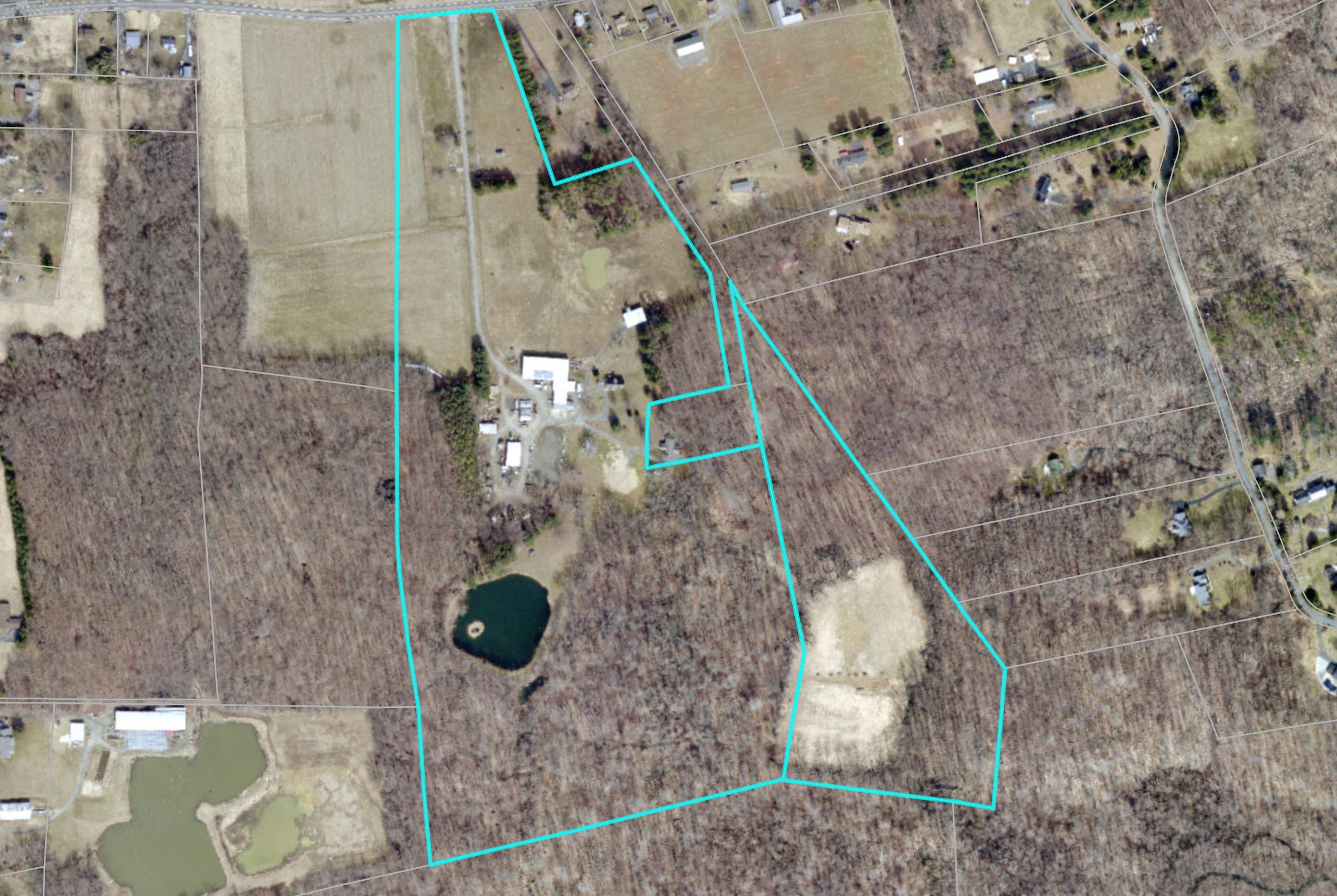
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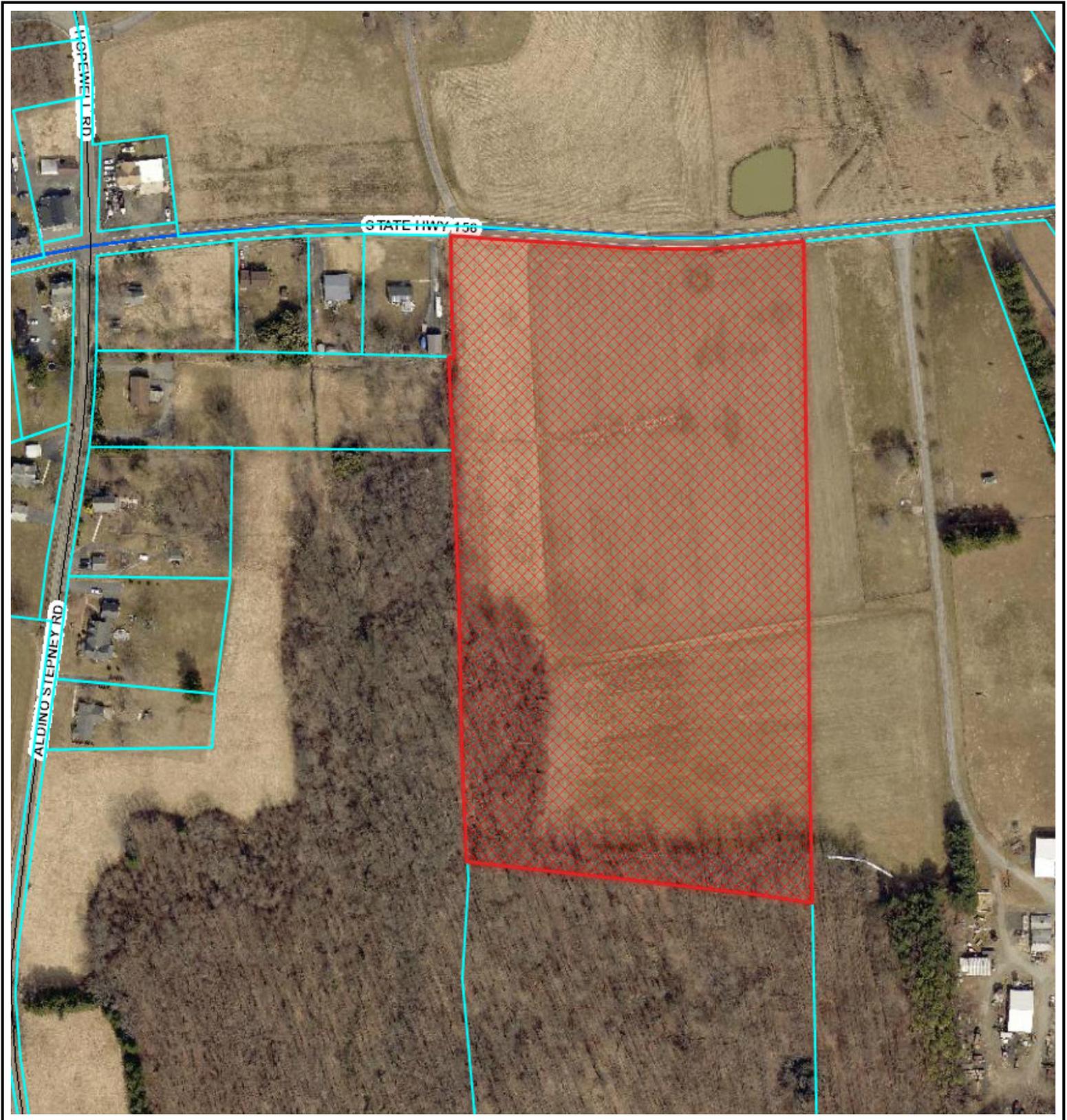
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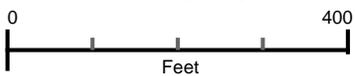


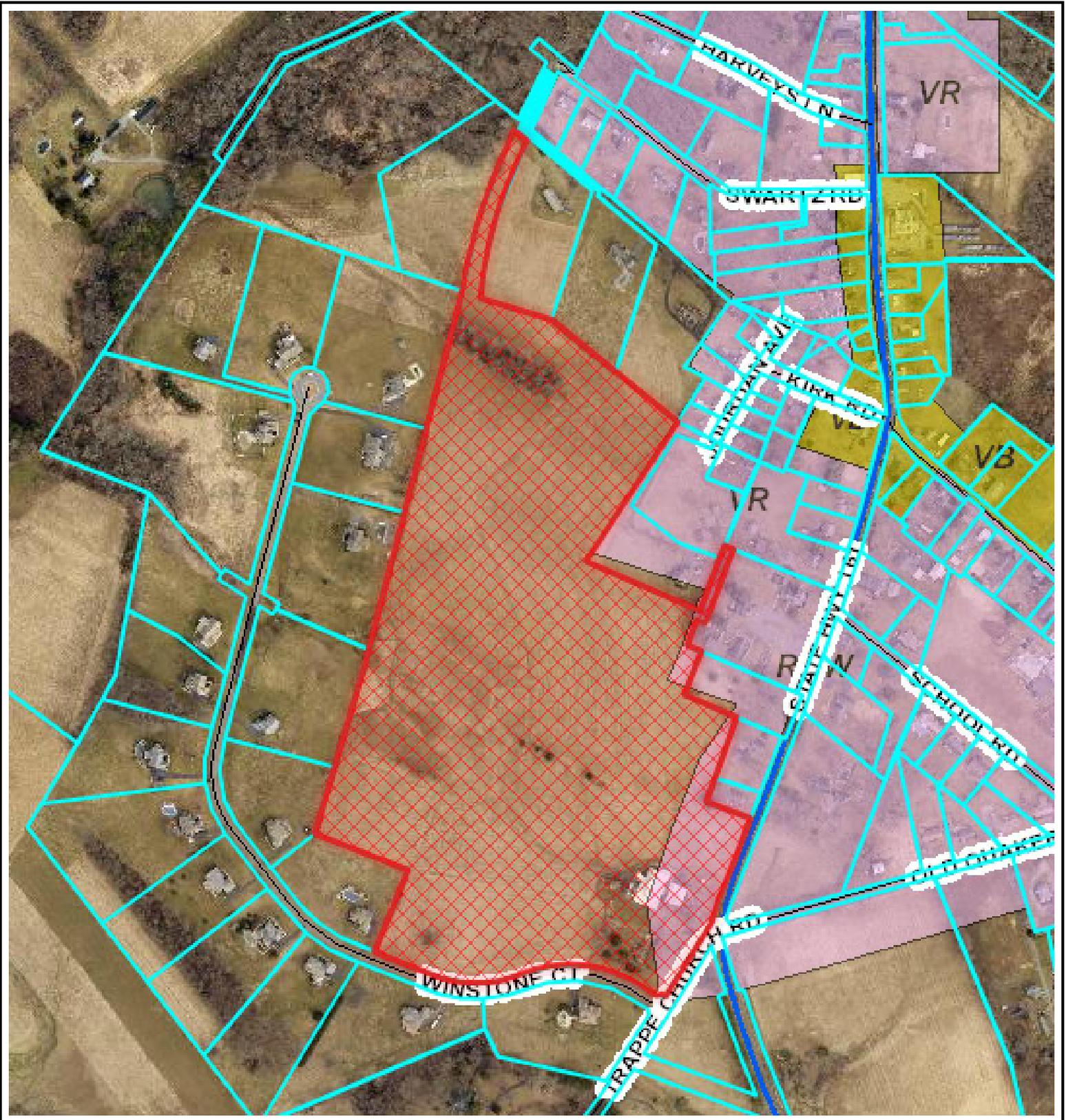
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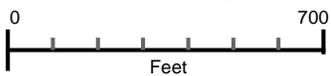


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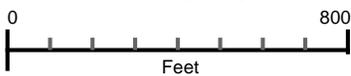


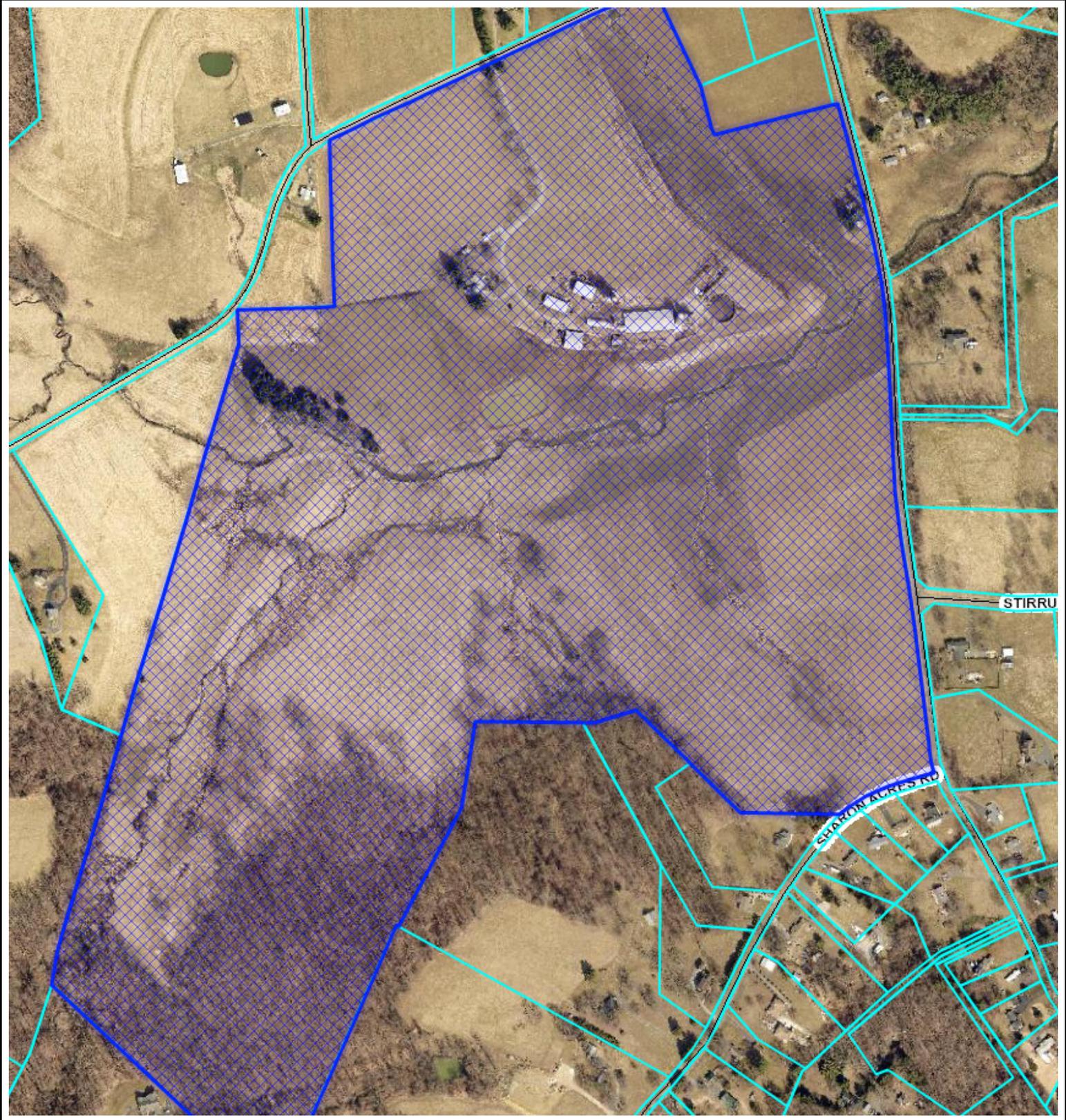
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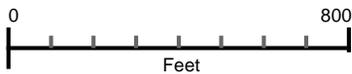


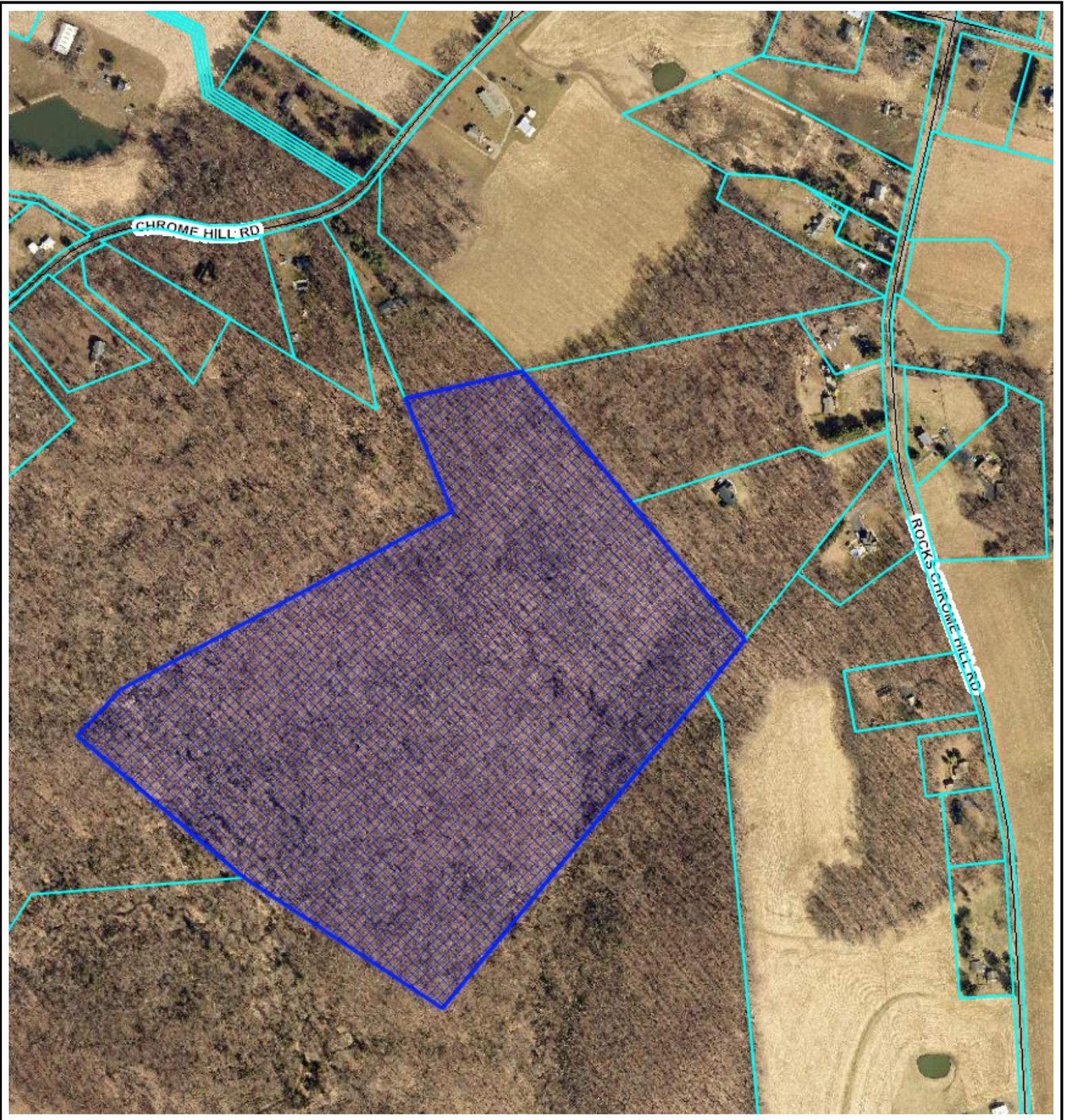
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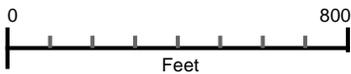


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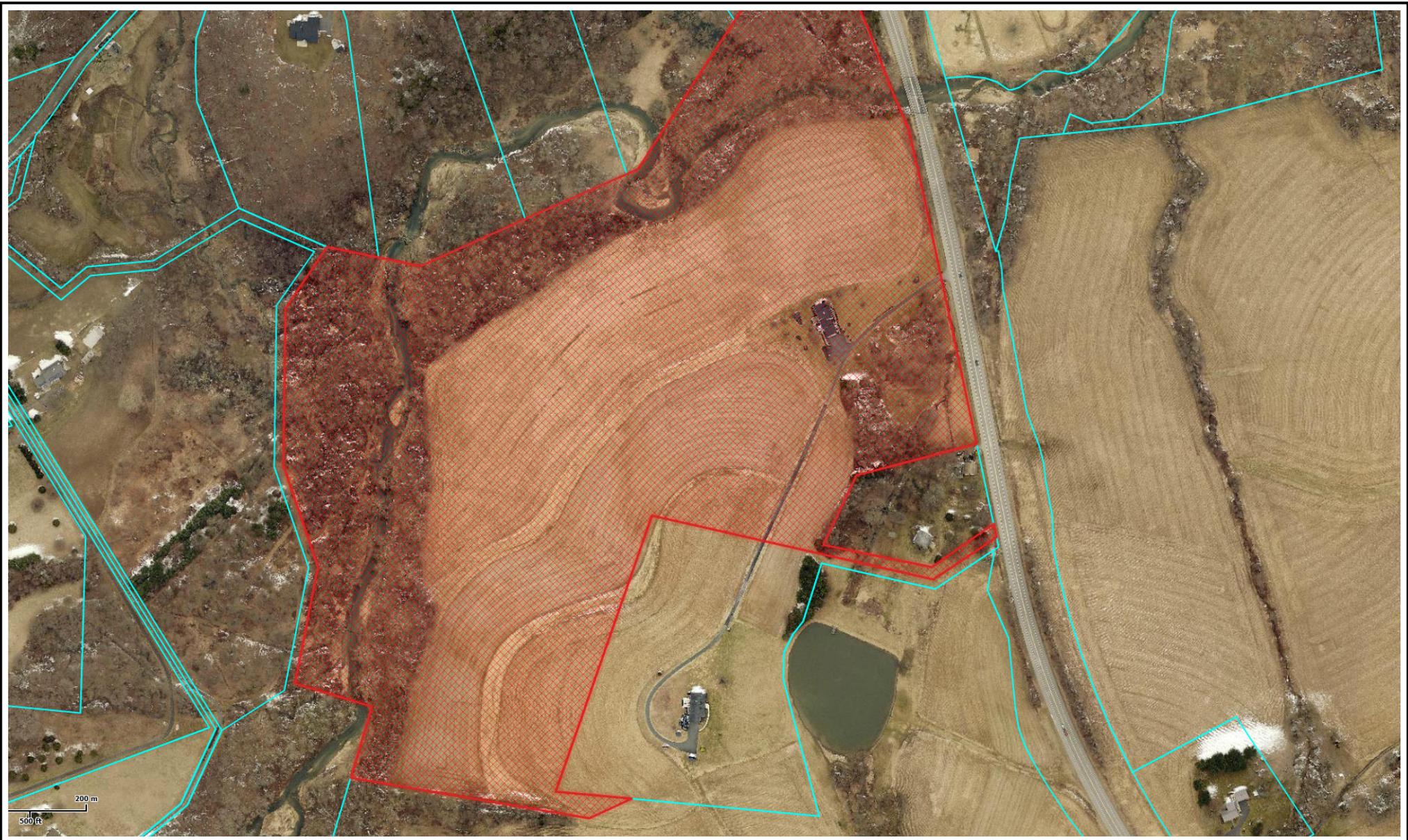
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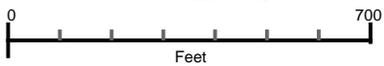


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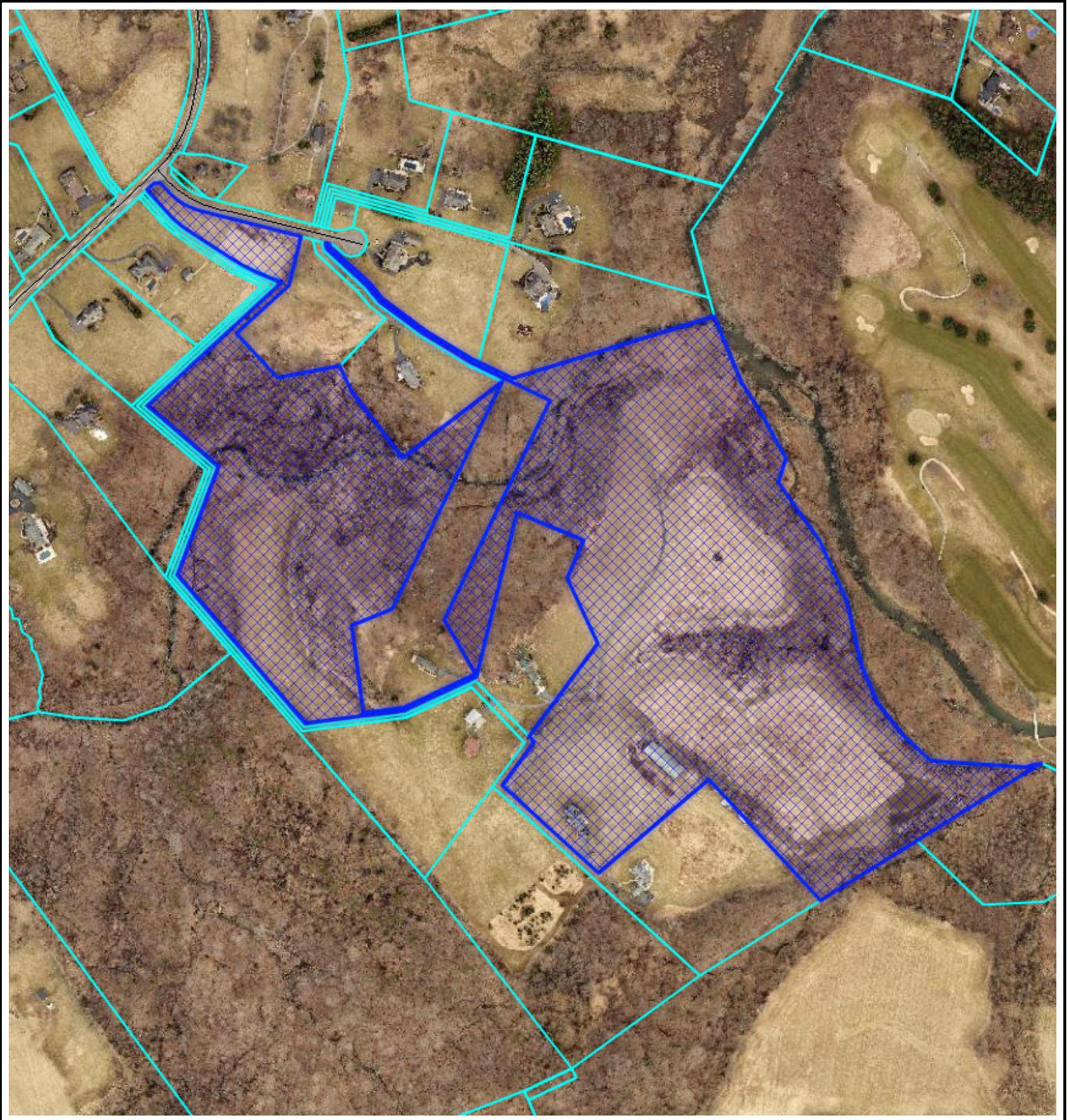
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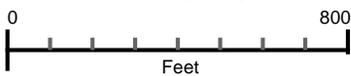


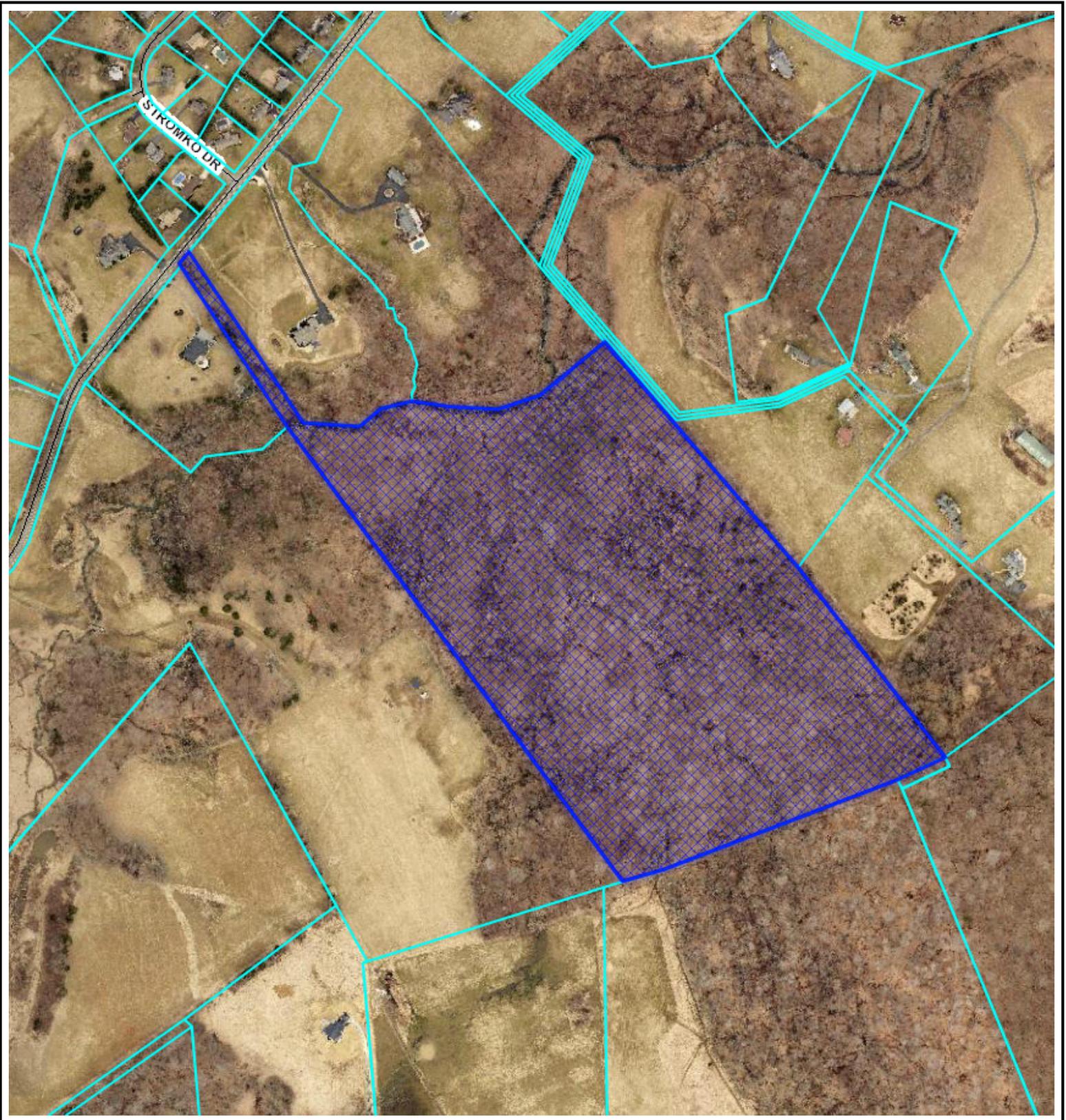
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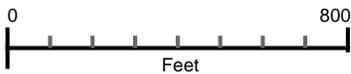




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