



State Revolving Fund Loan Programs Drinking Water, Clean Water, Nonpoint Source

PRELIMINARY DECISION OF CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION

TO ALL INTERESTED CITIZENS, ORGANIZATIONS AND GOVERNMENT AGENCIES:

TOWN OF OSGOOD WATER UTILITY AND LEAD SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENT – PHASE 1 SRF Project DW 25 32 69 00

Date: February 26, 2026

Pursuant to IC 5-1.2-3, the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) Loan Program has determined that the project described here and in the Town of Osgood's Preliminary Engineering Report will have no substantial negative environmental impact. Therefore, the SRF is issuing a preliminary decision of Categorical Exclusion (CE) from the requirements of substantive environmental review.

How were environmental issues considered?

The National Environmental Policy Act requires agencies disbursing Federal funds to include environmental factors in the decision-making process. A summary of the project is attached for your review. The SRF's preliminary review has found that the proposed project does not require the preparation of either an Environmental Assessment or an Environmental Impact Statement.

Why is additional environmental review not required?

Our environmental review has concluded that significant environmental impacts will not result from the proposed action. In the absence of significant comments, the attached CE shall serve as the final environmental document.

How do I submit comments?

Comments can be submitted to:

State Revolving Fund
100 N. Senate Ave., IGCN 1275
Indianapolis, IN 46204
publicnotices@ifa.in.gov

CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION

I. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION

Project Name and Address: Water Utility and Lead Service Line Replacements
– Phase 1
Town of Osgood
147 West Ripley Street
Osgood, IN 47037

SRF Project Number: **DW 25 32 69 00**

Authorized Representative: Chris Kuhn, Council President

II. PROJECT LOCATION

The proposed project is located in Ripley County, Center and Ross Townships, Napoleon and Versailles 24k USGS Quadrangles, Township 8N, Range 11E, and Section 15,16, 21, 22, and 28. See **Figures 1-3**.

III. PROJECT PURPOSE AND NEED

The Town of Osgood has discovered original water mains in downtown Osgood that have lead joints and connections. These mains have also aged considerably and leak often, resulting in higher water loss and higher risk for undesirable materials entering the water source. The lead service line inventory has confirmed that 19 connections have lead and an additional 218 may contain lead. It is important to replace these service lines and connections to ensure the health and safety of the community.

Phase 1 of the project proposes validation and replacement of lead service lines. Phase 1 also proposes Water Treatment Plant improvements that will include replacement of customer meters, epoxy treatment of clarifier tanks and filter tanks, recoating of clarifier metal components, replacement of wooden baffles, replacement of plug drain valve, replacement of filter media, installation of exhaust fans in filter room, replacement of high service pump and VFD, replacement of isolation valve and hydrants, and replacement of other various pumps.

IV. ESTIMATED PROJECT COSTS, AFFORDABILITY, AND FUNDING

The total cost of this project is estimated to be approximately \$4,390,000. The Town intends to finance the project with a loan from the Drinking Water SRF Loan Program for a term and annual fixed interest rate to be determined at loan closing. Monthly user rates and charges may need to be analyzed to determine if adjustments are required for loan repayment.

V. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF THE FEASIBLE ALTERNATIVES

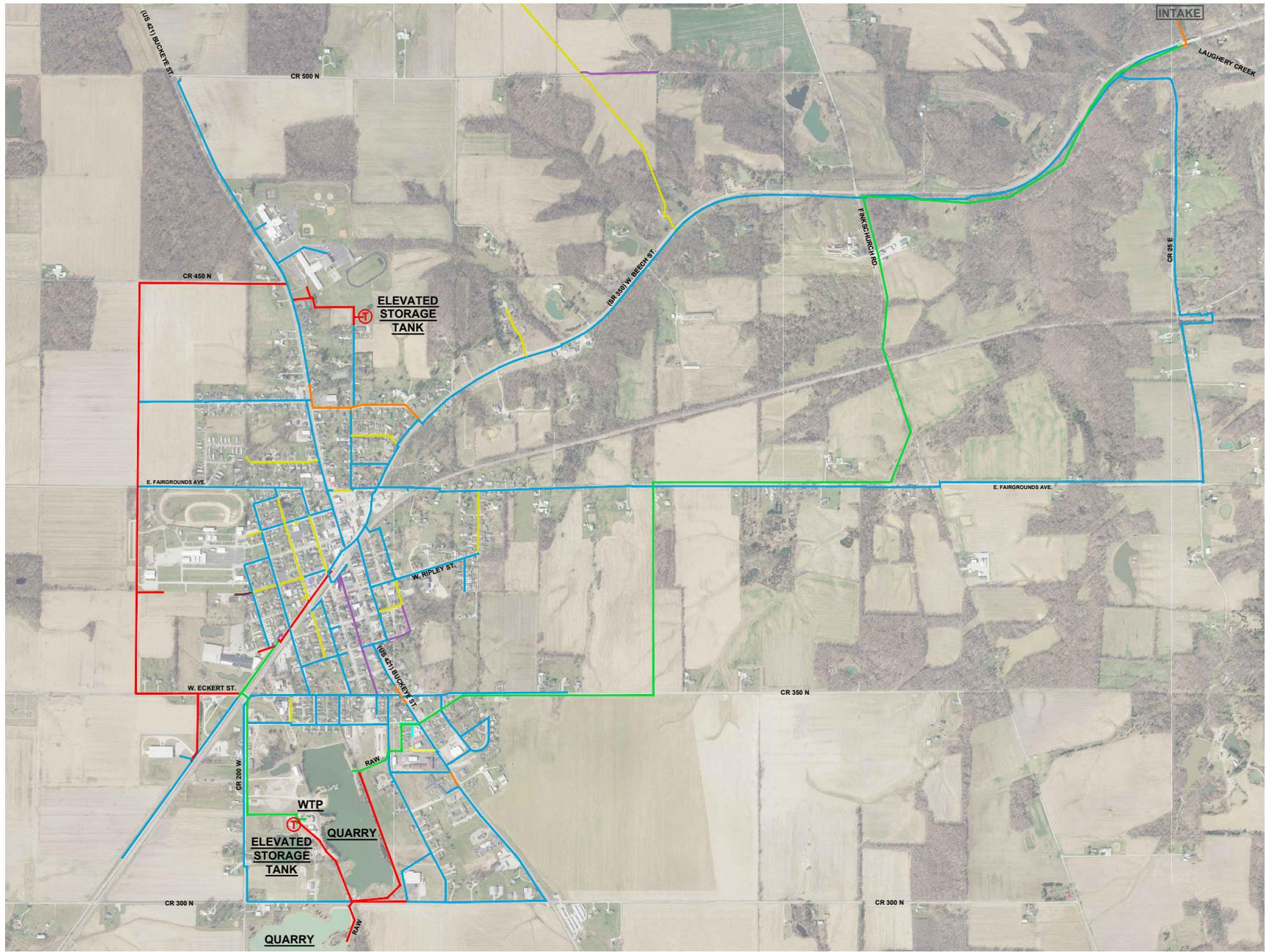
The environmental impacts will be minimal. All project activities will take place in areas previously disturbed by existing utilities. The proposed project will not affect streams, floodplains, wetlands, wooded areas, or other sensitive environmental resources and will not convert prime farmland.

Construction and operation of the project will not alter, demolish or remove historic

properties. If any visual or audible impacts to historic properties occur, they will be temporary and will not alter the characteristics that qualify such properties for inclusion in or eligibility for the National Register of Historic Places. The SRF's finding pursuant to Section 106 of the National Preservation Act is: "no historic properties affected."

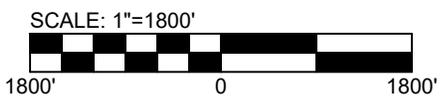
VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A properly noticed public hearing was held on April 15, 2025, at 7 pm at the Osgood Town Hall at 147 West Ripley Street, Osgood, IN 47037. There were no questions on this project during the hearing. No written comments were received in the 5-day period following the hearing for this project.

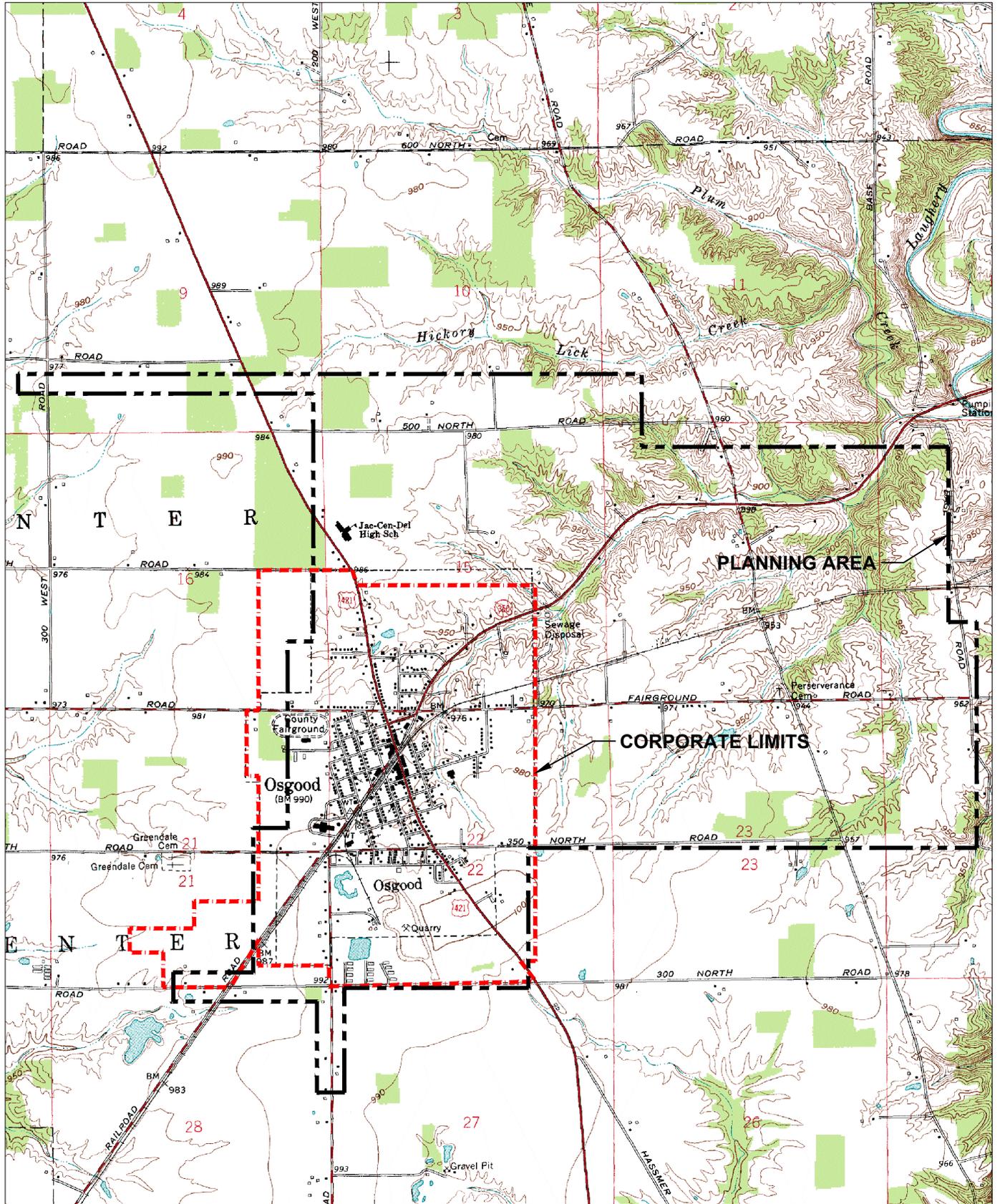


LEGEND

- 2" WATER LINE
- 4" WATER LINE
- 6" WATER LINE
- 8" WATER LINE
- 10" WATER LINE
- 12" WATER LINE
- T ELEVATED STORAGE TANK
- INTAKE RAW WATER INTAKE



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 EXISTING FACILITIES MAP
 FIGURE 1



SCALE: 1"=2600'

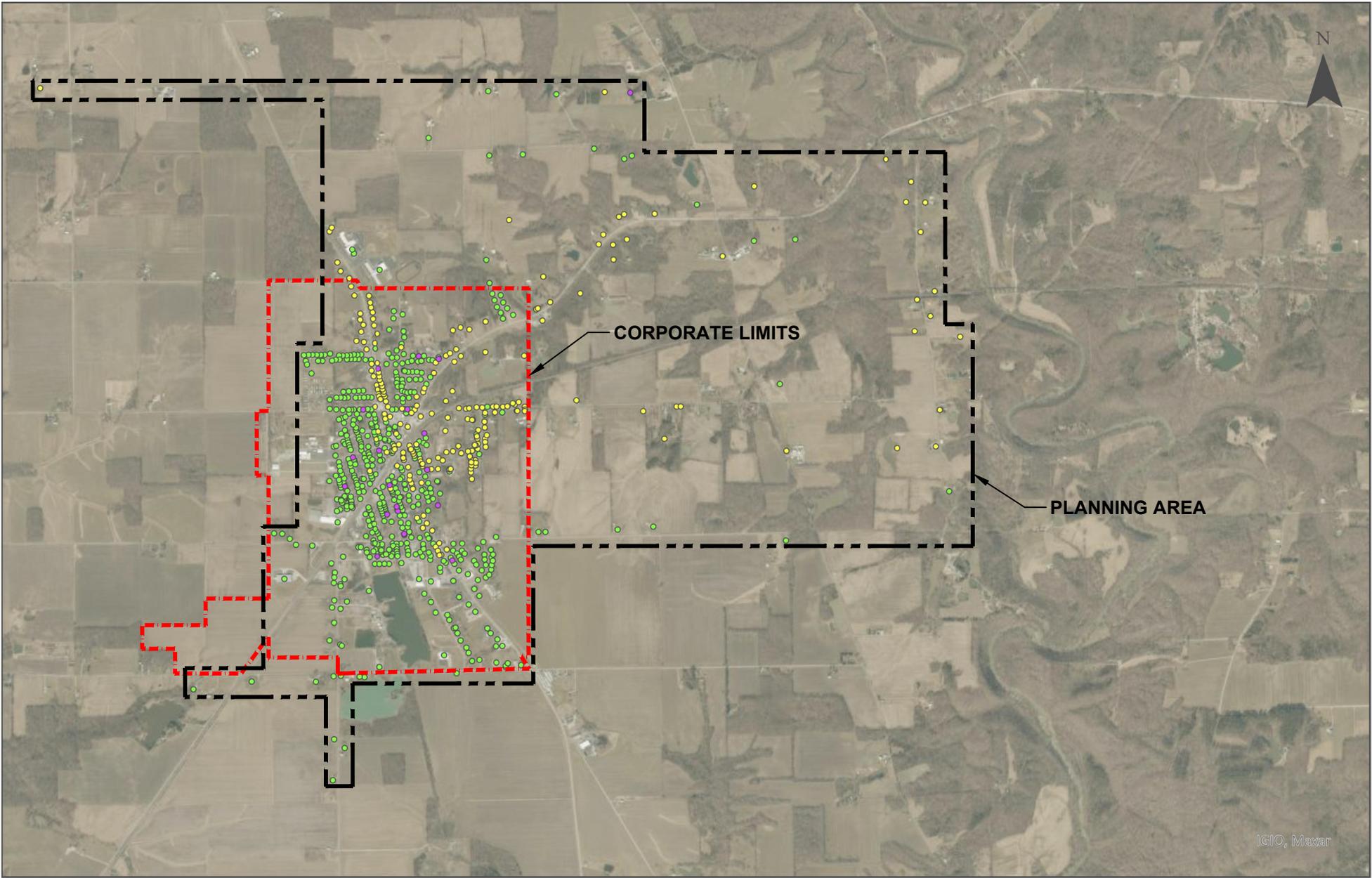


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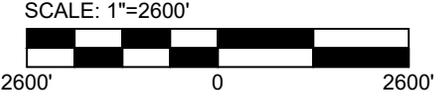
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TOPOGRAPHICAL MAP
 FIGURE 2

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●	Non Lead (544)
●	Unknown (218)
●	Galvanized Iron (19)



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PLANNING AREA MAP FIGURE 3