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REPORT**

MILL POINT SOLAR PROJECT

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Acronyms and Abbreviations

Notation	Definition
AMSL	Above mean sea level
Applicant	ConnectGen Montgomery County LLC
BBA	Breeding Bird Atlas
BBS	Breeding Bird Survey
BCI	Bat Conservation International
BESS	Battery Energy Storage System
BGEPA	Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act
CBC	Christmas Bird Count
EAF	Environmental Assessment Form
ECL	Environmental Conservation Law
ECOS	Environmental Conservation Online System
ERM	Environmental Resource Mapper
ESA	Endangered Species Act
FE	Federally Endangered
FT	Federally Threatened
HPSGCN	High Priority Species of Greatest Conservation Need
IBA	Important Bird Area
IPaC	Information for Planning and Consultation
MBTA	Migratory Bird Treaty Act
MRLC	Multi-Resolution Land Characteristics Consortium
MW	megawatt
NLCD	National Land Cover Database
NRCS	Natural Resource Conservation Service
NWI	National Wetlands Inventory
NYCRR	New York Codes, Rules, and Regulations
NYNHP	New York Natural Heritage Program
NYS	New York State
NYSDEC	New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
ORES	Office of Renewable Energy Siting
PADUS	Protected Areas Database of the United States
PFO	palustrine forested wetlands
POI	point of interconnection
Project	Mill Point Solar
PSL	Public Service Law
PV	photovoltaic
RTE	Rare, Threatened, and Endangered
SE	State Endangered
SOSC	State Species of Special Concern
ST	State Threatened
U.S.	United States
USACE	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
USDA	U.S. Department of Agriculture



Notation	Definition
USEPA	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
USFWS	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
USGS	U.S. Geological Survey
WMA	Wildlife Management Area
WRP	Wetlands Reserve Program
WSCR	Wildlife Site Characterization Report



Regulatory Section	Documentation	Located
900-1.3 (g)(1)	At the earliest point possible in the applicant's preliminary project planning, the applicant shall conduct a wildlife site characterization summarizing existing public information on bird, bat, and other species, including, but not limited to, New York's Environmental Assessment Form (EAF) Mapper, New York Natural Heritage Program (NYNHP), United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) Information for Planning and Consultation (IPaC) and Environmental Conservation Online System (ECOs) databases, New York's Environmental Resource Mapper (ERM), Nature Explorer, and Biodiversity and Wind Siting Mapping Tool, eBird, Audubon Christmas Bird Counts (CBC), United States Geological Survey (USGS) breeding bird surveys (BBS), the current New York Breeding Bird Atlas (BBA) III program, New York State (NYS) Ornithological Association, Bat Conservation International's (BCI) database on bat species ranges, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) bat information.	Section 2.0; Appendix B; Appendix C
900-1.3 (g)(1)(i)	Species documented at the proposed facility, access roads, interconnections, connecting lines, from available data sources. A subset of NYS threatened or endangered species identified within the last five (5) years shall be provided.	Section 3.7, Table 3-5
900-1.3 (g)(1)(ii)	For each listed animal species documented from available data sources, provide an evaluation of current habitat suitability for those species at the project site.	Section 3.7, Table 3-5
900-1.3 (g)(1)(iii)	Landscape features and resources of potential concern within five (5) miles of the facility that may function to funnel or concentrate birds and bats, with a focus on NYS threatened or endangered species, during migration or for feeding, breeding, wintering, or roosting activities, such as national wildlife refuges, wildlife management areas, grassland focus areas, core forest blocks (contiguous areas one hundred fifty (150) acres or larger), Audubon Important Bird Areas, high elevation mountaintops, prominent ridgelines, forested riparian areas, known hibernacula, records of caves and mines, or other significant habitat areas.	Sections 3.3 and 3.6
900-1.3 (g)(1)(iv)	Geographical, topographical, and other physical features within five (5) miles of the facility, interconnections, connecting lines, and access roads.	Section 3.6
900-1.3 (g)(1)(v)	National Wetlands Inventory (NWI) and NYSDEC mapped wetlands, streams, waterbodies, state forests, parks, land use, and other available information relevant to siting the facility.	Section 3.2; Table 3-3; Appendix A
900-1.3 (g)(1)(vi)	A review of National Audubon Society climate change modeling for listed bird species documented in the wildlife site characterization, and review of other climate change models relevant to listed bird species and other wildlife species documented at the facility site, as available.	Section 3.10

1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Project Description

ConnectGen Montgomery County LLC (the Applicant), a subsidiary of ConnectGen LLC (ConnectGen) proposes the construction of an approximately 250-megawatt (MW) photovoltaic (PV) solar energy generation facility) called “Mill Point Solar” or the “Project” in the Town of Glen, Montgomery County, New York. The Project will be developed on approximately 2,000 acres of leased, private land owned by a number of participating landowners. The Project Area, for the purpose of this study, includes approximately 4,000 acres of land, of which approximately half of the area would be required to construct and operate the facility (Figure 1). Project components will include photovoltaic (PV) panels and associated racking systems, co-located inverters and medium voltage transformers, a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS), a new 345 kilovolt (kV) substation and switching station, underground and/or overhead alternating current (AC) collection, access roads, temporary laydown areas, and a potential operations and maintenance facility located within the Project Area. The final solar array specification, as well as locations of arrays, will be finalized as part of ongoing engineering efforts.

1.2 Objectives

TRC was contracted by ConnectGen Montgomery County LLC to characterize wildlife use and areas of critical environmental or regulatory concern that could impact Project development. The purpose of this report is to support the development of an application to the New York State (NYS) Office of Renewable Energy Siting (ORES) to construct the Project under Section 94-c of the New York Executive Law (New York Codes, Rules and Regulations (NYCRR) Chapter XVIII, Title 19 Part 900, subparts 900-1 through 900-14). This Wildlife Site Characterization Report (WSCR) is intended to meet the requirements of §900-1.3 (g)(1) of that regulation. This document is intended to provide sufficient information to ORES and New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) to “indicate whether the agencies consider occupied habitat of NYS threatened or endangered species to be present on the facility site based on existing information or whether additional habitat assessments are required” (§900-1.3 (g)(1)). Information in this report is provided to:

- Characterize wildlife species with the potential to occur within the Project Area by summarizing existing public information on bird, bat, and other species;
- With respect to NYS threatened or endangered species or Species of Special Concern (SOSC), this wildlife site characterization includes an evaluation of the following within the Project Area:
 - Species observations within the last five years and associated habitat suitability;
 - National Wetlands Inventory (NWI)-identified and NYSDEC-mapped wetlands and waterbodies;
 - Land use and vegetation cover types; and
 - A review of National Audubon Society climate change modeling for listed bird species documented within the Project Area and a review of other climate change models relevant to listed bird species and other wildlife species documented within the Project Area.



- With respect to NYS threatened or endangered species or SOSC, this wildlife site characterization includes an evaluation of the following within the Project Area and 5-mile Study Area:
 - Geographical, topographical, and other physical features including prominent ridgelines and high elevation mountaintops; and
 - Landscape features, resources of potential concern, and significant natural communities including Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs), National Wildlife Refuges (NWRs), core forest blocks, Audubon Important Bird Areas (IBAs), known hibernacula, wildlife concentration areas, grassland focus areas, forested riparian areas, and potential roosting habitat.

2.0 METHODS

TRC, on behalf of ConnectGen Montgomery County LLC, has conducted both site visits and a desktop analysis of the Project Area and the 5-mile Study Area to characterize wildlife species and habitats potentially affected by Project development. The results of the desktop analysis and ongoing site visits are described in Section 3.0, below. While site visits are not required by § 900-1.3(g), on behalf of the Project, TRC has conducted regular site visits to the Project Area for wetland delineations and is conducting ongoing winter raptor surveys. The publicly available resources used in the analysis include those identified in the Section 94-c regulations and are listed as follows:

- Google Earth Pro 2020;
- Multi-Resolution Land Characteristics (MRLC) Consortium National Land Cover Database (NLCD);
- New York Ecoregion Maps;
- New York Natural Heritage Program (NYNHP) (Appendix C);
- New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) Environmental Assessment Form (EAF) Mapper (Appendix C);
- New York State Environmental Resource Mapper (ERM) (Appendix C);
- NYSDEC Animal Species Databases;
- NYSDEC Atlases for Reptiles, Amphibians, and Fish;
- NYSDEC State Wildlife Action Plan (SWAP);
- NYSDEC State Forests;
- NYSDEC Wildlife Management Areas
- NYSDEC Grassland Focus Areas mapping;
- NYSDEC Freshwater Wetland mapping;
- NYSDEC Nature Explorer (Appendix C);
- U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Grassland Focus Areas;
- USDA Ecoregion Maps;
- U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) Protected Areas Database of the United States (PADUS);



- USGS Tribes Hill and Randall New York 7.5-minute quadrangles;
- USDA (NRCS) Wetlands Reserve Program (WRP); and
- USFWS National Wildlife Refuge Map.
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) NWI mapping;
- USFWS Information for Planning and Consultation (IPaC) report;
- USFWS Northern long-eared bat hibernacula and maternity roost tree locations;
- Bat Conservation International's (BCI) database;
- New York Breeding Bird Atlas (NYBBA);
- Audubon IBAs;
- Audubon Christmas Bird Count;
- National Audubon Society 'Survival By Degrees' climate change model;
- Journal of Fish and Wildlife Management;
- USGS Breeding Bird Survey;
- eBird Database; and
- New York State Ornithological Association

In addition to the sources utilized during the desktop review, field surveys are currently underway within the Project Area for grassland wintering raptor use and wetland and waterbodies. Although not required by the 94-c regulations for the WSCR, these surveys are being conducted in anticipation of a request from the NYSDEC Region 4 Office. A Winter Raptor Survey Plan, including methodology and survey locations, was coordinated with NYSDEC and submitted to the agency on November 6, 2020. The survey results will be submitted to ORES and NYSDEC upon survey completion.

Avian surveys are being conducted following the *NYSDEC Draft Survey Protocols for State-listed Wintering Grassland Raptor Species*. Delineations for wetlands and waterbodies were performed in accordance with criteria set forth in the 1987 *United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Wetlands Delineation Manual* (Environmental Laboratory 1987) and the 2012 *Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Northcentral and Northeast Region (Version 2.0)* (USACE 2012). Information from these surveys will be used to inform facility design which will, once completed, be submitted to the ORES and NYSDEC as part of an anticipated 94-c application.

3.0 RESULTS

3.1 Land Use and Vegetation Cover

Based on the desktop analysis, land use within the 4,129.5-acre Project Area is primarily agricultural (73.4 percent) consisting of cultivated crops, pastureland, or hay. Some undeveloped wooded areas also occur within the Project Area including mixed forest (10.8 percent), deciduous forest (4.3 percent), and evergreen forest (1.0 percent). Less than one percent of the Project Area consists of barren land (0.01 percent), grassland/herbaceous areas (0.2 percent), open water (0.2 percent), and shrub/scrub (0.002 percent) areas. Developed space within the Project Area



comprises 3.5 percent, including high intensity (0.1 percent), medium intensity (0.2 percent) and low intensity (0.8 percent), with developed open space representing the largest amount of developed land (2.5 percent). Table 3-1 summarizes land use and vegetation cover types within the Project Area. Figure 2 (Appendix A) illustrates land use and vegetation cover types within both the Project Area.

Table 3-1: Land Use and Vegetation Cover Types Identified within the Project Area

Land Use/Vegetation Cover Type	Acres within Project Area	Percentage of Project Area
Barren Land (Rock/Sand/Clay)	0.6	0.01
Cultivated Crops	1,557.5	37.7
Deciduous Forest	175.7	4.3
Developed, High Intensity	3.9	0.1
Developed, Low Intensity	33.0	0.8
Developed, Medium Intensity	6.8	0.2
Developed, Open Space	98.4	2.4
Emergent Herbaceous Wetlands	36.1	0.9
Evergreen Forest	40.3	1.0
Grassland/Herbaceous	9.6	0.2
Mixed Forest	444.6	10.8
Open Water	9.3	0.2
Pasture/Hay	1,476.3	35.7
Shrub/Scrub	0.1	0.002
Woody Wetlands	237.5	5.8
Total	4,129.5	100.0
Source: MLRC 2016		

3.2 Wetlands and Waterbodies

Based on a desktop review, 59.7 acres of NWI wetlands occur within the Project Area, as shown below in Table 3-2, with a cover type breakdown in Table 3-3. Table 3-2 also illustrates a breakdown of the amount of NYSDEC-mapped wetlands within the Project Area by wetland class, with 28.8 acres of NYSDEC-mapped wetland occurring within the Project Area. The most common NWI wetland cover type within the Project Area is R5UBH (riverine, perennial, unconsolidated bottom, permanently flooded) which is largely associated with streams, followed by palustrine unconsolidated shore (PUS), which coincide with farm ponds. Figures 7 and 8 (Appendix A) illustrate the NWI and NYSDEC-mapped resources in the Project Area.



Table 3-2: Wetlands Identified from Public Databases Within the Project Area

Type	Acres in Project Area
NWI Wetlands	59.7
NYSDEC Wetlands	
Class	Acres in Project Area
Class I	0
Class II	28.8
Class III	0
Total	28.8

Table 3-3: NWI Wetland Cover Types Identified Within the Project Area

Cover Type	Acres in Project Area
PEM	0
PFO	0
PSS	0
PUB	0
PUS	18.2
R2UBH	3.6
R3UBH	0
R4SBC	1.3
R5UBH	36.7

The Project Area is located entirely within the Mohawk sub-basin (Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC) 02020004) The Project Area is almost entirely within the Auries Creek – Mohawk River (HUC 020200041006) sub-watershed, with the western-most portions located in the Yatesville Creek – Mohawk River (HUC 020200041003) sub-watershed.

The NYSDEC classifies watersheds more generally within NYS. The NYSDEC uses the definitions of watersheds and drainage basins interchangeably. New York’s waters (e.g., lakes, rivers, wetlands, and streams) fall within one of seventeen major drainage basins. The NYSDEC defines these drainage basins or watersheds as an area of land that drains water into a specific body of water within or adjacent to NYS, and includes networks of rivers, streams, lakes, and the surrounding lands. The NYSDEC-classified watersheds are separated by high elevation geographic features (e.g., mountains, hills, and ridges). Each major drainage basin corresponds to one or more USGS sub-basins (USGS HUC 8-digit codes). The Project Area is located within the Mohawk River watershed (NYSDEC 2020c).

There are numerous tributaries from four NYSDEC-mapped streams flowing throughout the Project Area including the following:

- Van Wie Creek and Tributaries (NYSDEC ID: 1201-0122);
- Minor Tributaries to the Mohawk River (NYSDEC ID: 1201-0030);

- Auries Creek and Tributaries (NYSDEC ID: 1201-0116); and
- Minor Tributaries to the Mohawk River (NYSDEC ID: 0201-0121).

State-mapped wetlands within the Project Area includes wetlands TH-17 and R-20 in the central and southwestern portion of the Project Area. NYSDEC-mapped waterways and watersheds within the Project Area are depicted in Figure 7 (Appendix A). Each of the NYSDEC-mapped wetlands within the Project Area are classified as Class II wetlands, which do not require enhancements or mitigation with the installation of solar panels if a 100-foot setback is established.

Wetland and waterbody delineations are ongoing for the Project Area with partial completion in fall 2020. Wetland and waterbody delineations will be completed in spring 2021 and results will be shared with both the NYSDEC and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) for jurisdictional determination, as applicable. Early wetland and waterbody screenings and delineation results are being utilized in the Project siting and design. Identified wetlands and waterbodies may be considered jurisdictional and subject to regulation pursuant to § 900.1-3 (e) and (f), pertaining to wetlands and waterbodies, respectively.

3.3 Geographic, Topographic, and Physical Features

The Project Area has variable topography, ranging from 400 to 1,100 feet above mean sea level (AMSL), with a woodlot comprising the highest point in the Project Area. There are multiple areas eclipsing 800 feet throughout the Project Area, with low points typically coinciding with streams.

The Project Area resides within the Hudson-Mohawk and Allegheny Plateau Physiographic Provinces, and the Study Area resides within the Hudson-Mohawk, Allegheny Plateau, and Adirondack Mountains Physiographic Provinces, within the Eastern Great Lakes and Hudson Lowlands Level III Ecoregion (83) and the Mohawk Valley level IV Ecoregion (83f) (Bailey 1995; Bryce et al. 2010; NYS 2020; Figure 5, Appendix A). In addition, the Mohawk River intersects the northern portion of the Study Area and may provide habitat for bird species.

The Project Area and 5-mile Study Area are heavily disturbed by agriculture, primarily corn (*Zea mays*). Dominant natural vegetation within the undisturbed portions of the Project and Study Areas includes red oak (*Quercus rubra*), eastern cottonwood (*Populus deltoides*), red maple (*Acer rubrum*), and eastern hemlock (*Tsuga canadensis*) in the tree stratum; American beech (*Fagus grandifolia*), white willow (*Salix alba*), and white dogwood (*Cornus alba*) in the shrub stratum; and reed canary grass (*Phalaris arundinacea*), sensitive fern (*Onoclea sensibilis*), narrowleaf cattail (*Typha angustifolia*), and corn (*Zea mays*) in the herb stratum.

The following ecological communities, as defined by Ecological Communities of NYS (Edinger et al., 2014), were identified within the Project Area at the time of wetland delineation surveys:

- Beech-maple forest,
- Confined river,

- Cropland/field crops,
- Cropland/row crops,
- Ditch/artificial intermittent stream,
- Farm pond/artificial pond,
- Hemlock-northern hardwood forest,
- Interior of barn/agricultural building,
- Intermittent stream,
- Mowed lawn,
- Mowed lawn with trees,
- Mowed roadside/pathway,
- Pastureland,
- Paved road/path,
- Purple loosestrife marsh,
- Red maple-hardwood swamp,
- Rural structure exterior,
- Shallow emergent marsh,
- Shrub swamp,
- Successional old field,
- Successional shrubland,
- Successional southern hardwoods, and
- Unpaved road/path.

3.4 Classified Lands

The Project is located entirely on private land, no protected areas, including state forests and parks, are found within the Project Area. Table 3-4 summarizes the results of the USDA Protected Areas Database findings within the Project Area, as well as the Study Area (PADUS 2020). Figure 3



(Appendix A) illustrates the locations of the USDA Protected Areas Database within both the Project and Study Area.

Table 3-4: Land Ownership Identified within the Project and Study Area

Ownership	Acres within Project Area	Acres within Study Area
Federal	0	0.5
USDA NRCS WRP Easement	0	24.6
State	0	5,953.7
Private	4,039.4	76,254.1
Unknown ¹	0	19,098.9
Total	4,039.4	101,307.2

Source: PADUS 2020.
 Note:
 1 PADUS outlines protected areas of the U.S. that are dedicated to the “preservation of biological diversity and to other natural, recreational, and cultural uses (PADUS 2020). This database identifies “ownership” of protected and non-protected lands. The ownership of 19,098.0 acres of the Study Area are unknown. The majority of this area is likely to be privately owned and not identified as protected areas.

3.5 Significant Habitat Areas

Based on the desktop analysis, the Project and Study Areas overlap multiple areas containing core forest blocks but do not overlap Grassland Focus Areas. In addition to the core forest blocks, the Project Area contains approximately 35 acres of forested riparian habitat, and approximately 236 acres of forested riparian habitat is located within the 5-mile Study Area (USFWS 2020a). For the purposes of this desktop analysis, forested riparian habitat is defined as NWI-identified PFO wetlands.

3.5.1 Core Forest Blocks

A core forest block is a contiguous areas of forest 150 acres of larger. They are important for sensitive wildlife including many bat species and forest songbirds, which avoid nesting near areas with human disturbance (NYNHP 2019). Fragmentation of large forests by new development reduces or eliminates core forest and is a leading driver of biodiversity loss (NYNHP 2019). Fragmentation decreases forest habitat quality, disrupts wildlife movement, and facilitates the spread of invasive species (NYNHP 2019). Based on a desktop review, there are approximately 161.5 acres of core forest blocks located throughout the Study Area (Figure 6, Appendix A).

3.6 Resources of Potential Concern

The Project Area is located entirely within private land, and thus does not overlap with any state or federal lands, including USFWS National Wildlife Refuge System lands (USFWS 2020d), Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs), or National Wildlife Refuges (NWRs). The Project Area also does not cross any Audubon IBAs or Wildlife Concentration Areas. The Study Area contains a

mixture of private and state lands, as well as areas enrolled in conservation easements such as the Wetlands Reserve Program (WRP).

The Study Area contains four NYS forests which may serve as potential habitat for [REDACTED]. Additionally, [REDACTED] is found within the Study Area, approximately [REDACTED]. The Mohawk River is located directly north of the Project Area, and intersects the Study Area, which may attract foraging bald eagles, though none have been recorded within the Project Area by publicly available databases or winter raptor surveys. The Mohawk River may also attract migratory birds, however no NYS threatened or endangered migratory birds have been recorded within the Project Area within the last five years.

3.6.1 New York State Forests

There are four NYS Forests within the Study Area, including the following:

- Charleston State Forest;
- Lost Valley State Forest;
- Rural Grove State Forest; and
- Yatesville Falls State Forest.

The Charleston State Forest is a 4,026-acre hardwood and mixed forest located approximately two miles south of the Project Area and contains more than 22 miles of cross-country ski trails and 11 wildlife marshes that were constructed in the 1950's under Federal Aid to Wildlife Programs to provide habitat for waterfowl (NYSDEC 2020b).

The Lost Valley State Forest is a 748-acre forest located 3.5 miles southeast of the Project Area and features snowmobile trails and hunting and trapping opportunities. The Lost Valley State Forest is managed for timber production, wildlife habitat, and recreation. This forest also contains 2.18 miles of trails through the forest that allow motorized access for people with mobility impairments (NYSDEC 2020b).

The Rural Grove State Forest (0.7 miles south) and Yatesville Falls State Forest (1.5 miles southwest) are located on opposite sides of Logtown Road from each other and thus, are managed similarly. The Rural Grove State Forest is a 1,286-acre forest purchased for timber production and watershed protection. The Yatesville Falls State Forest is a 712-acre forest also purchased for timber production and watershed protection. Each of these forests provide big-game hunting opportunities for white-tailed deer (*Odocoileus virginianus*) and small-game hunting including turkey (*Meleagris gallopavo*) and ruffed grouse (*Bonasa umbellus*). Yatesville Falls State Forest also has three locations left unplowed to provide recreation opportunities for snowmobiles and cross-country skiing. Yatesville Falls State Forest also contains Yatesville Falls, which can be viewed from a universally accessible platform (NYSDEC 2020b).

3.6.2 Wetlands Reserve Program and Open Space Conservation Program

Results of the desktop analysis identified private lands outside of the Project Area, but within the Study Area that were enrolled in the USDA NRCS Wetlands Reserve Program (WRP) and Open Space Conservation Program (Figure 3, Appendix A). The WRP is a voluntary program that offers landowners the opportunity to protect, restore, and enhance wetlands on their property (USDA NRCS 2020). There are eight areas, totaling approximately 172 acres within the Study Area which are enrolled in the WRP. Open Space is defined by the Forest Service as public or private land that is "...valued for natural processes and wildlife, agricultural and forest production, aesthetic beauty, active and passive recreation, and other public benefits" (USDA Forest Service 2021). There is a 151.2-acre tract of farmland (owned by the Dillenbeck Family) classified as Open Space 1.5 miles west of the Project Area.

3.7 Wildlife

As detailed above in Section 3.1, the majority of the Project Area consists of cultivated crop, pasture, and haylands. The diversity of vegetation communities and land uses within the 5-mile Study Area is greater and supports numerous species of birds, mammals, reptiles, amphibians, and fish in comparison to the Project Area. Lists of species with the potential to occur in the Project Area and 5-mile Study Area based on review of publicly available databases are included in Appendix B. Several of the wildlife species known to, or expected to, occur in the area include federally listed species under the Endangered Species Act, NYS listed as threatened, endangered, or NYS SOSC.

Desktop analyses found an array of common mammalian species for which the Project Area and 5-mile Study Area contain suitable habitat, including white-tailed deer (*Odocoileus virginianus*) and eastern gray squirrel (*Sciurus carolinensis*) as well as a federal and state listed threatened species, the [REDACTED]. Suitable habitat for several reptilian and amphibian species is also present within the Project and Study Areas.

3.7.1 New York State Listed Species

The potential for occurrence within the Project Area of New York State species listed as endangered, threatened, or SOSC were reviewed using publicly reported data from 2015 to 2020. State definitions of NYS listed species are as follows (NYSDEC 2019):

- Endangered species are determined by the NYSDEC to be in imminent danger of extinction or extirpation in New York State, or are federally listed as endangered. All such species are protected under New York State ECL 11-0535.
- Threatened species are determined by the NYSDEC as likely to become endangered within the foreseeable future in New York State, or are federally listed as threatened. All such species are protected under New York State ECL 11-0535.
- SOSC are those native species which are not yet recognized as endangered or threatened, but for which documented evidence exists relating to their continued welfare in New York State. Legislation passed 4 October 2005 gave Protected Wildlife status



under ECL 11-0103 to all species listed as Special Concern. Special Concern species may also be protected under other laws.

Stantec received consultation from NYNHP regarding listed species within the Project Area on June 24, 2020, which listed no state-listed threatened or endangered species, or significant natural communities within the Project Area. Twenty-nine (29) special status wildlife species are potentially within the Study Area and are discussed further in Table 3-5. Three NYS listed threatened or endangered species have been documented within the last five years within the Project Area including [REDACTED], also a federally-listed threatened species (Table 3-5). NYNHP results also stated that there were [REDACTED] within [REDACTED] of the Project Area. Foraging and roosting habitat for [REDACTED] is located within the Project Area. Two (2) additional wildlife species of special concern have been recorded within the Project Area on publicly available databases and during winter raptor surveys, [REDACTED]. For the purpose of these analyses, habitat is defined as areas that contain the appropriate food, water, and shelter to host a species.



Table 3-5: New York State Listed Species Potentially Occurring in the Study Area

Common Name	Scientific Name	Status ¹	Habitat Requirements	Potential for Occurrence within Project Area	Observed within Project Area in Last Five Years	Source(s) ²
Birds						
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]



Table 3-5: New York State Listed Species Potentially Occurring in the Study Area

Common Name	Scientific Name	Status ¹	Habitat Requirements	Potential for Occurrence within Project Area	Observed within Project Area in Last Five Years	Source(s) ²
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
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[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]



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[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
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[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]



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Common Name	Scientific Name	Status ¹	Habitat Requirements	Potential for Occurrence within Project Area	Observed within Project Area in Last Five Years	Source(s) ²
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Mammals						
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Reptiles/Amphibians						
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	<i>Clemmys</i> [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]



Table 3-5: New York State Listed Species Potentially Occurring in the Study Area

Common Name	Scientific Name	Status ¹	Habitat Requirements	Potential for Occurrence within Project Area	Observed within Project Area in Last Five Years	Source(s) ²
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

¹ SE: State Endangered; ST: State Threatened; SOSC: State Species of Special Concern;

² A: Observed on-site by TRC Biologists; B: Observed during avian surveys; C: NYSDEC/NYNHP mammals webpage Range maps and Descriptions; D: Species identified by USFWS online database (IPaC); E: Species identified in the NYS Breeding Bird Atlas; F: Species identified in the Audubon Christmas Bird Count; G: Species identified in eBird; H: Species identified in the NYS Amphibian and Reptile Atlas Project; I: Species identified in the NYSDEC Statewide Fisheries Database; J: Species identified by USGS Breeding Bird Survey; K: Species distribution Range in NYSDEC SWAP; L: Species identified in the Bat Conservational International Range Maps; M: Species identified during consultations with state or federal agencies



3.7.2 *Federally Listed Species*

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

3.7.3 *Migratory Birds and Eagles*

To assess the potential for NYS listed threatened and endangered migratory birds and eagles, BBA III data for the Project and Study Areas was reviewed. This review included data located entirely within or overlapping the Study Area for the Project, with special status species shown below on Table 3-5. The Project Area intersects four BBA III survey blocks including Tribes Hill CW, Randall CE, Randall SE, and Tribes Hill SW (NYBBA 2020). The nearest USGS BBS Route (# 61206 - Duanesburg) is located approximately 11 miles southeast of the Project Site near Duanesburg, New York outside of the Study Area. Audubon CBC circles NYFP and NYJG were reviewed (Audubon 2020a, b).



The Project Area contains NYBBA III Tribes Hill CW, Randall CE, Randall SE, and Tribes Hill SW Survey Blocks (NYBBA 2020). Three special status species have been recorded in the Tribes Hill CW Block including the [REDACTED]. Four special status species were recorded in the Randall CE Block including the [REDACTED]. Three special status species were recorded in the Randall SE Block including the [REDACTED]. Two special status species were recorded in the Tribes Hills SW Block including the [REDACTED] (NYBBA 2020). The Study Area contains the following Survey Blocks:

- Randall NE;
- Tribes Hill NW;
- Tribes Hill SE;
- Tribes Hill NE;
- Tribes Hill CE;
- Esperance NW;
- Esperance NE;
- Carlisle NE;
- Carlisle CE; and
- Carlisle NW.

[REDACTED]

The Project Area contains suitable habitat for a variety of special status species including farm ponds, mixed-deciduous forests, and agricultural row crop, pasture, and hay fields. Publicly available databases contain records of six special status bird species and one special status mammal species within the Project Area. Presence of special status bird species can be confirmed through ongoing winter raptor surveys.

Summary

Based on a review of publicly available data, five (5) special status species have been recorded within the Project Area, including one (1) state endangered, one (1) state threatened, one (1) state threatened and federally threatened species, and two (2) state species of special concern



Winter raptor surveys are on-going, with special status species observations to-date consisting of multiple [REDACTED], as well as two [REDACTED] observation. Non-listed species observed include eastern bluebird (*Sialis sialis*), black-capped chickadee (*Poecile atricapillus*), dark-eyed junco (*Junco hyemalis*), northern cardinal (*Cardinalis cardinalis*), wild turkey (*Meleagris gallopavo*), Canada goose (*Branta canadensis*), and American crow (*Corvus brachyrhynchos*). In addition, incidental observations of [REDACTED] were spotted during wetland surveys in fall 2020.

Information from winter raptor surveys will be used to inform facility design which will, once completed, be submitted to NYSDEC as part of the Section 94-c application.

The proposed Project will be largely sited over open agricultural lands. Slightly more than two-thirds of these areas (Table 3-1) exist as cultivated crops or pasture/hay and can provide various forms of habitat for NYS-protected grassland bird species. The most common habitat uses are foraging, roosting, and nesting, all of which can be greatly affected by the type and extent of farming in a given year. Public data sources pertaining to species occurrences in and around the Project Area are summarized in the preceding section, and surveys are either underway or planned for spring 2021, which will offer more exact data on habitat use by NYS-protected grassland bird species in these areas.

Otherwise, development within the Project Area is expected to have general effects, some of which may be beneficial, on the distribution and movement patterns of common birds, small mammals, and game species (e.g. white-tailed deer and turkey (*Malleagris gallopavo*)) who frequent open areas such as agricultural crop and hay fields.

In addition, based on a review of species-specific habitat requirements, range and distribution, and current Project and Study Area conditions, [REDACTED]. No known [REDACTED] have been identified within the Project Area. However, forested areas capable of supporting [REDACTED] make up approximately 16 percent of the Project Area and 35 percent of the Study Area.

3.8 Climate Change for Bird Species

The National Audubon Society *Survival by Degrees* climate change model assesses the vulnerability of over 600 avian species to climate change. According to the model, the summer and winter range and distribution of each bird species presented in this document is vulnerable as a result of an increase in ambient air temperature ranging from 1.5-3.0°C. The model results indicate that each species range and distribution will shift, expand, or contract as a result of increased global temperatures.

Table 3-6 includes the climate vulnerability for listed bird species identified as potentially occurring within the 5-mile Study Area. The summer range of arctic birds, boreal birds, coastal eastern forest birds, and water birds within the Project Area are assigned a high vulnerability ranking, representing a moderate to high loss of habitat for year-round residents and nesting, foraging, and



migratory populations. According to Audubon’s climate change model, birds with high to moderate vulnerability may lose more than half their current range and will be forced to search for suitable habitat elsewhere. However, the winter range of these species is assigned a lesser vulnerability ranking, representing a stable, low, to moderate loss of habitat in southern climates where migrating populations spend the winter (Audubon 2020b).

Table 3-6: Climate Vulnerability for State-Listed Species within the 5-mile Study Area

Common Name	Seasonal Range within the 5-mile Study Area	Overall Species Vulnerability Status for each Warming Scenario		
		+1.5 °C	+2.0 °C	+3.0 °C
[REDACTED]	Summer/Breeding Uncommon	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate
[REDACTED]	Summer/Breeding Uncommon	Stable	Stable	Stable
[REDACTED]	All Seasons Uncommon	Stable	Stable	Stable
[REDACTED]	All Seasons Uncommon	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate
[REDACTED]	All Seasons Uncommon	Low	Low	Low
[REDACTED]	Summer/Breeding Uncommon	Low	Low	Low
[REDACTED]	Migration Uncommon	Low	Low	Low
[REDACTED]	Migration Common	Stable	Stable	Stable
[REDACTED]	Breeding Common	Stable	Stable	Stable

Source: Audubon 2020b.

Aside from the National Audubon Society *Survival by Degrees* climate change model, no regional- or species-specific climate change models or model results were identified for the wildlife and fish species presented in this document.

Summary

Based on a review of the National Audubon Society *Survival by Degrees* climate change model in conjunction with the Project type and scope, implementation of the Project would result in a substantial increase (+1.5-3.0°C) in ambient air temperature, by which suitable habitat range and distribution would be affected. While the anticipated cumulative impacts of solar arrays have the potential to cause regional changes in temperature and precipitation by altering the amount of solar radiation absorbed by the Earth or disrupting local airflow patterns (Hu et al. 2015), they also have the potential to reduce and/or replace existing fossil fuel emitting energy systems, thereby reducing carbon emissions. The Project would contribute to a reduction of global carbon emissions, which may result in a lesser global ambient air temperature increase. According to the National Audubon Society, if global ambient air temperatures are limited to 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels, the risk of bird species vulnerability will be lessened in comparison to projections associated with traditional and current fossil fuel emission sources.



4.0 CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

This document is intended to provide sufficient information to ORES and NYSDEC to determine whether occupied habitat for NYS listed species exists on site or whether additional surveys may be necessary. This compilation of information on species and habitat preferences is provided to assist in the assessment of the likelihood that occupied habitat for NYS-protected species exists on site and whether the construction and operation of a ground-mounted solar energy facility would affect NYS listed species. Based on this review, the following conclusions were identified that will be considered during facility design which will be submitted as part of the Project's 94-c application:

4.1 Conclusions

- [REDACTED]
- The Project Area is made up entirely of private lands that primarily consist of hayfields, pasturelands, and row crops that are likely continuously rotated between varying agricultural uses.
- Five (5) state-listed threatened, endangered, and species of special concern have the potential to occur within the Project Area. Additional consultation with the NYSDEC and ORES is recommended to confirm the presence of occupied habitat within the Project Area.
- No known locations of [REDACTED] are located within the Project Area; however, one known locations are located approximately [REDACTED] of the Study Area.
- Winter raptor surveys have been ongoing since November 2020. To date, [REDACTED] have been observed. A total of thirty-one (31) [REDACTED] have been observed exhibiting various behaviors including perching, foraging, and hunting. A total of four (4) [REDACTED] have been observed foraging and perching. In addition, due to a sighting of both a [REDACTED] in the final two weeks of March, the survey will continue through April 15. Comprehensive survey results will be provided to ORES upon completion.
- The development of the Project would not contribute to the effects of climate change portrayed in current models. Instead, the development of the Project would be beneficial in preventing the loss of current wildlife species' ranges within the region.
- Wetland and waterbody delineations are ongoing for the Project Area and results will be provided to ORES upon completion.



4.2 Recommendations

Grassland breeding bird surveys are planned to commence in the spring of May 2021, subsequent to coordination with NYSDEC on survey methodology. Winter Raptor Surveys are on-going. Results of the surveys will be provided to ORES and NYSDEC in accordance with 900-1.3(g)(5). The Applicant anticipates discussing whether ORES and NYSDEC consider occupied habitat to be present on the facility site based on existing information in a meeting to occur within four weeks of the delivery of this report, in accordance with 94-c regulations. The Applicant understands that survey work is on-going and a final determination as to occupied habitat may not occur until such results have been provided to ORES and NYSDEC and additional meetings have occurred in accordance with the 94-c regulations.

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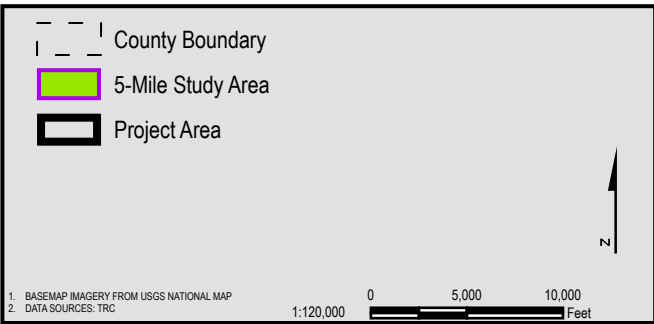
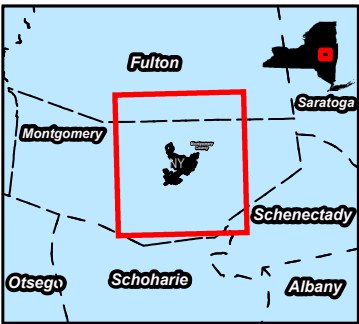
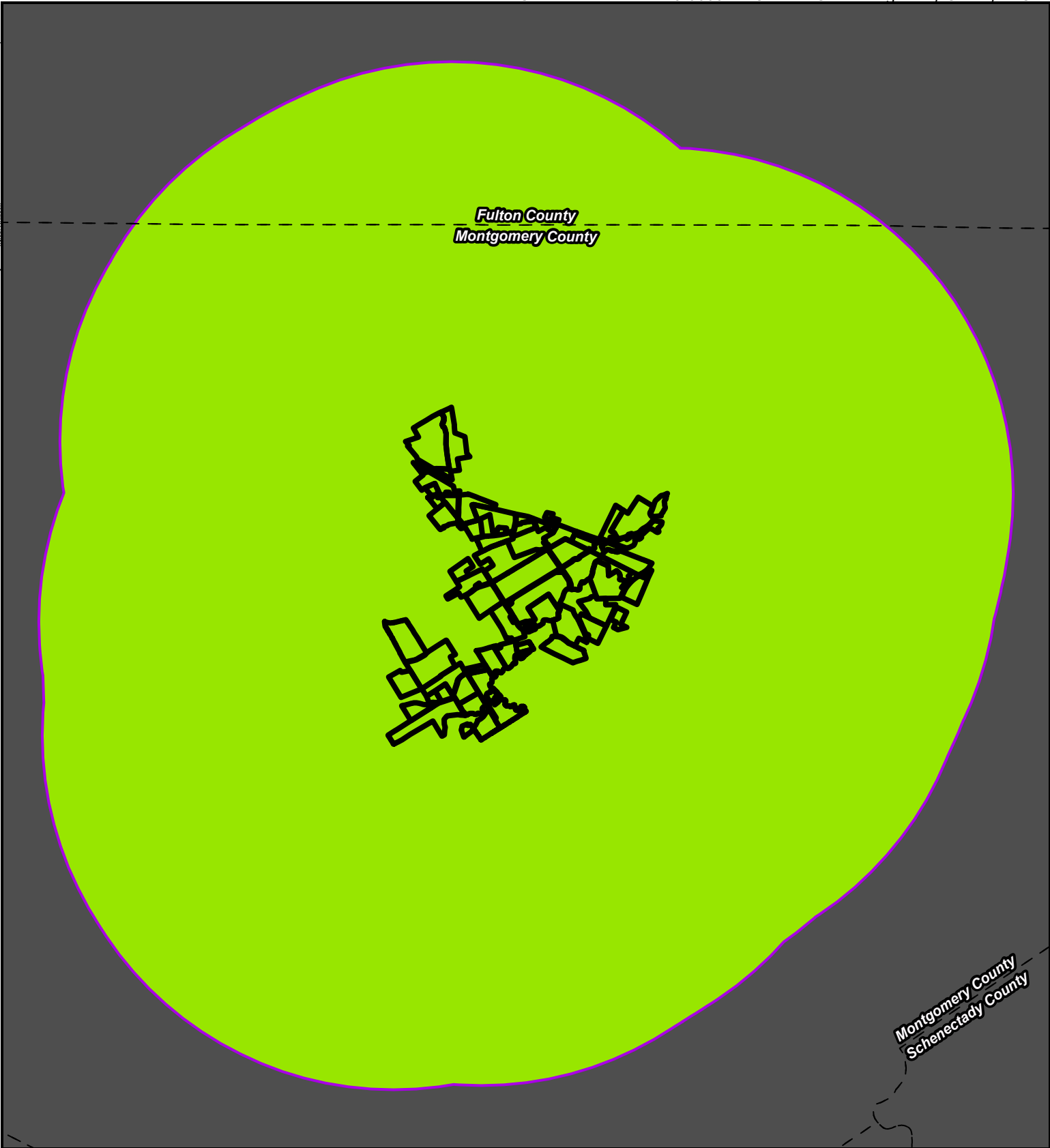
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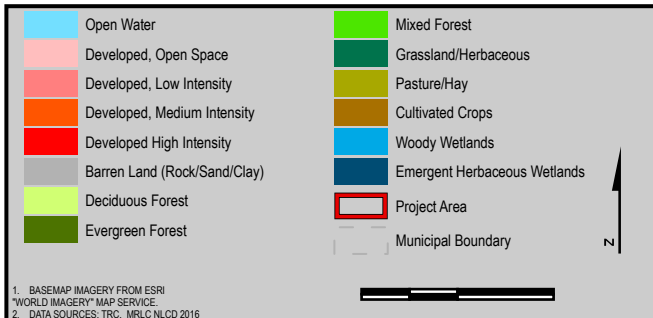
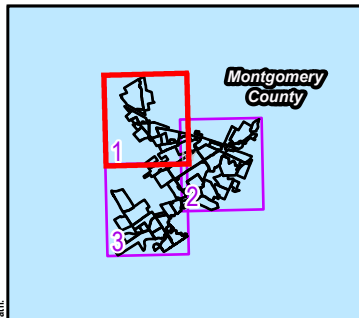
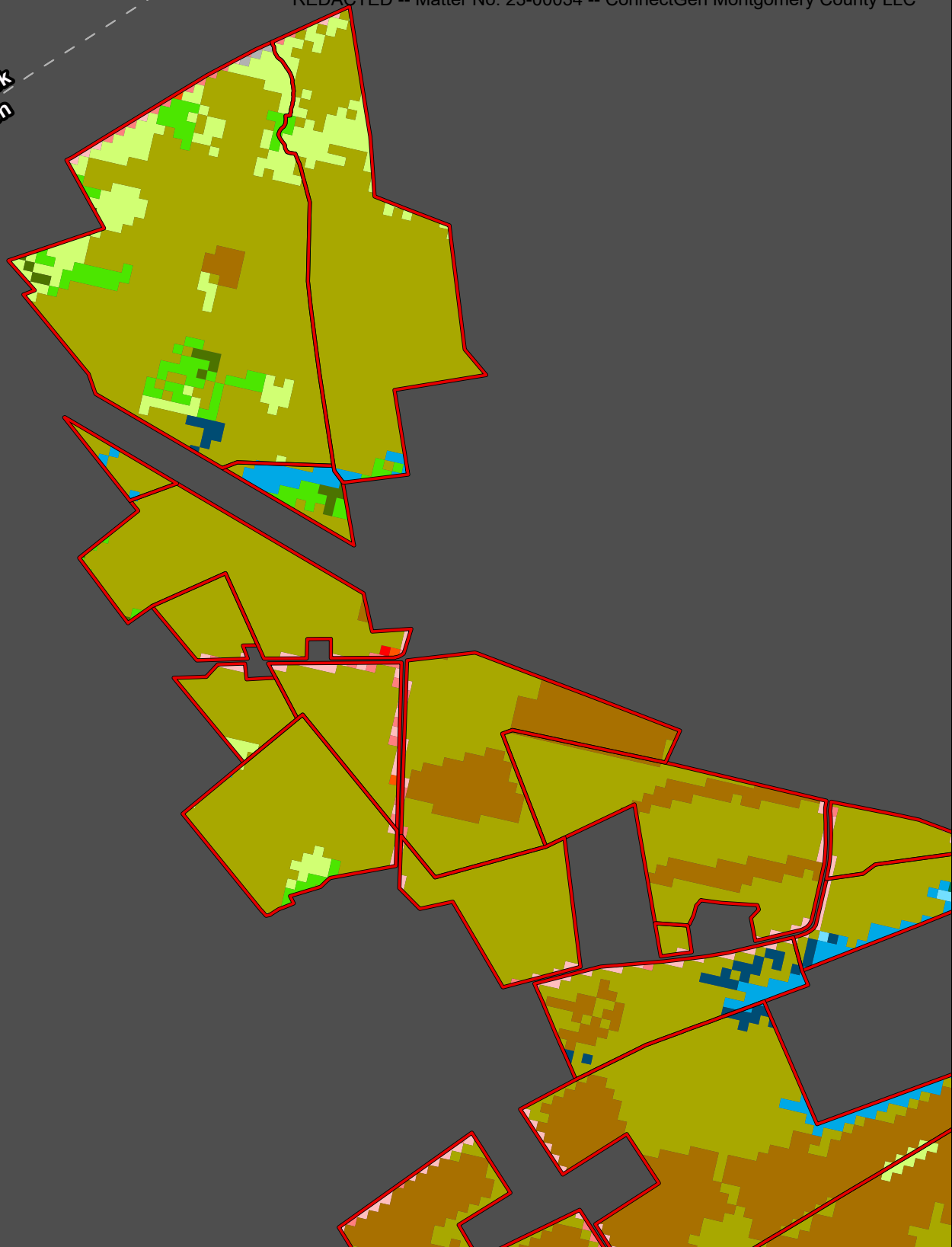
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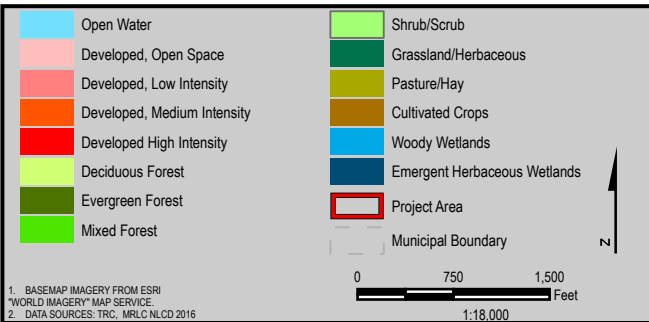
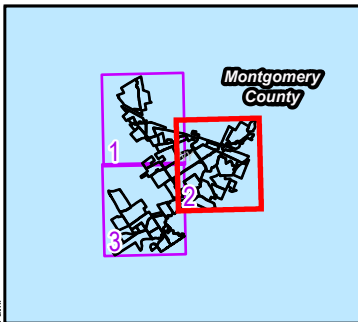
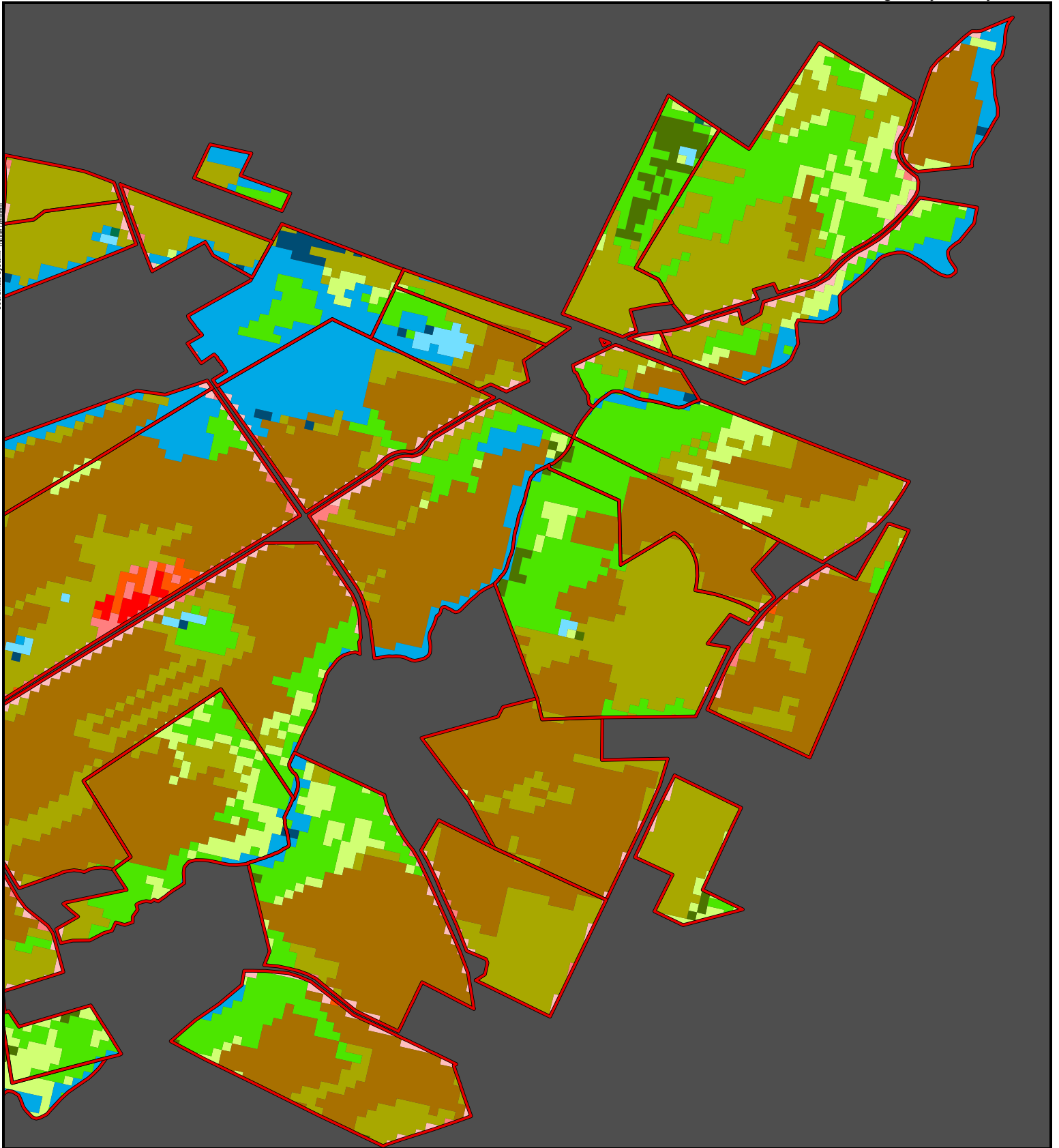
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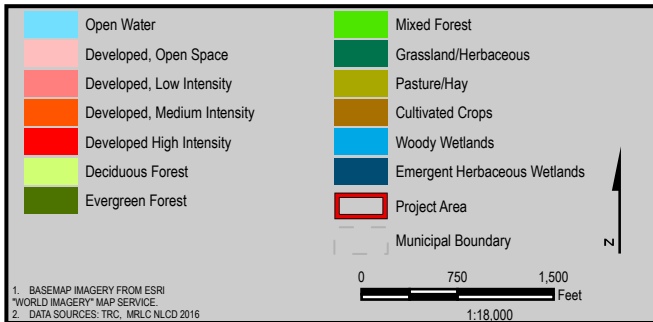
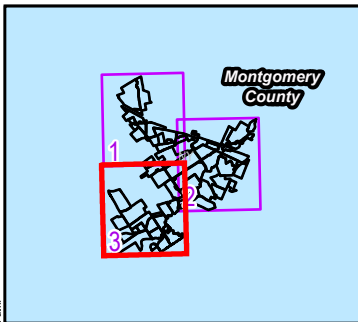
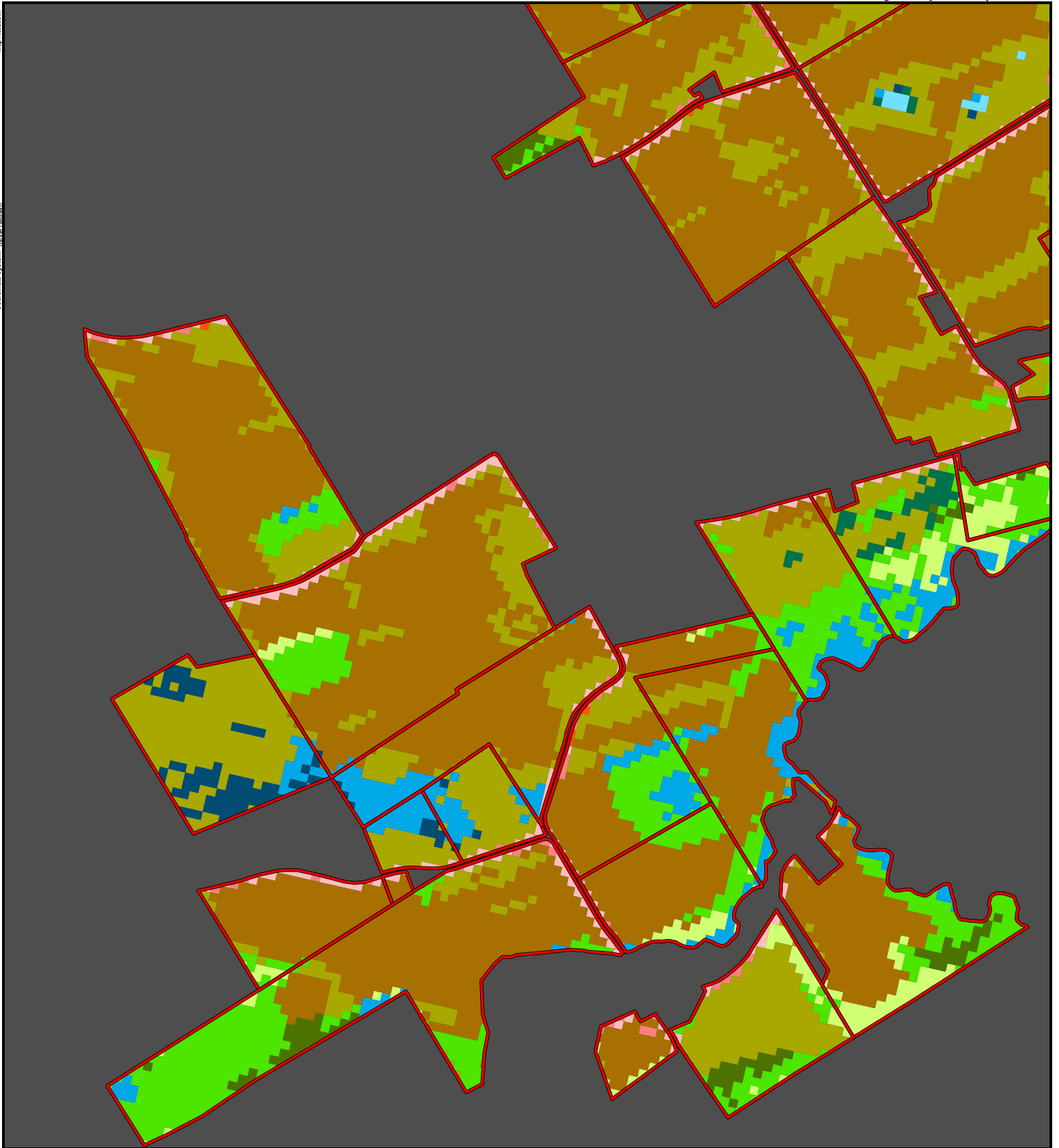


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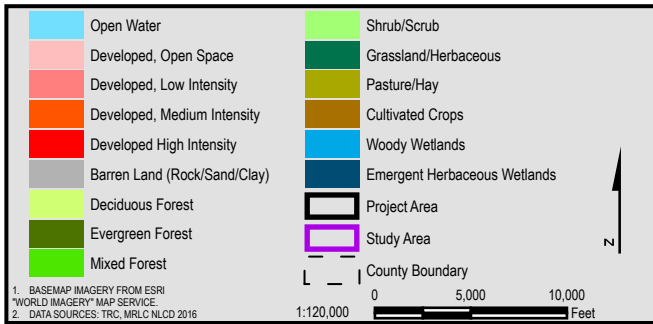
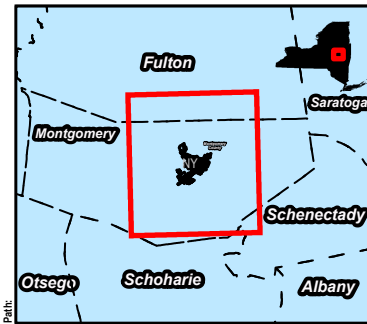
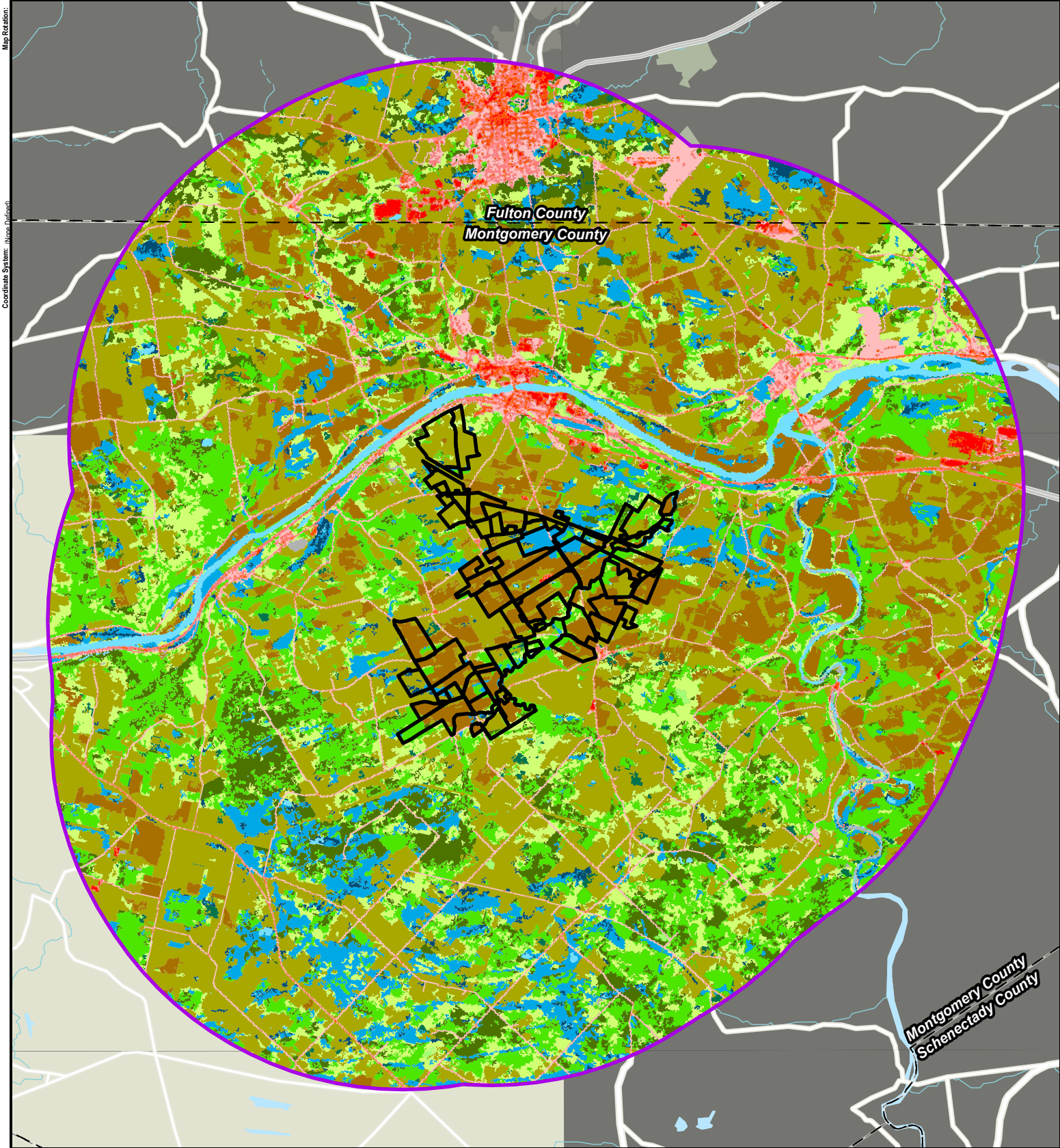
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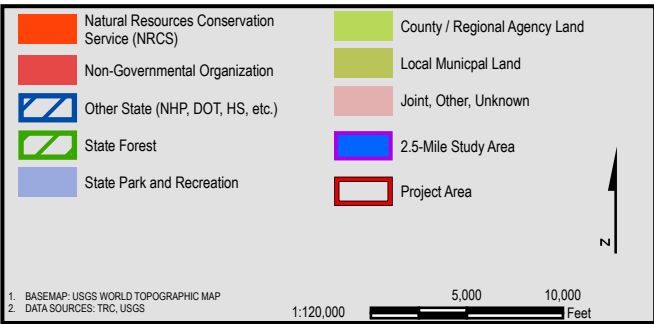
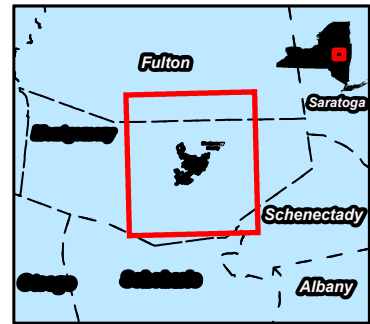
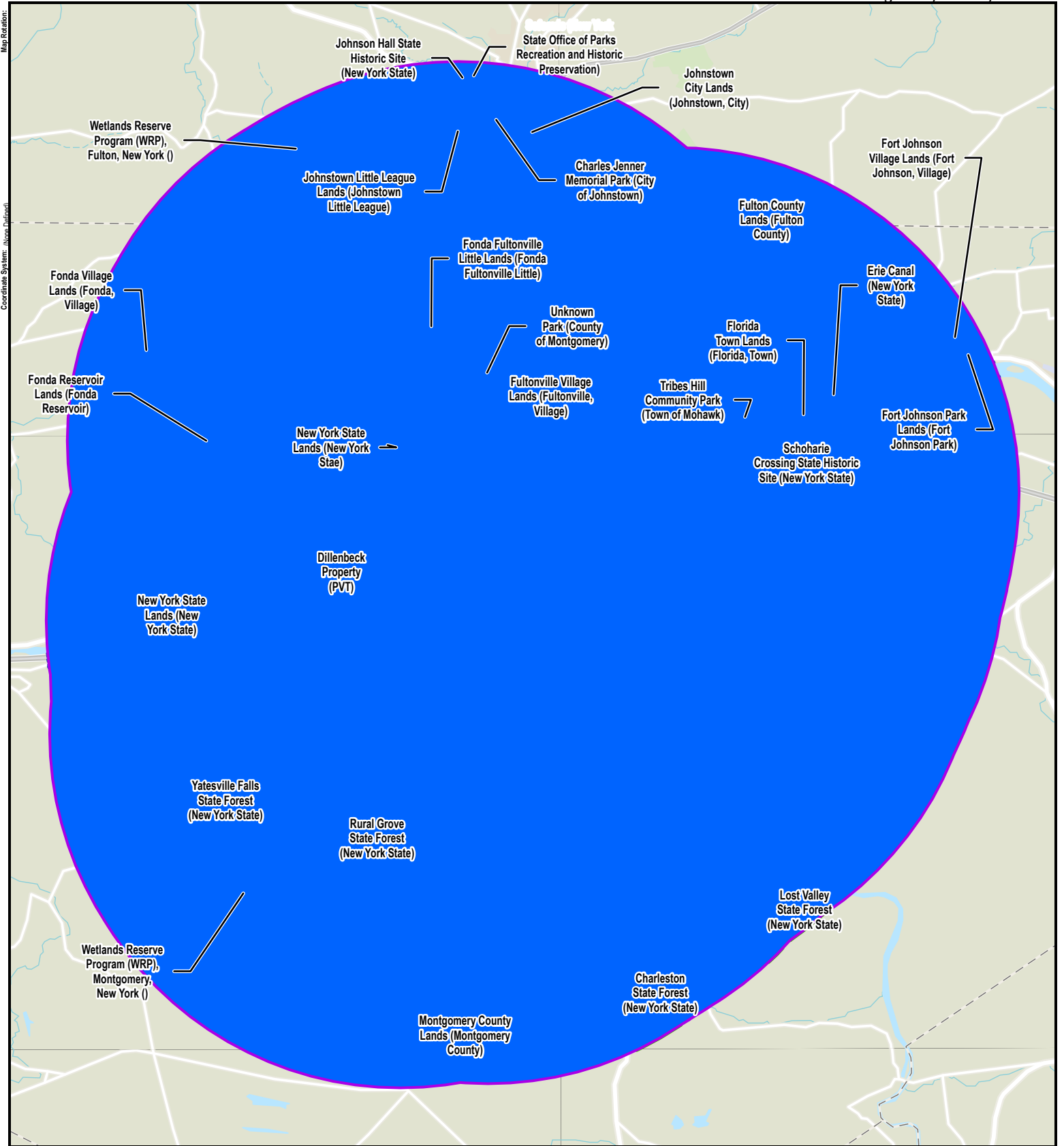
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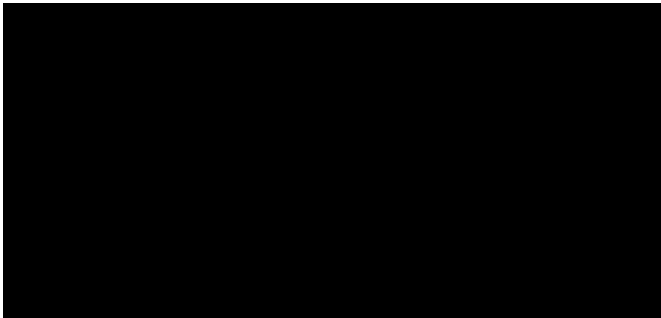
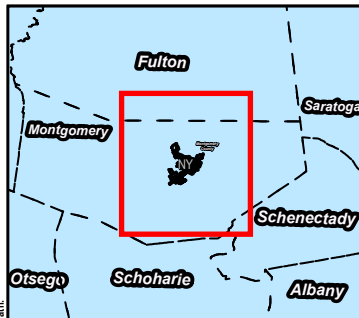
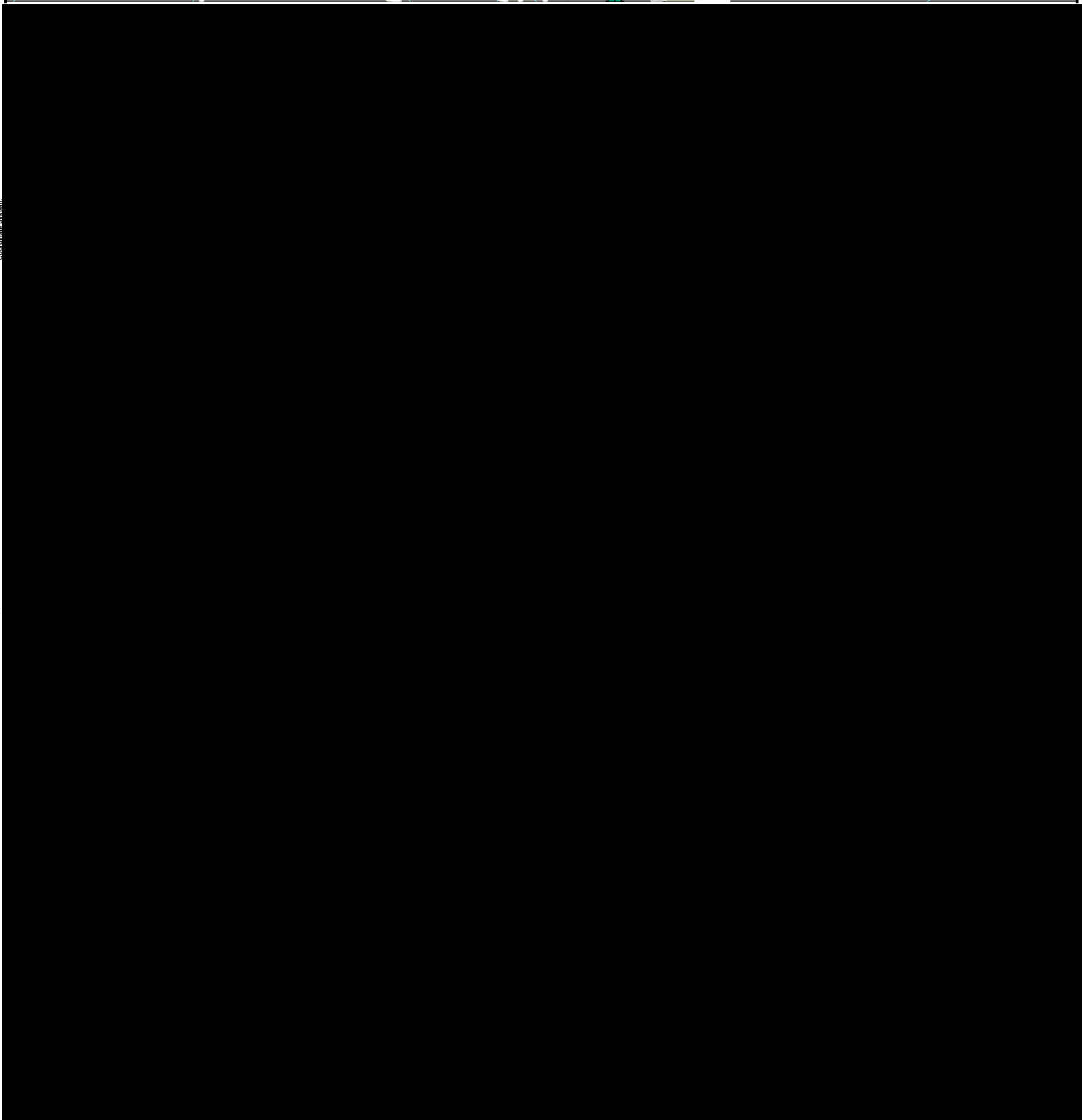
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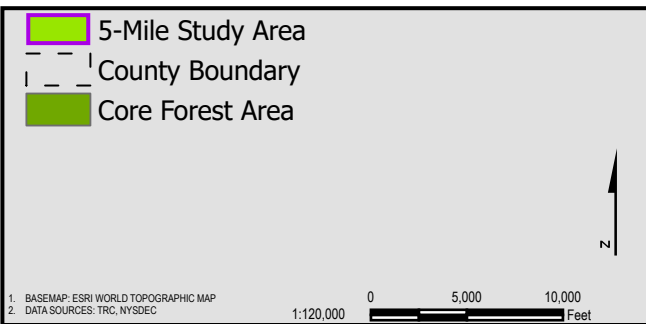
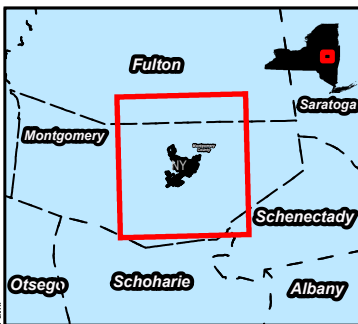
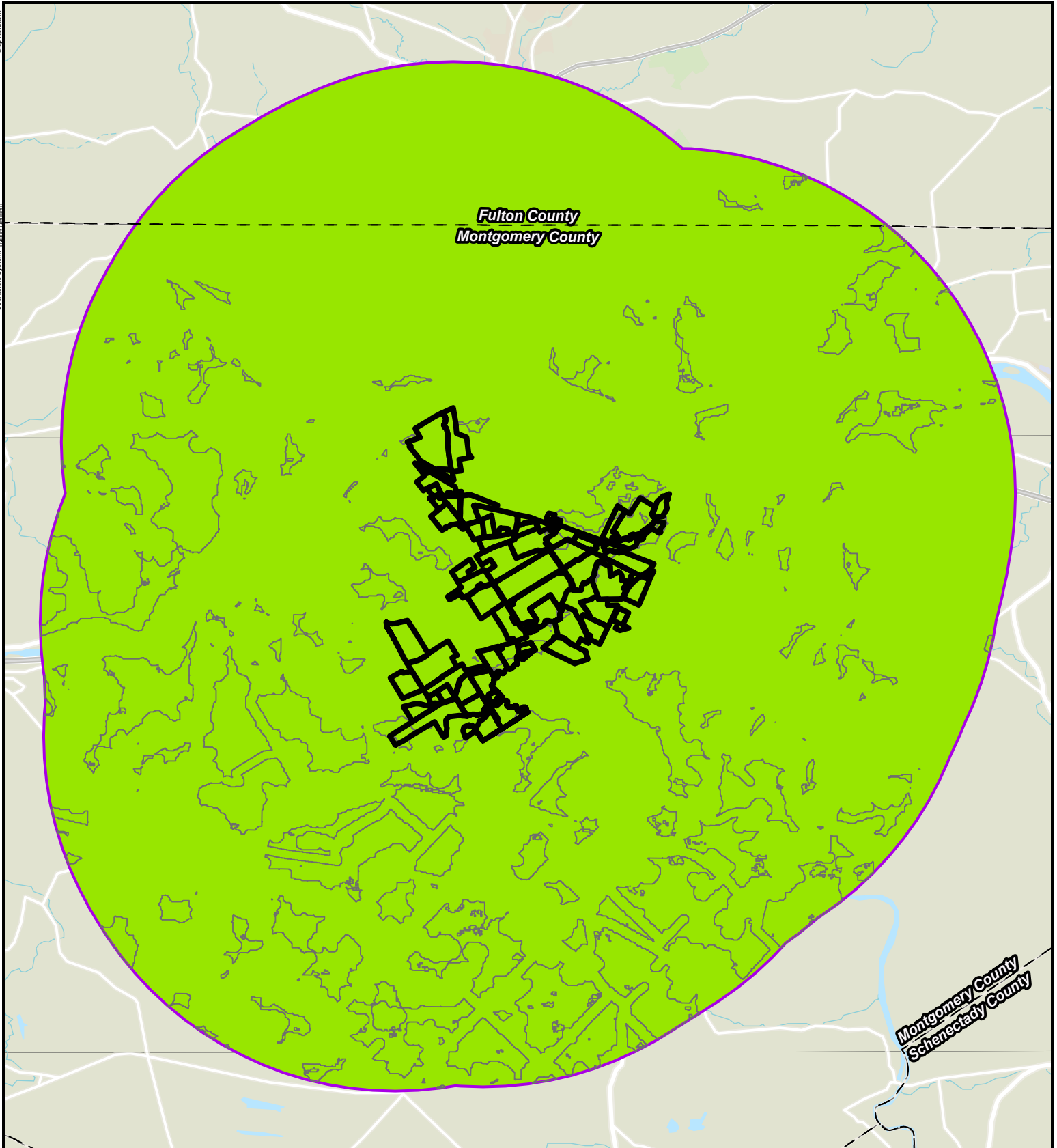
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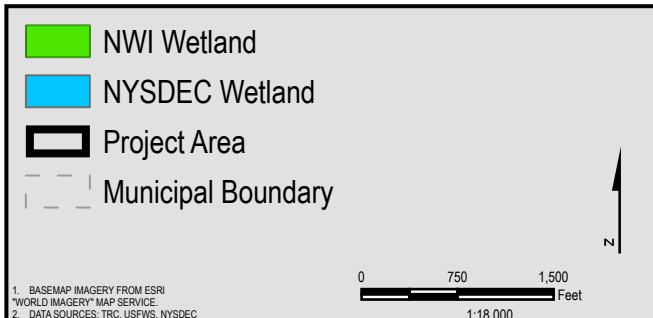
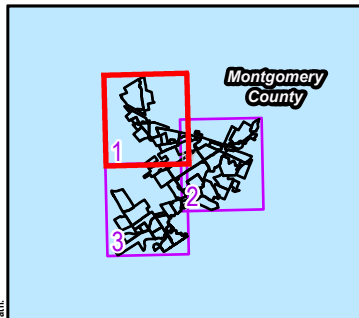
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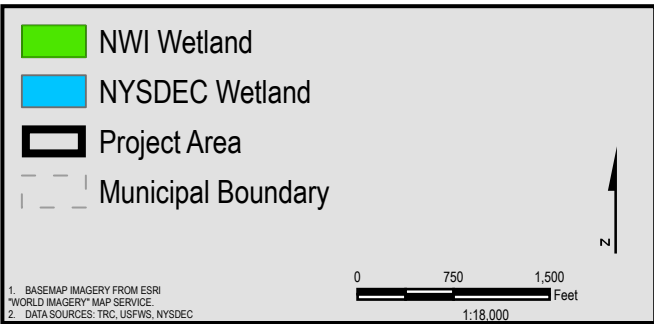
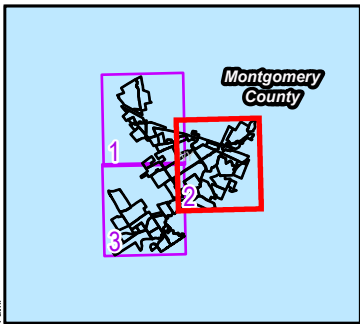


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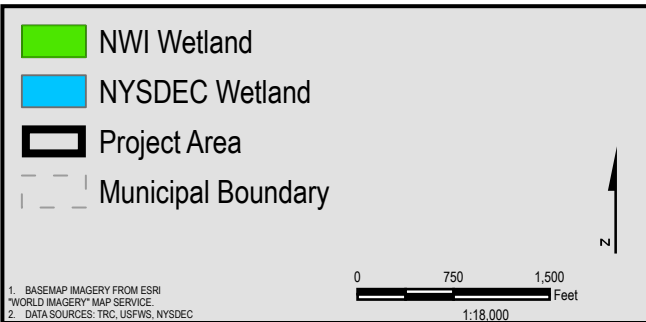
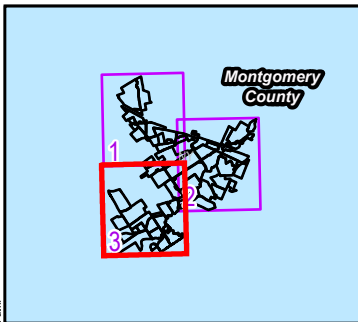


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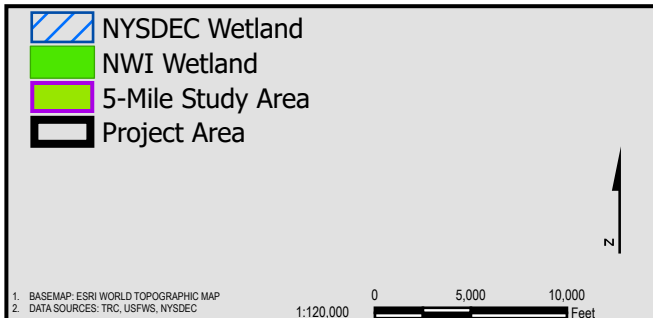
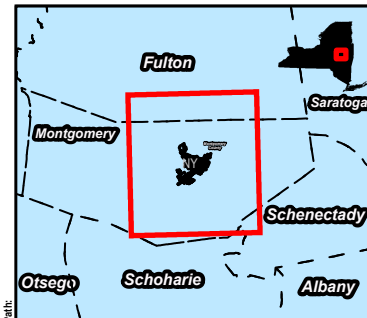
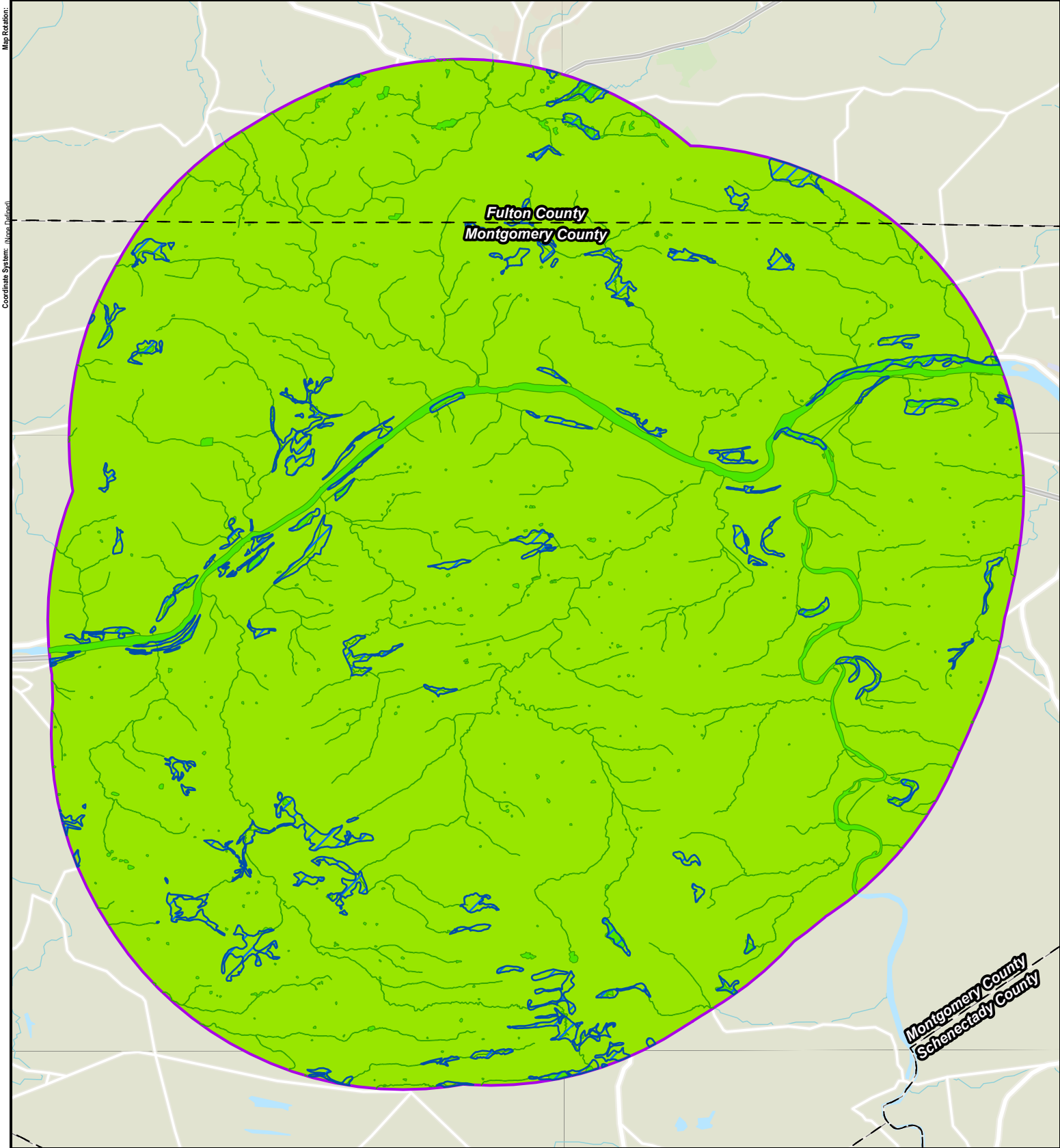
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Appendix B: Wildlife Inventory Tables

Appendix B-1. Avian Species Potentially Occurring Within the Mill Point Study Area

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Swans, Geese, & Ducks	Anatidae									
Wood Duck	<i>Aix sponsa</i>				X			X		
Northern Pintail	<i>Anas acuta</i>	SGCN			X		X	X		X
Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>				X	X		X		
American Black Duck	<i>Anas rubripes</i>	HPSGCN			X	X	X	X	X	X
Greater-white Fronted Goose	<i>Anser albifrons</i>							X		
Green-winged Teal	<i>Anus crecca</i>							X		
Lesser Scaup	<i>Aythya affinis</i>	SGCN						X		X
Redhead	<i>Aythya americana</i>							X		
Ring-necked Duck	<i>Aythya collaris</i>							X		
Greater Scaup	<i>Aythya marila</i>	SGCN						X		
Canvasback	<i>Aythya valisineria</i>							X		
Brant	<i>Branta bernicla</i>							X		
Canada Goose	<i>Branta canadensis</i>		X		X	X	X	X		
Cackling Goose	<i>Branta hutchinsii</i>							X		
Bufflehead	<i>Bucephala albeola</i>						X	X		
Common Goldeneye	<i>Bucephala clangula</i>						X	X		X
Snow Goose	<i>Chen caerulescens</i>					X	X	X		
Long-tailed Duck	<i>Clangula hyemalis</i>	SGCN						X		X
Tundra Swan	<i>Cygnus columbianus</i>							X		
Mute Swan	<i>Cygnus olor</i>							X		
Hooded Merganser	<i>Lophodytes cucullatus</i>				X	X	X	X		
American Wigeon	<i>Mareca americana</i>							X		
Gadwall	<i>Mareca strepera</i>							X		
Black Scoter	<i>Melanitta americana</i>	SGCN						X		X
White-winged scoter	<i>Melanitta deglandi</i>	SGCN						X		X

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Ruby-throated Hummingbird	<i>Archilochus colubris</i>				X	X		X		
Rails, Gallinules, & Coots	Rallidae									
Common Gallinule	<i>Gallinula galeata</i>				X			X		
Virginia Rail	<i>Rallus limicola</i>									
Plovers & Lapwings	Charadriidae									
Semipalmated Plover	<i>Charadrius semipalmatus</i>							X		
Killdeer	<i>Charadrius vociferus</i>				X	X		X		
Black-bellied Plover	<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>	SGCN						X		X
Sandpipers, Phalaropes, & Allies	Scolopacidae									
Spotted Sandpiper	<i>Actitis macularius</i>	■			X			X	X	X
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Sanderling	<i>Calidris alba</i>							X		
Dunlin	<i>Calidris alpina</i>							X		
White-rumped Sandpiper	<i>Calidris fuscicollis</i>							X		
Pectoral Sandpiper	<i>Calidris melanotos</i>							X		
Least Sandpiper	<i>Calidris minutilla</i>							X		
Wilson's Snipe	<i>Gallinago delicata</i>						X	X		
American Woodcock	<i>Scolopax minor</i>				X			X		X
Lesser Yellowlegs	<i>Tringa flavipes</i>							X		
Greater Yellowlegs	<i>Tringa melanoleuca</i>	SGCN						X		X
Solitary Sandpiper	<i>Tringa solitaria</i>							X		
Skuas, Gulls, Terns, & Skimmers	Laridae									
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Bonaparte's Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus philadelphia</i>	SGCN						X		X
Caspian Tern	<i>Hydroprogne caspia</i>	SGCN						X		X

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[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]			X	X	X	X	X	
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]			X		X	X	X	X
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]			X	X	X	X	X	
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]						X		X
Broad-winged Hawk	Broad-winged Hawk							X		
Red-tailed Hawk	<i>Buteo jamaicensis</i>		X		X	X	X	X		
Rough-legged Hawk	<i>Buteo lagopus</i>						X	X		
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]						X	X	X
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]			X	X	X	X	X	X
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	X		X	X	X	X	X	X
Owls	Strigidae									
Northern Saw-whet Owl	<i>Aegolius acadicus</i>						X			
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	X				X	X	X	X
Snowy Owl	<i>Bubo scandiacus</i>							X		
Great Horned Owl	<i>Bubo virginianus</i>						X	X		
Eastern Screech-Owl	<i>Megascops asio</i>						X	X		
Barred Owl	<i>Strix varia</i>						X	X		
Kingfishers	Alcedinidae									
Belted Kingfisher	<i>Megaceryle alcyon</i>				X	X	X	X		
Woodpeckers & Allies	Picidae									
Northern Flicker	<i>Colaptes auratus</i>				X	X	X	X		
Pileated Woodpecker	<i>Dryocopus pileatus</i>				X	X	X	X		
Red-bellied Woodpecker	<i>Melanerpes carolinus</i>				X	X	X	X		
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]			X				X	X
Downy Woodpecker	<i>Picoides pubescens</i>				X	X	X	X		
Hairy Woodpecker	<i>Picoides villosus</i>				X	X	X	X		

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Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	<i>Sphyrapicus varius</i>				X	X	X	X		
Caracaras & Falcons	Falconidae									
Merlin	<i>Falco columbarius</i>						X	X		
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American Kestrel	<i>Falco sparverius</i>	SGCN			X	X	X	X		X
Tyrant Flycatchers	Tyrannidae									
Olive-sided Flycatcher	<i>Contopus cooperi</i>	HPSGCN						X	X	X
Eastern Wood-Pee-wee	<i>Contopus virens</i>				X	X		X		
Alder Flycatcher	<i>Empidonax alnorum</i>				X			X		
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	<i>Empidonax flaviventris</i>							X		
Least Flycatcher	<i>Empidonax minimus</i>				X			X		
Willow Flycatcher	<i>Empidonax traillii</i>				X	X		X		
Great Crested Flycatcher	<i>Myiarchus crinitus</i>				X	X		X		
Eastern Pheobe	<i>Sayornis phoebe</i>				X	X		X		
Eastern Kingbird	<i>Tyrannus tyrannus</i>				X			X		
Vireos	Vireonidae									
Yellow-throated Vireo	<i>Vireo flavifrons</i>				X	X	X	X		
Blue-headed Vireo	<i>Vireo solitarius</i>				X	X		X		
Warbling Vireo	<i>Vireo gilvus</i>				X	X		X		
Red-eyed Vireo	<i>Vireo olivaceus</i>				X	X		X		
Philadelphia Vireo	<i>Vireo philadelphicus</i>							X		
Shrikes	Laniidae									
Northern Shrike	<i>Lanius borealis</i>						X	X		
Jays, Magpies, & Crows	Corvidae									
American Crow	<i>Corvus brachyrhynchos</i>		X		X	X	X	X		
Fish Crow	<i>Corvus brachyrhynchos</i>					X	X	X		

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Marsh Wren	<i>Cistothorus palustris</i>							X		
Carolina Wren	<i>Thryothorus ludovicianus</i>				X	X	X	X		
House Wren	<i>Troglodytes aedon</i>				X	X		X		
Winter Wren	<i>Troglodytes hiemalis</i>							X		
Starlings & Allies	<i>Sturnidae</i>									
European Starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>		X		X	X	X	X		
Mockingbirds, Thrashers, & Allies	<i>Mimidae</i>									
Gray Catbird	<i>Dumetella carolinensis</i>				X	X		X		
Northern Mockingbird	<i>Mimus polyglottos</i>				X		X	X		
Brown Thrasher	<i>Toxostoma rufum</i>	HPSGCN			X	X		X	X	X
Thrushes	<i>Turdidae</i>									
Veery	<i>Catharus fuscescens</i>				X			X		
Hermit Thrush	<i>Catharus guttatus</i>				X	X		X		
Swainson's Thrush	<i>Catharus ustulatus</i>					X		X		
Wood Thrush	<i>Hylocichla mustelina</i>	SGCN		X	X	X		X		X
Eastern Bluebird	<i>Sialia sialis</i>		X		X	X	X	X		
American Robin	<i>Turdus migratorius</i>				X	X	X	X		
Waxwings	<i>Bombycillidae</i>									
Cedar Waxwing	<i>Bombycilla cedrorum</i>				X	X	X	X		
Old World Sparrows	<i>Passeridae</i>									
House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>				X	X	X	X		
Finches	<i>Fringillidae</i>									
American Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis tristis</i>				X	X	X	X		
House Finch	<i>Carpodacus mexicanus</i>				X	X	X	X		
Purple Finch	<i>Carpodacus purpureus</i>				X	X	X	X		

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Evening Grosbeak	<i>Coccothraustes vespertinus</i>					X	X	X		
Red Crossbill	<i>Loxia curvirostra</i>				X					
Pine Grosbeak	<i>Pinicola enucleator</i>						X			
Pine Siskin	<i>Spinus pinus</i>					X	X	X		
Longspurs	Calcariidae									
Lapland Longspur	<i>Calcarius lapponicus</i>							X		
Snow Bunting	<i>Plectrophenax nivalis</i>						X	X		
New World Sparrows	Passerellidae									
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Dark-eyed Junco	<i>Junco hyemalis</i>		X			X	X	X		
Swamp Sparrow	<i>Melospiza georgiana</i>				X	X		X		
Lincoln's Sparrow	<i>Melospiza lincolnii</i>					X		X		
Song Sparrow	<i>Melospiza melodia</i>				X	X		X		
Savannah Sparrow	<i>Passerculus sandwichensis</i>				X	X		X		
Fox Sparrow	<i>Passerella iliaca</i>							X		
Eastern Towhee	<i>Pipilo erythrophthalmus</i>				X	X		X		
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Chipping Sparrow	<i>Spizella passerine</i>				X	X	X	X		
Clay-colored Sparrow	<i>Spizella pallida</i>					X		X		
Field Sparrow	<i>Spizella pusilla</i>				X	X		X		
American Tree Sparrow	<i>Spizelloides arborea</i>					X	X	X		
White-throated Sparrow	<i>Zonotrichia albicollis</i>				X	X	X	X		
White-crowned Sparrow	<i>Zonotrichia leucophrys</i>					X	X	X		
Blackbirds	Icteridae									
Red-winged Blackbird	<i>Agelaius phoeniceus</i>				X	X	X	X		
Bobolink	<i>Dolichonyx oryzivorus</i>	HPSGCN		X	X	X		X	X	X

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Rusty Blackbird	<i>Euphagus carolinus</i>	HPSGCN						X	X	X
Baltimore Oriole	<i>Icterus galbula</i>				X	X		X	X	
Orchard Oriole	<i>Icterus spurius</i>				X			X		
Brown-headed Cowbird	<i>Molothrus ater</i>				X	X	X	X		
Common Grackle	<i>Quiscalus quiscula</i>				X	X	X	X		
Eastern Meadowlark	<i>Sturnella magna</i>	HPSGCN			X	X		X		X
New World Warblers	Parulidae									
Canada Warbler	<i>Cardellina canadensis</i>	HPSGCN		X	X			X	X	X
Wilson's Warbler	<i>Cardinella pusilla</i>					X		X		
								X		X
Chestnut-sided Warbler	<i>Dendroica pensylvanica</i>				X	X		X		
Common Yellowthroat	<i>Geothlypis trichas</i>				X	X		X		
Tennessee Warbler	<i>Leiothlypis peregrina</i>					X		X		
Nashville Warbler	<i>Leiothlypis ruficapilla</i>					X		X		
Black-and-White Warbler	<i>Mniotilta varia</i>				X			X		
Mourning Warbler	<i>Oporornis philadelphia</i>				X			X		
Lousiana Waterthrush	<i>Parkesia motacilla</i>				X			X		
Northern Waterthrush	<i>Parkesia noveboracensis</i>							X		
Prothonotary Warbler	<i>Protonotaria citrea</i>	HPSGCN						X		X
Ovenbird	<i>Seiurus aurocapilla</i>				X	X		X		
Northern Parula	<i>Setophaga americana</i>							X		
Black-throated Blue Warbler	<i>Setophaga caerulescens</i>	SGCN				X		X		X
Bay-breasted Warbler	<i>Setophaga castanea</i>	HPSGCN						X		X
Yellow-rumped Warbler	<i>Setophaga coronata</i>							X		
Prairie Warbler	<i>Setophaga discolor</i>	SGCN		X	X			X		X
Blackburnian Warbler	<i>Setophaga fusca</i>					X		X		

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Magnolia Warbler	<i>Setophaga magnolia</i>	HPSGCN			X	X	X	X		
Palm Warbler	<i>Setophaga palmarum</i>							X		
Pine Warbler	<i>Setophaga pinus</i>							X		
American Redstart	<i>Setophaga ruticilla</i>					X	X	X		
Backpoll Warbler	<i>Setophaga striata</i>						X	X		
Cape May Warbler	<i>Setophaga tigrina</i>							X		X
Black-throated Green Warbler	<i>Setophaga virens</i>					X		X		
Orange-crowned Warbler	<i>Vermivora celata</i>							X		
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]					X			X	X
Blue-winged Warbler	<i>Vermivora pinus</i>		SGCN			X			X	X
Hooded Warbler	<i>Wilsonia citrina</i>							X		
Yellow Warbler	<i>Yellow Warbler</i>				X	X		X		
Grosbeaks & Buntings	Cardinalidae									
Northern Cardinal	<i>Cardinalis cardinalis</i>		X		X	X	X	X		
Indigo Bunting	<i>Passerina cyanea</i>				X	X		X		
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	<i>Pheucticus ludovicianus</i>				X	X		X		
Scarlet Tanager	<i>Piranga olivacea</i>	SGCN			X	X		X		X

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Possums	<i>Didelphidae</i>						
Virginia Opossum	<i>Didelphis virginiana</i>				X		
Shrews	<i>Soricidae</i>						
Northern Short-tailed Shrew	<i>Blarina brevicauda</i>				X		
Cinereus Shrew	<i>Sorex cinereus</i>				X		
Long-tailed Shrew	<i>Sorex dispar</i>				X		
Smoky Shrew	<i>Sorex fumeus</i>				X		
American Water Shrew	<i>Sorex palustris</i>				X		
Moles	<i>Talpidae</i>						
Star-nosed Mole	<i>Condylura cristata</i>						X
Hairy-tailed Mole	<i>Parascalops breweri</i>						X
Bats	<i>Vespertillionidae</i>						
Big Brown Bat	<i>Eptesicus fuscus</i>					X	
Silver-haired Bat	<i>Lasionycteris noctivagans</i>					X	X
Eastern red Bat	<i>Lasiurus borealis</i>					X	X
Hoary Bat	<i>Lasiurus cinereus</i>					X	X
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]				X	X	X
Little Brown Myotis	<i>Myotis lucifugus</i>	HPSGCN			X	X	X
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		X	X	X	X
Tri-colored Bat	<i>Perimyotis subflavus</i>	HPSGCN			X	X	X
Canids	<i>Canidae</i>						
Coyote	<i>Canis Latrans</i>				X		
Red Fox	<i>Vulpes vulpes</i>				X		
Gray Fox	<i>Urocyon cinereoargenteus</i>				X		
Bears	<i>Ursidae</i>						
American Black Bear	<i>Ursus Americanus</i>				X		

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Skunks	<i>Mephitidae</i>						
Striped Skunk	<i>Mephitis Mephitis</i>				X		
Raccoons	<i>Procyonidae</i>						
Raccoon	<i>Procyon lotor</i>				X		
Weasels	<i>Mustelidae</i>						
Fisher	<i>Pekania pennanti</i>				X		
Long-tailed Weasel	<i>Mustela frenata</i>				X		
American Mink	<i>Neovision vision</i>				X		
Felids	<i>Felidae</i>						
Bobcat	<i>Lynx rufus</i>				X		
Ungulates	<i>Cervidae</i>						
White-tailed Deer	<i>Odocoileus virginianus</i>		X		X		
Squirrels	<i>Sciuridae</i>						
Eastern Chipmunk	<i>Tamias striatus</i>		X		X		
Woodchuck	<i>Marmota monax</i>				X		
Eastern Gray Squirrel	<i>Sciurus carolinensis</i>		X		X		
Red Squirrel	<i>Tamisciurus hudsonicus</i>				X		
Southern Flying Squirrel	<i>Glaucomys volans</i>				X		
Northern Flying Squirrel	<i>Glaucomys sabrinus</i>				X		
Beavers	<i>Castoridae</i>						
American Beaver	<i>Castor canadensis</i>				X		
Voles, Lemmings, Mice, & Muskrats	<i>Cricetidae</i>						
North American Deer Mouse	<i>Peromyscus maniculatus</i>				X		
White-footed Deer Mouse	<i>Peromyscus leucopus</i>				X		

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Southern Red-backed Vole	<i>Myodes gapperi</i>				X		
Meadow Vole	<i>Microtus pennsylvanicus</i>				X		
Common Muskrat	<i>Ondatra zibethicus</i>				X		
Southern Bog Lemming	<i>Synaptomys cooperi</i>				X		
Jumping Mice	<i>Dipodidae</i>						
Meadow Jumping Mouse	<i>Zapus hudsonius</i>				X		X
Woodland Jumping Mouse	<i>Napaeozapus insignis</i>				X		X
New World Porcupines	<i>Erethizontidae</i>						
North American Porcupine	<i>Erethizon dorsata</i>				X		
Rabbits and Hares	<i>Leporidae</i>						
Eastern Cottontail	<i>Sylvilagus floridanus</i>				X		

Table B-3. Fishes Potentially Occurring Within the Mill Point Study Area

Common Name	Scientific Name and Family	Status	Observed on-site by TRC Biologists	Observed on-site during avian surveys	USFWS online database (IPaC)	NYSDEC Statewide Fisheries Database/Fish Atlas Maps of New York	Species Distribution Range in NYSDEC SWAP
True Bass	<i>Moronidae</i>						
White Perch	<i>Morone americana</i>					X	
Striped Bass	<i>Morone chrysops</i>					X	
Catfishes	<i>Ictaluridae</i>						
Brown Bullhead	<i>Ameiurus nebulosus</i>					X	
Smelts	<i>Osmeridae</i>						
Rainbow Smelt	<i>Osmerus mordax</i>					X	
Herrings	<i>Clupeidae</i>						
Gizzard Shad	<i>Dorosoma cepedianum</i>					X	
Minnnows and Carps	<i>Cyprinidae</i>						
Central Stoneroller	<i>Campostoma anomalum</i>					X	
Redside Dace	<i>Clinostomus elongatus</i>					X	
Common Carp	<i>Cyprinus carpio</i>					X	
Cutlips Minnow	<i>Exoglossum maxillingua</i>					X	
Common Shiner	<i>Luxilus cornutus</i>					X	
Spottail Shiner	<i>Notropis budsonius</i>					X	
Fathead Minnow	<i>Pimephales promelas</i>					X	
Blacknose Dace	<i>Rhinichthys atratulus</i>					X	
Longnose Dace	<i>Rhinichthys cataractae</i>					X	
Creek Chub	<i>Semotilus atromaculatus</i>					X	
Fallfish	<i>Semotilus corporalis</i>					X	
Suckers	<i>Catostomidae</i>						
White Sucker	<i>Catostomus commersonii</i>					X	
Sand Minnows	<i>Percopsidae</i>						
Trout Perch	<i>Percopsis omniscomaycus</i>					X	

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Perches	<i>Percidae</i>						
Iowa Darter	<i>Etheostoma exile</i>	SGCN				X	X
Fantail Darter	<i>Etheostoma flabellare</i>					X	
Yellow Perch	<i>Perca flavescens</i>					X	
Logperch	<i>Percina caprodes</i>					X	
Walleye	<i>Sander vitreus</i>					X	
Pikes	<i>Esocidae</i>						
Northern Pike	<i>Esox lucius</i>					X	
Chain Pickerel	<i>Esox niger</i>					X	
Tiger Muskellunge	<i>Exos lucius X Esox maquinongy</i>					X	
Sculpins	<i>Cottidae</i>						
Slimy Sculpin	<i>Cottus cognatus</i>					X	
Sunfishes	<i>Centrarchidae</i>						
Rock Bass	<i>Ambloplites rupestris</i>					X	
Pumpkinseed	<i>Lepomis gibbosus</i>					X	
Bluegill	<i>Lepomis macrochirus</i>					X	
Smallmouth Bass	<i>Micropterus dolomieu</i>					X	
Largemouth Bass	<i>Micropterus salmoides</i>					X	
Black Crappie	<i>Pomoxis nigromaculatus</i>					X	
Trout	<i>Salmonidae</i>						
Rainbow Trout	<i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>					X	
Brown Trout	<i>Salmo trutta</i>					X	

Table B-4. Amphibians Potentially Occurring Within the Mill Point Study Area

Common Name	Scientific Name and Family	Status	Observed on-site by TRC Biologists	Observed on-site during avian surveys	USFWS online database (IPaC)	NYS Amphibian & Reptile Atlas Project	Species distribution range in the NYSDEC SWAP	NYS Herpetology Database, NYSDEC
Lungless Salamanders	<i>Plethodontidae</i>							
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]				X		X
Spotted Salamander	<i>Ambystoma maculatum</i>	[REDACTED]				X		
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]				X	X	X
Dusky Salamander	<i>Desmognathus fuscus</i>					X		
Allegheny Mountain Dusky Salamander	<i>Desmognathus ochrophaeus</i>					X		
Northern Two-lined Salamander	<i>Eurycea bislineata</i>					X		
Spring Salamander	<i>Gyrinophilus porphyriticus</i>					X		
Mudpuppy	<i>Necturus maculosus</i>	SGCN				X	X	
Northern Red-backed Salamander	<i>Plethodon cinereus</i>					X		
True Toads	<i>Bufo</i>							
American Toad	<i>Anaxyrus americanus</i>					X		
Tree Frogs	<i>Hyla</i>							
Gray Treefrog	<i>Hyla vericolor</i>					X		
Spring Peeper	<i>Pseudacris crucifer</i>					X		
True Frogs	<i>Rana</i>							
American Bullfrog	<i>Lithobates catesbeiana</i>					X		
Green Frog	<i>Lithobates clamitans</i>					X		
Pickerel Frog	<i>Lithobates palustris</i>					X		
Northern Leopard Frog	<i>Lithobates pipiens</i>					X		
Wood Frog	<i>Lithobates sylvaticus</i>					X		
True Salamanders	<i>Salamandridae</i>							
Eastern Newt	<i>Notophthalmus viridescens</i>					X		

Table B-5. Reptiles Potentially Occurring Within the Mill Point Study Area

Common Name	Scientific Name and Family	Species Status	Observed on-site by TRC Biologists	USFWS online database (IPaC)	NYS DCE Threatened, Endangered, SC Lists	NYS Amphibian & Reptile Atlas Project	Species Distribution Range in NYSDEC SWAP
Snapping Turtles	<i>Chelydridae</i>						
Common Snapping Turtle	<i>Chelydra serpentina</i>					X	X
Terrapins, Pond & Marsh Turtles	<i>Emydidae</i>						
Painted Turtle	<i>Chrysemys picta</i>					X	
Slider	<i>Trachemys scripta</i>					X	
					X	X	X
Colubrids	<i>Colubridae</i>						
Common Gartersnake	<i>Thamnophis sirtalis</i>					X	
Dekay's Brownsnake	<i>Storeria dekayi</i>					X	
Eastern Ratsnake	<i>Pantherophis spiloides</i>	SGCN				X	X
Milksnake	<i>Lampropeltis triangulum</i>					X	
Northern Watersnake	<i>Nerodia sipedon</i>					X	
Red-bellied Snake	<i>Storeria occipitomaculata</i>					X	
Ring-necked Snake	<i>Diadophis punctatus</i>					X	
					X	X	X