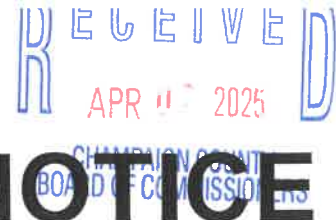




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PUBLIC NOTICE



Applicant:

Jacob Robash (Sponsor)

Resource Environmental Solutions, LLC

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Expires: April 27, 2025

Huntington District

Permit Application No. LRH-2025-00278-SCR

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: The Huntington District of the United States (U.S.) Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) has received a mitigation bank prospectus pursuant to 33 CFR Part 332 and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. §1344). The proposed Woodstock Mitigation Bank would be a private stream and wetland mitigation bank which would allow the Sponsor to develop and utilize stream and wetland credits within a defined service area. Stream and wetland credits would be created through the restoration (re-establishment and rehabilitation) and preservation of streams and wetlands along unnamed tributaries (UNTs) to Big Darby Creek. The stream and wetland mitigation credits could be used to offset compensatory mitigation requirements associated with unavoidable impacts to waters of the U.S. authorized by Department of the Army (DA) permit requirements. The purpose of this public notice is to solicit comments from the public regarding the work described below:

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WATERWAY AND LOCATION: The project would affect waters of the U.S. associated with an UNTs of Big Darby Creek. The project is located within the Spain Creek – Big Darby Creek watershed, approximately eight (8) miles southwest of Marysville, Rush Township, at Latitude 40.1929° and Longitude 83.5079°, Champaign County, Ohio.

EXISTING CONDITIONS: The project area contains aquatic features that have been degraded by historic and present-day agricultural land use. All waters on site drain to the Upper Scioto watershed (Hydrologic Unit Code [HUC] – 05060001). Aquatic resources within the project area have suffered from the historic and present-day impacts of channelization, dredging, soil erosion, sedimentation, channel aggradation and degradation, bank erosion, drain tile installation, and other indirect effects of agriculture. The stream reaches exhibit channel incision, instability, embeddedness, and mobile substrates due to the straightening of stream channels and lowering of the water table by drainage tile and other hydrologic modifications. The vegetation at the project area has been significantly altered by historic deforestation and present-day agricultural activities. Land use adjacent to the project area includes agricultural row crops, low-density residential, and scattered wood lots. Private land bounds the parcels containing the project area and is primarily comprised of agricultural fields.

under consideration for authorization under the Nationwide Permit No. 27 described in the December 27, 2021, Federal Register, Reissuance and Modification of Nationwide Permits (86 FR 73522).

AVOIDANCE AND MINIMIZATION: The Sponsor has indicated they have avoided and minimized impacts to waters of the United States to the maximum extent practicable. Stormwater management planning would incorporate best management practices and water pollution controls necessary to maintain compliance with the Federal Water Pollution Control Act and Ohio Water Pollution Control Act. Stormwater management and erosion control systems would be implemented during construction. All disturbed areas would be seeded and/or revegetated with native plant species and native seed mixes after completion of construction activities.

COMPENSATORY MITIGATION: The applicant has provided the following explanation why compensatory mitigation should not be required: The proposed project is construction of a stream and wetland mitigation bank which would result in a net benefit to aquatic resource functions and services.

CULTURAL RESOURCES: The Corps is evaluating the undertaking for effects to historic properties as required under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. This public notice serves to inform the public of the proposed undertaking and invites comments including those from local, state, and federal government agencies with respect to historic resources. Our final determination relative to historic resource impacts may be subject to additional coordination with the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), federally recognized tribes and other interested parties.

The District Engineer's final eligibility and effect determination will be based upon coordination with the SHPO and/or Tribal Historic Preservation Offices, as appropriate and required, and with full consideration given to the proposed undertaking's potential direct and indirect effects on historic properties within the Corps-identified permit area.

ENDANGERED SPECIES: The Corps has performed an initial review of the application, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) Information for Planning and Consultation (IPaC) to determine if any threatened, endangered, proposed, or candidate species, as well as the proposed and final designated critical habitat may occur in the vicinity of the proposed project. Based on this initial review, the Corps has made a preliminary determination that the proposed project may affect species and critical habitat listed below. No other ESA-listed species or critical habitat will be affected by the proposed action.

Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*); clubshell mussel (*Pleurobema clava*); northern riffleshell mussel (*Epioblasma rangiana*); rabbitsfoot mussel (*Quadrula cylindrica cylindrica*); rayed bean mussel (*Villosa fabalis*); salamander mussel (*Simpsonaias ambigua*); snuffbox mussel (*Epioblasma triquetra*).

The proposed project site contains forested habitat that may be suitable habitat for Indiana bat. Forested areas of the site may be removed as a result of the proposed project. The

EVALUATION: The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact including cumulative impacts of the proposed activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefits, which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposal, must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the proposal will be considered including cumulative impacts thereof; among these are conservation, economics, esthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historical properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, floodplain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food, and fiber production, mineral needs, considerations of property ownership, and in general, the needs and welfare of the people. Evaluation of the impact of the activity on the public interest will also include application of the guidelines promulgated by the Administrator, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, under authority of Section 404(b) of the Clean Water Act or the criteria established under authority of Section 102(a) of the Marine Protection Research and Sanctuaries Act of 1972. A permit will be granted unless its issuance is found to be contrary to the public interest.

COMMENTS: The Corps is soliciting comments from the public, federal, state, and local agencies and officials, American Indian Tribes, and other Interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps to determine whether to issue, modify, condition, or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this determination, comments are used to assess impacts to endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

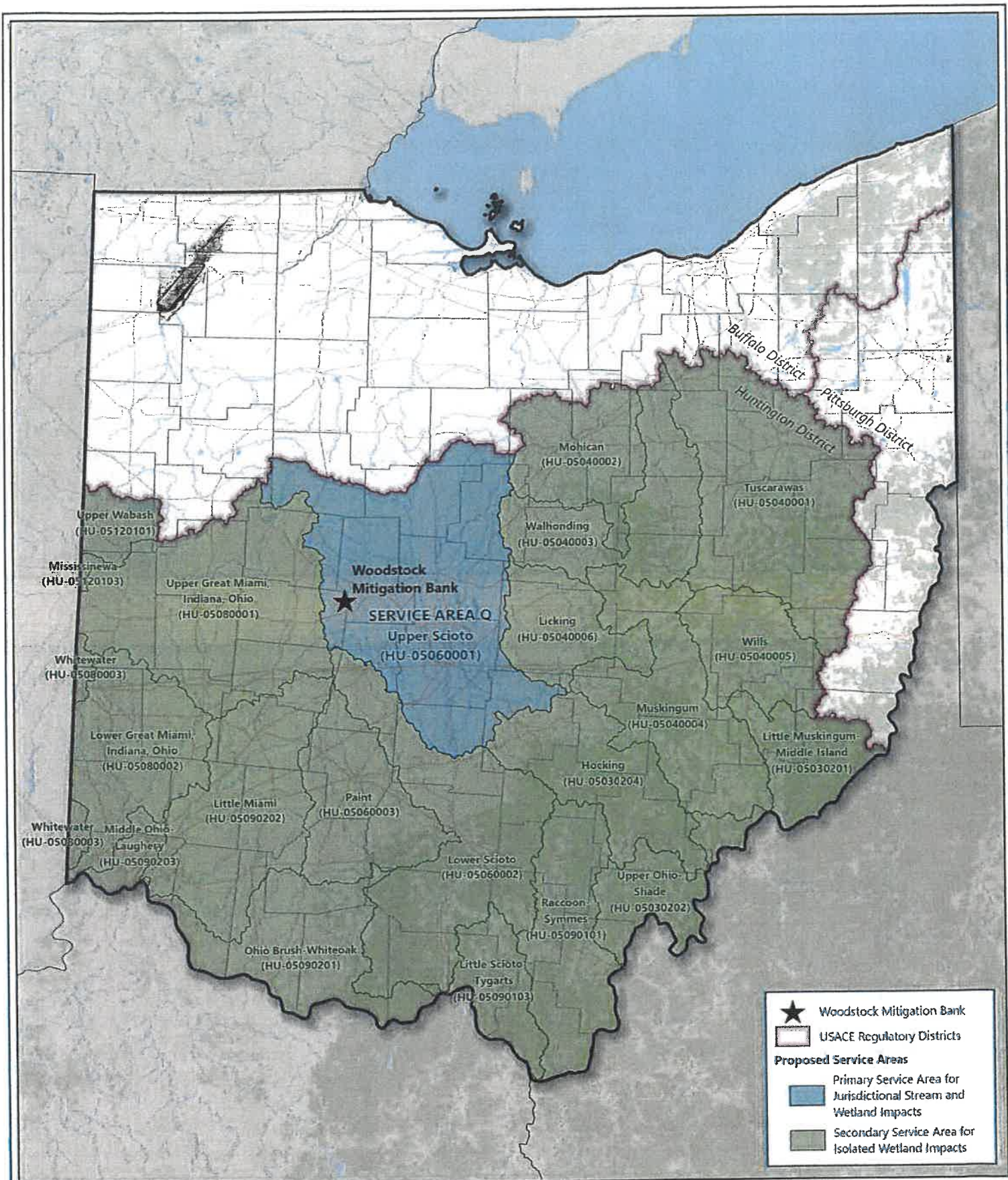
The Huntington District will receive written comments on the proposed work, as outlined above, until April 27, 2025. Comments should be submitted electronically via the Regulatory Request System (RRS) at <https://rrs.usace.army.mil/rrs> or to Brian Bridgewater at Brian.L.Bridgewater2@usace.army.mil. Alternatively, you may submit comments in writing to the Commander, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Huntington District, Attention: Brian Bridgewater, 502 Eighth Street, Huntington, West Virginia 25701. Please refer to the permit application number in your comments.

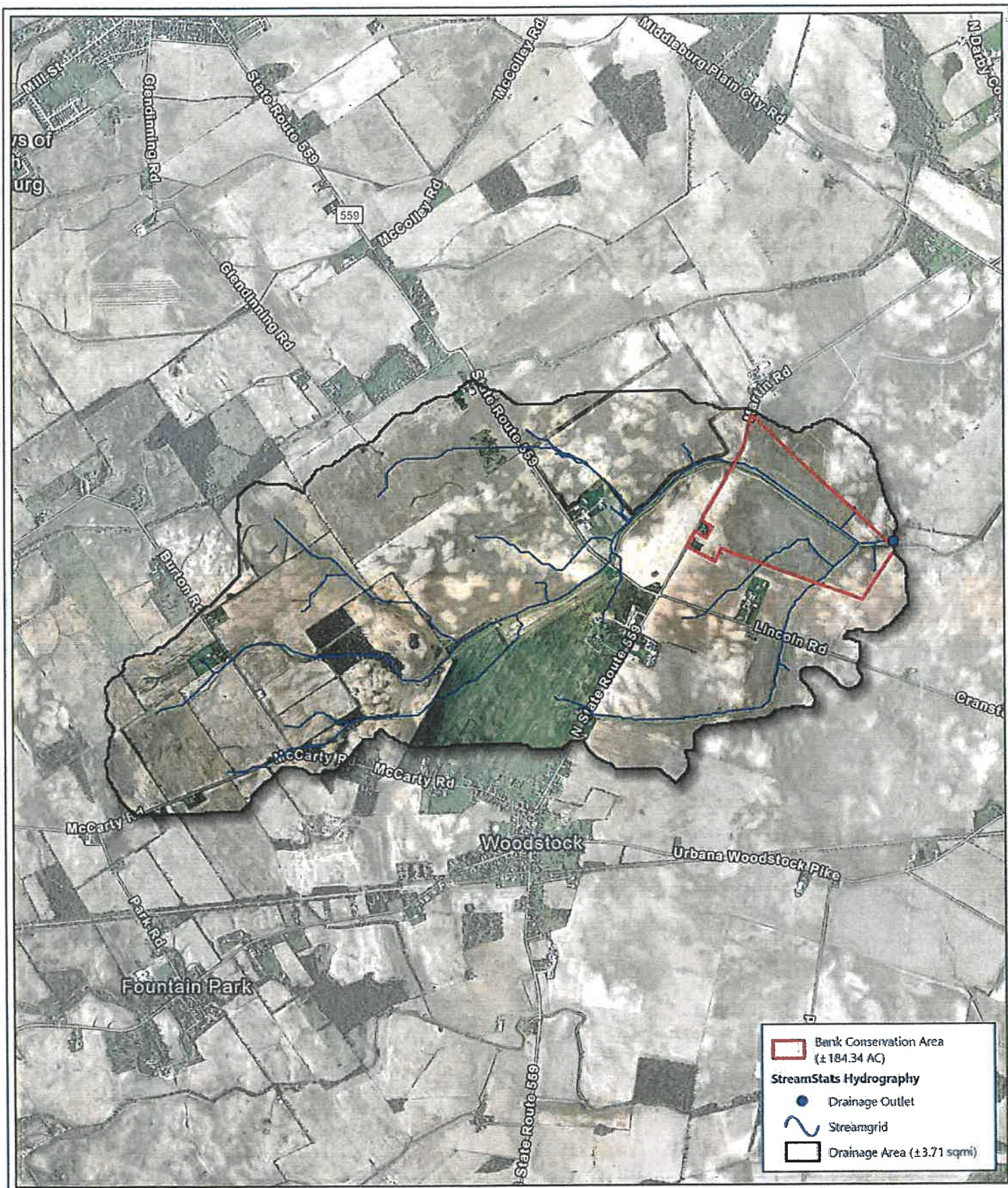
Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider the application. Requests for public hearings shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing. Requests for a public hearing will be granted, unless the District Engineer determines that the issues raised are insubstantial or there is otherwise no valid interest to be served by a hearing.

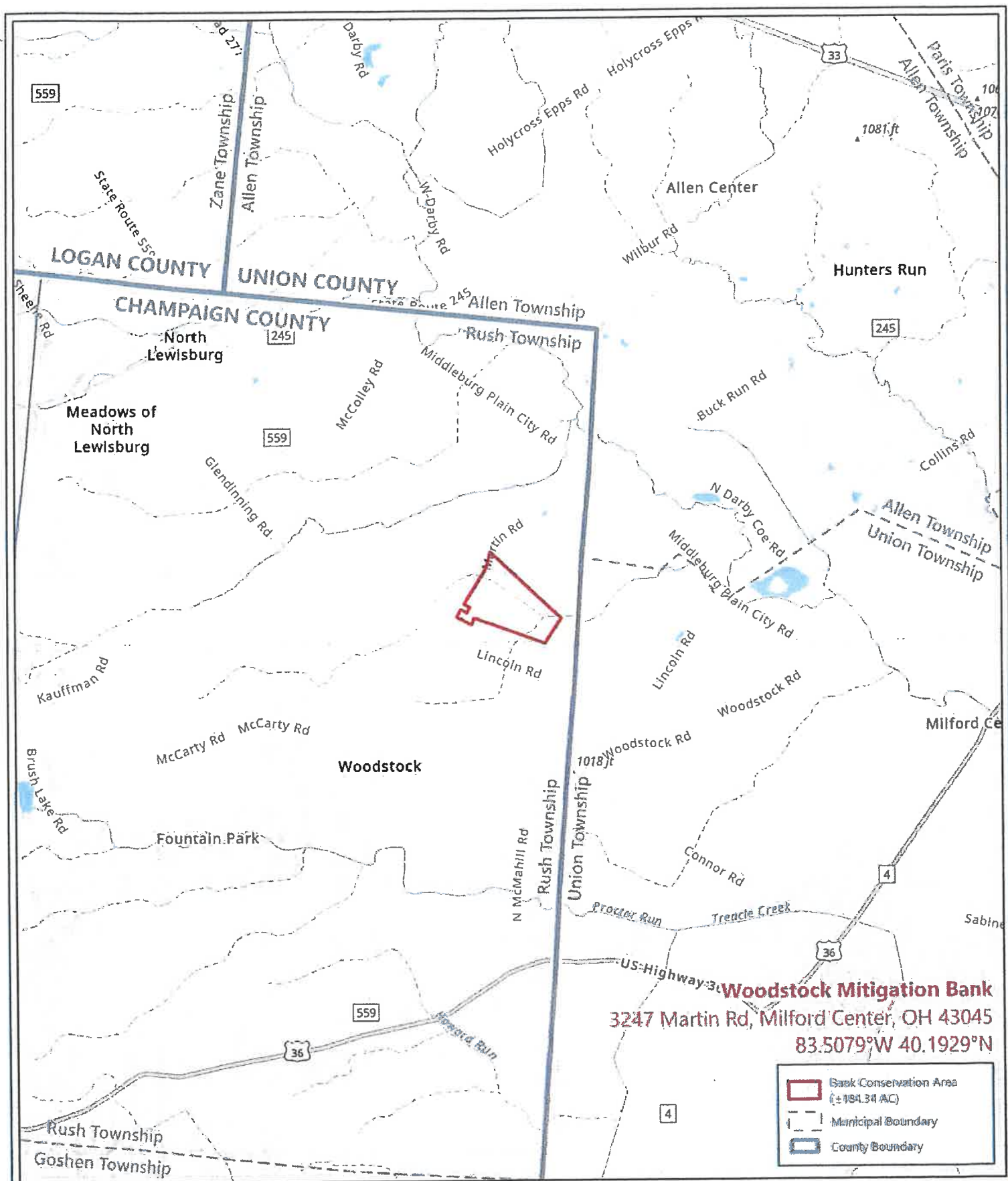
Please note names, addresses, and comments submitted in response to this Public Notice become part of our administrative record and, as such, may be available to the public under provisions of the Freedom of Information Act. Thank you for your interest in our

APPENDIX A

FIGURES







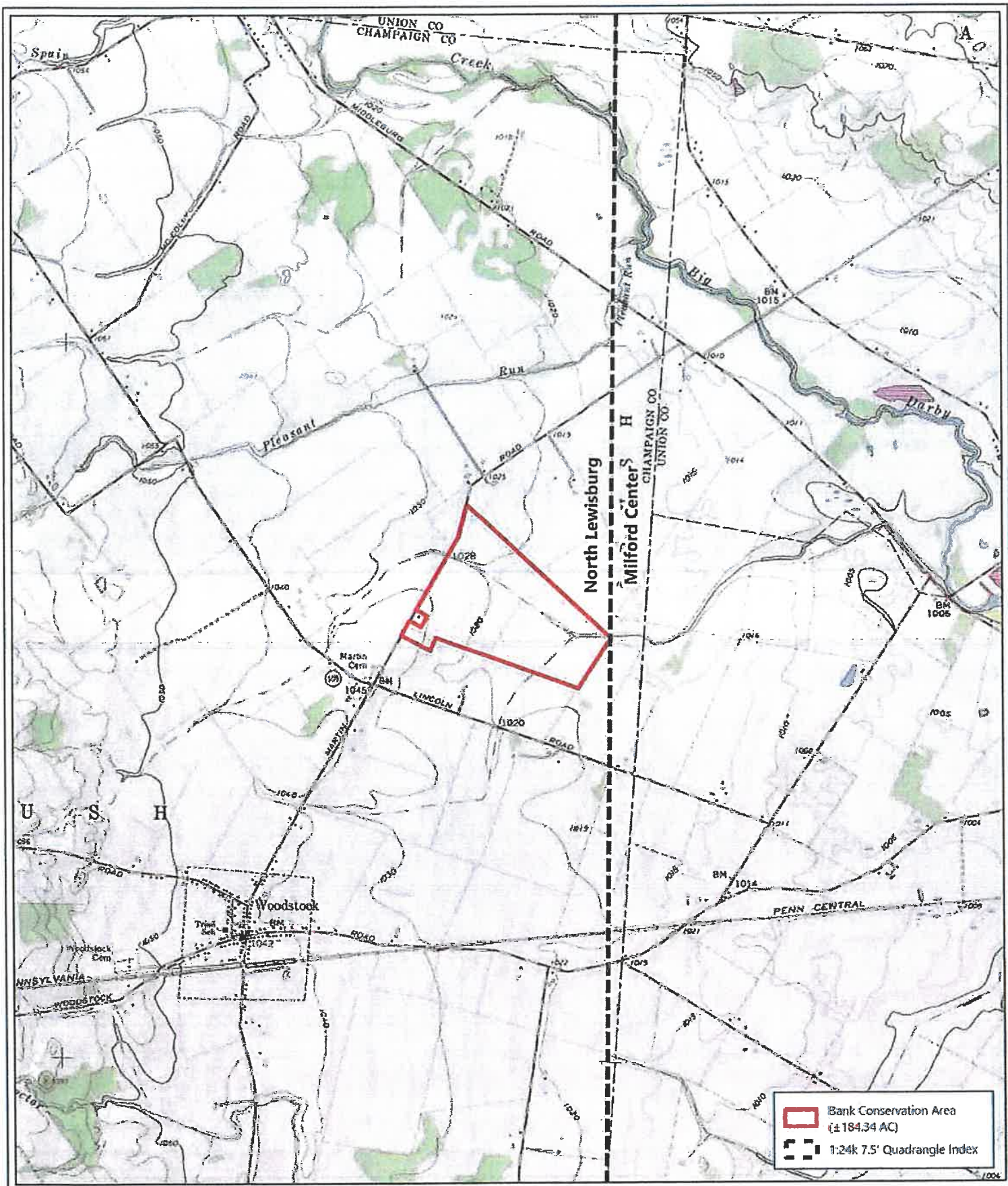
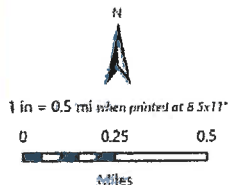


Figure 2B
USGS Topography

Woodstock Mitigation Bank
Rush Township, Champaign County
83.5079°W 40.1929°N



Reference: Project limits are approximate. The Project is located within the North Lewisburg (Map Code 40083-B5) 1:24k 7.5' USGS quadrangle.
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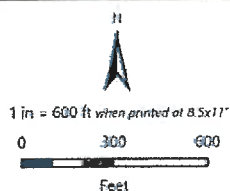


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Figure 3A
Baseline Conditions

Woodstock Mitigation Bank
Rush Township, Champaign County
83.5073°W 40.1925°N



Reference: Project limits are approximate.
Resource quantities are only calculated for
features within the Conservation Area
Data Source: OSIP II (2014); OHEPA (2024);
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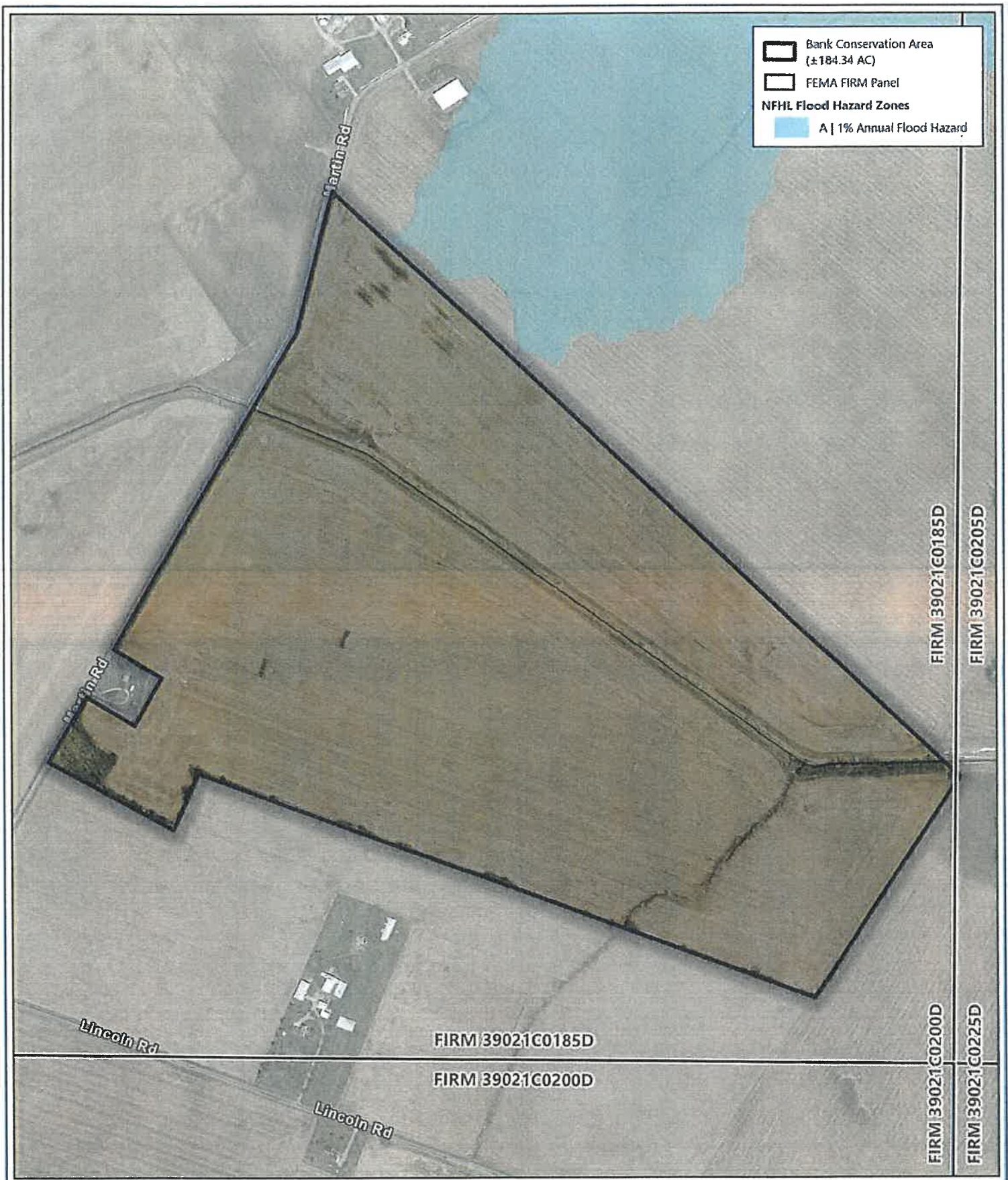
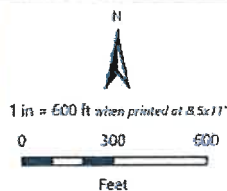


Figure 3B
FEMA Flood Hazards

Woodstock Mitigation Bank
Rush Township, Champaign County
83.5073°W 40.1929°N



Reference: Project limits are approximate.
Visible FIRM panels are effective 11/18/2009.
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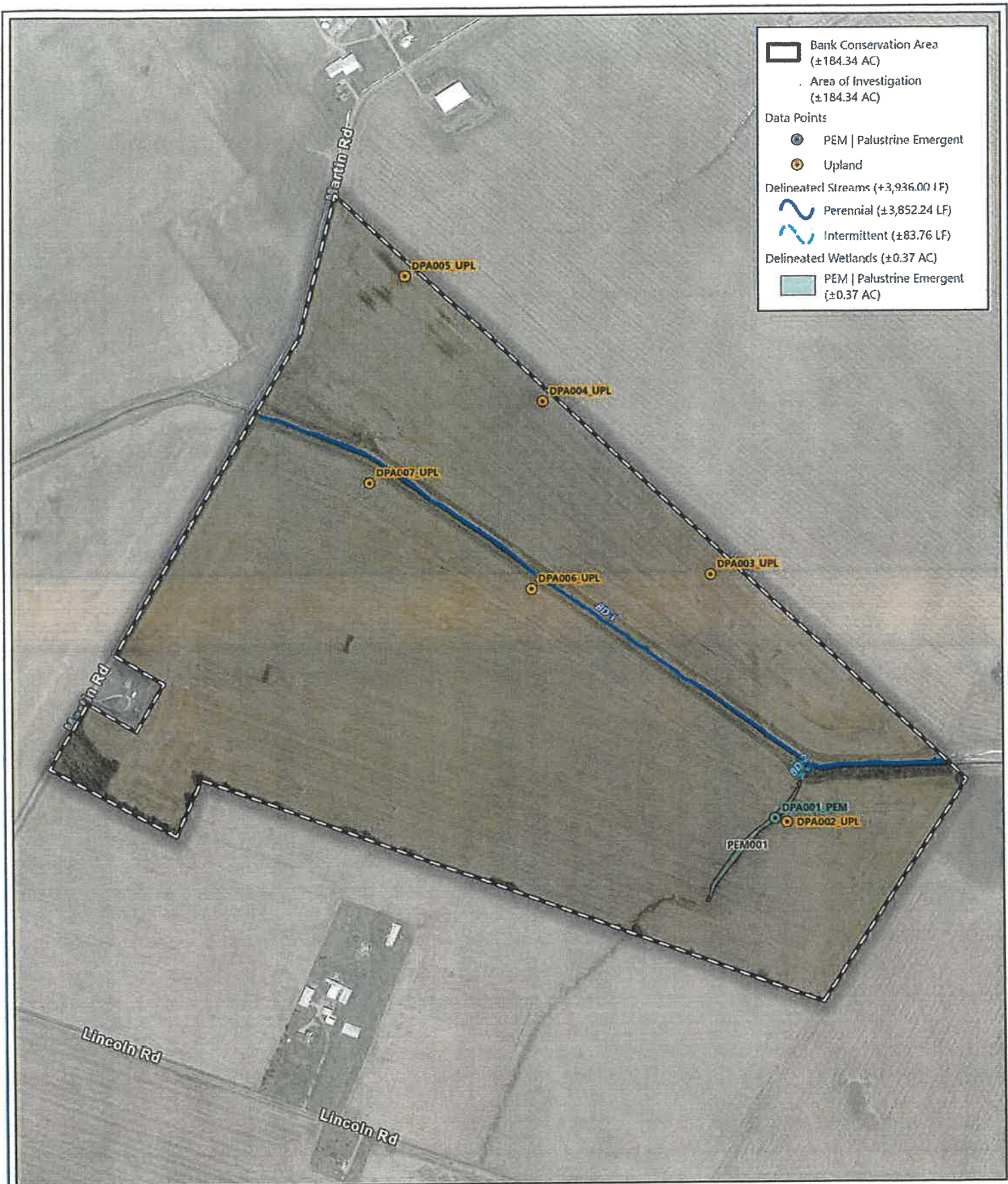
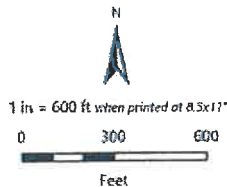


Figure 3C
Delineated Aquatic Resources

Woodstock Mitigation Bank
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Reference: Project limits are approximate. Aquatic resource delineation occurred 02/29-30/2025.

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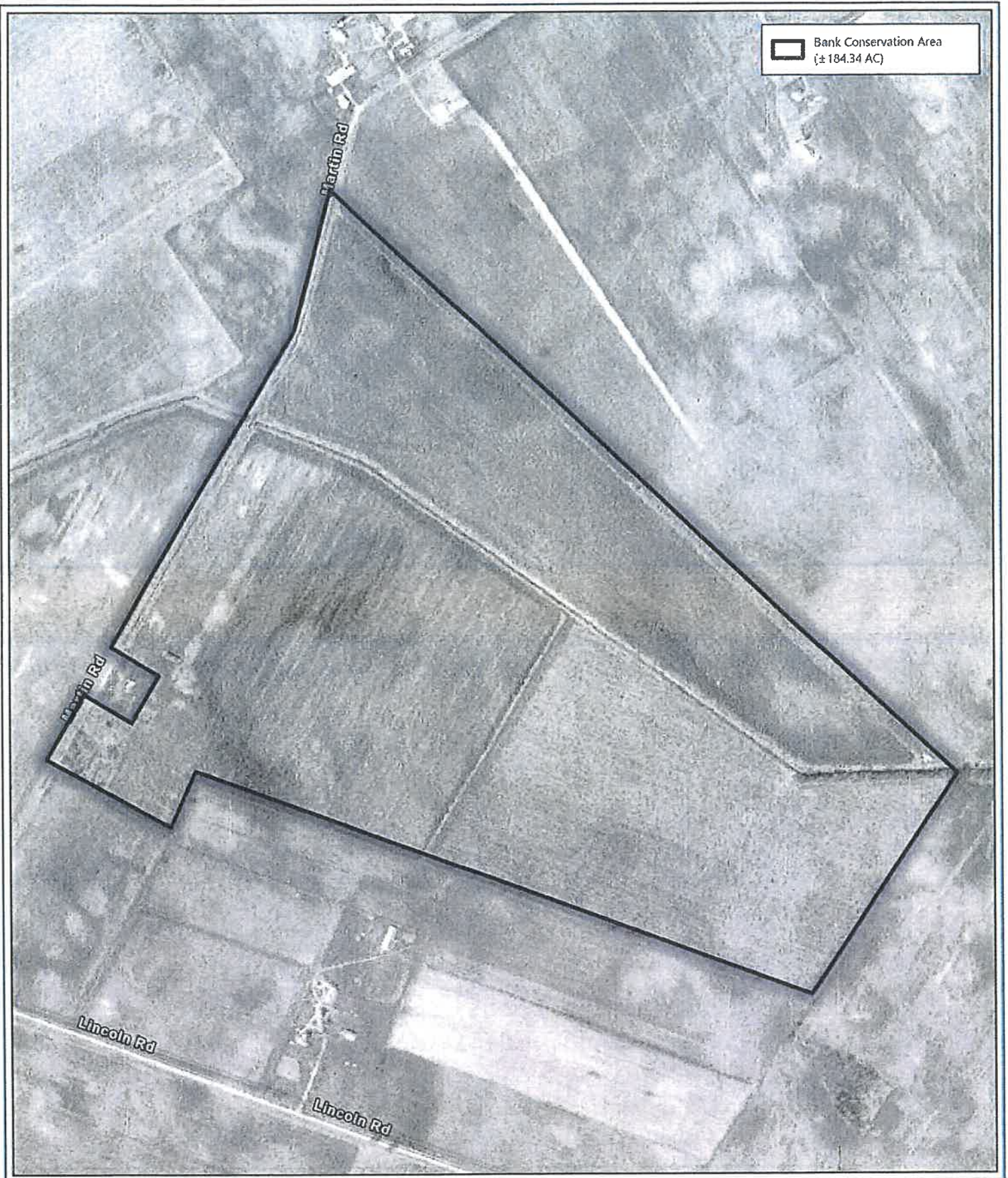
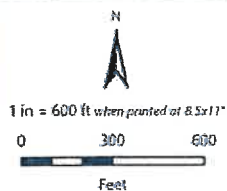


Figure 4A
1973 Historic Imagery

Woodstock Mitigation Bank
Rush Township, Champaign County
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Reference: Project limits are approximate. The background aerial image was acquired on 03/27/1973.
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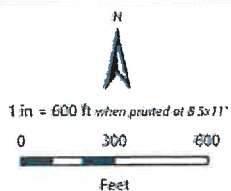


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Figure 4B
1989 Historic Imagery

Woodstock Mitigation Bank
Rush Township, Champaign County
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Reference: Project limits are approximate. The background aerial image was acquired on 04/14/1989 through the USGS NAPP program.
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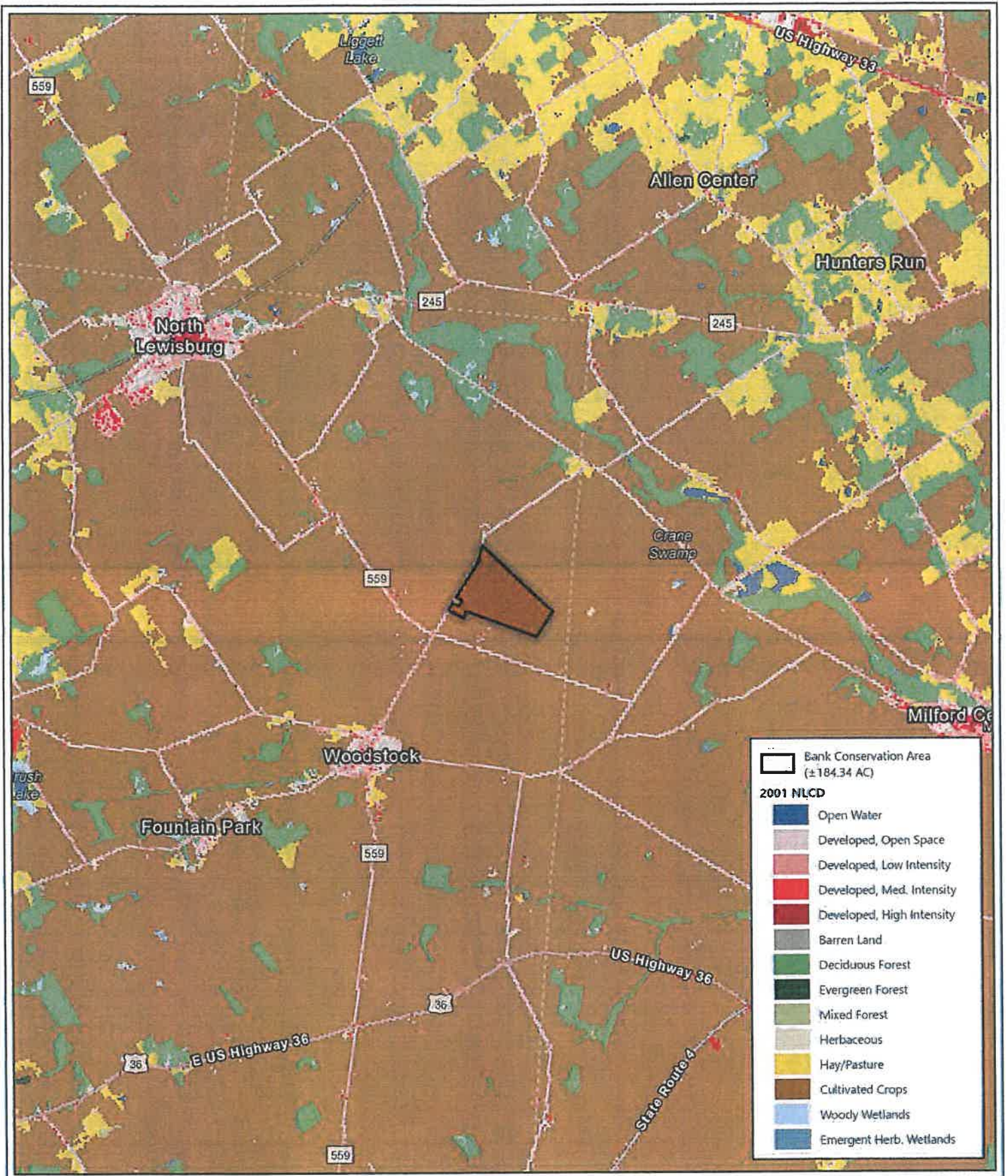
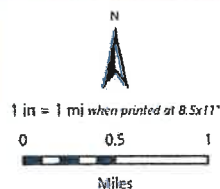


Figure 5A
2001 Land Cover

Woodstock Mitigation Bank
Rush Township, Champaign County
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Data Source: USGS (2001); ESRI (2025)
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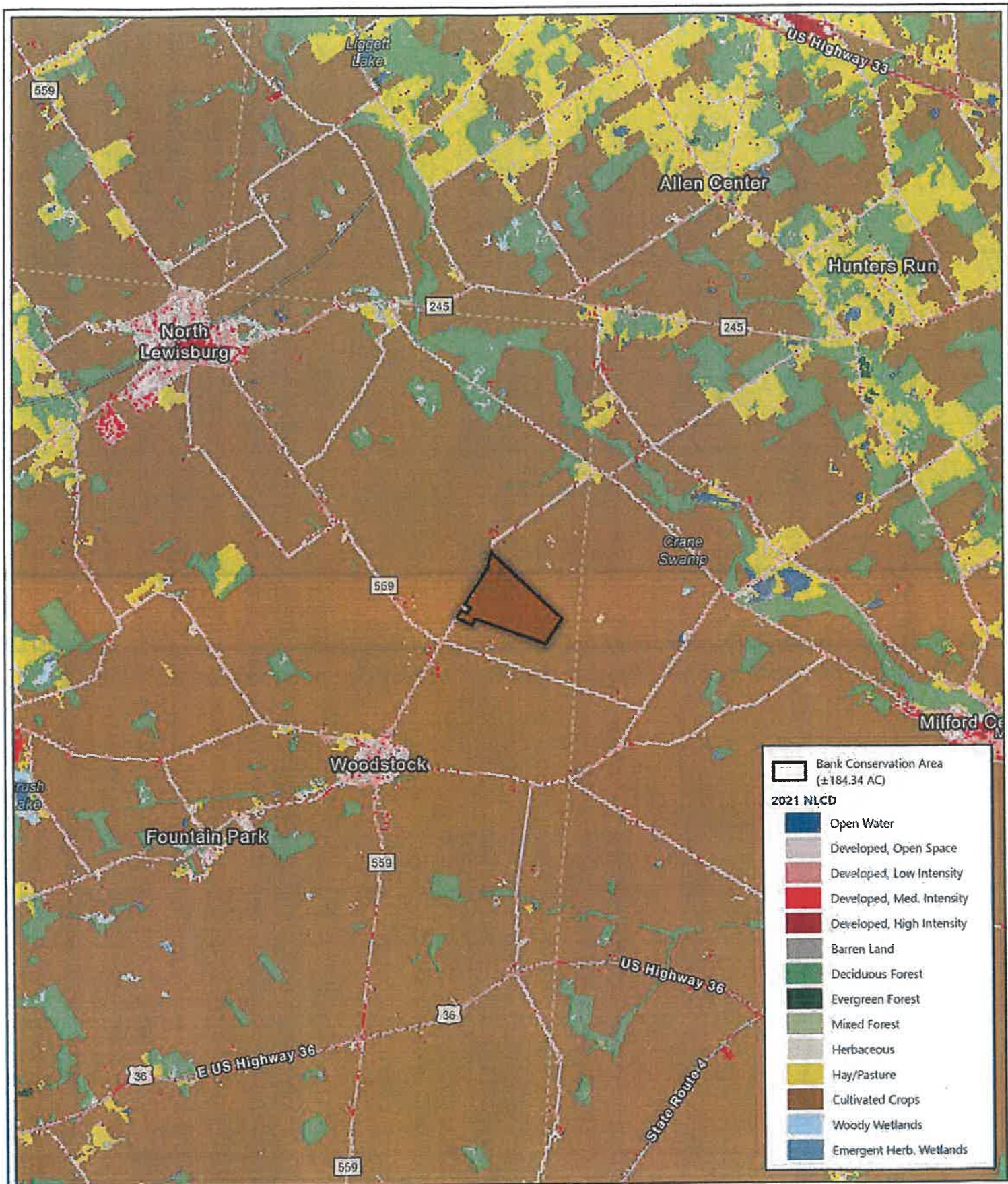
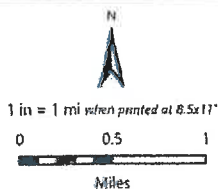


Figure 5B
2011 Land Cover

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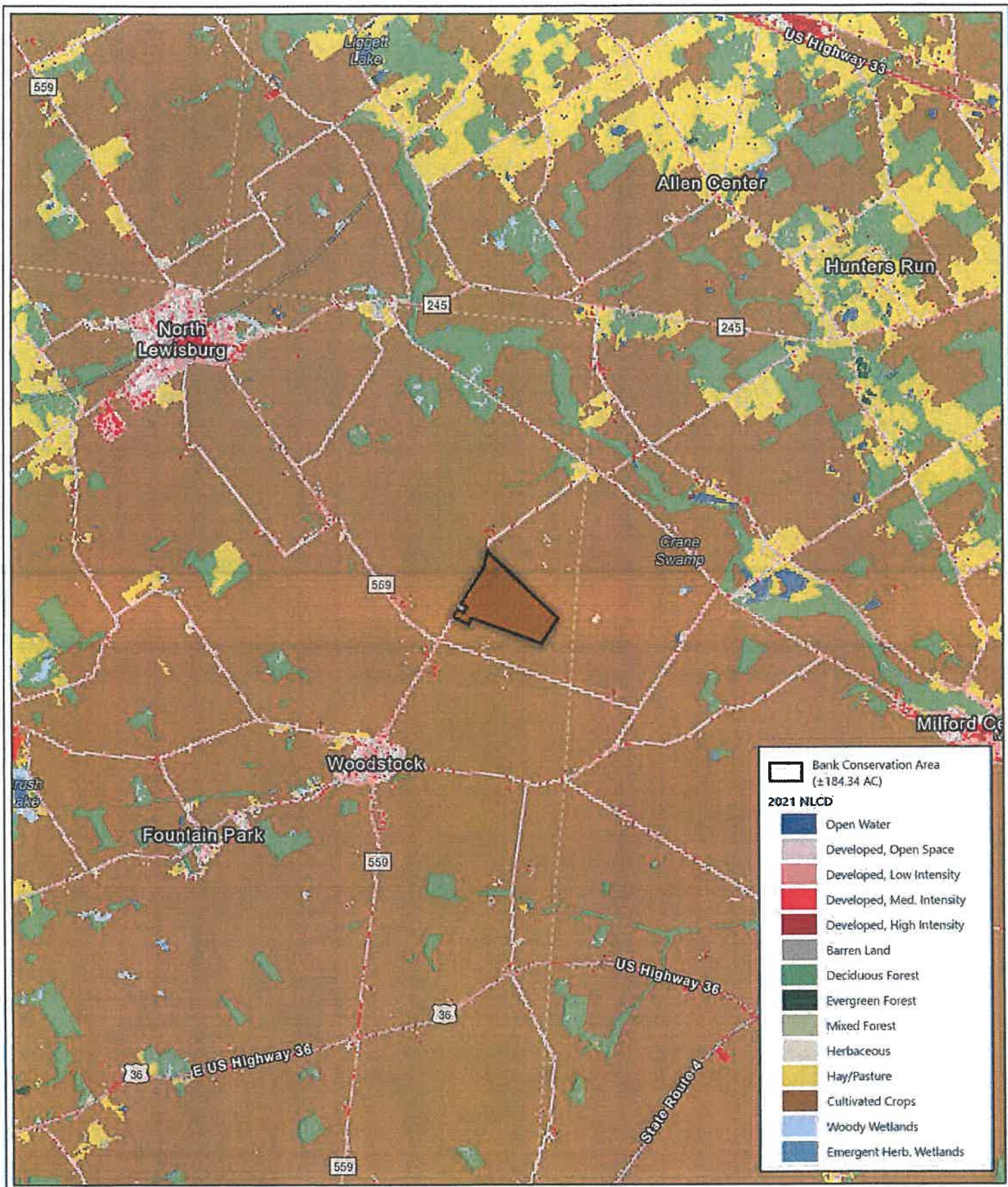
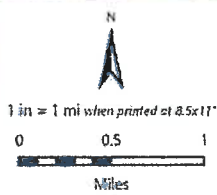


Figure 5C
2021 Land Cover

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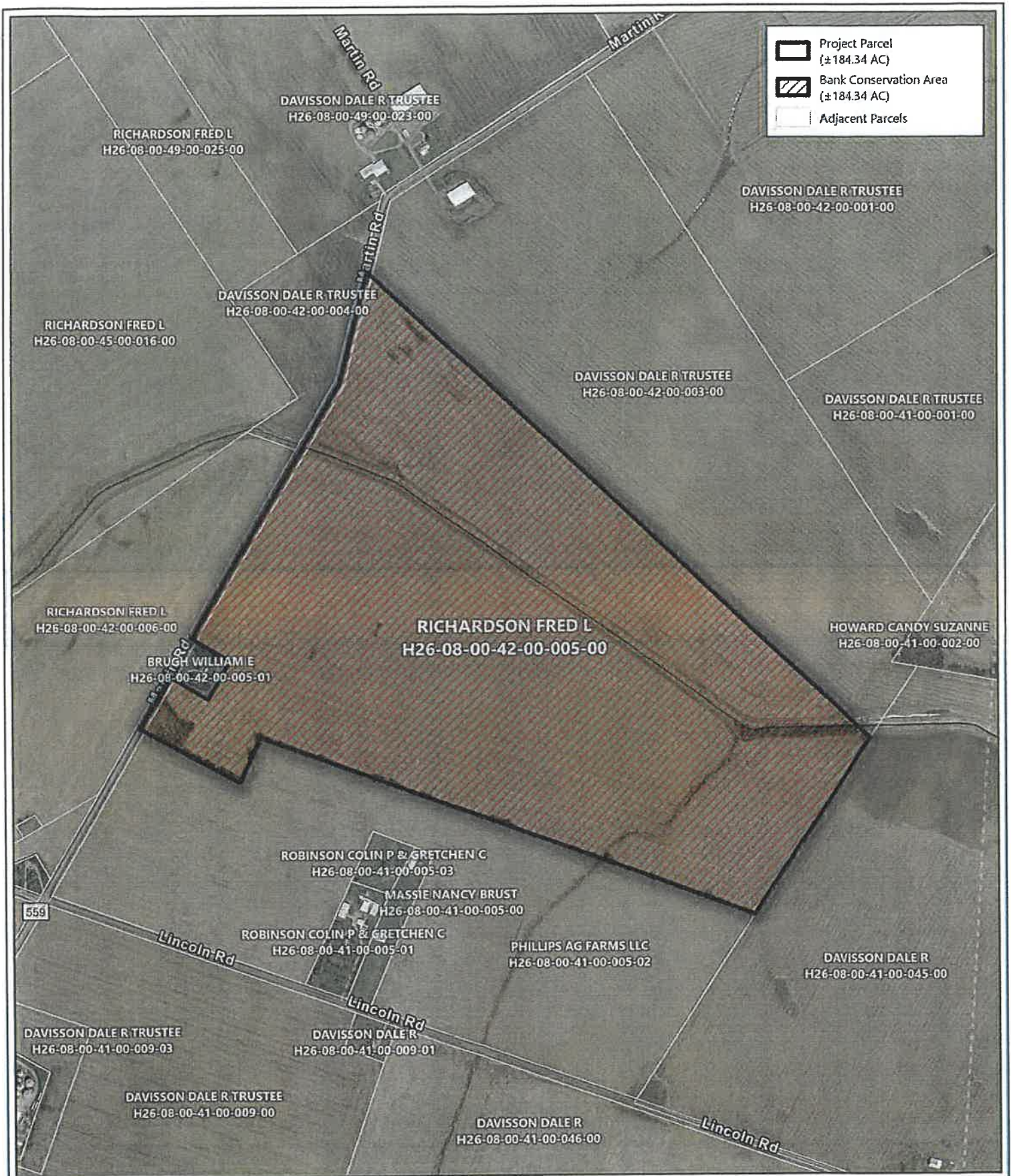
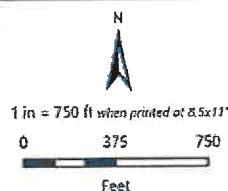


Figure 6
Cadastral Boundaries

Woodstock Mitigation Bank
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Reference: Project limits are approximate. Boundaries depicted on this map do not reflect a survey.
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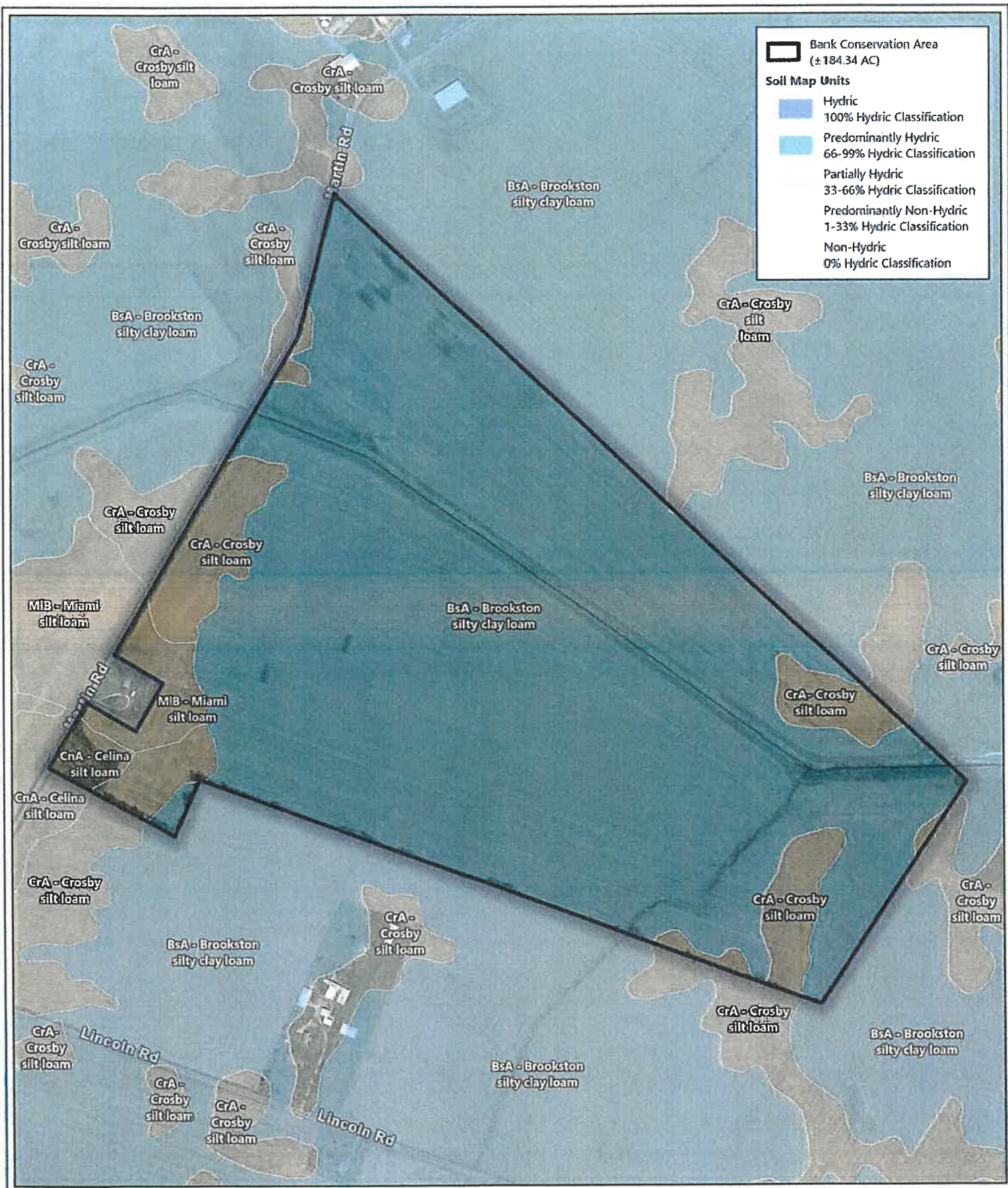
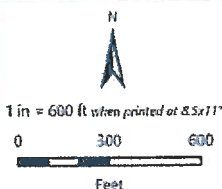


Figure 7
Soil Survey

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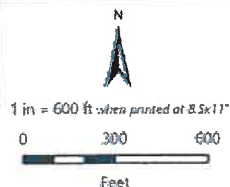


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Figure 8
Proposed Resource Development

Woodstock Mitigation Bank
Rush Township, Champaign County
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Reference: Project limits are approximate. Mitigation areas are subject to field verification, final design, and regulatory approval.
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