

Town of Niskayuna

Conservation Advisory Council

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The Town of Niskayuna recently obtained a competitive grant from the Mohawk River Watershed Grants Program of the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation. The grant includes a \$16,500 budget for the hiring of consultant services with responsibilities as outlined below.

The purpose of our grant is to develop a Natural Resources Inventory (NRI) by surveying 10 town-owned parcels. The grant period is from July 01, 2023 to June 30, 2025, with a final product – the NRI report – due by the end date. The NRI report must conform to the guidelines in the Mohawk River Basin Action agenda.¹ Maps of the parcels to be surveyed, along with their acreage, are attached to this RFP.

The Town will hire a consultant to assist us with the development of the NRI. A key aspect of our NRI is a strong passion for community involvement, especially high school students and underserved populations. Consultants who have experience in and a passion for involving the community in their surveying work are preferred.

The final NRI report is expected to include: (1) a detailed summary of the flora and fauna in the 10 parcels to be surveyed (2) recommendations for wildlife corridors (3) identify lands that are most valuable for conservation and (4) recommendations for improved community participation.

The consultant is expected to make a minimum of two trips to Niskayuna to survey the parcels. The CAC will assist with selecting dates and recruiting residents (to include high school students and underserved populations) to accompany the consultant on survey trips. The consultant is also expected to participate in regular meetings involving Town residents and representatives from the CAC and DEC. These meetings will be virtual.

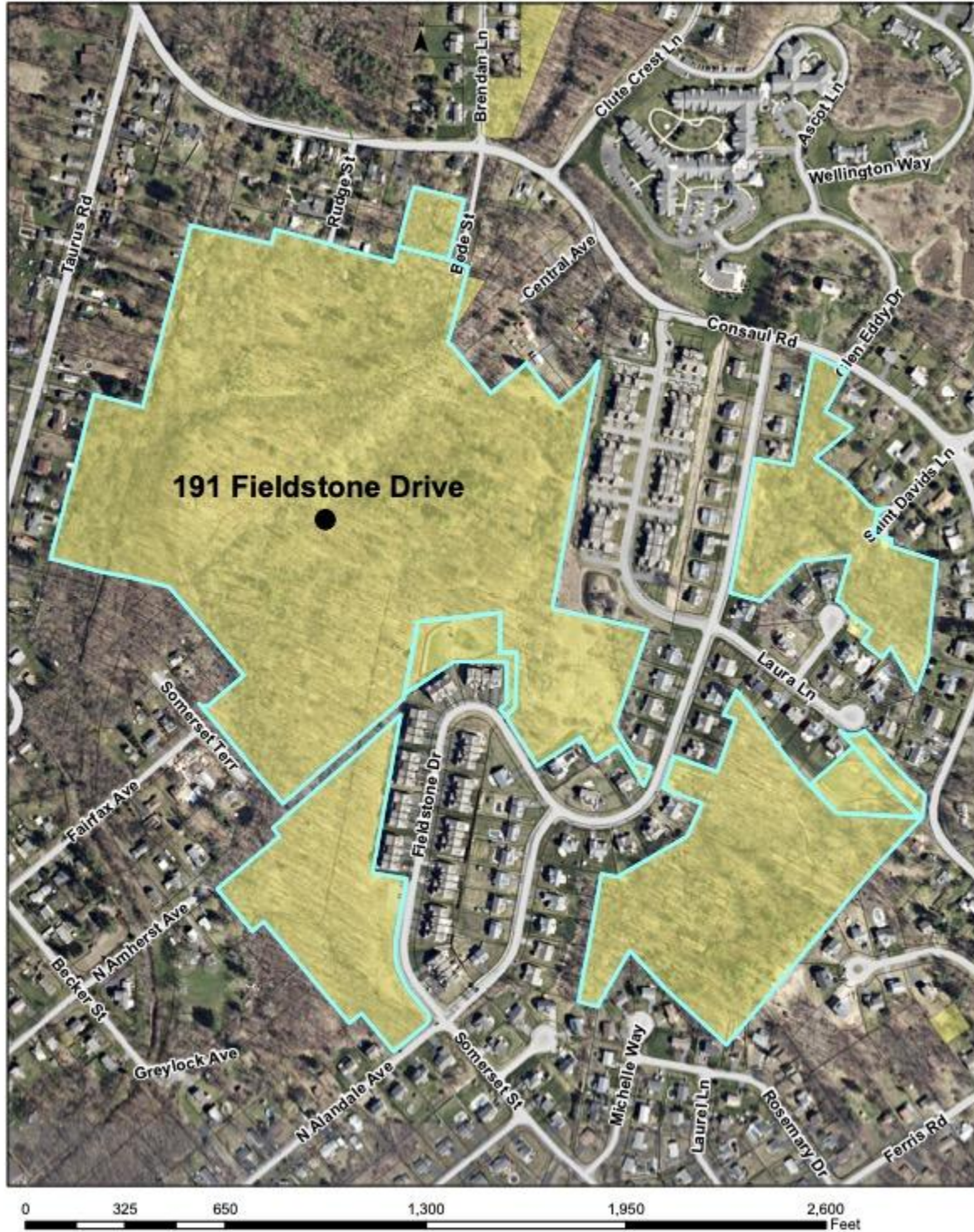
Interested parties are requested to submit a proposal by December 15 2023. Please include a detailed resume, budget justification, and samples of prior work.

¹ https://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/water_pdf/mohawkrbaa2021.pdf

Table 1: Parcels to be surveyed (maps follow)

Name of the Parcel	Acreage
191 Fieldstone Dr.	83
Lock 7 Road (Mohawk-Hudson Bike Trail Corridor)	50
2870 River Road (River Road Park)	44
630 Stanford Ave	29
658 Maple Lane	16.71
35 Brendan Lane	14
Angelina Drive St. Ann Corridor	7
3439 Rosendale Rd. (Lions Park)	4
2173 Morrow Ave.	0.6
1003 Northwood Ct.	0.5
TOTAL ACREAGE TO BE SURVEYED	248.81

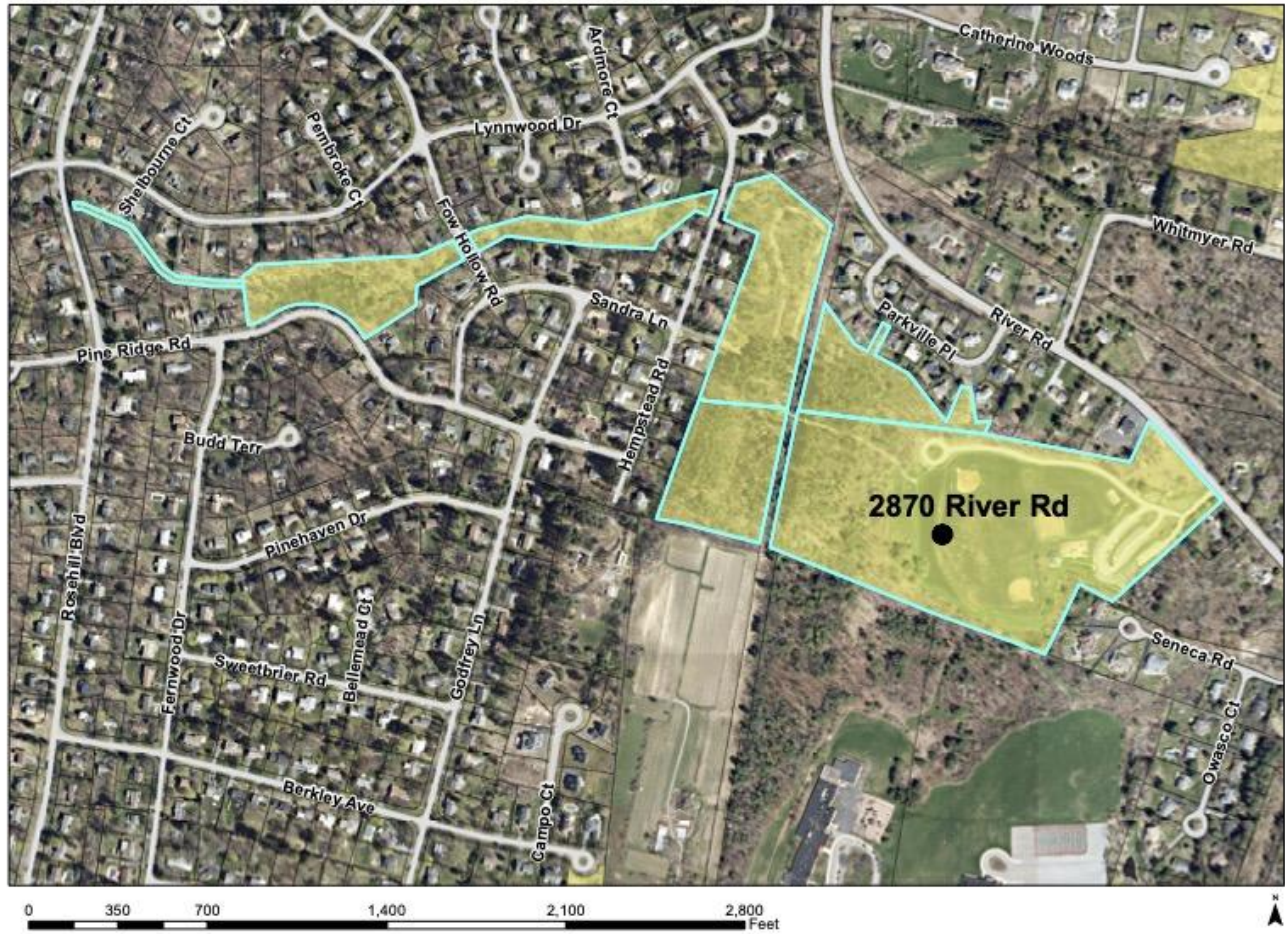
Fieldstone Estates Forest: 83 acres



Mohawk Hudson Bike Hike Path Corridor Blatnick Park to Lions Park: 50 acres



River Road Park and Lynnwood Drive Corridor (44 acres)



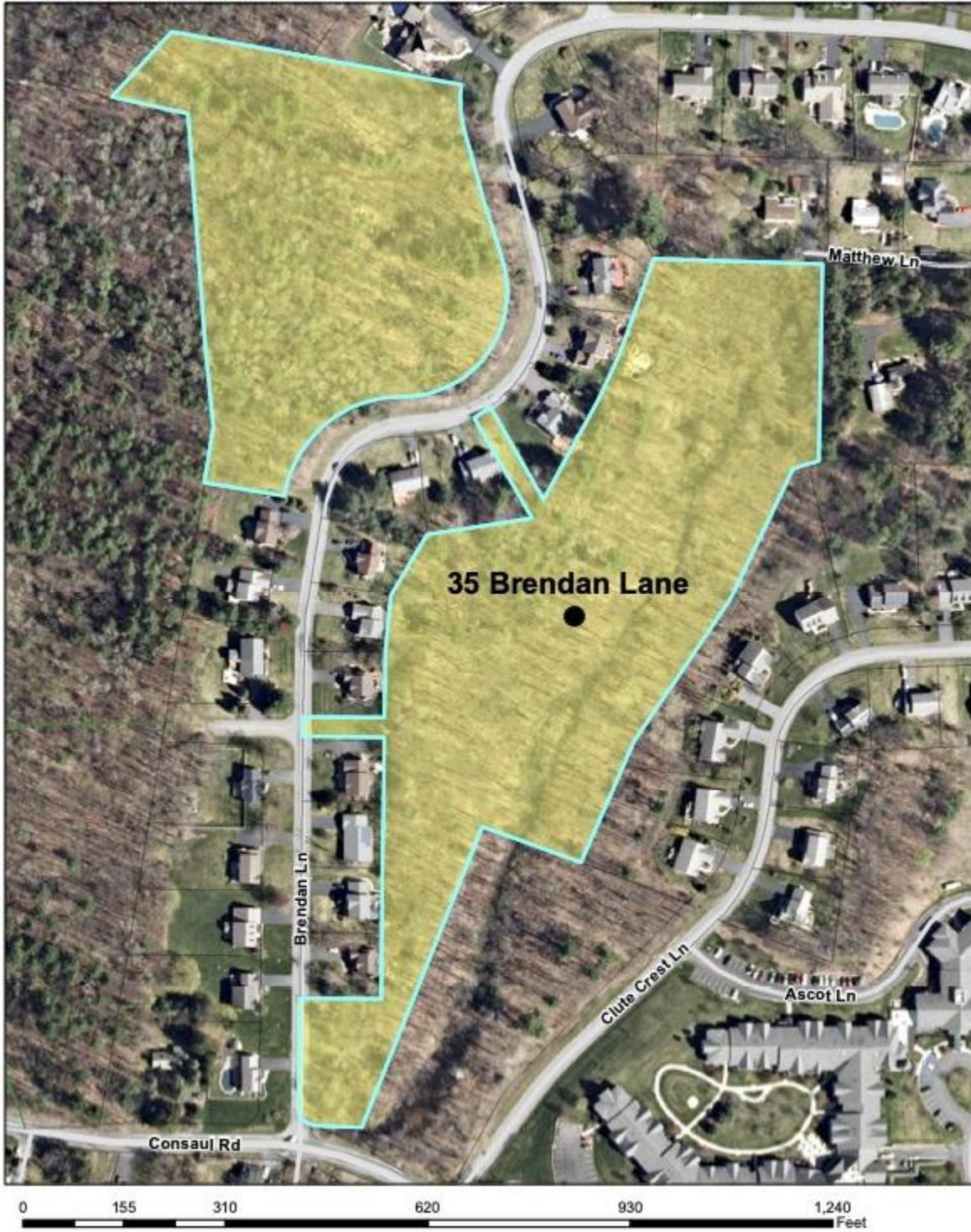
Stanford Park Lands (Town of Niskayuna): 29 acres



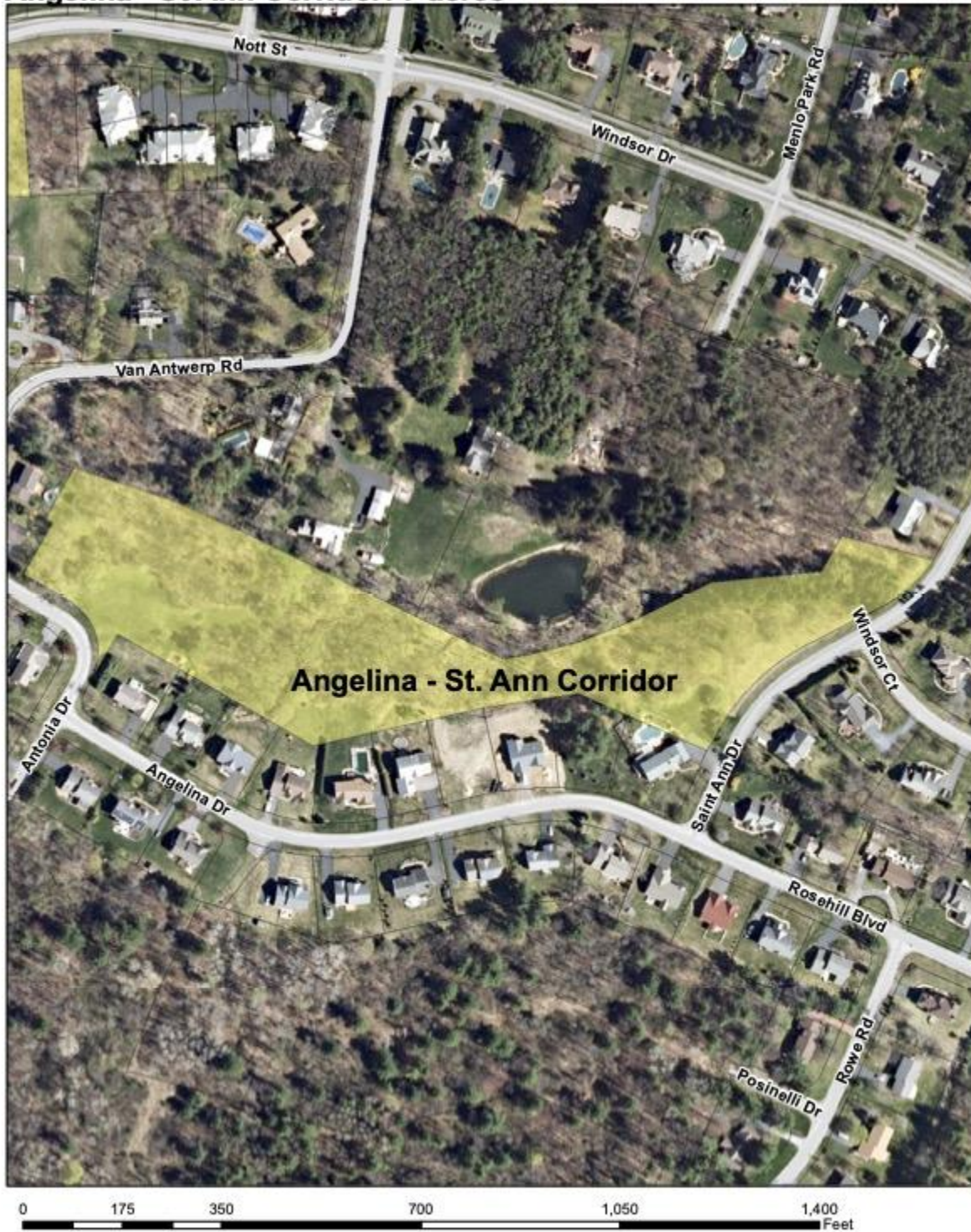
Maple Lane Trails and Forest: 16.71 acres



Brendan Lane Corridor: 14 acres



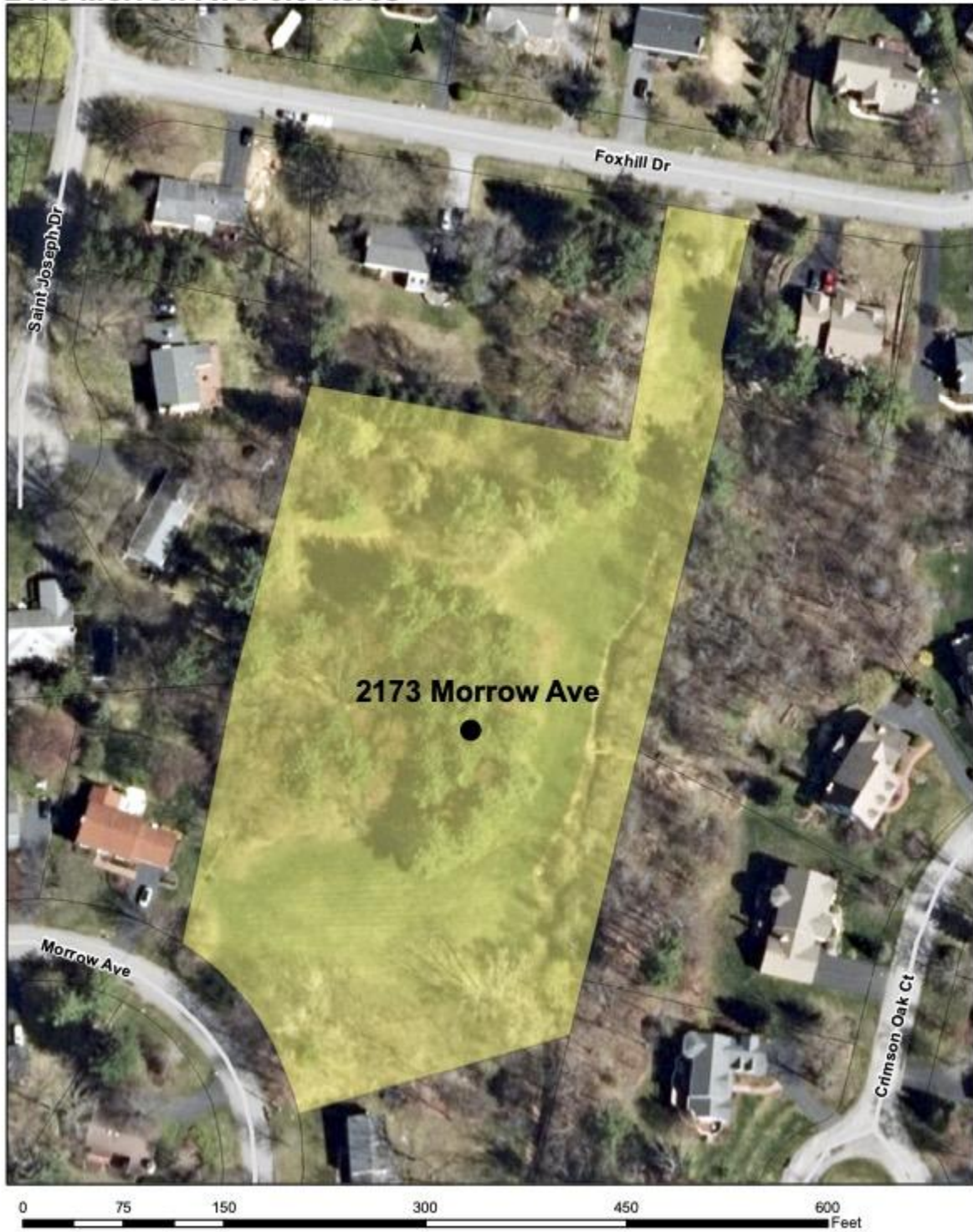
Angelina - St Ann Corridor: 7 acres



Lions Park: 4 Acres



2173 Morrow Ave: 0.6 Acres



1003 Northwood Court: 0.5 acres

