



Community Forum #2 - Imagining Alternative Futures
November 14-17, 2012

Group Exercise Reference Materials

Timeframe: +/-50 minutes

Goals:

To decide, as a group...

1. Where future development should be located to be consistent with the vision statement?
2. What is the best mix of development residential development (e.g., low-density, multi-family, mixed-use)?
3. Where roadway, transit, and bicycle / pedestrian improvements are needed to serve future development?

Activities Considered:

- Housing (low, medium, and high density residential)
- Mixed Use (mix of commercial, office, or residential uses)
- Non Residential (includes retail, office, employment, institutions)

Activity Description

In their presentation, the Consultants described the parish’s existing conditions and a likely future if the community stays on the same course as today. The group activity is designed to give you an opportunity to work with fellow residents of Lafayette to imagine different futures.

Start by reviewing and discussing, as a group, aspects of the trend scenario depicted by the Consultants. For example: How similar or dissimilar is this scenario from the image of the future painted in the Lafayette Vision 2035 statement? Are we satisfied with the way we are growing? Why? If not what are some alternatives that might move us closer to our vision? What would they look like?

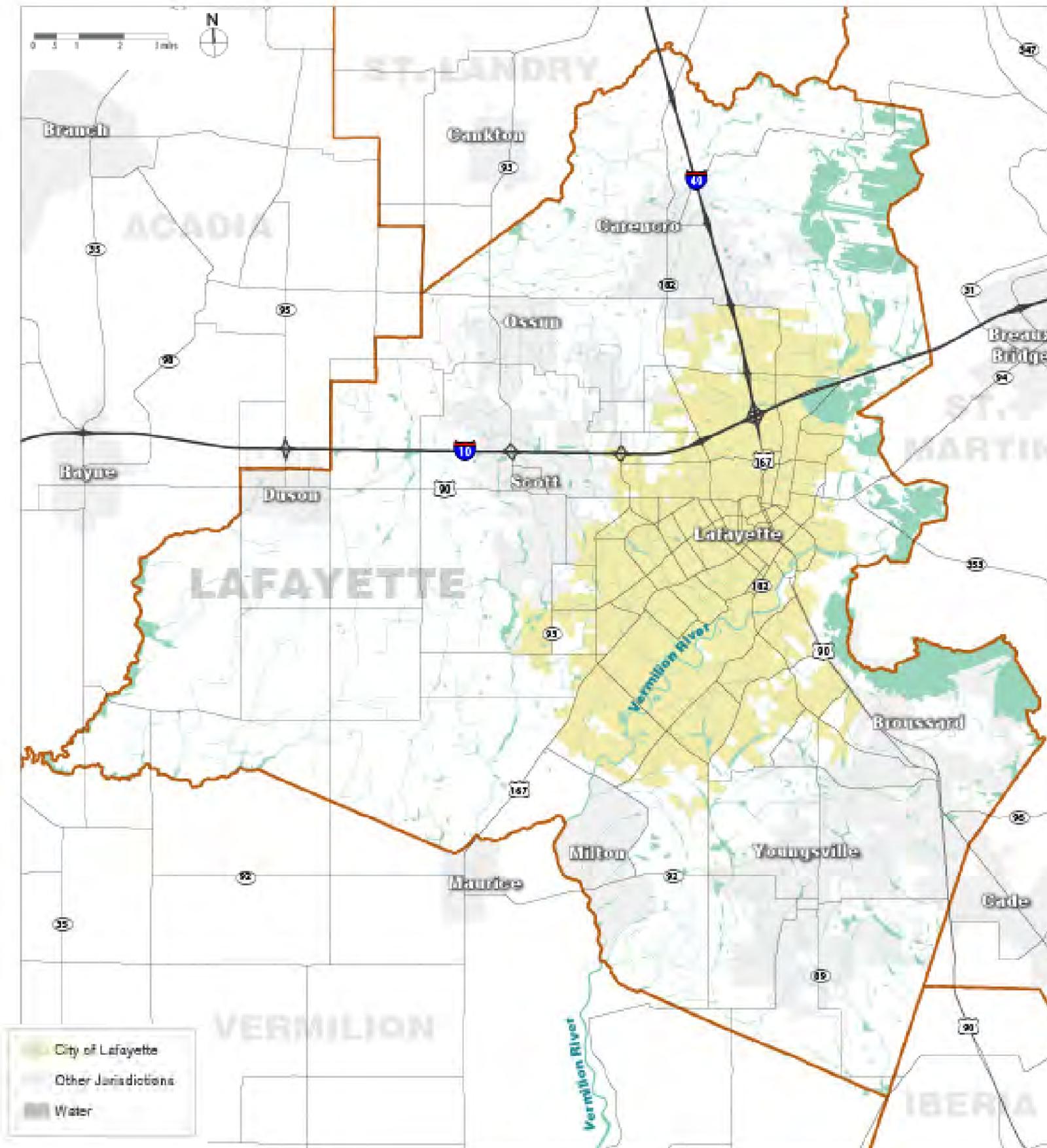
Your ideas and suggestions will be written on a flip chart. The group will also have a specific number of sticker chips representing the trend scenario’s projected housing and non-residential growth (see page 3). Work as a group to arrange the chips on the parish map until you are is satisfied with a preferred pattern.

The group is encouraged to propose and draw on the map key ancillary features, including parks and open space, new or improved roads, transit and alternative transportation options, etc.

After about 40 minutes of discussion, the chip distribution part of the exercise will conclude. The facilitator will then summarize the group’s priorities in developing their alternative map in simple, clear statements.



Photo Courtesy of Lafayette Convention & Visitors Center



Land Use Chips:

Each group has a mix of residential, mixed use, and non-residential chips to represent the projected growth over the next 20 years:

- 30 Low Density Residential
- 4 Medium Density Residential
- 2 Mixed Use
- 9 Non Residential

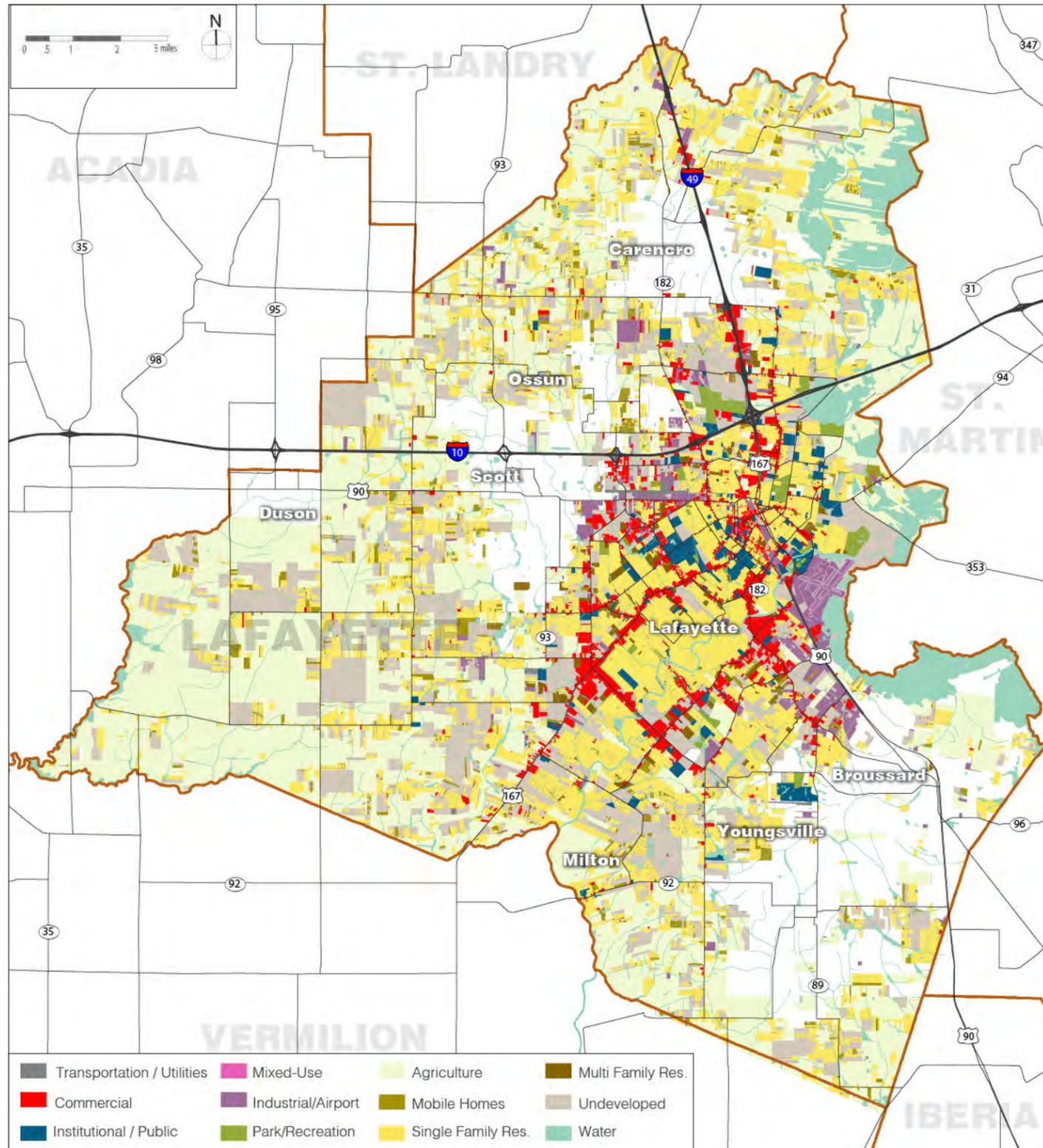
The mix of stickers at your table is based on the existing pattern of development and the future projection. The group can trade in chips for different development types as follows:

- 1 Low Density Residential Chip = 600 housing units
- 1 Medium Density Residential Chip = 1200 housing units
- 1 High Density Residential = 1800 housing units

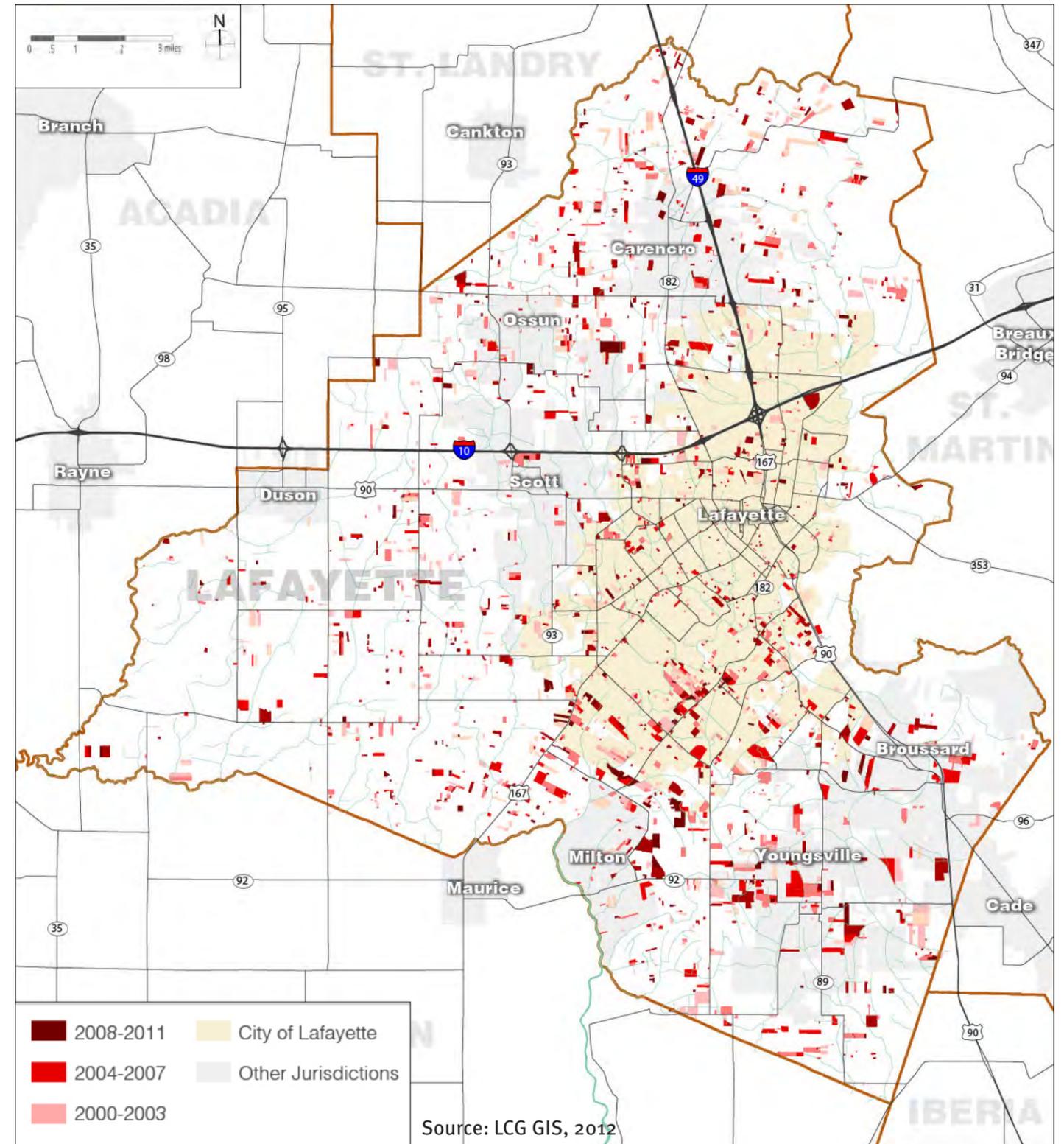
So the group could “develop” less land by trading in for a different mix of residential stickers. For example, 2 low density stickers = 1 medium density and 3 low density stickers = 1 high density sticker. You may also trade residential stickers for mixed use stickers to change the future development pattern.

- 3 Low Density Residential Chips = 1 Mixed Use Chip

Lafayette Parish Base Map

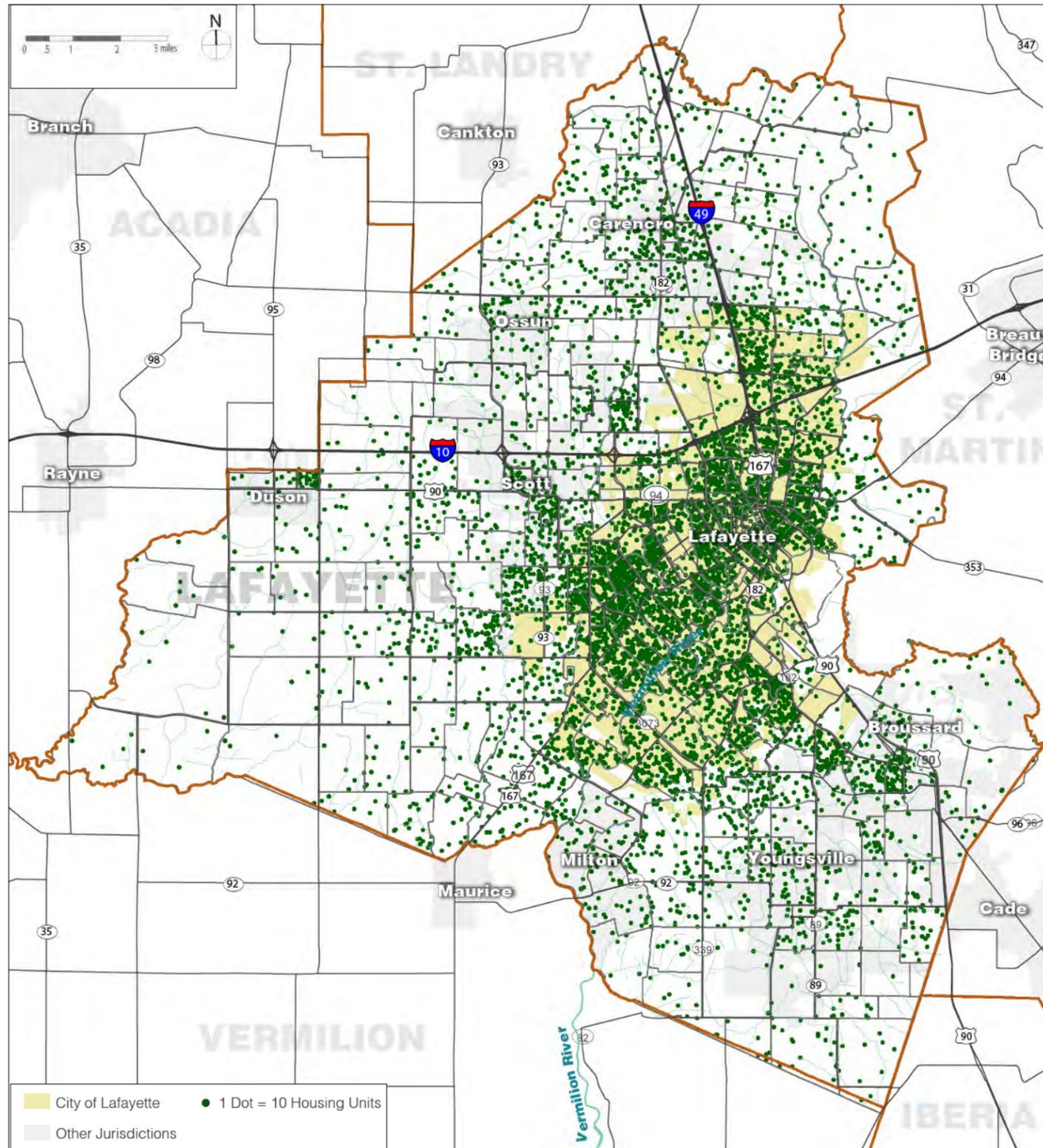


Existing Land Use Pattern/Activity Mix

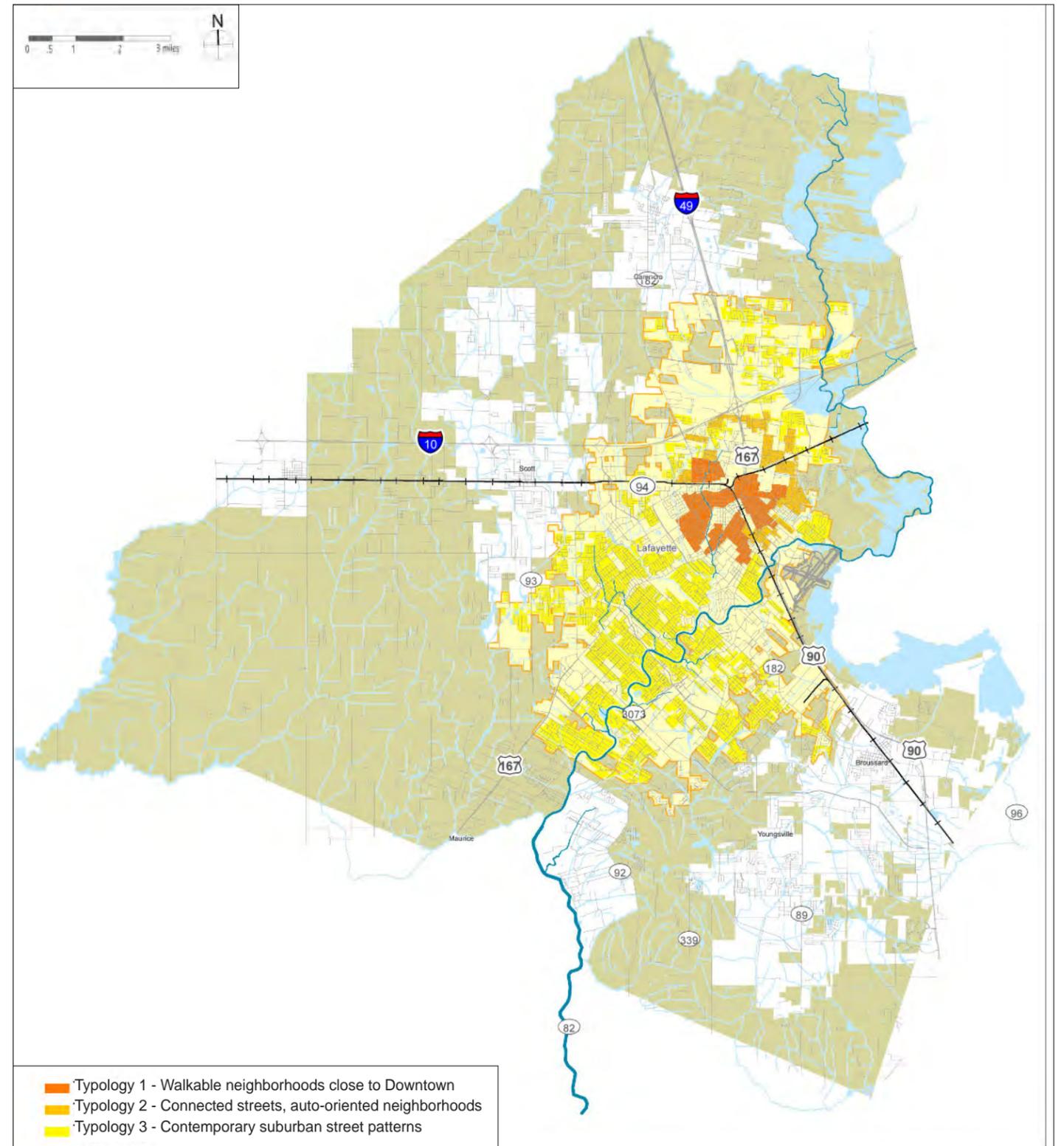


Subdivision Growth Since 2000

Existing Conditions

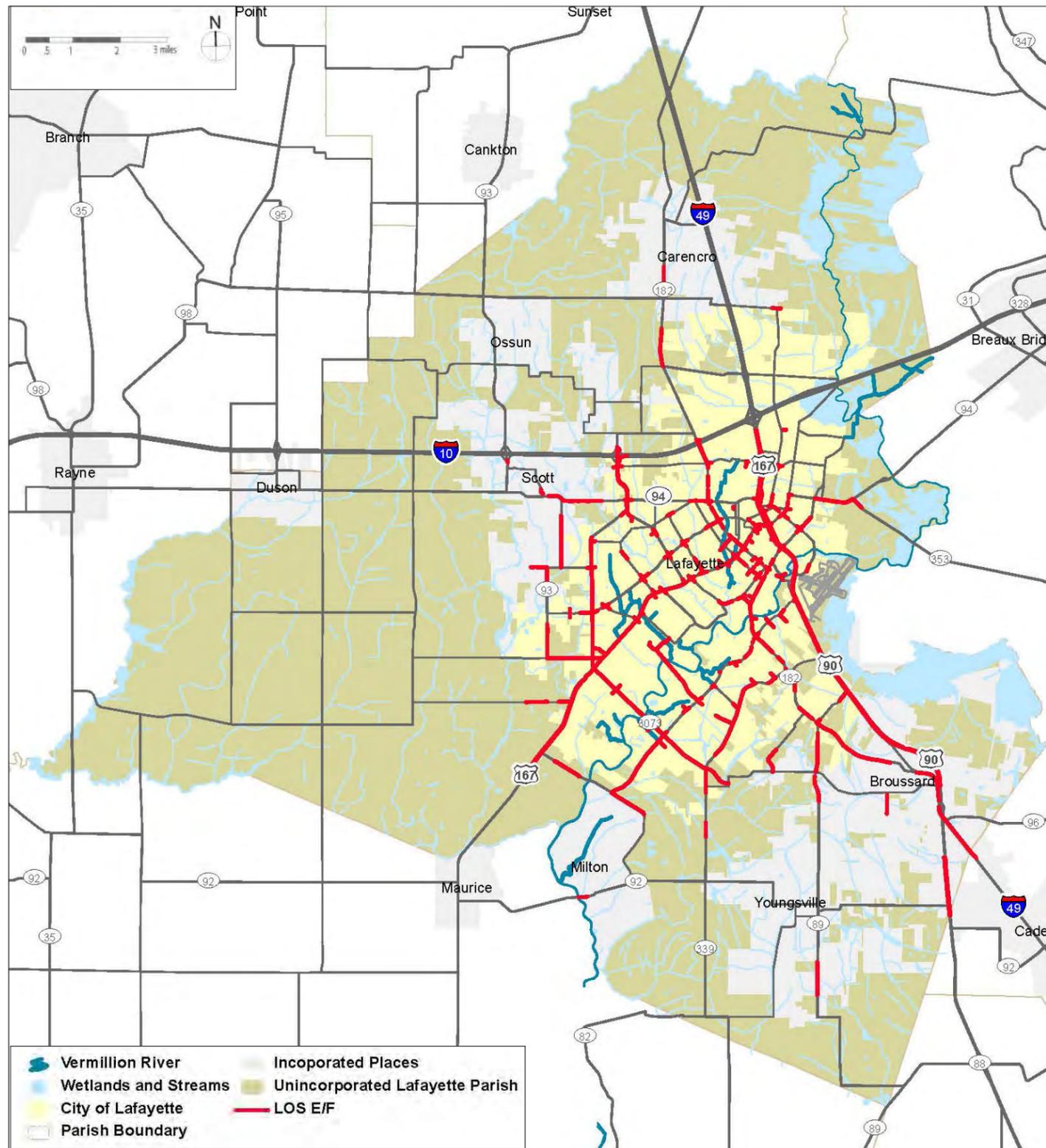


Housing Density

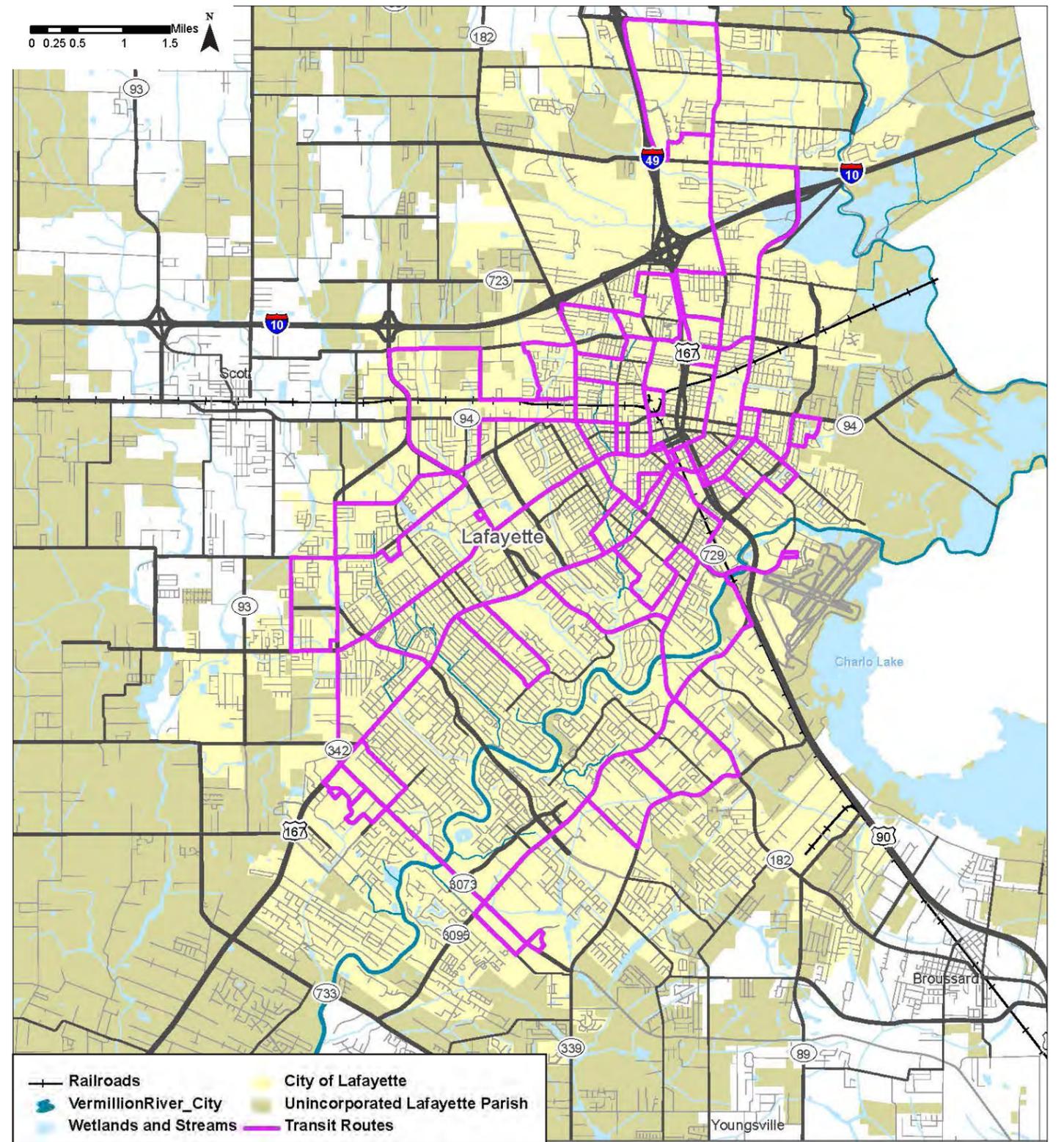


Housing Types

Existing Conditions

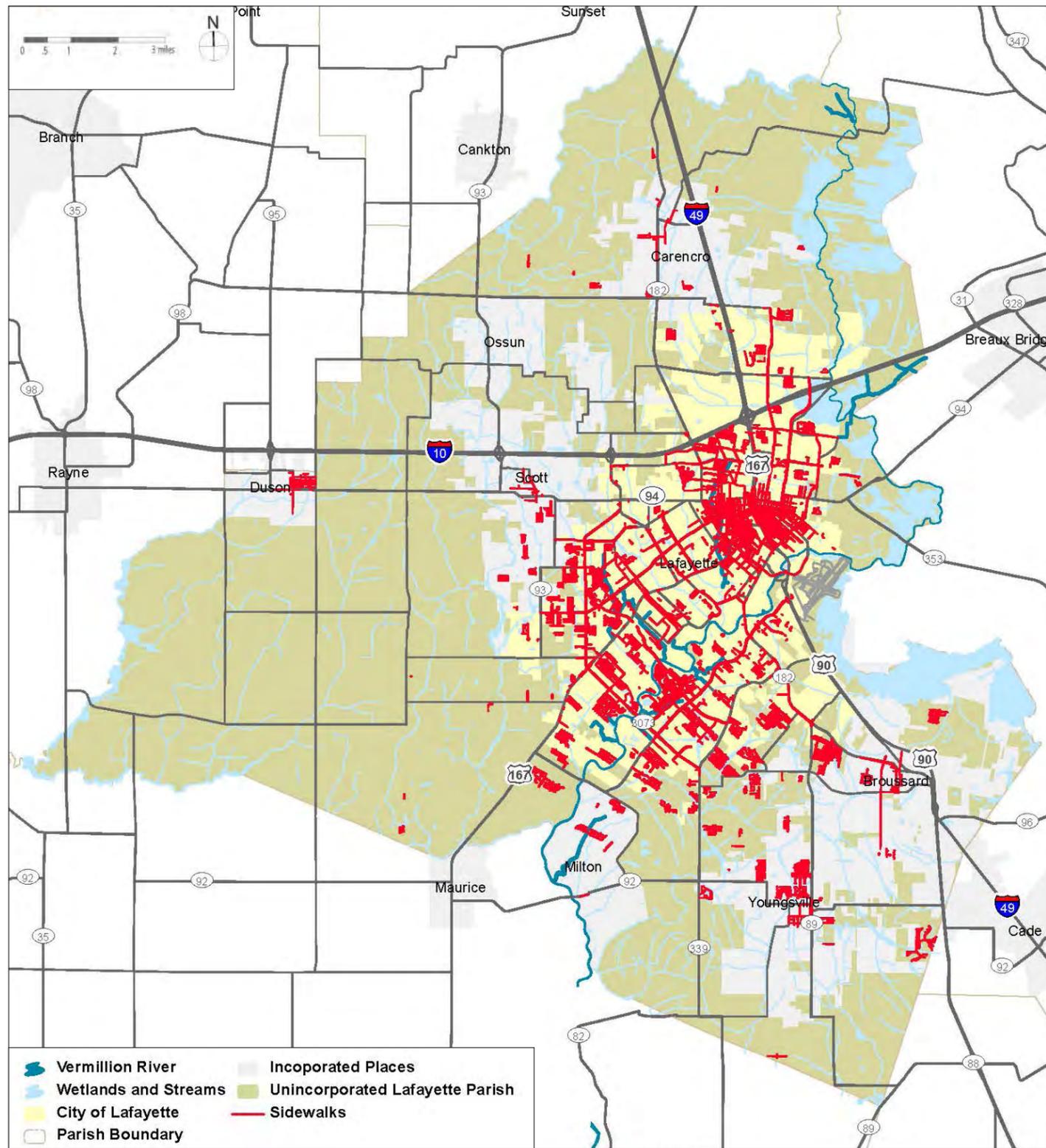


Capacity and Congestion Issues

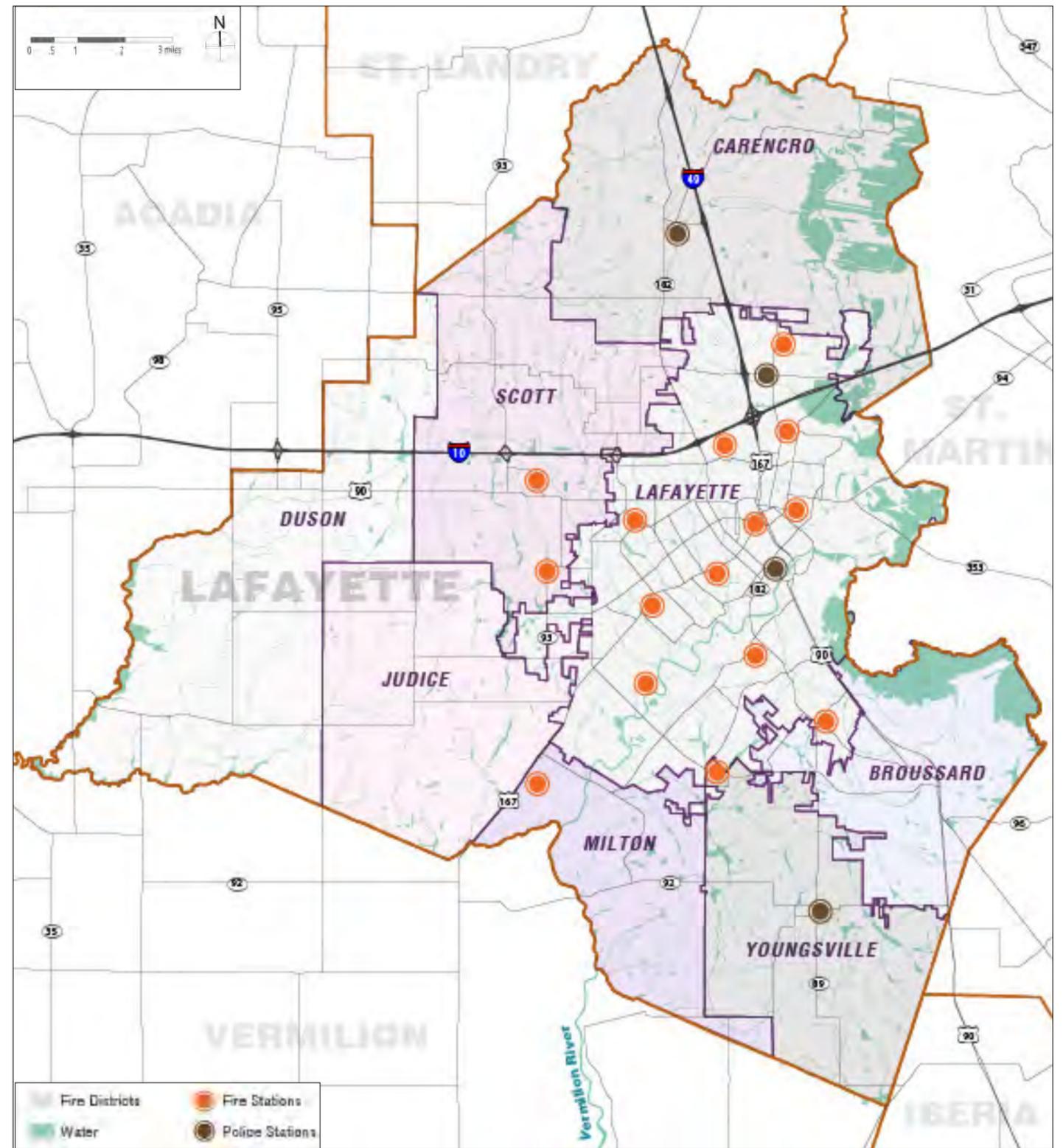


Transit Routes

Existing Conditions

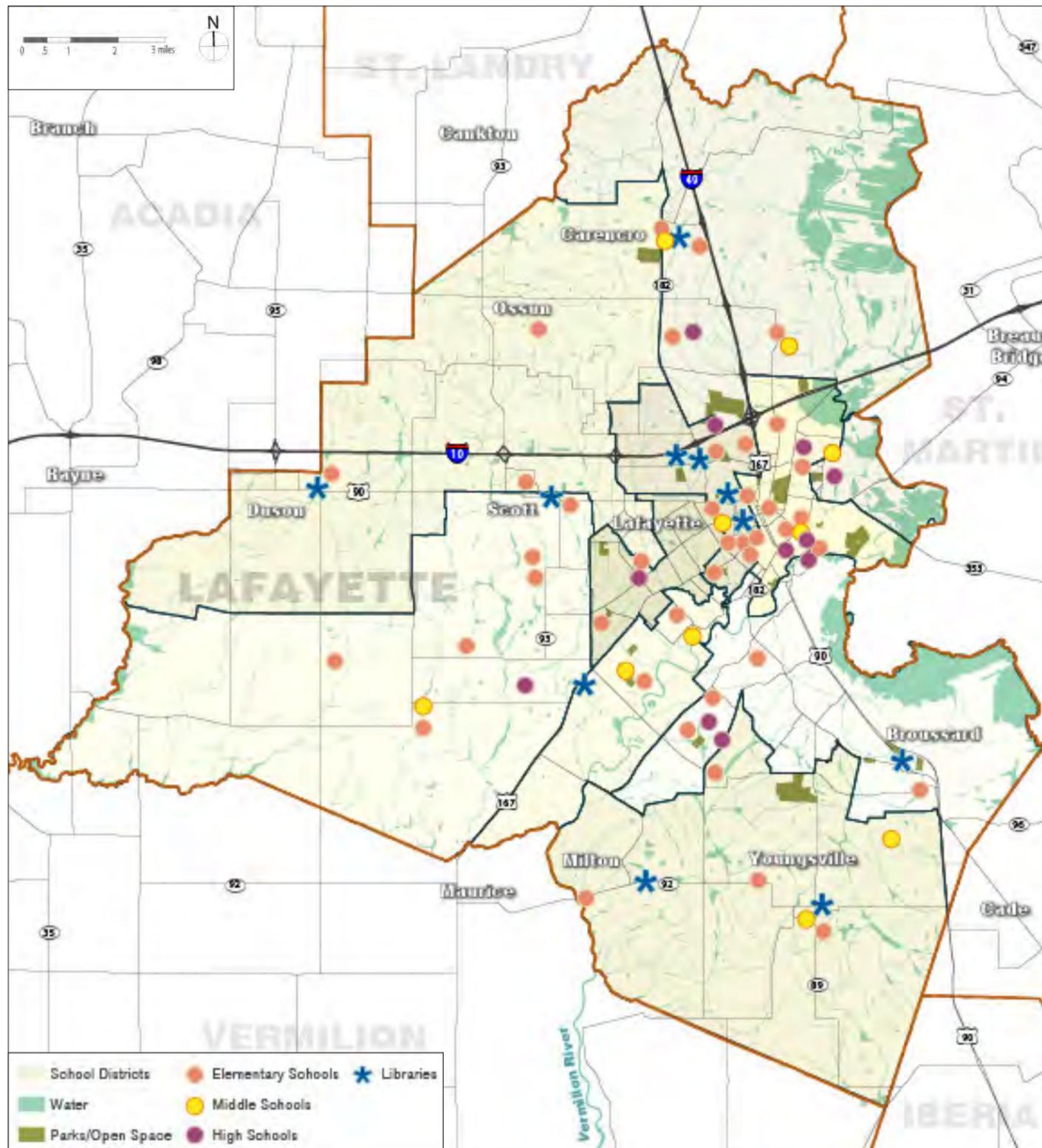


Sidewalk Coverage

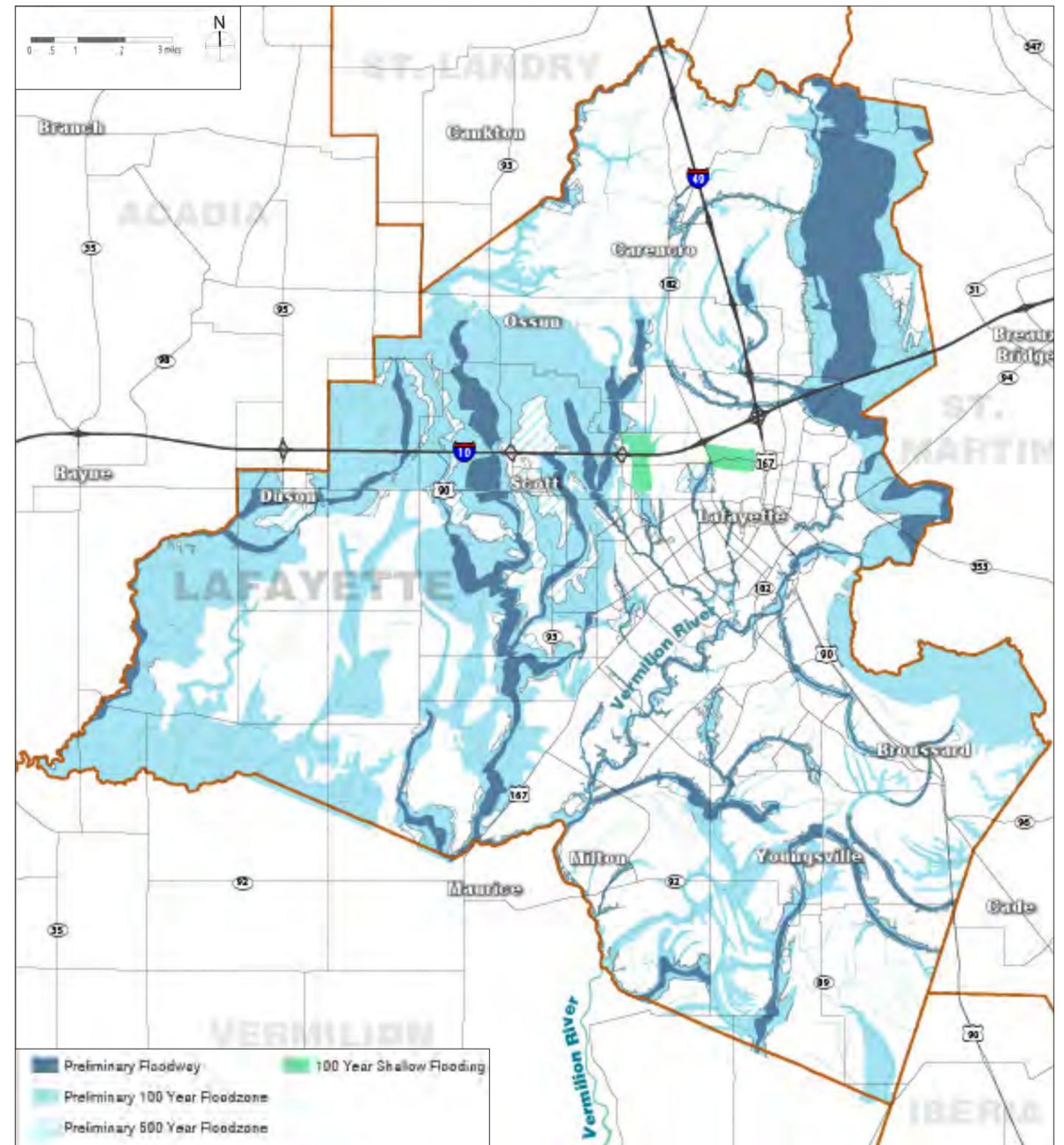


Police and Fire

Existing Conditions

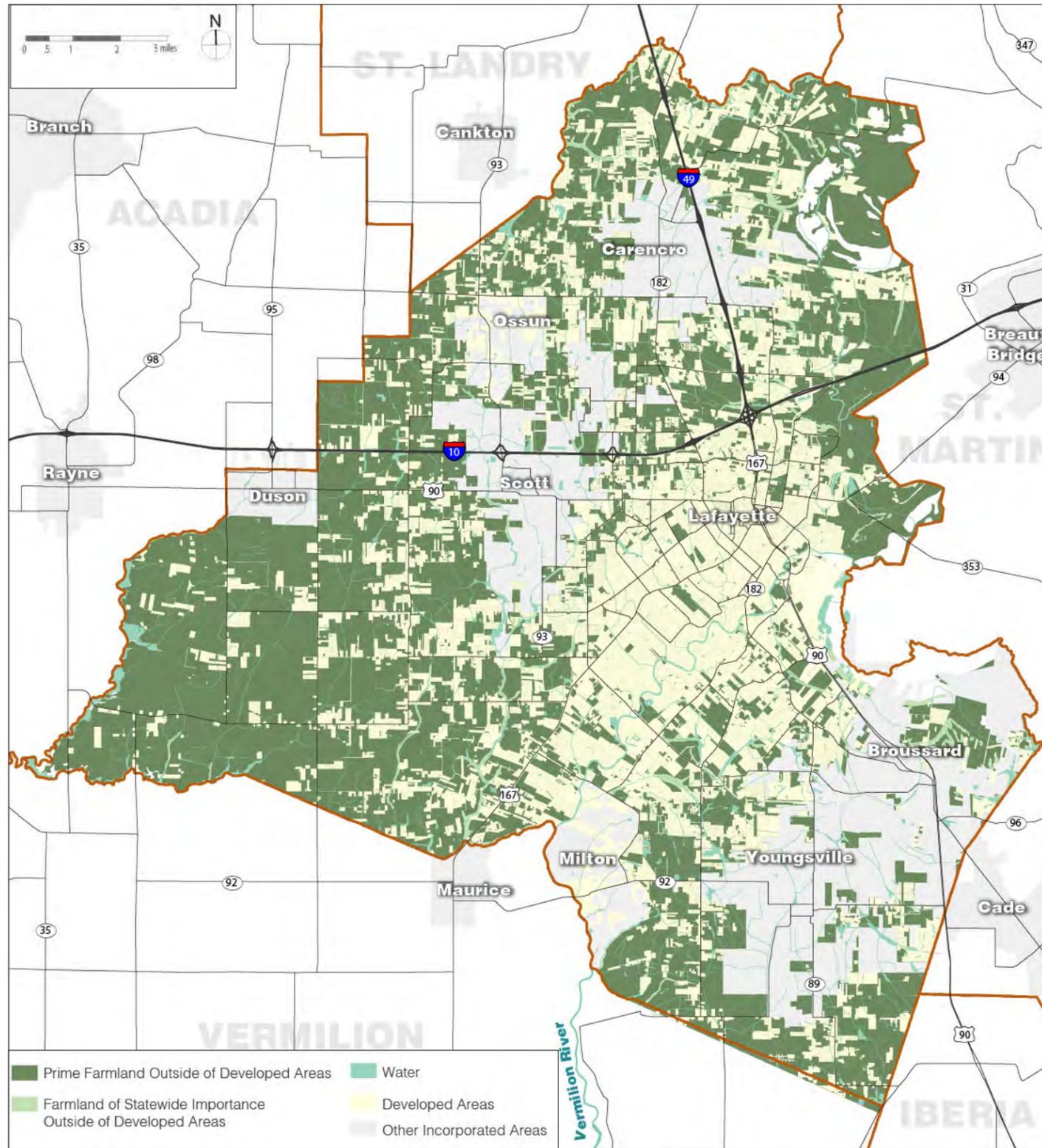


Schools

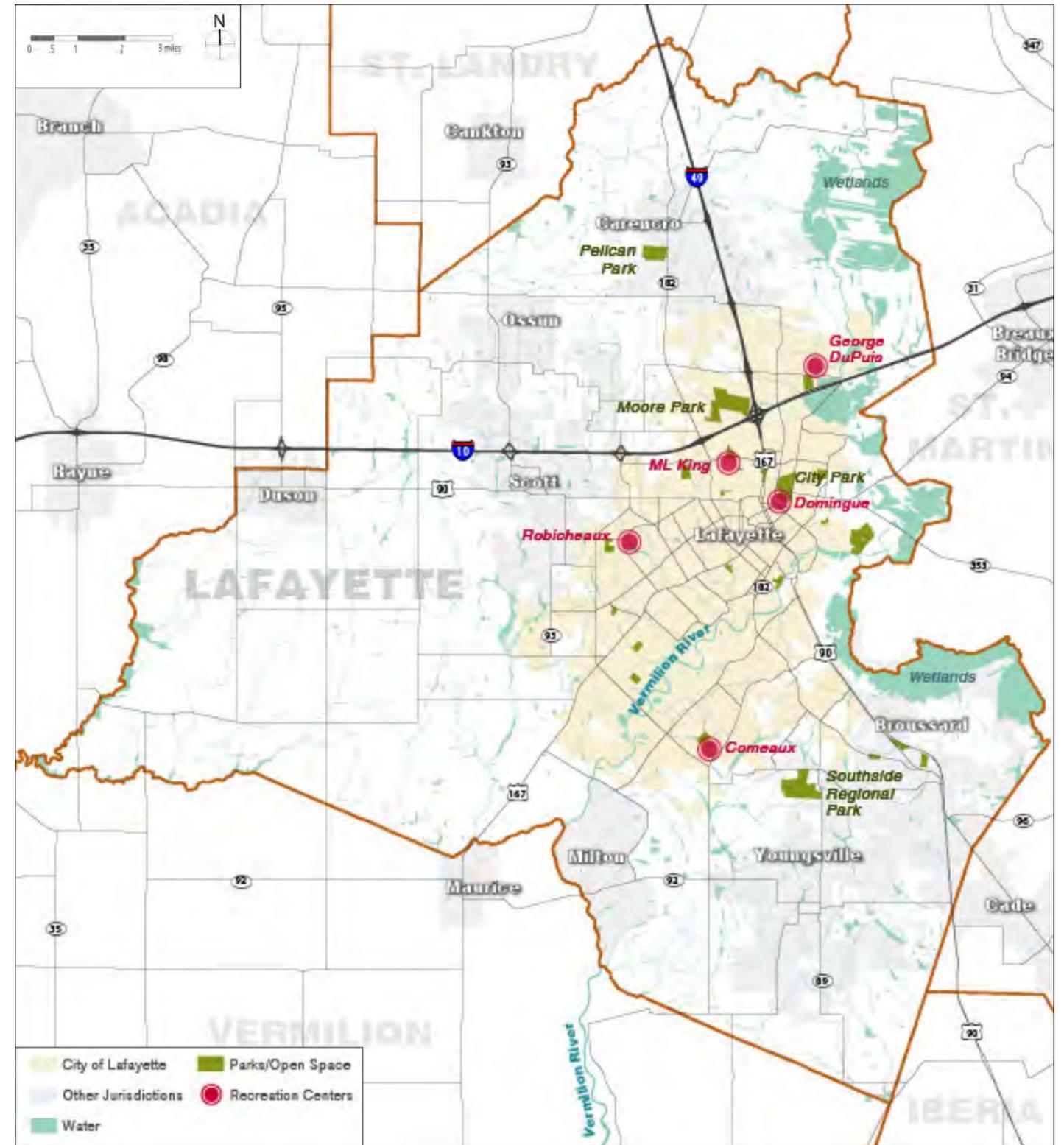


Floodzones

Existing Conditions

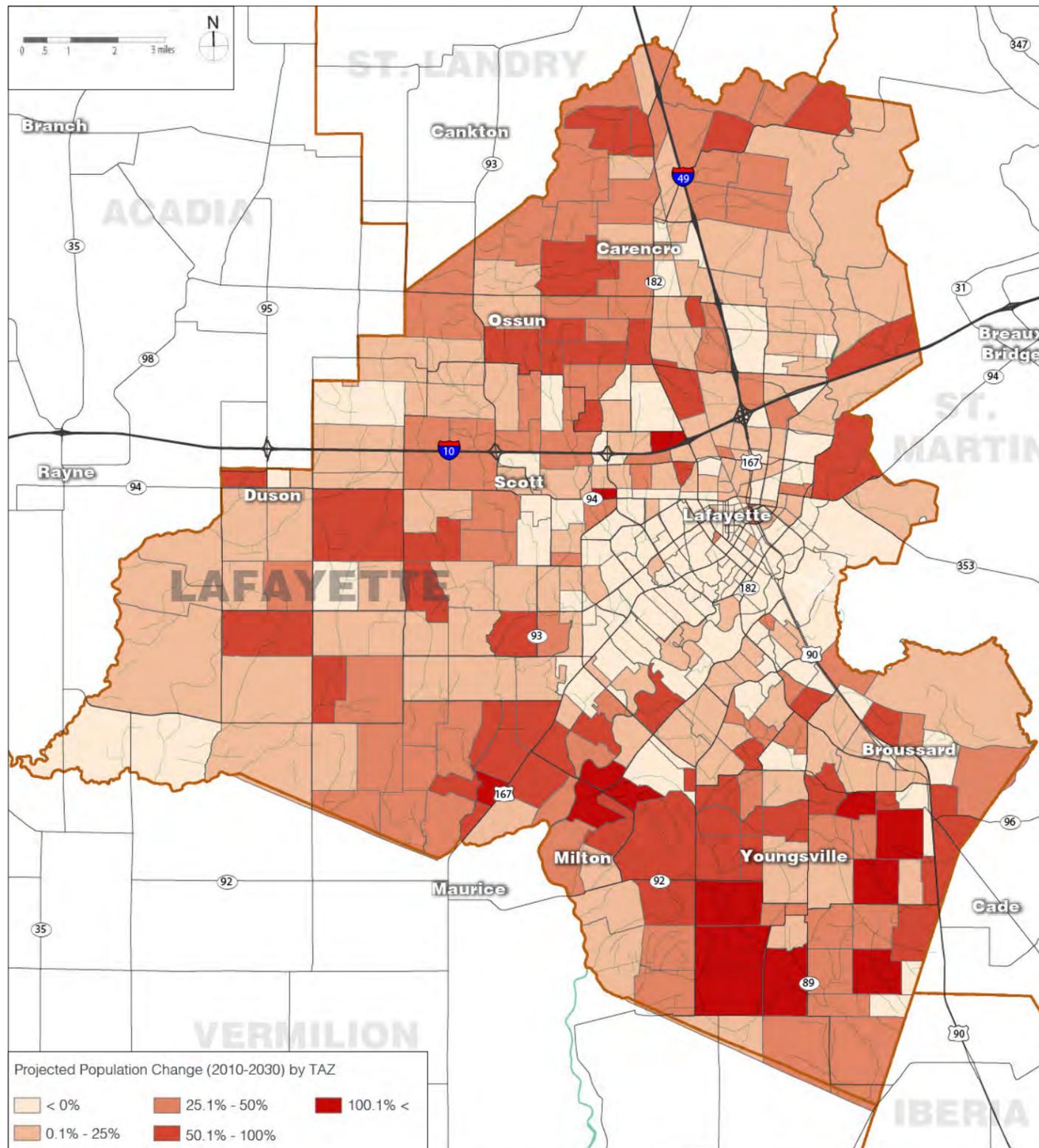


Prime Farmland



Parks and Recreation

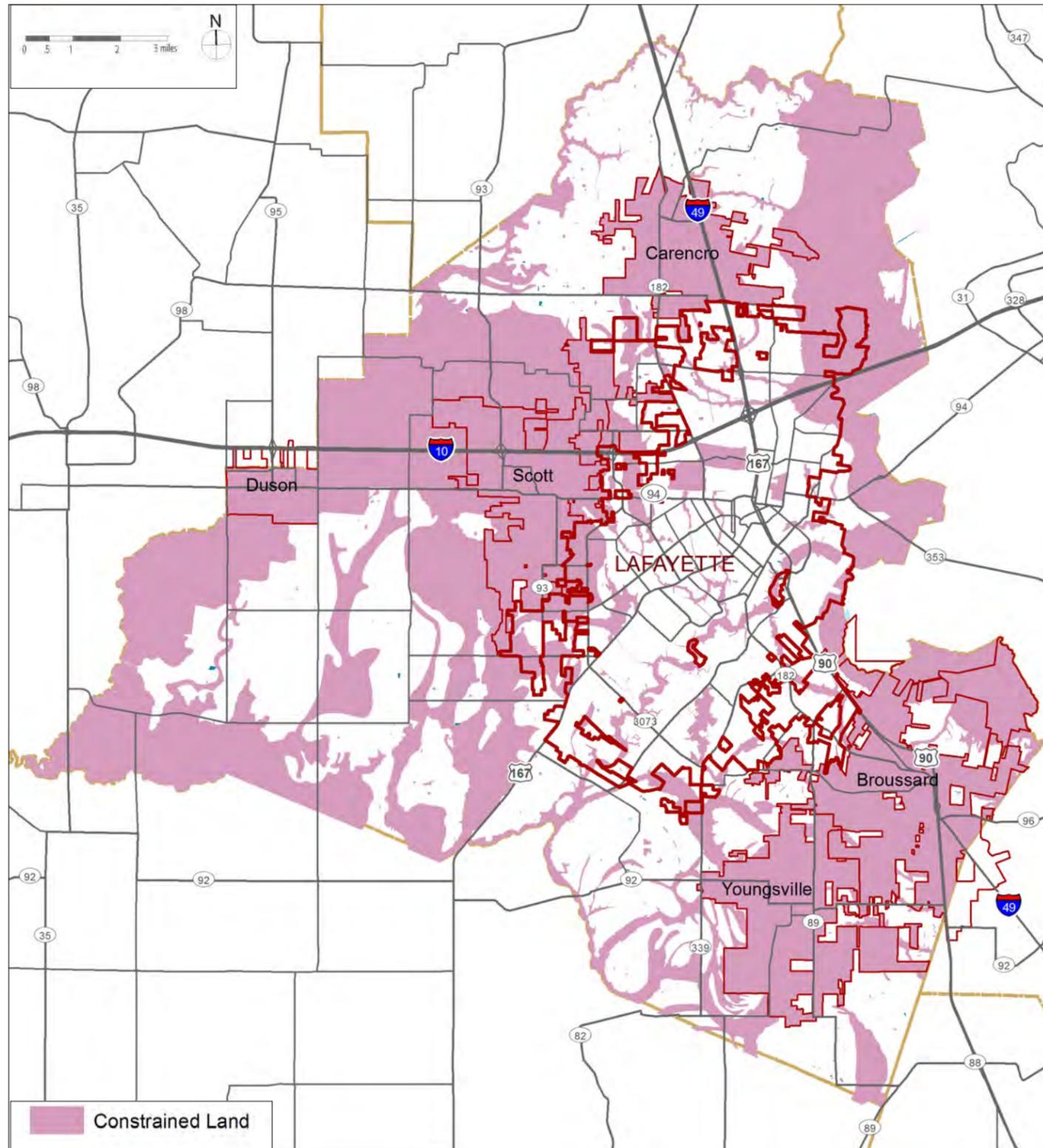
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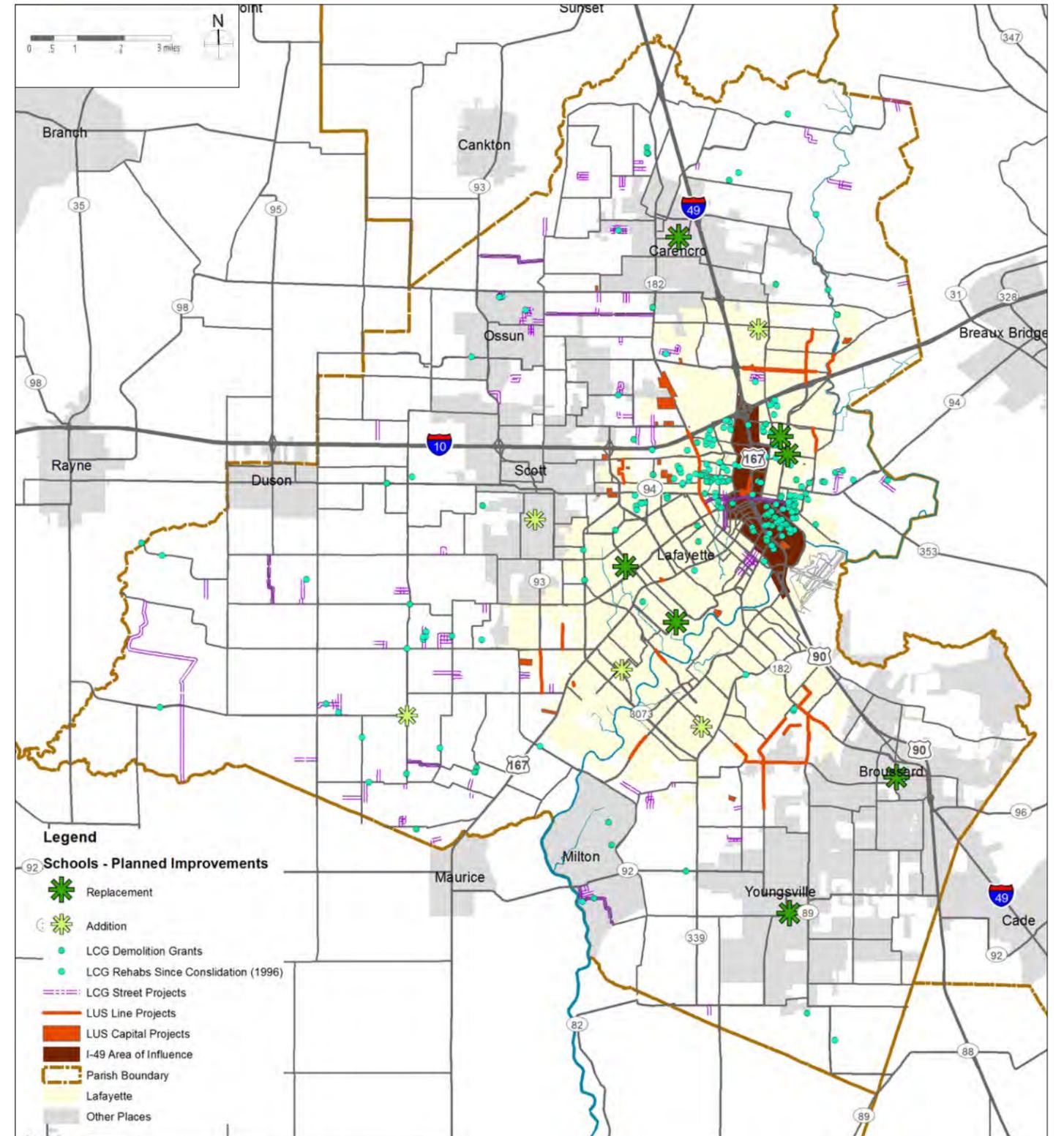
Projected Population Change (2010-2030)

Lafayette Parish Residential Projections - High Estimate (2010-2030)				
	Total		Average Annual Growth	
Population Growth	2010-2020	2020-2030	2010-2020	2020-2030
High Estimate	40,000	50,000	4,000	5,000
1990 to 2000 New Persons Permit	2.96	2.96	2.96	2.96
2000 to 2010 New Persons per Permit	2.29	2.29	2.29	2.29
New Persons per Permit 2010-2015	2.25	2.25	2.25	2.25
New Persons per Permit 2016-2020	2.20	2.20	2.20	2.20
New Persons per Permit 2021-2025	2.15	2.15	2.15	2.15
New Persons per Permit 2026-2030	2.10	2.10	2.10	2.10
New Housing Units Demanded				
High Estimate	17,980	23,533	1,798	2,353
Single Family vs. Multi Family				
Percent Single	80%	75%	80%	75%
Percent Multi	20%	25%	20%	25%
Housing Demand by Type				
High Estimate				
Single Family	14,384	17,650	1,438	1,765
Multi-Family	3,596	5,883	360	588
Allocation by Area				
Broussard	1,310	1,714	131	171
Carencro	814	1,065	81	106
Duson	57	74	6	7
Lafayette (City)	5,998	7,850	600	785
Scott	430	563	43	56
Youngville	2,380	3,115	238	311
Unincorporated Parish	6,992	9,151	699	915
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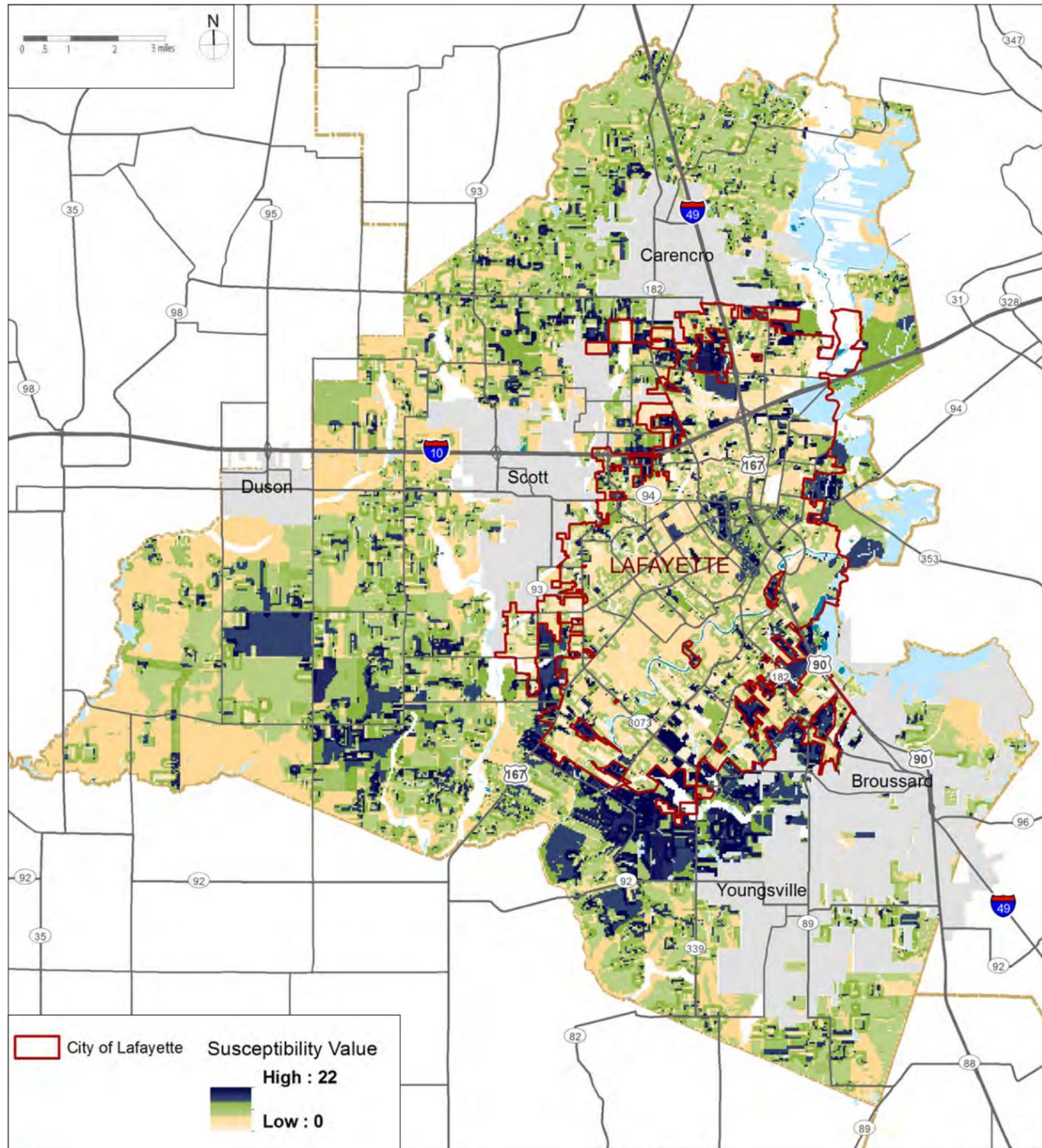


Constrained Land

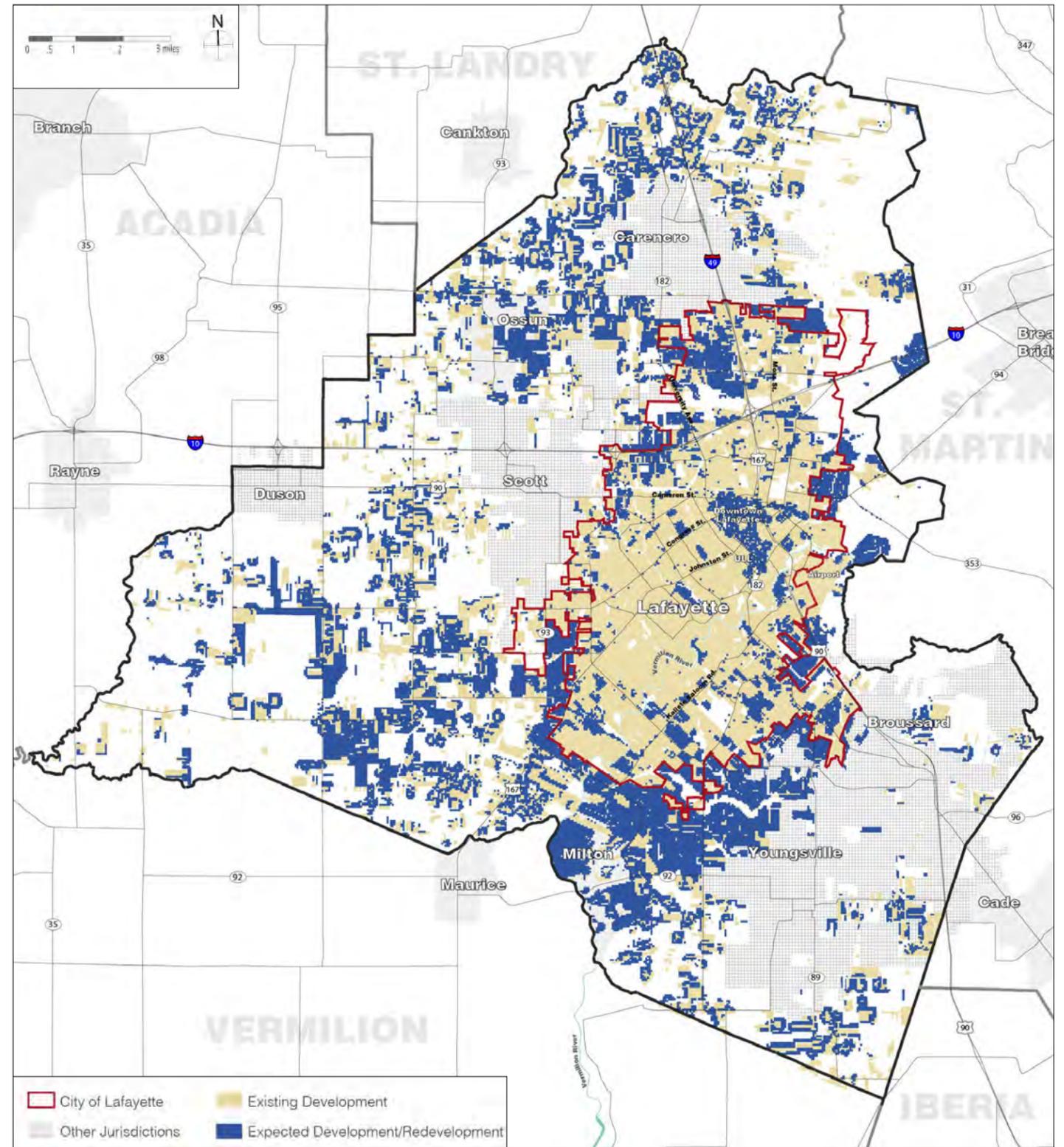


Factors for Change

Constrained Land/ Factors for Change



Susceptibility to Development



Trend Scenario

Susceptibility to Development / Trend Scenario