



Ulster County Agricultural & Farmland Protection Board

2023 Agricultural
District Inclusions

May 30, 2023

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Article 25AA, Section 303-b (2)

...the county agricultural and farmland protection board, which shall...report to the county legislative body its recommendations as to whether the land to be included in the agricultural district consists predominantly of "viable agricultural land" as defined in subdivision seven of section three hundred one of this article **and** the inclusion of such land would serve the public interest by assisting in maintaining a viable agricultural industry within the district;

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Article 25AA Definitions

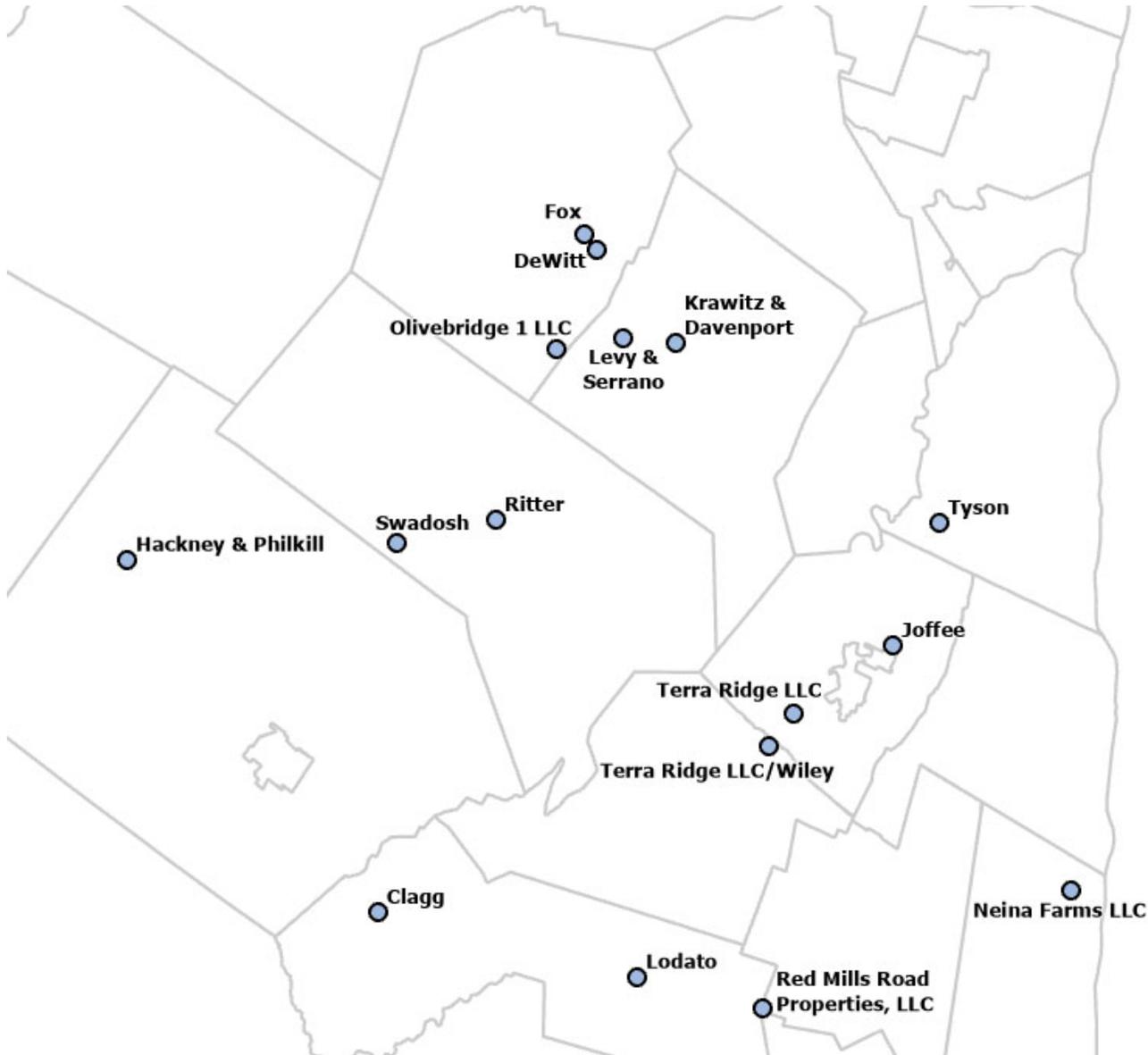
301-(7) “ ‘Viable agricultural land’ means land highly suitable for a farm operation” as defined in 301-(11).

301-(11) “Farm operation” means the land and on-farm buildings, equipment, manure processing and handling facilities, and practices which contribute to the production, preparation and marketing of crops, livestock and livestock products as a commercial enterprise, including a “commercial horse boarding operation” as defined in subdivision thirteen of this section, a "timber operation" as defined in subdivision fourteen of this section, "compost, mulch or other biomass crops" as defined in subdivision seventeen of this section and "commercial equine operation“ as defined in subdivision eighteen of this section. Such farm operation may consist of one or more parcels of owned or rented land, which parcels may be contiguous or noncontiguous to each other.

New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets Guidance Concerning Annual Inclusions to Agricultural and Farmland Protection Boards

“The statutory definition of ‘farm operation’ does not require minimum acreage and income thresholds for most operations. Many viable farm operations are conducted on limited acreage (e.g., greenhouses, poultry and aquaculture); as well as on marginal lands (e.g., farmed deer on steep slopes and non-prime soils, etc.). Much of the land in a county could, therefore, be considered ‘highly suitable for a farm operation.’ Farm operations are much more than their land base, however; they rely on their owners and operators, including the ideas, skills and investment they bring, to become and remain viable.”

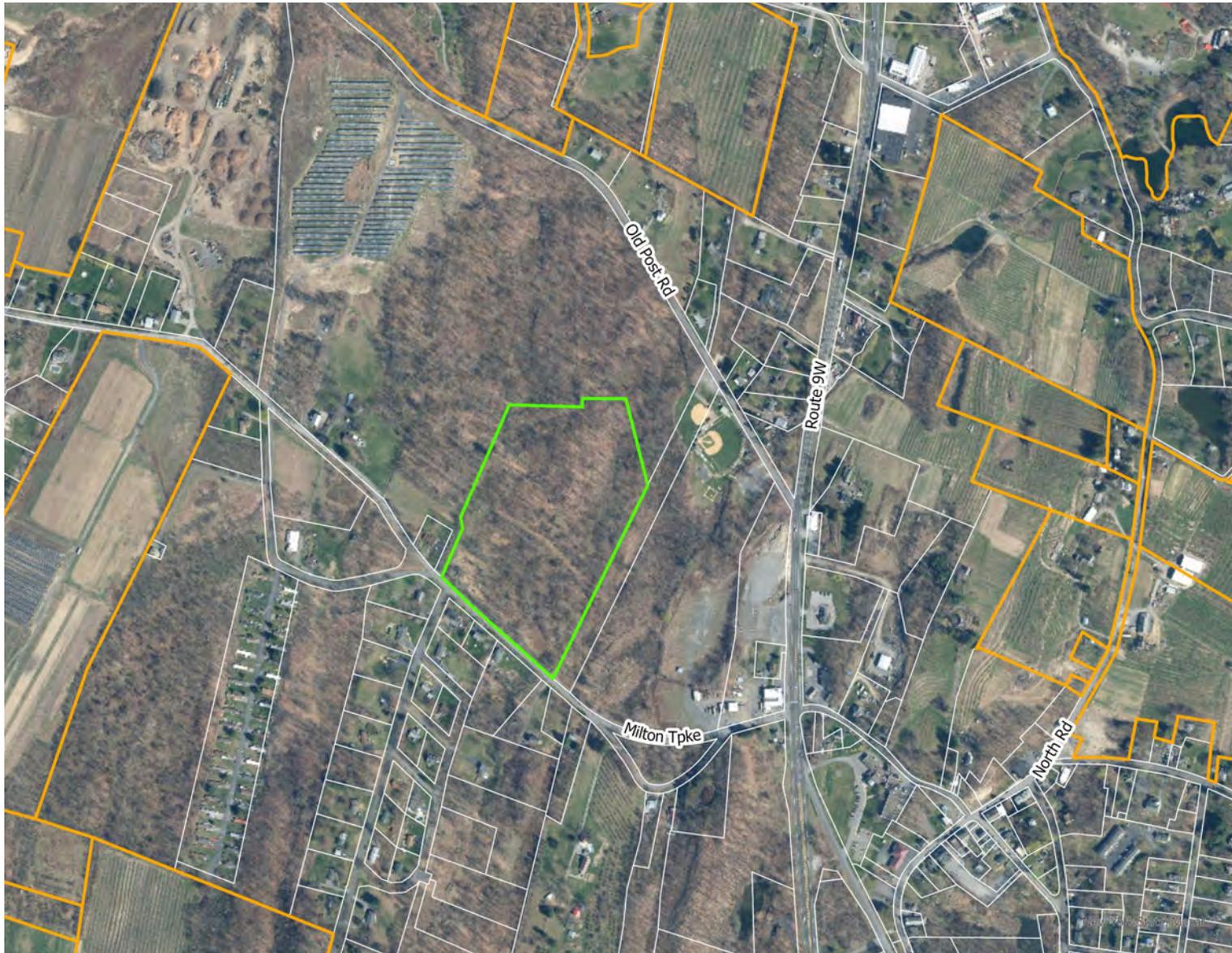
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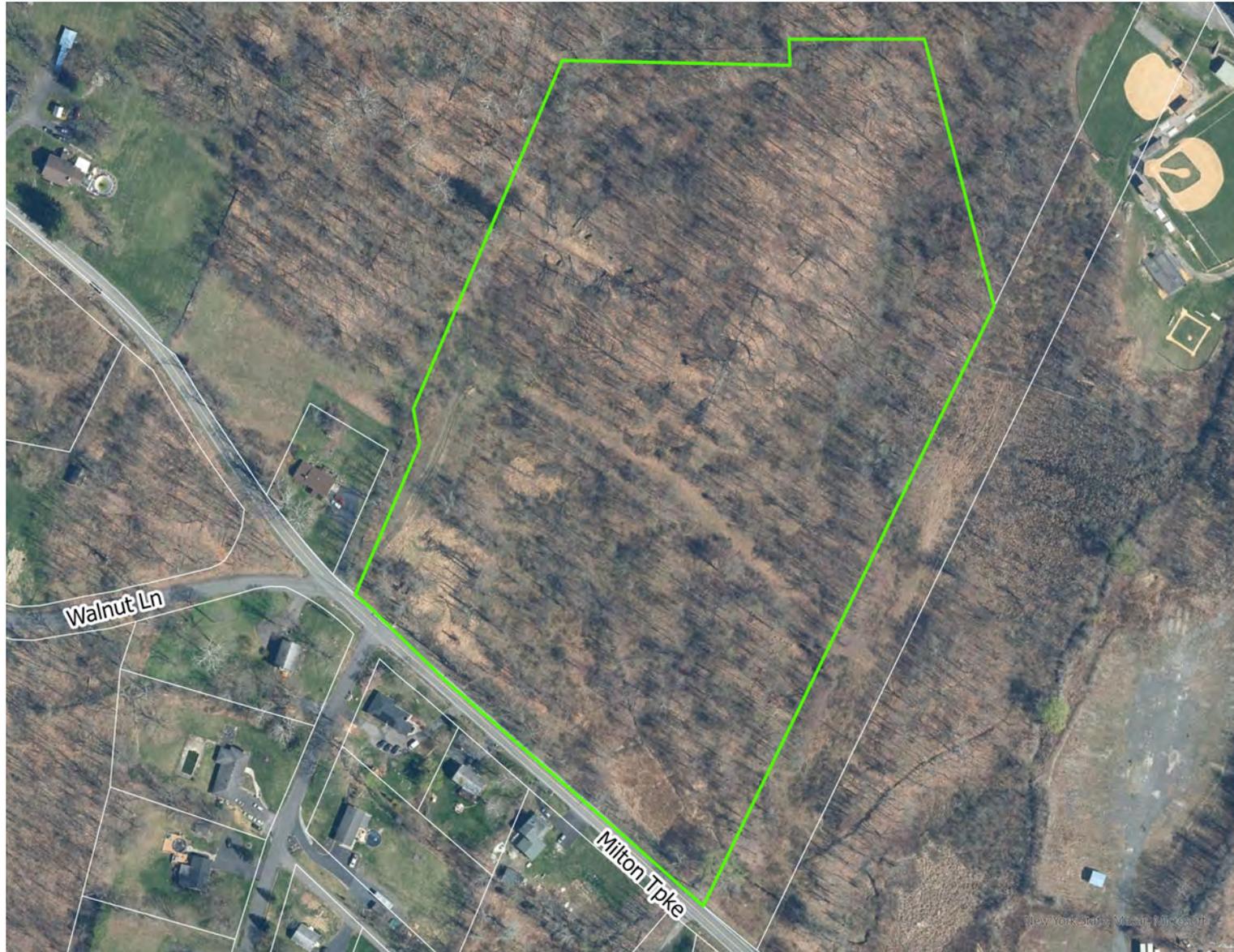
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1 parcel – 19 acres

Neina Farms

- Greenhouses for mums (planned)
- Squash/pumpkins, melons, Christmas trees (planned)

Neina Farms LLC – Marlborough 1 parcel – 19 acres



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Plans to preserve remains of stone house

Neina Farms LLC – Marlborough

1 parcel – 19 acres

- R-1 Residential Zoning
 - Agricultural uses with a minimum parcel size of 10 acres are principal permitted uses
- §115 – Right to Farm
- Prime and Important Soils
 - Cd – Canandaigua silt loam, till substratum
 - MgB – Mardin-Nassau complex
 - VoB – Volusia gravelly silt loam
- Hamlet of Milton

Joffe – Town of New Paltz 1 parcel – 3 acres



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Rancho Dar a Luz

- [Ulster County Horse Council](#)
 - Horses part of Ulster County Horse Council's events and educational programs

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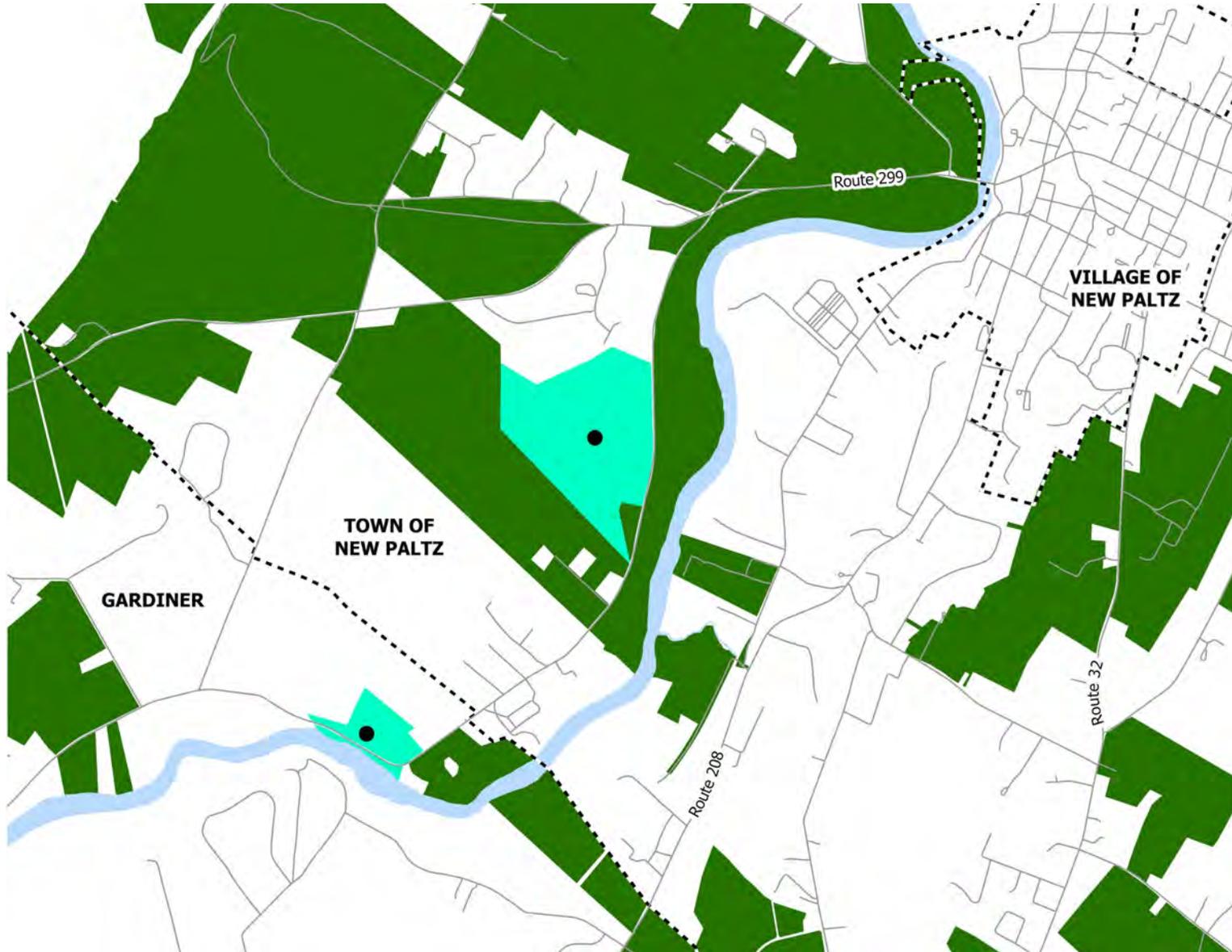


Joffe – Town of New Paltz

1 parcel – 3 acres

- R-1 Residence Zoning
 - Agriculture, not including the keeping of fowl or farm animals are permitted by right
 - Stables for horses for non-commercial purposes permitted with site plan review
- Prime and Important Soils
 - MgB – Mardin-Nassau complex

Terra Ridge LLC/Wiley – Gardiner/New Paltz 3 parcels – 157.5 acres



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Terra Ridge LLC/Wiley – Gardiner/New Paltz

3 parcels – 157.5 acres

Terra Ridge

Gardiner (2 parcels, 25.8 acres)

- Farm manager office and storage (under construction)
- Hogs (planned)
- Sheep (planned)
 - Pasture and Silvopasture

New Paltz (1 parcel, 131.7 acres)

- Christmas trees (planned)
- Maple sap (exploring)
- Land for silvopasture if needed
- 480-A program (Christmas trees and maple sap ineligible for this tax exemption)

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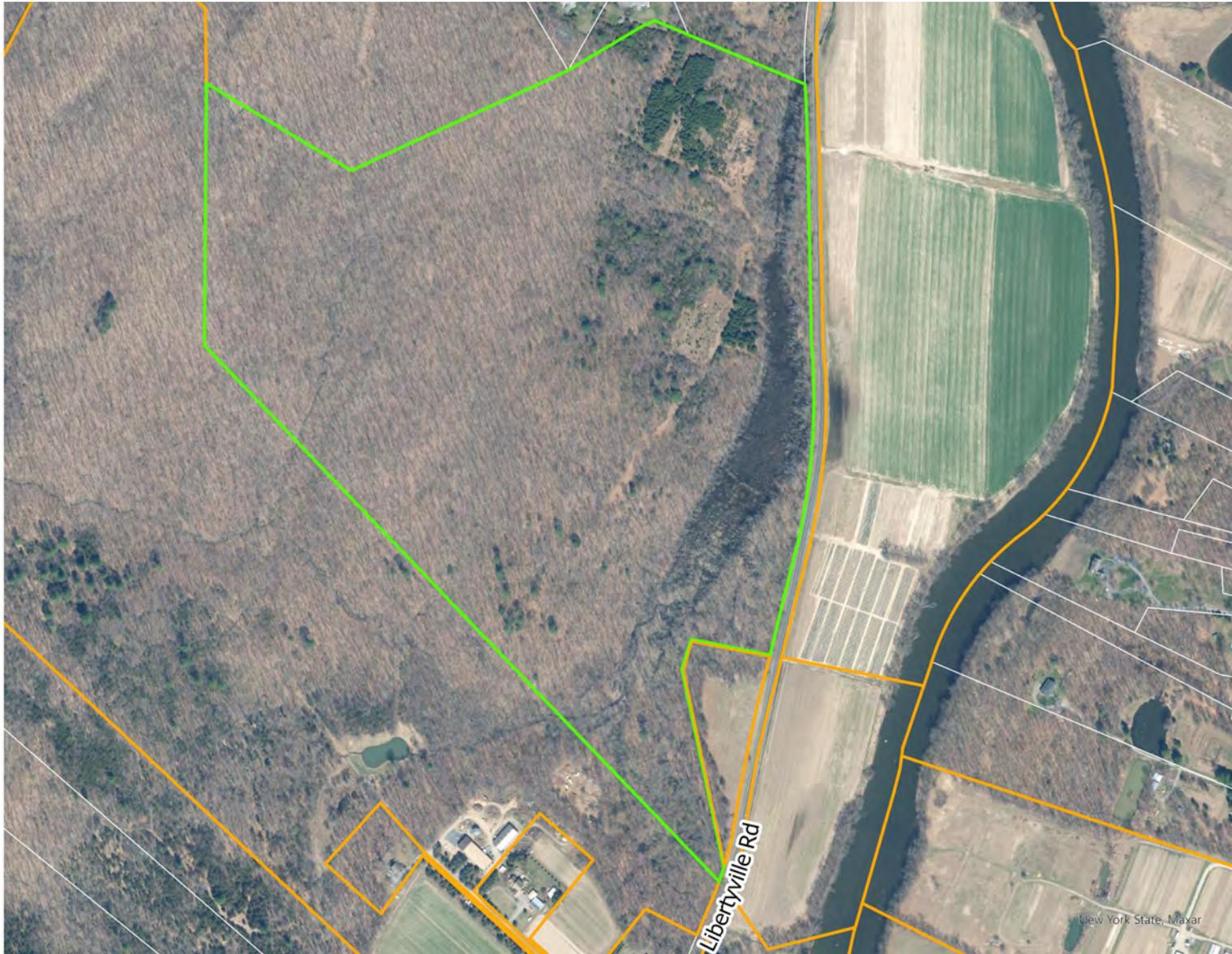
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Terra Ridge LLC/Wiley – Gardiner/New Paltz

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Gardiner (2 parcels, 25.8 acres)

RA Rural Agricultural Zoning

- Agriculture permitted by right
- §220-37 (Protection of Agriculture)
 - Farm operations have fewer dimensional requirements (setbacks, building heights, etc)

New Paltz (1 parcel, 131.7 acres)

A-1.5 Agricultural and FF Flood Fringe Zoning

- A-1.5 Zone: crop and livestock agriculture permitted by right.
- FF Zone: crop agriculture permitted by right; livestock agriculture permitted by site plan review.

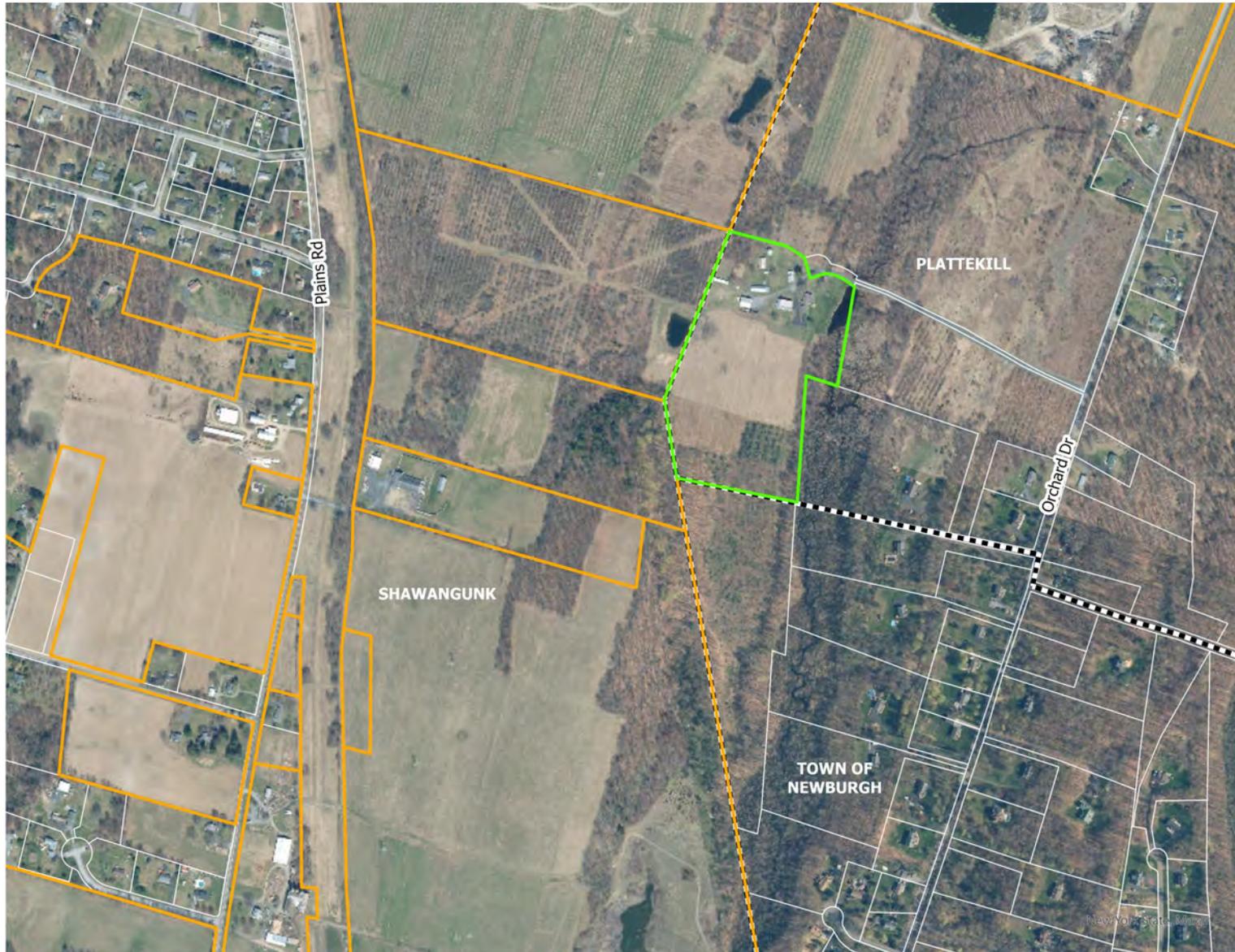
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1 parcel – 16.9 acres



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Orchard Mill Farm

- Chickens, sheep, goats (planned)
- Apple orchard restoration
- Aquaculture (planned)
- Construction of storage facility

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Orchard on neighboring farm

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1 parcel – 16.9 acres

- AG-1.5 Agricultural Zoning
 - “Agricultural land uses, building and activities, including the growing of field, truck and tree crops, dairying, livestock raising, low-density poultry raising, and similar agricultural uses” are principal permitted uses
- Prime and Important Soils
 - BnC – Bath-Nassau complex
 - MgB – Mardin-Nassau Complex
 - VoB – Volusia gravelly silt loam

Lodato – Shawangunk

1 parcel – 20.1 acres



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Rents to [Vandermark Farm](#)

- Hay

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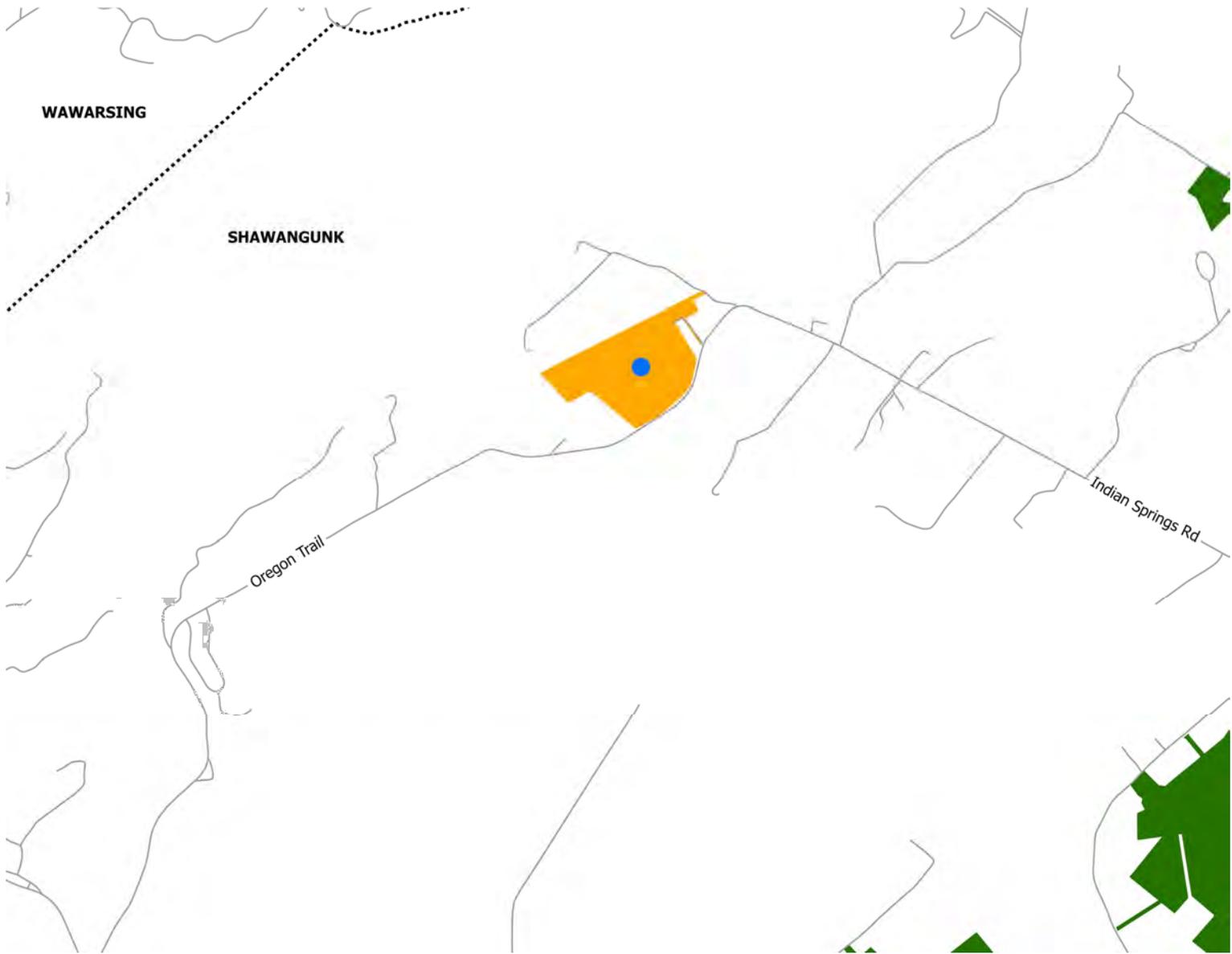
Lodato – Shawangunk

1 parcel – 20.1 acres

- R-AG-4 Residential-Agricultural Zoning
 - Agricultural uses and structures are principal permitted uses
- Prime and Important Soils
 - Ma – Madalin silty clay loam
 - RhA, RhB – Rhinebeck silt loam
- Hamlet of Wallkill

Clagg – Shawangunk

1 parcel – 57.6 acres



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Clagg Cattle Company – Pine Bush

- Cattle (Longhorns)
 - Cattle broker
- Horses, mini-horses, goats
- Chickens
 - Egg production (planned)

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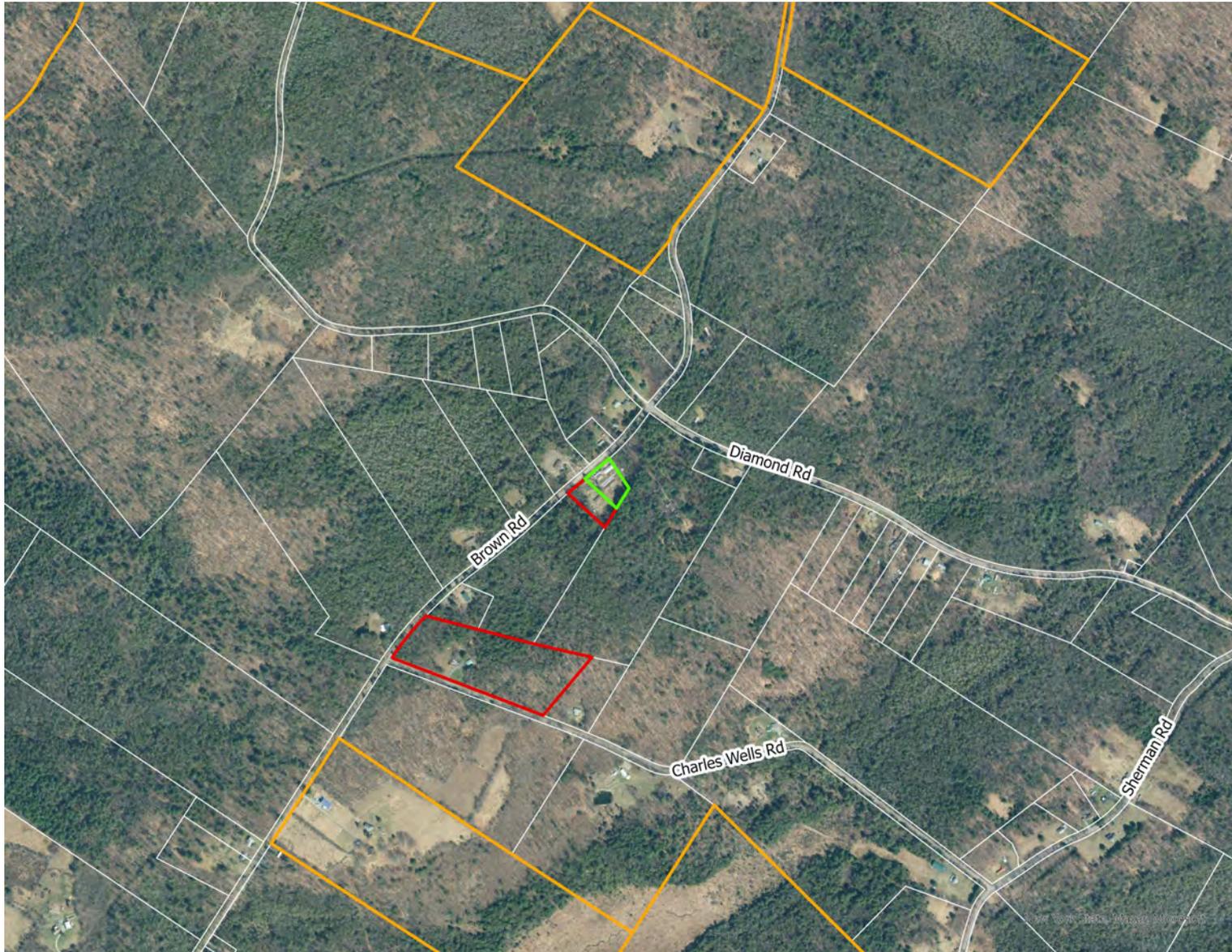
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- R-AG-3 Residential-Agricultural Zoning
 - Agricultural uses are principal permitted uses
 - The keeping of horses and cows shall not be at a density greater than 1 animal per acre.
 - Noncommercial use of fowl have restrictions of 20 per acre.
- Prime and Important Soils
 - At – Atherton silt loam
 - HgB – Hoosic gravelly loam
 - SwB – Swartswood stony fine sandy loam
- Pine Bush mailing address

Hackney & Philkill – Wawarsing 1 parcel – 1.5 acres



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1 parcel – 1.5 acres

Flowering Sun Ecology Center

- CSA (vegetables)
- Vegetables, greens, herbs, berries
 - Cabbage, spinach, Swiss chard, broccoli, garlic, cucumbers, tomatoes, collards, strawberries
- Mushrooms
 - Oysters, lion's mane, shitake
- Ornamentals
- Agricultural production on additional properties along Brown Rd and Charles Wells Rd

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Different farm near facility on Charles Wells Rd

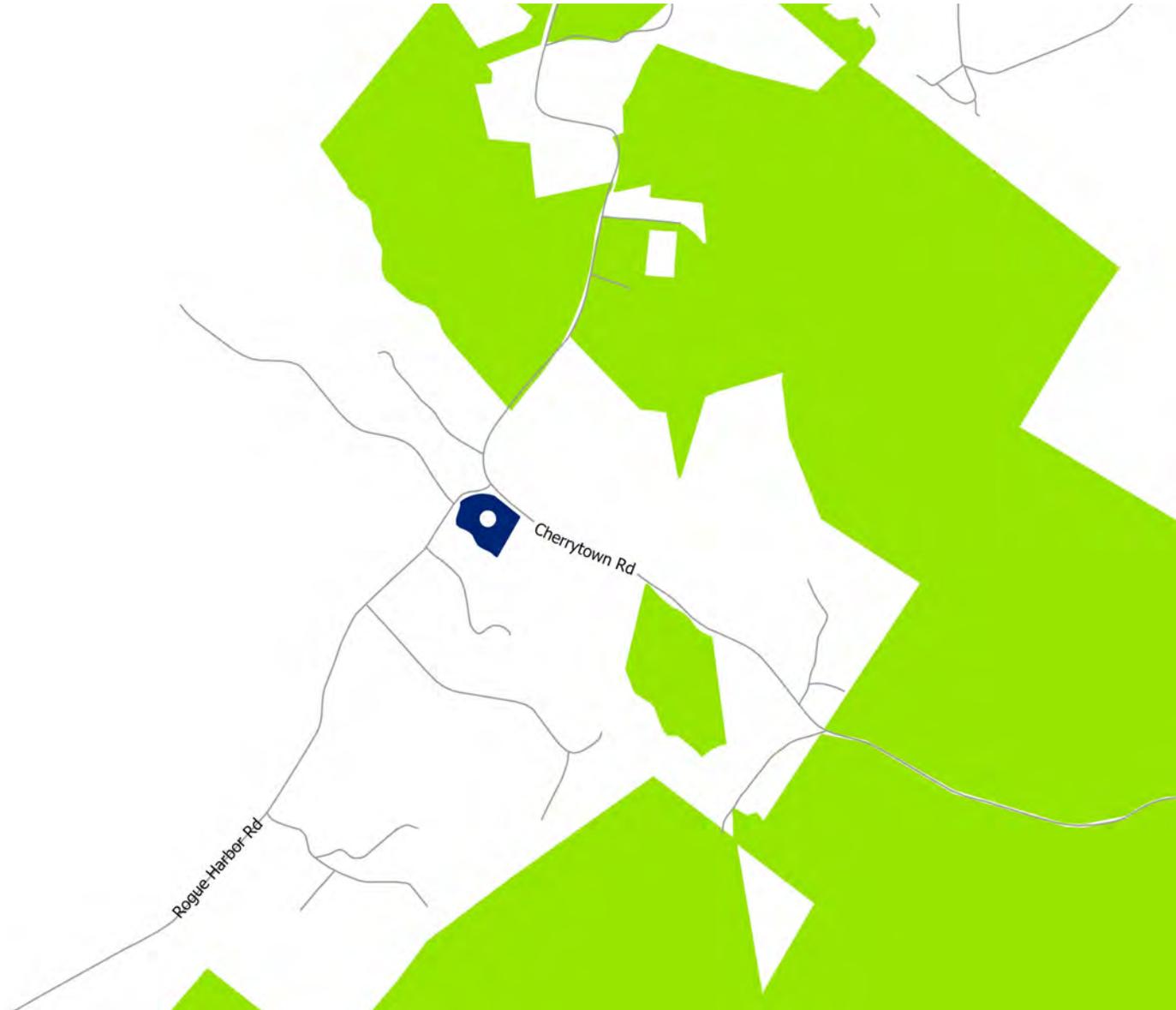
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- RU Rural Zoning
 - Agricultural uses are principal permitted uses
- Ellenville mailing address

Swadosh – Town of Rochester

1 parcel – 3.2 acres



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Muddy Farm

- Lettuce, parsley broccoli, squash
- Oats, rye, buckwheat as cover crops
- Storage and additional space for agricultural production elsewhere in Ulster County

Swadosh – Town of Rochester

1 parcel – 3.2 acres



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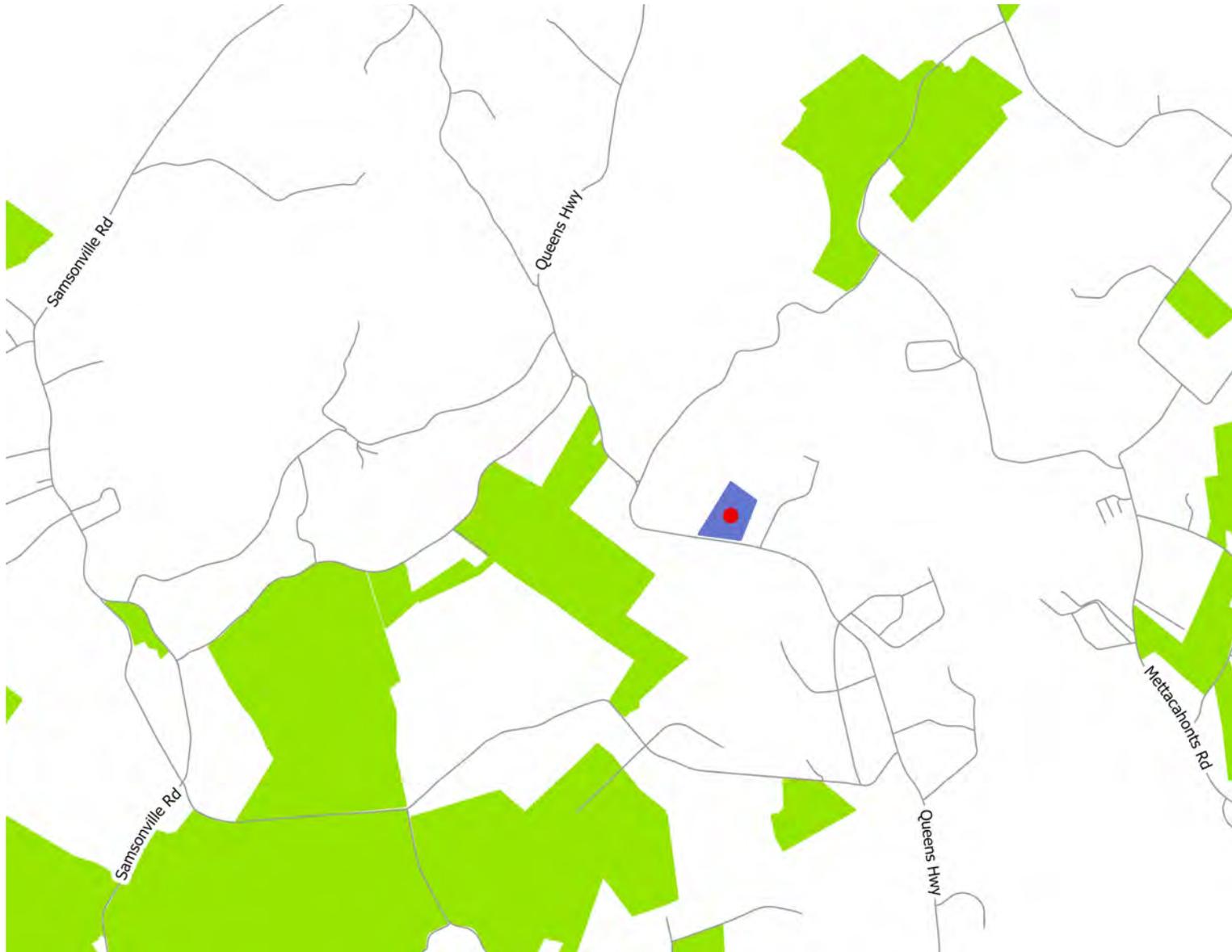
Swadosh – Town of Rochester

1 parcel – 3.2 acres

- R-2 Low-Density Residential Zoning
 - Agriculture involving animals requires site plan review.
 - Agriculture not involving animals is permitted by right.
- Prime and Important Soils
 - HgB – Hoosic gravelly loam
 - WsB – Williamson silt loam
- Hamlet of Kerhonkson

Ritter – Town of Rochester

2 parcels – 9 acres



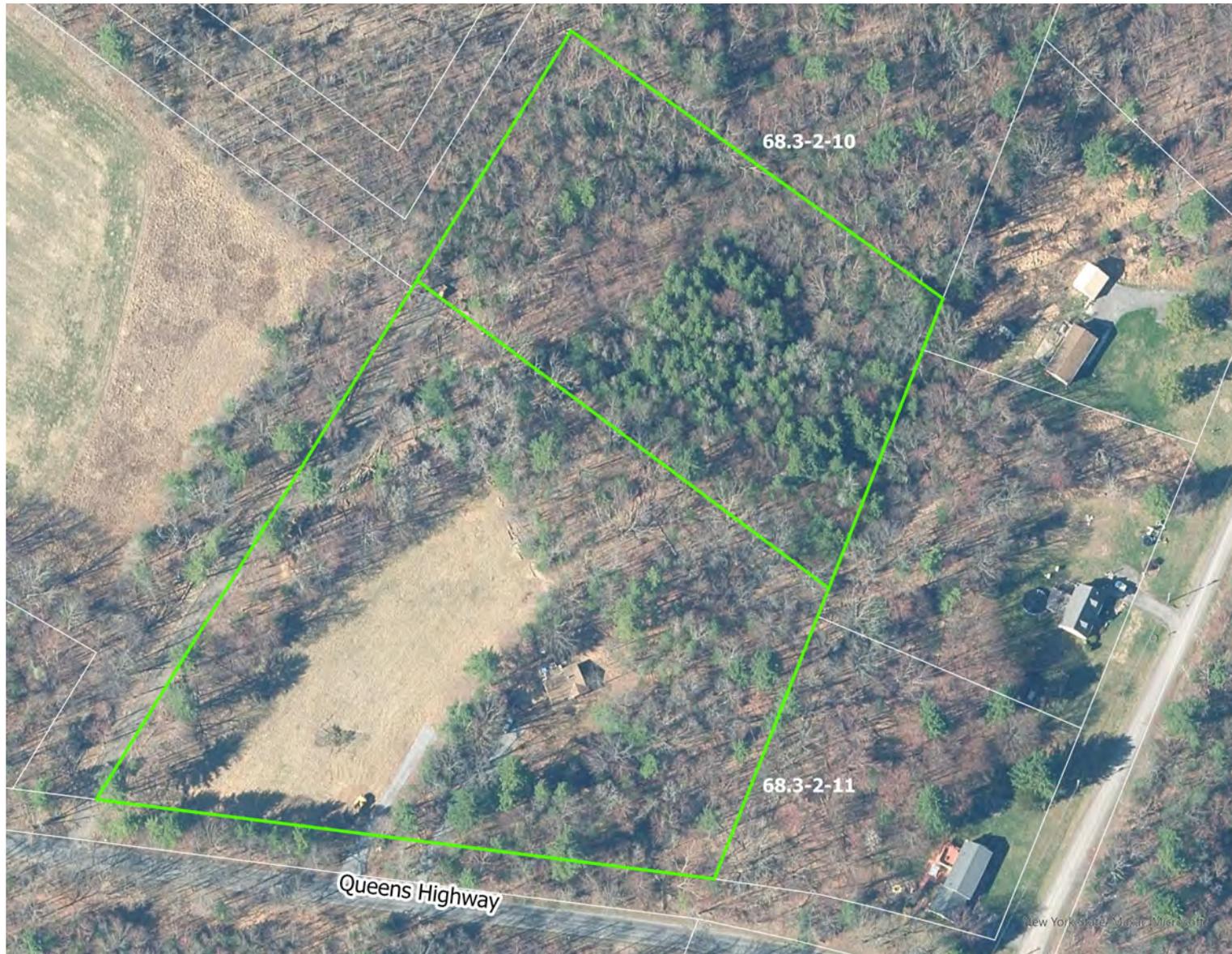
Ritter – Town of Rochester

2 parcels – 9 acres



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Sea Change Flower Farm

- Flowers
 - Tulips, bupleurum, love-in-a-mist, daffodils, hydrangeas, echinacea
- Ornamental grasses

Ritter – Town of Rochester

2 parcels – 9 acres



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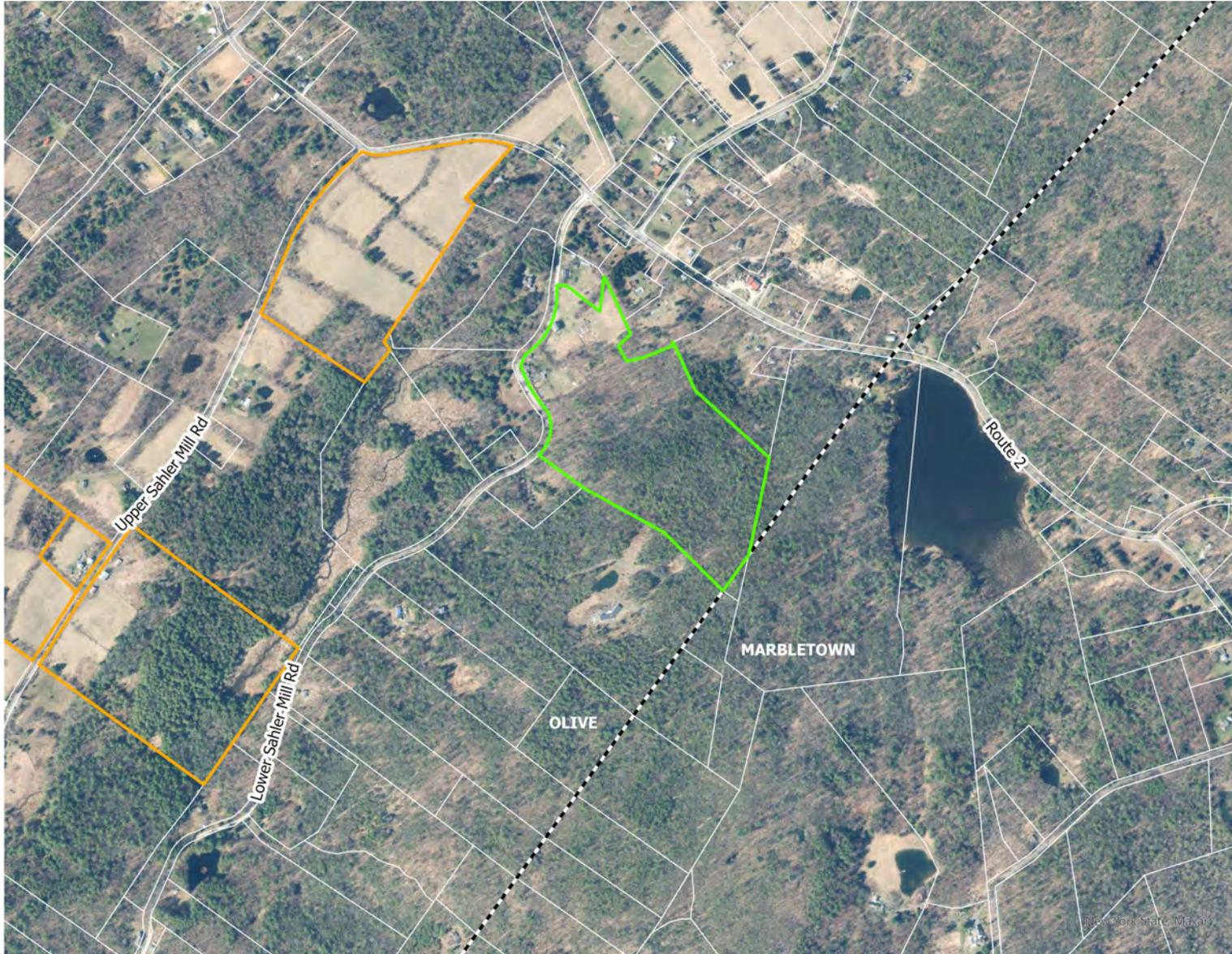
2 parcels – 9 acres

- R-2 Low-Density Residential Zoning
 - Agriculture involving animals requires site plan review.
 - Agriculture not involving animals is permitted by right.
- Agricultural tax assessment on both parcels
- Prime and Important Soils
 - Ra – Raynham silt loam
 - CnB – Chenango gravelly silt loam
 - HgC – Hoosic silt loam
 - RvB – Riverhead fine sandy loam
- Hamlet of Accord

Olivebridge 1 LLC – Olive 1 parcel – 37.2 acres



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Rents to **Sister Divine's Farmstead**

- Classes/workshops, particularly on herbalism (planned)
 - Applicant works closely with Sister Divine's Farmstead
 - Product sales at classes/workshops
- Teas, herbs, shallots, garlic, arugula, blueberries, strawberries, grapes
- Orchard with apples and peaches

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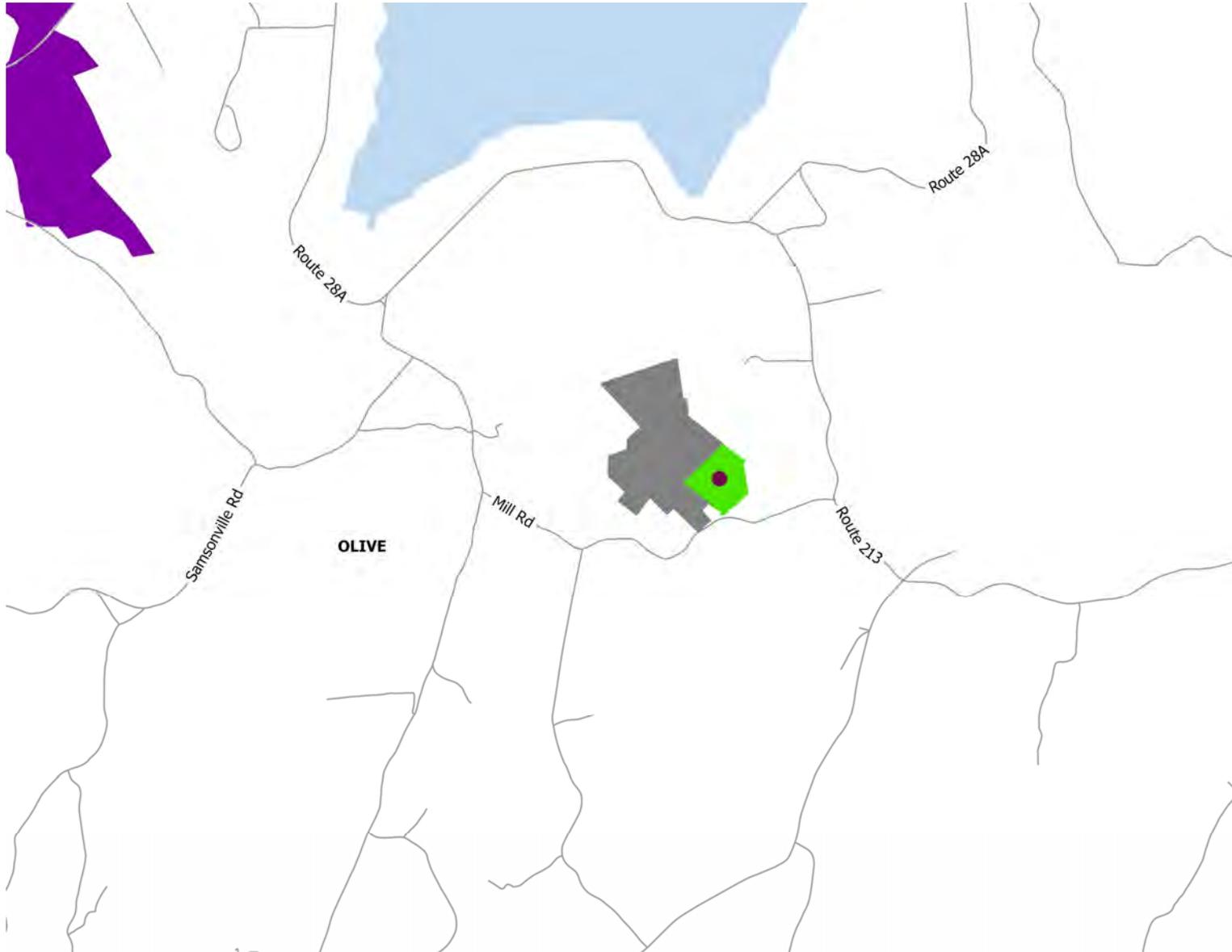


Olivebridge 1 LLC – Olive 1 parcel – 37.2 acres

- RR-3A Residential Rural and RE-1A Residential Exurban Zoning
 - Farm uses are principal permitted uses.
- Prime and Important Soils
 - HgB, HgC – Hoosic gravelly loam
- Hamlet of Olivebridge

DeWitt – Olive

1 parcel – 14.3 acres



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DeWitt Farm

- Chickens
 - Mostly egg production
- Goats
- Horse boarding
- Boarding for heifers
 - Rents to Tongore Farm

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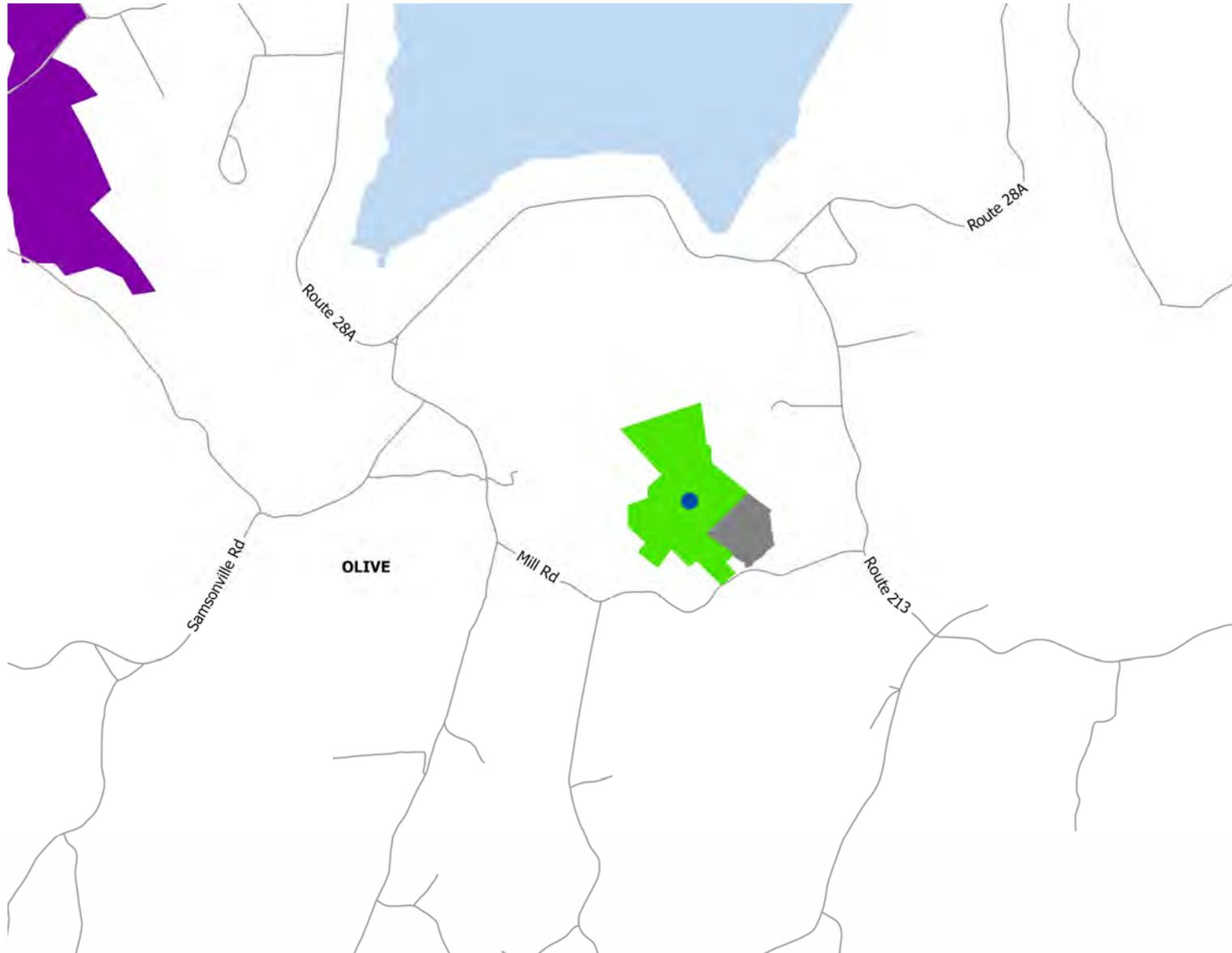
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- RR-3A Residential Rural and RE-1A Residential Exurban Zoning
 - Farm uses are principal permitted uses.
- Agricultural tax assessment on parcel
- Prime and Important Soils
 - BgC – Bath gravelly silt loam
 - MdB – Mardin gravelly silt loam
 - OdA – Odessa silt loam
 - SaB – Schoharie silt loam
 - TuB, TuC – Tunkhannock gravelly silt loam
- Hamlet of Olivebridge

Fox – Olive

2 parcels – 58.1 acres



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2 parcels – 58.1 acres



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Tongore Farm

- Cattle (Herefords and Devons)
- Hogs

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2 parcels – 58.1 acres



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- RR-3A Residential Rural and RE-1A Residential Exurban Zoning
 - Farm uses are principal permitted uses.
- Agricultural tax assessment on both parcels
- Prime and Important Soils
 - LnB – Lordstown channery silt loam
 - MdB – Mardin gravelly silt loam
 - OdA – Odessa silt loam
 - SaB – Schoharie silt loam
- Hamlet of Olivebridge

Levy & Serrano – Marbletown

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Hortus Arboretum and Botanical Gardens

Parcel requested for inclusion

- Non-native species to be removed
- Area isolated so native species can grow, including edible plants

Rest of property

- Plant species from around the world
- Plant sales
- Projects: wasabi, cacti, etc.
- Site used for Cornell Master Gardening Program

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1 parcel – 10 acres



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CHINESE ORNAMENTAL AND EDIBLE PLANTS

Nearly one-eighth of the world's total plant species, more than 30,000 in all, are native to China. These include thousands of species found nowhere else on earth. The large diversity of plants found in China is a result of the vast territory making up the country, with 3.5 million square miles, and a wide array of climate conditions, including shorelines, tropical and temperate forests, deserts, elevated plateaus and snow-covered mountains. Many of the popular foods consumed in the United States, including oranges, lemons, kiwi, mulberry, persimmons, and peaches, were brought to our shores from China. Some of the species introduced in America as ornamental nursery plants, like Chinese Ironwood (*Parrotia subaequalis*) and Dawn Redwood (*Metasequoia glyptostroboides*), are now considered highly endangered. The Hortus collection focuses on the diversity of plant life from China with an emphasis on some of the lesser-known attractive ornamental woody plants like Snowbell trees (*Styrax* spp.) and fruiting plants like Che (*Maclura tricuspidata*).

- Top left clockwise:**
 Chinese Ironwood (*Parrotia subaequalis*)
 Snowbell (*Styrax* spp.)
 Mulberry (*Morus* spp.)
 Peach (*Pear* spp.)
 Persimmon (*Eurodora* spp.)
 Orange (*Citrus* spp.)
 Kiwi (*Actinidia chinensis*)
 Maclura (*Maclura tricuspidata*)



MAGNOLIAS

Proud for their dramatic flowers, Magnolia trees are believed to be one of the earliest flowering plants, found in fossils dating back over 100 million years. Magnolias evolved even before bees, so they rely on beetles for pollination. Instead of nectar, the flowers produce large quantities of pollen that the beetles use as food. The trees also produce cone-like fruits with brightly colored seeds that attract songbirds. Their magnificent tulip or star-shaped flowers can be as large as saucers when fully opened. Magnolia blooms can be pink, purple, white, yellow, burnt orange, and even green. The genus consists of about 100 species plus numerous hybrids and cultivars. One hybrid in our collection, named "Hattie Carthan", was created by the Brooklyn Botanic Garden and named in honor of a tree-lover who saved a rare giant southern Magnolia grandiflora from being bulldozed in Brooklyn. She devoted her life to beautifying the streets of that borough.

- Top left clockwise:**
 Magnolia (*Magnolia* spp.)
 Magnolia (*Magnolia* spp.)



Matilija Poppy

Romney's coulteri
 Family: Papaveraceae

Matilija Poppy is the largest wildflower in California and the only shrub in the poppy family (Papaveraceae). In its native range in Southern California, this plant can grow up to 8 feet tall and form large wild stands. This plant is commonly known as "Fried Egg" plant because of the blossoms' resemblance to fried eggs. In our Hudson Valley climate, this plant behaves like a herbaceous perennial and dies back to the ground each year. We protect this plant by covering the root systems with large buckets and heavy mulch during the winter.



JAPANESE SHADE GARDEN

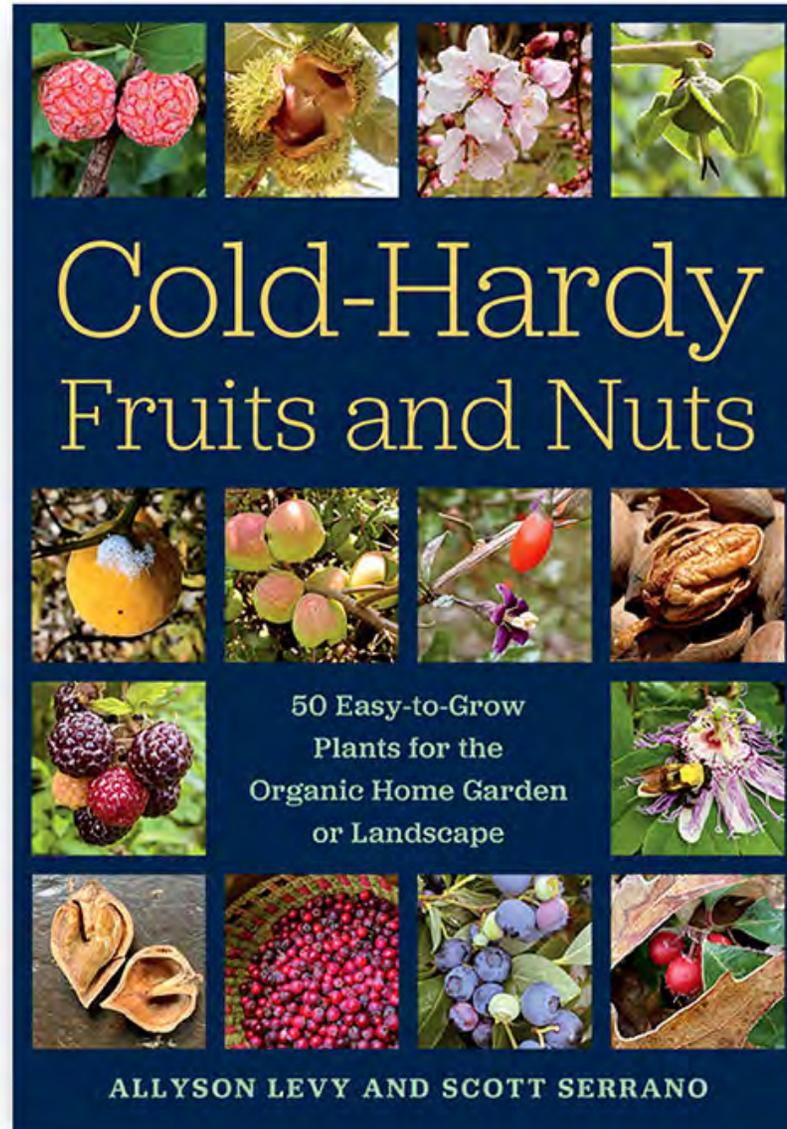
The Japanese have elevated shade gardening to an art form, borrowing many ideas from ancient Asian horticulture and refining them into a distinctive style focusing on the beauty of simple, natural elements used in elegant ways. The four main islands and 4,000 small islands that make up Japan's geographic terrain are dominated by mountains that cover up to four-fifths of the landmass and contain some 200 volcanoes. Many of the mountains are thousands of feet high and receive rainfall throughout the year, which has created the right conditions for dense woodland forests to thrive and to host an abundant array of plant life. Because of the high altitudes, many of the plants are adapted to hot humid summers followed by heavy amounts of winter snowfall, akin to the conditions in our region.

The Japanese collection at Hortus focuses on the diversity of plant life from Japan that is shade-tolerant with an emphasis on lesser-known shrubs such as *Corylopsis*, *Oxera*, and *Lopodia*.

- Top left clockwise:**
 Japanese Maple (*Acer* spp.)
 Japanese Maple (*Acer* spp.)



Levy & Serrano – Marbletown 1 parcel – 10 acres



<https://hortusgardens.org/our-book/>

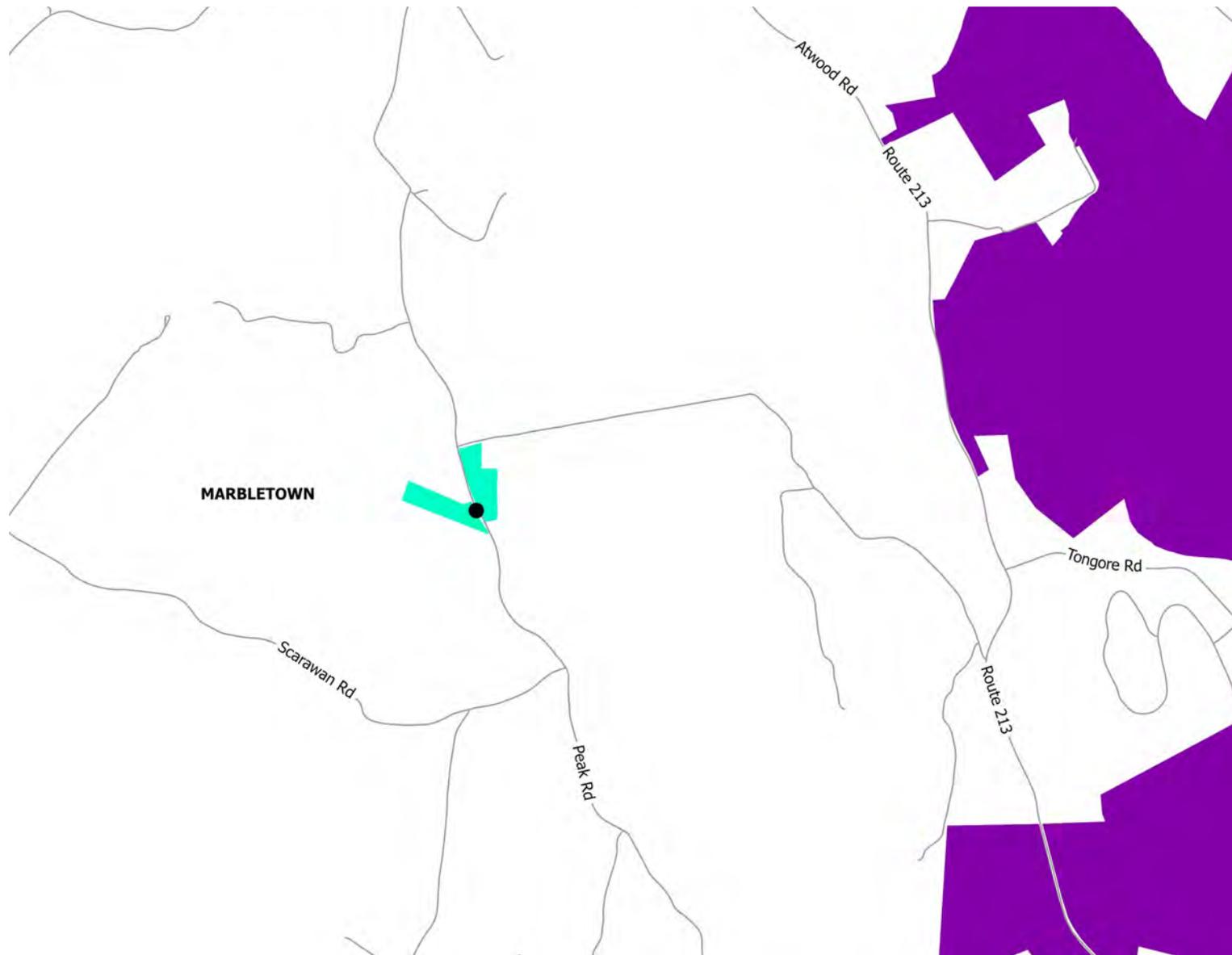
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Davenport Farms

- Chickens
 - Egg production (planned)
 - Sold at farm stand, in addition to crops grown elsewhere by farmer

<https://longreads.com/2020/03/26/finding-signs-of-hope-in-surprise-sugar-maples/>

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Neighboring property

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Recommendation?