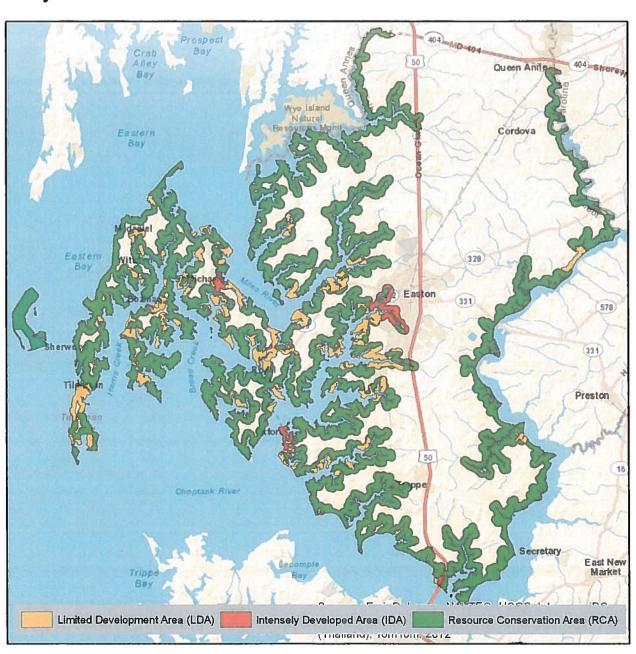
Critical Area Plan

Catalog of Limited Development Area and Intensely Developed Areas

Talbot County Maryland



Talbot County LDA's and IDA's			
LDA#	Tax Map #	# of Acres	
1	20	52.08	
2	27/28	221.40	
3	50/56	93.76	
5	62	21.82	
6	53	36.65	
7	53/54	58.58	
8	54	100.22	
9	53	46.51	
10	53	60.50	
11	53	25.96	
12	53	28.67	
13	53	20.60	
14	53	57.77	
15	48	43.54	
16	42/48	134.38	
17	48	100.96	
18	41/47	63.18	
19	41	77.70	
20	42	202.68	
21	42	247.60	
22	42/41	41.41	
23	42/41	60.80	
24	33/42	353.77	
26	41	160.96	
27	41	43.39	
28	40/46/47	113.52	
29			
	46	58.63	
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34	32/40	86.32	
35	32	44.72	
36	32	72.83	
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38	32	37.01	
39	31	51.64	
40	22	111.08	
41	31	51.57	
42	31	116.69	
43	39	56.70	
44	31	30.17	
45	39/45	166.99	
46	31/39	134.79	
47	31	49.38	
48	31	187.69	
49	31	30.25	
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51	22	46.43	
52	22	122.34	
53	22	101.92	
54	30	35.26	

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27.01.02.04

.04 Limited Development Areas.

- A. Limited development areas are those areas which are currently developed in low or moderate intensity uses. They also contain areas of natural plant and animal habitats, and the quality of runoff from these areas has not been substantially altered or impaired. These areas shall have at least one of the following features:
 - (1) Housing density ranging from one dwelling unit per 5 acres up to four dwelling units per acre;
 - (2) Areas not dominated by agriculture, wetland, forest, barren land, surface water, or open space;
 - (3) Areas meeting the conditions of Regulation .03A, but not .03B, of this regulation;
 - (4) Areas having public sewer or public water, or both.
- B. In developing their Critical Area programs, local jurisdictions shall follow these policies when addressing limited development areas:
- (1) Maintain or, if possible, improve the quality of runoff and ground water entering the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries;
 - (2) Maintain, to the extent practicable, existing areas of natural habitat; and
 - (3) Accommodate additional low or moderate intensity development if:
 - (a) This development conforms to the water quality and habitat protection criteria in §C, below; and
- (b) The overall intensity of development within the limited development area is not increased beyond the level established in a particular area so as to change its prevailing character as identified by density and land use currently established in the area.
- C. In developing their Critical Area programs, local jurisdictions shall use all of the following criteria for limited development areas:
- (1) For all development activities in the limited development areas, the jurisdiction shall require that the developer identify any of the following environmental or natural features and meet all of the following standards of environmental protection:
- (a) Criteria as provided for the habitat protection areas in COMAR 27.01.09, and those for the water-dependent facilities in COMAR 27.01.03.
- (b) Prohibition on the location of a road, bridge, or utility in any portion of the Critical Area designated as a habitat protection area under COMAR 27.01.09, unless there is no feasible alternative.
- (c) If the location of a road, bridge, or utility in a habitat protection area is authorized under C(1) of this regulation, design, construction, and maintenance of the road, bridge, or utility so as to:
 - (i) Provide maximum erosion protection;
 - (ii) Minimize negative impact on wildlife, aquatic life, and their habitats; and
 - (iii) Maintain hydrologic processes and water quality.

- (4) In addition, local jurisdictions shall adhere to the following criteria for forest and woodland development:
- (a) Local programs shall make provision for surety to be provided by owners or developers in an amount acceptable to the local jurisdiction and suitable to assure satisfactory replacement as required by §C(3) of this regulation;
 - (b) Local permits shall be required before forest or developed woodland is cleared;
- (c) Forests and developed woodlands which have been cleared before obtaining a local permit, or that exceed the maximum clearing allowed in §C(3) of this regulation shall be replanted at three times the areal extent of the cleared forest and developed woodlands;
- (d) If the areal extent of the site limits the application of §C(3) and (4)(c) of this regulation, alternative provisions or reforestation guidelines may be developed by the local jurisdiction, if they are consistent with the intent of COMAR 27.01.05, to conserve the forest and developed woodland resources of the Critical Area; alternative provisions may include fees-in-lieu provisions if the fee is adequate to ensure the restoration or establishment of an equivalent forest or developed woodland area;
- (e) If no forest is established on proposed development sites, these sites shall be planted to provide a forest or developed woodland cover of at least 15 percent;
- (f) All forests designated on development plans shall be maintained to the extent practicable, through conservation easements, restrictive covenants, or other protective instruments;
- (g) The developer shall designate, subject to the approval of the local jurisdiction, a new forest area on a part of the site not forested; and
- (h) The afforested area shall be maintained as forest cover through easements, restrictive covenants, or other protective instruments.
- (5) Development on slopes equal to or greater than 15 percent, as measured before development, shall be prohibited unless the project is the only effective way to maintain or improve the stability of the slope and is consistent with the policies in §B of this regulation.
 - (6) A local jurisdiction shall limit lot coverage on a parcel in accordance with the following maximums:
 - (a) When a site is mapped entirely as a limited development area, 15 percent of the total site;
- (b) When a portion of a lot or parcel is mapped as a limited development area, 15 percent of that portion of the lot or parcel; and
 - (c) In the case of a growth allocation award:
 - (i) 15 percent of the growth allocation development envelope; or
 - (ii) 15 percent of the acreage proposed for growth allocation deduction.
- (7) Local jurisdictions shall allow for modifications in road standards to reduce potential impact to the site and Critical Area resources, where the reduced standards do not significantly affect safety.
- (8) To reduce the extent of lot coverage and maximize areas of natural vegetation, cluster development shall be considered when planning for future development.
- (9) Development may be allowed on soils having development constraints if it includes mitigation measures that adequately address the identified constraints and that will not have significant adverse impacts on water quality or plant, fish, or wildlife habitat.

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27.01.02.03

.03 Intensely Developed Areas.

- A. Intensely developed areas are those areas where residential, commercial, institutional, and/or industrial, developed land uses predominate, and where relatively little natural habitat occurs. These areas shall have at least one of the following features:
 - (1) Housing density equal to or greater than four dwelling units per acre;
 - (2) Industrial, institutional, or commercial uses are concentrated in the area; or
- (3) Public sewer and water collection and distribution systems are currently serving the area and housing density is greater than three dwelling units per acre.
 - B. Location of Features.
- (1) Except as authorized under §B(2) of this regulation, the features in §A(1)—(3) of this regulation shall be located in an area of at least 20 adjacent acres, or that entire upland portion of the Critical Area within the boundary of a municipality, whichever is less.
 - (2) The features may be located in an area of less than 20 adjacent acres if:
- (a) As part of a local program, the Commission has approved an alternative standard for designation of an intensely developed area; and
 - (b) The area is part of a growth allocation approved by the Commission.
- C. In developing their Critical Area programs, local jurisdictions shall follow these policies when addressing Intensely Developed Areas:
- (1) Improve the quality of runoff from developed areas that enters the Chesapeake or Atlantic Coastal Bays or their tributary streams;
- (2) Accommodate additional development of the type and intensity designated by the local jurisdiction provided that water quality is not impaired;
- (3) Minimize the expansion of intensely developed areas into portions of the Critical Area designated as Habitat Protection Areas under COMAR 27.01.09 and resource conservation areas under Regulation .05 of this chapter;
- (4) Conserve and enhance fish, wildlife, and plant habitats, as identified in COMAR 27.01.09, to the extent possible, within intensely developed areas;
- (5) Prohibit the location of a road, bridge, or utility in any portion of the Critical Area designated as a habitat protection area under COMAR 27.01.09, unless there is no feasible alternative;
- (6) If the location of a road, bridge, or utility in a habitat protection area is authorized under §C(5) of this regulation, design, construct, and maintain the road, bridge, or utility so as to:
 - (a) Provide maximum erosion protection;
 - (b) Minimize negative impact on wildlife, aquatic life, and their habitats; and

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(8) To the extent practicable, future development shall use cluster development as a means to reduce lot coverage and to maximize areas of natural vegetation.

- (9) When the cutting or clearing of trees in forests and developed woodland areas is associated with current or planned development activities, the following shall be required:
- (a) Establishment of programs for the enhancement of forest and developed woodland resources such as programs for urban forestry (for example, street tree plantings, gardens, landscaping, open land buffer plantings);
- (b) Establishment by regulation that development activities shall be designed and implemented to minimize destruction of forest and woodland vegetation; and
- (c) Protection for existing forests and developed woodlands identified as habitat protection areas in COMAR 27.01.09.

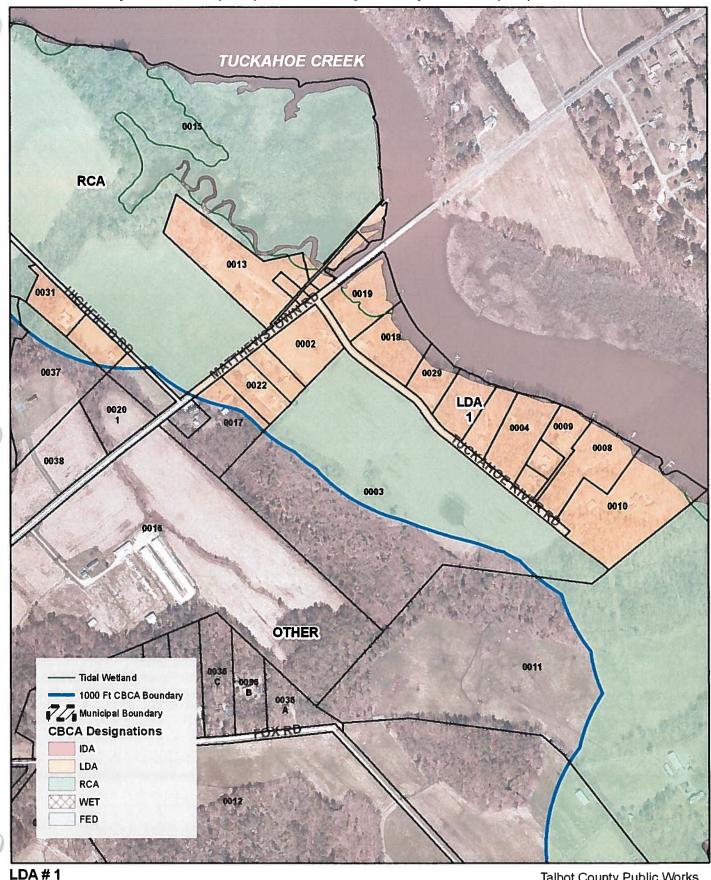
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27.01.02.05

.05 Resource Conservation Areas.

- A. Resource conservation areas are those areas characterized by nature-dominated environments (that is, wetlands, forests, abandoned fields) and resource-utilization activities (that is, agriculture, forestry, fisheries activities, or aquaculture). These areas shall have at least one of the following features:
 - (1) Density is less than one dwelling unit per 5 acres; or
 - (2) Dominant land use is in agriculture, wetland, forest, barren land, surface water, or open space.
- B. In developing their Critical Area programs, local jurisdictions shall follow these policies when addressing resource conservation areas:
- (1) Conserve, protect, and enhance the overall ecological values of the Critical Area, its biological productivity, and its diversity;
- (2) Provide adequate breeding, feeding, and wintering habitats for those wildlife populations that require the Chesapeake Bay, its tributaries, or coastal habitats in order to sustain populations of those species;
- (3) Conserve the land and water resource base that is necessary to maintain and support land uses such as agriculture, forestry, fisheries activities, and aquaculture; and
 - (4) Conserve the existing developed woodlands and forests for the water quality benefits that they provide.
- C. In developing their Critical Area programs, local jurisdictions shall use all of the following criteria for resource conservation areas:
- (1) Land use management practices shall be consistent with the policies and criteria for habitat protection areas in COMAR 27.01.09, the policies and criteria for agriculture in COMAR 27.01.06, and the policies and criteria on forestry in COMAR 27.01.05.
 - (2) Agricultural and conservation easements shall be promoted in resource conservation areas.
- (3) Local jurisdictions are encouraged to develop tax or other incentive/disincentive programs to promote the continuation of agriculture, forestry, and natural habitats in resource conservation areas.
- (4) Land within the resource conservation area may be developed for residential uses at a density not to exceed one dwelling unit per 20 acres. Within this limit of overall density, minimum lot sizes may be determined by the local jurisdiction. Local jurisdictions are encouraged to consider such mechanisms as cluster development, transfer of development rights, maximum lot size provisions, and/or additional means to maintain the land area necessary to support the protective uses.
- (5) Existing industrial and commercial facilities, including those that directly support agriculture, forestry, aquaculture, or residential development not exceeding the density specified in §C(4), above, shall be allowed in resource conservation areas. Additional land may not be zoned for industrial or commercial development, except as provided in Regulation .06, below.
- (6) Local jurisdictions shall develop a program to assure that the overall acreage of forest and woodland within their resource conservation areas does not decrease.
- (7) Development activity within the resource conservation area shall be consistent with the criteria for limited development areas in Regulation .04 of this chapter.

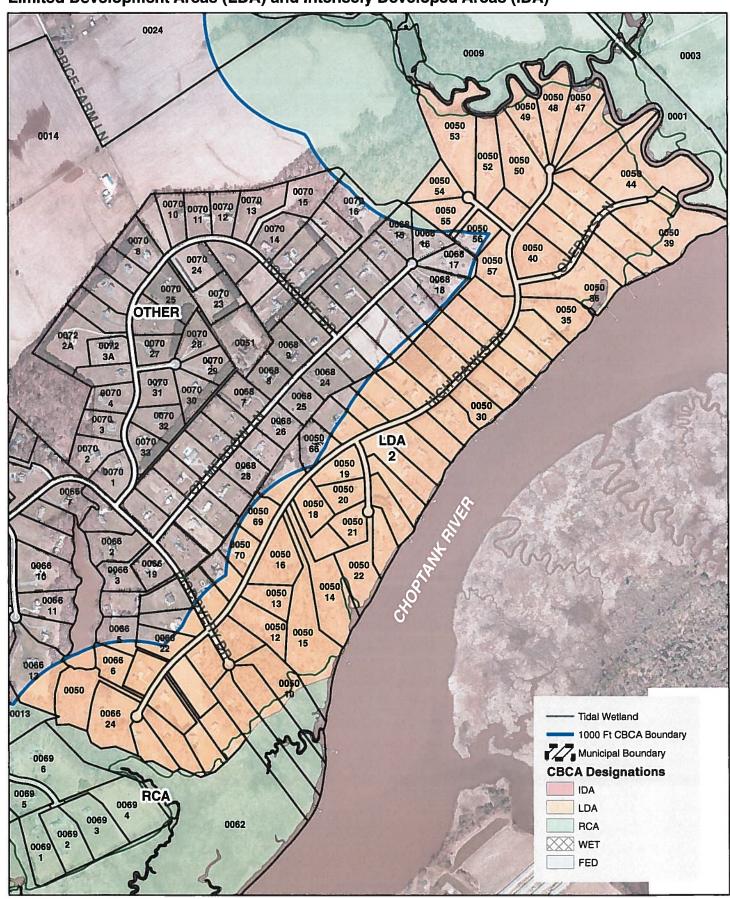




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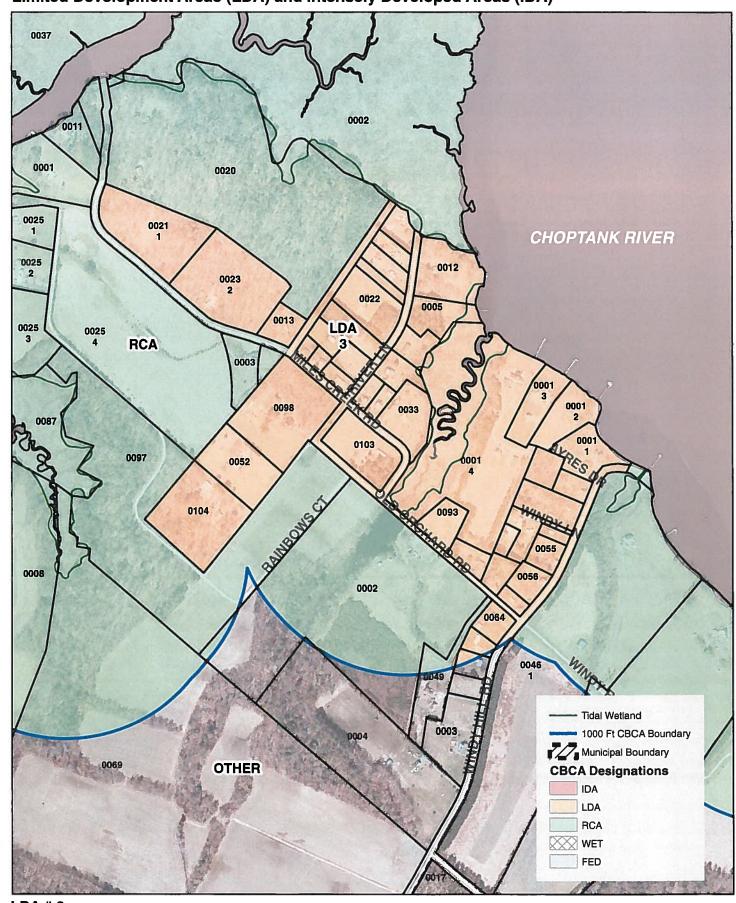




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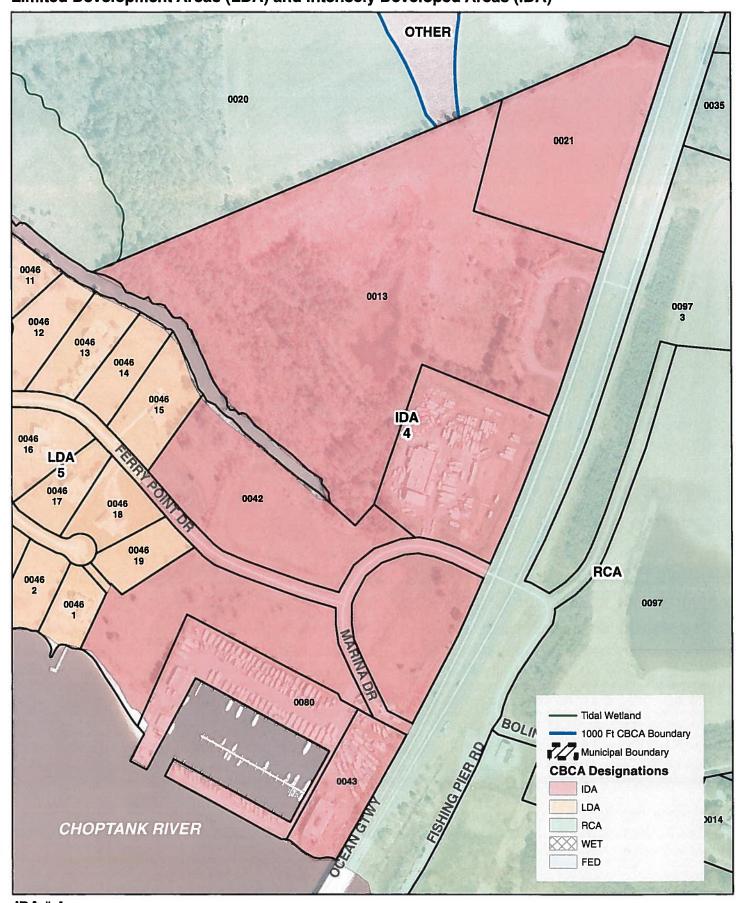




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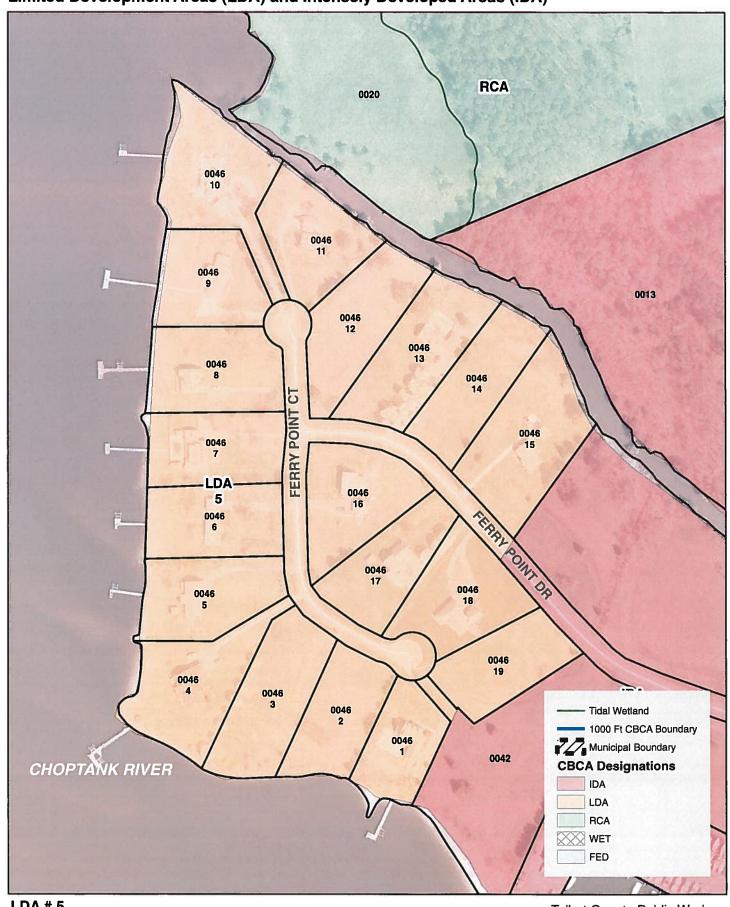




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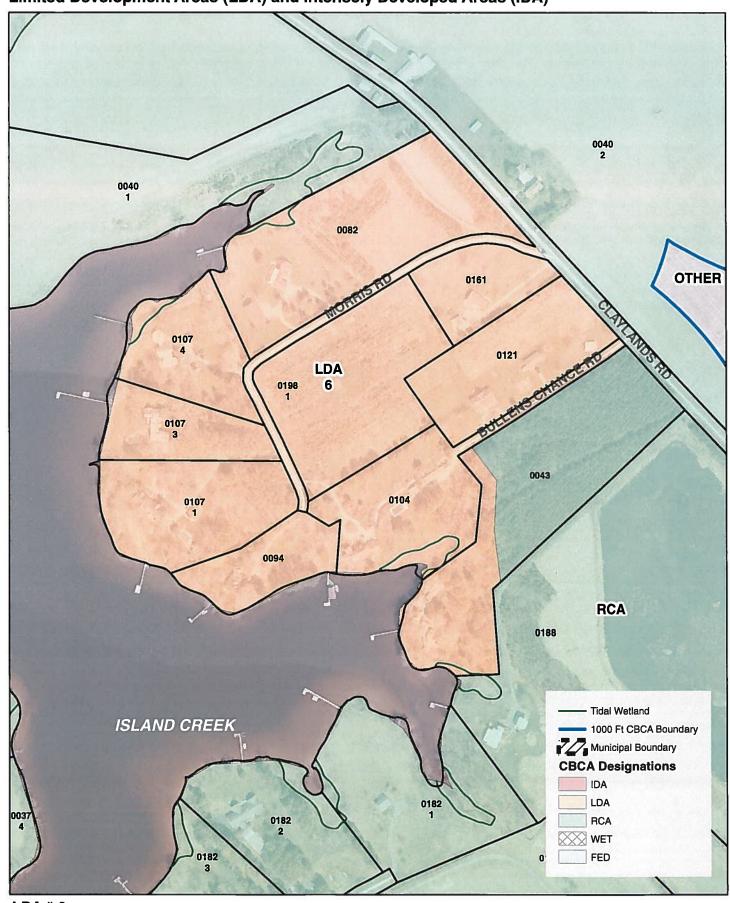




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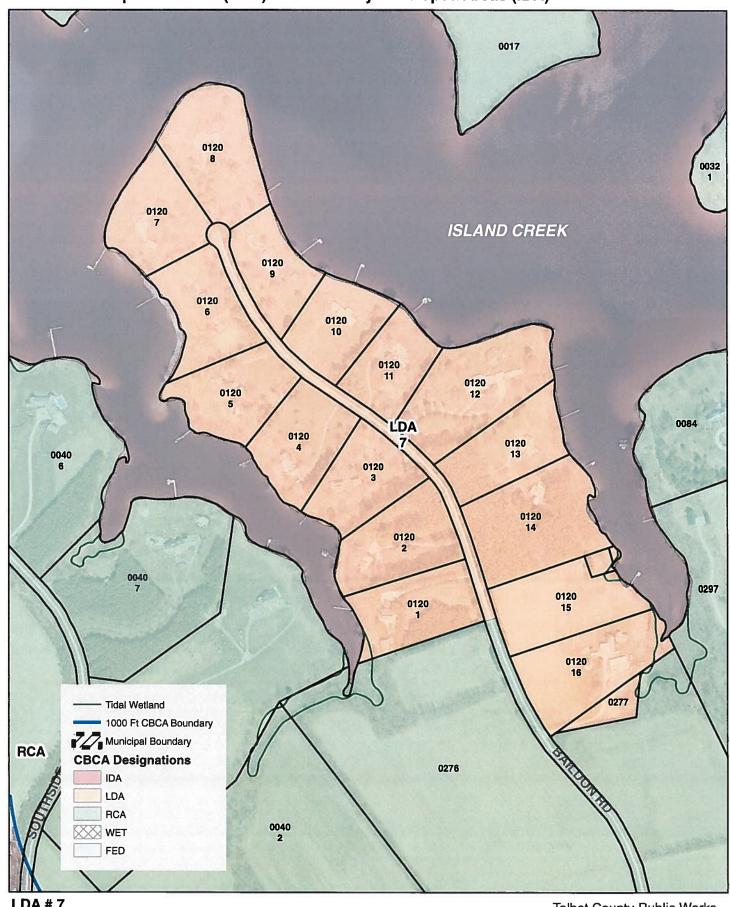




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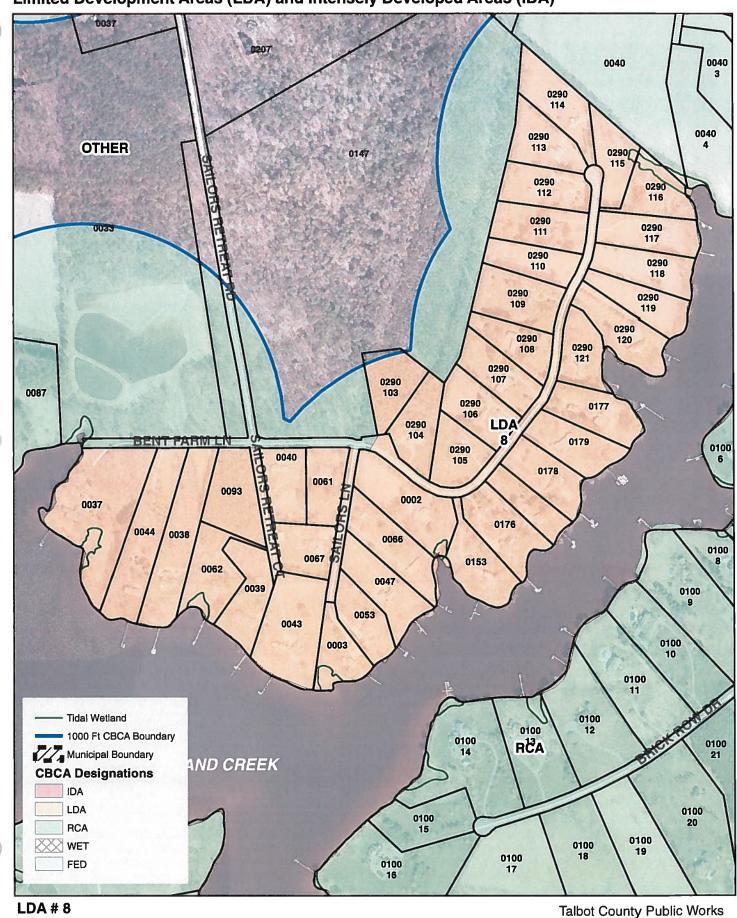


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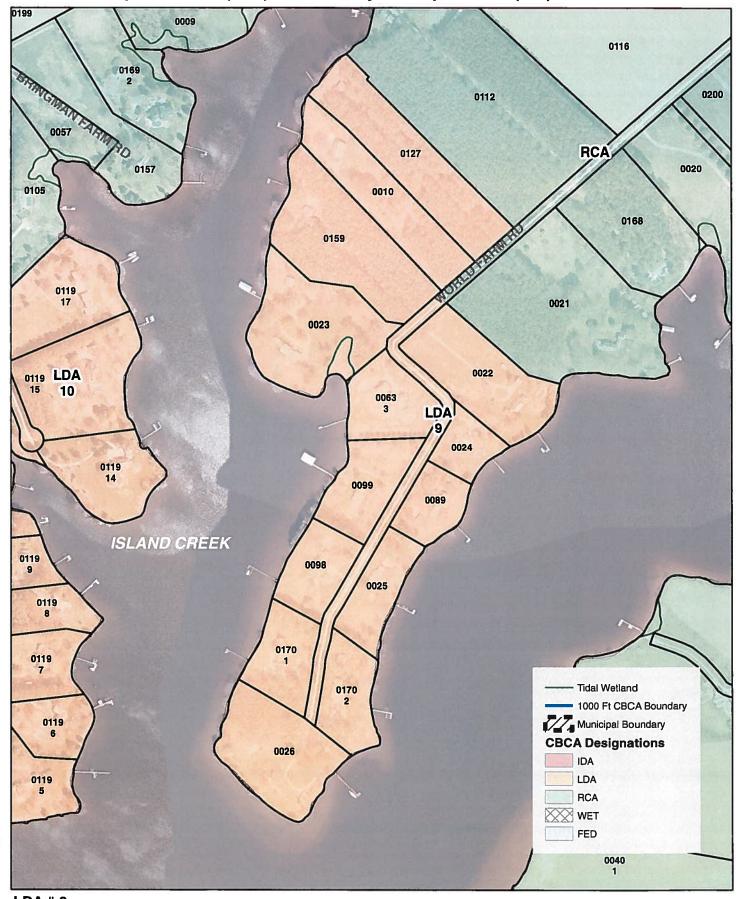
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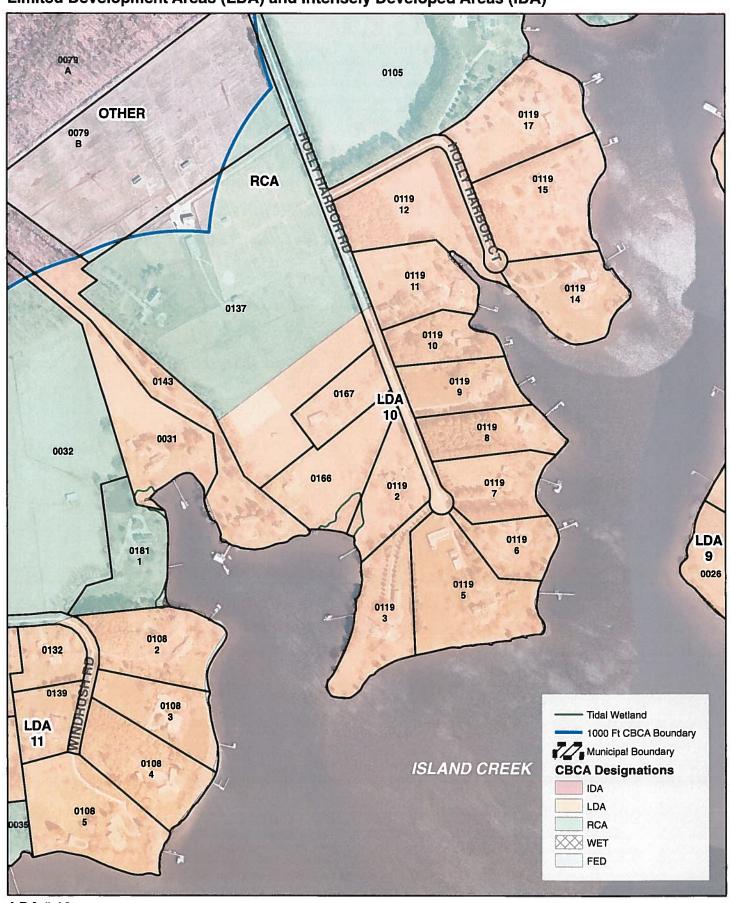




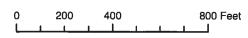
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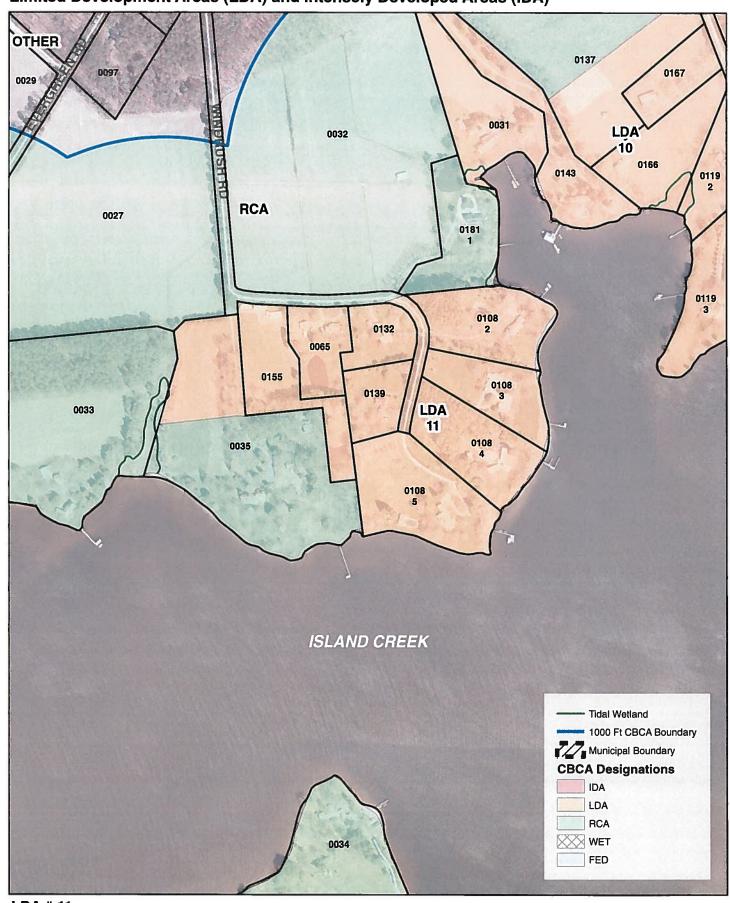




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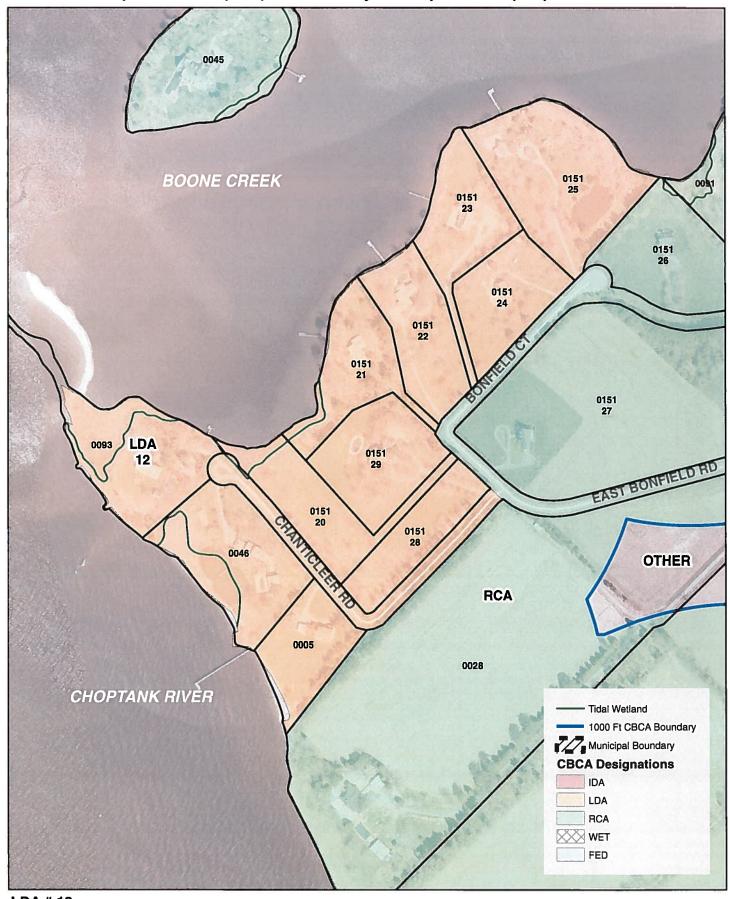




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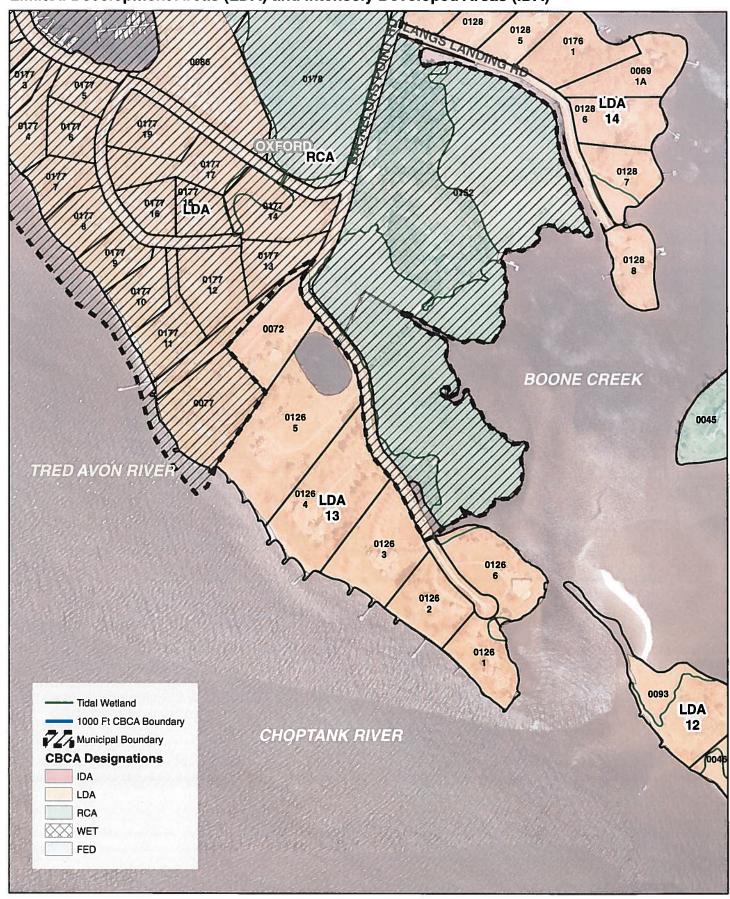




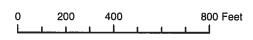
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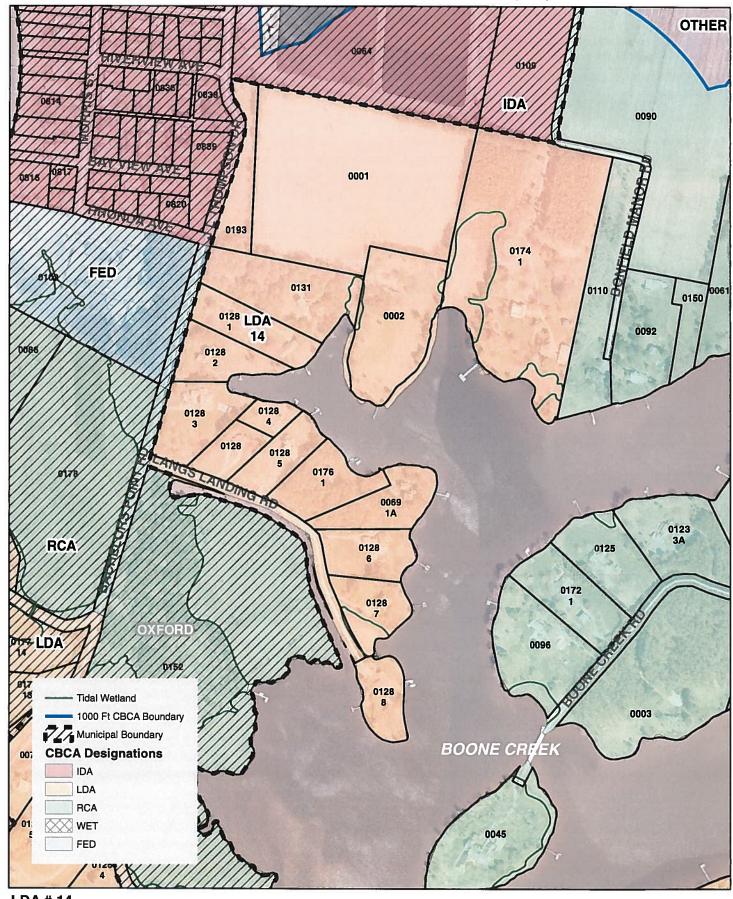




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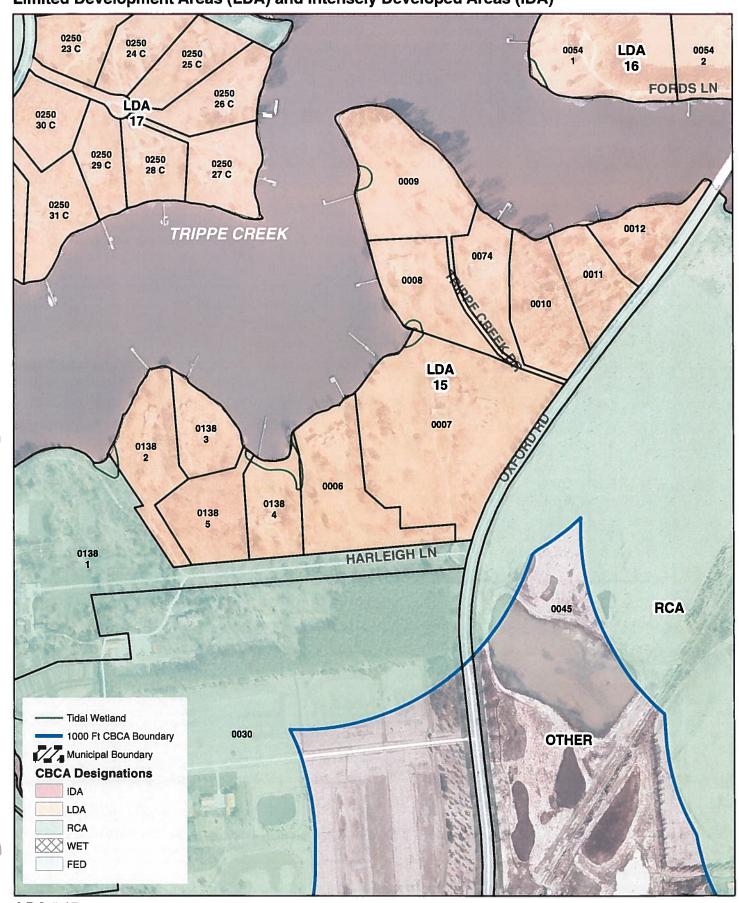




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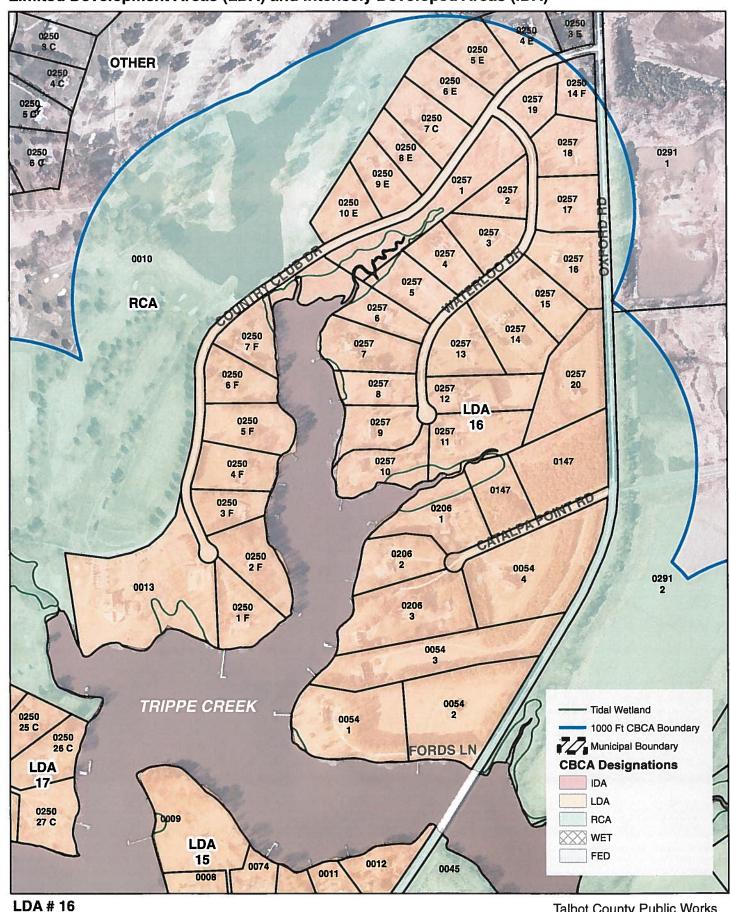




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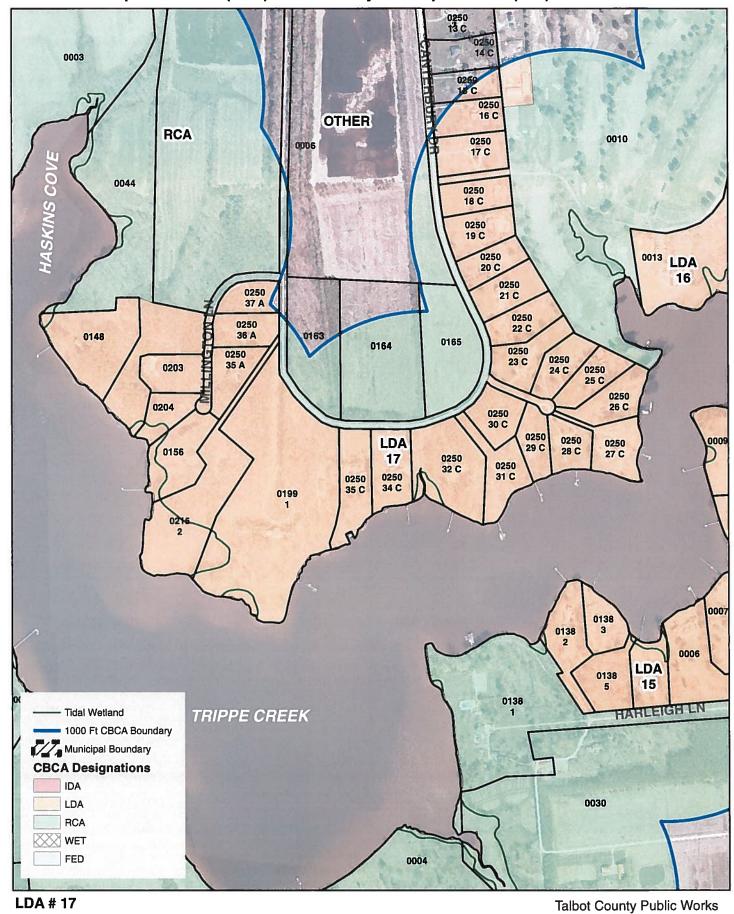


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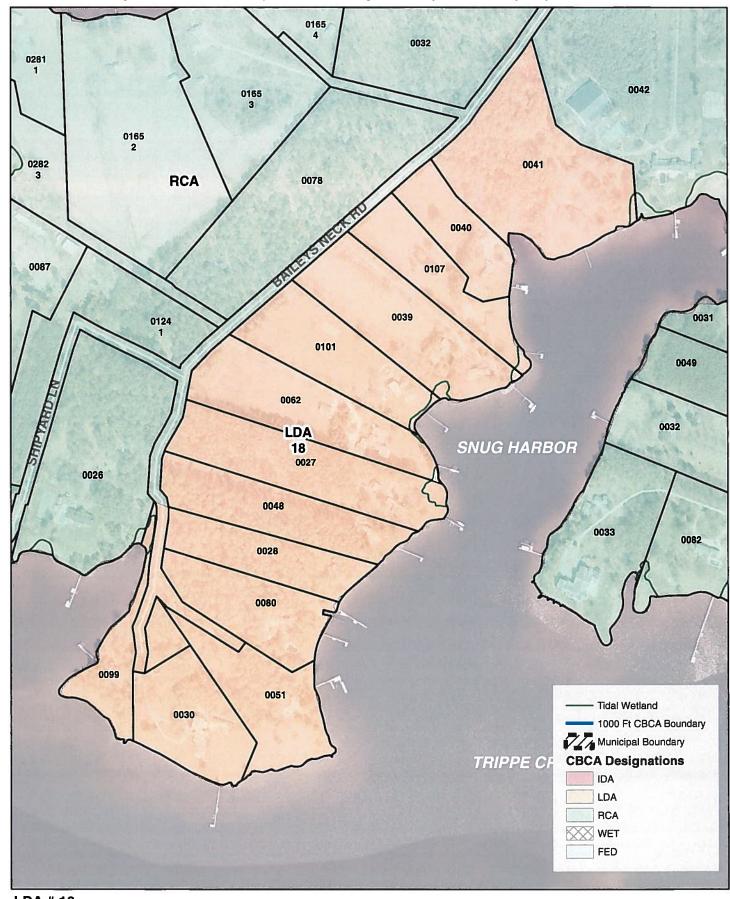
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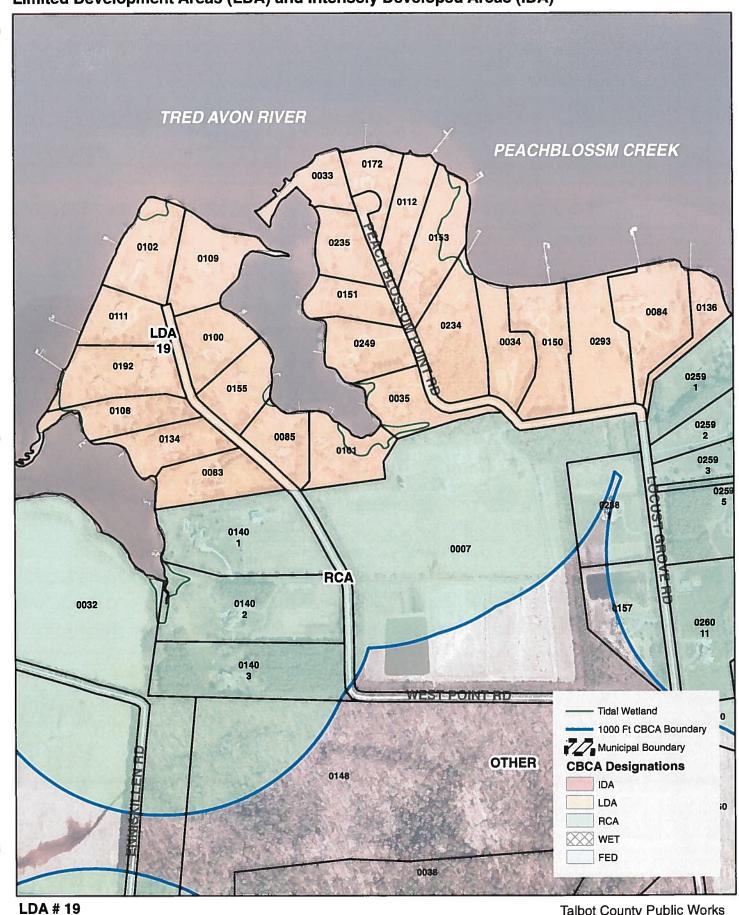




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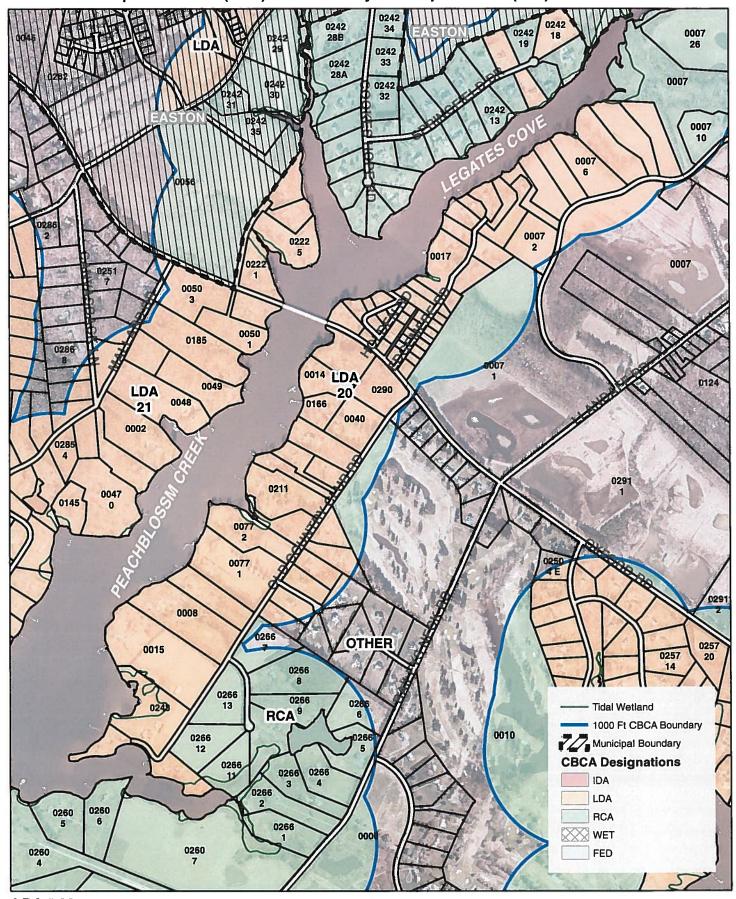




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Tax Map # 41
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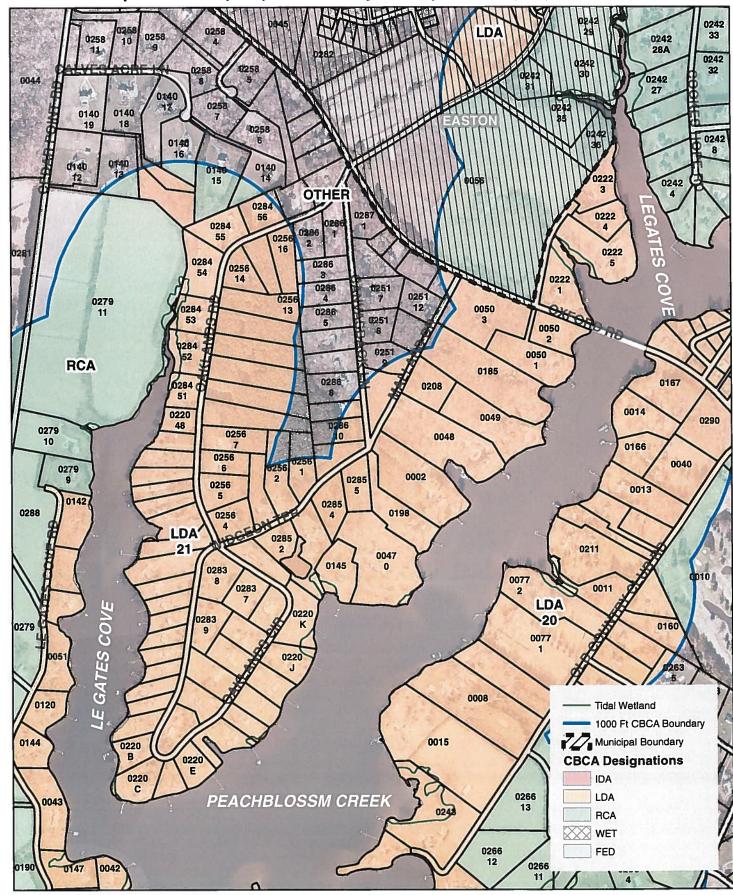




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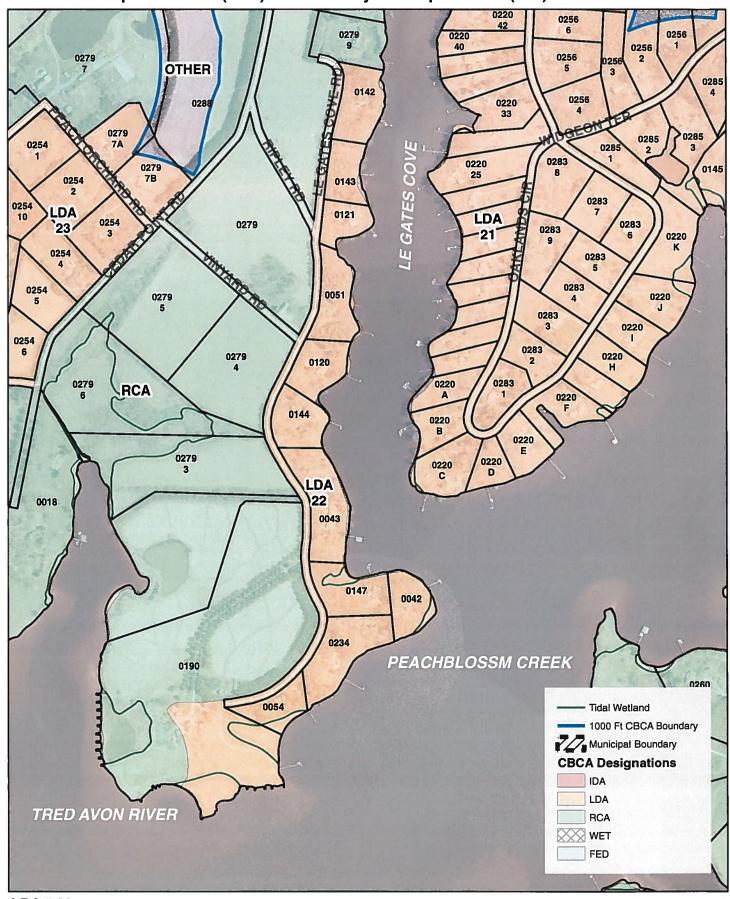




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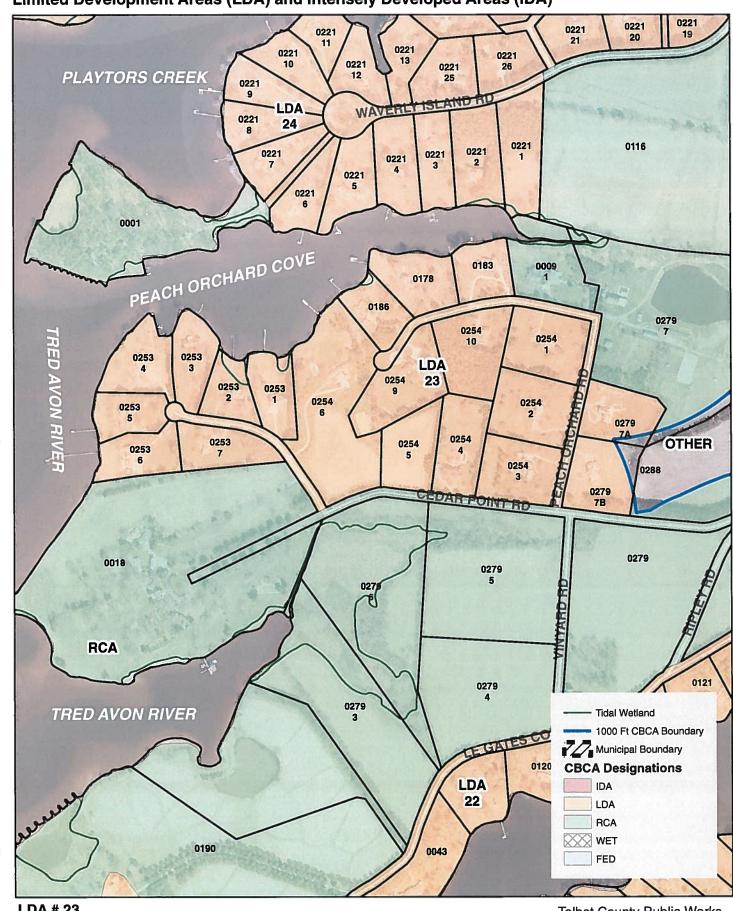




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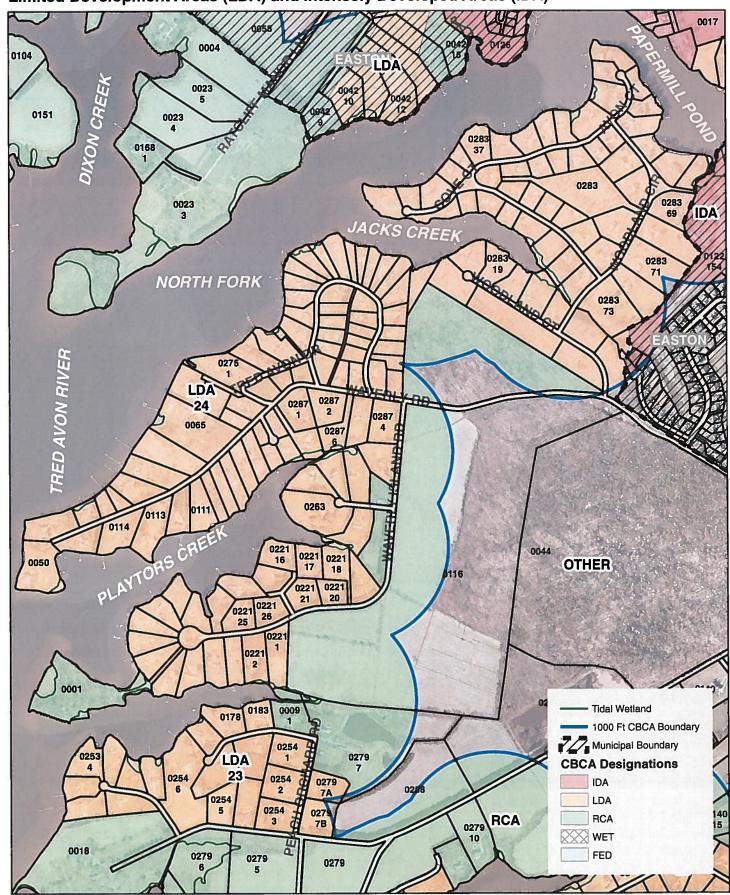




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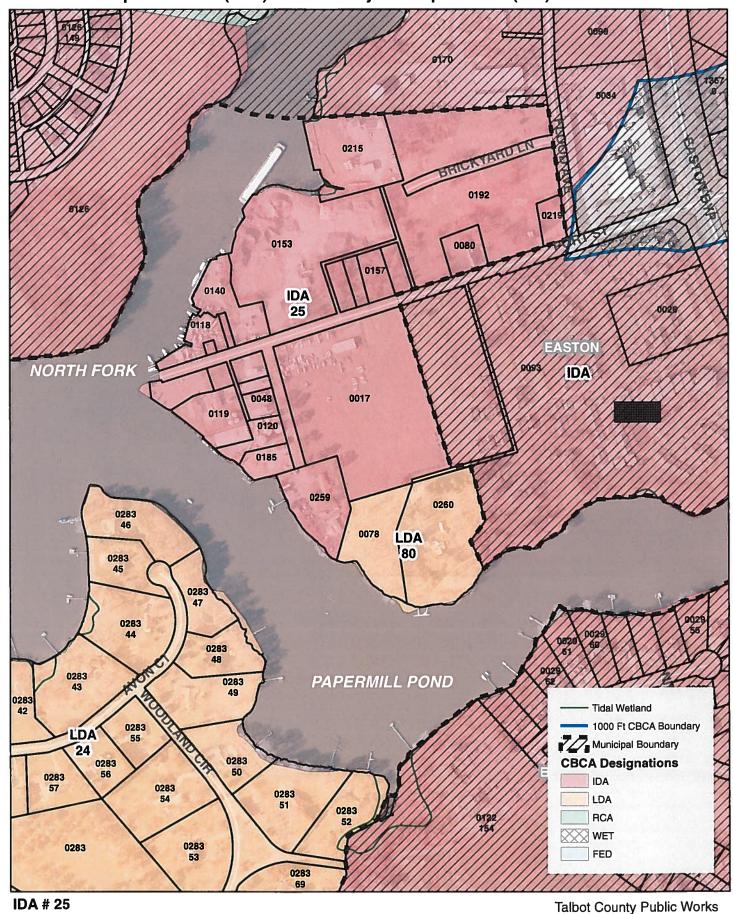


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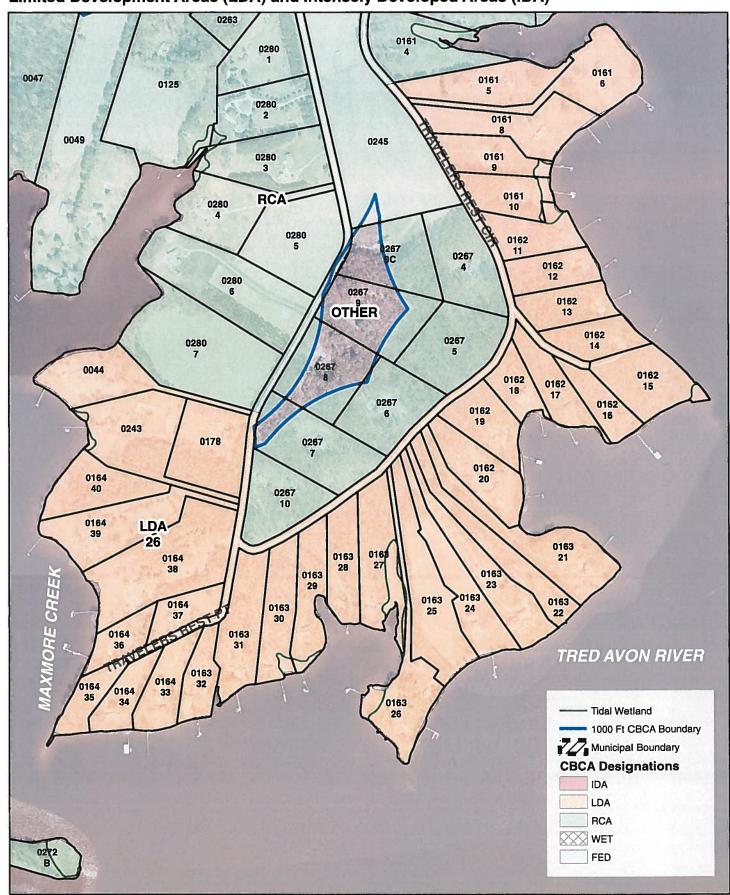
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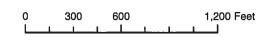
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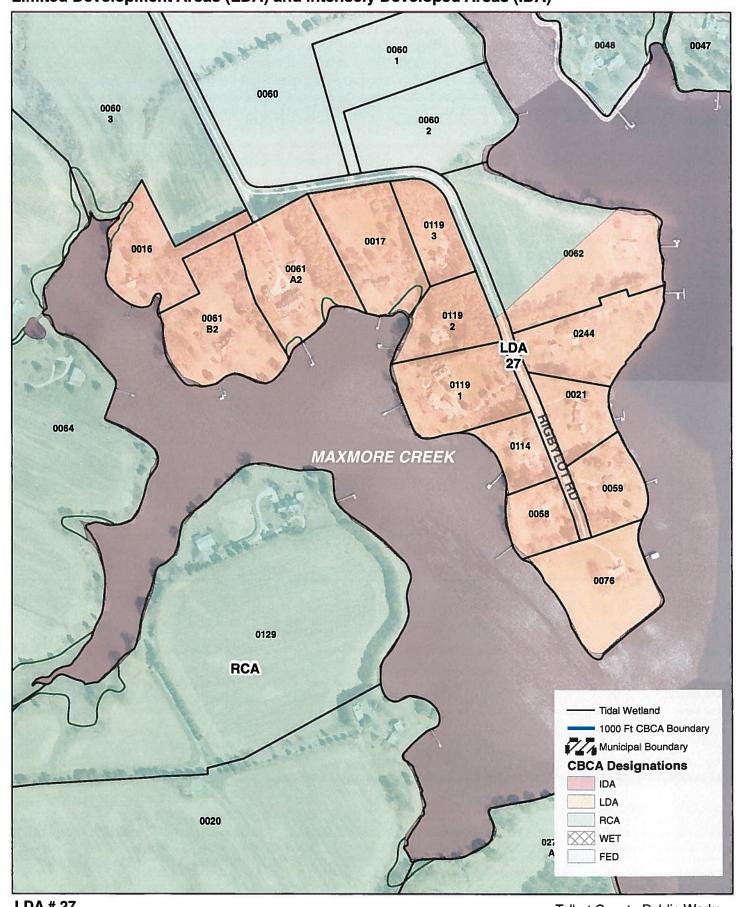




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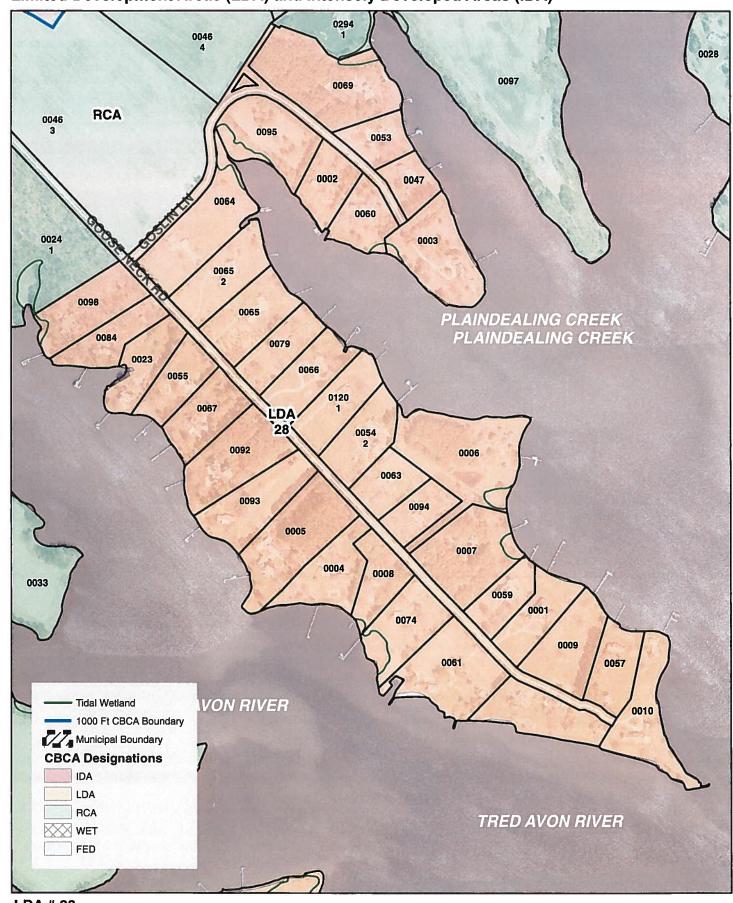




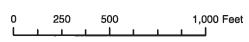
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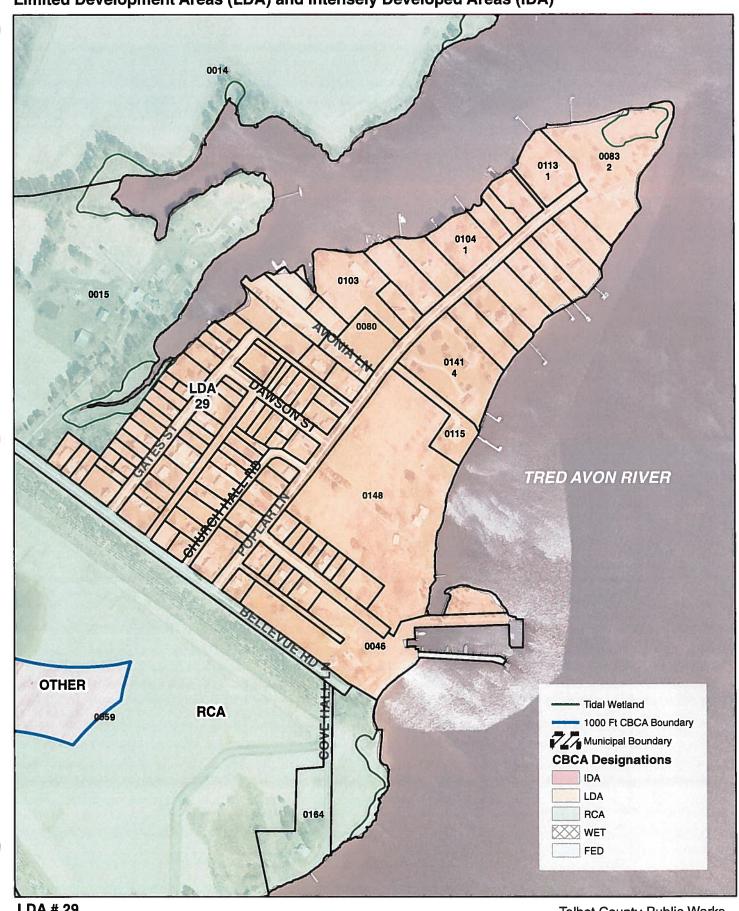




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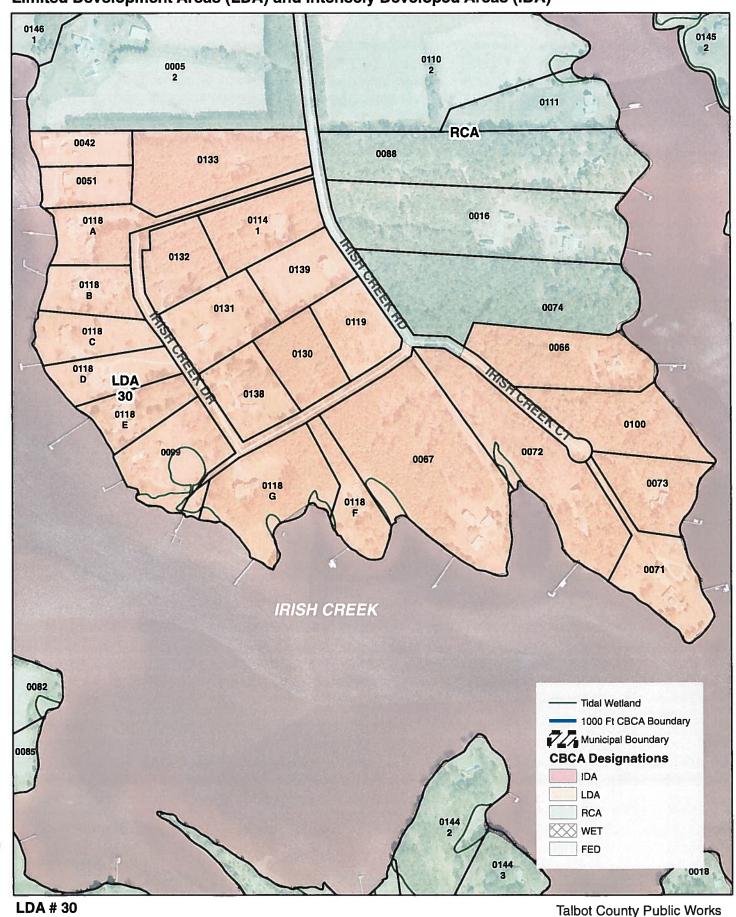


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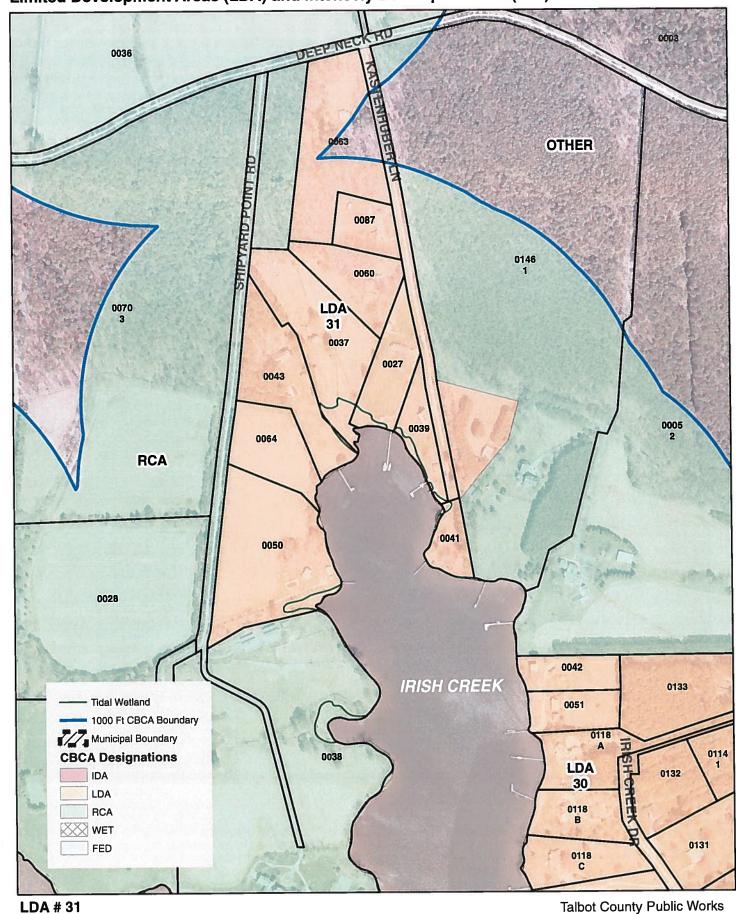
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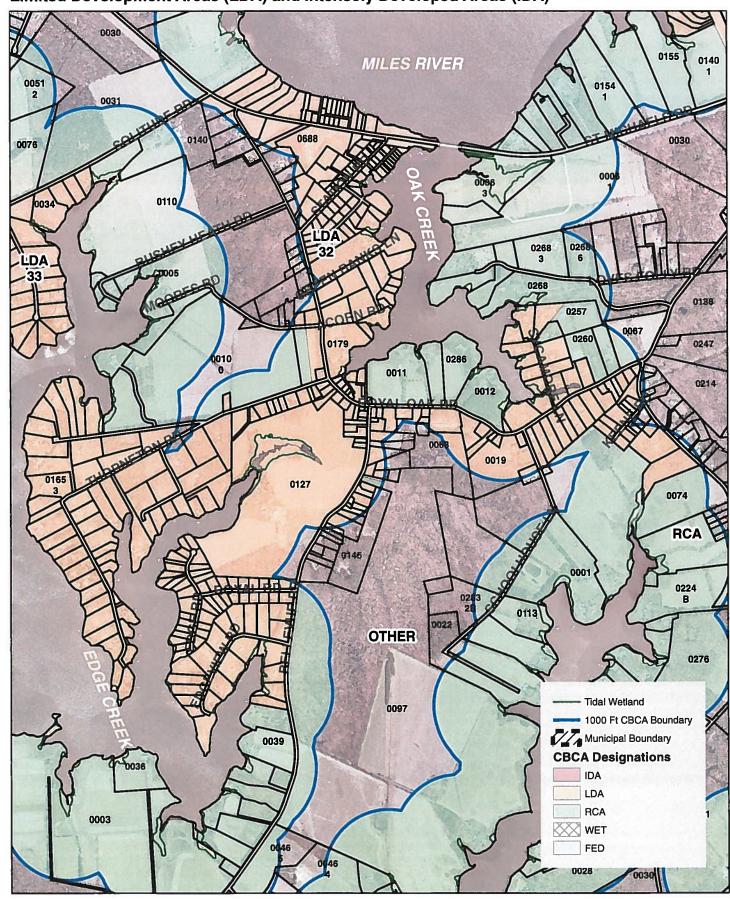




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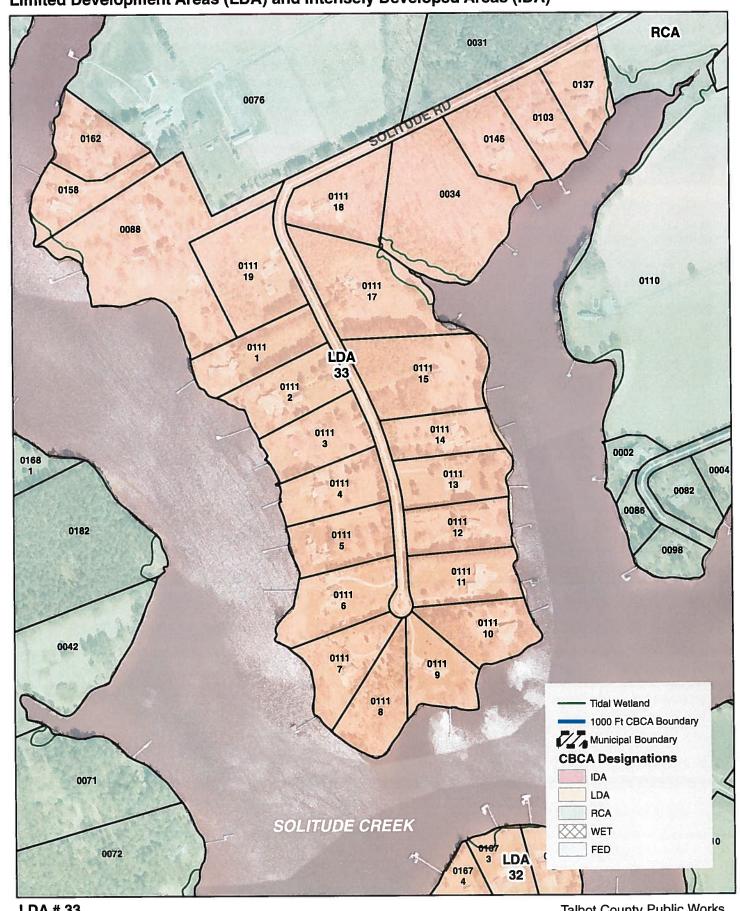




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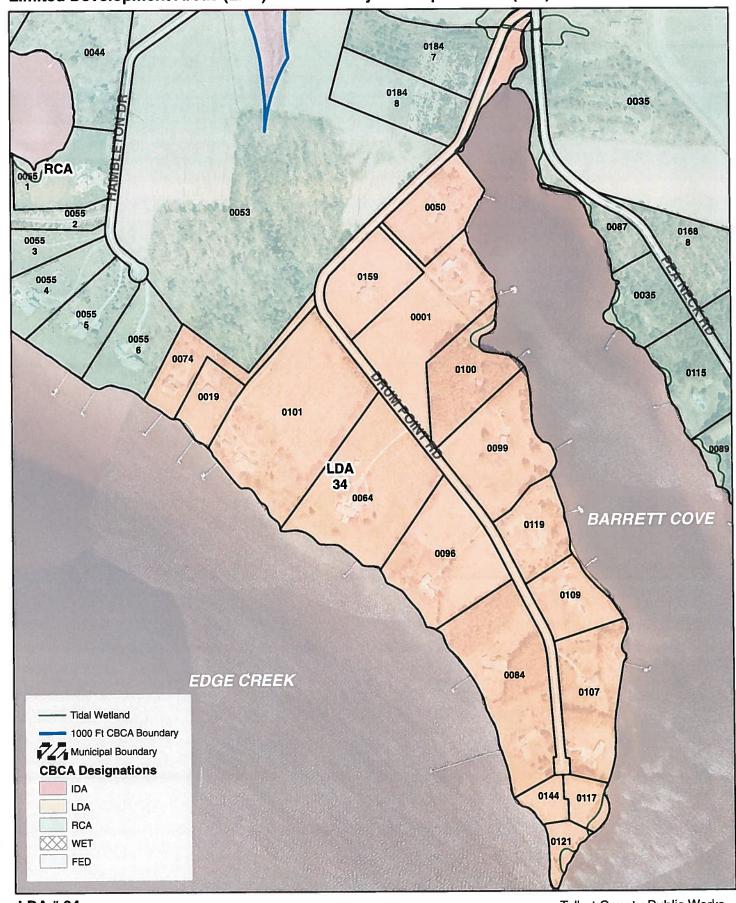




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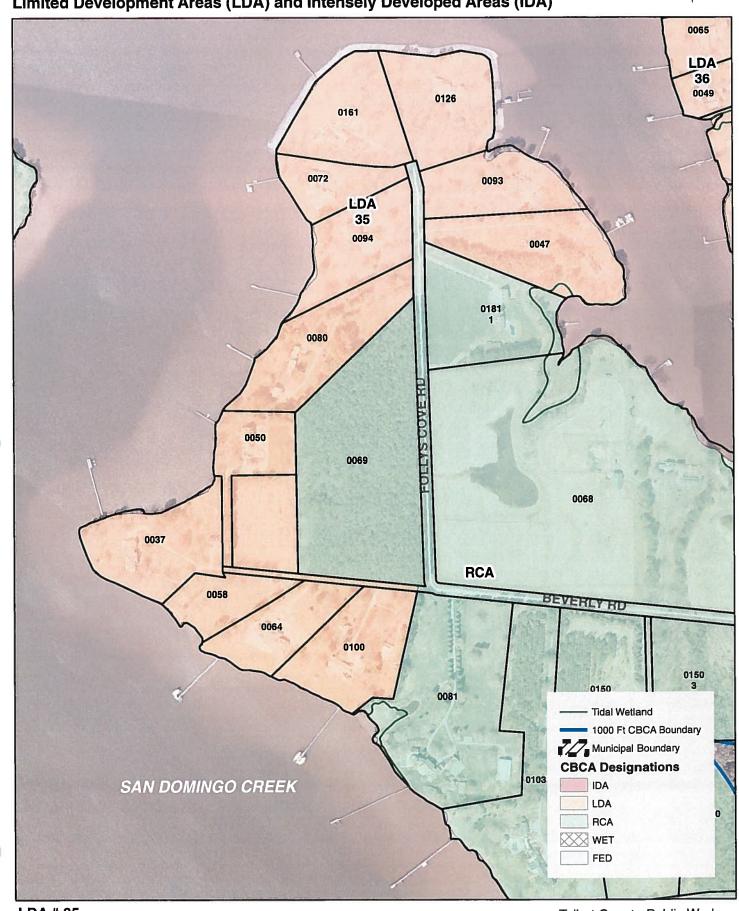




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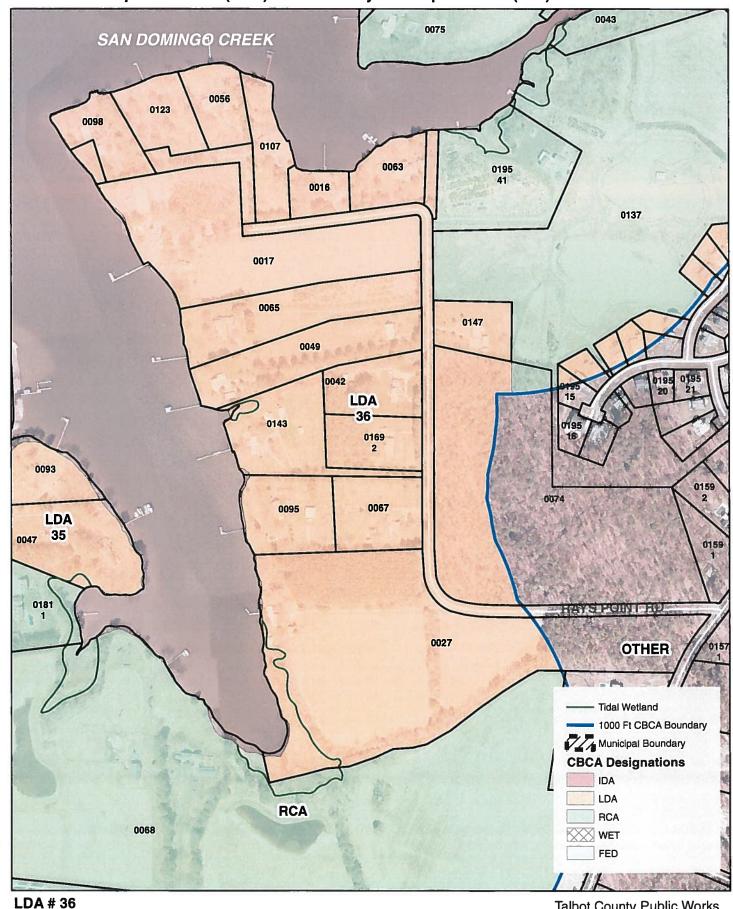




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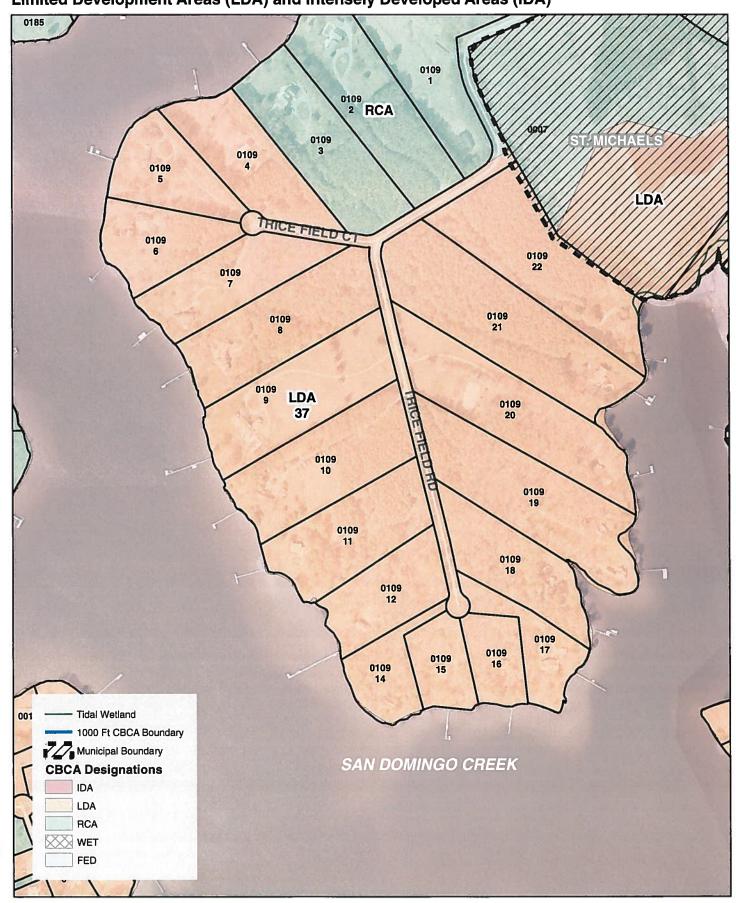




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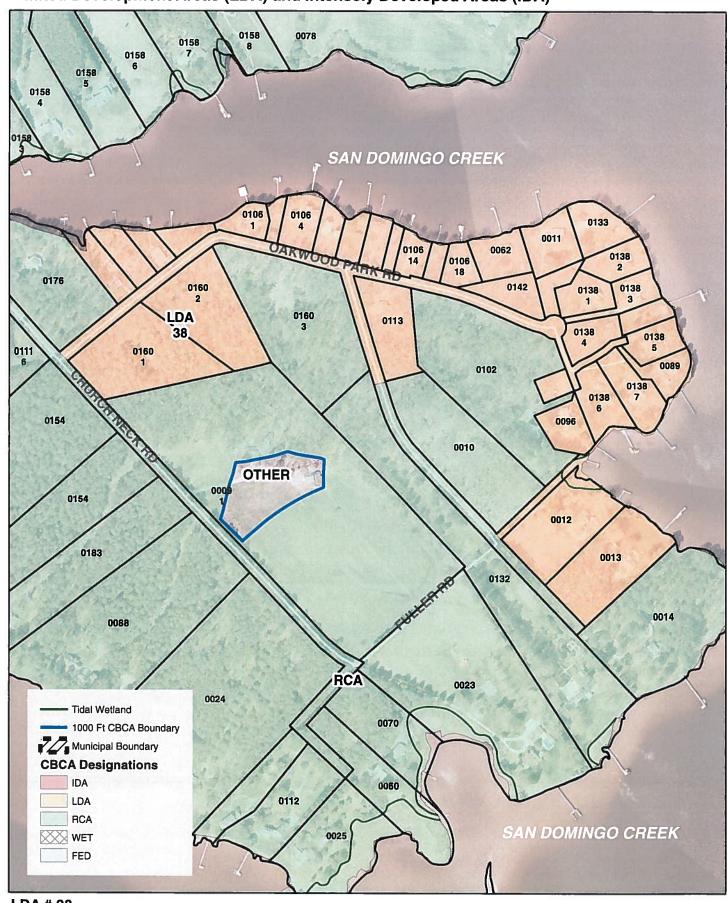




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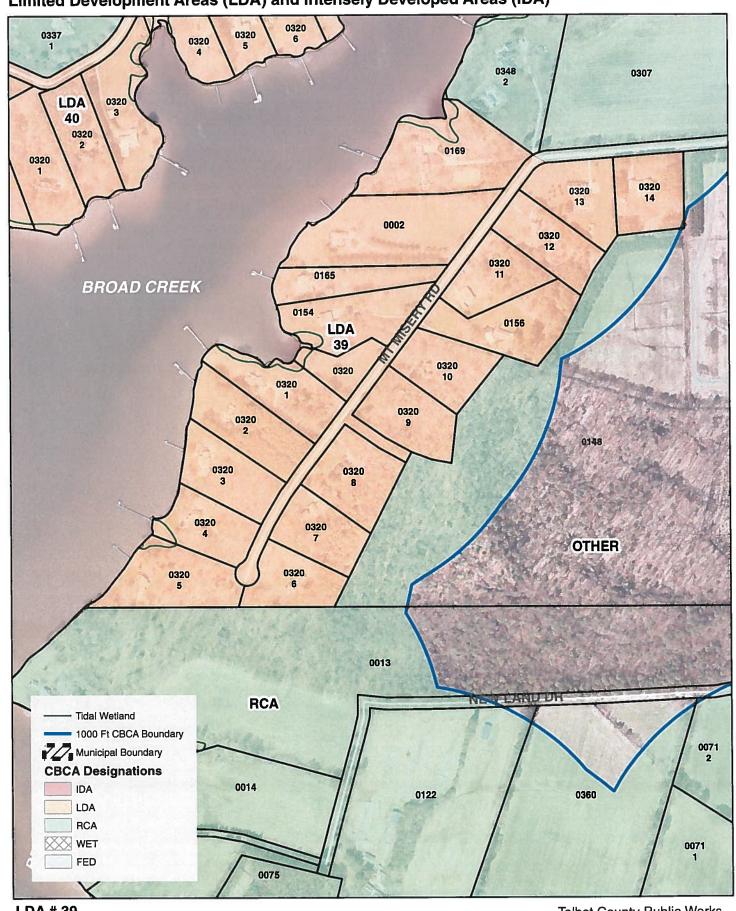




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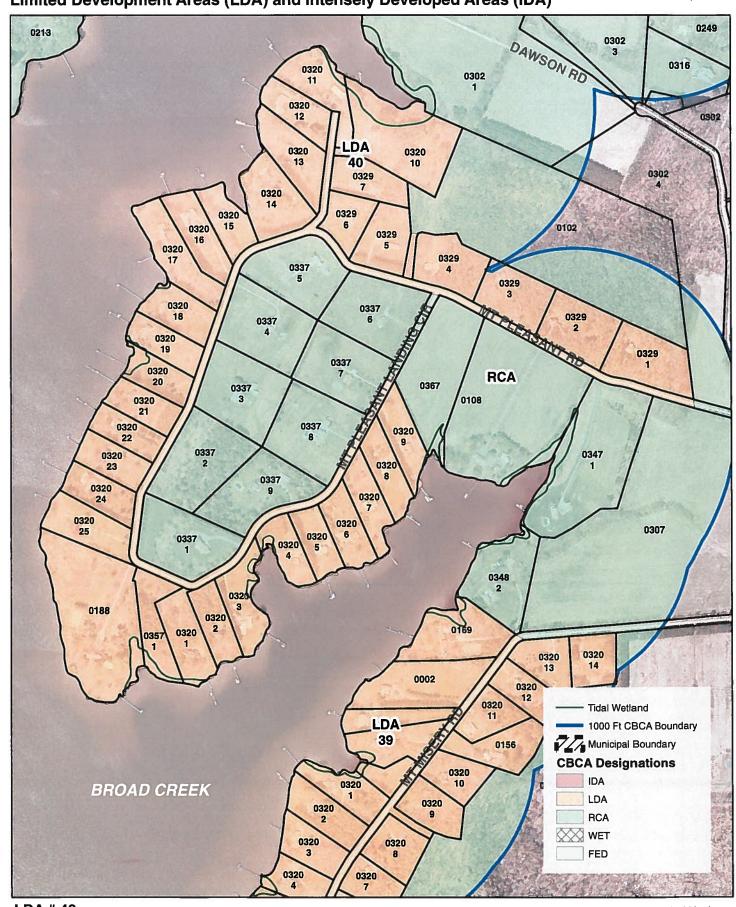




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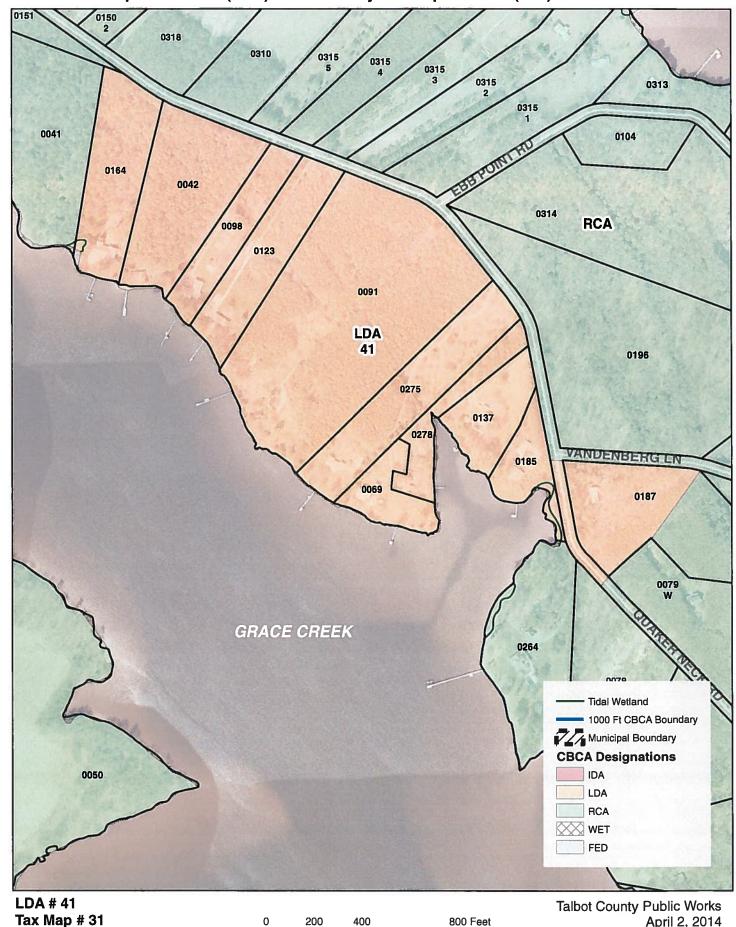


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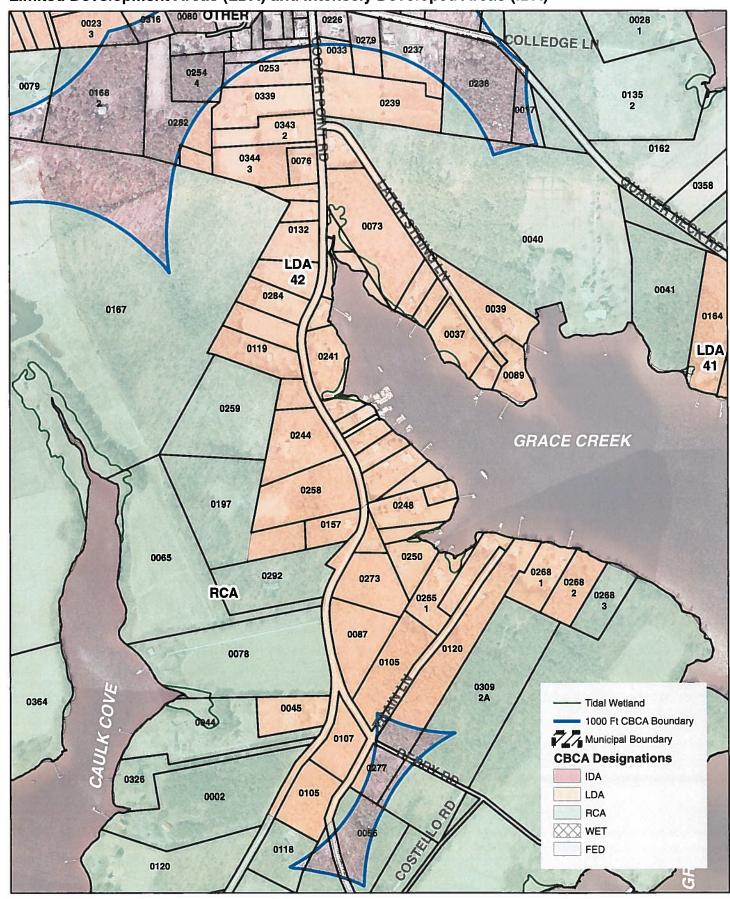
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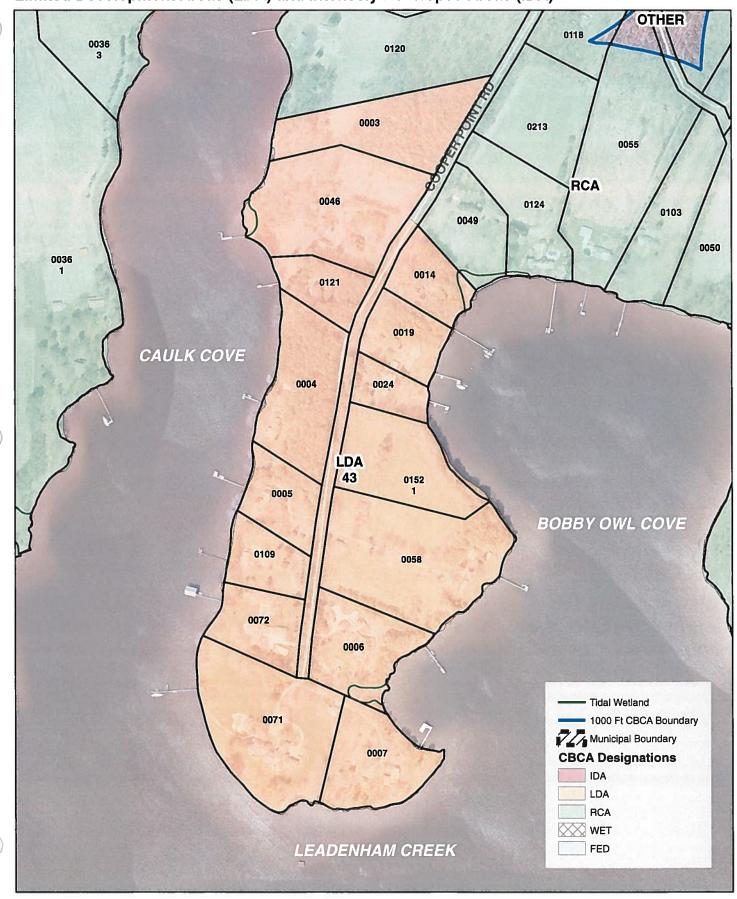




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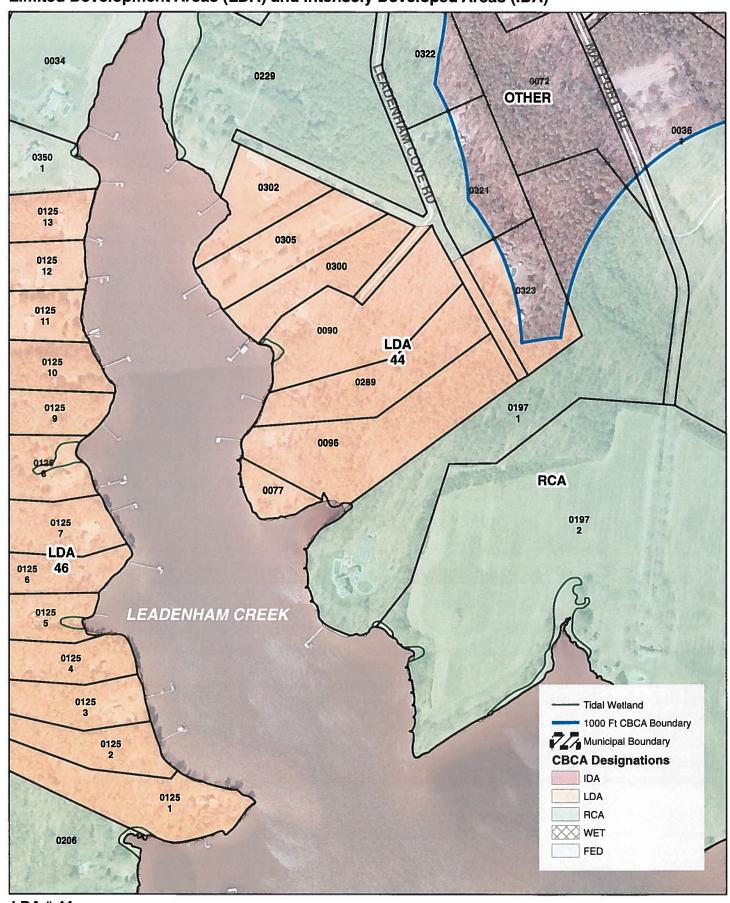




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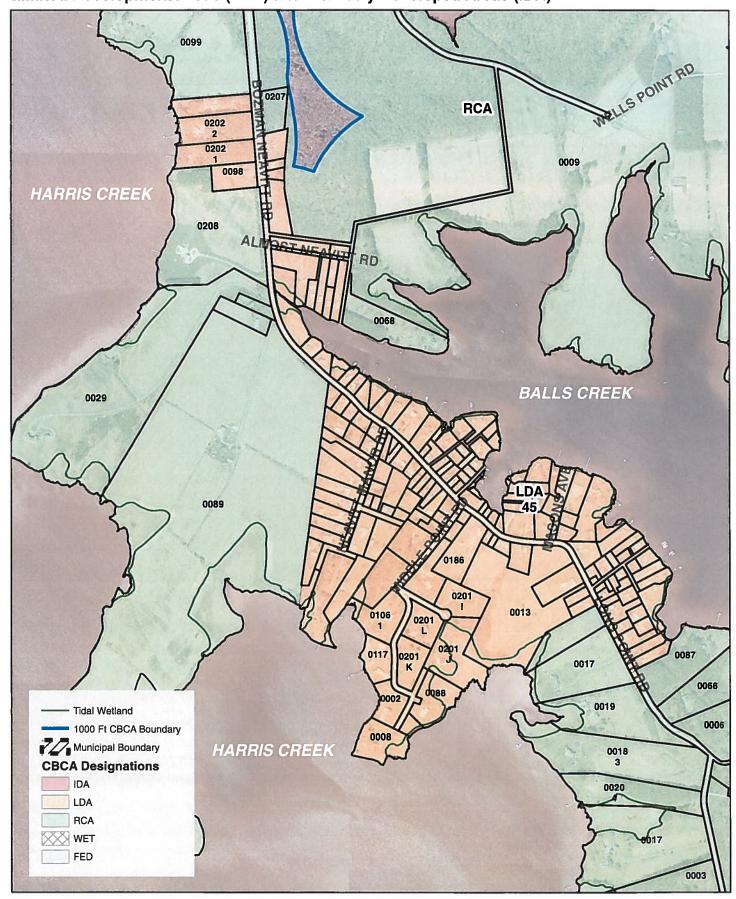




LDA # 44 Tax Map # 31 Total Acres = 30.17

0 200 400 800 Feet

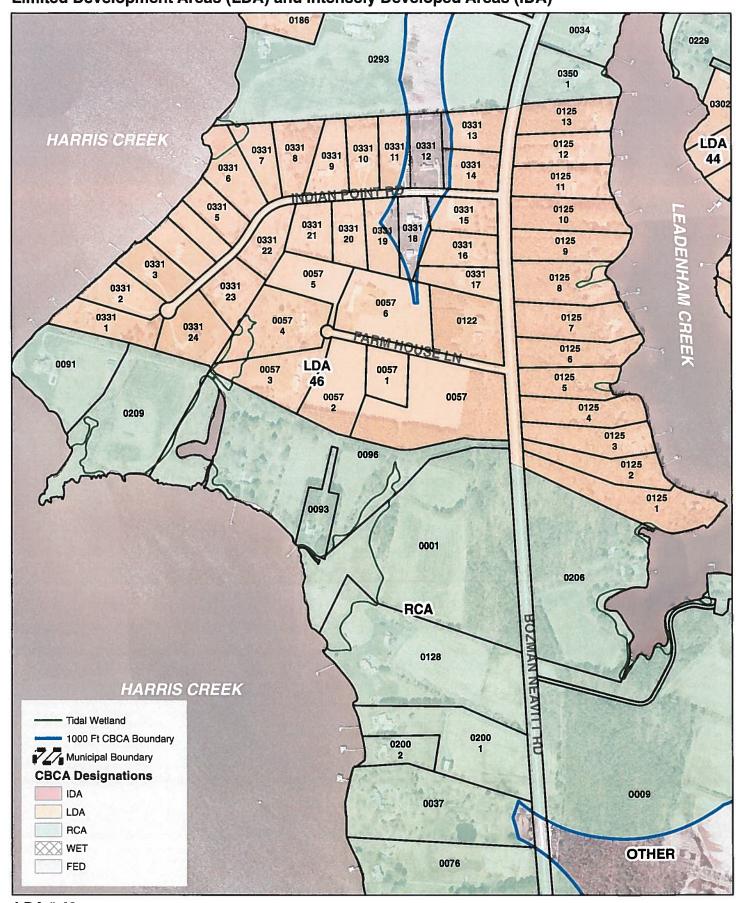




LDA # 45 Tax Map # 39 / 45 Total Acres = 166.99

0 500 1,000 2,000 Feet

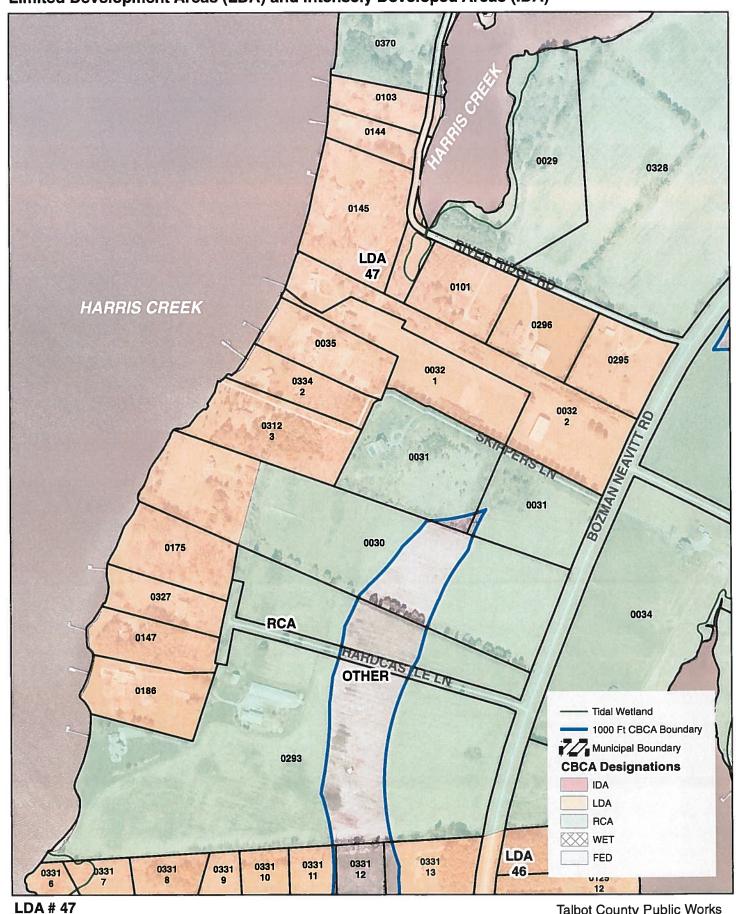




LDA # 46 Tax Map # 31 / 39 Total Acres = 134.79

0 500 1,000 Feet

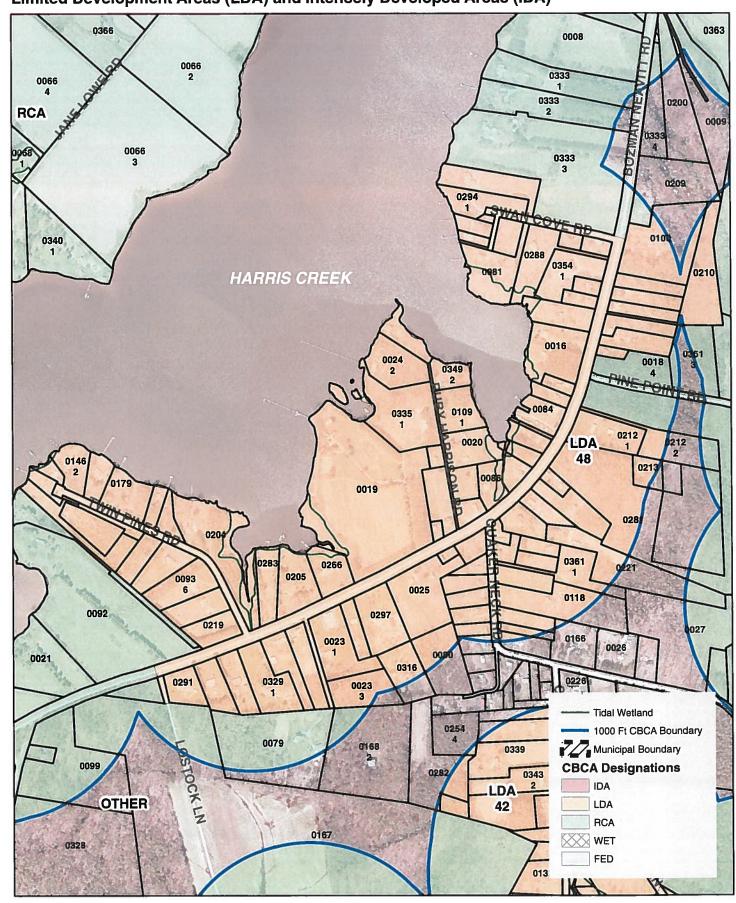




LDA # 47
Tax Map # 31
Total Acres = 49.38

0 200 400 800 Feet



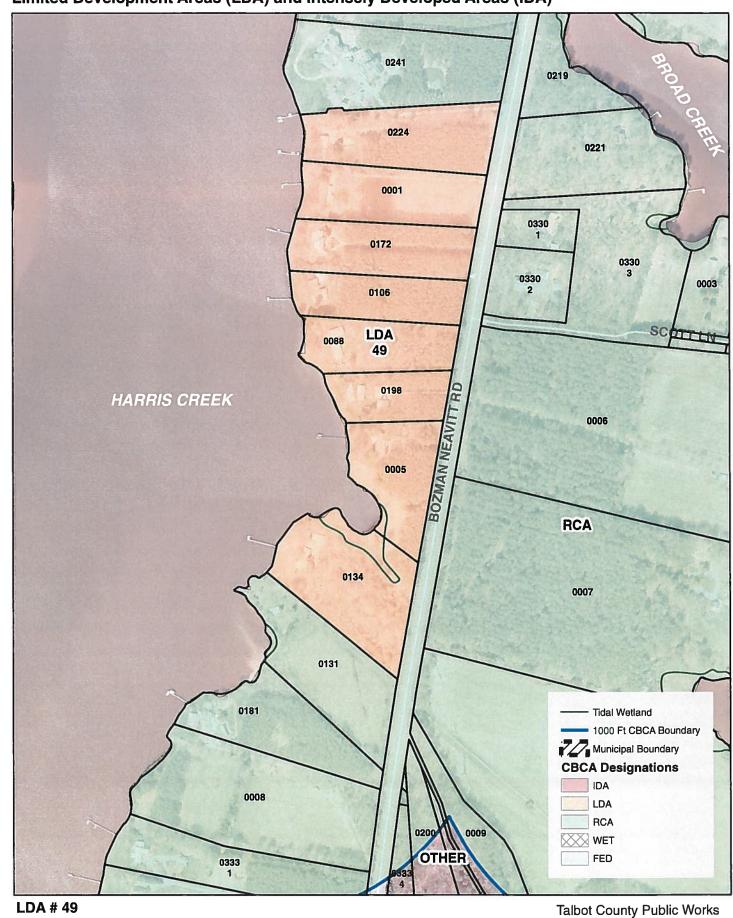


LDA # 48 Tax Map # 31 Total Acres = 187.69

0 300 600 1,200 Feet



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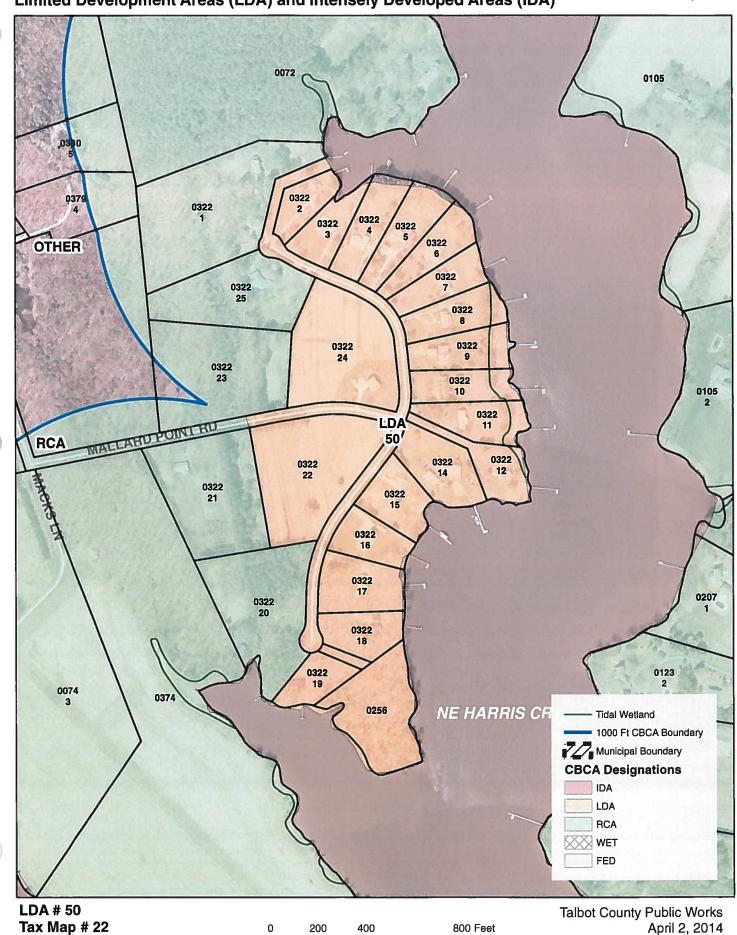
400

800 Feet

Tax Map #31

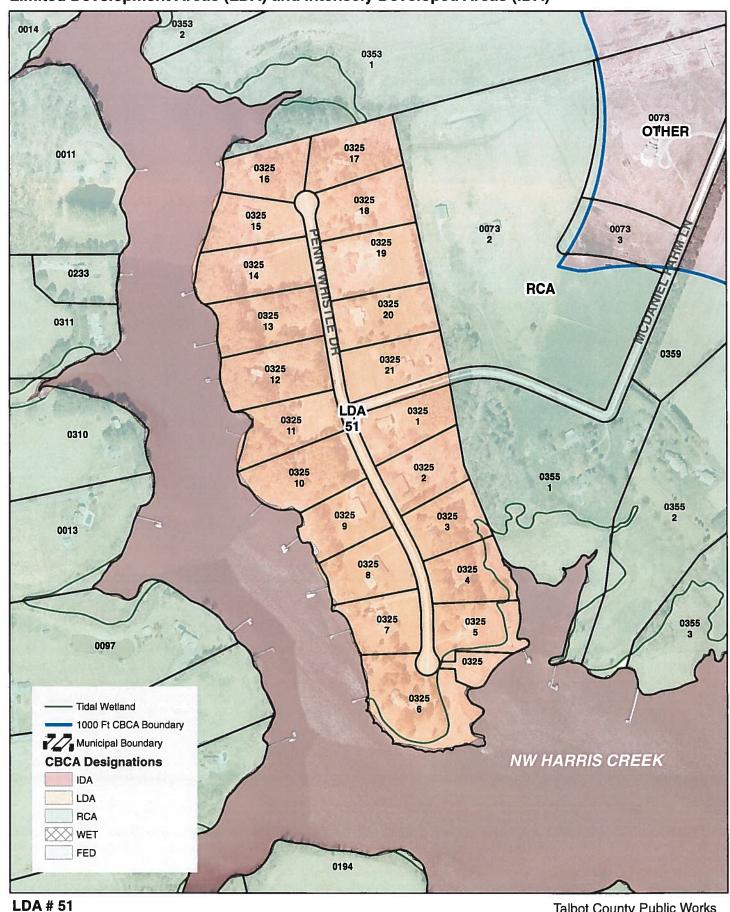
Total Acres = 30.25





Total Acres = 39.91



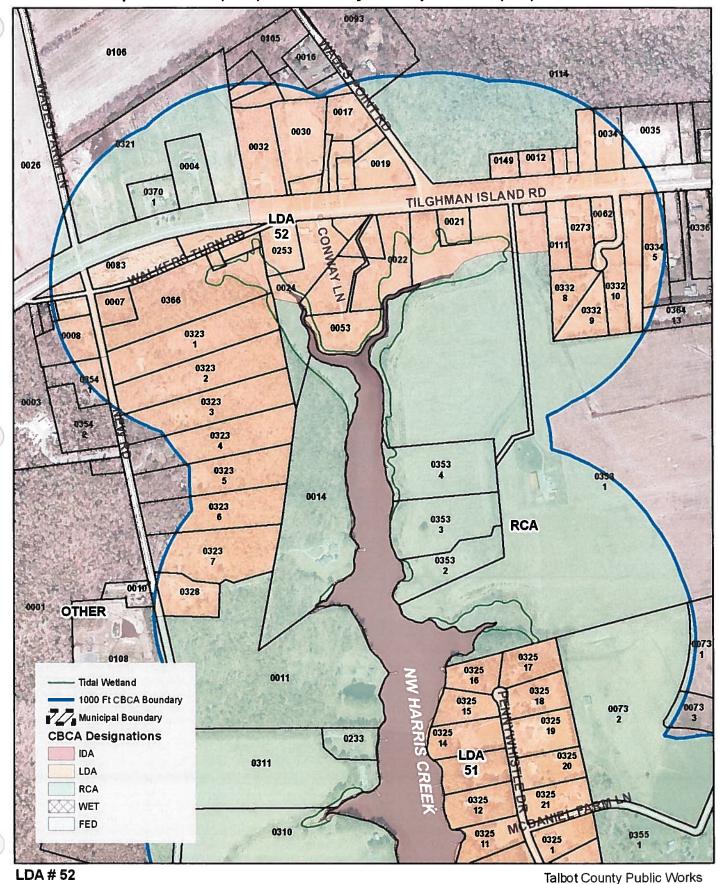


Tax Map # 22
Total Acres = 46.43

0 200 400 800 Feet



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300

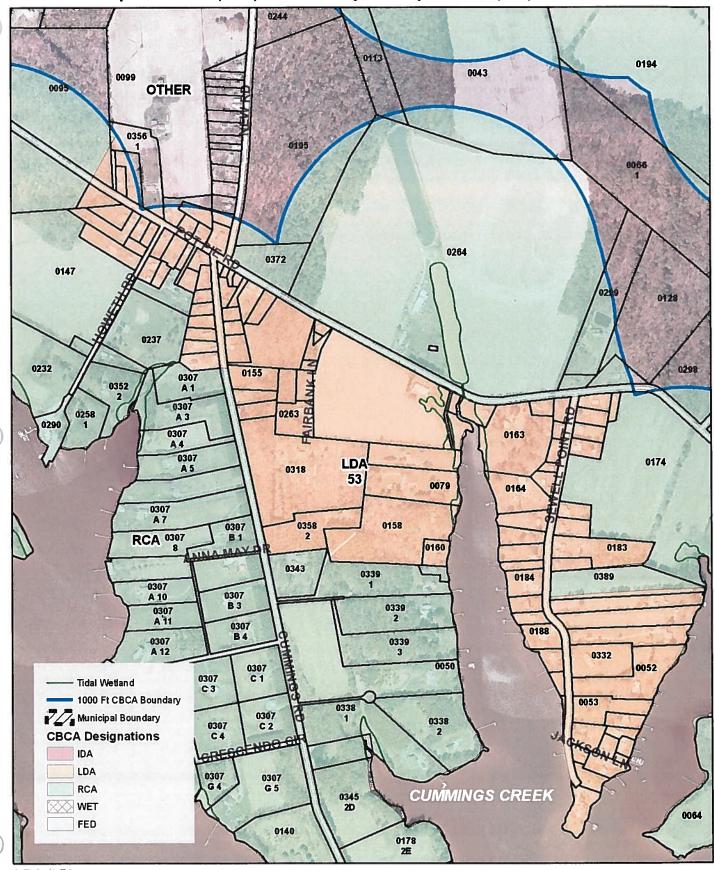
600

1,200 Feet

Tax Map # 22

Total Acres = 120.34

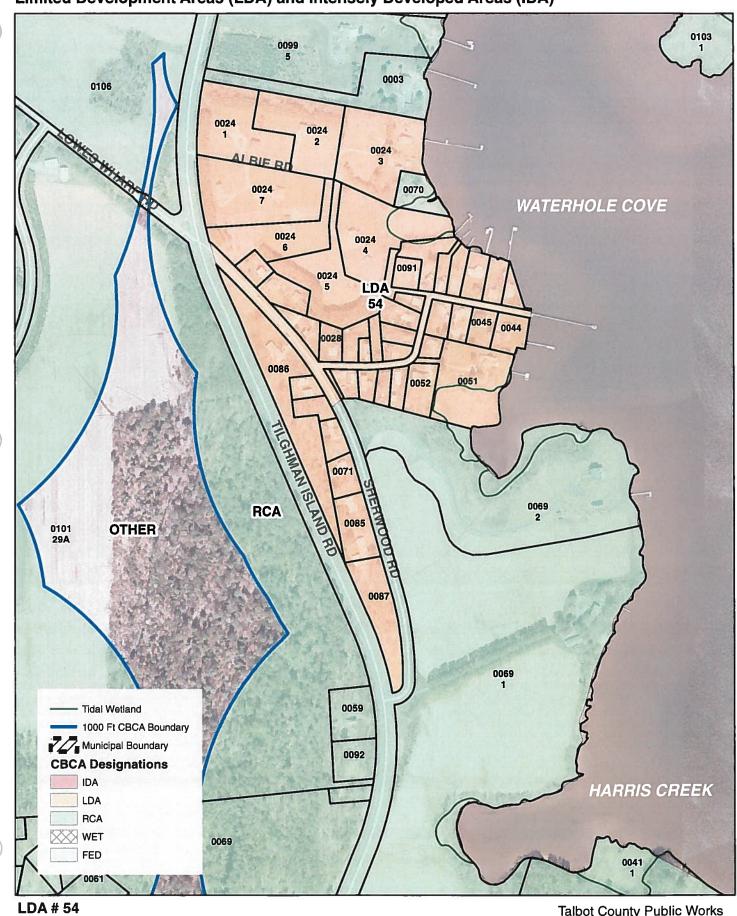




LDA # 53 Tax Map # 22 / 31 Total Acres = 101.92

0 300 600 1,200 Feet

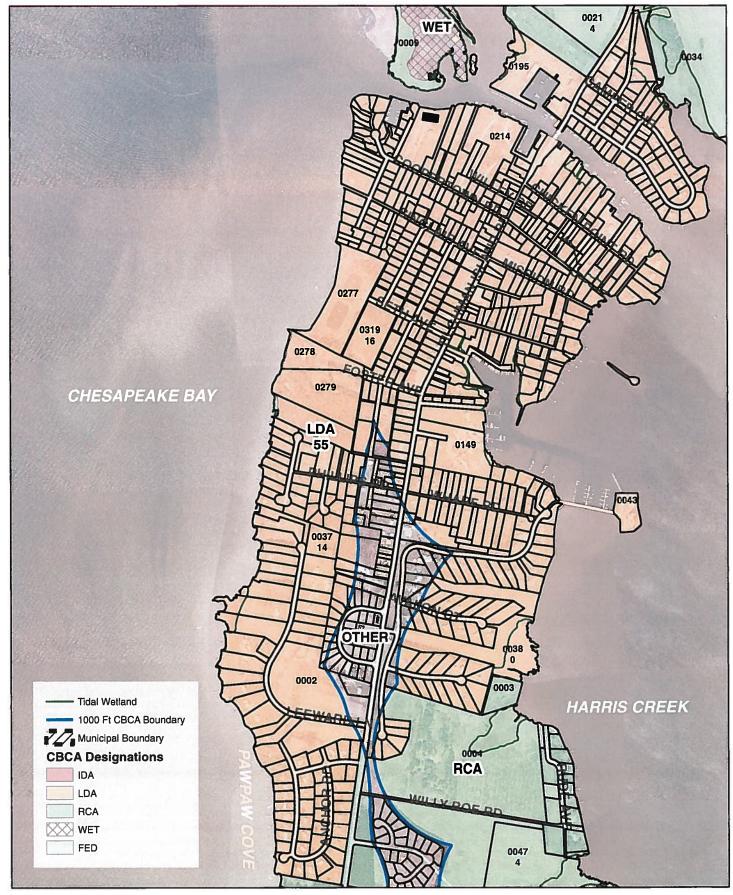




Tax Map # 30
Total Acres = 35.26

0 200 400 800 Feet

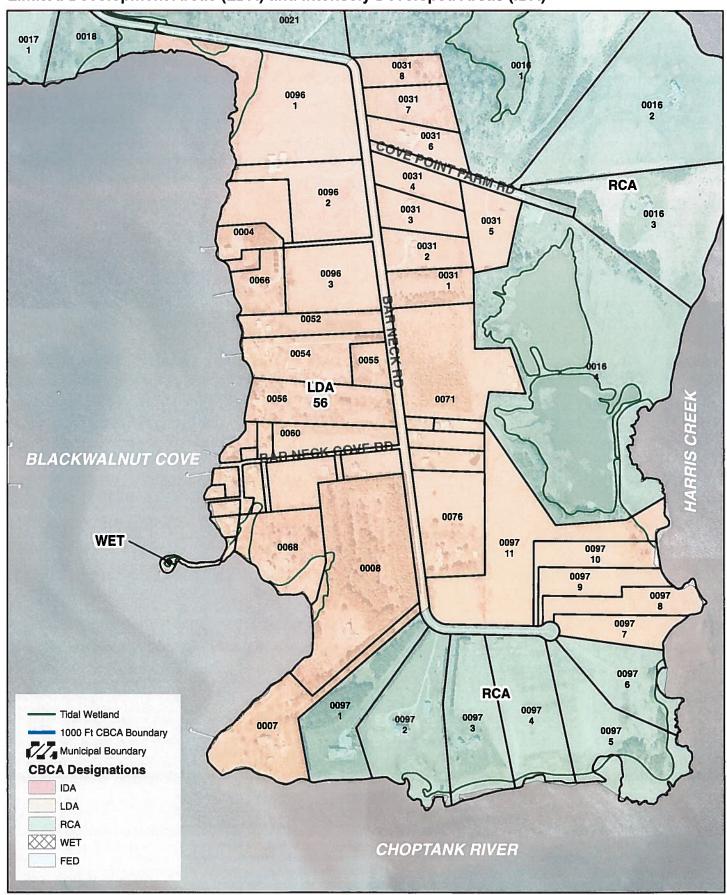




LDA # 55 Tax Map # 44 Total Acres = 451.90

0 500 1,000 2,000 Feet

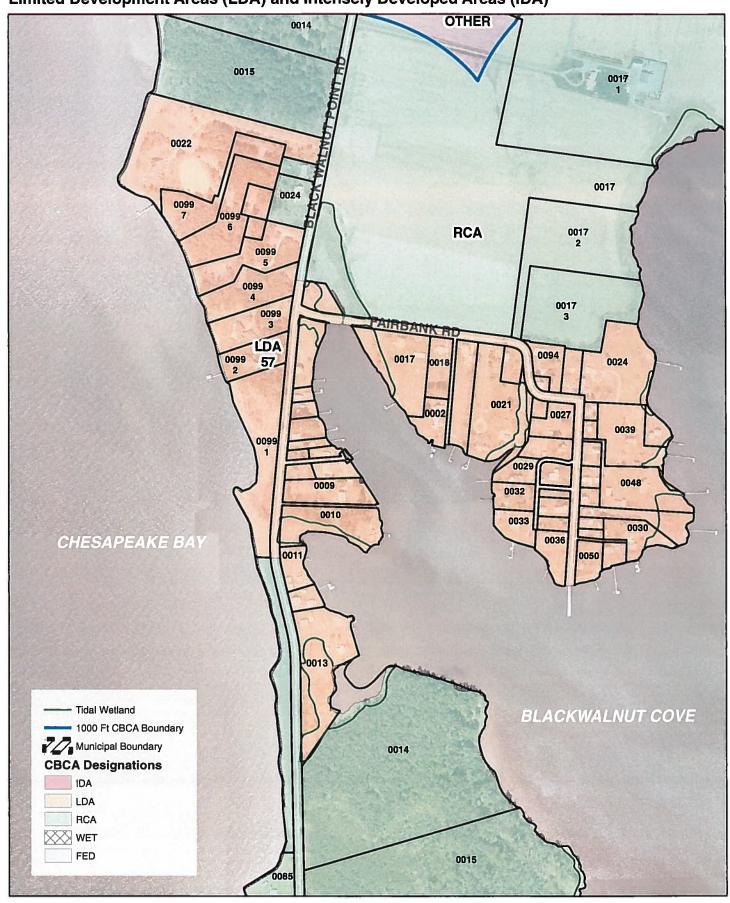




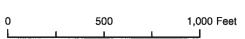
LDA # 56 Tax Map # 51 Total Acres = 110.71

0 250 500 1,000 Feet

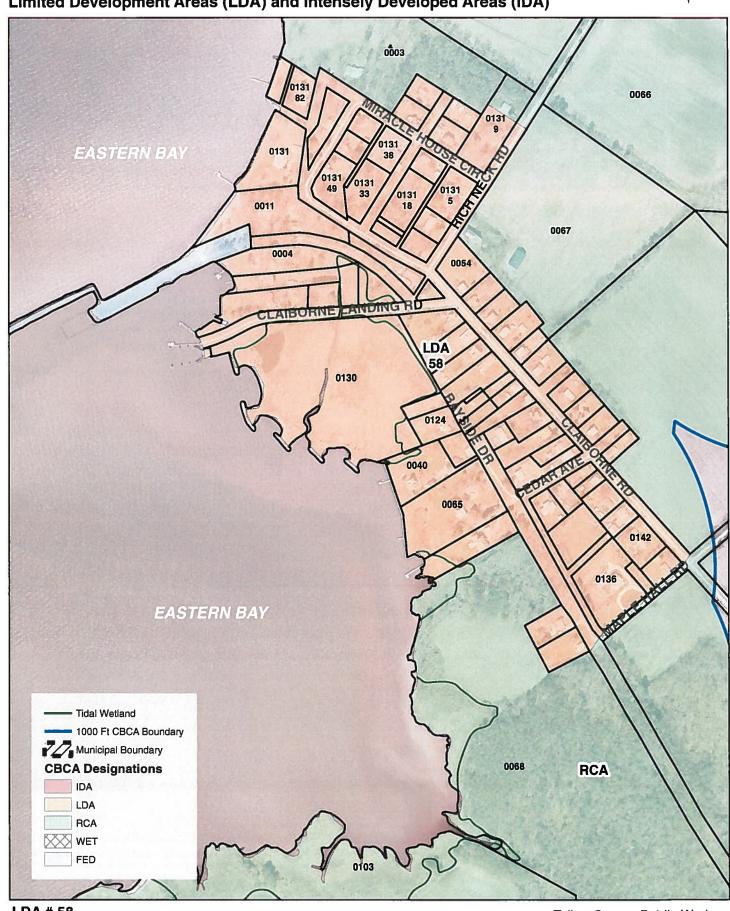




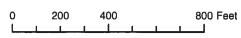
LDA # 57 Tax Map # 51 Total Acres = 68.41



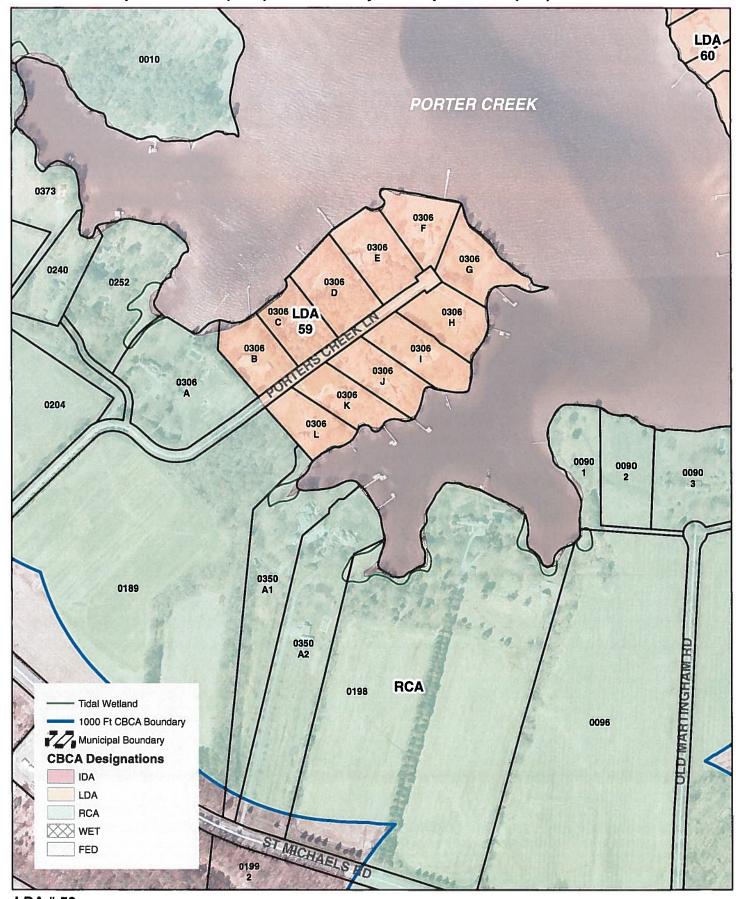




LDA # 58 Tax Map # 14 Total Acres = 56.88





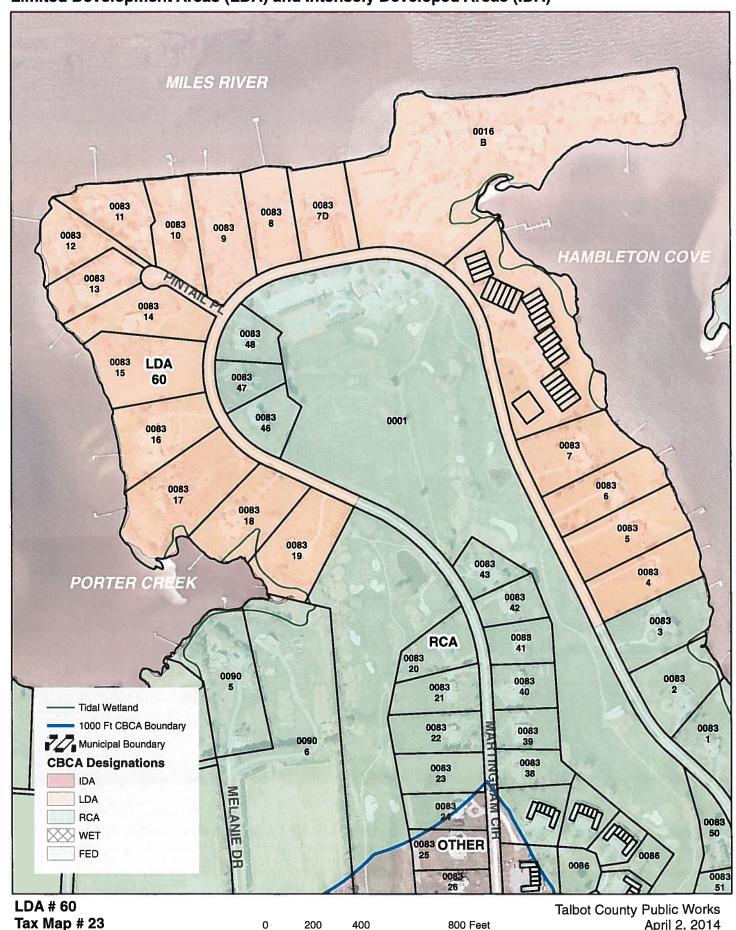


LDA # 59 Tax Map # 22 Total Acres = 18.18

0 200 400 800 Feet



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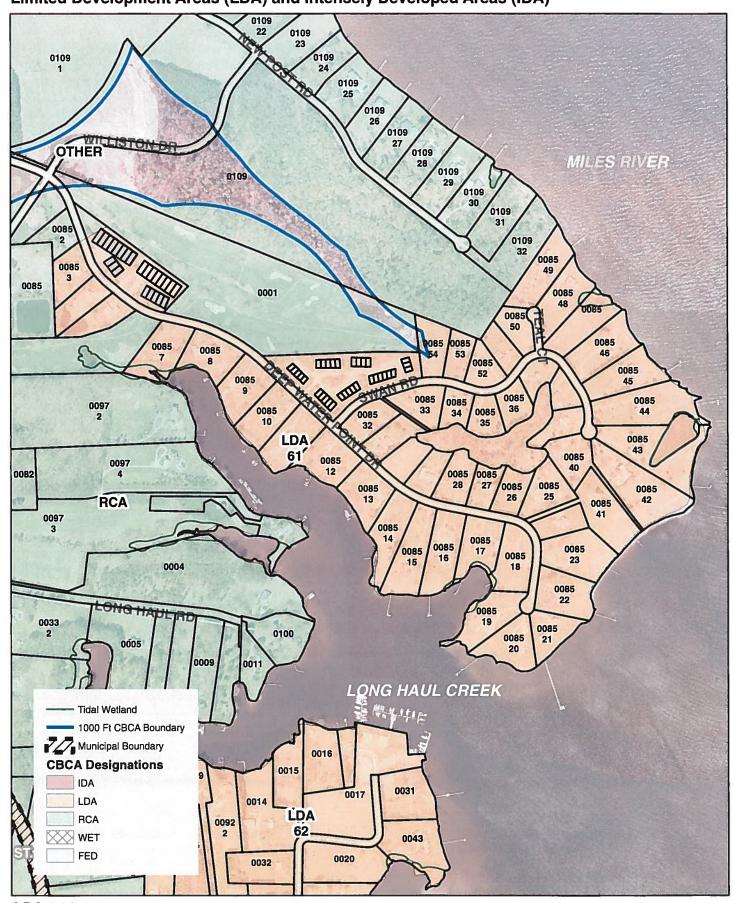
0

Total Acres = 62.64

400

800 Feet

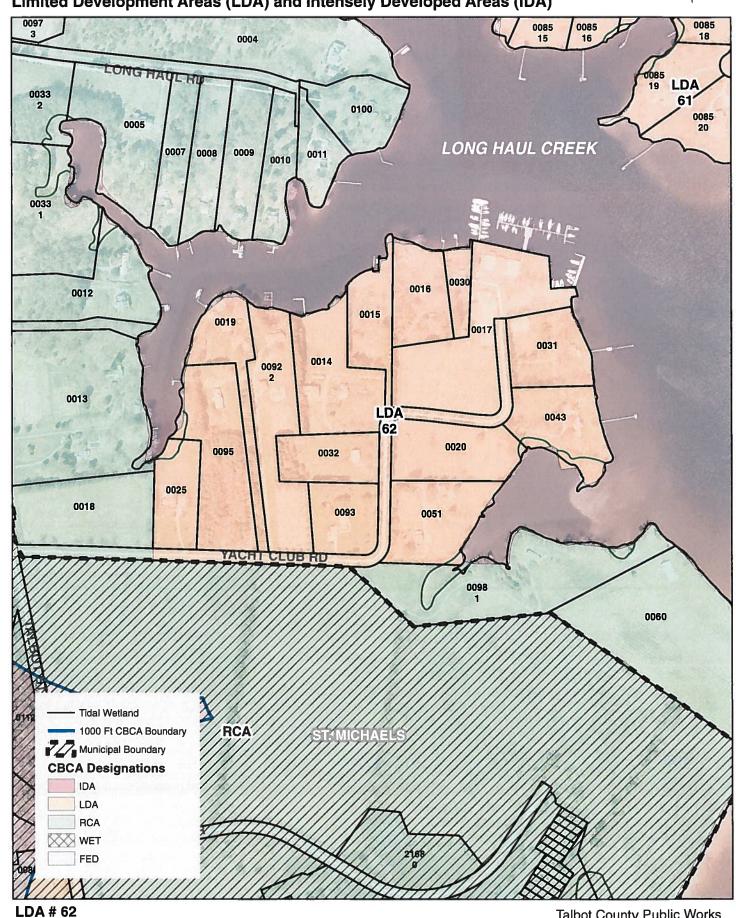




LDA # 61 Tax Map # 23 Total Acres = 108.94

0 300 600 1,200 Feet

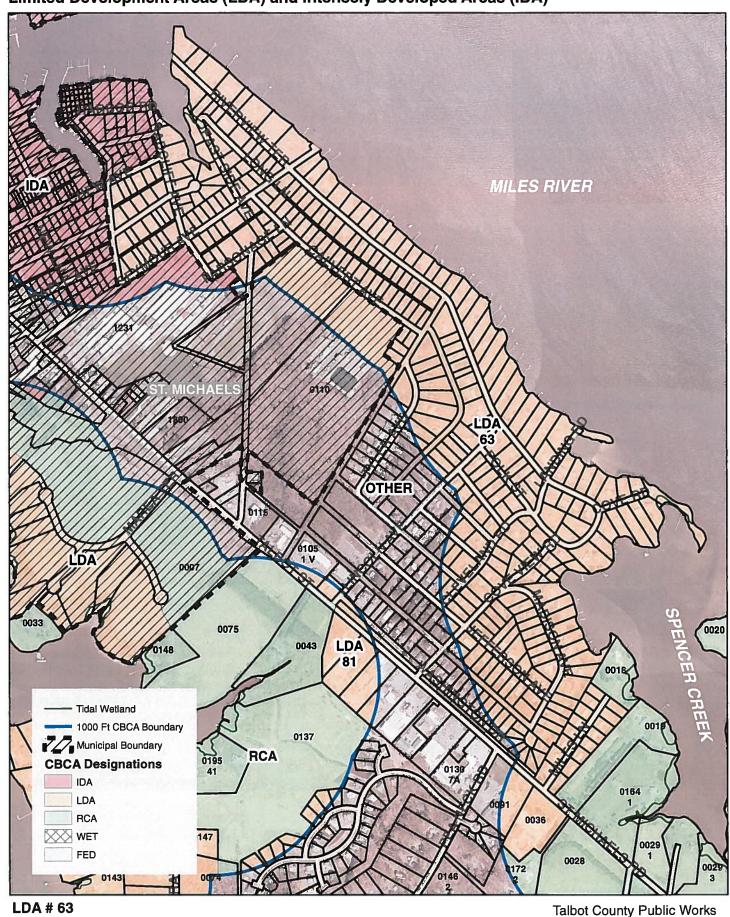




Tax Map # 23
Total Acres = 43.36

0 200 400 800 Feet

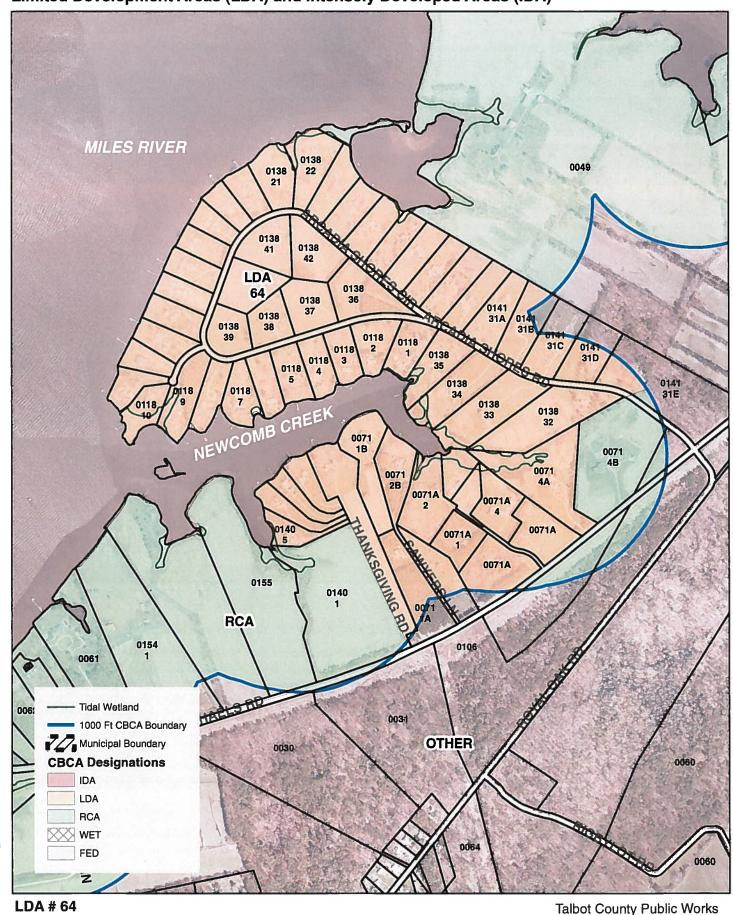




LDA # 63
Tax Map # 32
Total Acres = 182.68

0 500 1,000 2,000 Feet





1,000

500

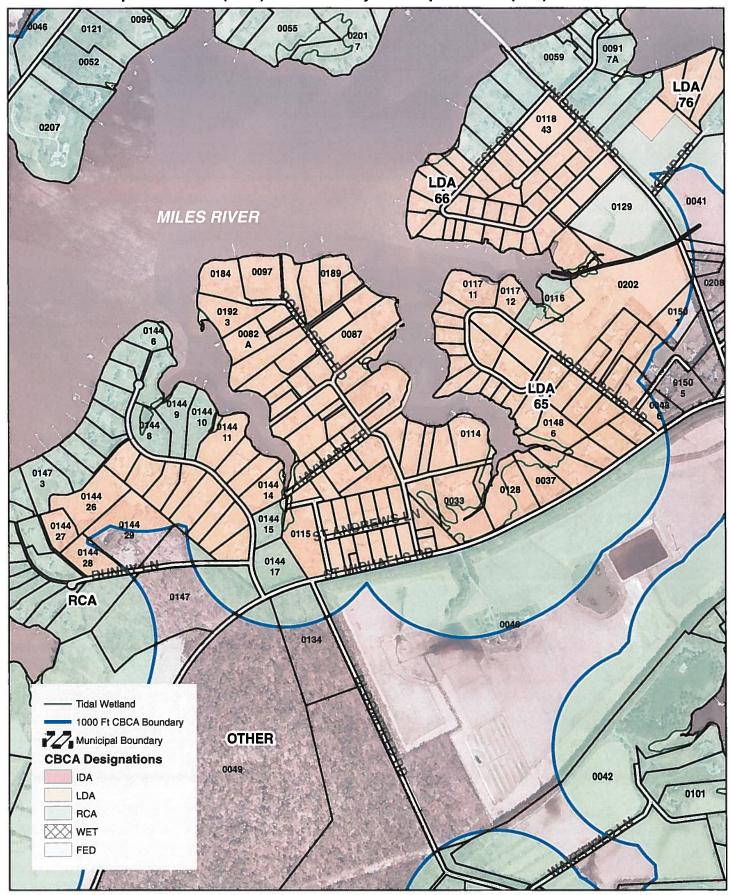
2,000 Feet

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Tax Map #33

Total Acres = 215.27



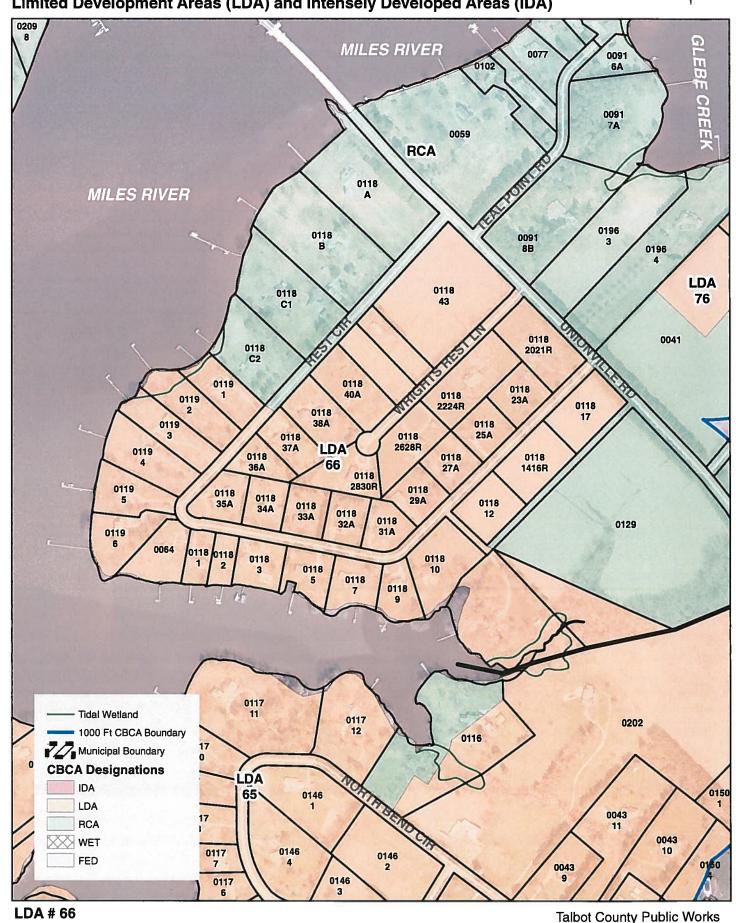


LDA # 65 Tax Map # 24 / 33 Total Acres = 292.14

0 500 1,000 2,000 Feet



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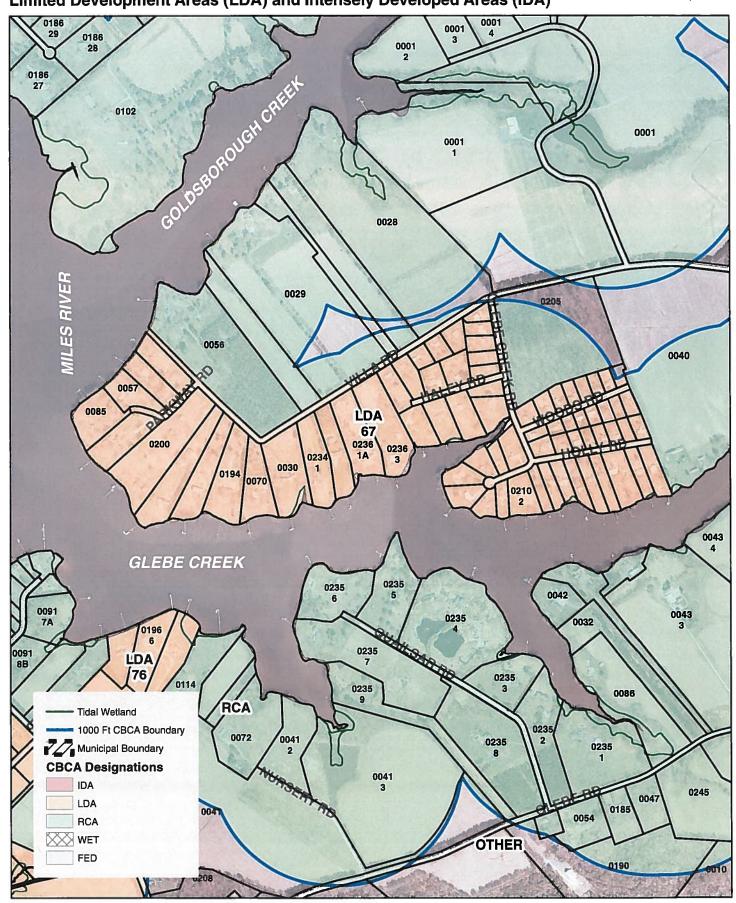
400

800 Feet

Tax Map # 24

Total Acres = 52.69

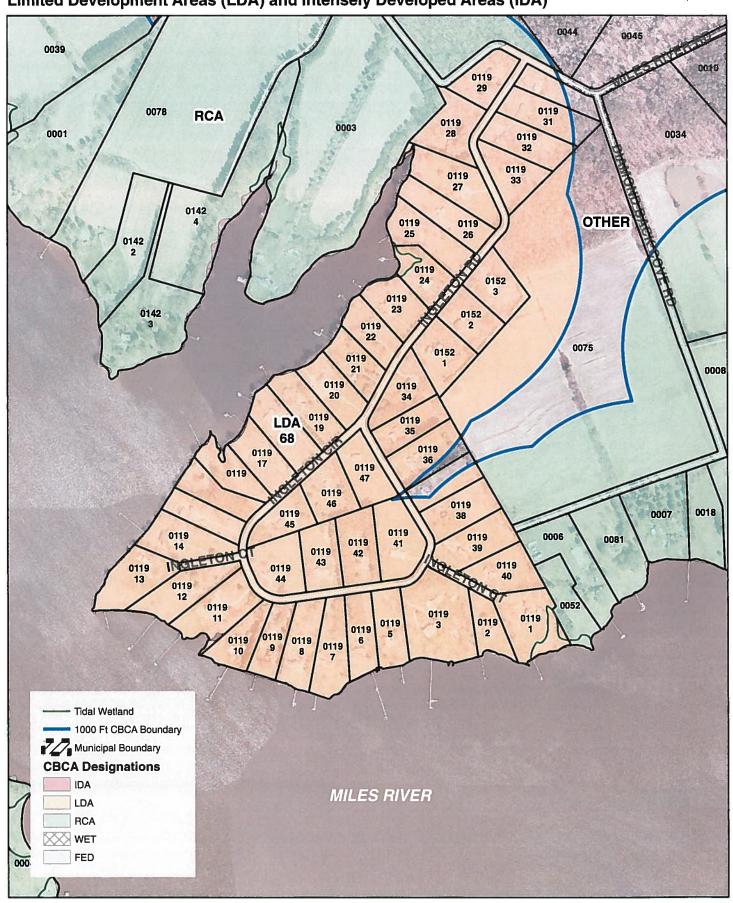




LDA # 67 Tax Map # 24 / 25 Total Acres = 113.91

0 500 1,000 2,000 Feet

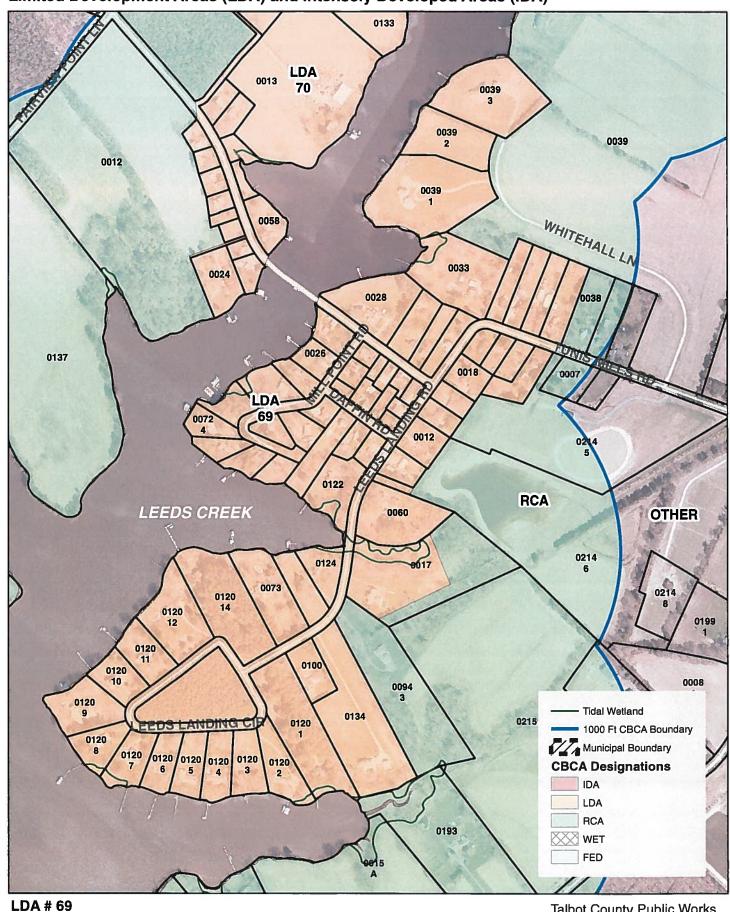




LDA # 68 Tax Map # 33 Total Acres = 138.81

0 300 600 1,200 Feet



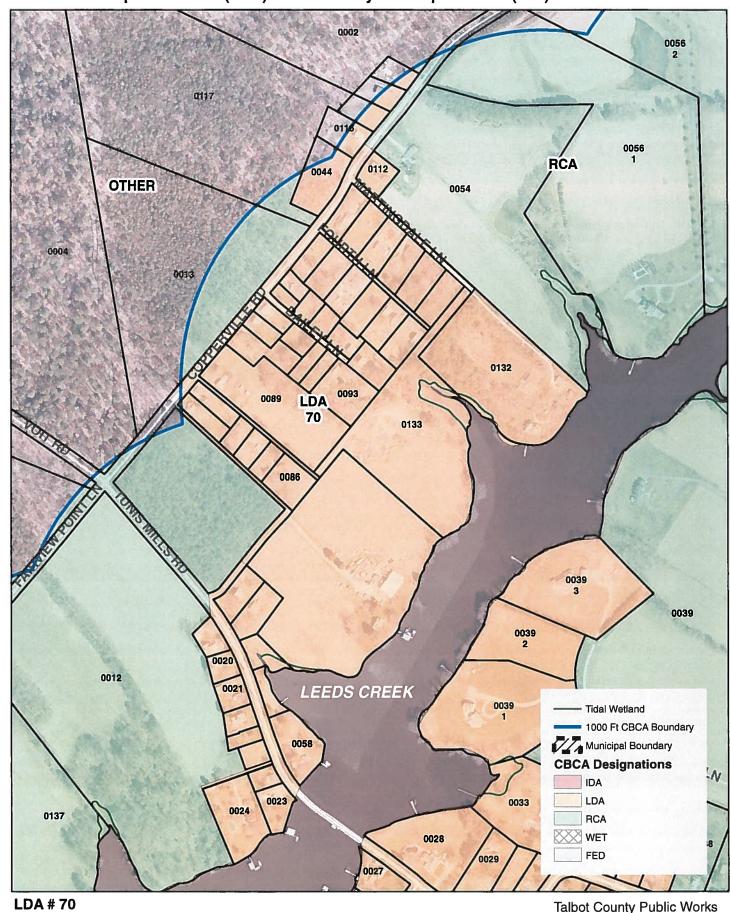


LDA # 69 Tax Map # 16 / 24 Total Acres = 94.87

0 250 500 1,000 Feet



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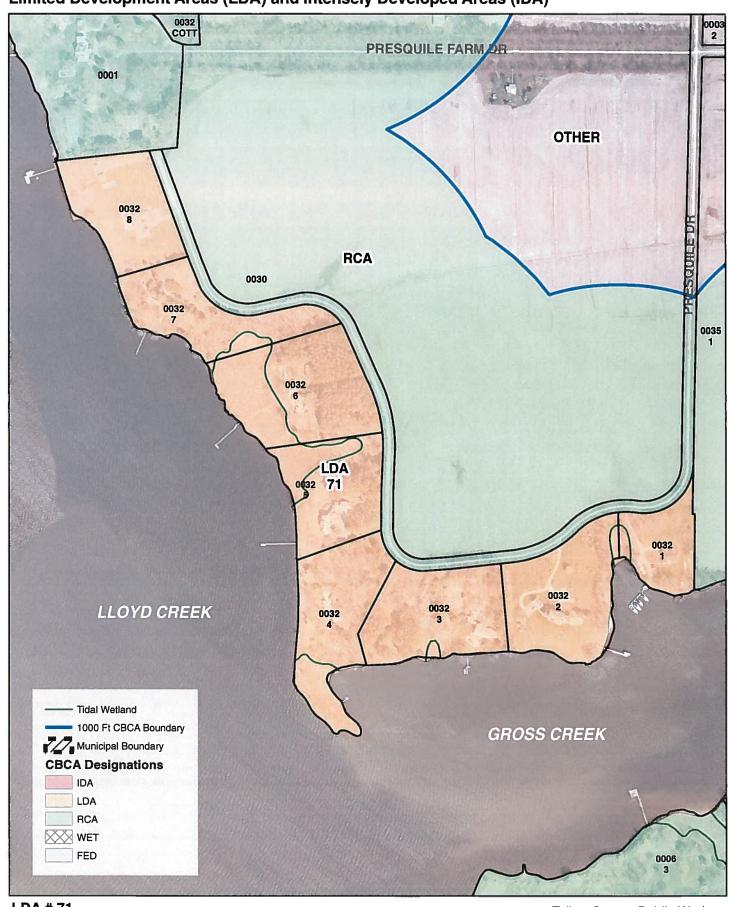
400

800 Feet

Tax Map # 16

Total Acres = 50.76

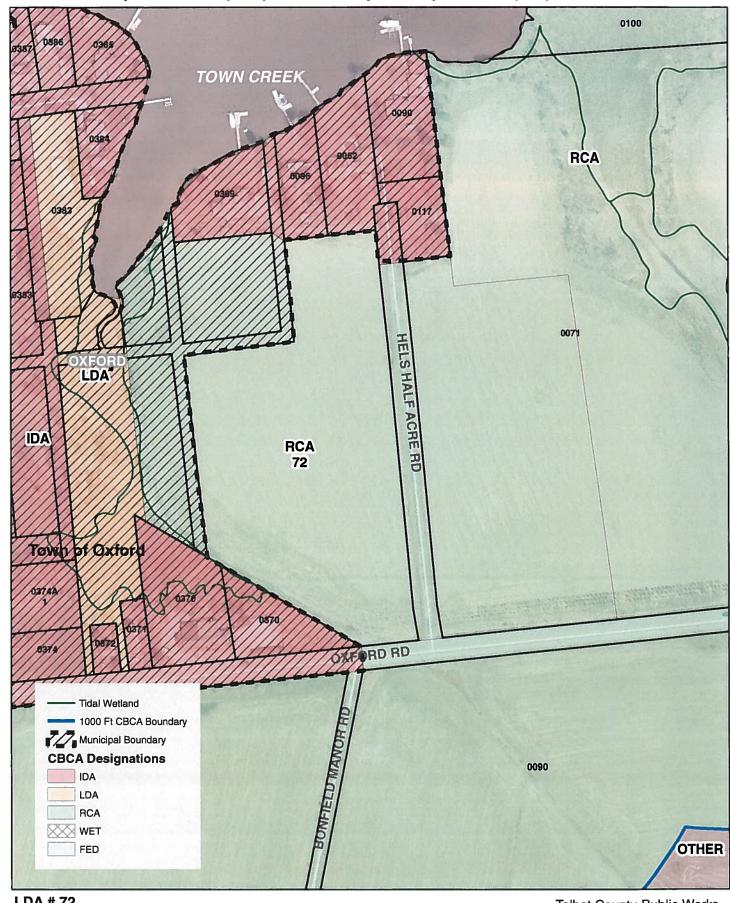




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0 200 400 800 Feet

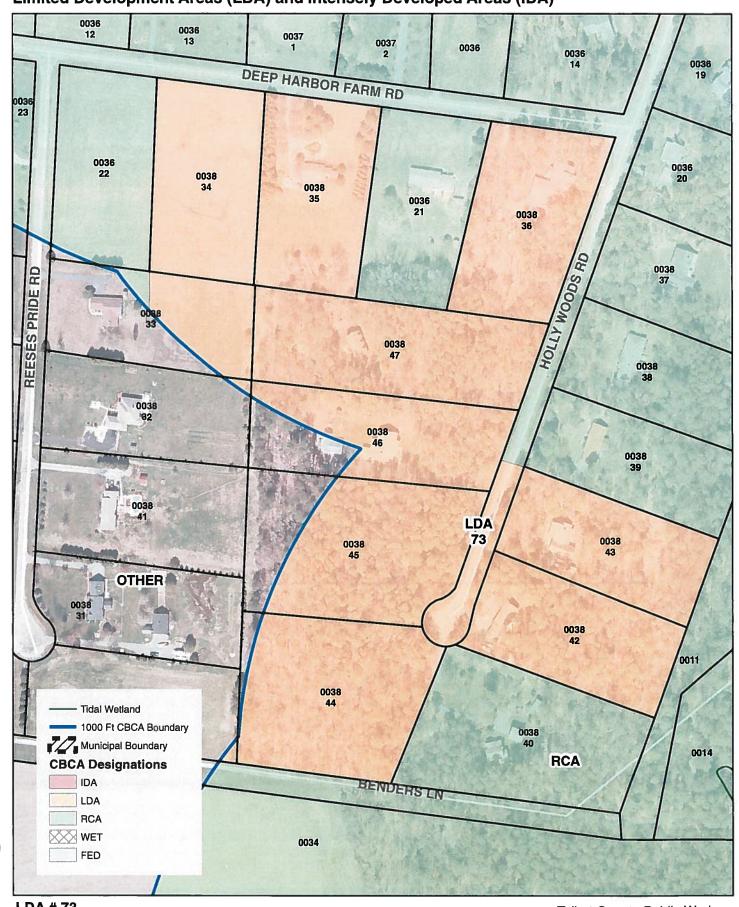




LDA # 72 Tax Map # 47 / 53 Total Acres = 0

0 100 200 400 Feet



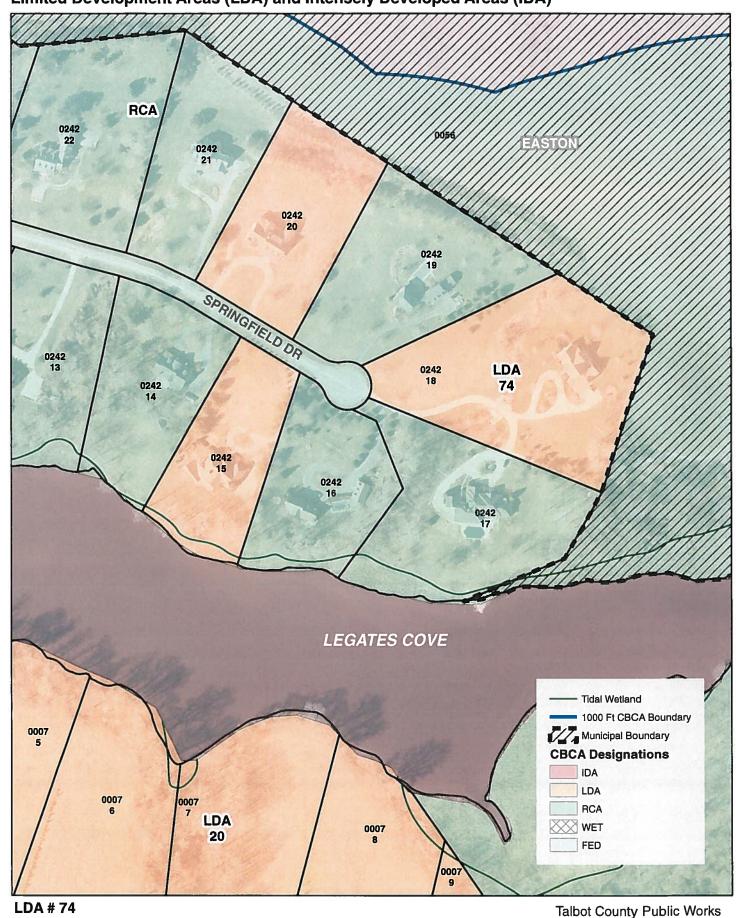


LDA # 73 Tax Map # 38 Total Acres = 21.04

0 100 200 400 Feet



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100

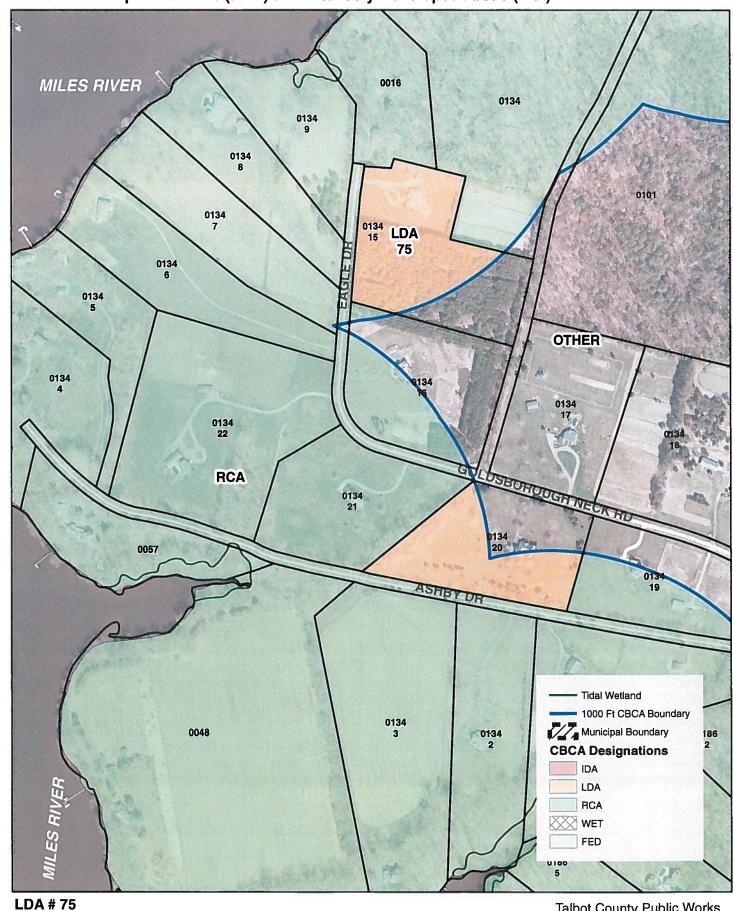
200

400 Feet

Tax Map # 42

Total Acres = 7.72

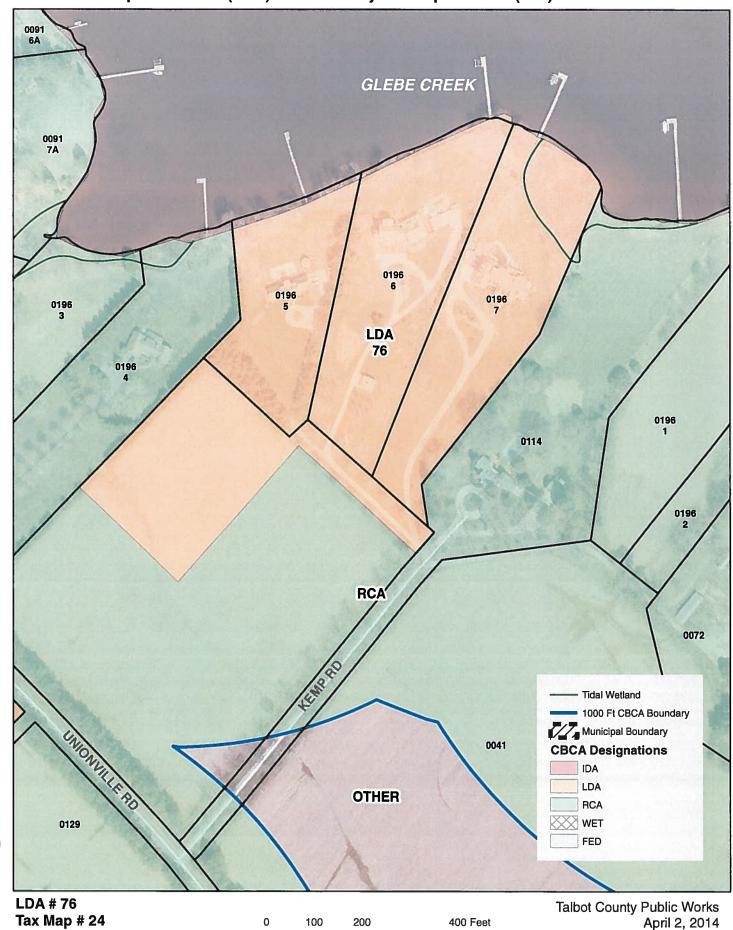




Tax Map # 16
Total Acres = 10.88

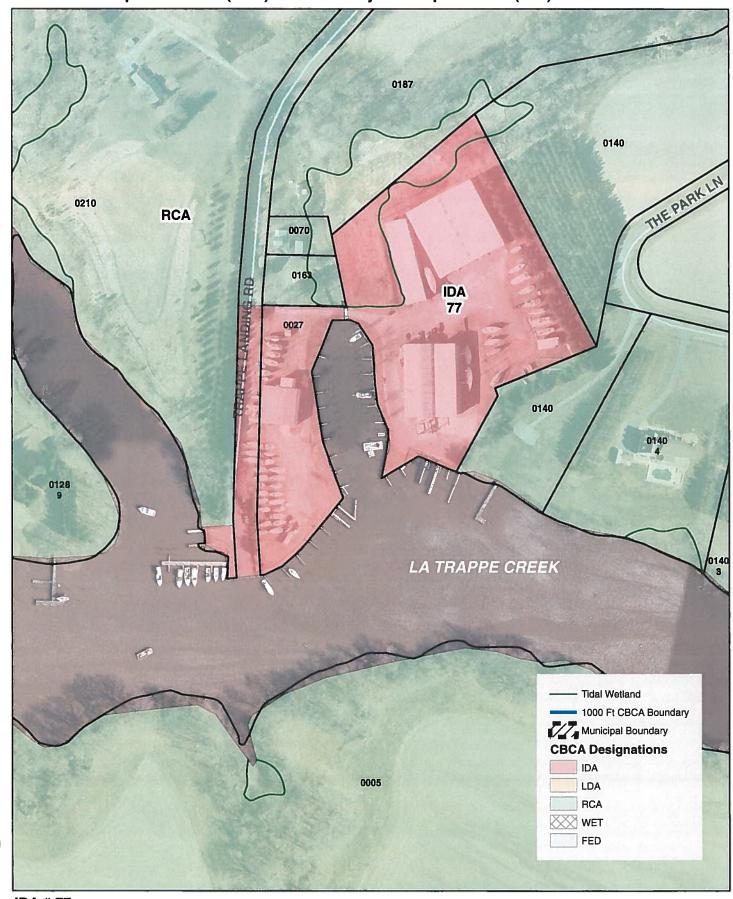
0 200 400 800 Feet





Total Acres = 11.69

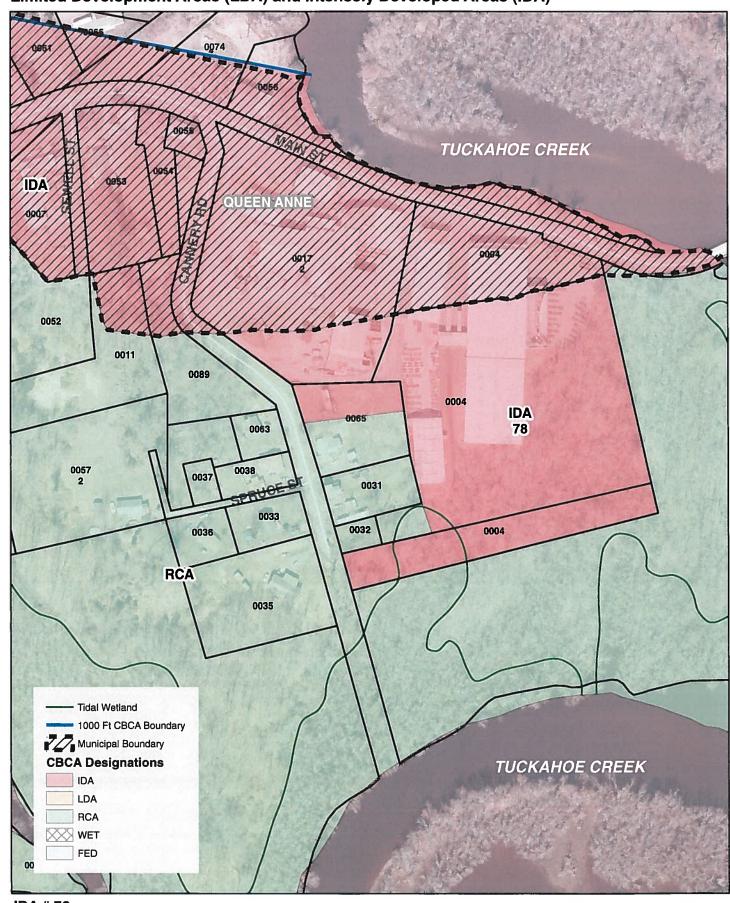




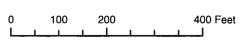
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0 100 200 400 Feet

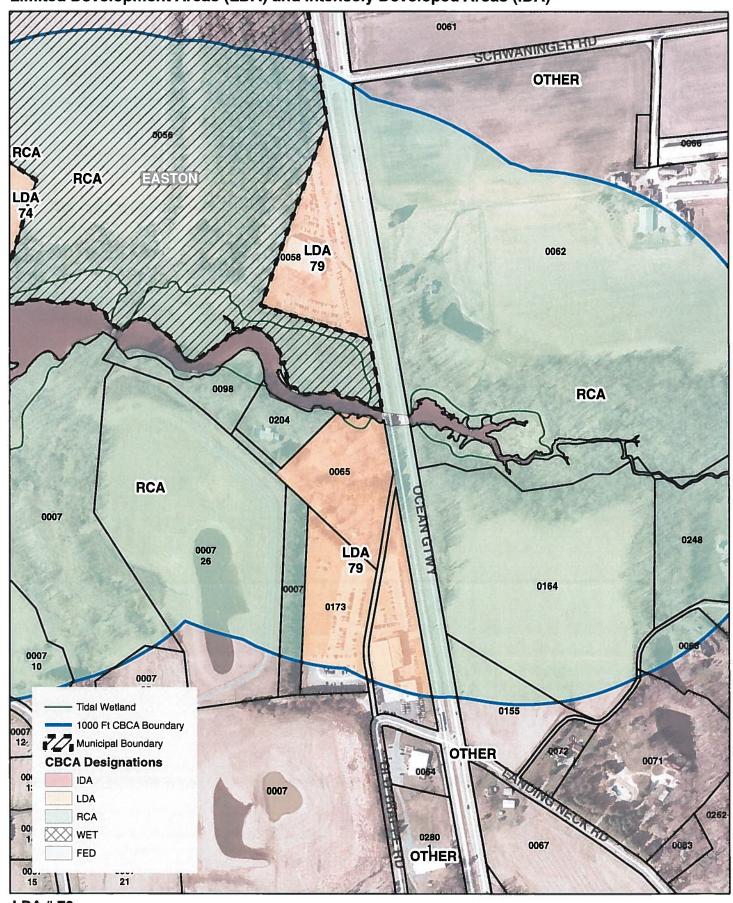




IDA # 78 Tax Map # 3 Total Acres = 7.10





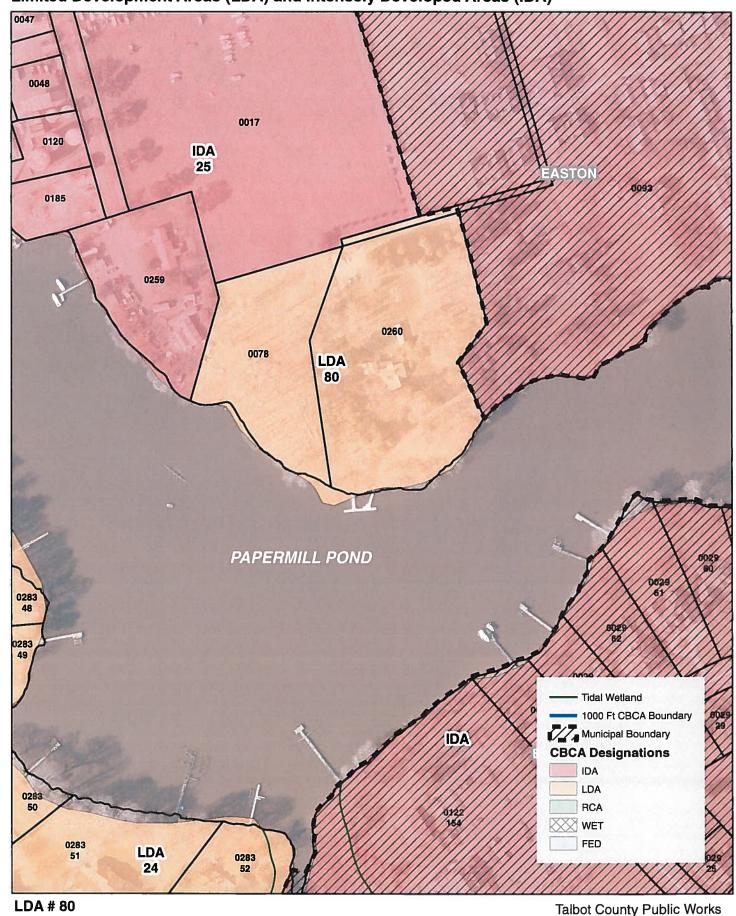


LDA # 79 Tax Map # 42 Total Acres = 15.28

0 200 400 800 Feet



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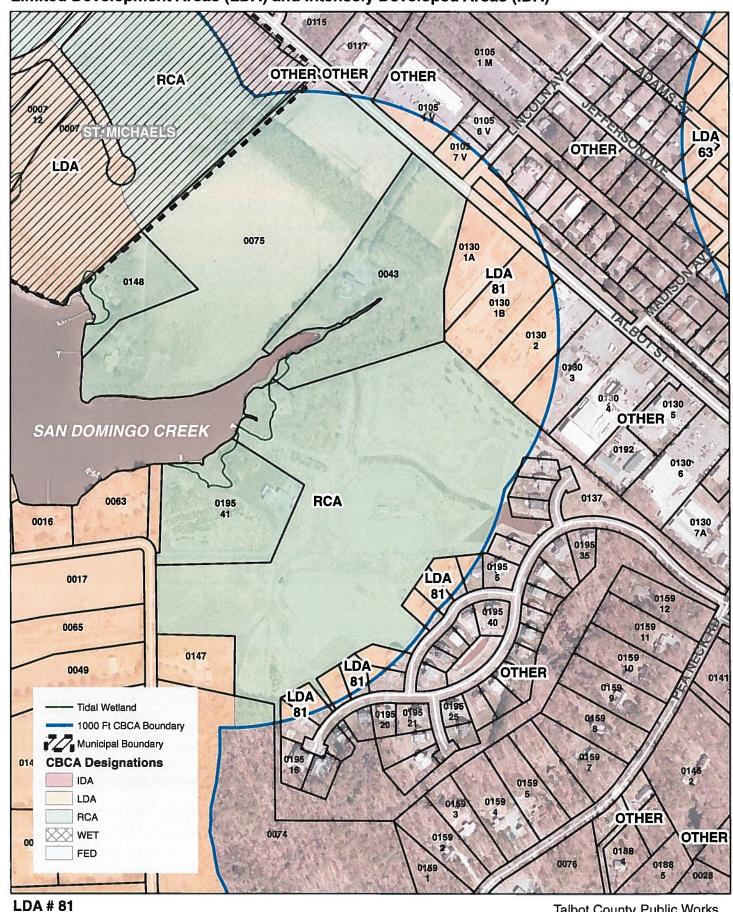
100

400 Feet

Tax Map # 34

Total Acres = 5.96

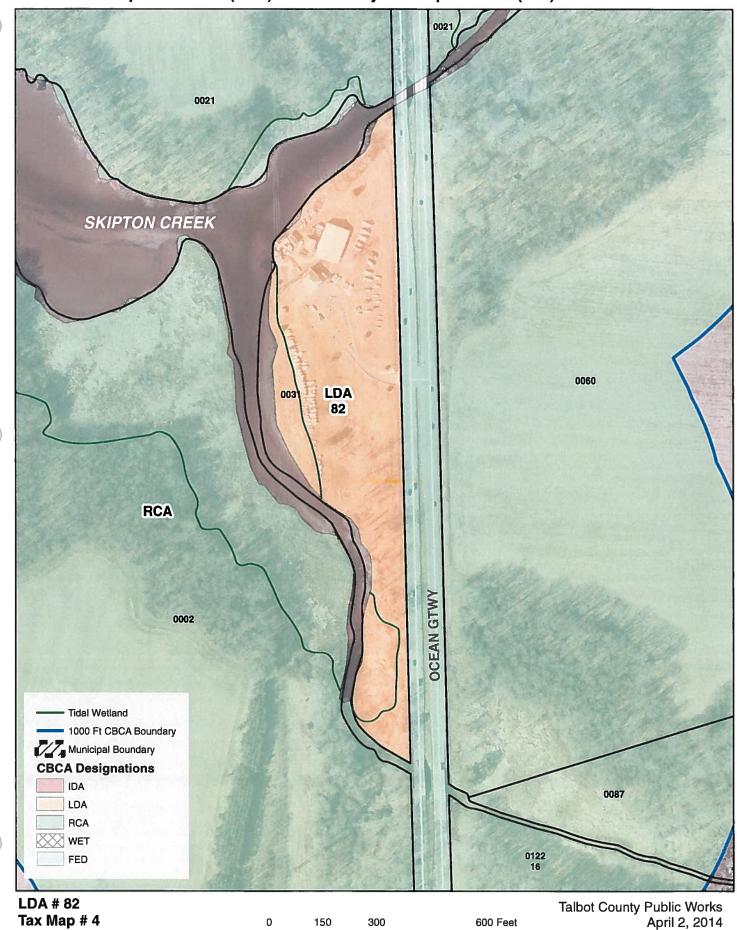




Tax Map # 32
Total Acres = 11.41

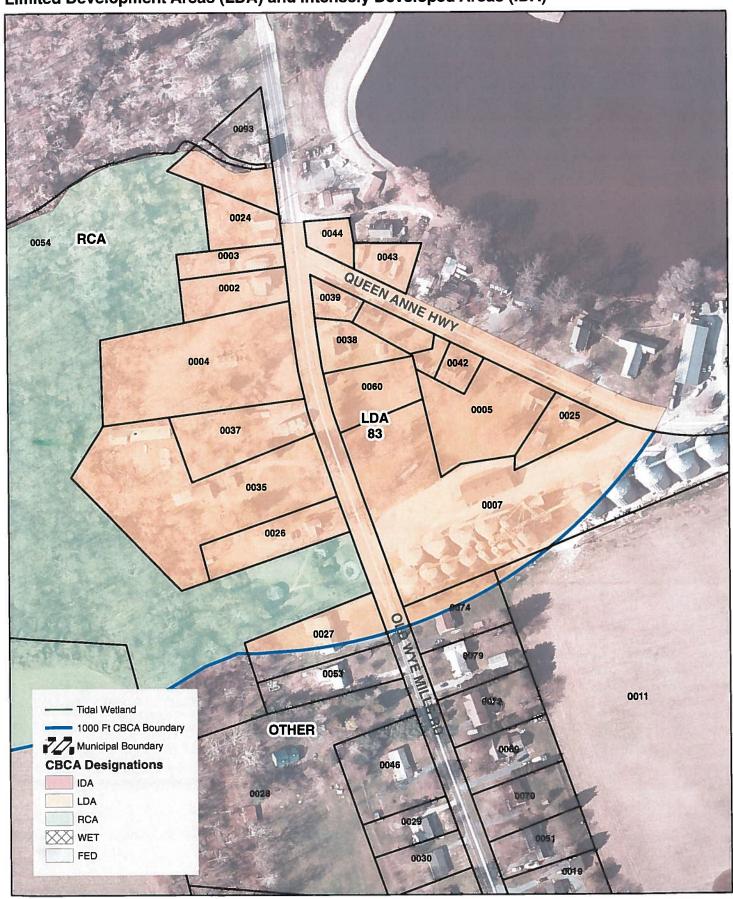
0 200 400 800 Feet





Total Acres = 9.17





LDA # 83 Tax Map # 1 Total Acres = 15.34

0 200 400 Feet