

An aerial photograph of a town street intersection. On the left is a large, multi-story yellow building with a ground-floor storefront labeled 'DONKIN'S CAFE'. A road curves through the center of the image, lined with trees and streetlights. In the background, a hillside is covered in green trees, with several buildings visible on the slope. The overall scene is a mix of urban architecture and natural greenery.

Ulster County Creating a Greenway Compact

SUNY Ulster March 22, 2012

Compact Work Program

- **Highly collaborative, public process**
- Delineation of Priority Growth Areas with stakeholders
- Build on Existing Plans and Policies
- Continued Outreach for Local Acceptance
- Easy to Use “Greenway Guides”
- Local implementation (plans and zoning)

Hudson River Valley Greenway Compact

- Outreach to all Municipalities
- Integration with local planning

The Compact is Central to our Vision

**Economic
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Strategy**

Business
Retention
Strategy

Priority
Growth
Areas

Main
Streets

Shovel
Ready
Sites

**GREENWAY COMPACT
Comprehensive Plan**

**Long Range
Transportation
Planning**

TIPs

Saugerties
Area
Mobility
Plan

Non-
Motorized
Transport
Plan

Inter-
modal
Center

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Section

Agricultural
Districts

Sensitive
Areas

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Assist

GIS
and
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**Open
Space Plan**

Housing
Consortium

Housing
Rehab
Program

CDBG
Grants

Flood
Victim
Assistance

**Housing
Strategies**

**General Municipal Law 239-M Referrals
Legislative Policy and Management
Support**

Greenway Criteria

Community Goals

Greenway Compact Development

Natural & Cultural Resource Protection

- Protect Open Space Resources
- Develop Walkable Communities
- Create county-wide agro-tourism

Resource Protection Guides

Regional Planning

- Create inter-municipal connections
- Work together on common issues
- Agree on a smart approach to development

Regional Participation Development Guides

Economic Development

- Develop Main Street strategy
- Implement County Economic Development strategy

Main Street Program Ready2Go

Public Access

- Improve Connections to recreation
- Accessible development

Community Trails Transportation Connections

Heritage & Environmental Education

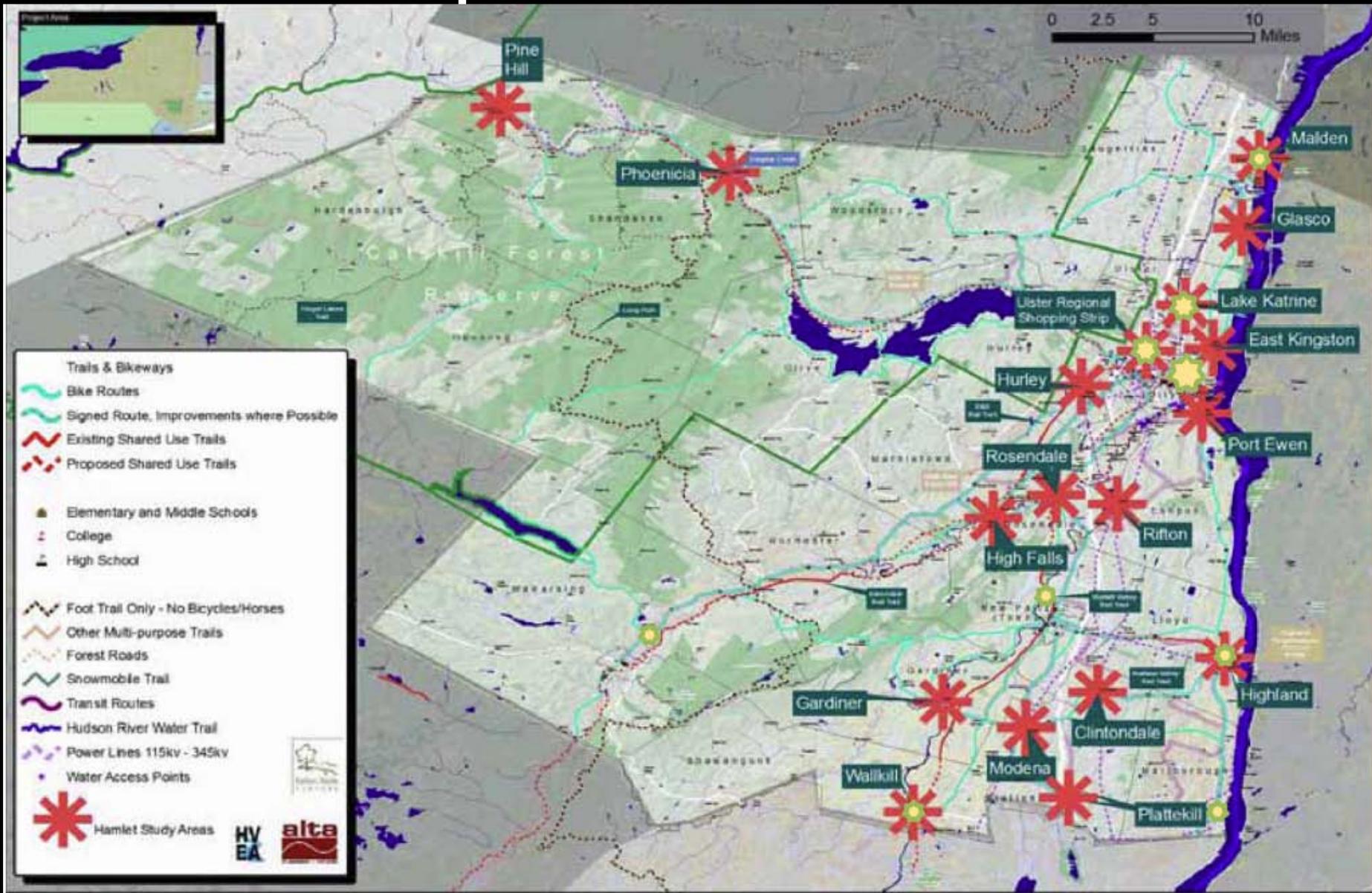
- Work with tourism, environment, education, and cultural sectors to develop countywide interpretive materials

“Guide” Guides

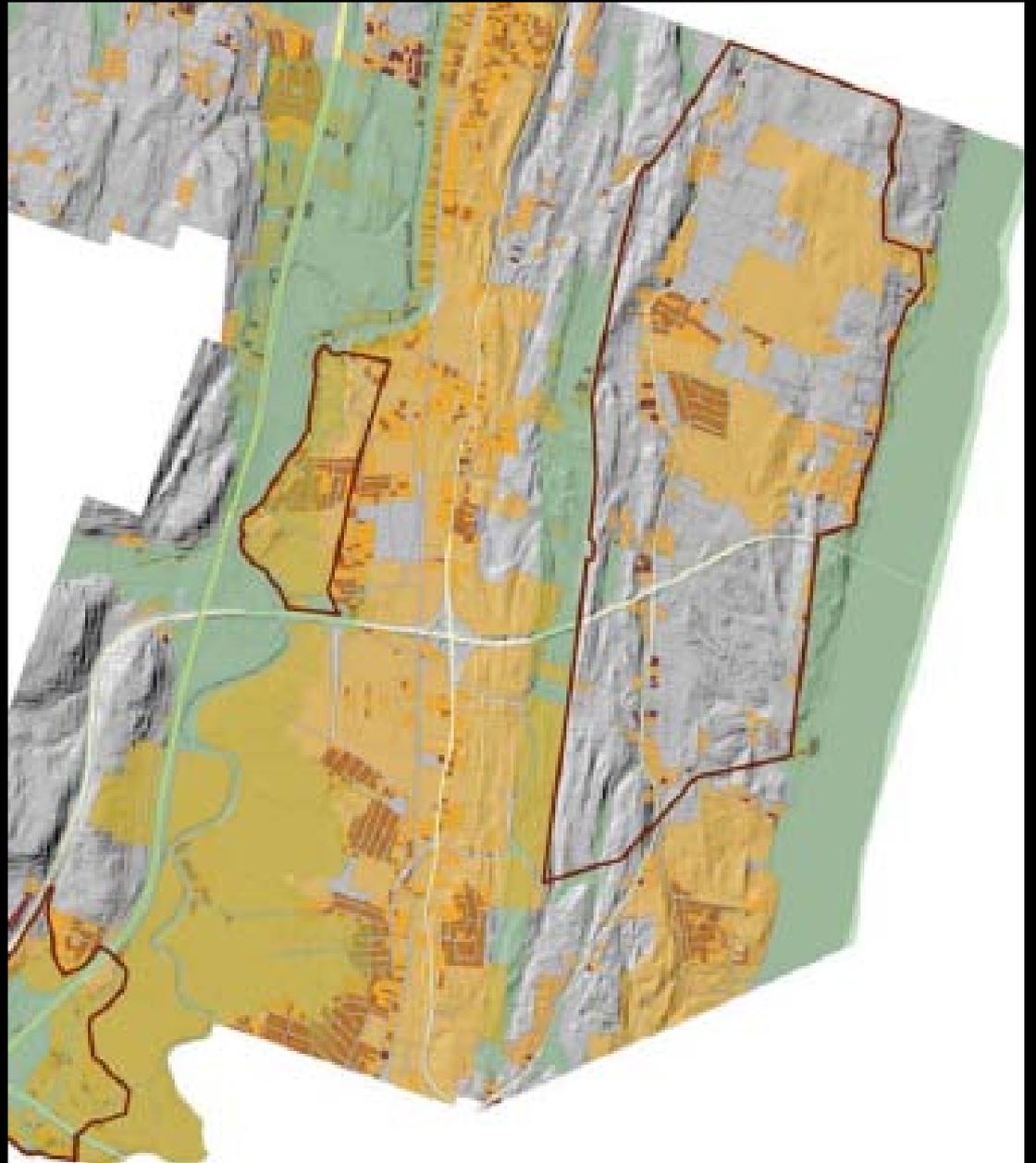
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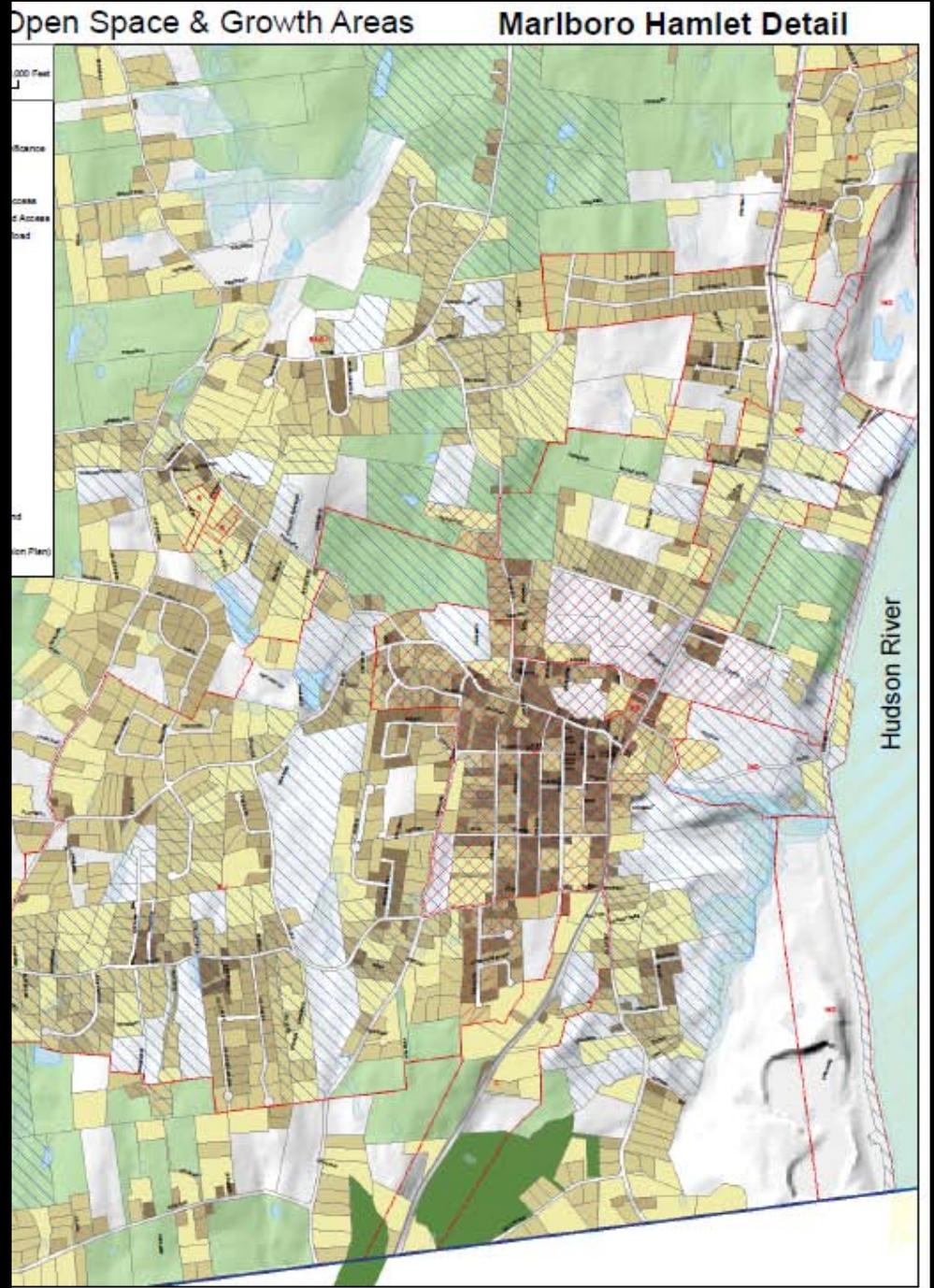
Development Focus Areas



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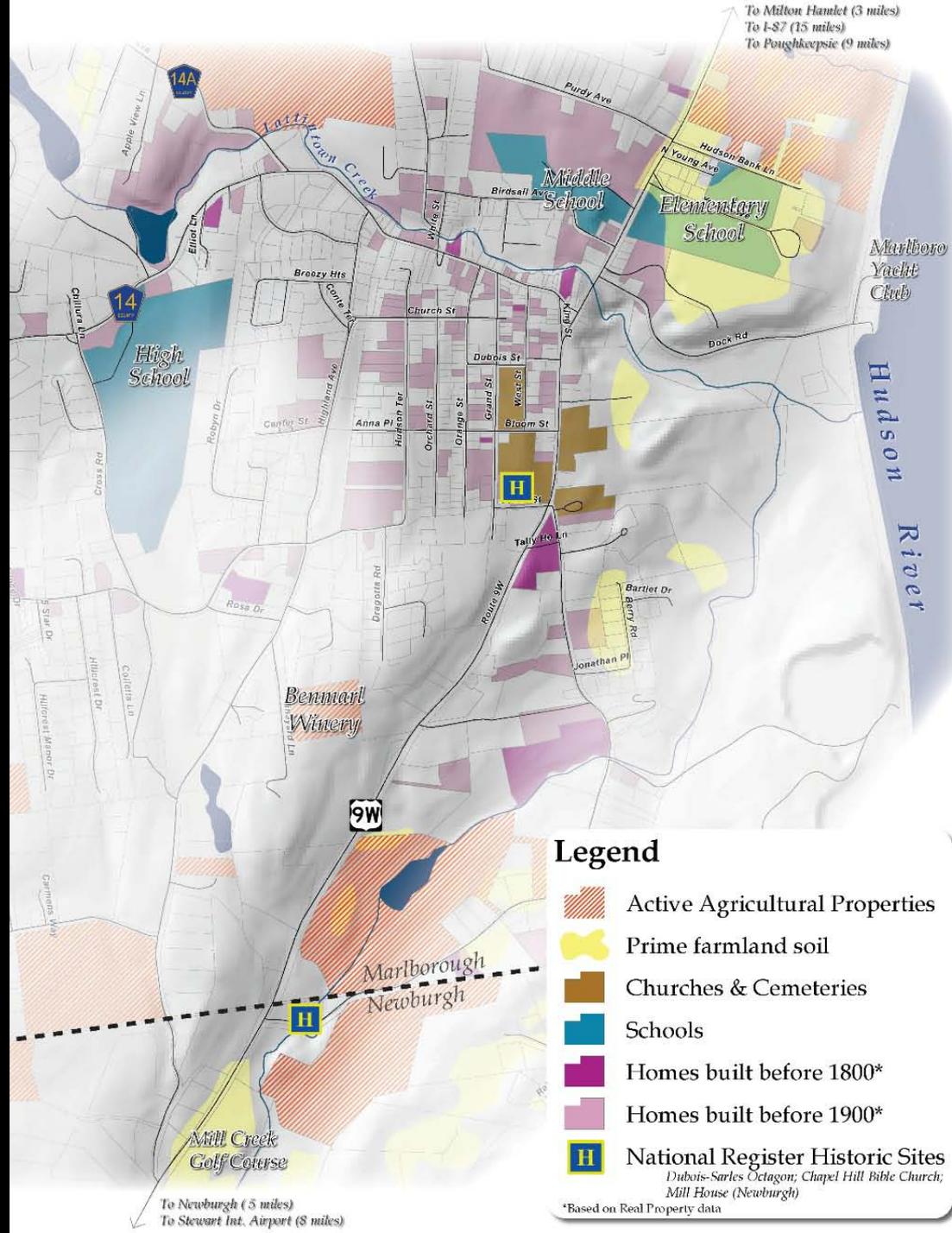


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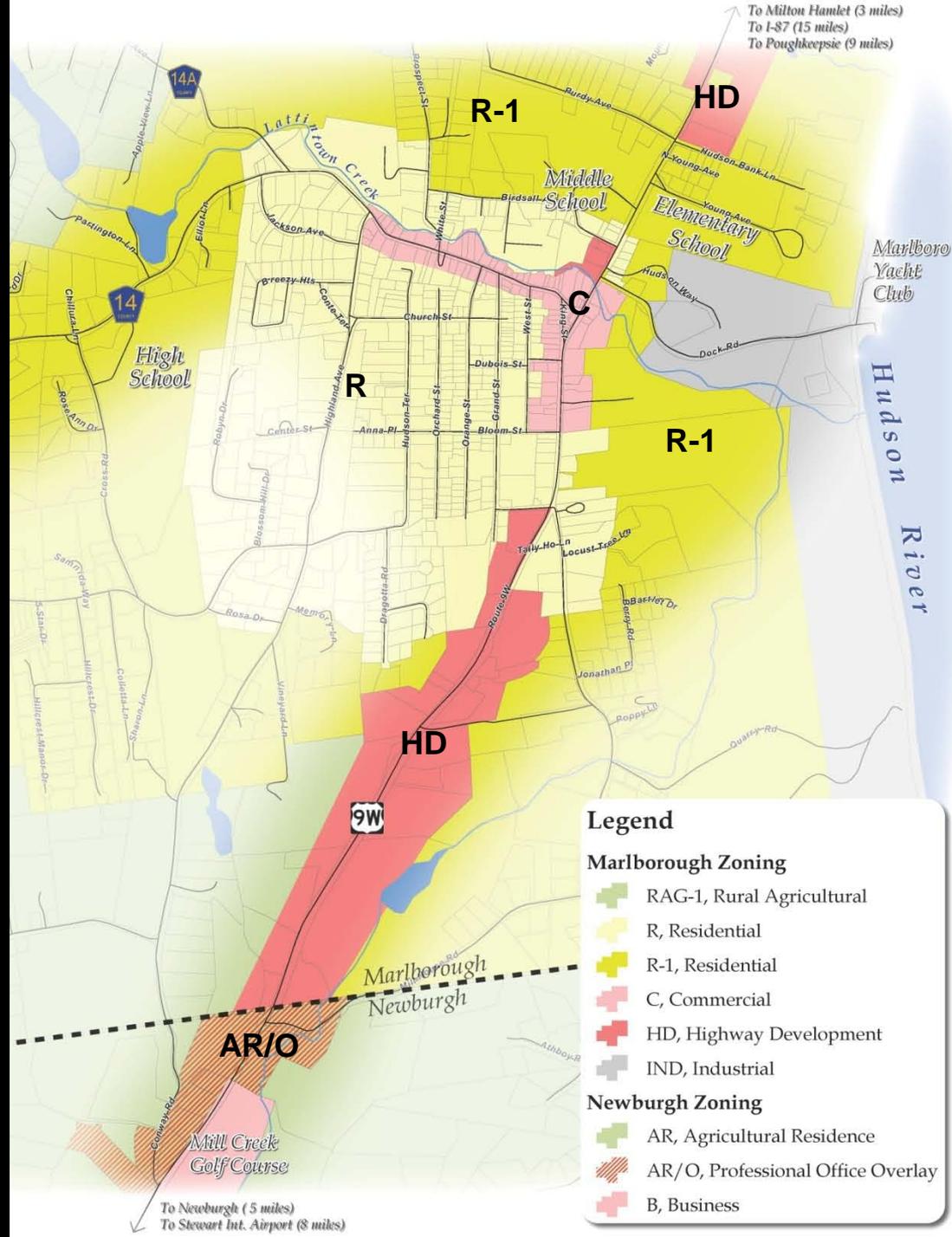


Putting the Pieces Together

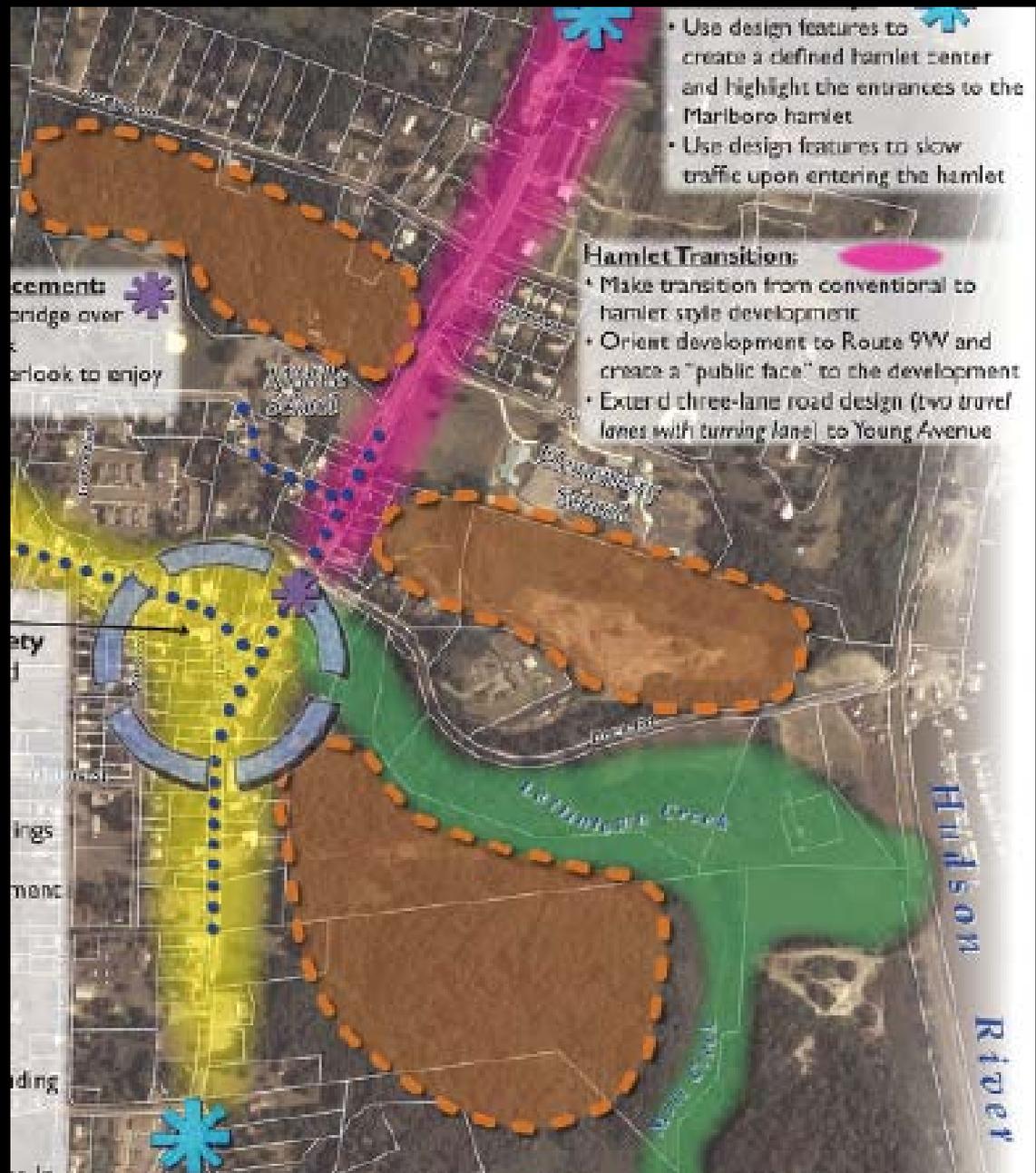
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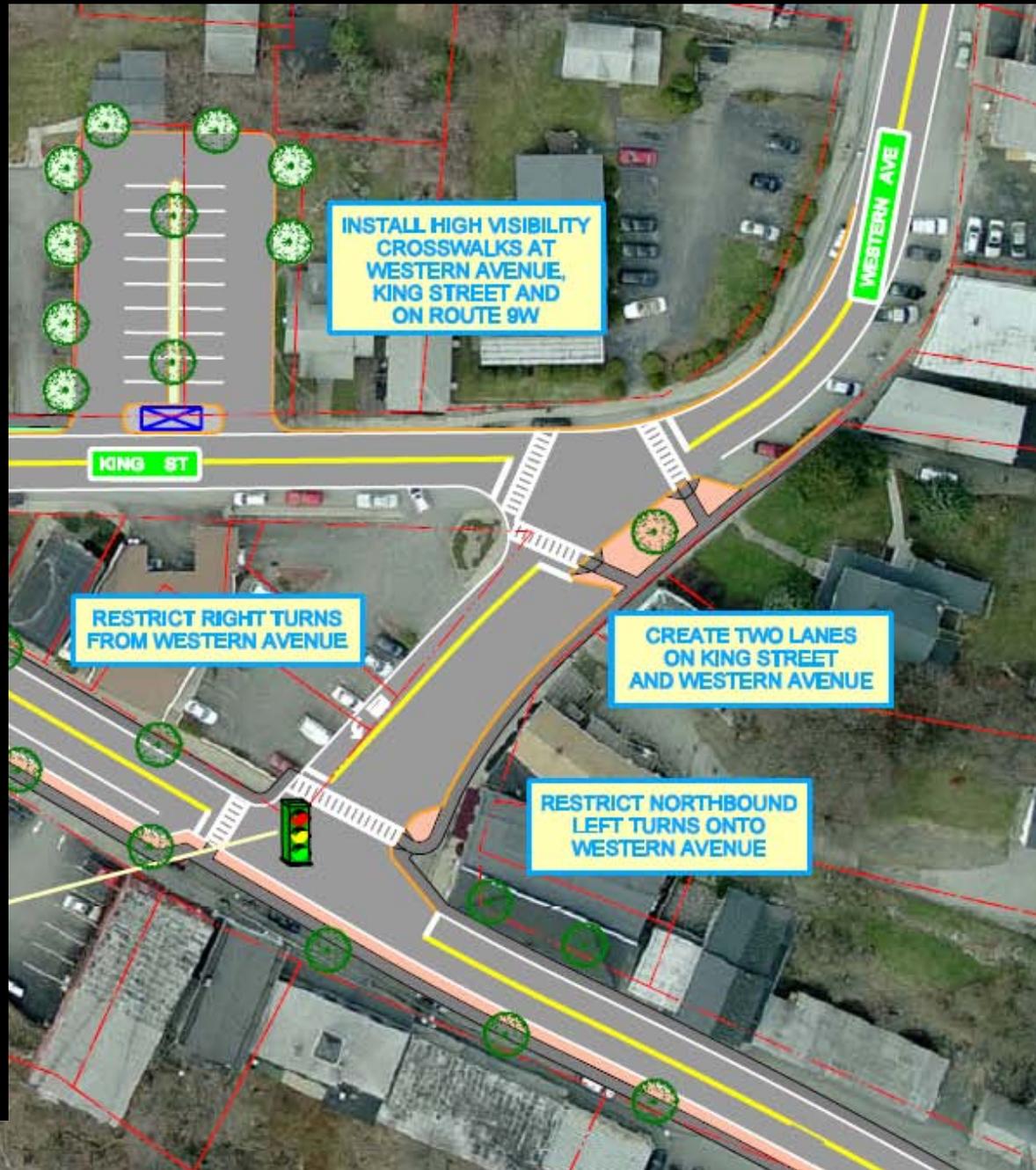
Zoning & Land Use



Growth Areas



Investing in Infrastructure

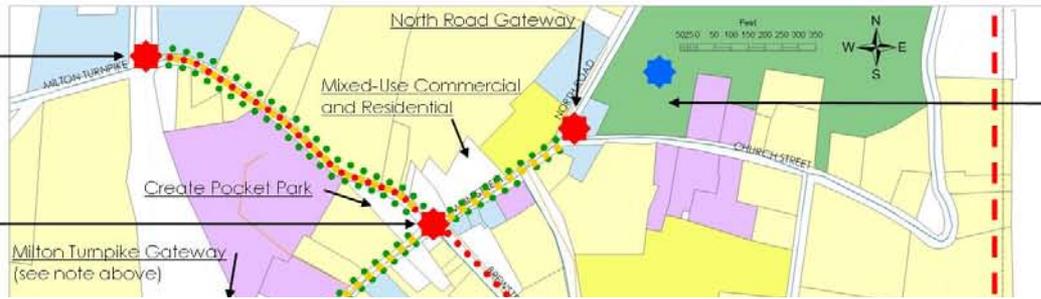


Milton Turnpike Gateways

- Improve signage, visibility, landscaping, and pedestrian connection to Main Street
- Work with surrounding properties to enhance gateway appearance

Milton Turnpike Arrival on Main Street

- Improve "sense of arrival" on Main Street
- Create a "gatehouse" at this intersection

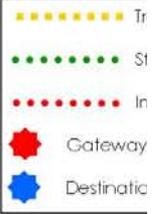


Agricultural Assets

- Create agricultural destination
- Integrate agro-tourism in Main Street marketing and destination strategies

Residential Density

- Increase residential density



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Milton Hamlet Land Uses

Market Milton as "Milton-on-Hudson"

- Develop Milton's branding to market it as a waterfront destination

Using Transects



Visualization of the Transect



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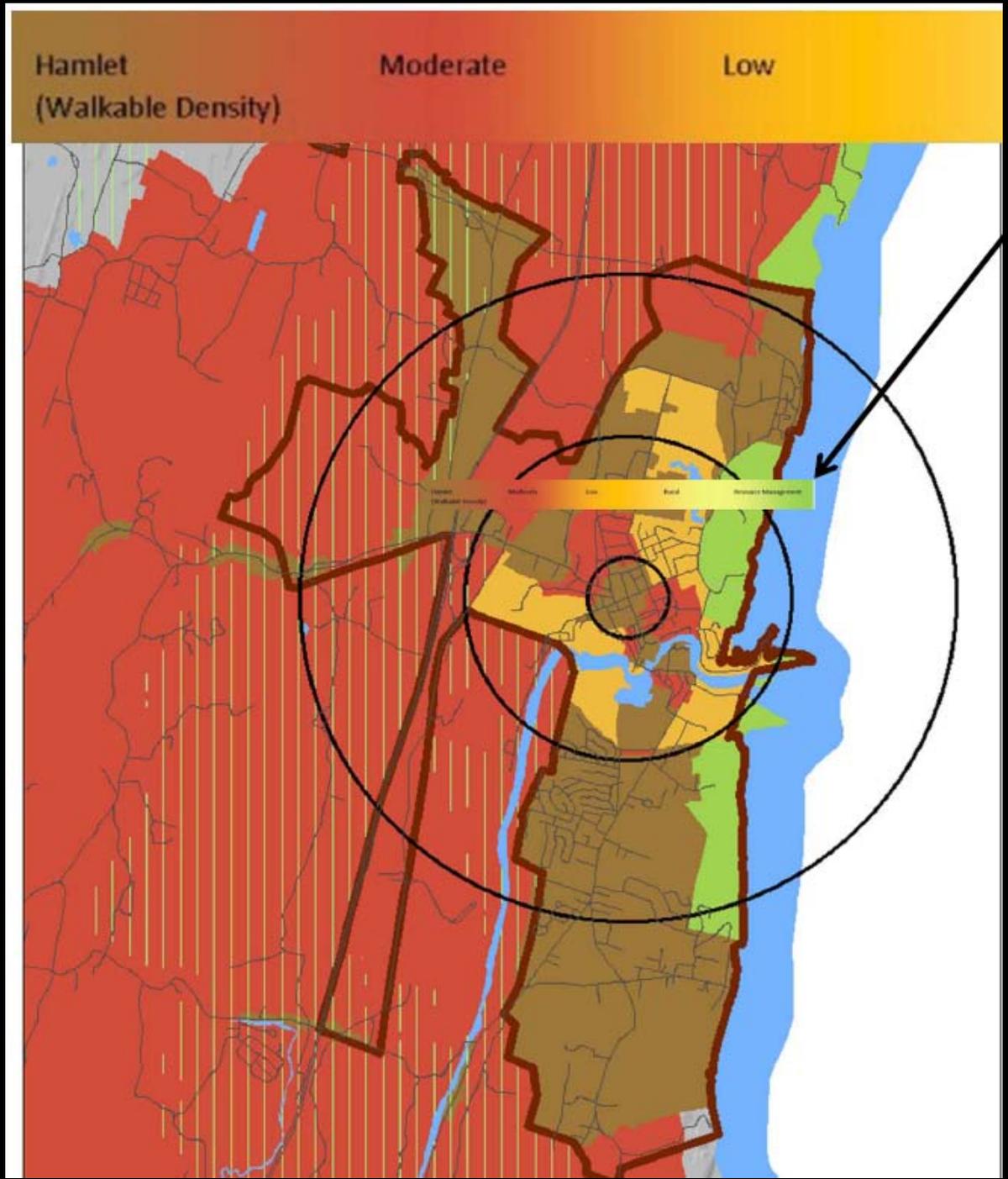


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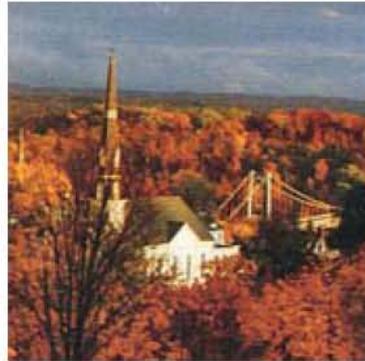


An Introduction to the “Guides”



Traditional Neighborhood Design

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Lessons and Best Practices

Development Waivers

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Lessons and Best Practices

Main Street Program

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Ulster County Main Streets: A Regional Approach

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Why do we take a regional approach to Main Streets?

There are many different approaches to supporting these centers in our local economy. The goal of the Ulster County Main Streets approach is to develop a program that is based on our region's specific needs and support appropriate responses and strategies that are built and sustained from within our communities. It is also founded upon the idea that communities are stronger when they work together, share knowledge, leverage their resources, and think regionally to support their "competitive advantage."

What is the Main Streets Strategic Toolbox?

Awareness of planning efforts, resources, and information

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Visualizing the Results



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Healthy Development Cycle

INPUTS

- Diversity of Business
- Mixed Use Zoning
- Diversity of Residential Units
- Context Sensitive Design
- Community Involvement



OUTCOMES

- Healthy Neighborhoods
- Choices of Transportation
- More Open Space
- Sense of Place
- Sense of Community

OUTCOMES

- More Walking & Bicycling
- Increased Access

SMART
GROWTH



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