

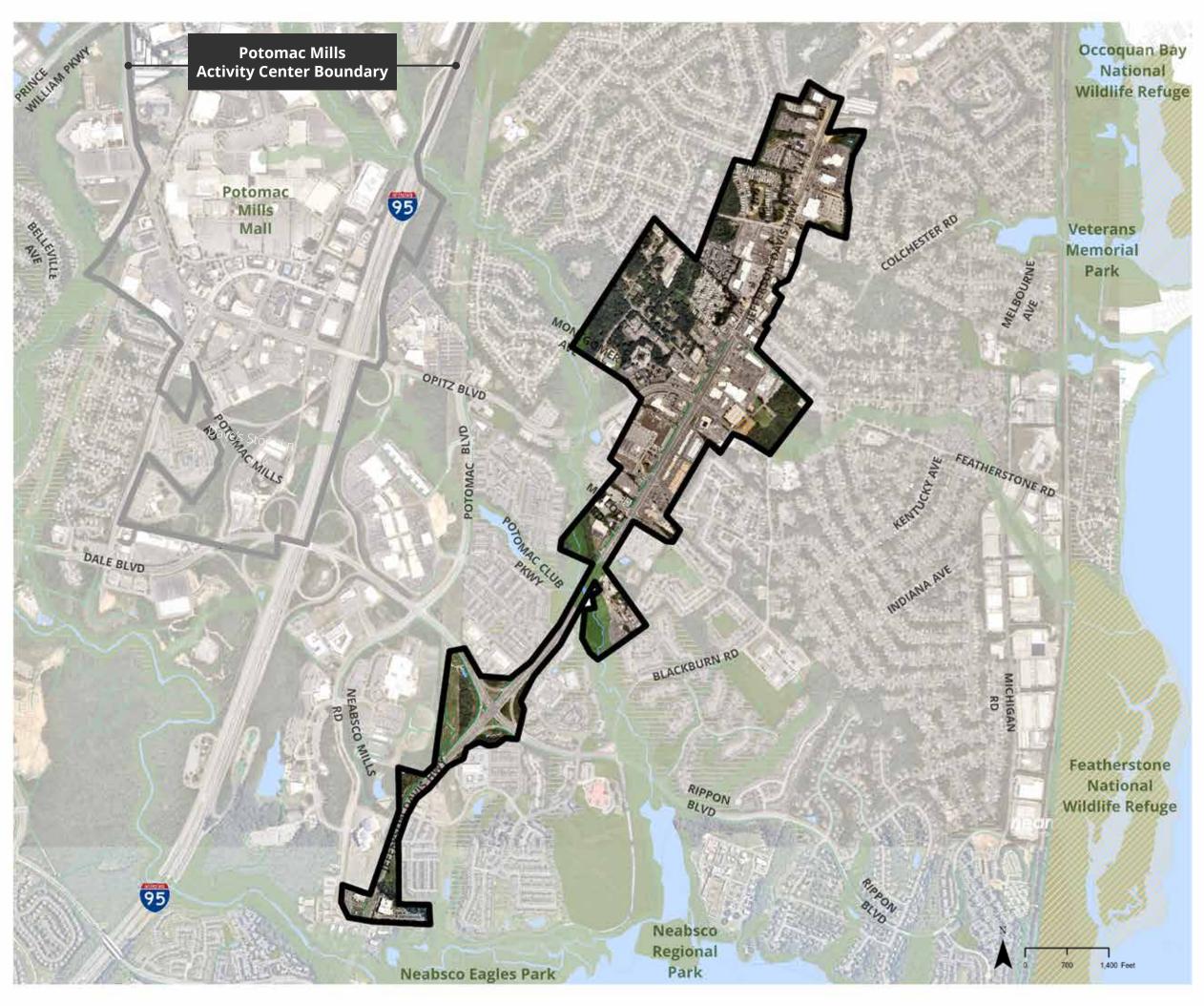
Prince William County Comprehensive Plan Update Land Use Elements | Activity Centers and Redevelopment Areas

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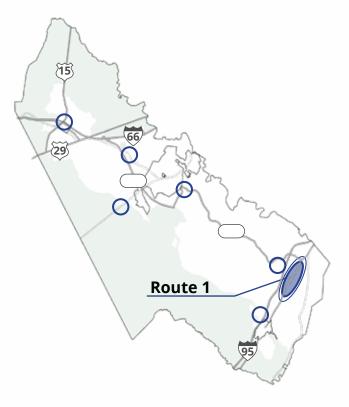
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STUDY AREA

- 414 (+/-) acres
- Approximately 3 miles long
- Combination of "strip" commercial centers, automobile dealerships, business parks, industrial parks, varied intensities of residential along the corridor
- Located in close proximity to I-95 and Potomac Mills Activity Center
- Neabsco Creek lies just southeast of the study area; a branch of the creek goes through the southern section of the study area

KEY MAP



EXISTING CHARACTER













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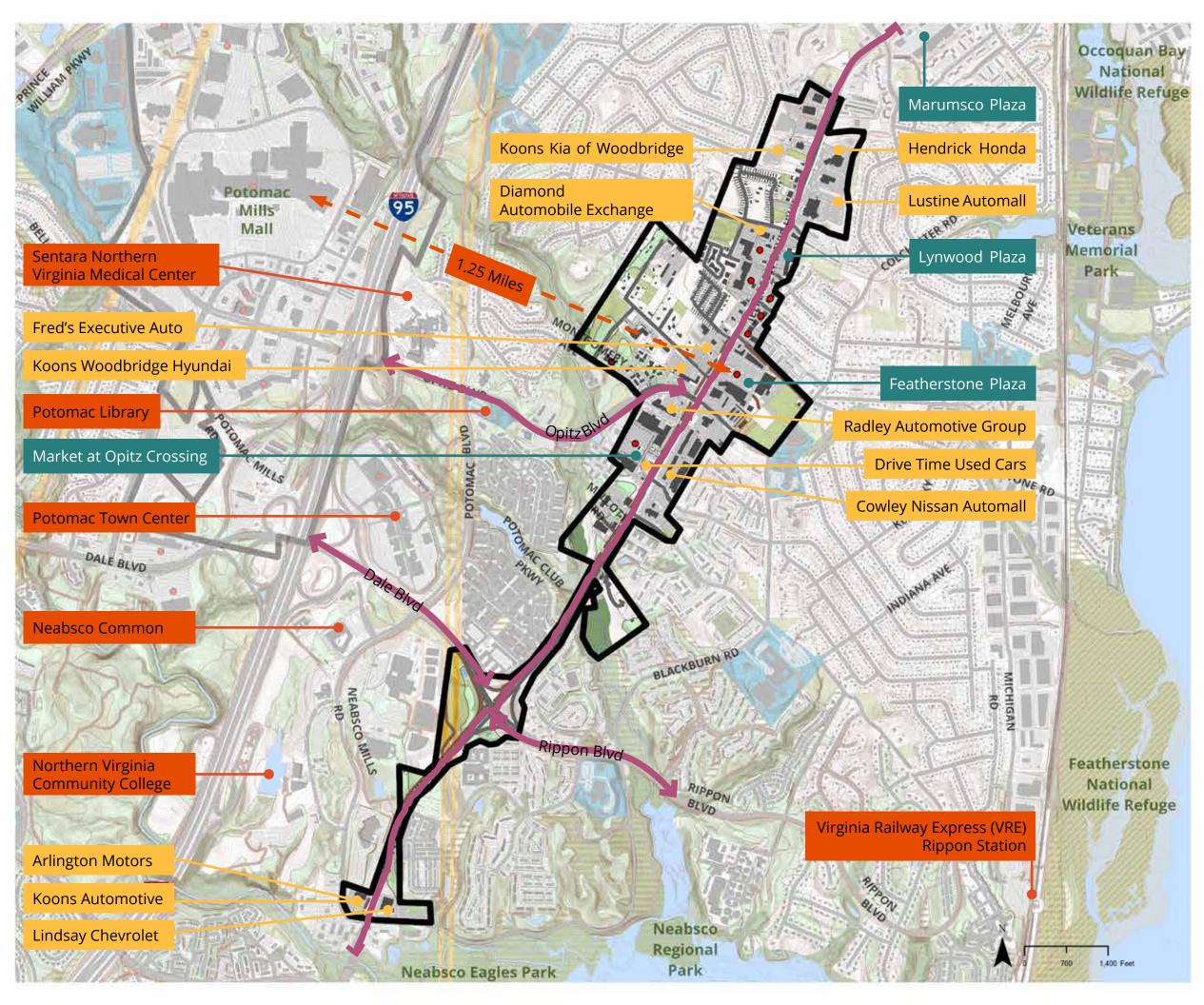












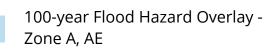
EXISTING CONDITIONS

- Strip retail centers within or adjacent to the study area include Marumsco Plaza, Featherstone Plaza, Lynwood Plaza, and Market at Opitz Crossing.
- Residential uses include areas of lower/medium to higher-intensity residential east and west of the corridor, two mobile home parks, and a homeless shelter.
- The corridor features a high concentration of car dealerships and auto-oriented uses.
- Destinations in the surrounding area include:
 - Potomac Mills Mall (1.25 miles west)
 - Potomac Town Center
 - Neabsco Common mixed-use development
 - Sentara Northern Virginia
 Medical Center
 - Northern Virginia Community College
 - Potomac Library
 - Veterans Memorial Park is a large protected open space and major recreational resource.



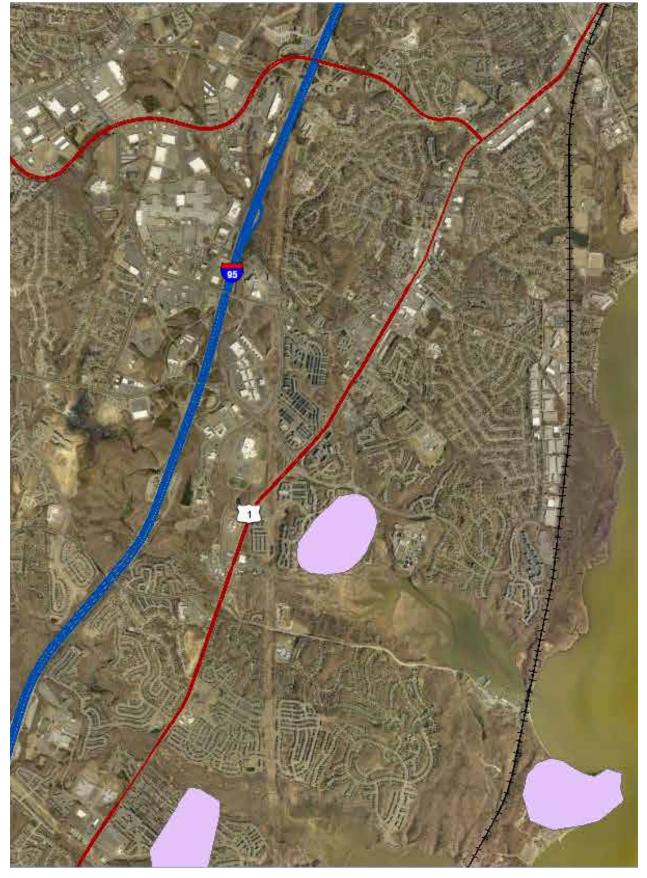
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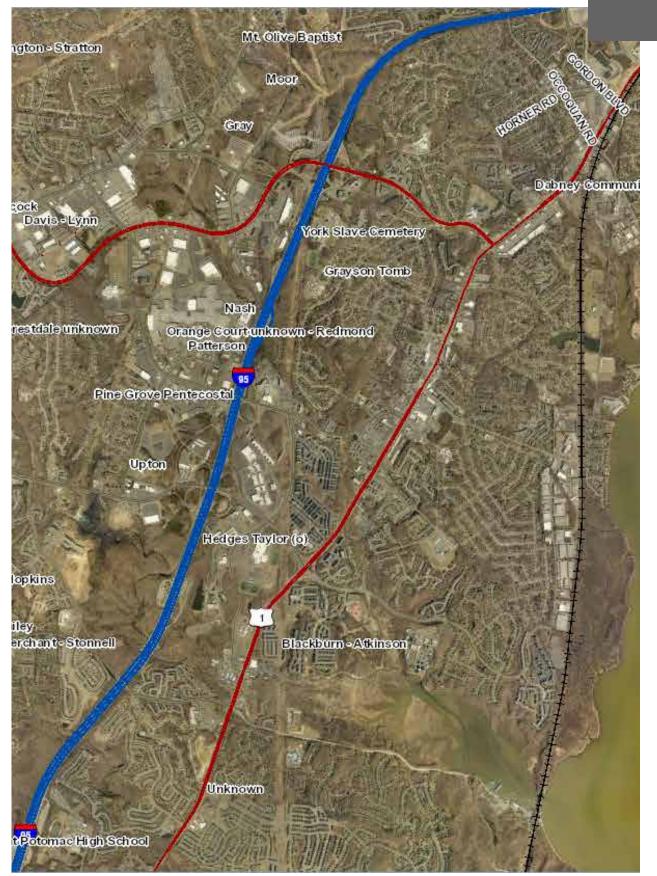
Study Area



100-year Flood Hazard Overlay -Zone VE

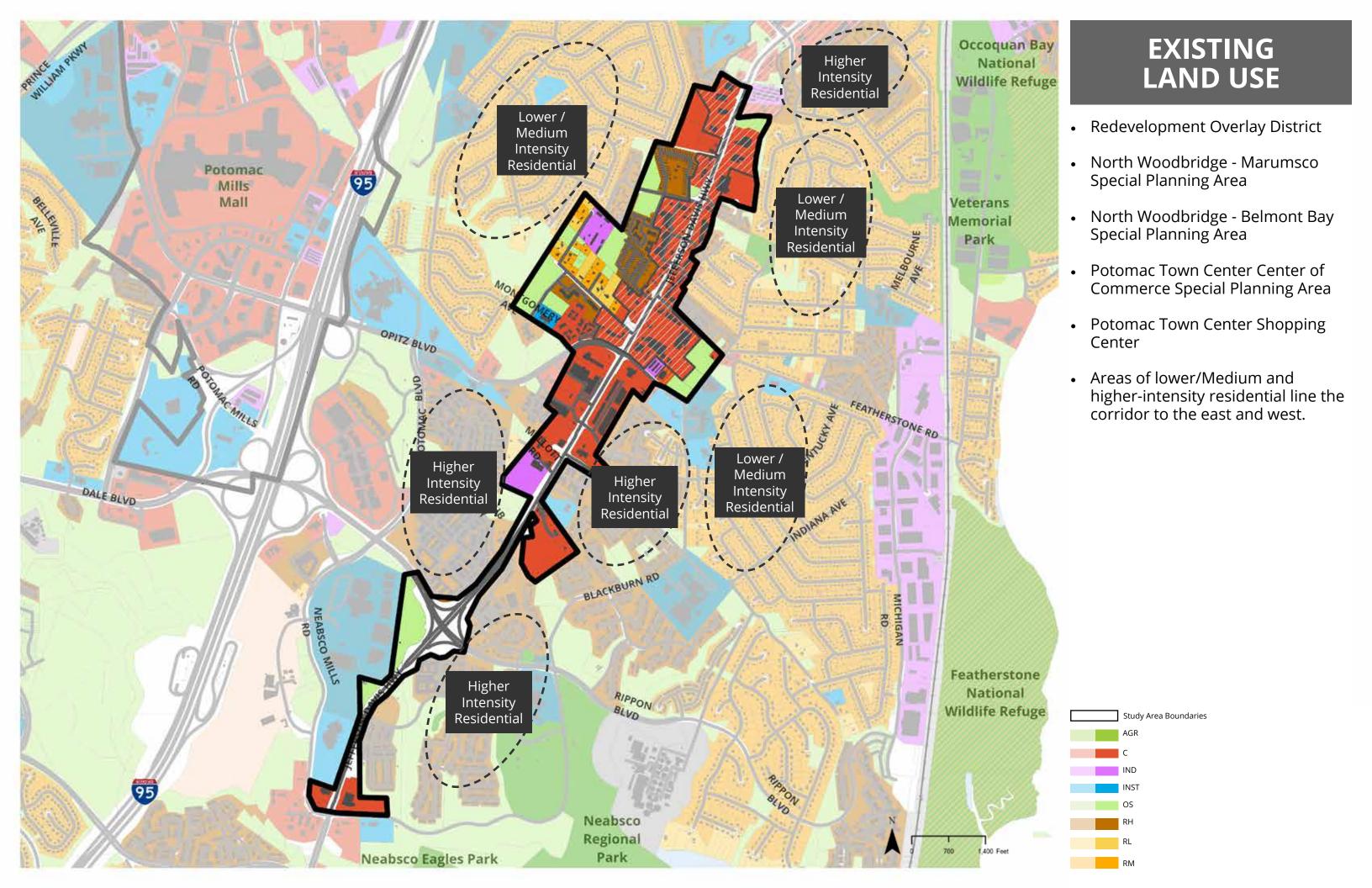
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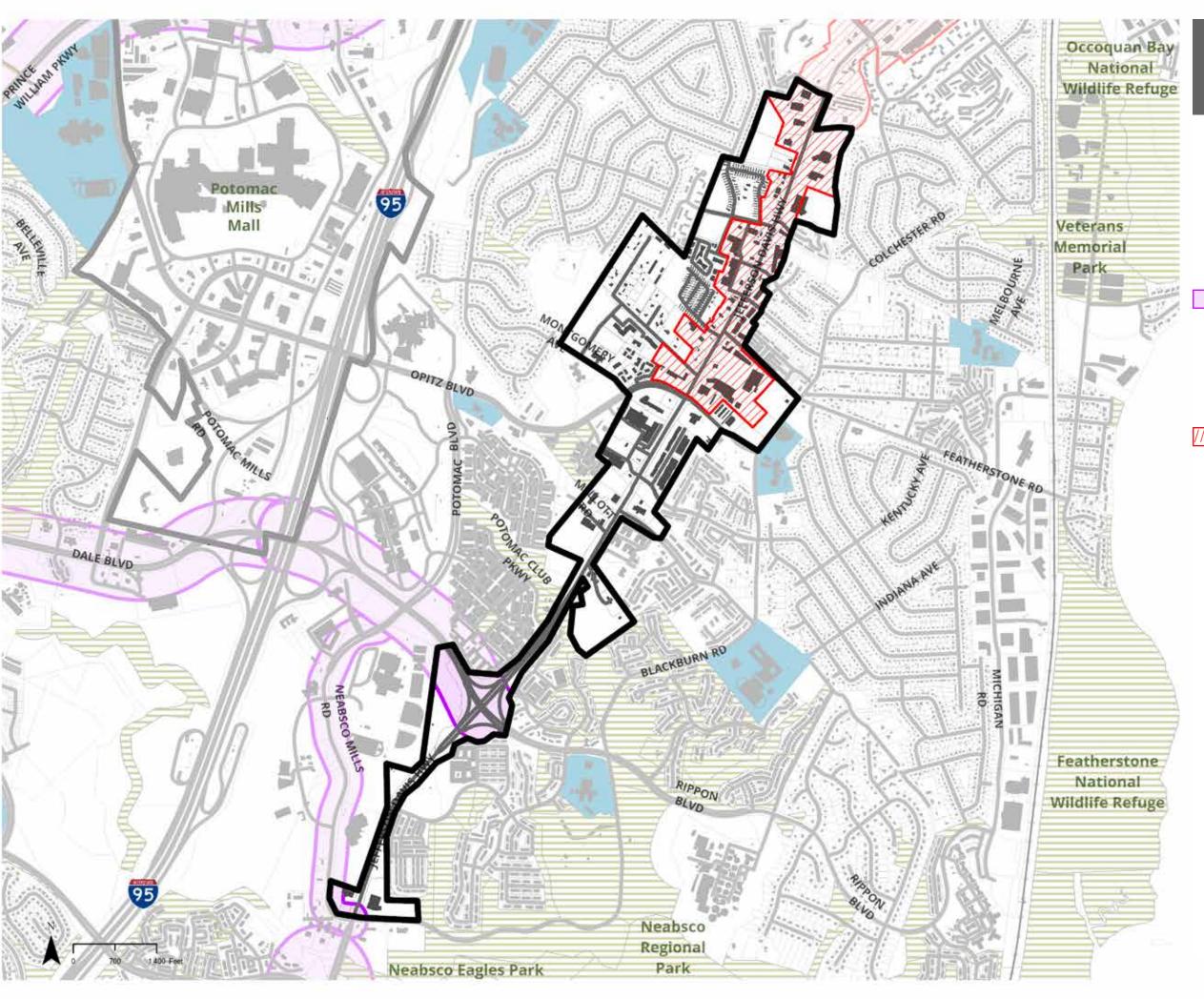




Historic Sensitivity Areas

Cemeteries



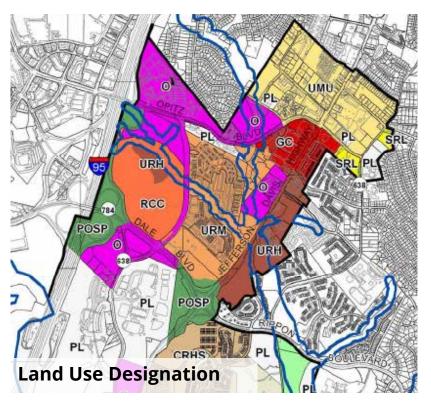


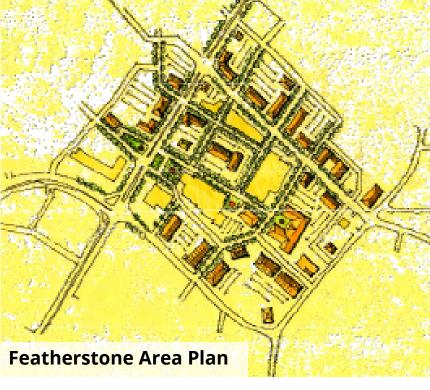
LAND DEVELOPMENT

- No planned development/ redevelopment applications within the study area.
- The North Woodbridge SAP boundary lies along the northern edge of the study area
- Highway Corridor Overlay District
 The purpose of this district is to
 mitigate adverse impacts resulting
 from development along major
 thoroughfares in Prince William
 County.
- Redevelopment Overlay District
 The purpose of this district is to promote and perpetuate the continued economic viability of older commercial neighborhoods which are experiencing economic decline.

Neabsco Mill Study Area Potomac Town Center - Center of Commerce North Dale City Small Area Plan Potomac Communities Revitalization Plan **Special Planning Areas**

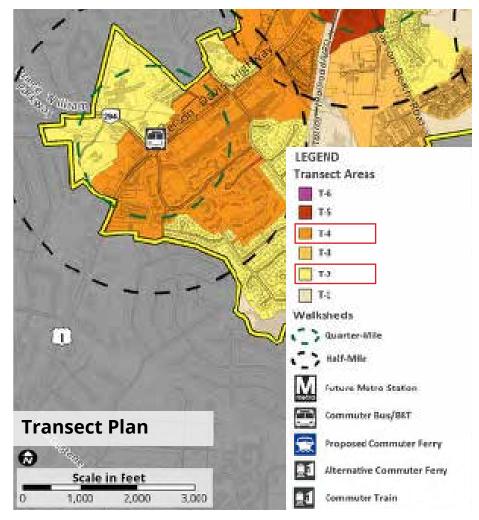
Potomac Communities Revitalization Plan





North Woodbridge Small Area Plan

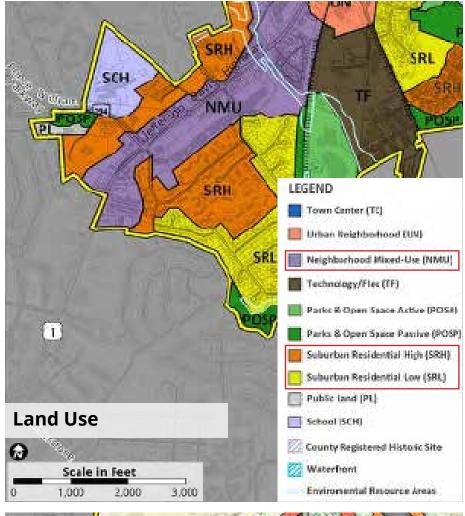
The T-4 Transect in Marumsco acts as a semi-autonomous, neighborhood scale subarea of the Plan. The Marumsco T-4 Transect would be anchored by a future bus rapid transit station on U.S. Route 1.



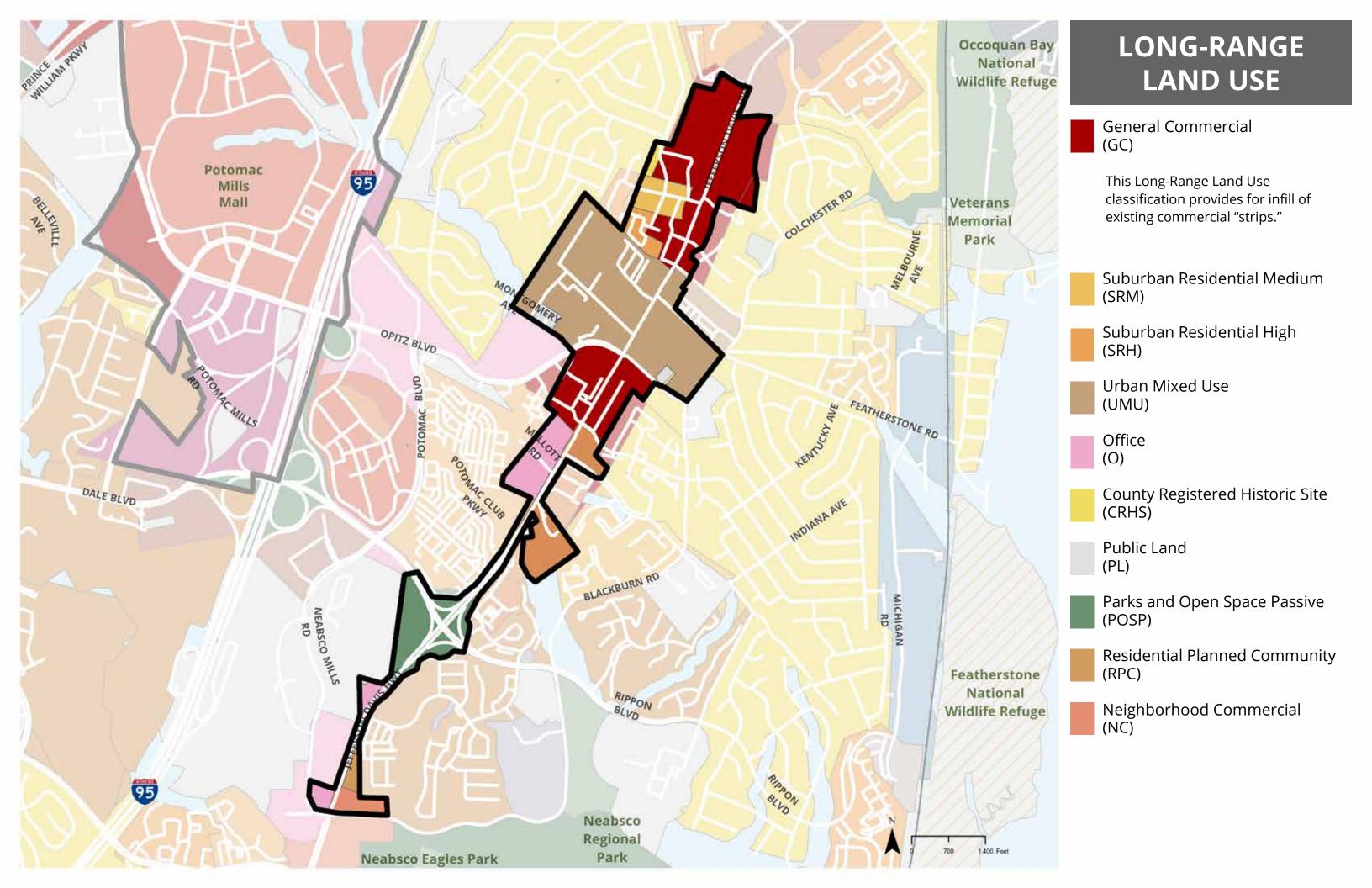
The illustration (on the left) shows how a mixed-use development might occur in the Neabsco Mills area. Elements include:

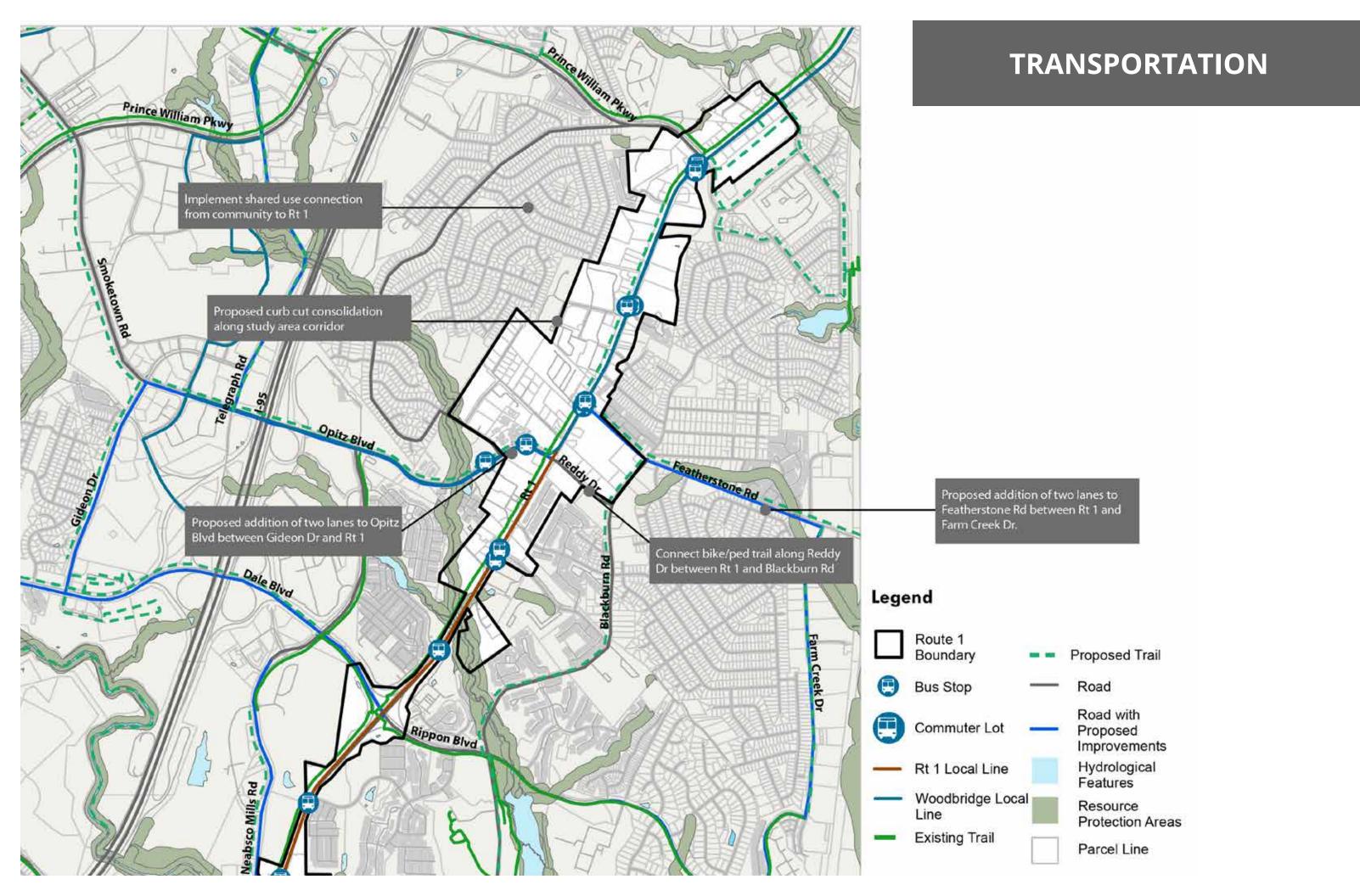
- Featherstone Plaza: Existing buildings (solid yellow) and filling in portions of the parking lot with smaller, freestanding buildings
- Pedestrian friendly atmosphere

LAND DEVELOPMENT











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Route 1 Activity Center Market Observations



Land Use Observations

- Corridor primarily consists of highway fronting service and retail shops and shopping centers
- Corridor is comprised on many shallow frontage lots that don't lend themselves to large scale land assemblage and redevelopment
- 14 Automotive dealerships and 4 auto shops account for some of the largest and deepest retail properties on the corridor
- Featherstone Plaza currently has 56,000 SF (29%) of vacant space and should be repositioned as mixed use, urban infill with mixed-income housing
- Additional high- and median density housing could infill across from Featherstone Plaza
- Several large-scale multi-family communities line the corridor
 - The Enclave at Potomac Club: \$1,700 to \$2,500/mo.
 - Sutton Apartments: \$1,700 to \$2,600/mo.

Land Use Observations

Automotive Dealership North of Featherstone Plaza

- Hendrick Pre-owned Cars
- Koon Kia
- Hendrick Honda
- Lustine Dodge, Jeep, RAM
- Lustine Toyota
- Koons Woodbridge Buick/GMC
- Fred's Executive Auto (Used Car Dealership)
- Koon's Woodbridge Hyundai

Automotive Dealership South of Featherstone Plaza

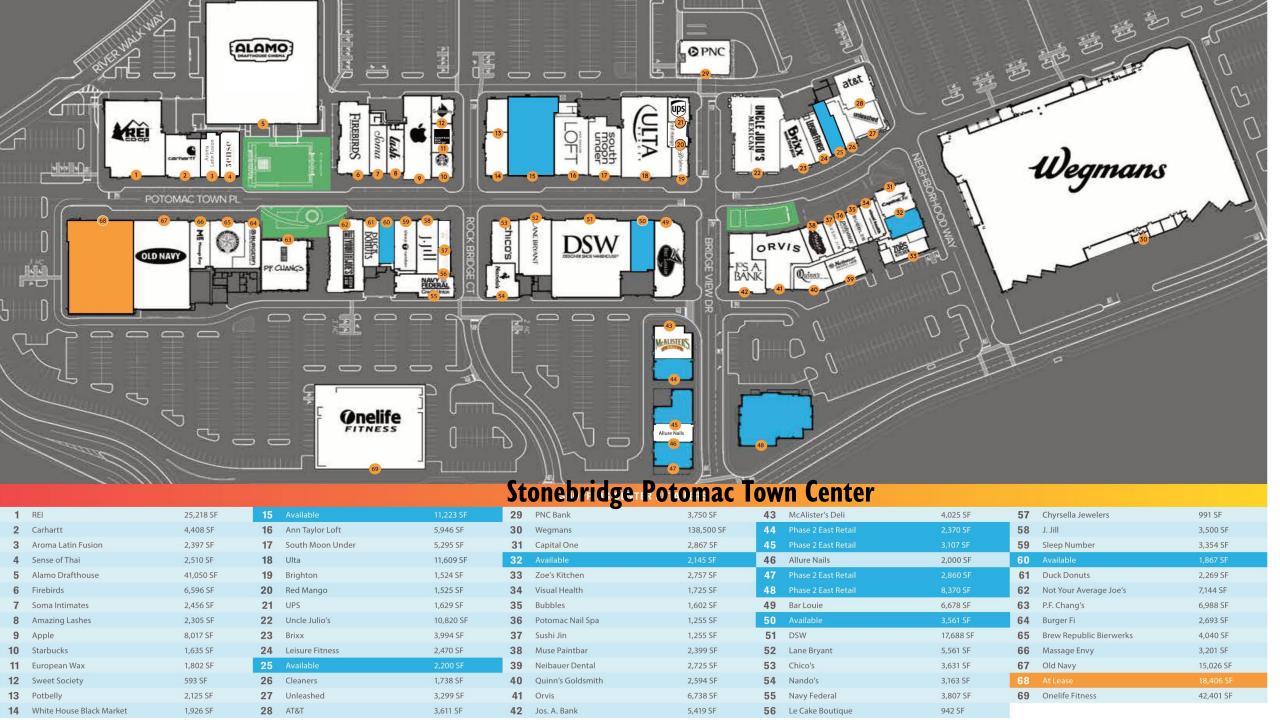
- Karen Radley Acura
- Cowles Nissan Dealership
- Drive Time Used Cars
- Michigan Auto Pre-owned Vehicle Sales
- Koons Automotive of Woodbridge
- Lindsay Chevrolet

Automotive or Salvage Yards

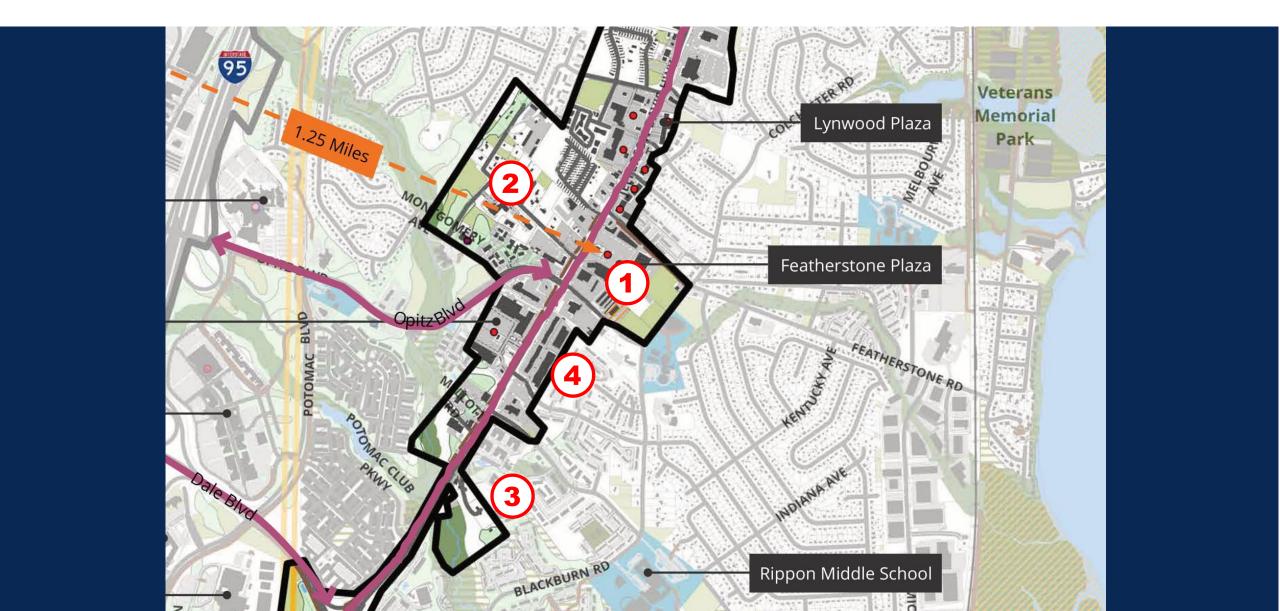
- American Auto Salvage, Inc.
- Featherstone Auto Service Center
- Manny's Autobody Shop
- Affordable Discount Used Tire

Featherstone Plaza





Top Redevelopment Sites





Retail Market Observations

- Most shopping centers are showing some vacancy. The oldest properties appear to have higher vacancy
- Potomac Mills is located approximately 1 mile from the Route 1 Corridor with over 1.5 million SF under roof.
- Stonebridge Potomac Town Center has raised the bar for new retail/restaurants/entertainment in the Route
 1 corridor
- The retail gravity has shifted to I-95 leaving Route 1 a secondary, neighborhood serving commercial corridor
- ADT are estimated at 46,000 vehicles per day at Featherstone Plaza
- 64% of the population within one mile, with 20% African-American and 55% Hispanic
- The corridor has an significant ethnic business presence that should be preserved
- **RETAIL MARKET FINDINGS:** At 1-mile, the study area is oversupplied with retail (22,876 pop.). At 3-and 5-miles, the population increases to 67,000 and 108,000 pop. That larger market is oversupplied by \$933 million at 3 miles and undersupplied by \$1.2 billion at 5-miles. This suggests that more retail could be captured at this location if desired. Entertainment and commercial attractions are in short supply along the corridor

Other Market Observations

HOTEL/RESTUARANT:

- No market opportunities in this activity center
- 11 hotels located around Potomac Mills off I-95 less than 1 mile west
- Corridor is underserved by Restaurants, which cluster at Potomac Town Center and Potomac Mills

INDUSTRIAL/FLEX

Mostly small shops and flex space at various locations

OFFICE

Strong medical office presence along Opitz due to presence of Sentara Northern Virginia
 Medical, which extends onto Route 1

Other Market Observations

RESIDENTIAL:

- High density housing can be achieved at multiple locations, perhaps in a mixed-use environment
- The i-95 submarket is providing the greatest share of the PWC's affordable housing
- Luxury apartment living is having a growing presence





OVERALL ISSUES

Character

- . Lack of a sense of place
- . Route 1 as barrier
- High concentration of car dealerships and auto-oriented businesses (car dealerships, auto repair and gas stations)
- . Surface parking
- . Lack of open space in immediate vicinity of Route 1 corridor
- . Streetscape character
- . Wayfinding and navigation
- . Lack of shade trees
- . Topographic challenges

Development Challenges

- . Small parcels, shallow parcel depth
- Existing land uses that are sensitive or limit the potential for change (two mobile home parks, homeless shelter, senior housing, car dealerships)
- . Vacant commercial space / competition from surrounding retail destinations
- . Preserving the area's diversity, and ensuring affordable housing

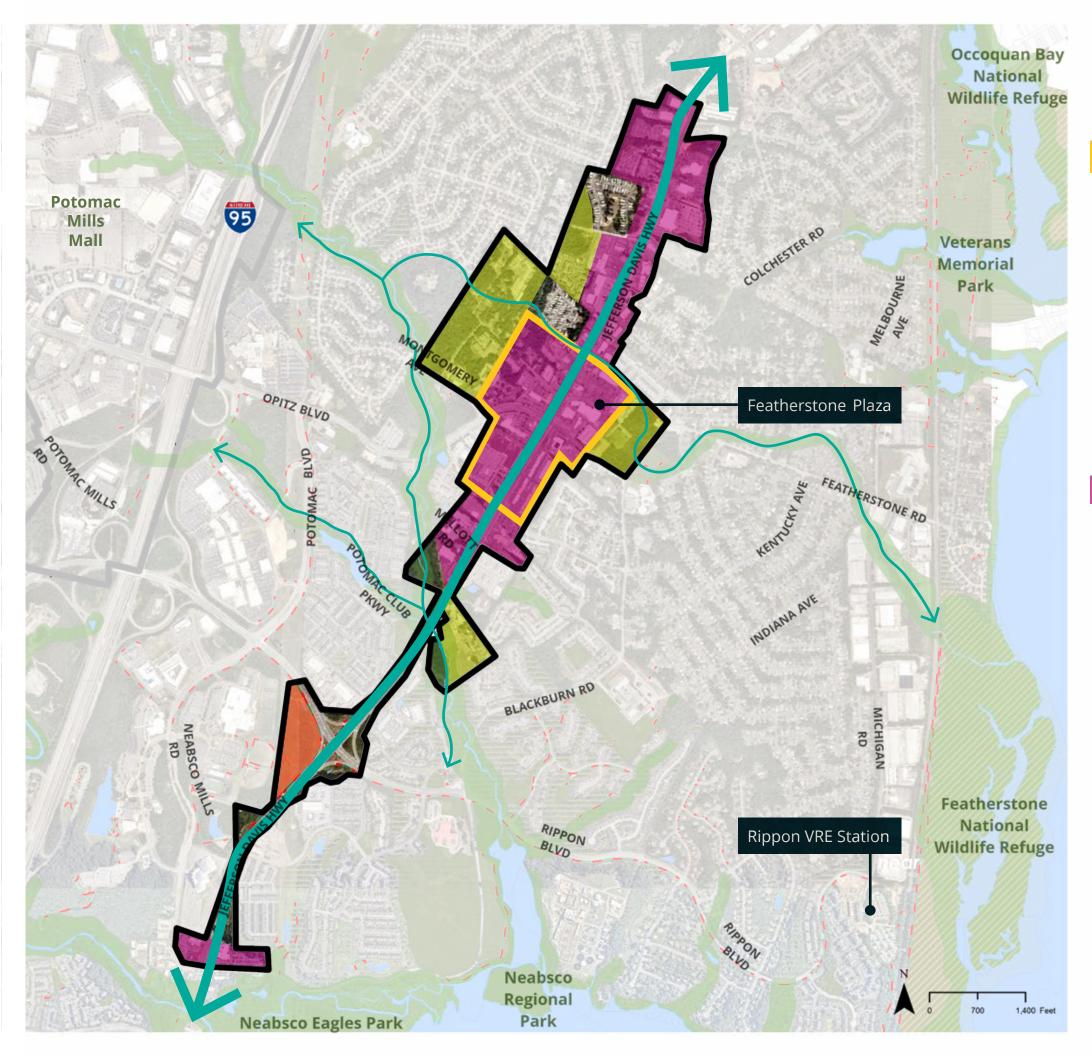
Mobility Challenges

- Width of Route 1 and number of traffic lanes inhibits pedestrian and bicycle activity
- . Number / size of curb cuts disrupts the pedestrian/bicycle paths
- Traffic congestion and spillover traffic from I-95
- Block lengths along the corridor prohibit pedestrian crossings
- Dedicated bicycle facilities access to Route 1 from communities east / west of the corridor is limited

OVERALL OPPORTUNITIES

- . Build upon momentum from nearby development (Woodbridge, Potomac Town Center, Neabsco Common, etc.)
- . Leverage the area's **density and population base** (e.g., targeted amenities) as well as VRE station proximity
- Redevelop existing strip commercial sites as mixed use; encourage assemblage of smaller properties
- Improve walkability / bikeability and connectivity throughout the corridor, to communities east and west, and to/from VRE stations
 - . Curb cut consolidation to improve pedestrian / bicycle connectivity
 - Creation of shorter block lengths with enhanced pedestrian crossing opportunities
 - . Enhance multi-modal connectivity to the Rippon and Woodbridge VRE stations
 - Enhance transit access to the Rippon VRE Station
 - Encourage additional housing options, including affordable housing
 - . Create public gathering spaces and open space amenities as part of redevelopment and along stream corridors

- Explore potential for new **family oriented** entertainment and commercial destinations along Route 1 ("Things to Do")
- Create **density transitions** between new development and surrounding neighborhoods (buffer areas, height transitions)



DRAFT LAND USE FRAMEWORK

- Mixed-use Opportunity
 Sites
 - . Featherstone Plaza
 - . Market at Opitz Crossing
 - Frontage parcels across Route 1 from Featherstone Plaza
 - Public gathering opportunities (e.g., plazas, activity spaces)
 - . Dominion Energy Site?
- Mixed-Use
 - . Mixed-use classification with flexible uses
 - . Consolidation of smaller parcels to create development opportunities
 - In the future, will the existing car dealerships remain the same use?
 - . Does the County have another area in mind to allow for car dealerships?
- Density Transition Areas
 - . Infill housing
 - . Open space
 - Passive recreation

- Open Space, Recreational Amenities, Public Gatherings
 - . Featherstone Plaza
 - Neabsco Creek
 - Utilities area just east of Freedom High School
- Safety, Connectivity, and Streetscape Character
 - Access management, including consolidation of curb cuts, shared parking within mixeduse areas, mid-block crossings
 - Continued streetscape enhancements
 - East-West access
 - . Trail access
 - . Connectivity to Rippon VRE Station

New Housing Options

- Primarily higher density, multi-family and/or townhouses
- Can be integrated into mixed-use areas or density transition areas behind Route 1 frontage
- Opportunities for additional affordable housing

REDEVELOPMENT CORRIDOR: ROUTE 1

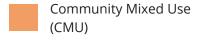
Vision

Route 1 will transition to a walkable and well-connected corridor with a compact development pattern and an integrated mix of uses. Through redevelopment of existing strip commercial and auto-oriented uses, the corridor will gain a variety of housing options and neighborhood-serving commercial uses, while preserving the area's diversity and ensuring its long-term affordability.

Long-Range Land Use Designations

- With a Community Mixed Use (CMU) designation, Featherstone
 Plaza has the potential to serve as the heart of the corridor, as this
 designation allows for community-serving retail, employment uses,
 and integrated residential development opportunities.
- Neighborhood Mixed Use (NMU) areas will provide a transition between residential uses and higher intensity commercial uses along the Route 1 corridor, while incorporating a range of housing options as well as limited community-serving commercial uses.
- Areas of **Office Mixed Use (OMU)** will continue to allow for office uses along Route 1 while also accommodating a mix of uses.
- The **Urban Neighborhood (UN)** designation will serve as transitions between commercial mixed use areas, while offering a variety of single-family and multifamily housing options.
- Parks & Open Space (POS) will allow the study area's Resource
 Protection Areas to remain in much of their natural state. These areas
 will expand the supply of accessible open space within the Route 1
 corridor, while providing spaces for community gatherings, passive
 recreation, and trails.

Key of Land Use Designations



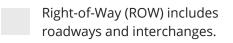


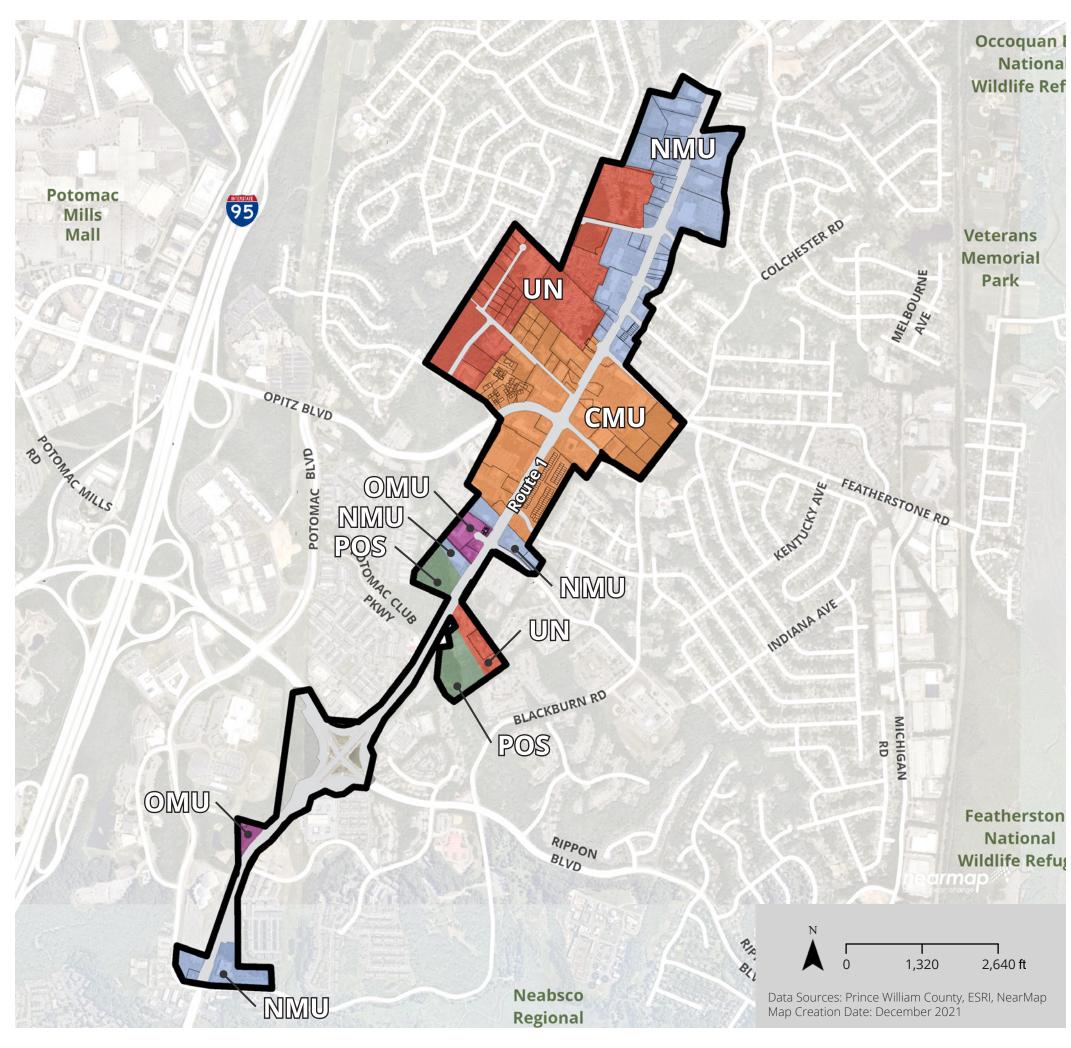


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REDEVELOPMENT CORRIDOR: ROUTE 1

Key Policies

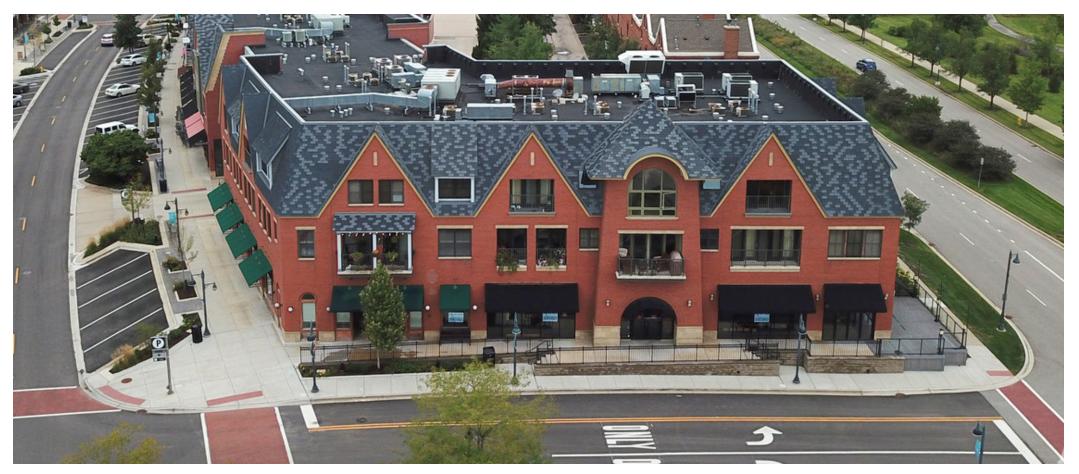
Land Use

- 1. Encourage mixed-use development that integrates neighborhoodserving commercial uses with additional housing options while preserving the area's diversity and affordability.
- 2. Prioritize the redevelopment of Featherstone Plaza and surrounding properties as a mixed-use node and catalyst for additional redevelopment along Route 1.
- 3. Encourage assemblage of parcels to create meaningful redevelopment opportunities, particularly in the vicinity of Featherstone Plaza and at the northern end of the corridor.
- 4. Incorporate public gathering spaces and open space amenities as part of redevelopment projects.
- 5. Maximize the potential of stream corridors and Resource Protection Areas to serve as accessible open space amenities.





Promote mixed-use development that integrates neighborhood serving commercial uses, housing, and public gathering spaces to foster community building.



Incorporate new street connections as part of mixed-use developments, particularly at Featherstone Plaza.

REDEVELOPMENT CORRIDOR: ROUTE 1

Key Policies (continued)

Housing

- 6. Provide a variety of housing options along the Route 1 corridor, ranging from single-family attached to multifamily. Incorporate both affordable and market-rate options.
- 7. Encourage residential infill development to provide additional housing options. Residential infill should create a transition in scale and intensity between the Route 1 land uses and surrounding residential communities.

Connections

- 8. Improve walking and bicycling connections along Route 1 as well as between Route 1 and surrounding neighborhoods.
- 9. Continue to improve the pedestrian environment by implementing additional streetscape improvements, including consolidation of curb cuts as redevelopment occurs.
- 10. Incorporate new street connections as part of redevelopment to enhance access and provide alternative connections to Route 1 for local trips.
- 11. Incorporate additional pedestrian crossings along Route 1 to improve safety and reduce walking distances.
- 12. Enhance multimodal connectivity to the Rippon and Woodbridge VRE stations.
- 13. Provide connections to the local and regional trail network.





Encourage residential infill development and provide a variety of housing options along the Route 1 corridor.



Maximize the potential of stream corridors as accessible open space amenities and connections.