

**BY-LAW NUMBER 2013-144**

**OF**

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UXBRIDGE**

**BEING A BY-LAW TO PROHIBIT AND REGULATE THE  
DISCHARGE OF FIREARMS OR BOWS WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP  
OF UXBRIDGE**

**WHEREAS** Section 11 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O 2001, c.25 provides that municipalities may pass a By-law with respect to the health, safety and well being of persons;

**AND WHEREAS** Section 119 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O 2001, c.25 authorizes a local municipality for the purposes of public safety, to prohibit the discharge of guns or other firearms, air-guns, spring-guns, cross bows, long bows or any other weapon;

**AND WHEREAS** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Uxbridge deems that the discharge of firearms could create a safety hazard for the public;

**NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE  
TOWNSHIP OF UXBRIDGE ENACTS THE BY-LAW AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1- Definitions**

1.1 In this By-law:

- a) "Animal Control Officer" shall mean a person or persons employed and appointed to provide animal control services in the Township of Uxbridge.
- b) "Bow" shall mean a cross-bow, long-bow, compound bow, re-curve bow or any class thereof.
- c) "Council" shall mean the Council for the Township of Uxbridge.
- d) "Farmer" shall mean a person who owns, leases, rents or manages an area of land for the primary use of raising crops, livestock and/or poultry.
- e) "Firearm" shall mean a barreled weapon from which any shot, bullet or other projectile can be discharged and that is capable of causing serious bodily injury or death to a person or animal. includes air- guns, spring-guns and anything that can be adapted for use as a firearm.
- f) "Land" shall include any private property, premises, grounds, yards or vacant lot.
- g) "Officer" shall mean a Police Officer, Municipal Law Enforcement Officer, an Officer appointed under the *Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act*, or the *Conservation Authorities Act*.
- h) "Prohibited Area" shall mean those areas where the discharge of a Firearm or Bow is prohibited, as identified in **Schedule "A" to Schedule "O"** inclusive.

**Section 2- General Prohibitions**

2.1 No person shall discharge a Firearm or a Bow within a "Prohibited Area" as outlined in **Schedule "A" to Schedule "O"** inclusive.

- 2.2 No person shall discharge a Firearm or Bow without having in his or her possession all necessary licences required by the Province of Ontario and the Federal Government to permit him or her to carry and discharge a Firearm or Bow.

### **Section 3- Protection of property**

- 3.1 In all areas of the Township of Uxbridge, outside of the "Prohibited Areas" as outlined in **Schedule "A" to Schedule "O"** inclusive, the discharge of firearms shall be in accordance with Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act, 1997, S.O. 1997, c.41, as may be amended from time to time.

### **Section 4- Exceptions**

- 4.1 Within a "Prohibited Area" a Firearm may be lawfully discharged by:
- a) an Officer in the performance of his or her duties;
  - b) a person firing blank ammunition which does not discharge a projectile for or in connection with lawful use in a motion picture, television, or stage production, historical play or for the purpose of starting or controlling a sporting event;
  - c) a person firing blank ammunition which does not discharge a projectile for or in connection with a special honour guard tribute by the Royal Canadian Legion, or similar community based event as approved by Council;
  - d) a Farmer, upon lands owned or occupied by him, for the euthanasia of livestock with severe injury or disease or as a result of disasters such as fire or flood.
- 4.2 Within a "Prohibited Area" on a lot within a RU, EP, M3 or OS Zone, as defined by the Zoning By-law No. 81-19, as amended:
- a) A land owner, Farmer, a tenant authorized by the land owner or an agent, upon lands owned or occupied by him who believes on reasonable grounds that wildlife is damaging or is about to damage the person's property, the person may discharge a Shotgun or Bow in order to scare or destroy wildlife. Alternatively a person may capture the wildlife.

### **Section 5- Administration**

- 5.1 In this By-law, unless the contrary intention is indicated, words used in the singular shall include the plural, and words used in the male gender shall include the female, gender or vice versa, where applicable.
- 5.2 This By-law may be enforced by a Municipal Law Enforcement Officer or a Police Officer.
- 5.3 **Schedules "A" to Schedule "O"** and its appendices are attached hereto and form part of this By-law.
- 5.4 If there is a conflict between a provision in this By-law and a provision of any other Township By-law, the provision that establishes the highest standard to protect the health, safety and welfare of the general public shall apply.

**Section 6- Contravention of other laws prohibited**

6.1 This By-law is not intended and shall not be construed as permission or consent by the Township for a person to contravene or to fail to observe or comply with any law of Canada or Ontario or any other By-law of the Township or the Regional Municipality of Durham.

**Section 7- Penalty**

7.1 Every person who contravenes any of the provisions of this By-law is guilty of an offence and upon conviction is liable to a fine or penalty for each offence, exclusive of costs, as prescribed by the Provincial Offences Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.P.33, as amended.

**Section 8- Short title**

8.1 This By-law may be referred to as the Discharge of Firearms By-law.

**Section 9- Severability**

9.1 If a court of competent jurisdiction should declare any section or part of a section in this By-law to be invalid, such section or part of a section shall not be construed as having persuaded or influenced Council to pass the remainder of this By-law and it is hereby declared that the remainder of this By-law shall be valid and shall remain in force.

**Section 10- Repeal of By-laws**

10.1 Sections 1, 2.1, 2.2 i) to v) of By-law number 89-137 are hereby repealed and 2001-097 and 98-160 are hereby repealed in their entirety.

**Section 11- Date Effective**

11.1 This By-law shall come into force as of the date of its passing.

**BY-LAW read the FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time and finally passed this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September 2013.**

  
GERRI LYNN O'CONNOR  
MAYOR

  
DEBBIE LEROUX  
CLERK

SCHEDULE "A"



LEITCH ROAD

SCHEDULE "B"

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PHYR ROAD

ZEPHYR

KESTER LANE

DURHAM

HORNER COURT

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FOOT STREET

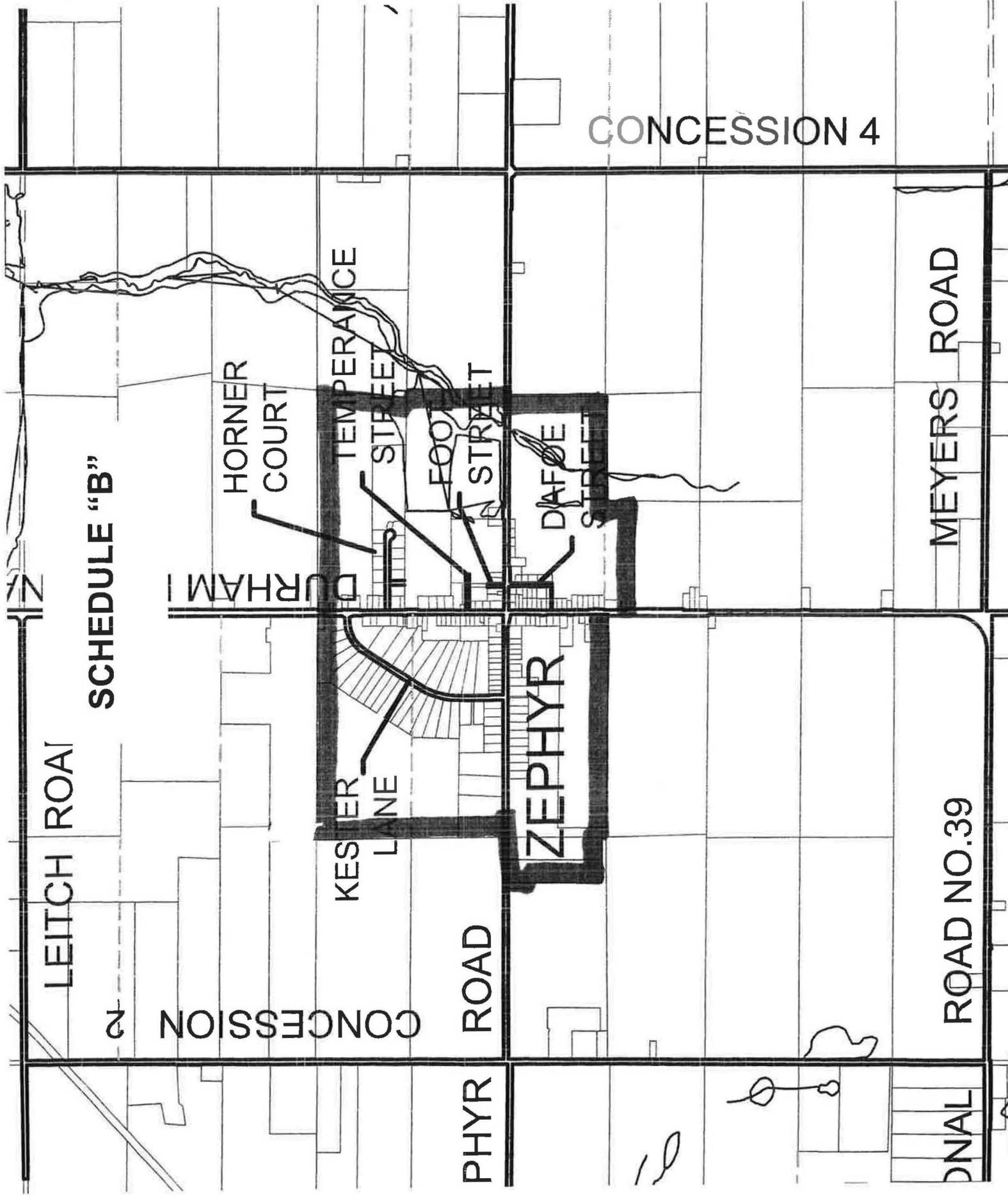
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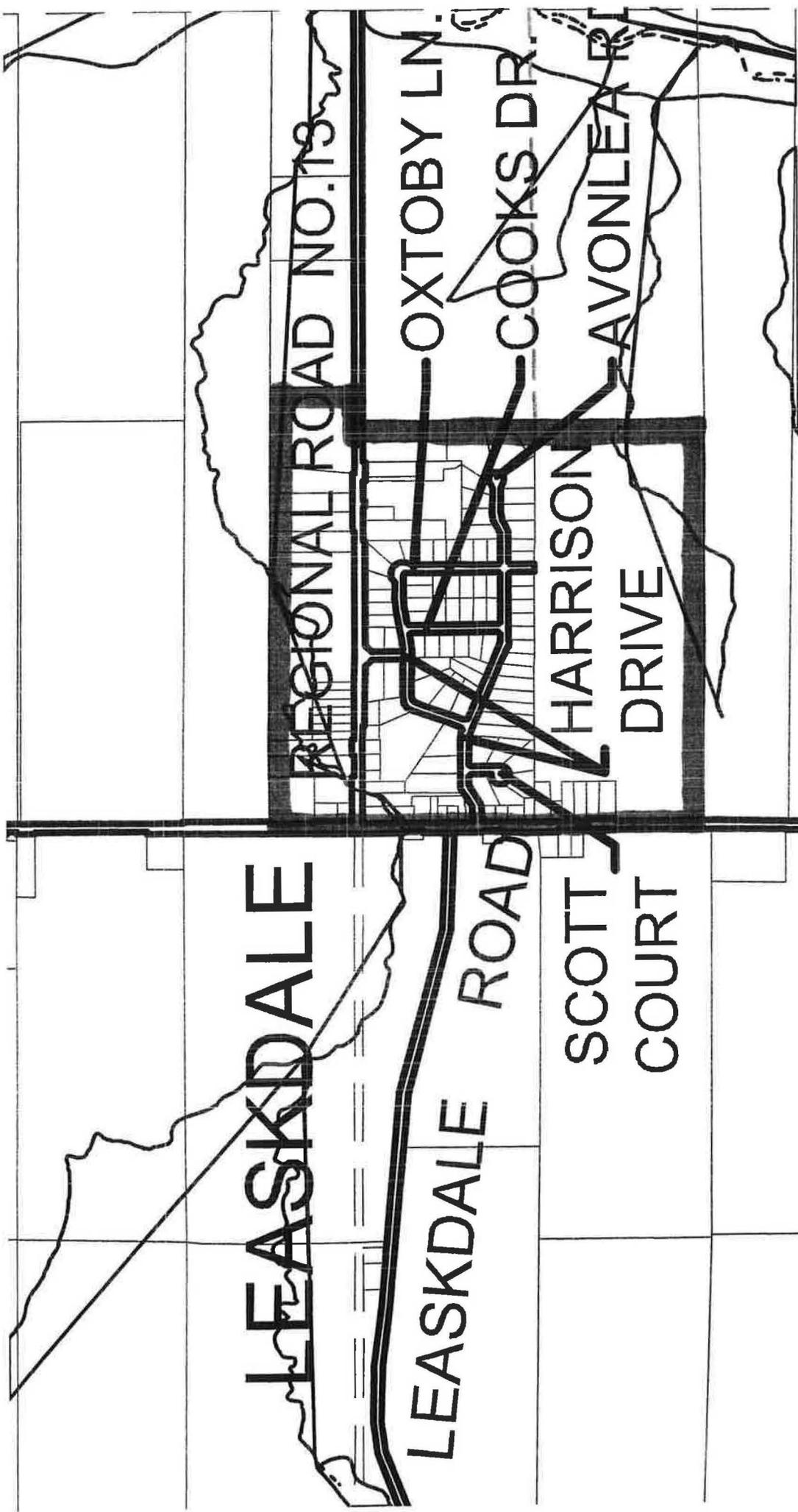
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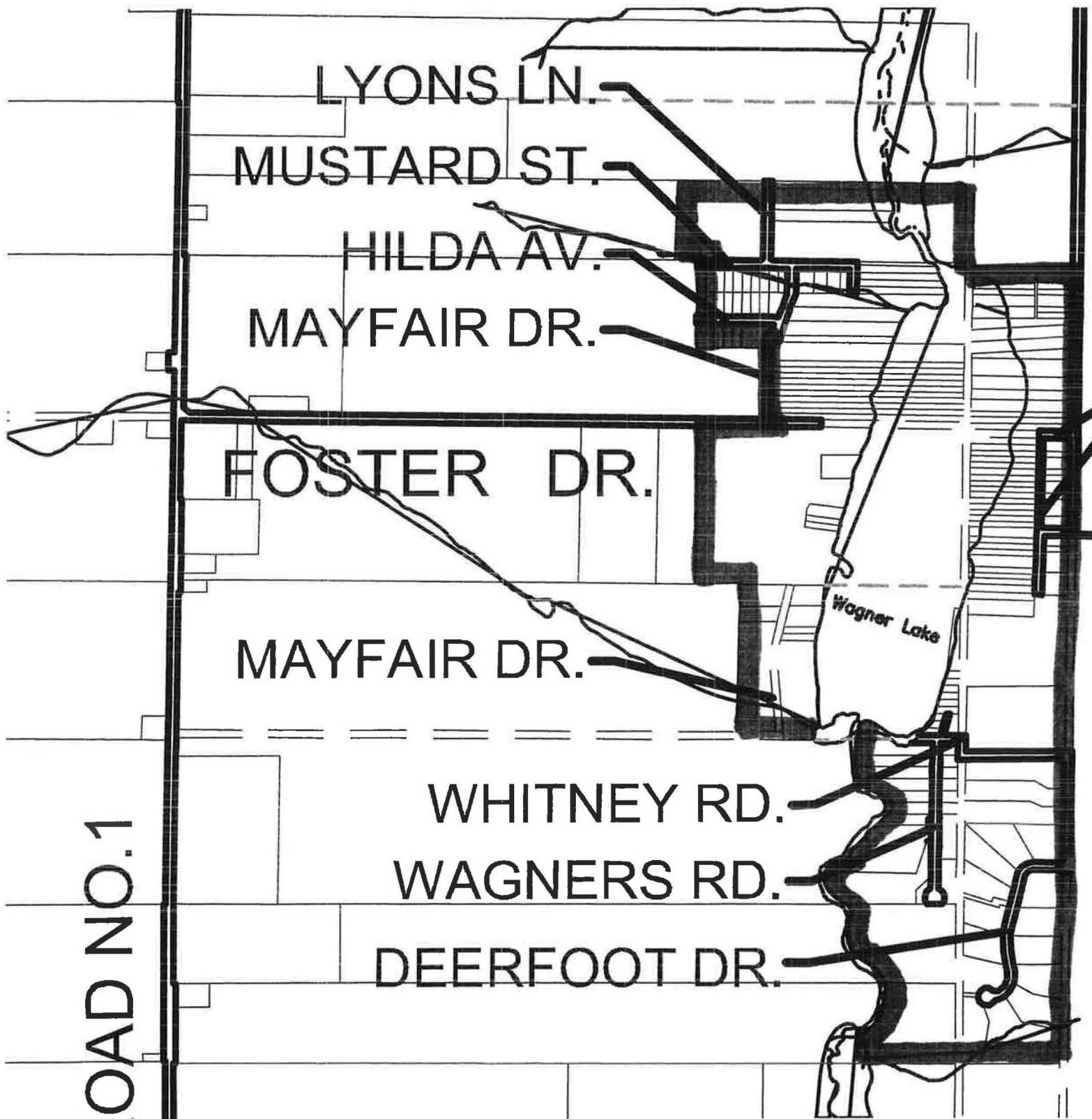
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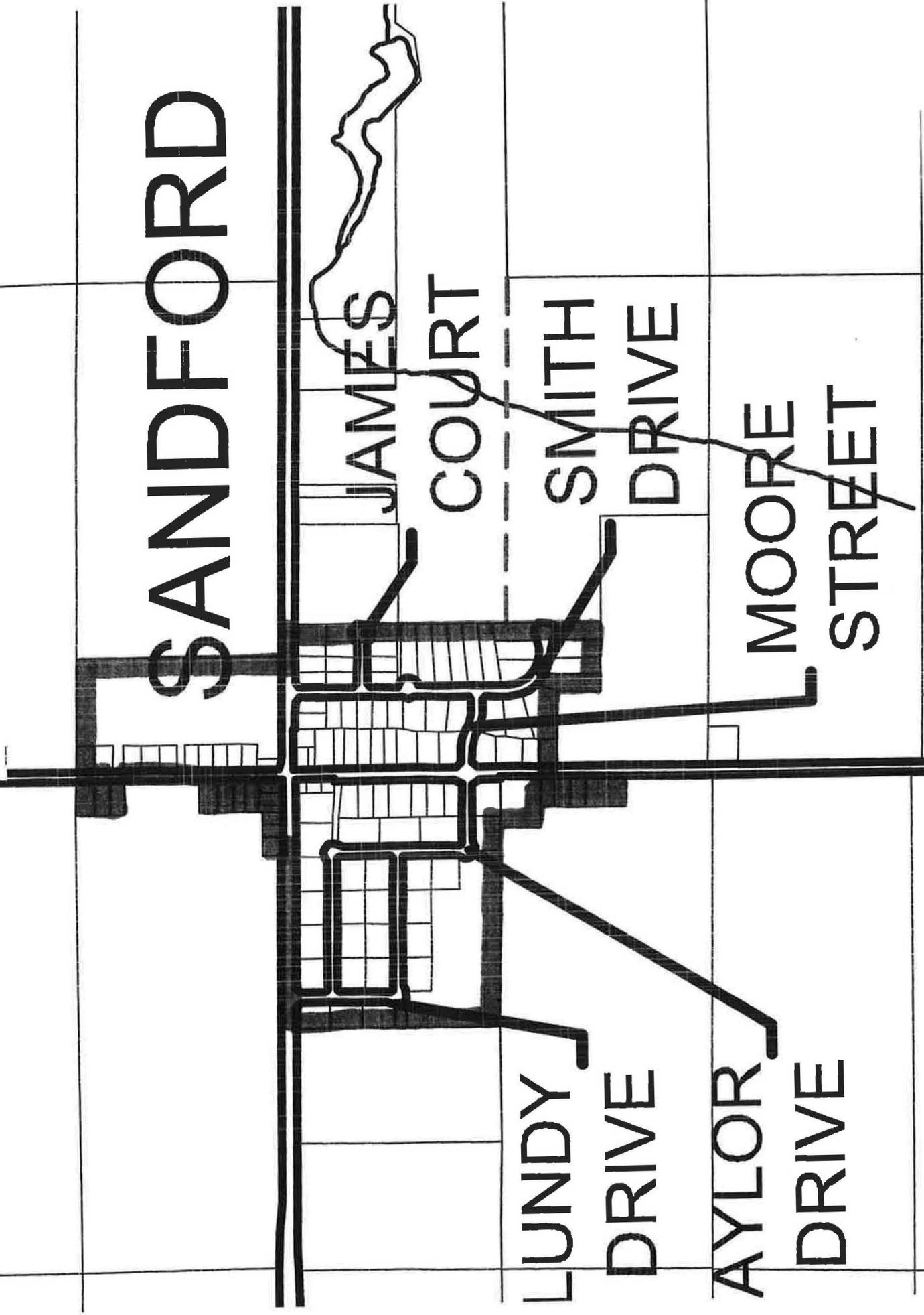
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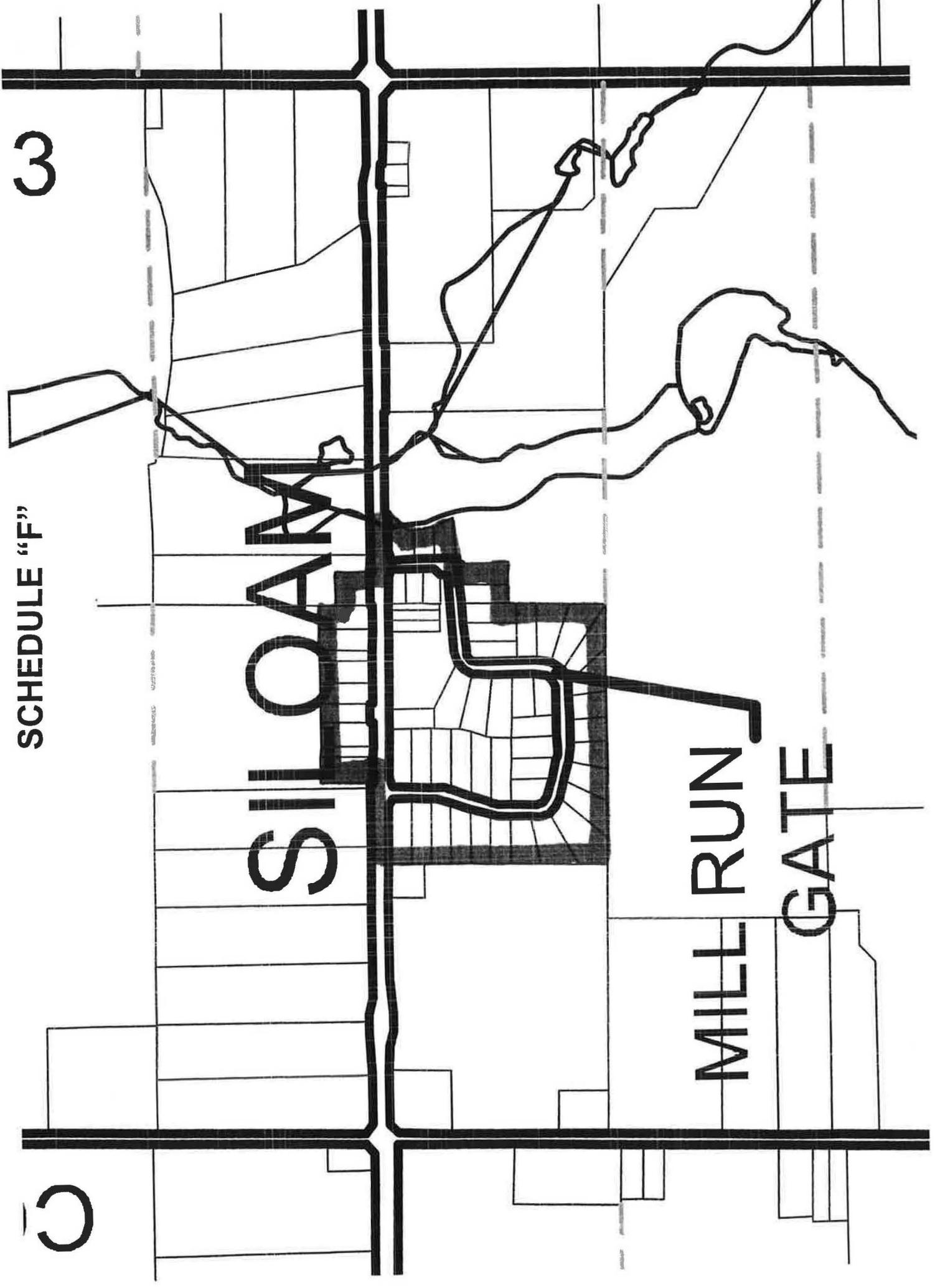
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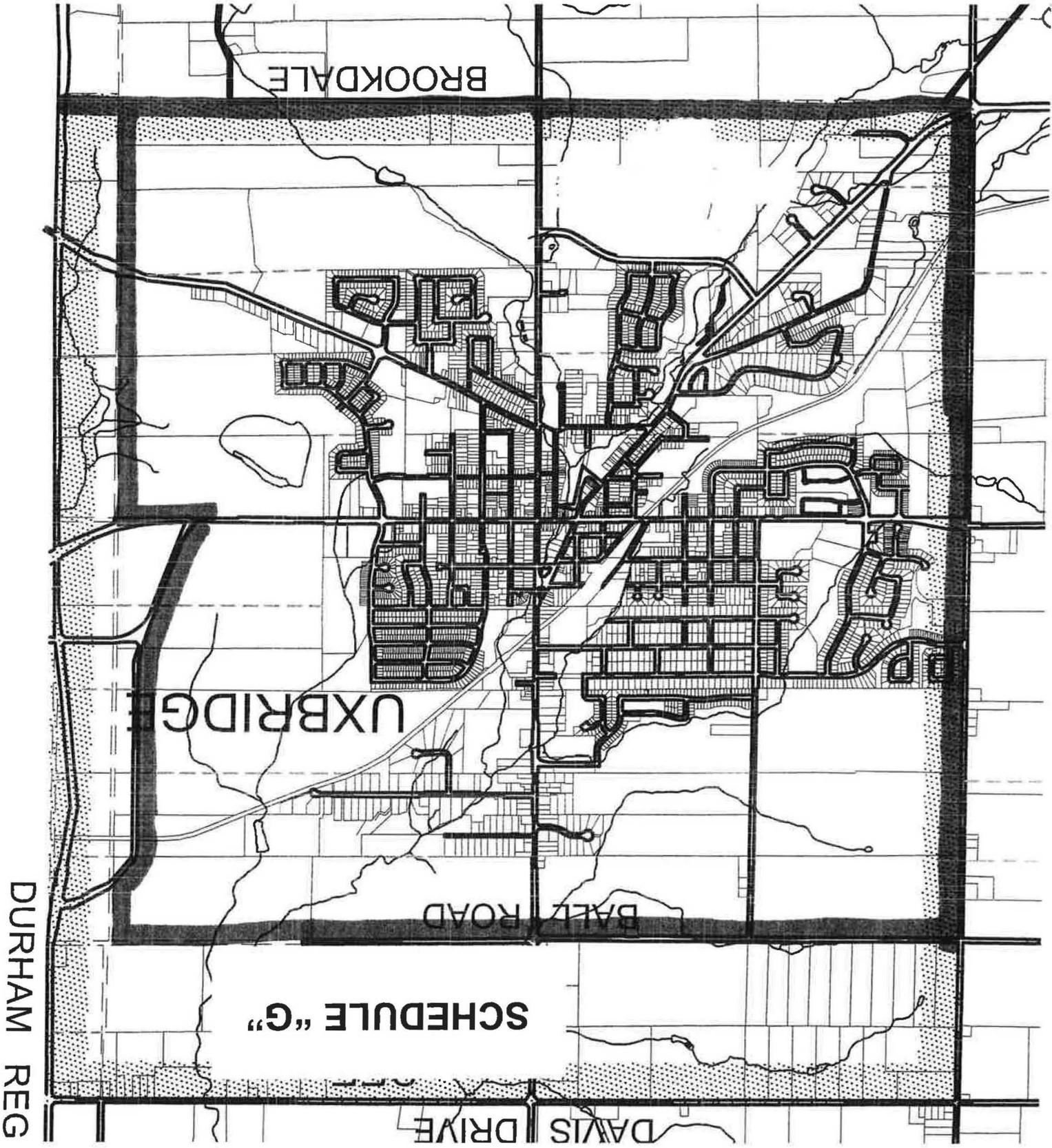
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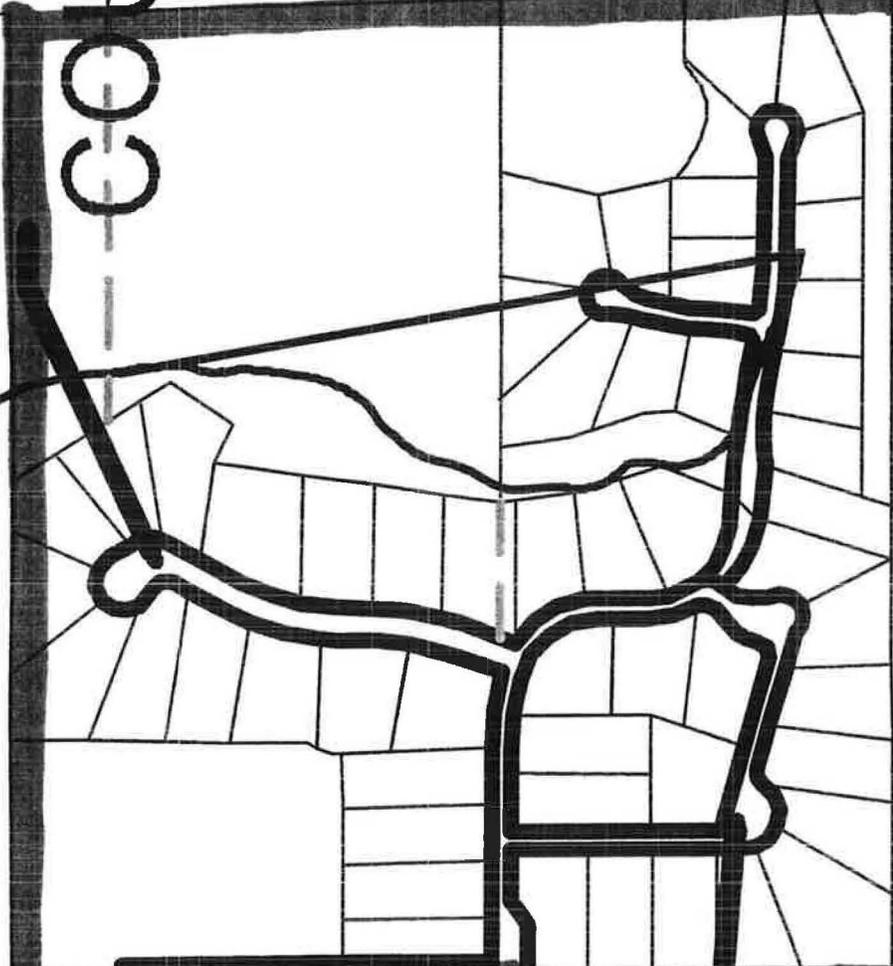






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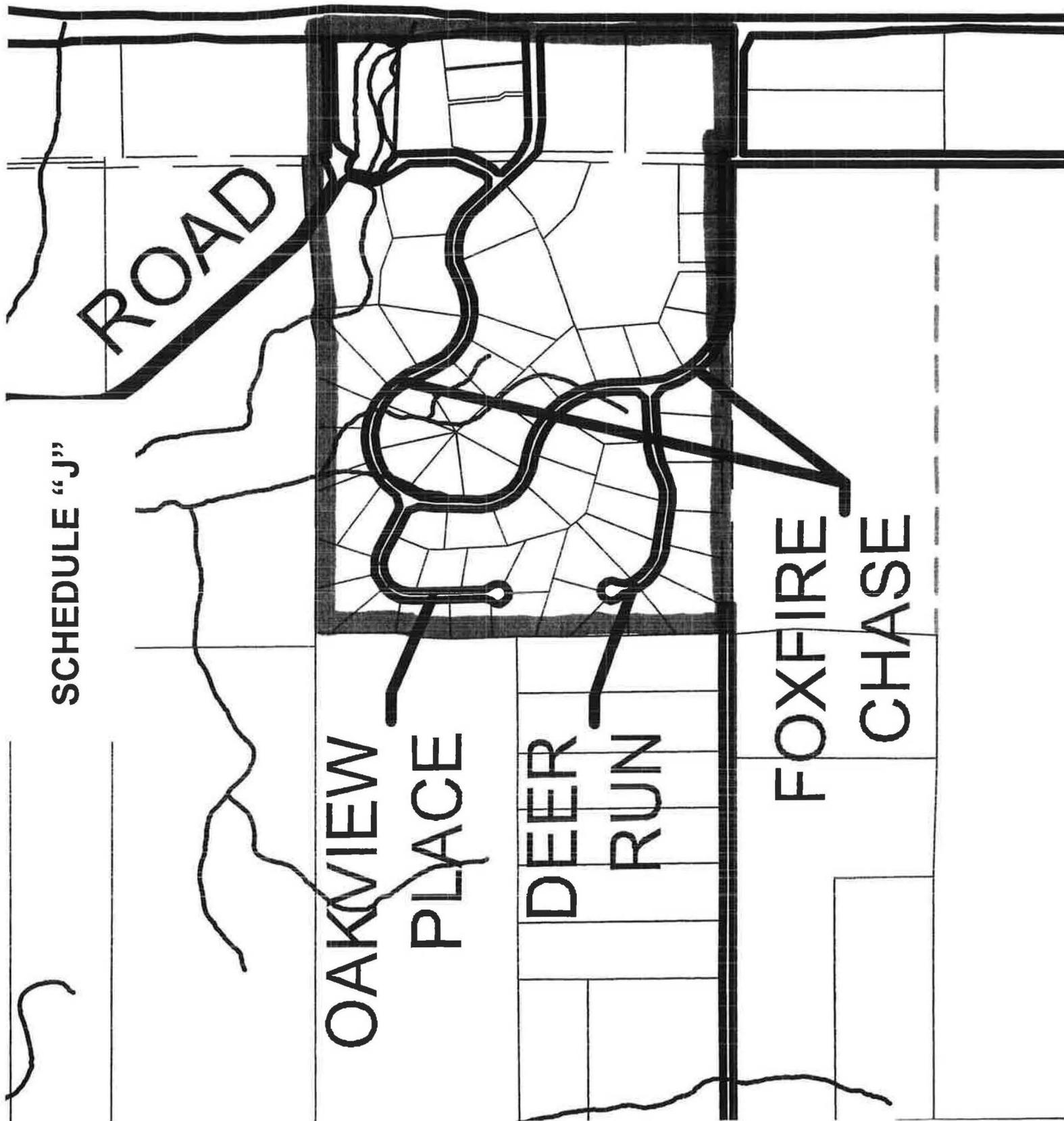
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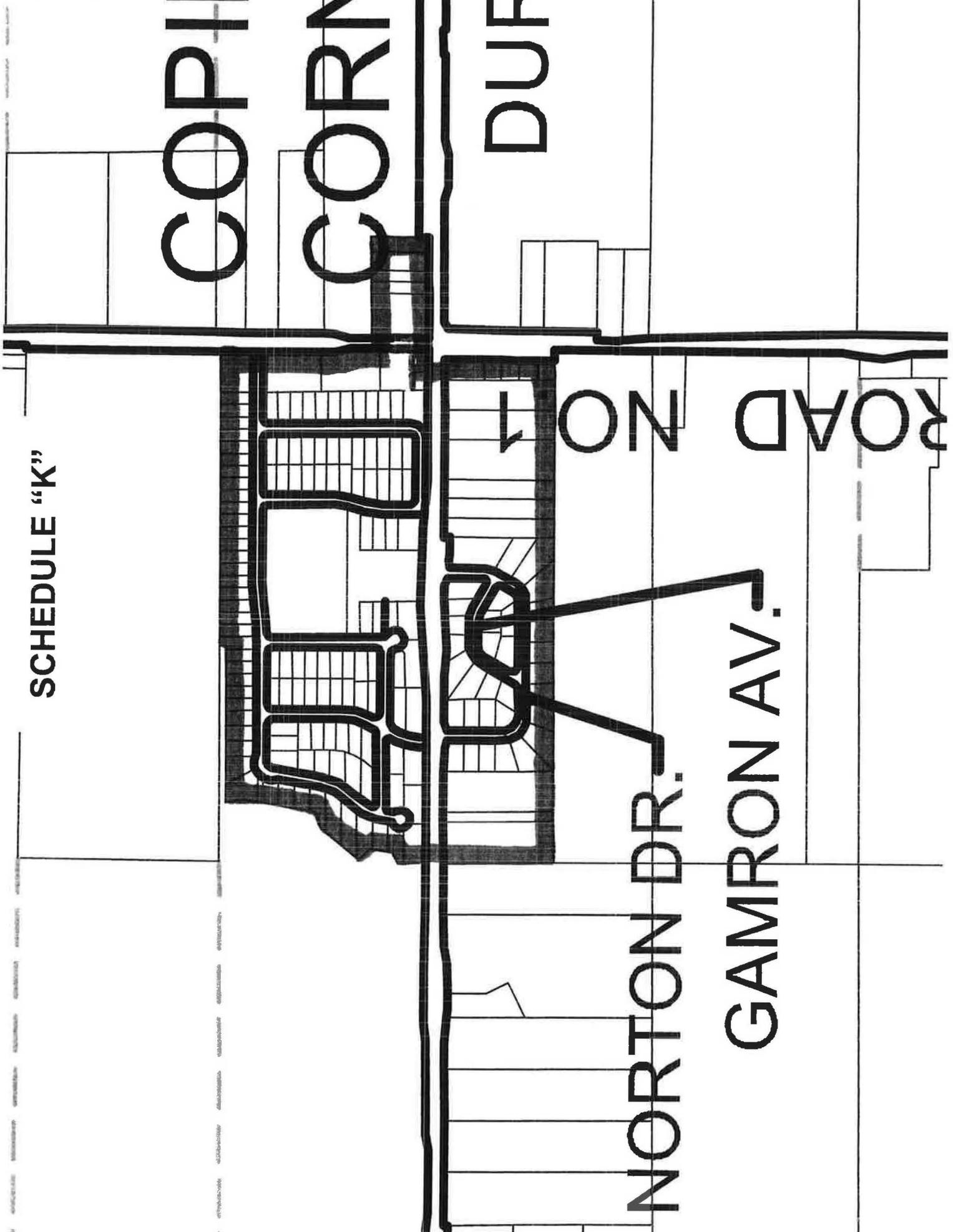
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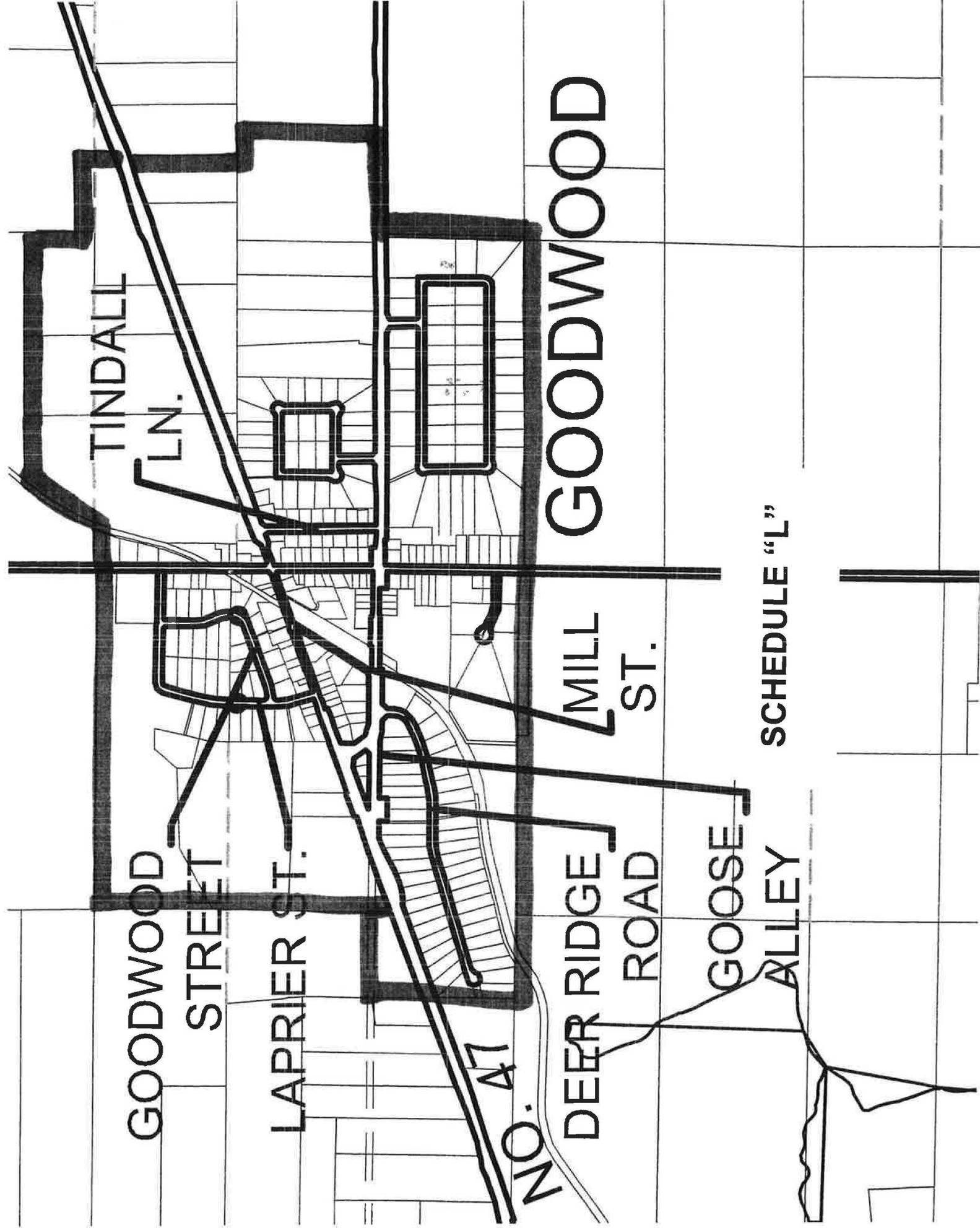
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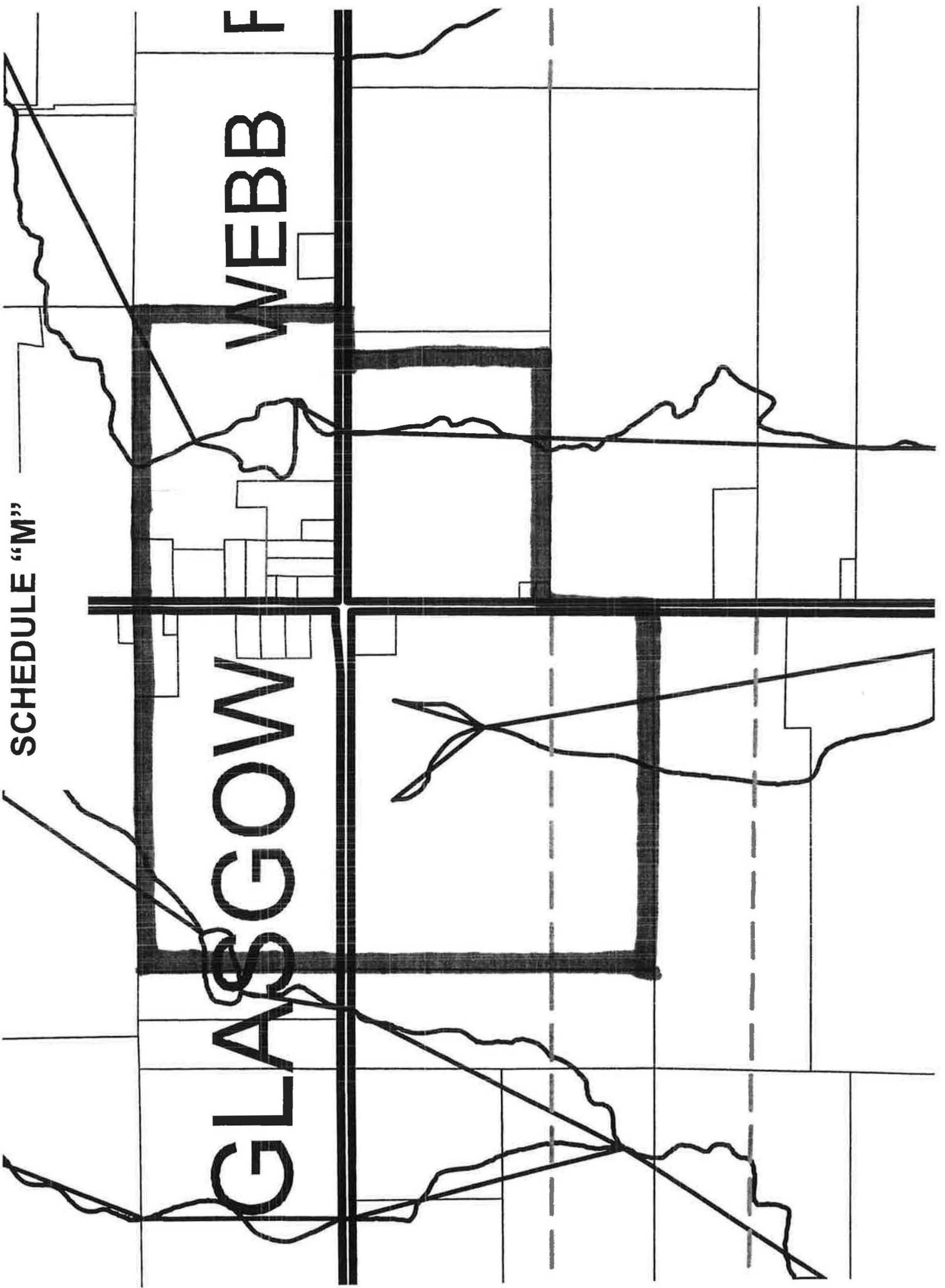
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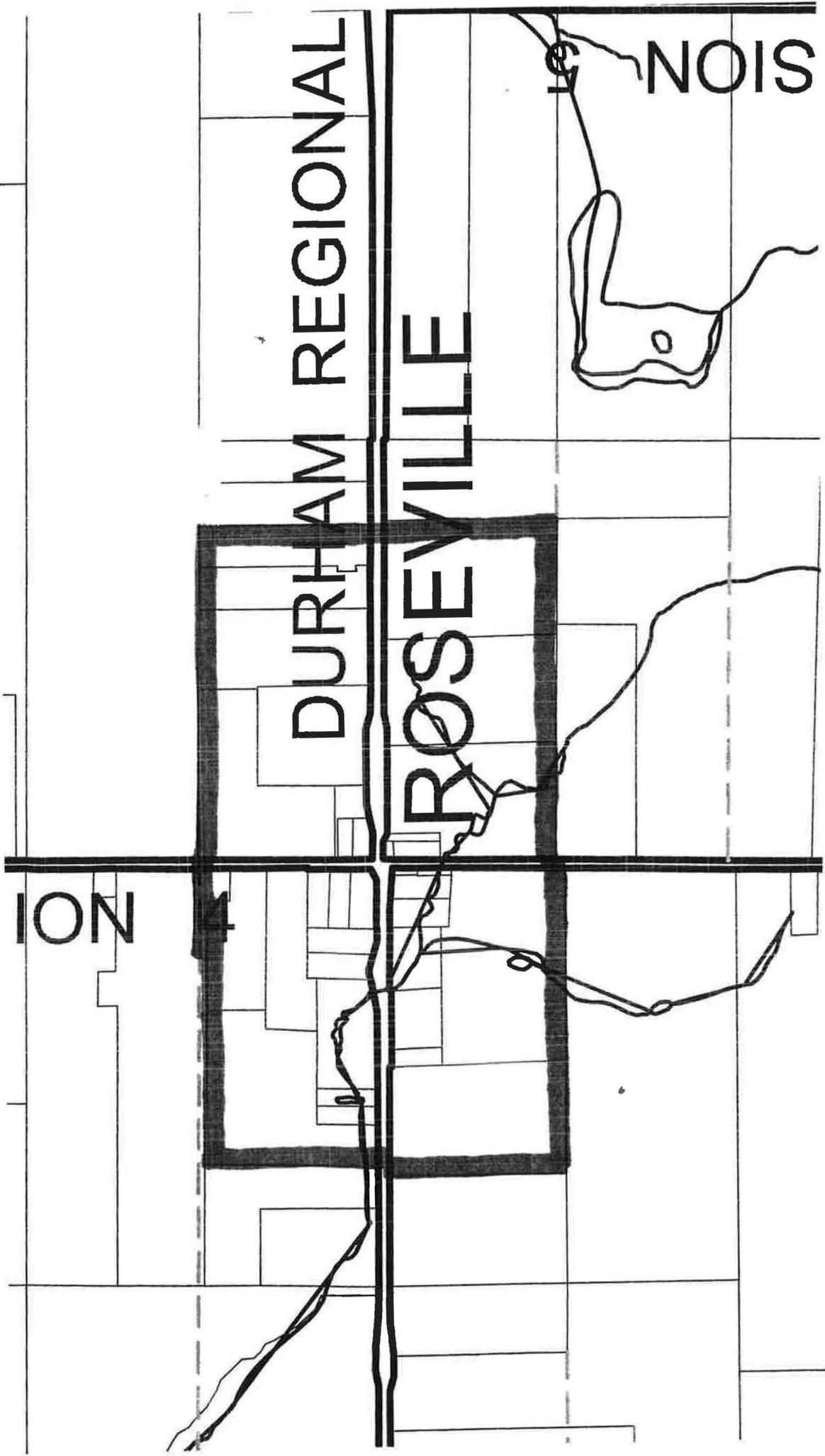
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SCHEDULE "N"



**SCHEDULE "0"**

**CONCESSION 4**

**WEBB ROAD**

