



REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
SAVANNAH DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS
1025 BUFORD DAM ROAD
BUFORD, GEORGIA 30515

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Regulatory Division
SAS-2012-00199

PUBLIC NOTICE
Savannah District

The District Engineer has received a Prospectus describing the establishment and operation of a stream and wetland compensatory mitigation bank (Arcway Mitigation Bank) for Federal and State permits as described below:

The comment period for the proposed compensatory mitigation bank will close 30 days from the date of this public notice. Written comments, including suggestions for modifications or objections to the proposed work, stating reasons thereof, are being solicited from anyone having interest in this project, and must be submitted so as to be received on or before the last day of the comment period. Written comments concerning the proposed compensatory mitigation bank must reference the Applicant's name and the Permit Application Number, and be forwarded to the Corps of Engineers at the above address.

Application Number: SAS-2012-00199

Applicant: Mr. Trey Evans
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Atlanta, Georgia 30308

Agent: Mr. David P. Huetter
United Consulting
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This public notice does not imply, on the parts of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers or other agencies, either favorable or unfavorable opinion of the work to be performed, but is issued to solicit comments regarding the factors on which final decisions will be based.

Location of Proposed Work: The project site is located south of the intersection of Interstate 85 and Steve Reynolds Boulevard, approximately 5 miles south of the City of Duluth, in Gwinnett County (latitude 33.9308, longitude -84.1285). The proposed compensatory mitigation bank site is located in the Ocmulgee River Basin. See the enclosed Vicinity Map and USGS Topographic Map.

Description of Mitigation Bank: The Applicant (bank sponsor) proposes the following objectives of the bank: 1) reduce bank erosion rates of streams onsite; 2) ameliorating storm flows of streams onsite; 3) increase holding habitat and cover for aquatic species in streams onsite; 4) restore floodplain connectivity of the streams onsite; 5) reduce chemical pollutants in wetlands onsite; 6) improve biodiversity in wetlands onsite; and 7) increase hydrologic storage of wetlands onsite. To accomplish the above objectives, the proposal includes the improvement of 53.1 acres of wetland via hydrology restoration (i.e., plugging ditches) and vegetative restoration/enhancement (i.e., planting and exotic removal). The proposal also includes the restoration of approximately 5,423 linear feet of stream through the implementation of Priority 1, 2, and 3 natural channel restoration measures, along with bank stabilization efforts. See the enclosed Treatment Map.

Geographic Service Area: The Geographic Service Area (GSA) is the defined area within which this bank can reasonably be expected to provide appropriate compensation for impacts to aquatic resources. The GSA for this bank will include the Upper Ocmulgee River Basin, Hydrologic Unit Code 03070103, as the primary service area, and the Upper Oconee River Basin, Hydrologic Unit Code 03070101, as the secondary service area in Georgia. The bank sponsor proposes to further restrict the standard service areas described above by limiting the sales of all wetland credits for the Arcway Mitigation Bank to the urban 12-digit HUCs within the primary and secondary service areas. See the enclosed Service Area Maps.

Oversight: This compensatory mitigation bank may be considered one of a number of practicable alternatives available to applicants to compensate for unavoidable impacts associated with permits issued under the authority of Sections 404 and 401 of the Clean Water Act for projects located within the prescribed GSA.

Oversight of this compensatory mitigation bank will be by a group of Federal and State agency representatives collectively referred to as the Interagency Review Team (IRT). The IRT shall be chaired by the Savannah District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and is comprised of representatives from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Marine Fisheries Service, and the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Environmental Protection Division.

The actual approval of the use of this mitigation bank as compensation for impacts to streams and/or wetlands for a specific project is the decision of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers provides no guarantee that any particular individual or general permit will be granted authorization to use this compensatory mitigation bank to compensate for unavoidable impacts associated with a proposed permit, even though compensatory mitigation from this bank may be available.

Authority: A public notice regarding the proposed mitigation bank is required pursuant to Title 33 Code of Federal Regulations Parts 325 and 332 and Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations Part 230, entitled “Compensatory Mitigation for Losses of Aquatic Resources, Final Rule”, published in the Federal Register on April 10, 2008.

Consideration of Public Comments: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; federal, state, and local agencies and officials; Native American Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate this proposed mitigation bank. The Prospectus can be seen at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Savannah District, Regulatory Division, 1025 Buford Dam Road Buford, Georgia 30515. Written comments received will be considered by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in evaluating this proposal. Comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, cultural values, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards and flood plain values (in accordance with Executive Order 11988), land use, navigation, shore erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, consideration of property ownership, and, in general, the needs and welfare of the public.

Preliminary review, provided by the bank’s sponsor, indicates that: 1) An environmental impact statement will not be required; 2) No species of fish, wildlife, or plant (or their critical habitat) listed as endangered or threatened under the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (PL 93-205) will be affected; and, 3) No cultural or historical resources considered eligible or potentially eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places will be affected according to a website review of known listed properties. Additional information may change any of these preliminary findings.

Comment Period: Anyone wishing to comment on this proposal should submit comments in writing to the Commander, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Savannah District, Regulatory Division, Attention: Justin A. Hammonds, Mitigation Liaison, Multi-purpose Branch, 1025 Buford Dam Road, Buford, Georgia 30515, no later than **30-days from the date of this notice**. Please refer to the mitigation bank name (Arcway Mitigation Bank) and the Regulatory Division file number (SAS-2012-00199) in your comments.

If you have any further questions concerning this matter, please contact Justin A. Hammonds, Mitigation Liaison, Multi-purpose Branch, at 678-804-5227.

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1. Service Area Map
2. Urban Service Area Map
3. Vicinity Map
4. USGS Topographic Quadrangle Map
5. Treatment Map

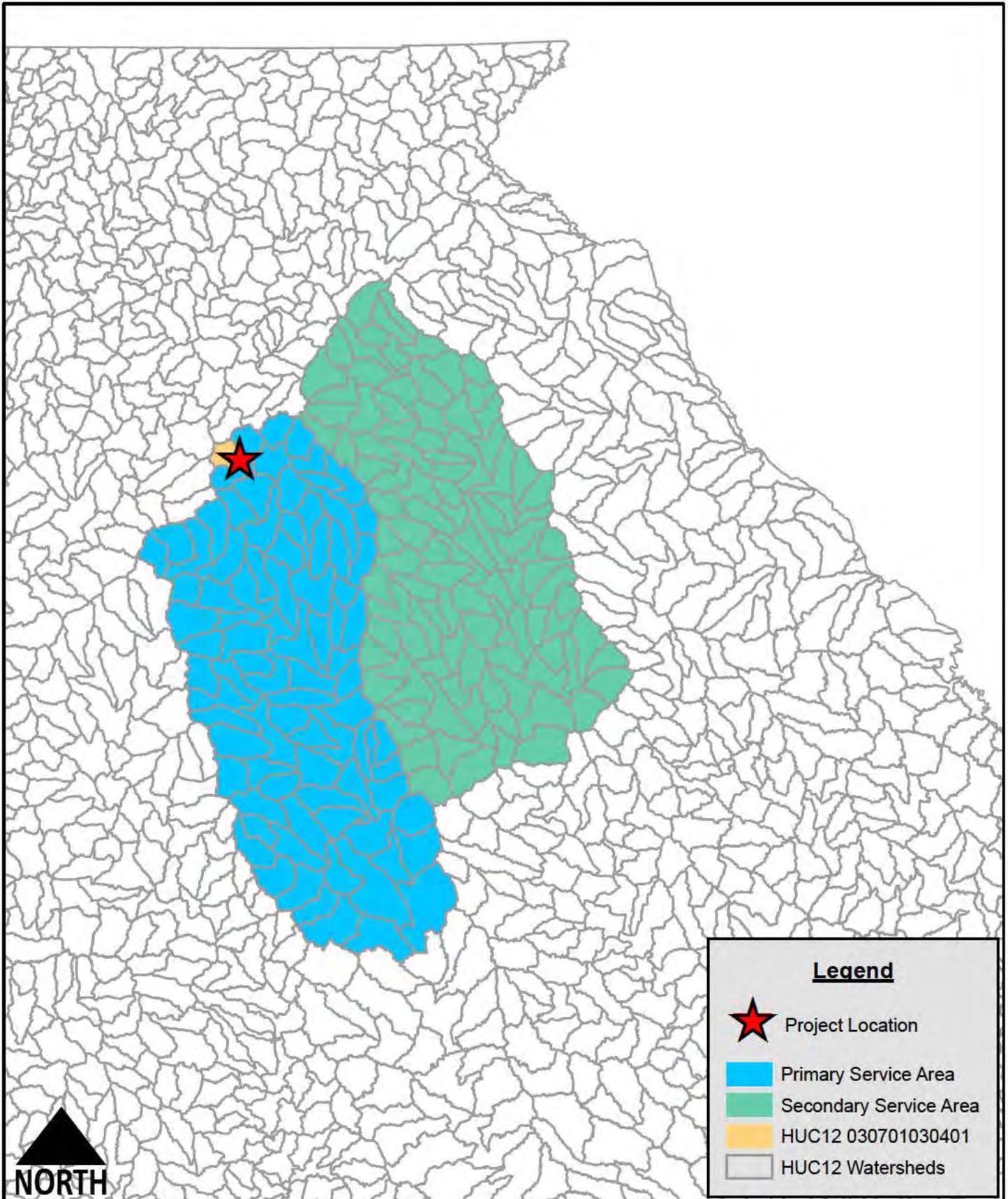


FIGURE 1
12-DIGIT HUC/STREAM SERVICE AREAS MAP
ARCWAY MITIGATION BANK
GWINNETT COUNTY, GEORGIA
PROSPECTUS



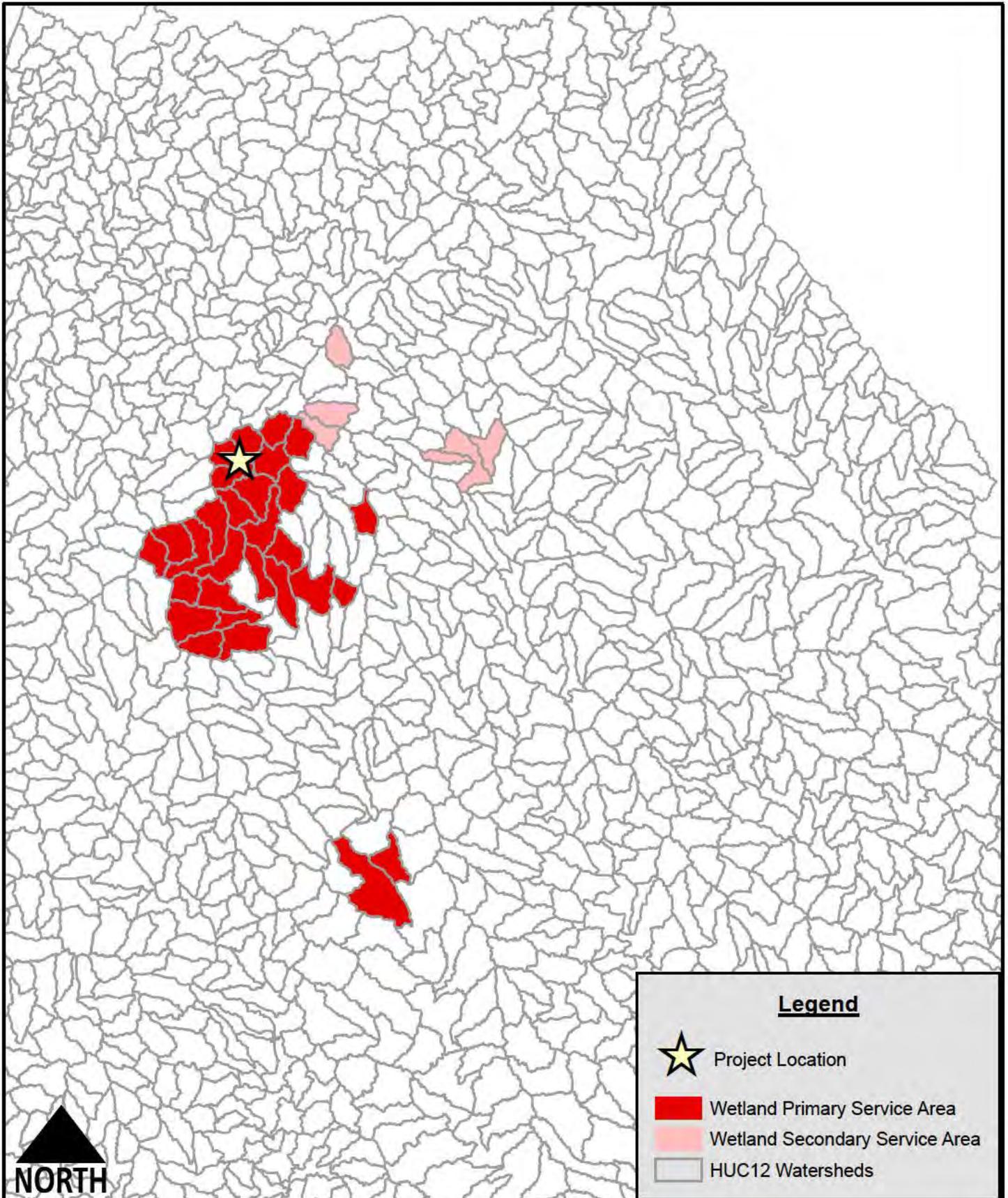


FIGURE 2
12-DIGIT HUC/WETLAND SERVICE AREAS MAP
ARCWAY MITIGATION BANK
GWINNETT COUNTY, GEORGIA
PROSPECTUS

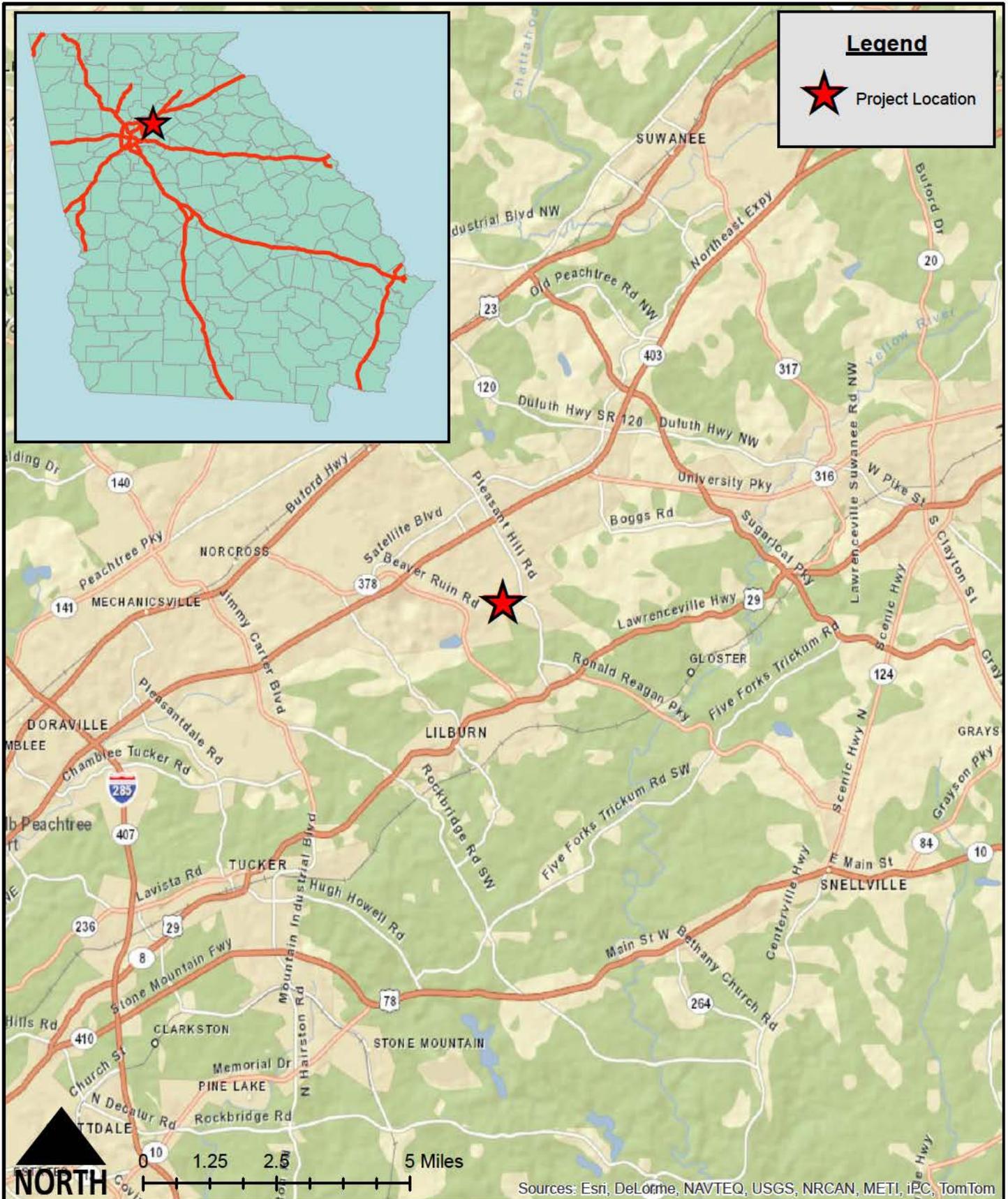


FIGURE 4
ESRI VICINITY MAP
ARCWAY MITIGATION BANK
GWINNETT COUNTY, GEORGIA
PROSPECTUS



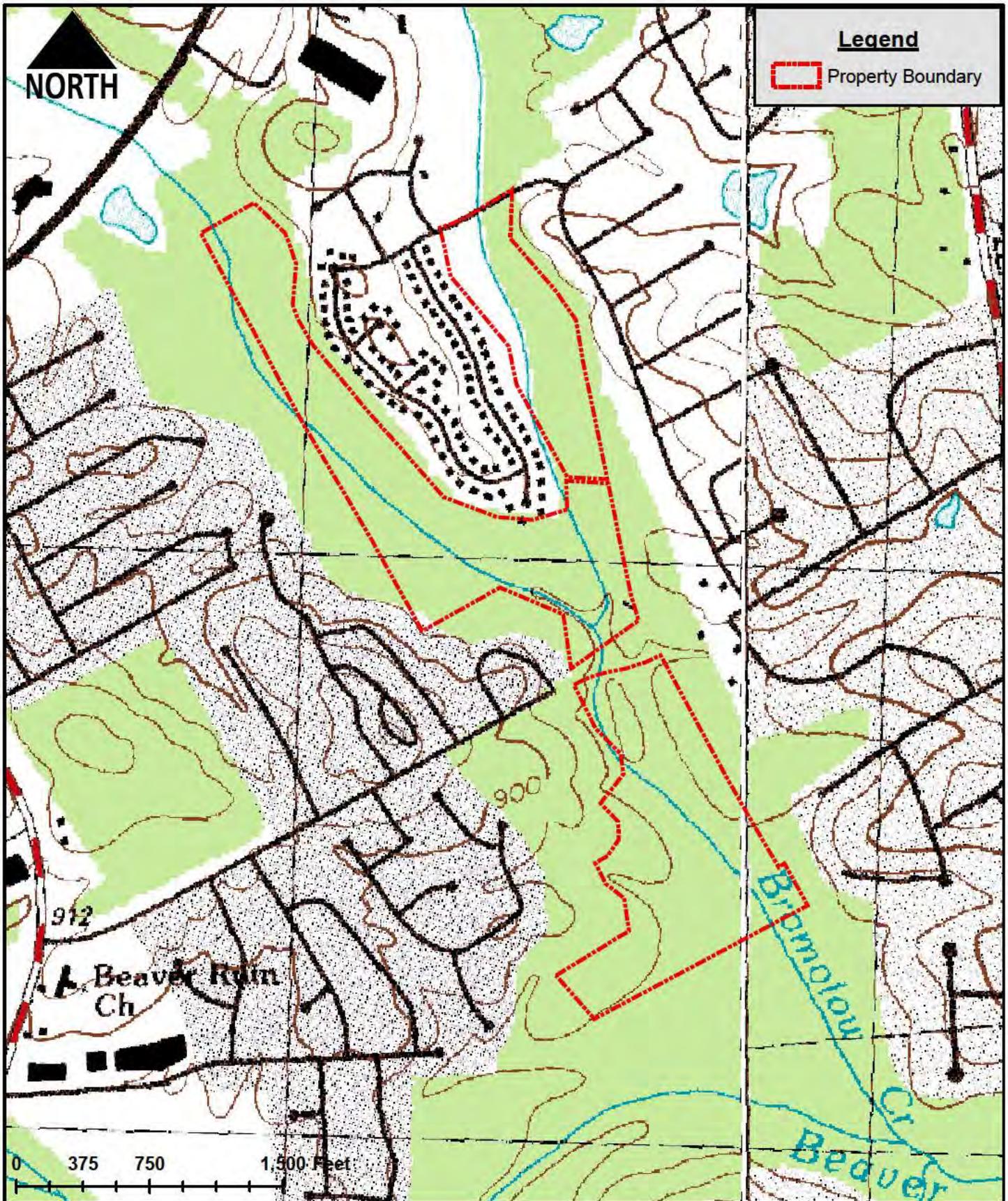


FIGURE 6
 USGS NORCROSS/LUXOMNI QUADS TOPOGRAPHIC MAP
 ARCWAY MITIGATION BANK
 GWINNETT COUNTY, GEORGIA
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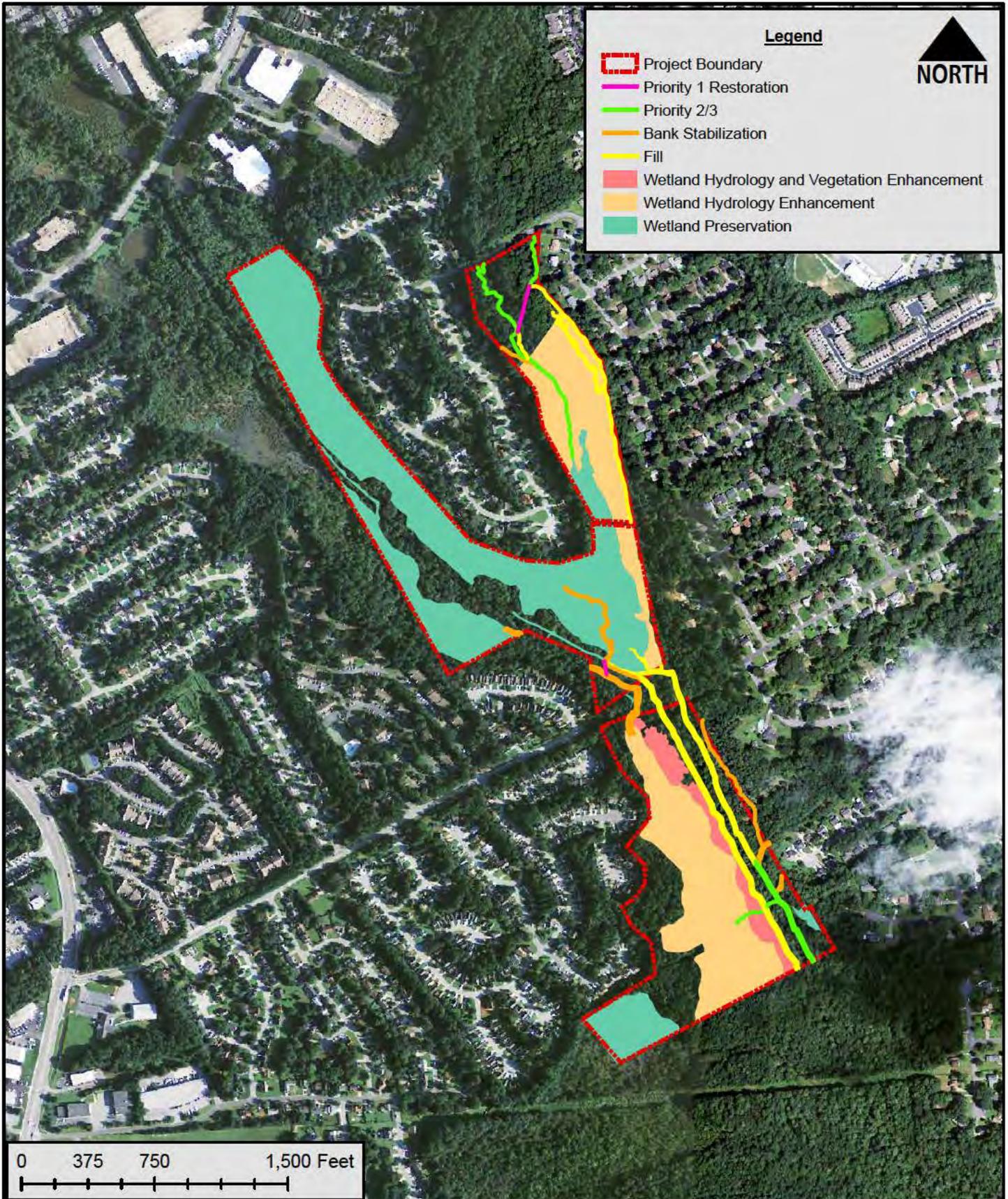


FIGURE 28
PROSPECTUS CONCEPTUAL MITIGATION PLAN
ARCWAY MITIGATION BANK
GWINNETT COUNTY, GEORGIA
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