

REGIONAL REVIEW NOTIFICATION

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DATE: March 16, 2017

ARC REVIEW CODE: V1703161

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TO:

Mayor Jere Wood, City of Roswell

ATTN TO:

Jackie Deibel, City of Roswell Community Development Department

FROM:

Douglas R. Hooker, Executive Director, ARC

The Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) has received the following proposal and is initiating a regional review to seek comments from potentially impacted jurisdictions and agencies. The ARC requests your comments related to the proposal not addressed by the Commission's regional plans and policies.

Name of Proposal:

RC-17-01R 201 Azalea Drive

Review Type:

Metro River (MRPA)

MRPA Code:

RC-17-01R

<u>Description:</u> An application for a Metropolitan River Protection Act (MRPA) Certificate for the construction of two single family homes on land previously included in the Chattahoochee River Park Phase II review (RC-78-87FC).

<u>Preliminary Finding</u>: ARC staff has begun the review of this application for a MRPA Certificate. The ARC staff preliminary finding is that the proposed land disturbing activity is inconsistent with the Chattahoochee Corridor Plan standards. ARC staff recommends not building the proposed houses on the site, with a further recommendation to either not develop the property or to develop a use consistent with the current zoning and the terms of the 1978 Chattahoochee Park review.

Submitting Local Government: City of Roswell

Land Lot: 380 District: 1 Section: 2

Date Opened: March 16, 2017

Deadline for Comments: March 26, 2017

Earliest the Regional Review can be Completed: March 26, 2017

THE FOLLOWING LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND AGENCIES ARE RECEIVING NOTICE OF THIS REVIEW:

ARC COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CHATTAHOOCHEE RIVERKEEPER CITY OF SANDY SPRINGS ARC NATURAL RESOURCES
GEORGIA CONSERVANCY

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES NATIONAL PARK SERVICE/CRNRA

If you have questions regarding this review, please contact Andrew Smith at asmith@atlantaregional.com or (404) 463-5581. If ARC does not receive comments from you on or before March 26, 2017, we will assume that your agency has no additional comments and will close the review. Comments by e-mail are encouraged. The ARC review website is located at http://www.atlantaregional.com/land-use/planreviews.

Attached is information concerning this review.

ARC STAFF NOTICE OF REGIONAL REVIEW AND COMMENT FORM

DATE: March 16, 2017 ARC REVIEW CODE: V1703161

TO: ARC Community Development, Natural Resources Division Managers

FROM: Andrew Smith, Extension: 3-5581

Reviewing staff by Jurisdiction:

Community Development: Smith, Andrew

Natural Resources: Santo, Jim

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Response:

COMMENTS:

- 1) Proposal is CONSISTENT with the following regional development guide listed in the comment section.
- 2) While neither specifically consistent nor inconsistent, the proposal relates to the following regional development quide listed in the comment section.
- 3) The proposal is INCONSISTENT with the following regional development guide listed in the comment section.
- 4) The proposal does NOT relate to any development guide for which this division is responsible.
- 5) Staff wishes to confer with the applicant for the reasons listed in the comment section.

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APPLICATION FOR METROPOLITAN RIVER PROTECTION ACT CERTIFICATE

1.	Name of Local Government: City of Roswell	
2.	Owner(s) of Record of Property to be Reviewed:	
٠.	Name(s): Metropolis Homes Inc	
	Mailing Address: 5010 Old OAK TRACE	
	City: Roswell State: GA Zip: 30075	
	Contact Phone Numbers (w/Area Code):	
	Daytime Phone: 770-462-6368 Fax:	
	Other Numbers:	
3.	Applicant(s) or Applicant's Agent(s): Name(s): JASON Yowell, President Ower of Metapolis	
	Mailing Address: 5010 Old OAK TRACE	
	City: Raswell State: GA Zip: 30075	
	Contact Phone Numbers (w/Area Code): Daytime Phone: 770-402-6366 Fax:	
	Other Numbers:	
	Other Numbers.	
4.	Proposed Land or Water Use: Name of Development: 201 AZALEA DRIVE Description of Proposed Use: Two 5 nale Family Home S	
5.	Property Description (Attach Legal Description and Vicinity Map): Land Lot(s), District, Section, County: Fulton Coonty	
	Subdivision, Lot, Block, Street and Address, Distance to Nearest Intersection:	
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	Size of Development (Use as Applicable):	
	Acres: Inside Corridor: -9	
	Outside Corridor:	
	Total:	
	Lots: Inside Corridor: two	
	Outside Corridor:	
	Total: +wo	
	Units: Inside Corridor: +wo	
	Outside Corridor:	
	Total: +wo	
	Other Size Descriptor (i.e., Length and Width of Easement):	
	Inside Corridor:	
	Outside Corridor:	
	Total:	

B. Has an borde Corrie	", describe the add ny part of the prop ring this land, prev dor review approve s", please identify t	ation?	on, or any right-of rtificate or any oth	-way or eas er Chattaho nber(s), and	ement pochee
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9.	Is any of this Land within the 100-Year Floodplain of the Chattahoochee River? <u>Ve-5</u> If "yes", indicate the 100-year floodplain elevation: <u>864</u>
	NOTE: The 100-year river floodplain is defined as the natural land surface below the one hundred- (100) year flood elevations shown in the Flood Profiles of the most recent floodplain study for the Chattahoochee River approved by the United States Federal Emergency Management Agency for each Corridor jurisdiction.
	NOTE: All river 100-year floodplain is assigned to the "E" Category; its allowable allocations can be combined with those of other "E" land in the review. Also, 100-year floodplain cannot be reanalyzed and cannot accept transfers.
10.	
	If "yes", indicate the 500-year flood plain elevation: NOTE: The 500-year floodplain is defined as the natural land surface below the five
	hundred- (500) year flood elevations shown in the Flood Profiles of the most recent floodplain study for the Chattahoochee River approved by the United States Federal Emergency Management Agency for each Corridor jurisdiction.
	NOTE: Plan Standards include a 35-foot height limit above the pre-construction grade within the 500-year floodplain (includes the 100-year floodplain). Adherence to this standard must be noted on the submitted plans (see Part 2.B.(4) of the Chattahoochee Corridor Plan).
11.	The following is a checklist of information required to be attached as part of the application. Individual items may be combined.
FC	OR ALL APPLICATIONS:
-	Description of land in the application and any additional land in the project (attach legal description or surveyed boundaries).
_	Name, address, and phone number(s) of owner(s) of record of the land in the application. (Space provided on this form)
_	Written consent of all owners to this application. (Space provided on this form)
_	Name, address, and phone number(s) of applicant or applicant's agent. (Space provided on this form)
/	Description of proposed use(s). (Space provided on this form)
9,0	Existing vegetation plan.
_	Proposed grading plan.
_	Certified as-builts of all existing land disturbance and impervious surfaces.
_	Approved erosion control plan.
_	Detailed table of land-disturbing activities. (Both on this form and on the plans)
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	Plat-level plan showing (as applicable): lot boundaries; any oth and rights-of -way; 100- and 500-year river floodplains; vulne boundaries; topography; any other information that will clarif	rability category
	Documentation on adjustments, if any.	
	Cashier's check or money order (for application fee).	
FOR	SINGLE-STEP APPLICATIONS (NON-SUBDIVISION): Site plan.	
_	Land-disturbance plan.	
FOR	TWO-STEP SINGLE-FAMILY SUBDIVISION APPLICATION Concept plan.	ONS ONLY:
	Lot-by-lot and non-lot allocation tables.	
12.	I (we), the undersigned, authorize and request review of this a under the provisions of the Metropolitan River Protection Acts necessary) Metalogolis Homes In	(use additional sheets as
	Signature(s) of Owner(s) of Record	$\frac{2-21-17}{\text{Date}}$
13.	I (we), the undersigned, authorize and request review of this a under the provisions of the Metropolitan River Protection Act	
	Signature(s) of Applicant(s) or Agent(s)	Date
14.	The governing authority of	requests ribed use under the
	Signature of Chief Elected Official or Official's Designee Planning & Zoning Director.	Date RECEIVED FEB 2 1 2017
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MRPA CERTIFICATE APPLICATION NARRATIVE

This property has a history that needs to be understood for this application to be considered in proper context.

Before the subject property was incorporated into the City of Roswell in the 1973 it was part of unincorporated Fulton County and had single-family residential zoning. In the early 1970's Fulton County created what is now known as Azalea Park and in the process, the subject property was fully developed, without the knowledge or consent of the owner of record at the time, along with other adjacent properties actually owned by the County.

In 1972, MRPA was enacted after the property had been fully developed. The fact that residential zoning was in place, and the property the property had been fully disturbed and improved previously, would indicate that under MRPA, either existing property rights were grandfathered, or that an inverse condemnation had occurred. Failures to rezone and/or compensate the property owner of record at the time imply that rights were in fact grandfathered.

In 1973, properties along the north shore of the Chattahoochee River bordering the City of Roswell that had previously been part of unincorporated Fulton County were annexed by the City of Roswell. All annexed properties received a zoning designation of FC-1, Fulton County Conditional, meaning that the prior zoning designation by Fulton County would continue to govern annexed properties.

In addition, the Fulton County Tax Assessor has for years and continues to classify the property as Commercial Vacant Land, which additionally implies functionality beyond the constraints of MRPA.

In 2014 the City of Roswell implemented its new UDC, Unified Development Code, and imposed without compensation or even reasonable justification, the most restrictive zoning category, CON, Park Conservation, in the new code which precedents in law suggest to be an unlawful inverse condemnation. This was done in the same month that the Roswell City Council denied our rezoning application for 9 acres across the street that would have had 65% of that land placed in a conservation easement, with



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the subject river parcel being donated to the City. Those development plans had received a Federal Permit from the Army Corp of Engineers and conditional approval from the State of Georgia EPD prior to the Mayor and City Council vote.

This property contains no virgin land. The entirety of the frontage on the Chattahoochee is a solid concrete embankment backed also in its entirety by a retaining wall. Every inch of entire property has been fully cleared, graded and improved by governing authorities, and our proposal significantly reduces the impervious surface of record from 32% to 23%.

Given this historical context, a recommendation of "no build" would appear inconsistent with goal #3 of the Chattahoochee Corridor Plan and might constitute an inverse condemnation. Ironically, the decision by City Council to deny our 2014 rezoning application was contrary to all seven goals of the plan. If ARC and the City of Roswell believe that stripping this property of all economic value is in the public interest, then it should be purchased or compensation for diminution of value should be made.

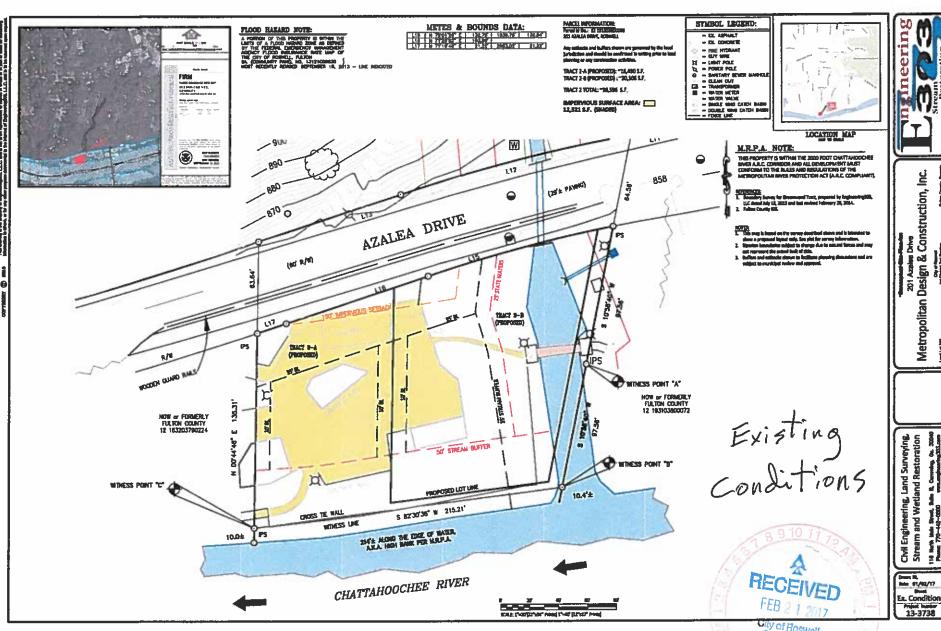
CHATTAHOOCHEE CORRIDOR PLAN Adopted 9/23/98

A. Goals

The goals of the Chattahoochee Corridor Plan (hereinafter also referred to as the "Plan") are:

- 1. Preservation and protection of water quality as a principal objective.
- 2. Protection of recreational values. These values include scenic views, historic and other unique areas, and controlled public access and use.
- 3. Protection of private property rights of landowners.
- 4. Prevention of activities, which contribute to floods and flood damage.
- Control of erosion and siltation.
- 6. Control of intensity of development.
- 7. Location and design of land uses in such a way as to minimize the adverse impact of urban development on the Chattahoochee River (the "River") and flood plains.

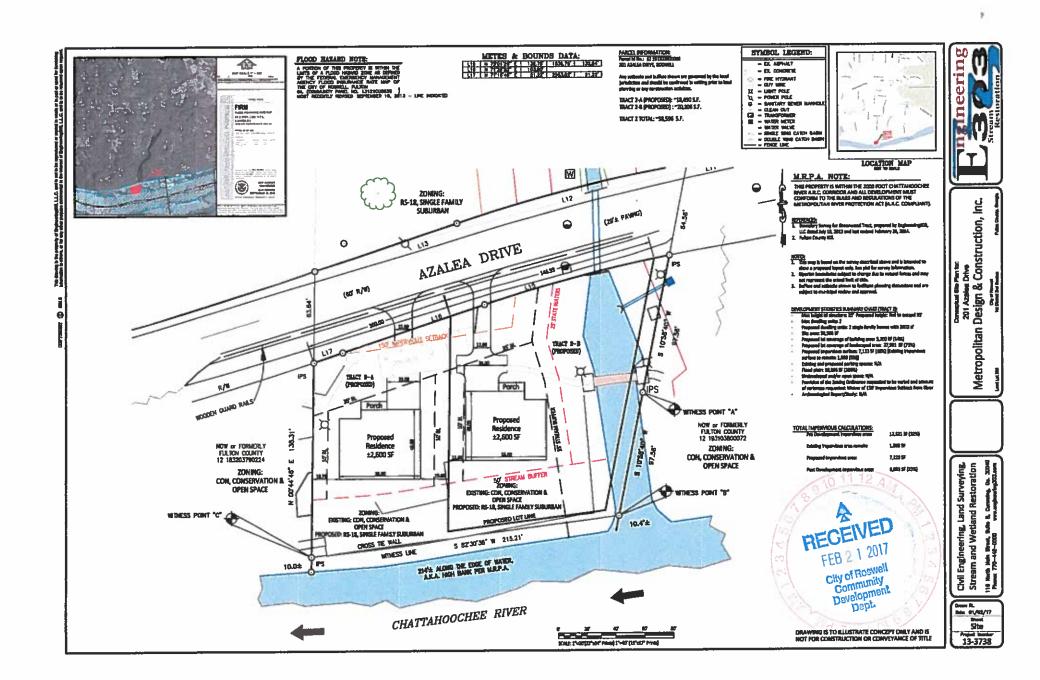


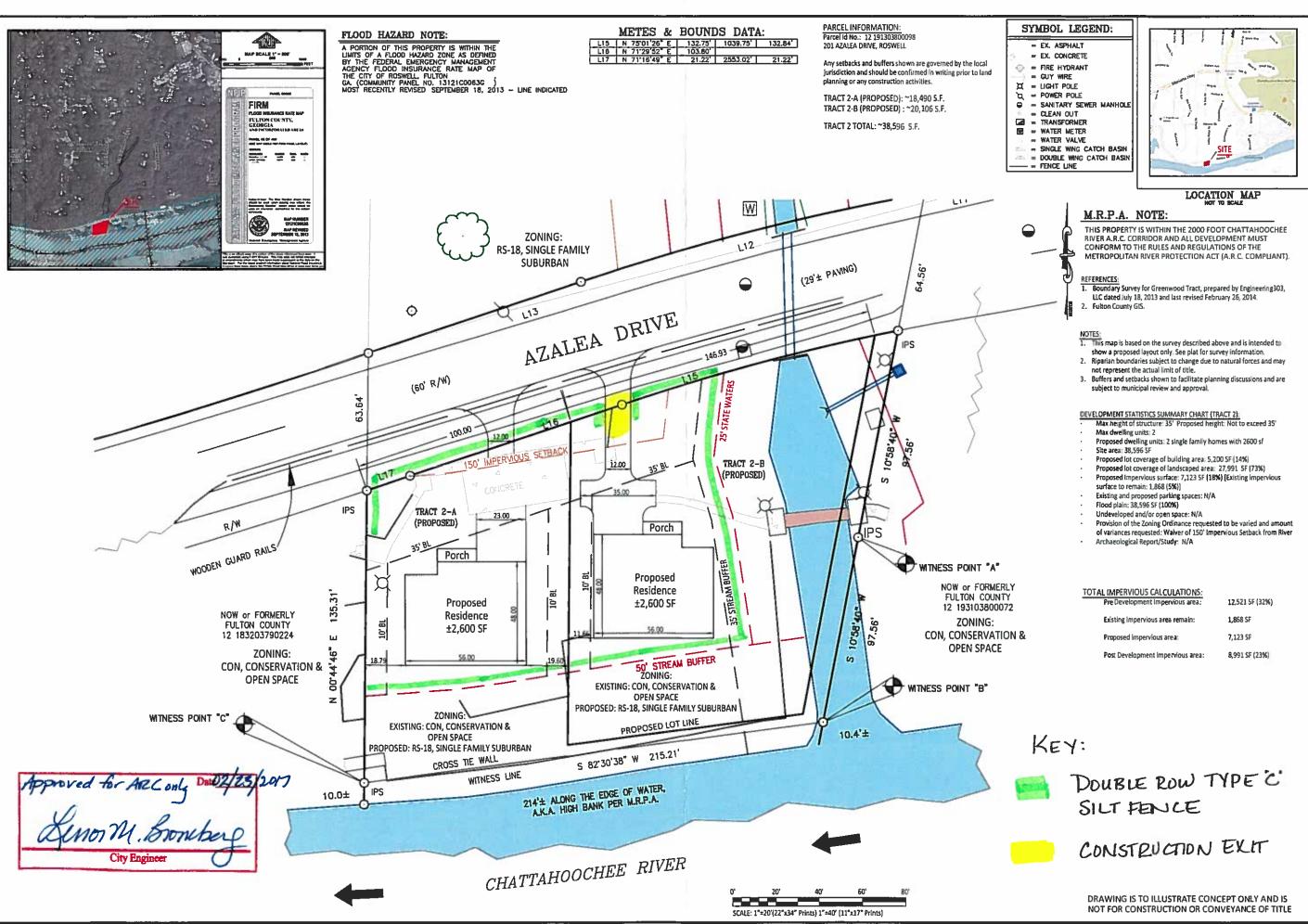


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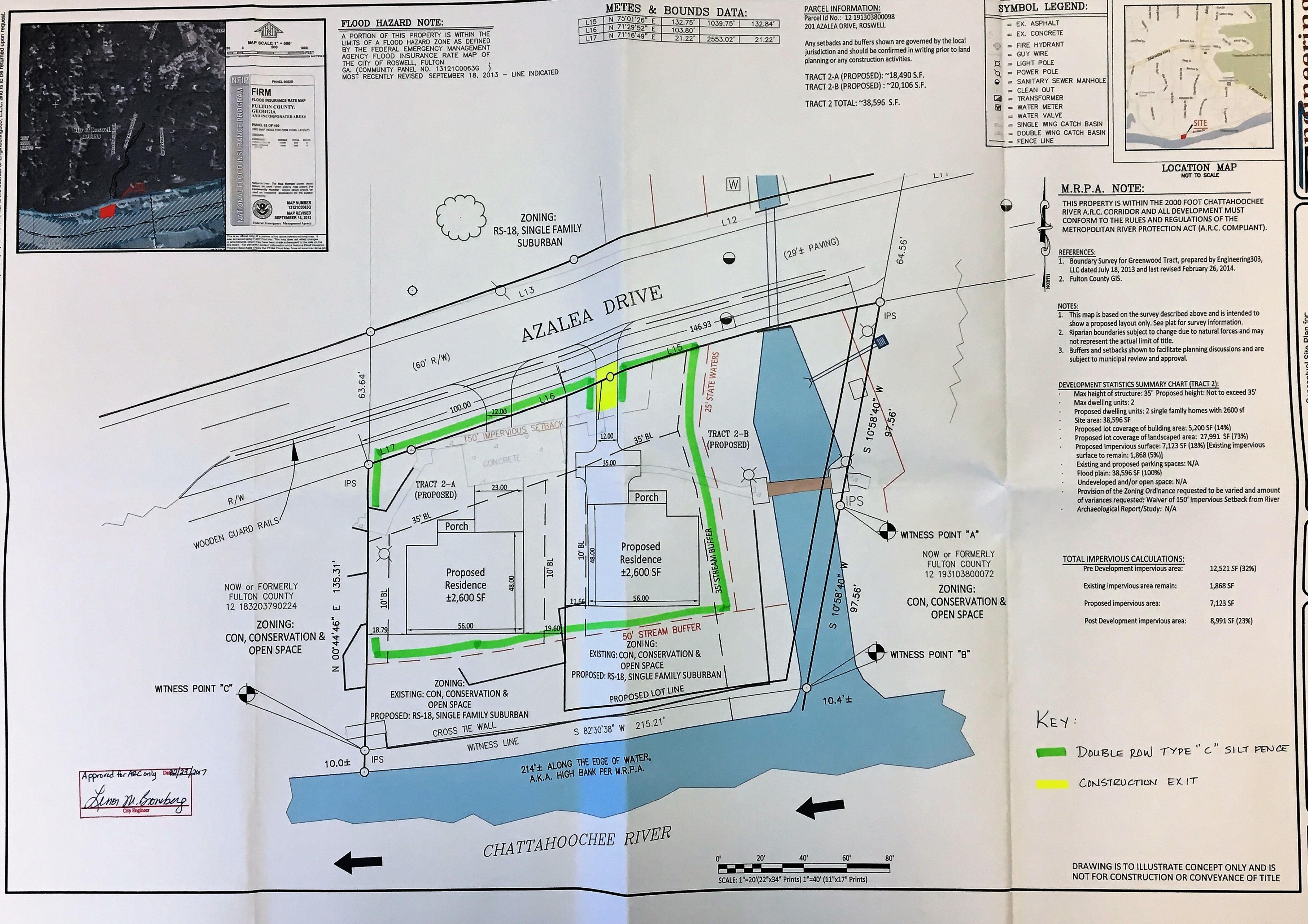
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Stream and Wetland Restoration of North Main Street, Suite B, Cumming, Ga. 300

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