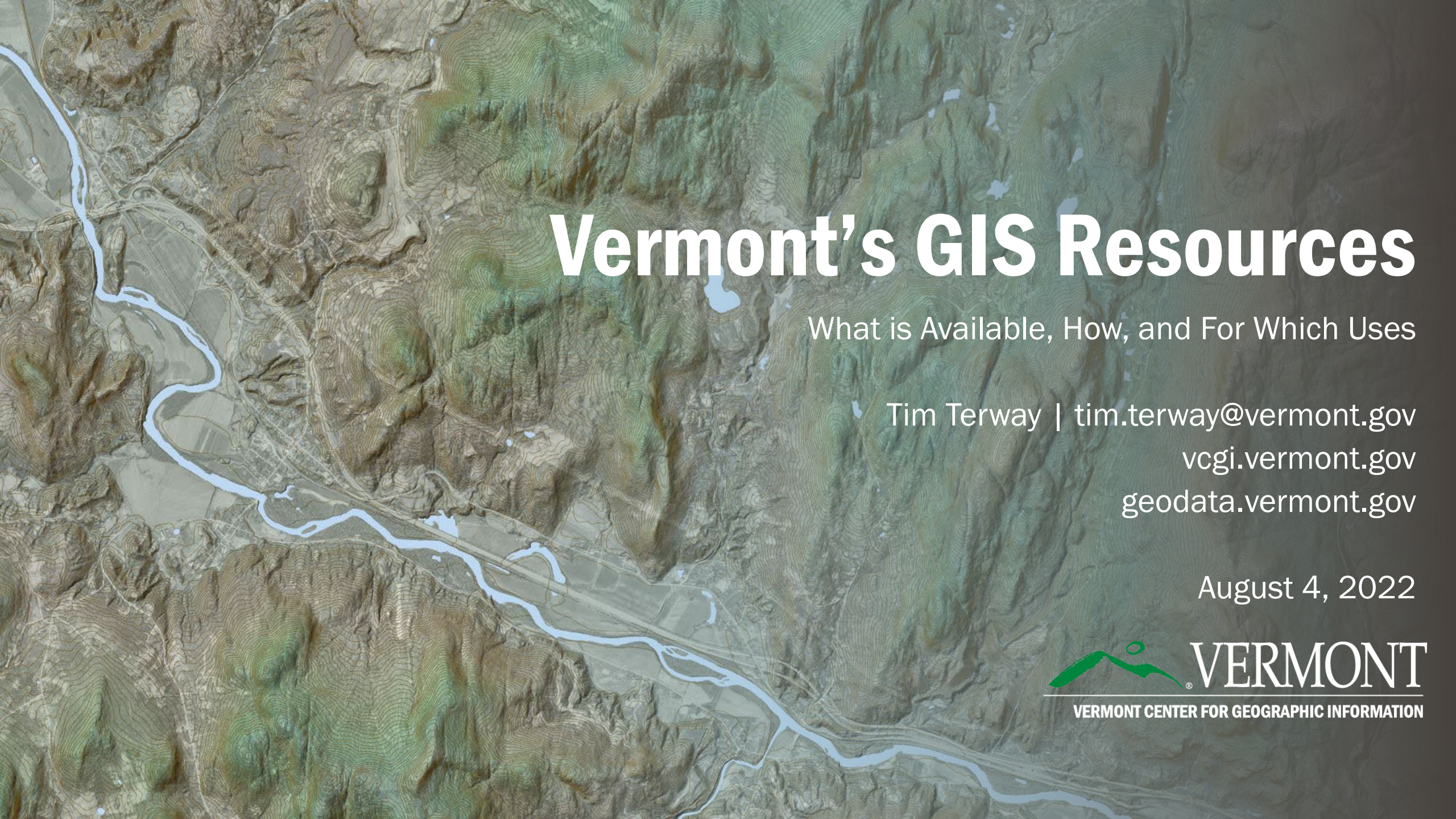

Vermont's GIS Resources

What is Available, How, and For Which Uses

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VERMONT CENTER FOR GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

WHAT VCGI DOES

BUILD/MAINTAIN

Foundational Datasets.

Lidar. Parcels. Orthoimagery. Many More.

LEAD

Development and use of Statewide Geographic Information System (GIS) and the Coordination it requires

EMPOWER

Data access, visualization and use

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Overview

What is VT's GIS?

What is available?
Where?
From Whom?

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Applications
Raw Data
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What kinds & uses?

Products & Qualities
Examples
Addressing Common Questions

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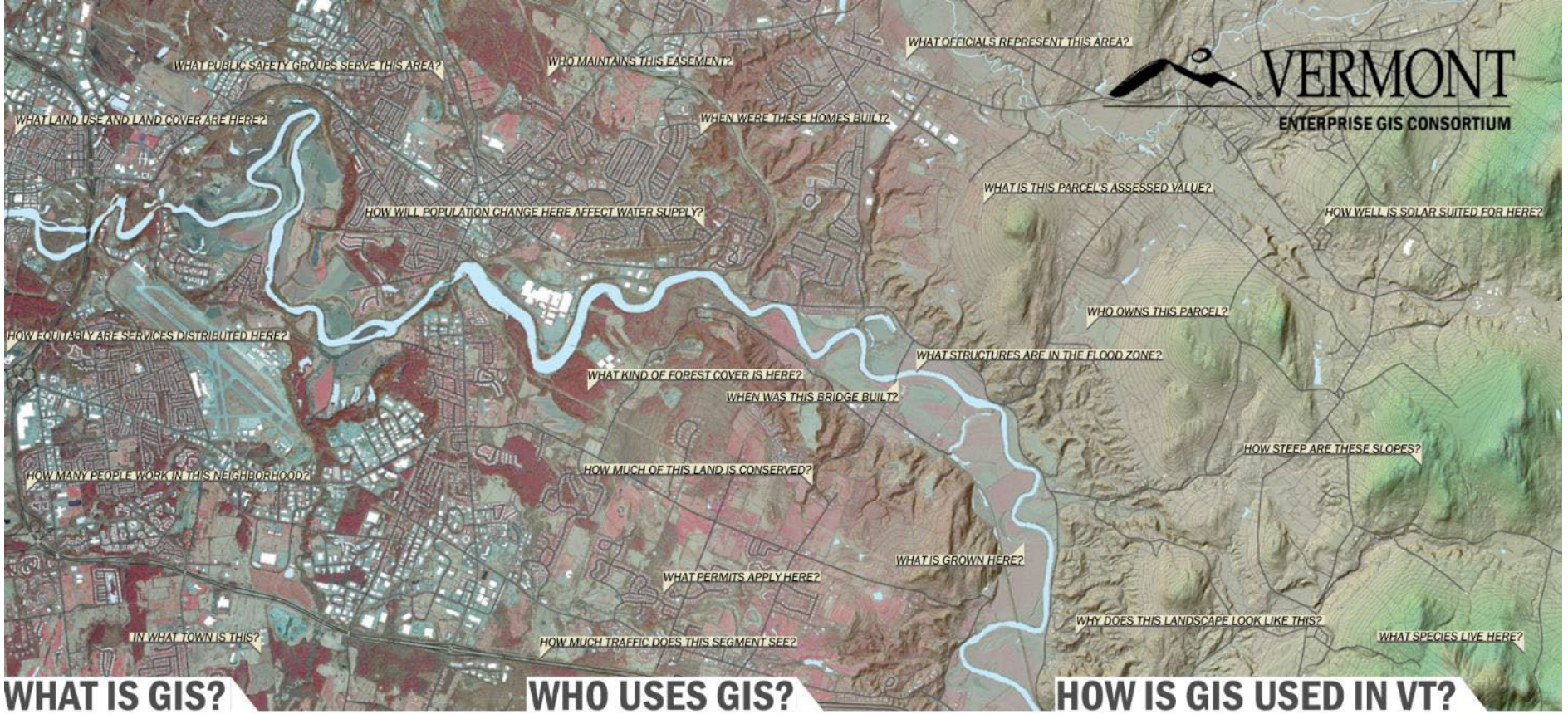

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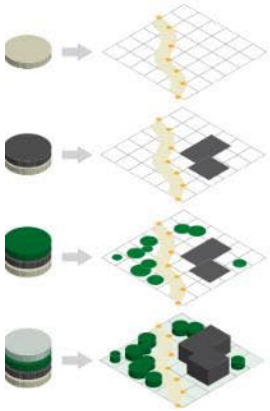

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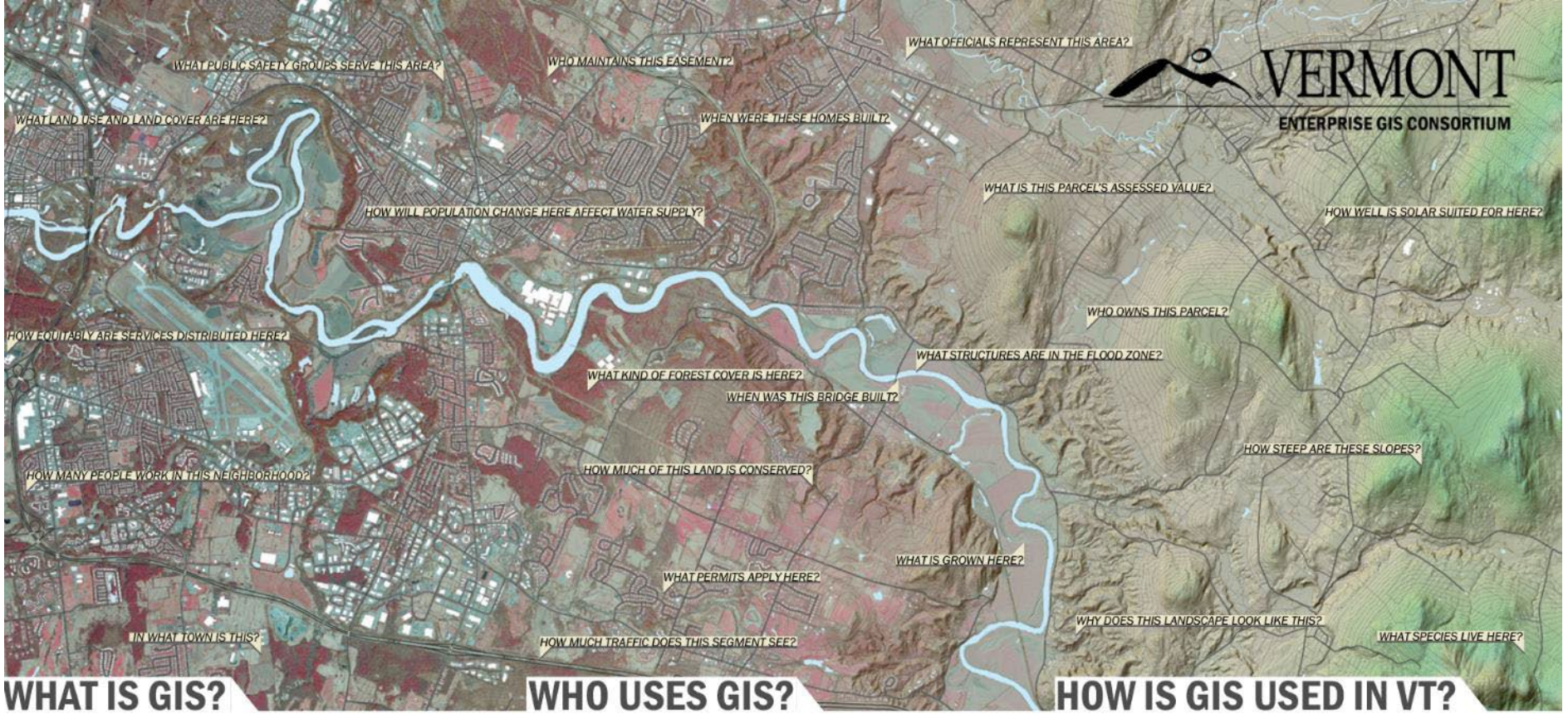

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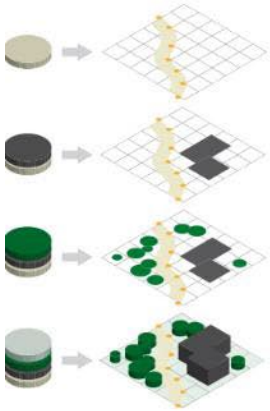

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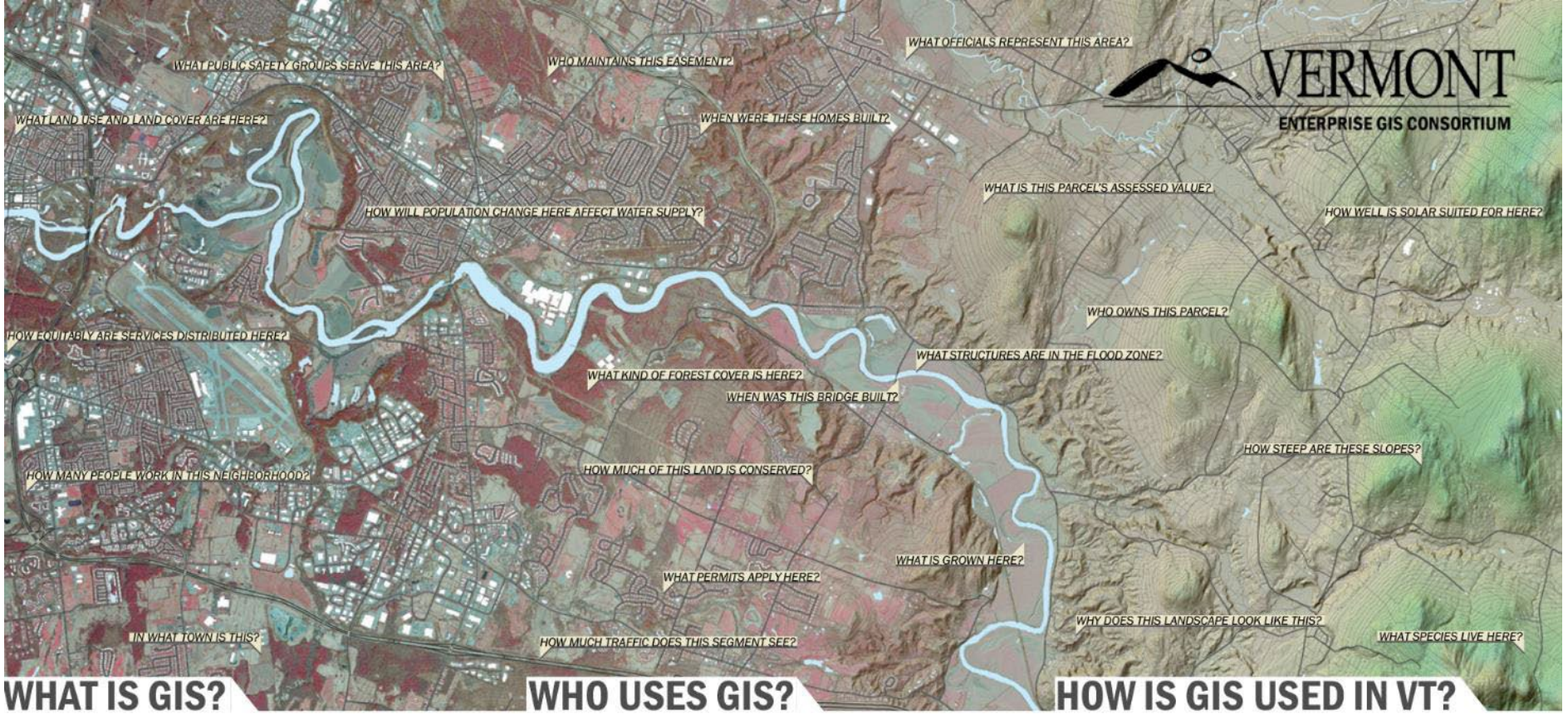

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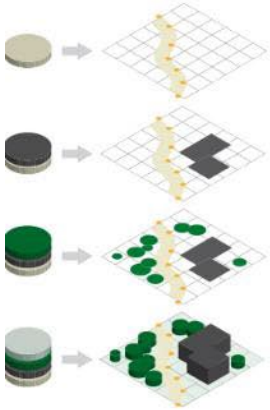

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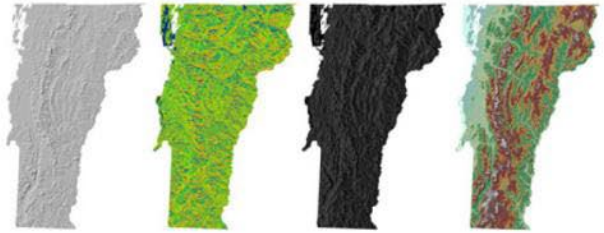
GIS in Vermont serves myriad uses, from stewarding foundational datasets such as parcels, aerial imagery, and lidar, to supporting advanced analyses of impacts and policy on natural resources and human health, to the management of transportation infrastructure and emergency services, and many more. Much of these data are freely available at the VT Open Geodata Portal. Data stewardship is 'federated' among different agencies, each with responsibility for maintaining their resepctive content. The Enterprise GIS Consortium (EGC) serves to coordinate these activities.

Statewide QL2 lidar data is now freely available for all to use as of 2019.



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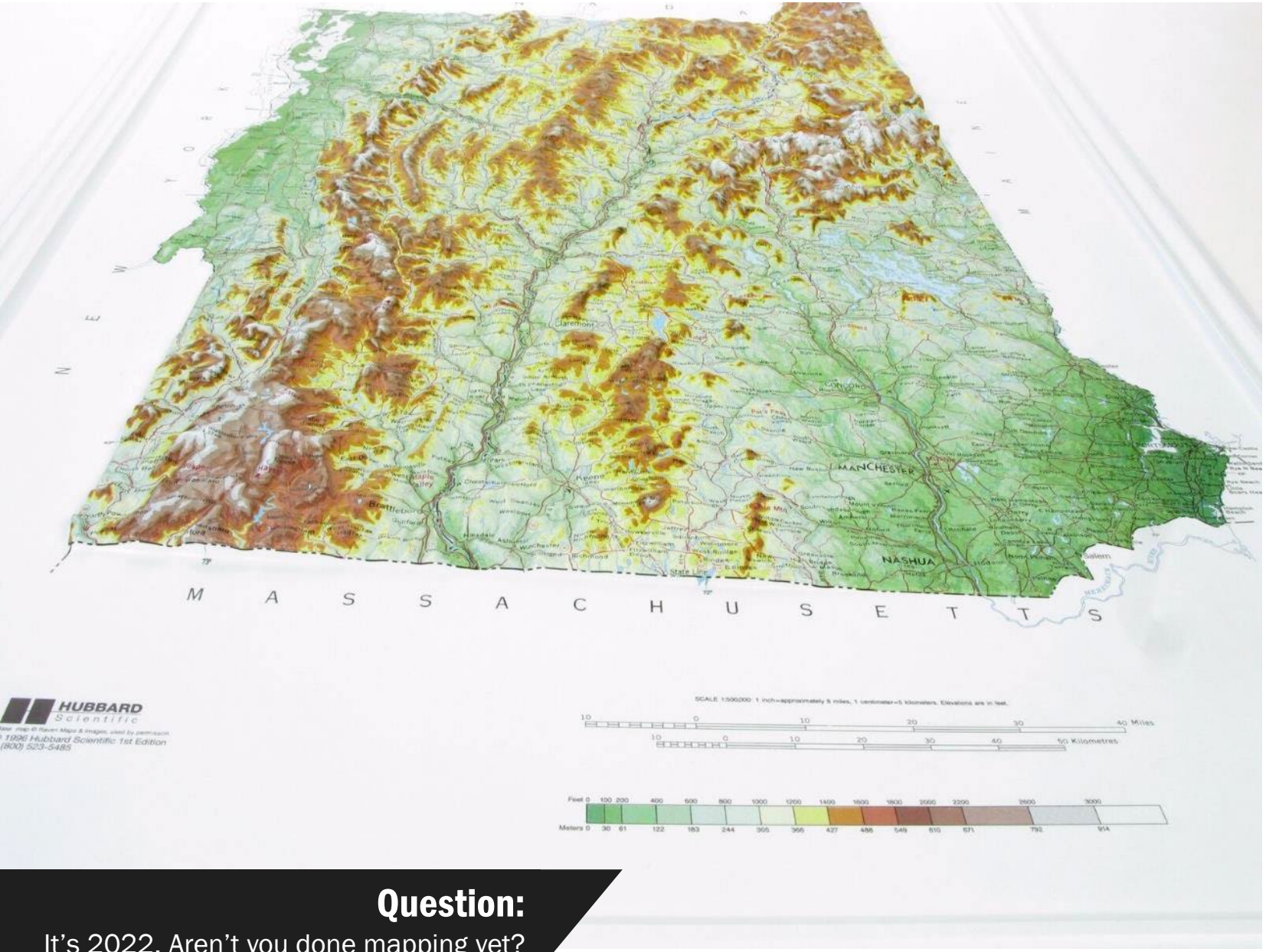
Analog Relief



Question:
It's 2022. Aren't you done mapping yet?

Digital Relief

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Level 10
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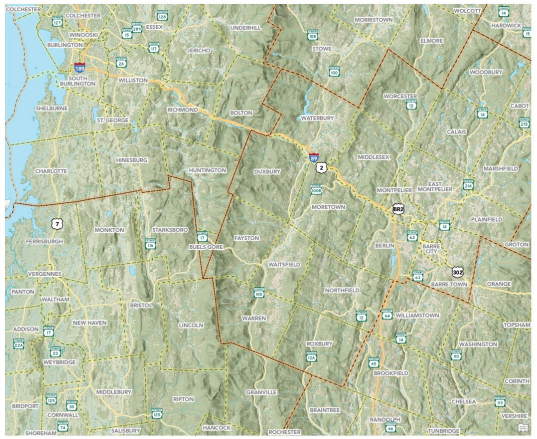

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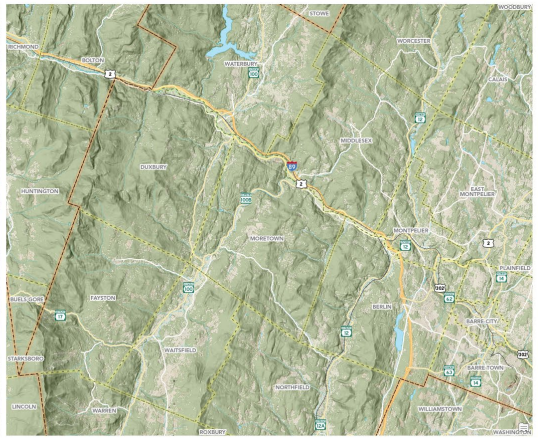

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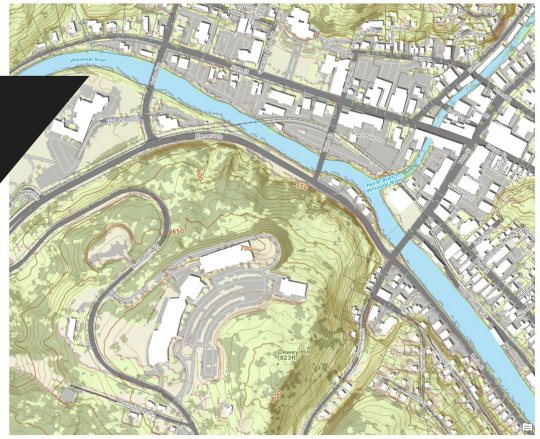

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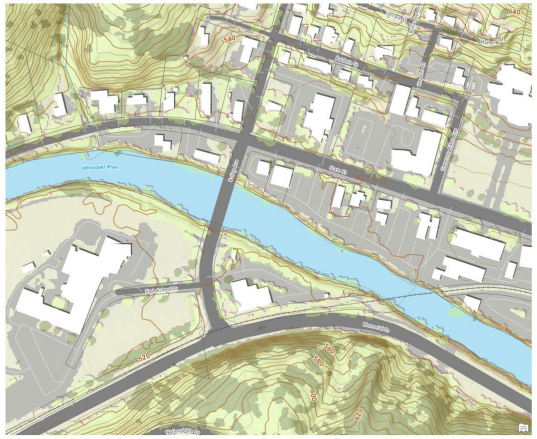

Level 18
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Level 19
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A: Changing In Space

Example: Info Across Scales/Human Activity

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2014 Inset Area

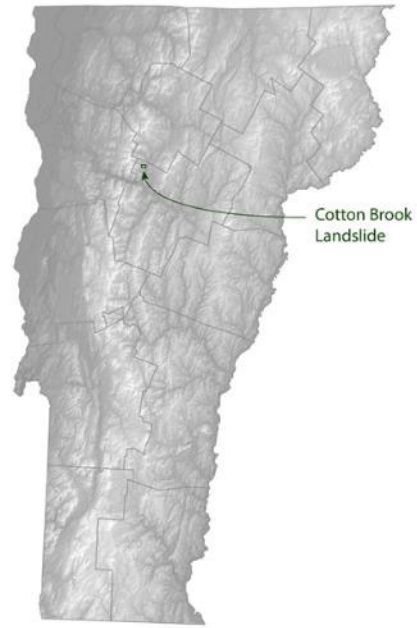
A: Changing With Time

Example: Environmental Change

2021

- Apparent Paleo Landslide
- Active Landslide
- Toe Deposit

0 500 1,000 Feet



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The Creation of the
Vermont State Data Base

A Program of Work
April 1983

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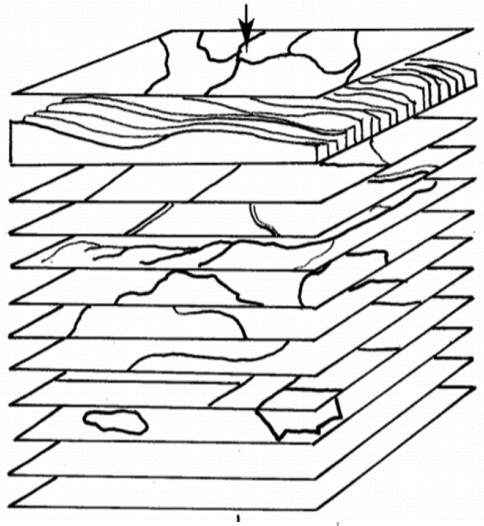
A GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM for VERMONT



SOILS
TOPOGRAPHY
slope, aspect, elevation
POLITICAL BOUNDARIES
TRANSPORTATION
STREAM COURSES, WATERSHEDS
LAND COVER/USE
GROUND WATER
GEOLOGY
SOCIO-ECONOMIC FACTORS
HISTORICAL/ARCHAEOLOGY
FUTURE EXPANSION
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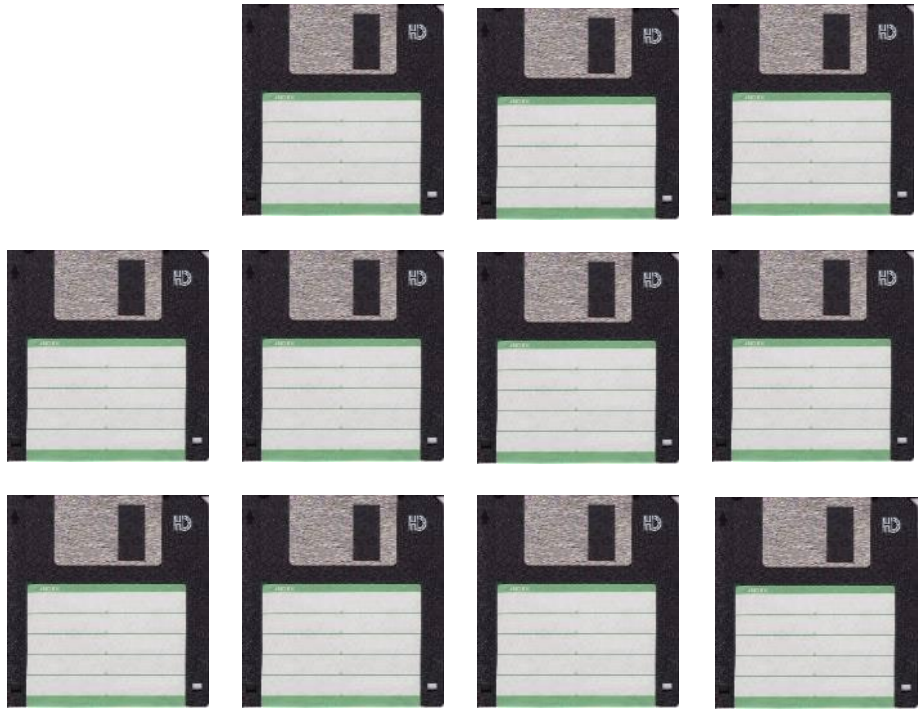
A: Changing With Technology

Example: Origins of VT GIS

1983



1992

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TODAY

A: Changing With Technology

Example: Current Web-Focused State of VT GIS

DATA DOWNLOAD

APPS

LIKE NETFLIX FOR MAPS

SERVICES

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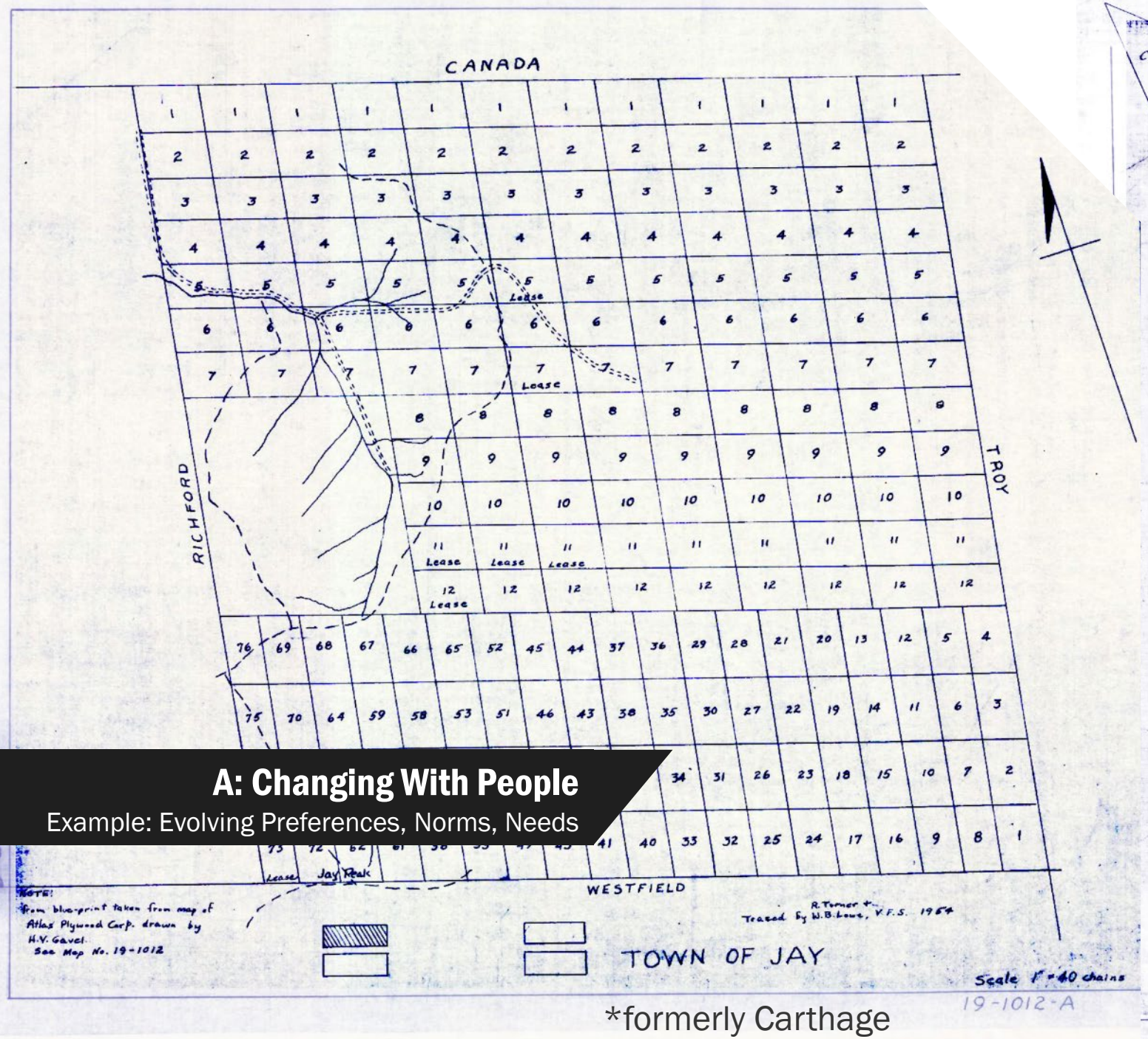

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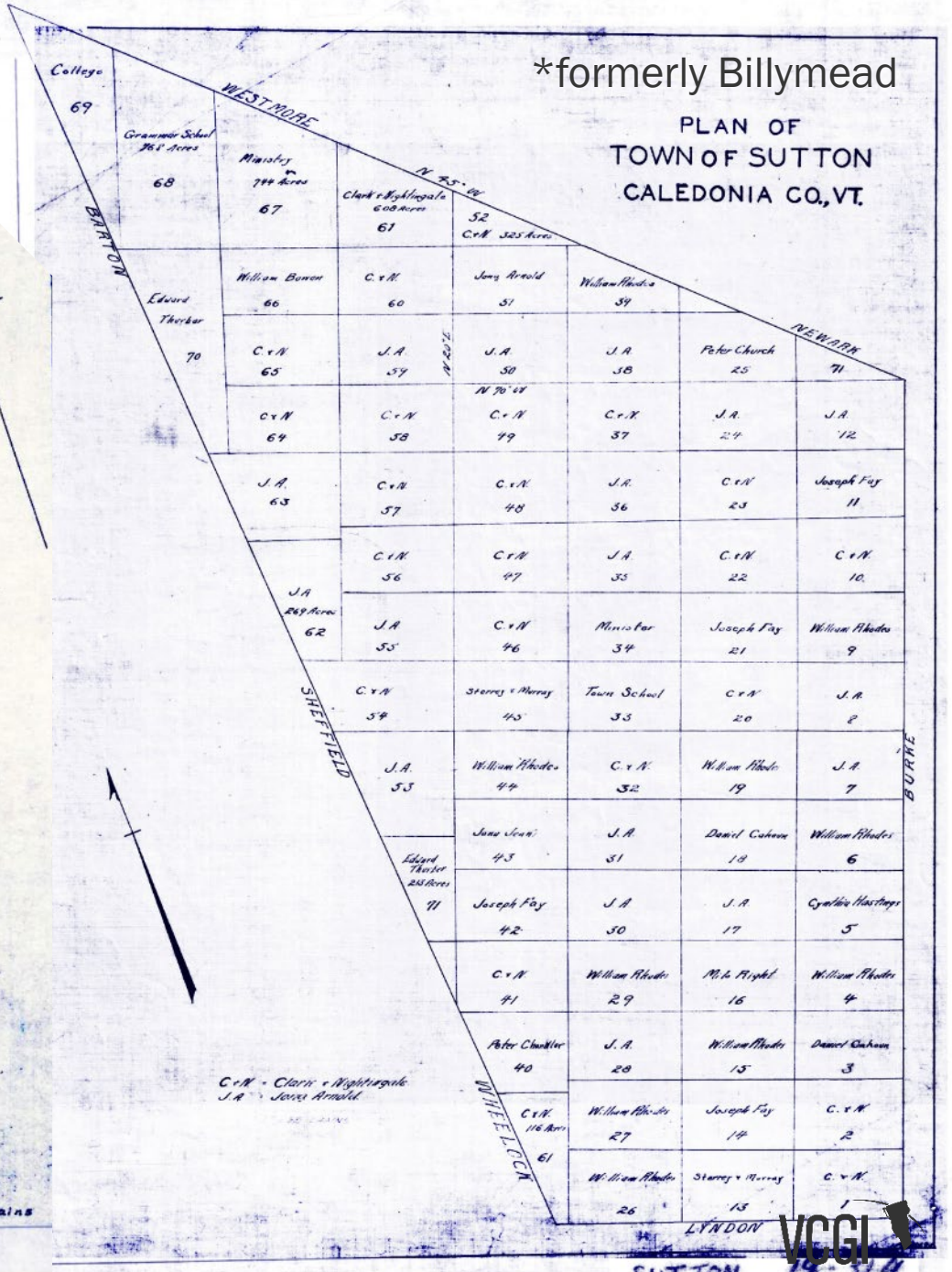

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A: Changing With People

Example: Evolving Preferences, Norms, Needs

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From
2020 -

It is now possible to construct a Virtual Vermont for reference. No floppies needed.

Examples of Lidar-Derived Data Products

BARE EARTH HILLSHADE
LIT FROM NORTHWEST

A Dynamic Result

Evolving Digital Representations of VT

1' CONTOURS
PARCELS

3D Buildings, Topography
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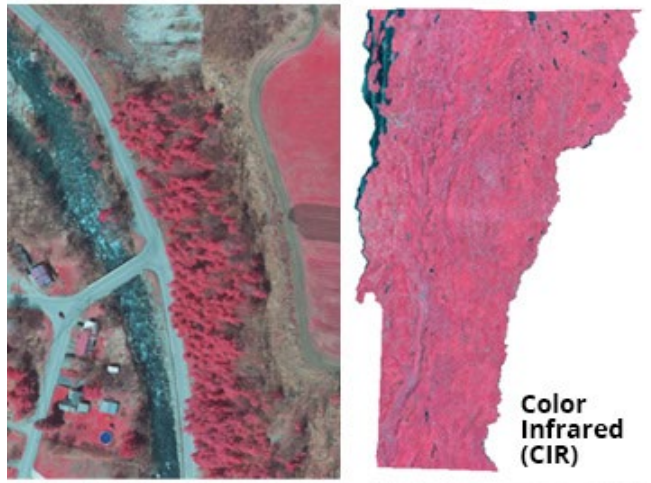
(CLR)



Color
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Black &
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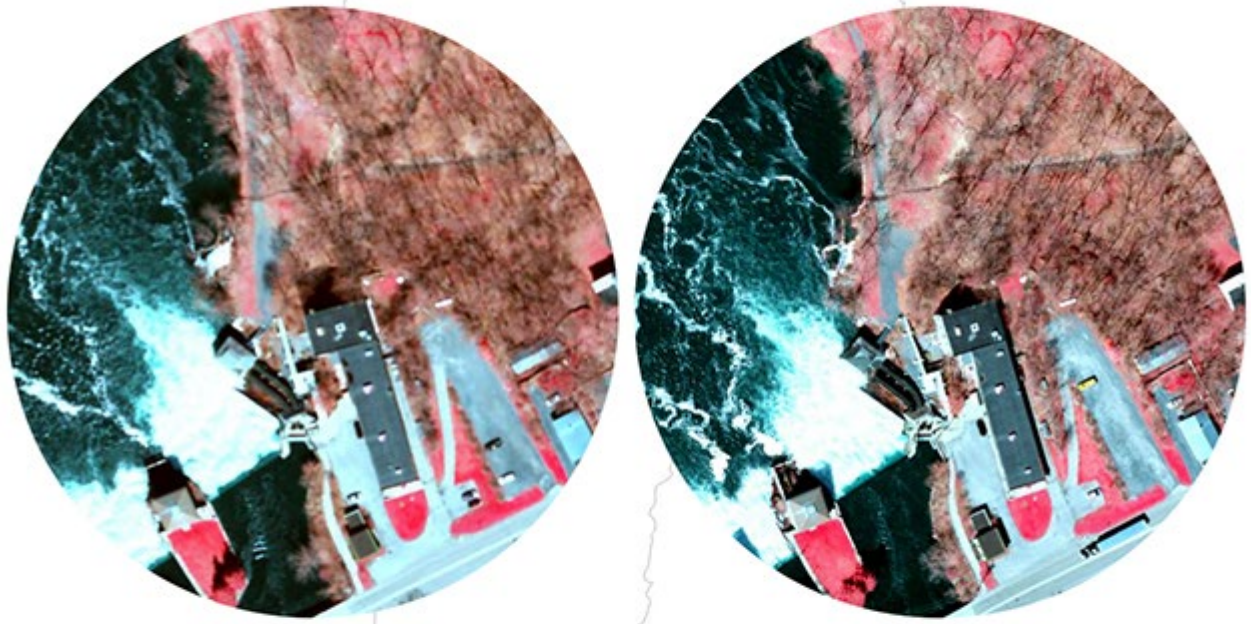
(BW)



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Orthoimagery Program

Digital, Leaf-off Since 1994

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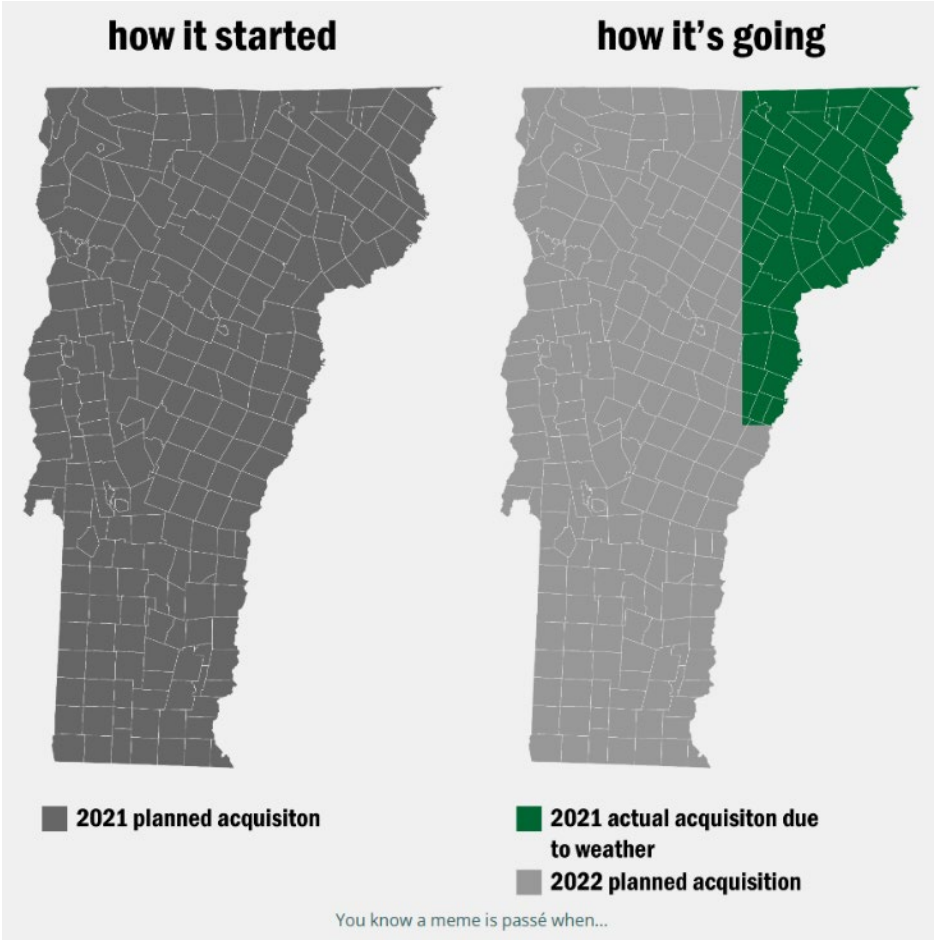

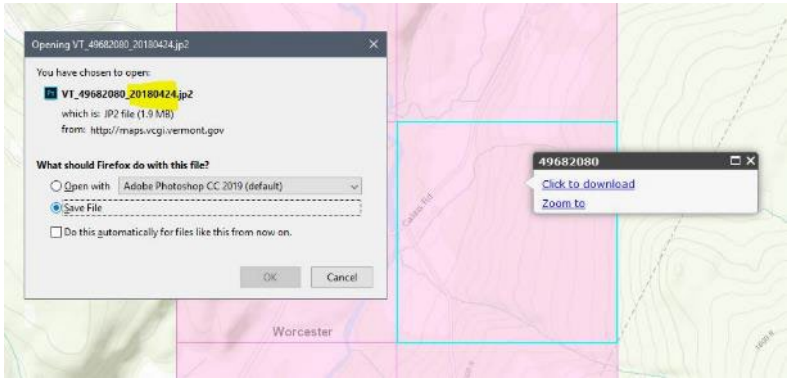

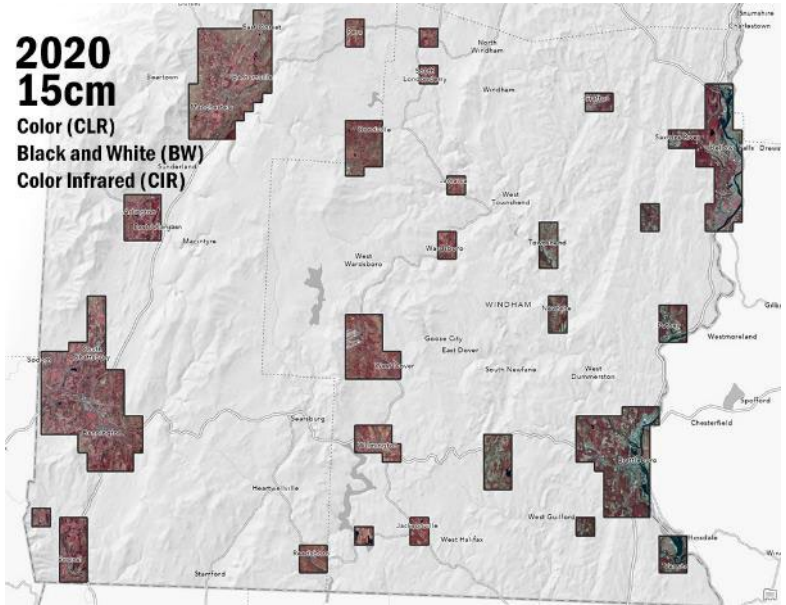

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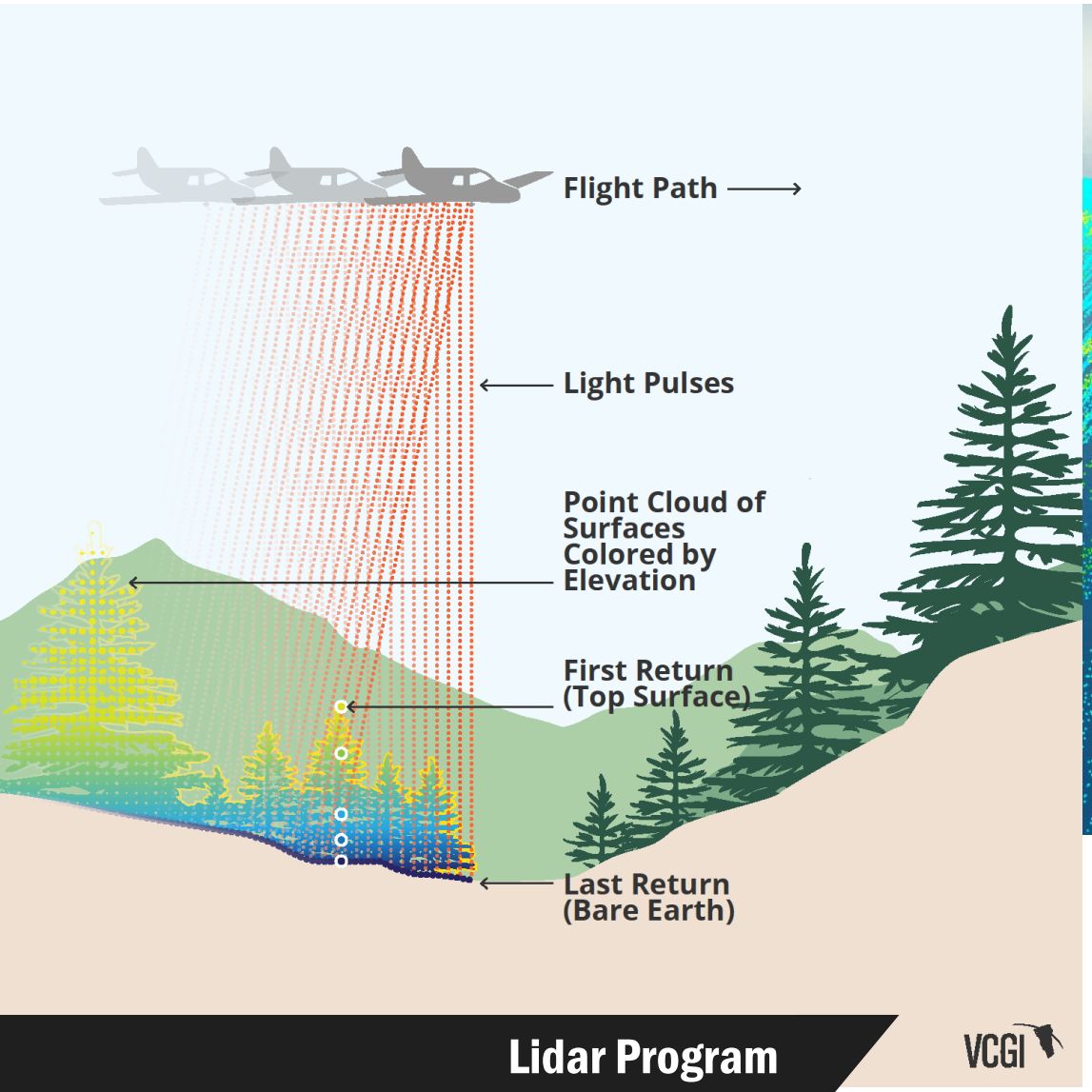
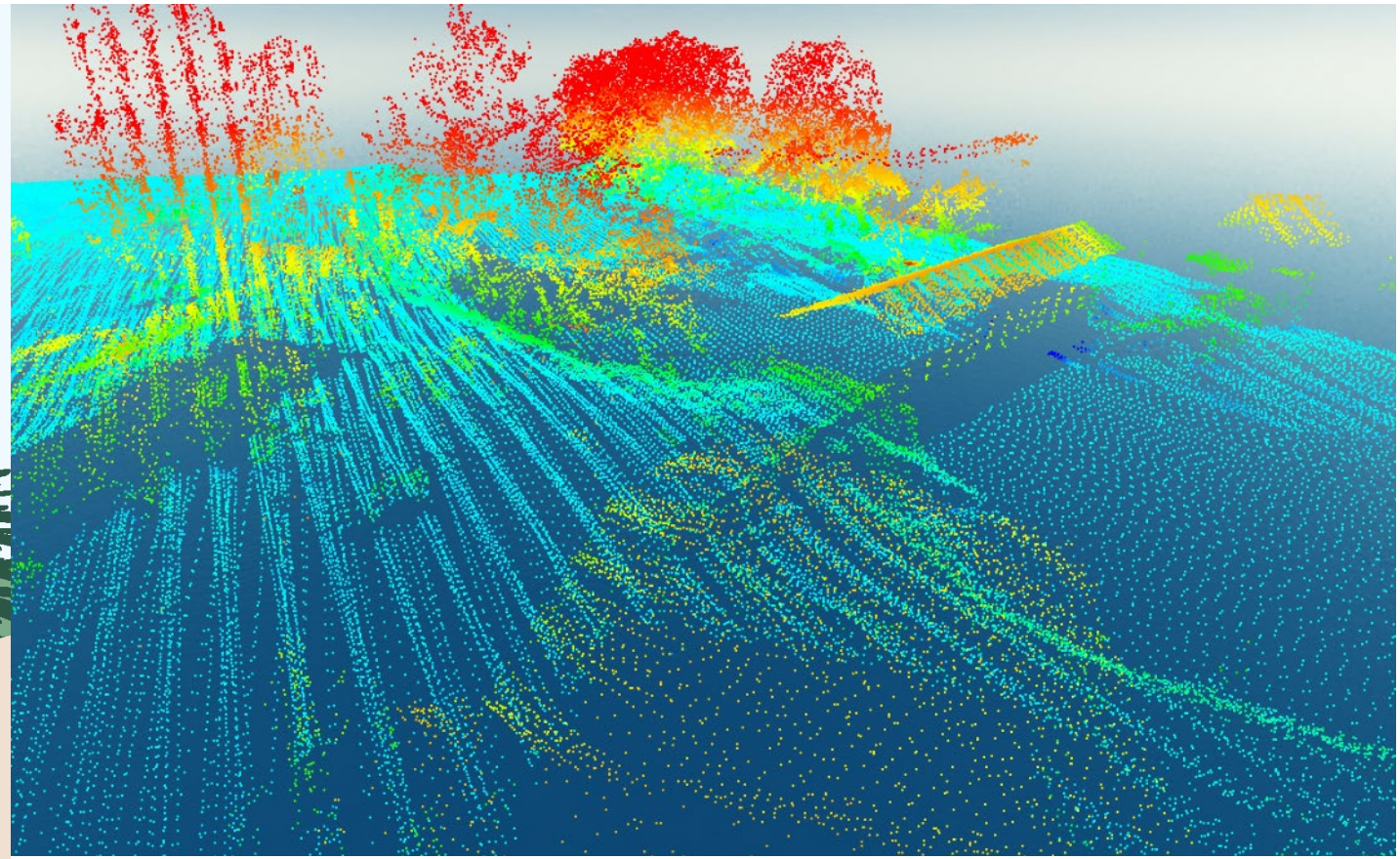
Shooting lasers at the Earth. Getting points in return. Making useful data products from them.





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High-Resolution Surface-of-the-Earth Data

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		Point Density	RMSEz in Open Terrain	Equivalent Contour Accuracy
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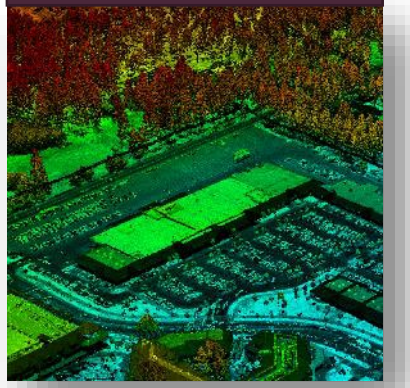
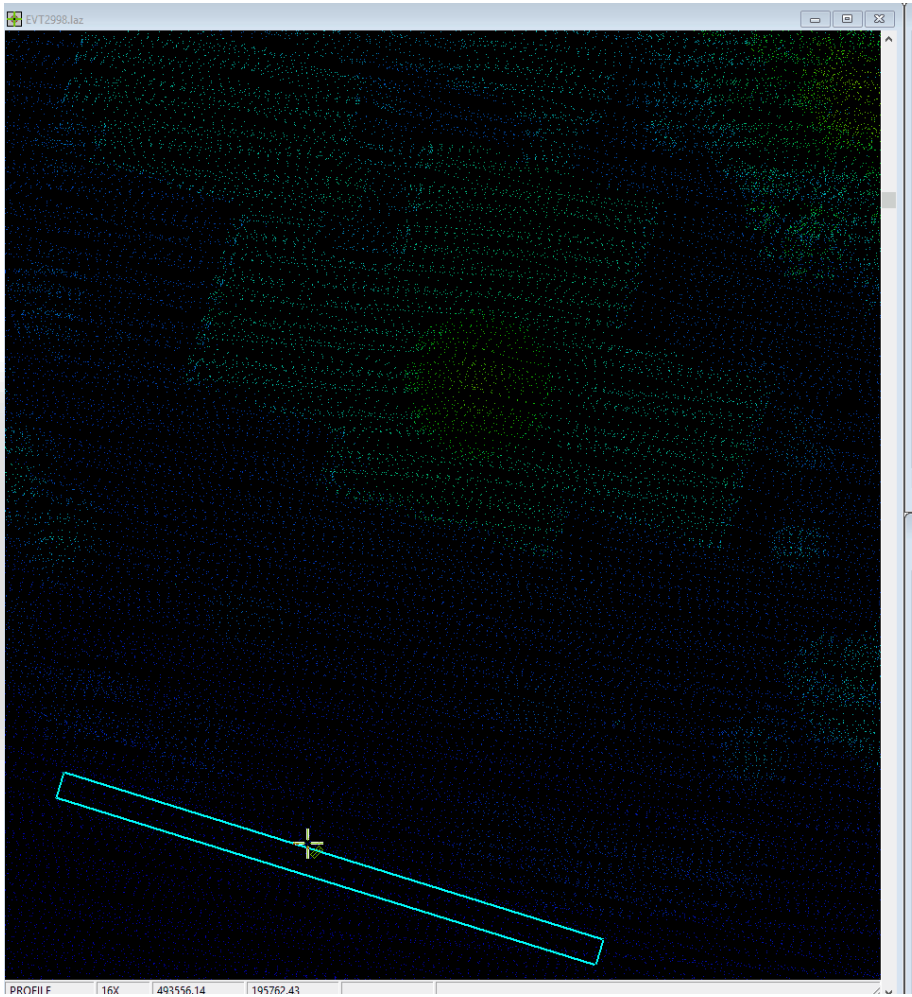
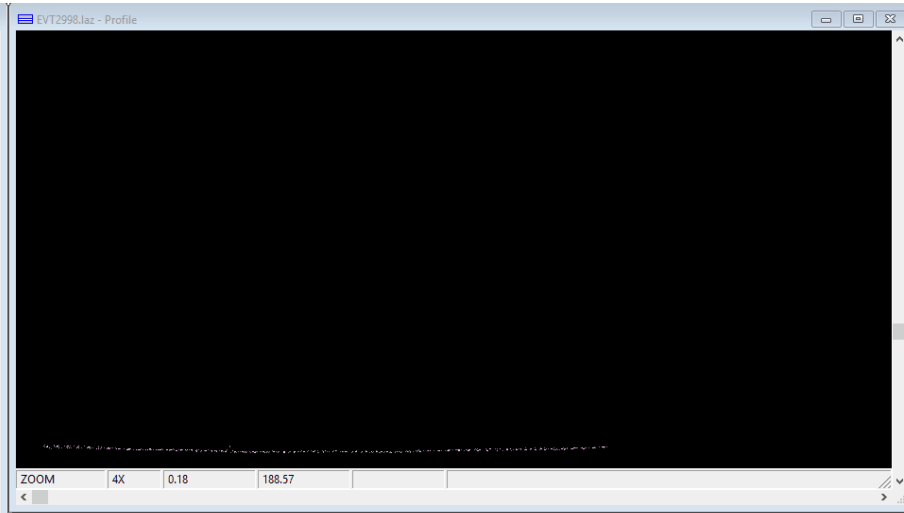
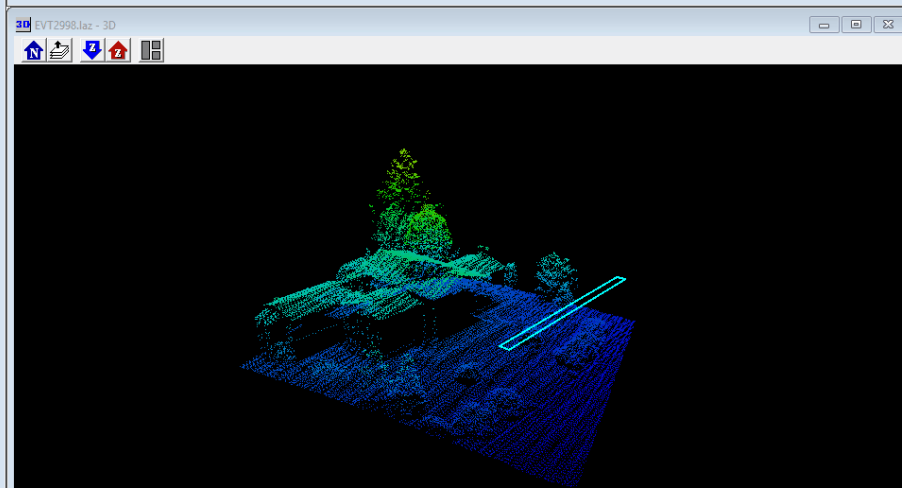
Point Cloud









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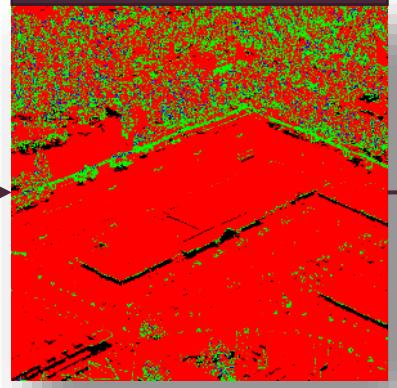

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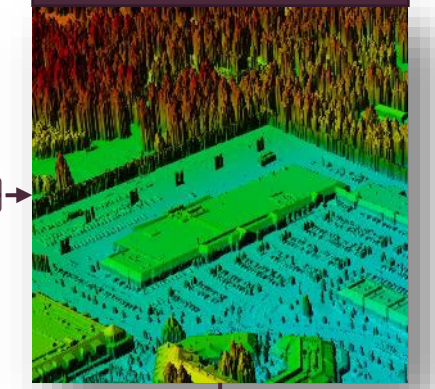

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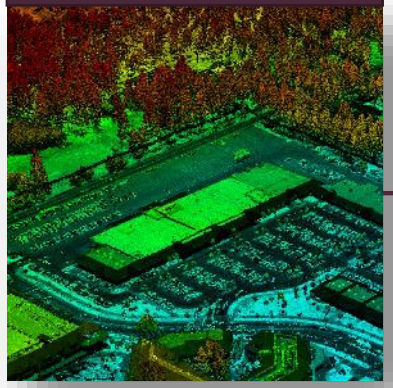

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Subtraction

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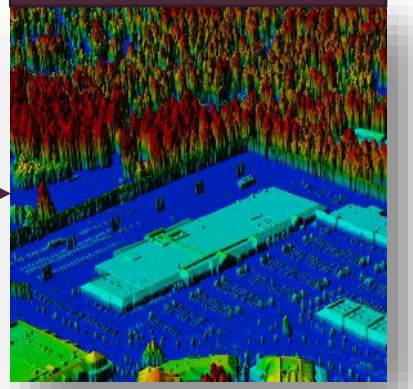

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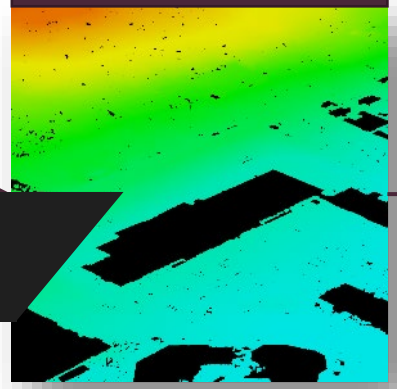

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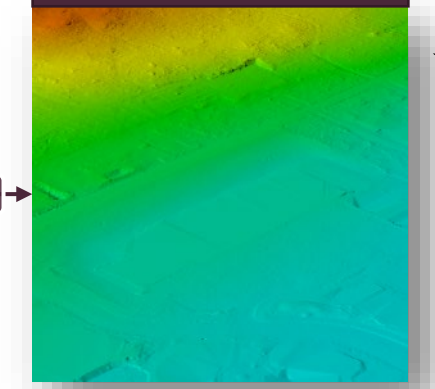

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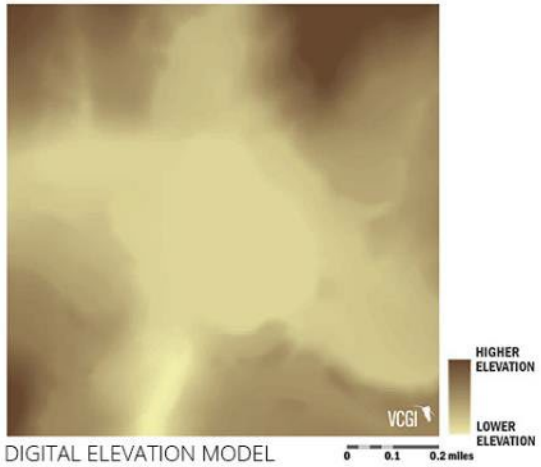

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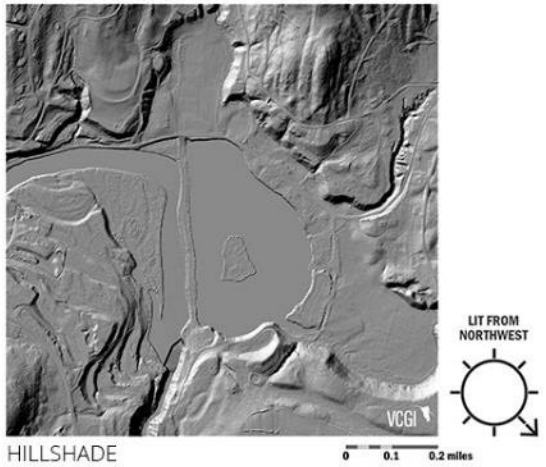

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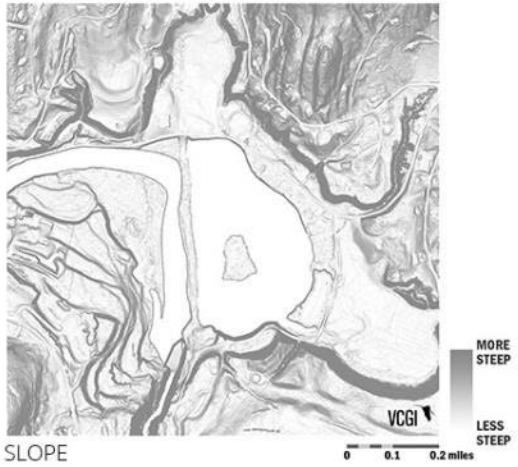

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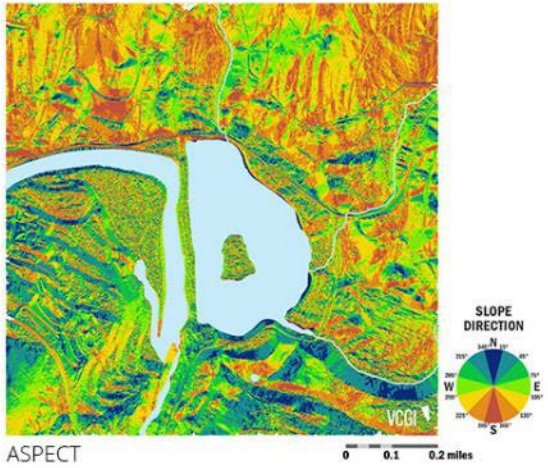

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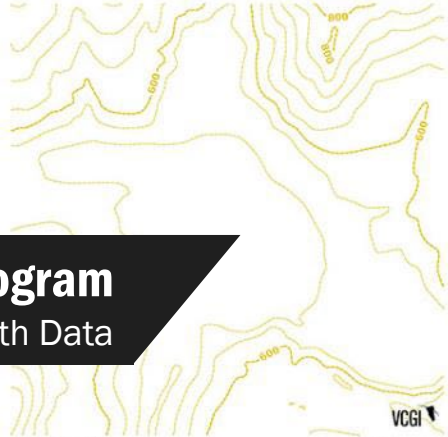

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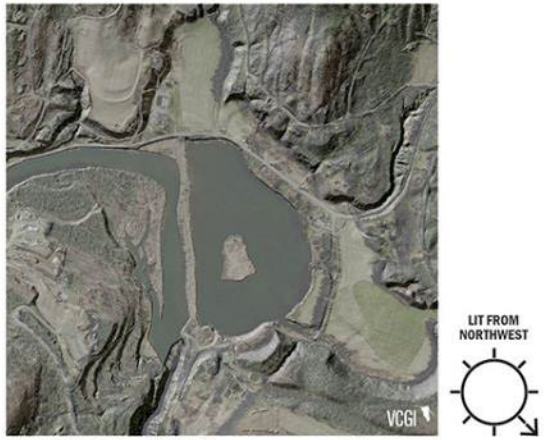

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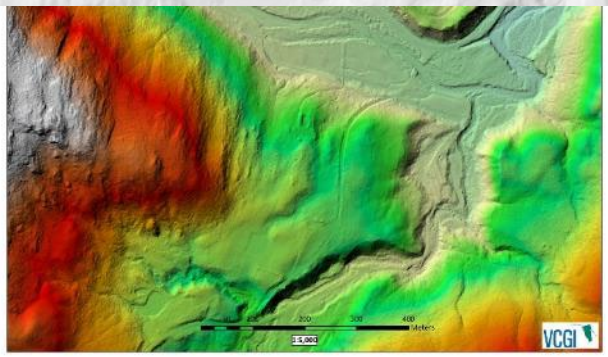
ONE LOCATION, MANY PRODUCTS

MARLBORO, VT



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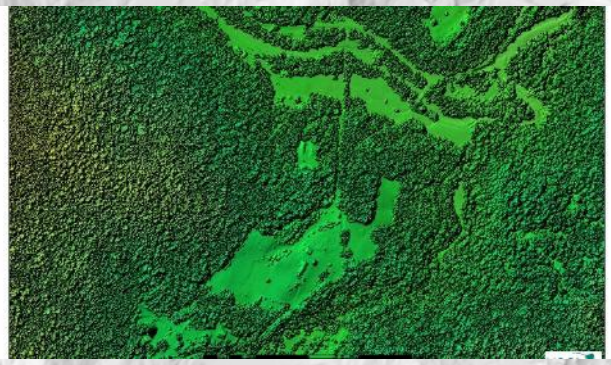

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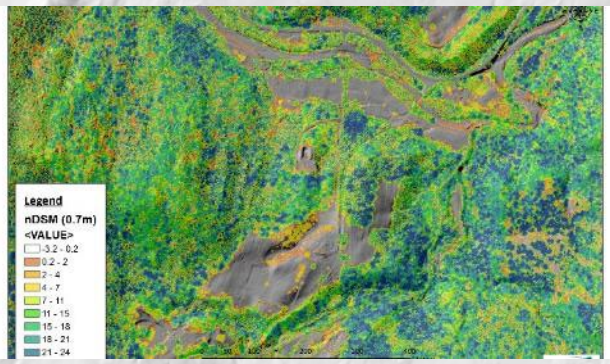

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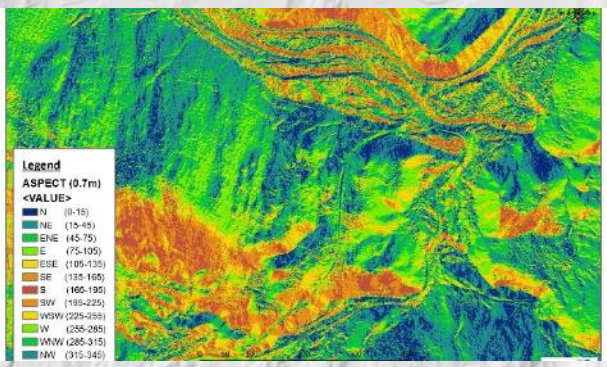

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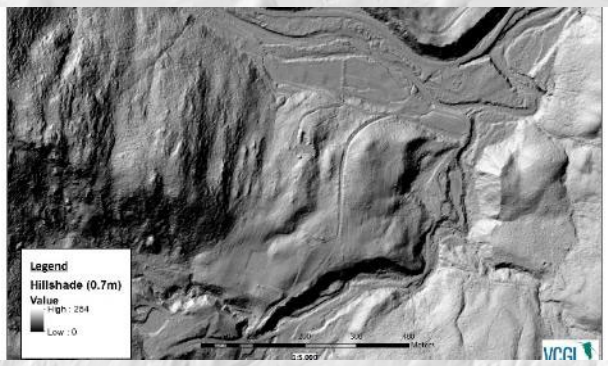

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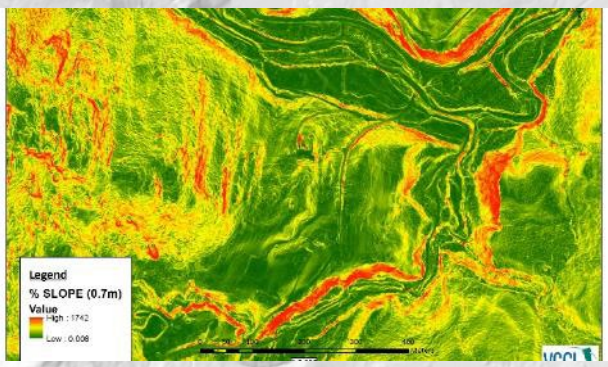

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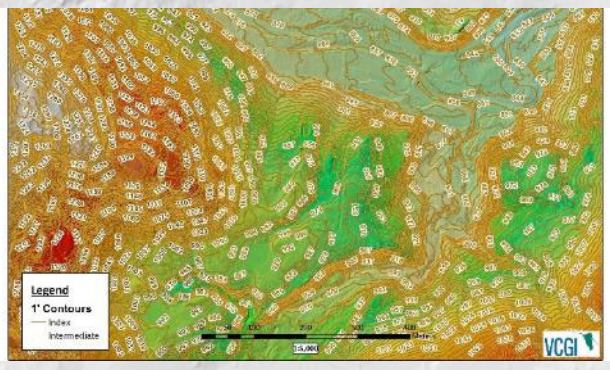

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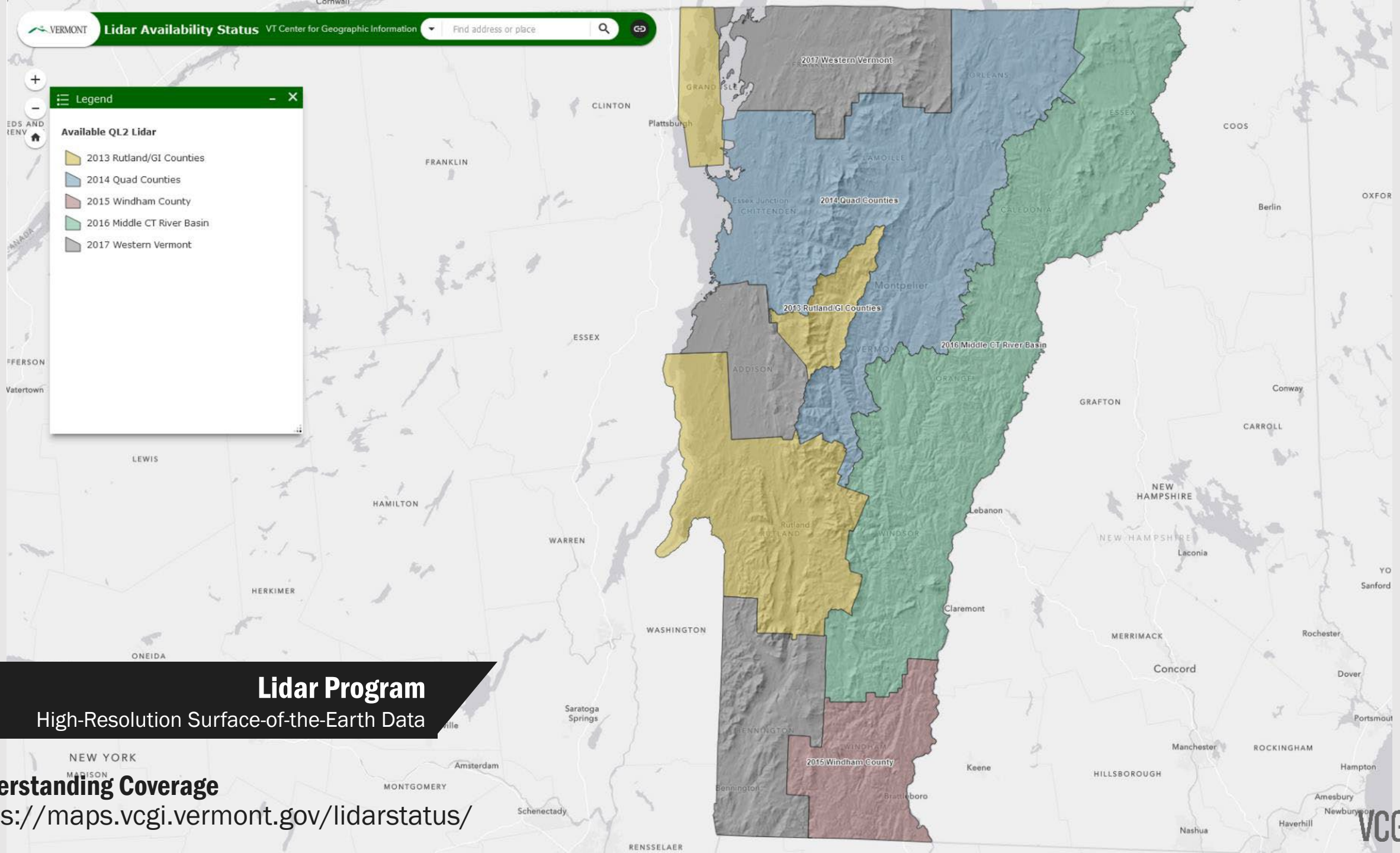

Lidar Program

High-Resolution Surface-of-the-Earth Data

Understanding Coverage

https://maps.vcgi.vermont.gov/lidarstatus/

Understanding Lidar Resolution

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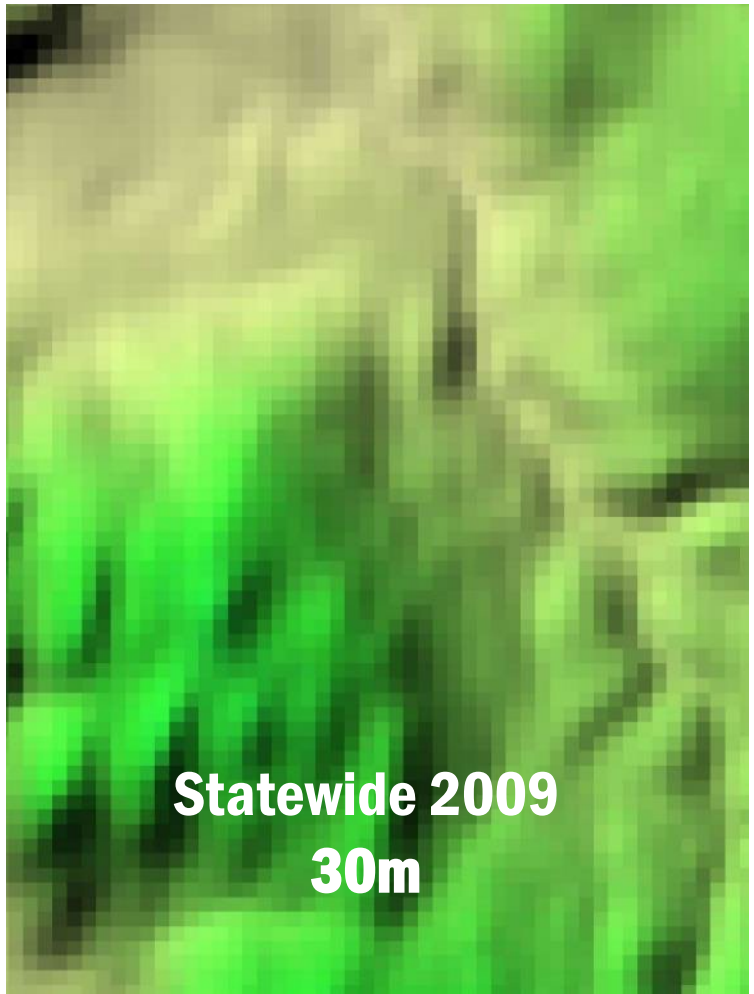
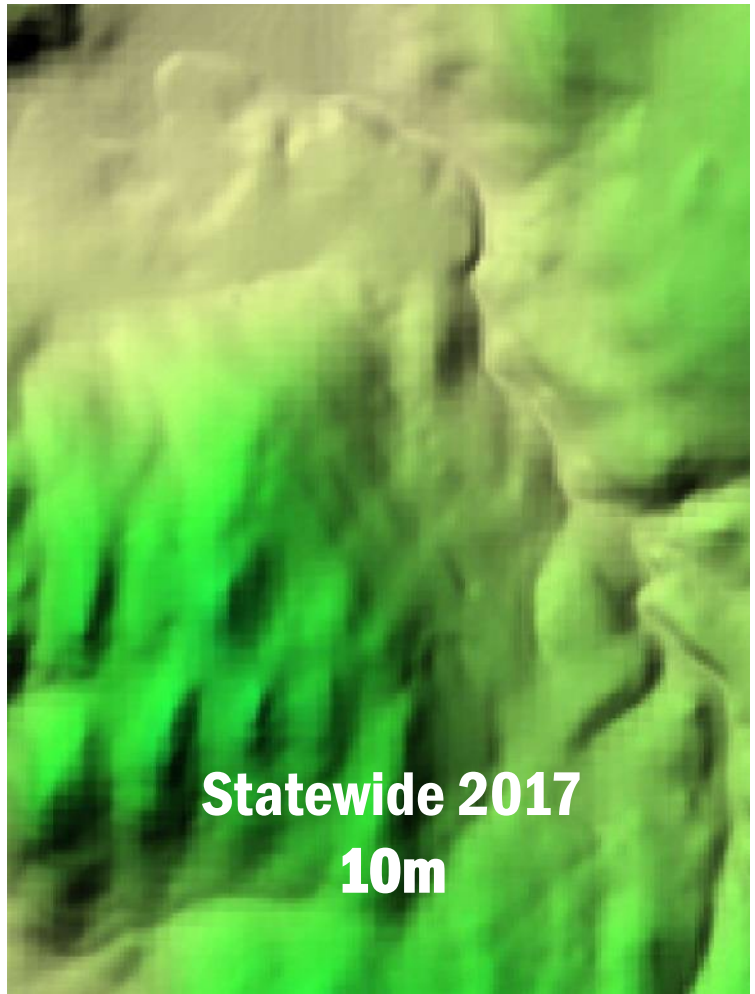
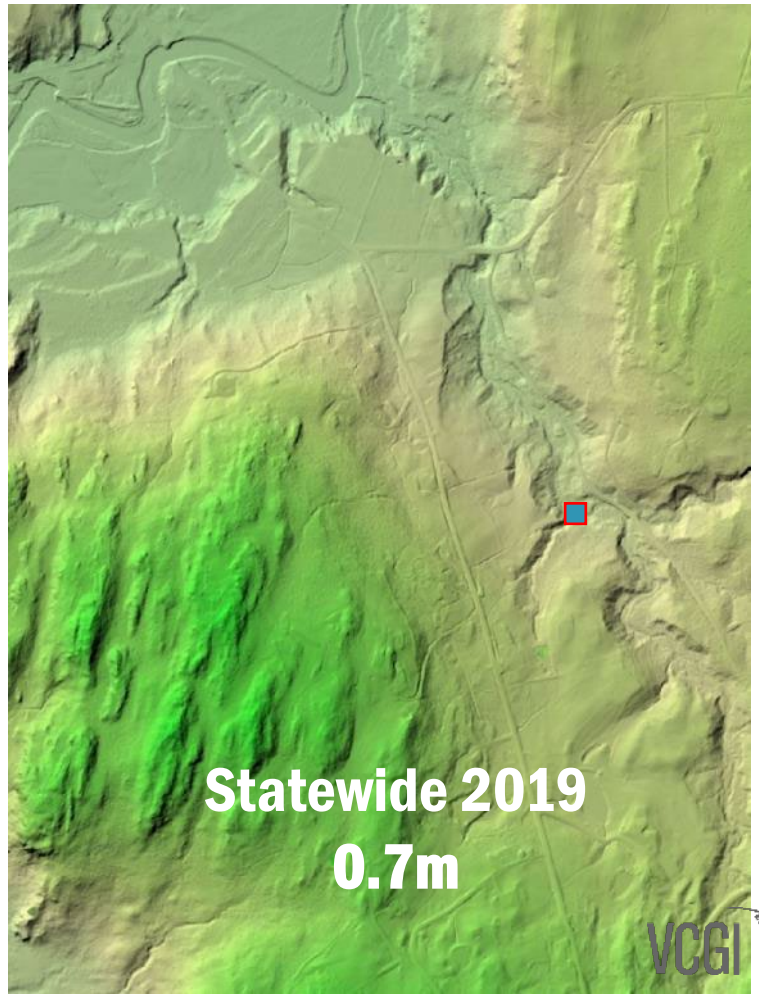
National Elevation Dataset: Reported vertical accuracy= 8 ft.

LIDAR QL2: Vertical accuracy= 3.6 in.







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High-Resolution Surface-of-the-Earth Data

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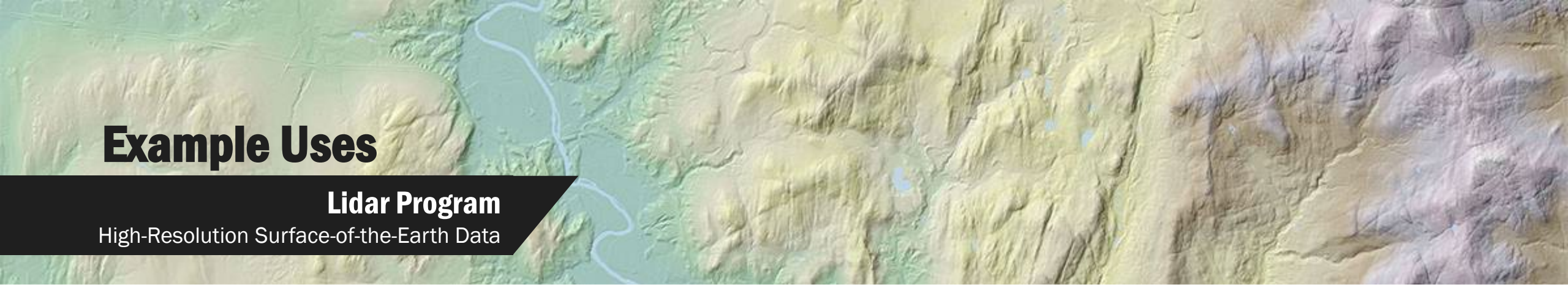

Example Uses

Lidar Program

High-Resolution Surface-of-the-Earth Data

- Agriculture
- Archeology & Historic Preservation
- Construction
- Dam Management
- Design
- Emergency Planning
- Energy/Communications Planning
- Erosion Assessment and Mitigation
- Evacuation Planning
- Farm-to-Plate Initiative
- Fire Fuel Models
- Flood plain Mapping
- Flow Analysis
- Forestry, Biomass, & Vegetation Management
- Gully Detection
- Habitat Analysis
- Hazardous Spill Analysis
- Ice Jam Potential
- Land Cover Mapping
- Landslide Potential
- Line of Sight and Viewshed Analysis
- Riparian Buffer Mapping and Protection
- Shoreline Erosion
- Soils Mapping
- Solar and Wind Energy Suitability
- Stormwater analysis and design
- Timber Volume
- Town Planning
- Transportation Infrastructure
- Updating FIRM to DFIRM
- …and more

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Archaeology

Solar Assessment

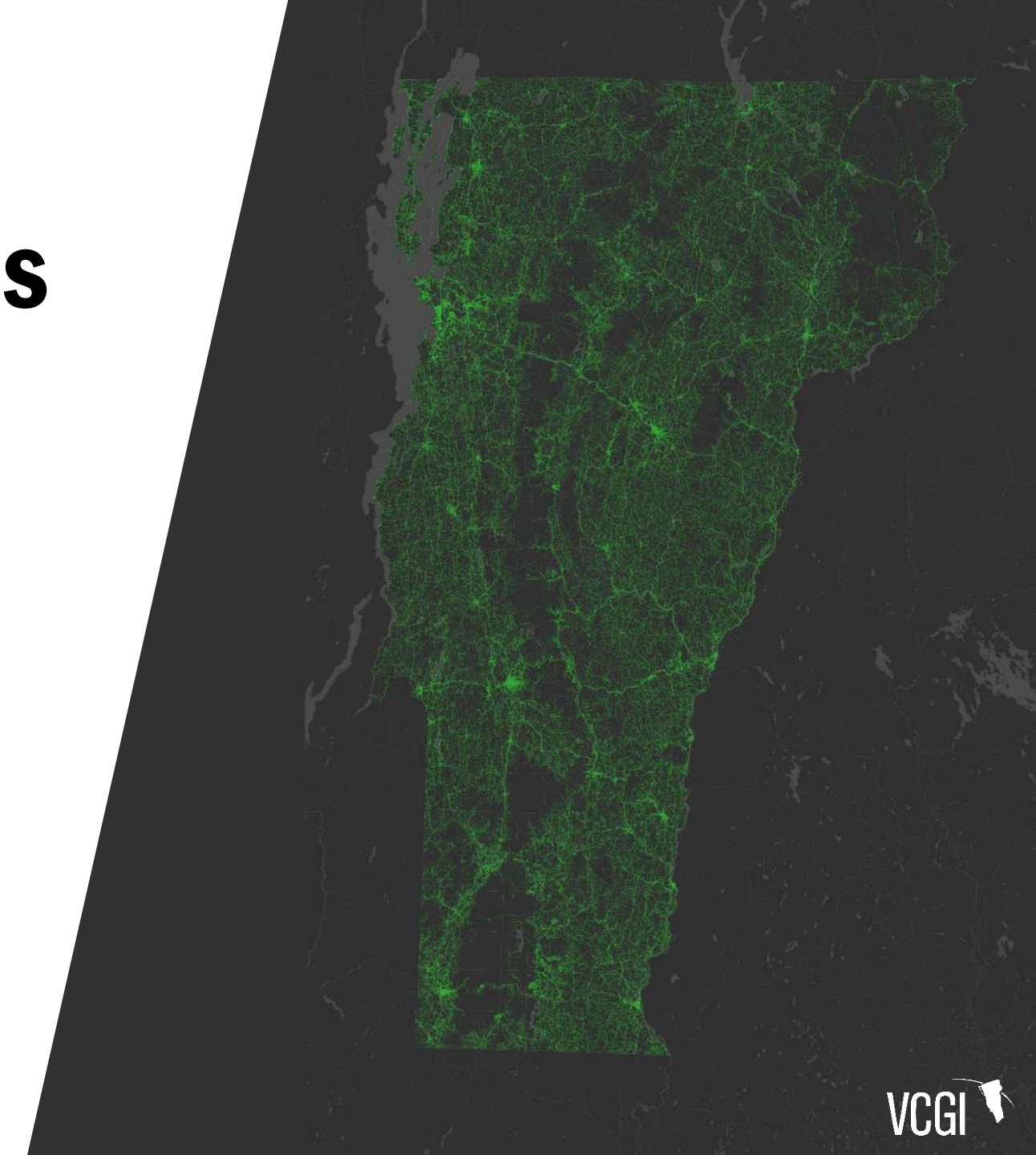
Wetlands Assessment

Site Suitability

300,000+ Parcels
256 Towns
1 Dataset*

*well…2. Those pesky “inactives”…

Parcel Program
Grand List-joined Property Parcels Statewide



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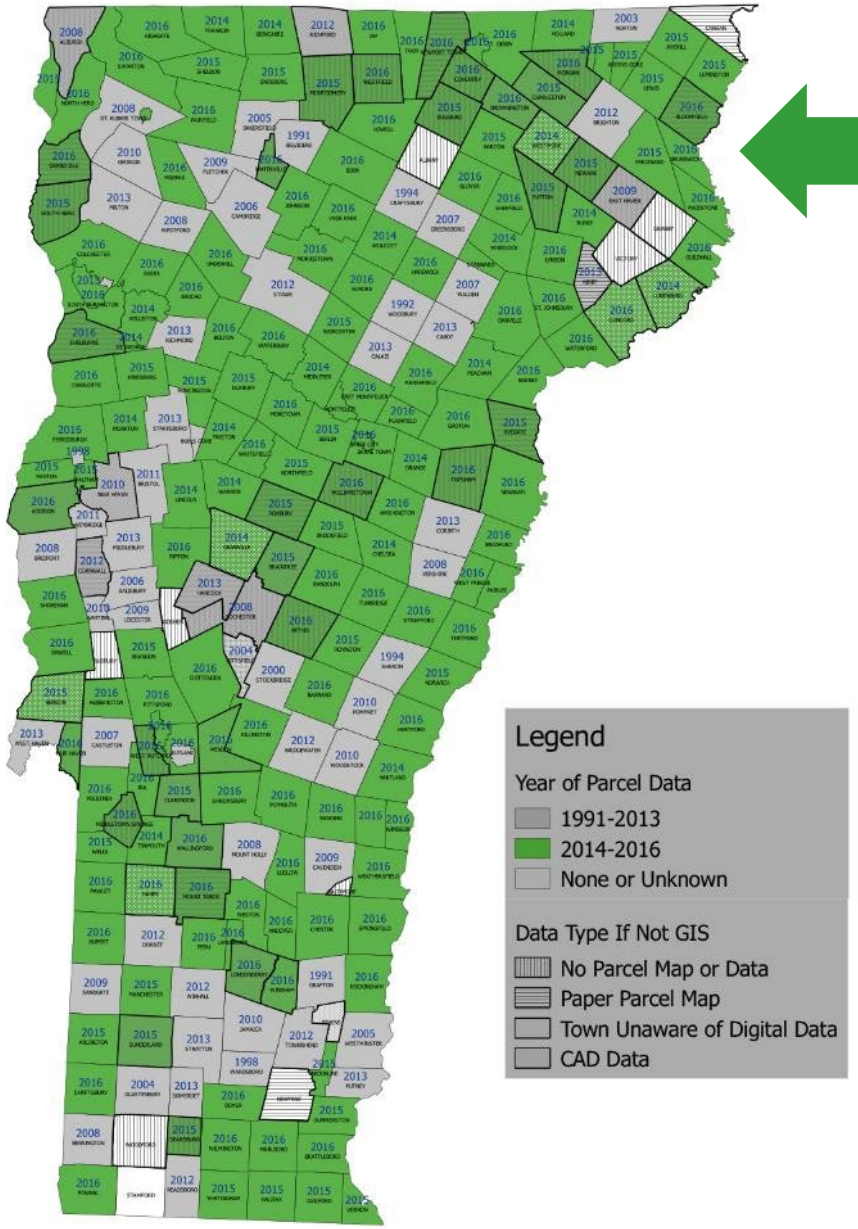


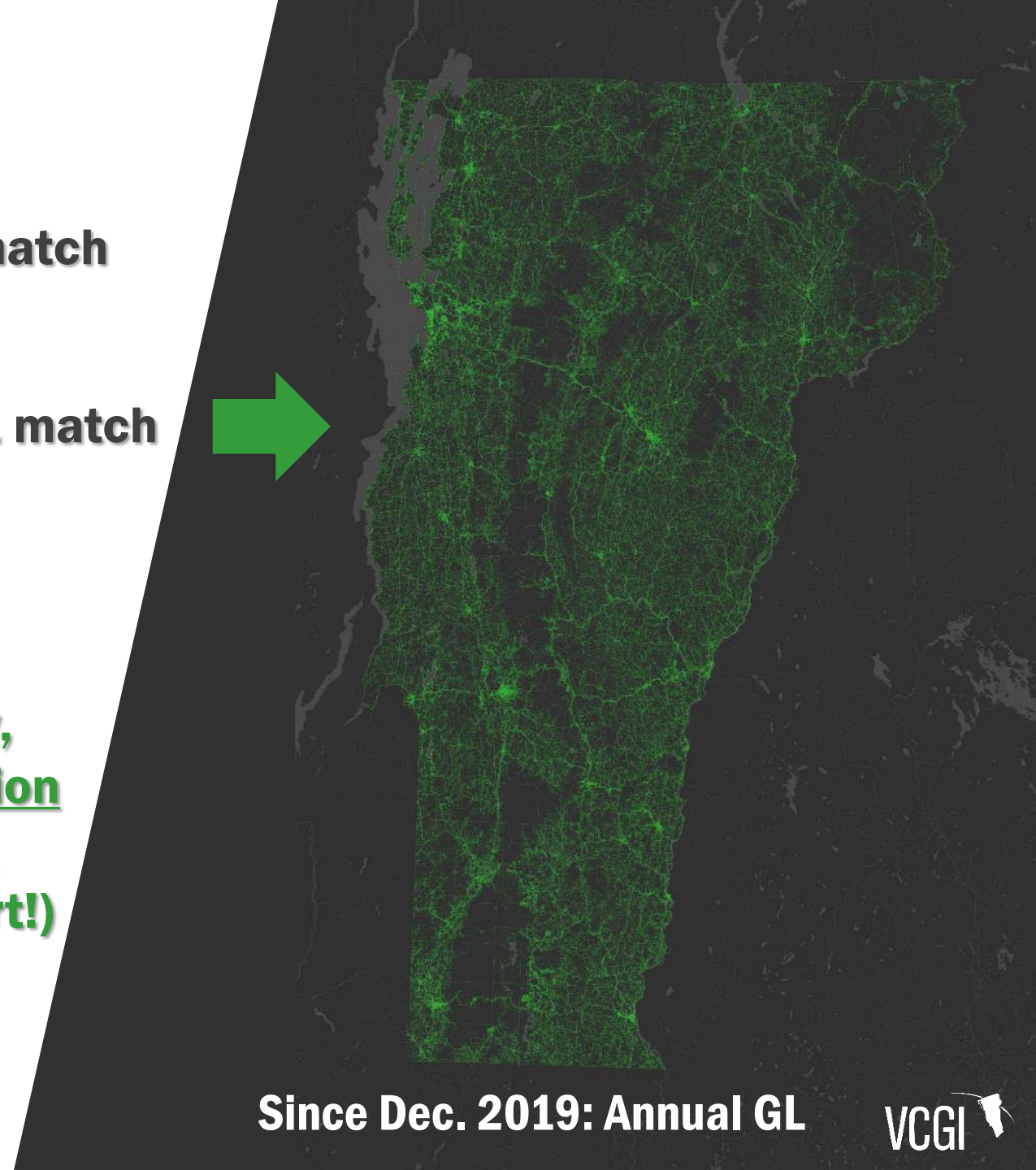
58% GL match

99% GL match

The Key?

SPAN

(but really, coordination and funds do not hurt!)



Since Dec. 2019: Annual GL

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VTPARCELS Town Data Status | VTPARCELS nonstandardized | VTPARCELS standardized inactive | VTPARCELS standardized parcels

Options | Filter by map extent | Zoom to | Clear selection | Refresh

GRAND LIST FIELDS OF SELECTION

MAPID	PROPTYPE	GIS Year	TOWN	Property Description	Category (Real Estate only)	Resident Ownership Code	Total Acres	Listed Real Value (Full)	Listed Value of Land	Listed Value of Improvements	Homestead Declared (Y/N)	Owership
039-2-053-000	PARCEL	2018	BURLINGTON	FORMER CITY DUMP MONITORING STATION CR	Commercial	C	37.70	521,200	508,600	12,600	N	CITY DPW, 645 PINE ST BURLINGTON, VT, 05401

1 features 0 selected

WHAT: MAP GEOMETRY + GL TABLE

Field	(Row #1 contains headers.) Descriptive Field Name
1	Tax Year
2	Town Name
3	SPAN
4	Parcel ID
5	Owner Name 1
6	Owner Name 2
7	Mailing Address 1
8	Mailing Address 2
9	Mailing Address City
10	Mailing Address State
11	Mailing Address Zip
12	Property Description
13	Location
14	Category (Real Estate only)
*15	Resident Ownership Code
16	Total Acres
17	Listed Real Value (Full)
18	Homestead Listed Value (Full)
19	Non-Residential Value (Full)
20	Listed Value of Land
21	Listed Value of Improvements
22	Equipment Value (Personal Property)
23	Equipment Code (Cable only)
24	Inventory Value
25	Homestead Declared (Y/N)
26	Housesite Value
27	Veterans Exemption Amount
28	Other Exemption Type
29	Exemption End Date
30	Exemption Statute
31	Exemption Homestead Amount
32	Exemption Non-Residential Amount
33	Current Use Homestead Reduction Amount
34	Current Use Non-Residential Reduction Amount
35	Education Grand List Value Homestead (1%)
36	Education Grand List Value Non-Residential (1%)
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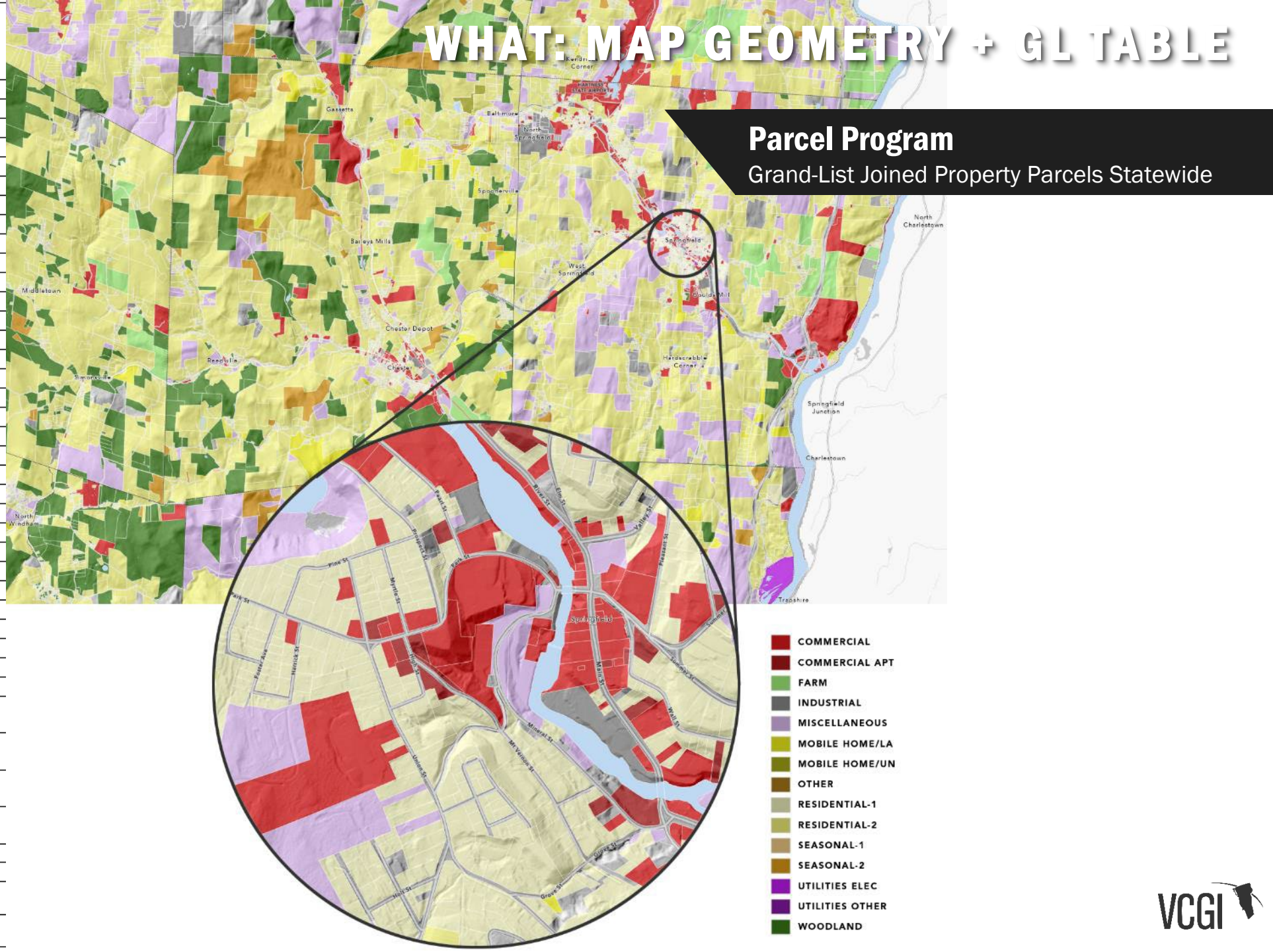
40	AOE GL Value **Non-Residential** (1%)



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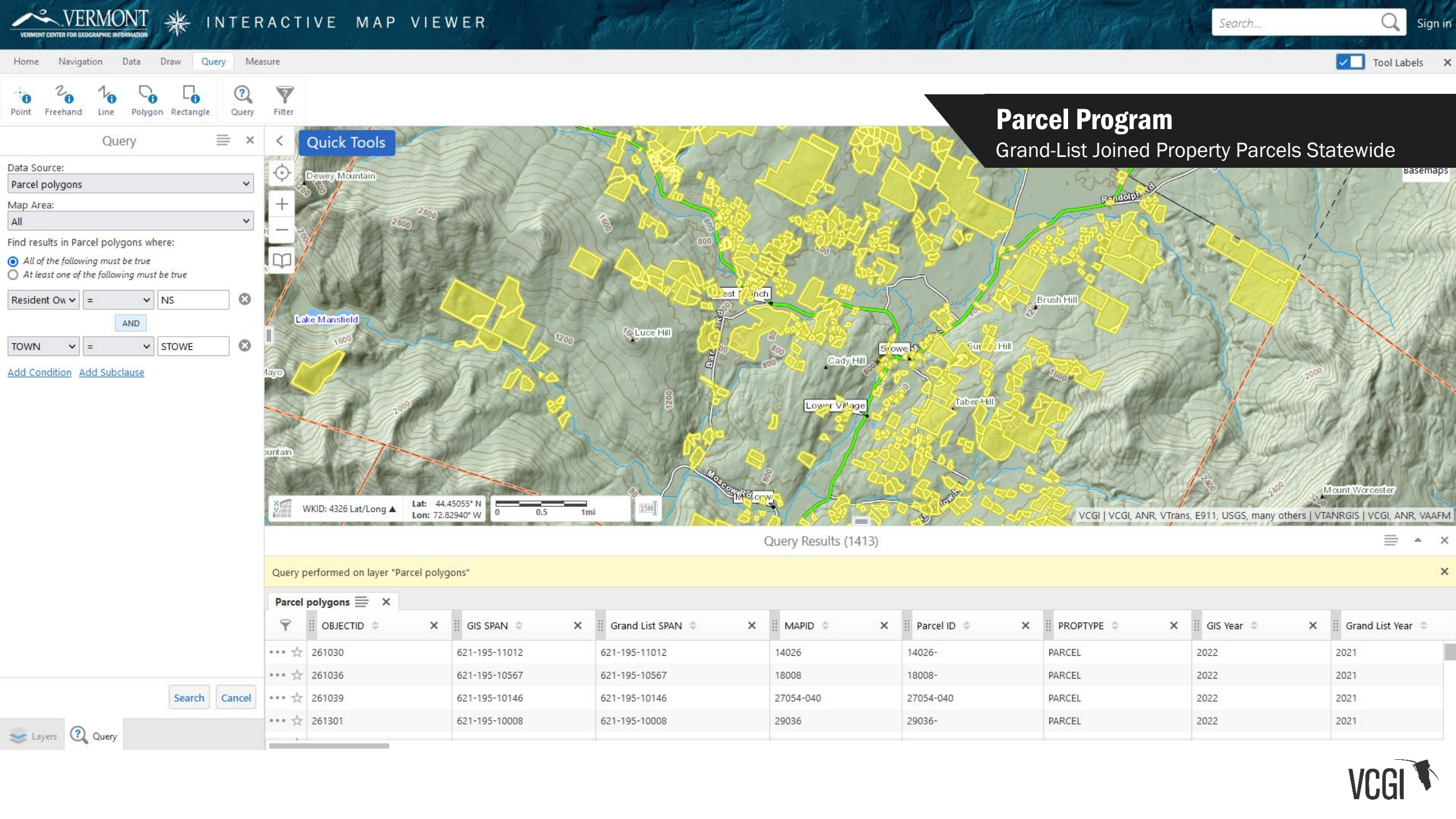
Grand-List Joined Property Parcels Statewide



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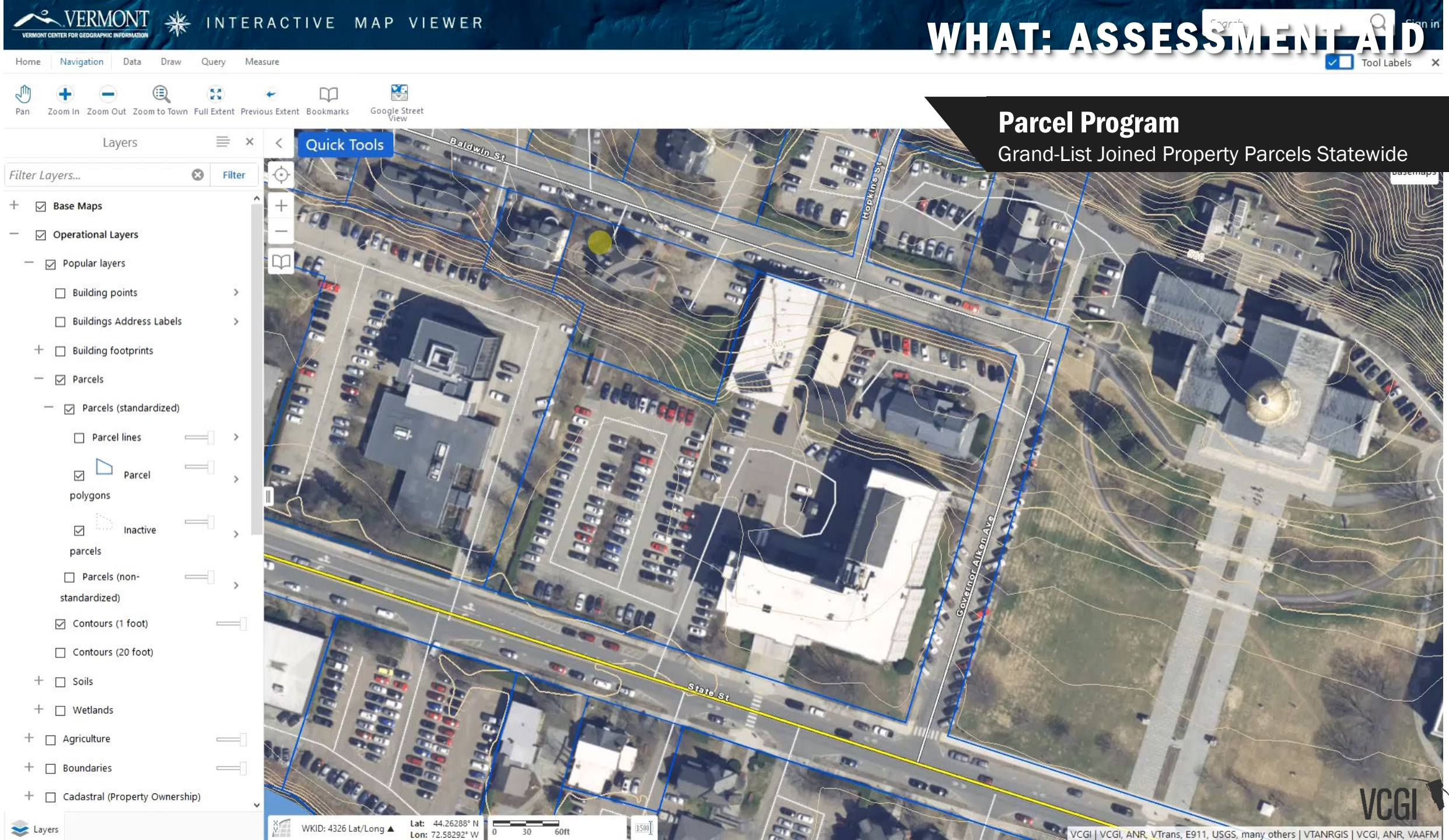

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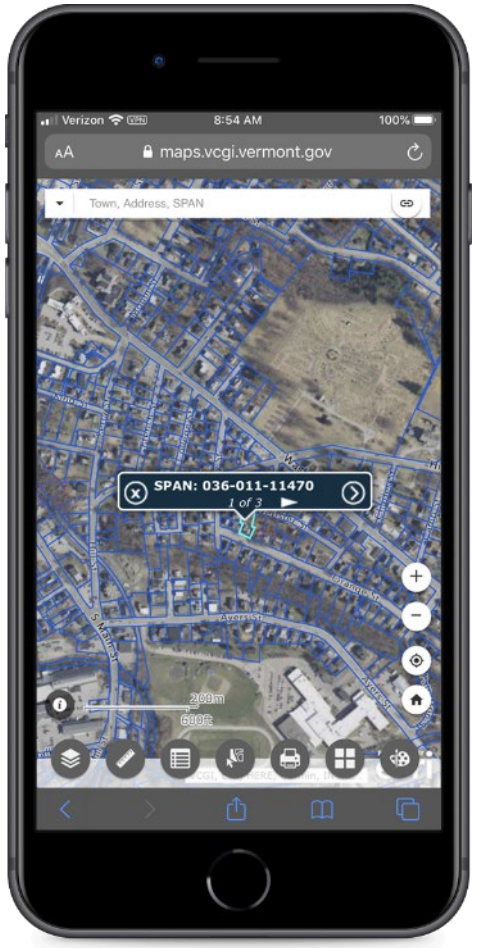

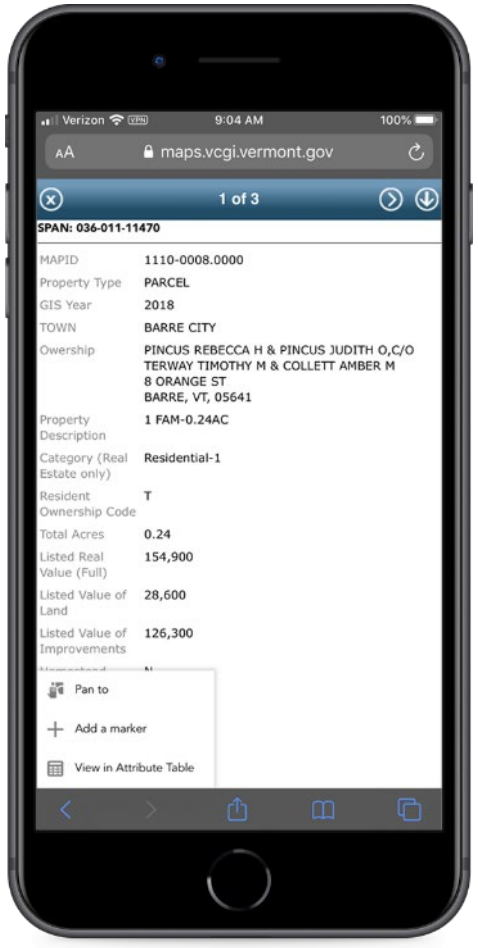

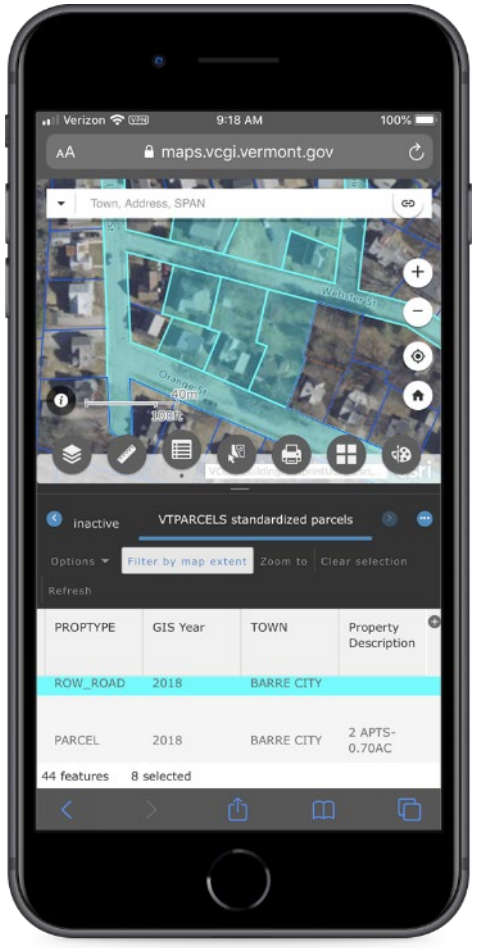

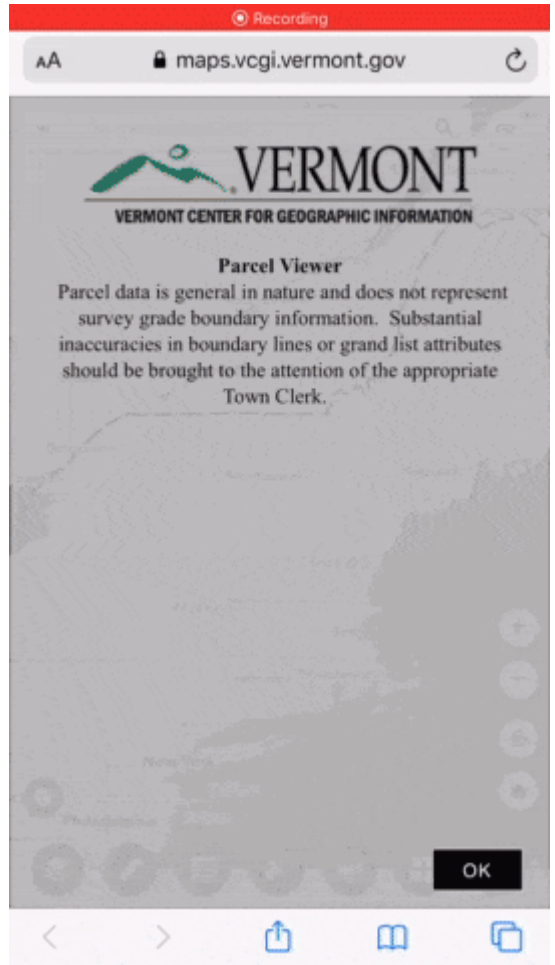

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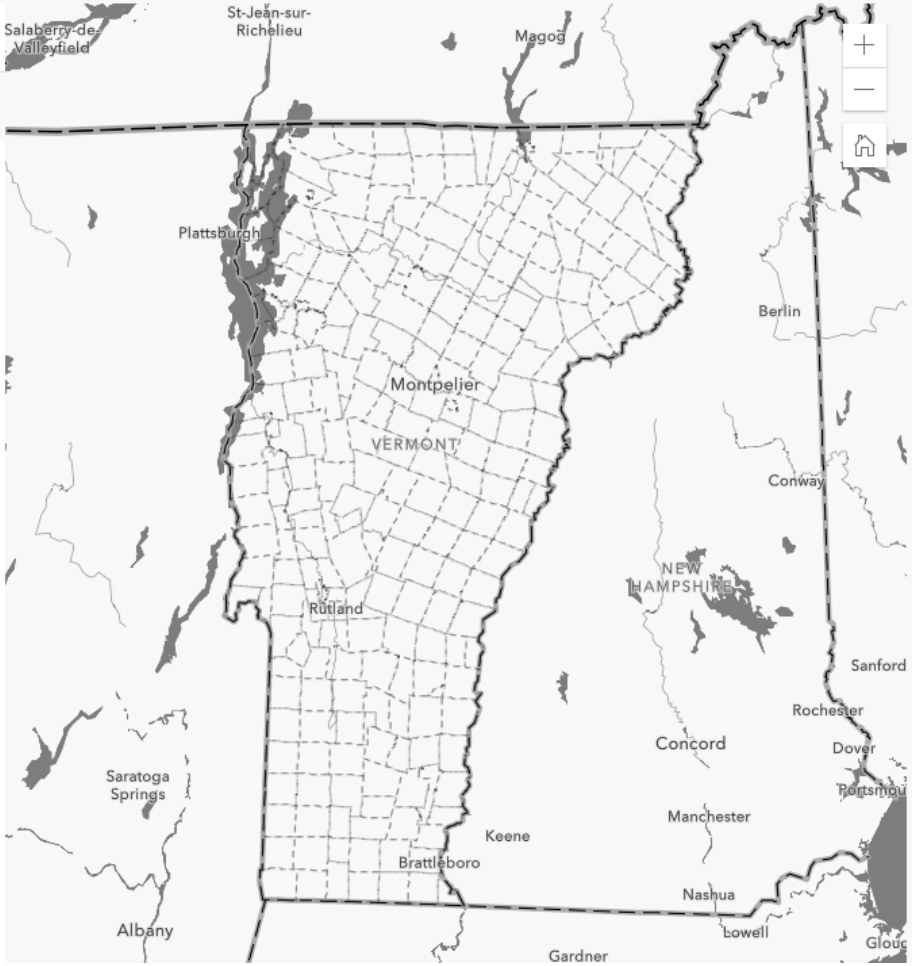
  - Filing Season Updates
  - How to File
  - Free File
  - Free Tax Preparation Assistance
  - File an Extension
  - Paying Tax Owed
  - Amend A Return
  - Personal Income Tax
  - **Renter Credit**
    - **SPAN Finder**
    - Calculator and Credit Amounts
    - Income Eligibility Limits
  - Information for Landlords

School Property Account Number (SPAN) Finder

Enter Address Here

Enter an address in the search bar to find the School Property Account Number (SPAN) number of a property.

If you are having trouble finding the correct SPAN, please contact your landlord and ask for the SPAN number of the property you are renting. This number can be found on their property tax bill.



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Vermont Land Survey Library

Search, View and Add Vermont Land Surveys

A Public Library for Vermont's Land Survey Records

The library hosts copies of land surveys of boundary line adjustments and subdivisions as prepared by Vermont licensed land surveyors.

Enter the Land Survey Library

Digital Survey Plats

Effective January 1, 2020 and as stated in 27 V.S.A. § 341, surveys are required for property line changes in Vermont. Licensed land surveyors who produce the surveys are to submit a digital copy of them to the library in .pdf format (see 27 V.S.A. §1401 and 27 V.S.A. §1403).

The copies of surveys are for public reference only, with the signed and stamped mylars that live with the Town remaining the official documents. The purpose of the land survey library is to improve knowledge of who owns what lands where throughout Vermont.

What is it?

The library consists of a web map that displays the general locations of .pdf copies of surveys produced by Vermont licensed land surveyors. For new surveys produced from January 1, 2020 onward, surveyors upload the .pdf copies to the map when the surveys are to be filed with the Town Clerk. The library's content is open to the public for viewing and reference.

Learn More Here

Submit a Survey

Are you a Vermont licensed land surveyor completing a survey of a property line change on land in Vermont? Are you a town official with recorded surveys that you'd like to make available on a map? If yes to either, then use the survey library application linked from this page to submit a .pdf copy of these documents. Learn more about how and when to use the library in the How It Works section, and read answers to frequently asked questions under FAQ's.

Submit a PDF of a Survey

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Survey, Surveyor, Address,

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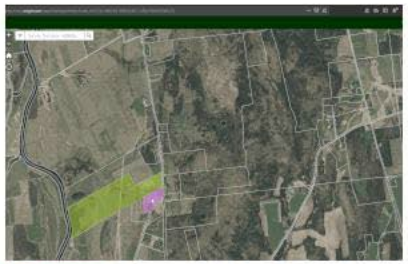
Searching for a Survey

By Search Bar: Type in the name of the surveyor or address of the survey's location

By Map: Navigate the map to the general location of the survey and make sure the survey library layer is turned on. You may also filter available surveys by map extent using the attribute table at the bottom of the page.

Viewing a Survey

Click on a polygon of a survey that you've located on the map. A pop-up window will display with its associated information. **In the pop-up window, click on the linked .pdf in the Attachments field**. This will open the .pdf in a new tab. For example:



Purple polygons represent the general location of subdivisions.
Blue polygons represent boundary line adjustments.
Green polygons represent the general property surveys.
Red polygons represent uploaded but not yet reviewed surveys.
Orange polygons represent all other survey types.

Adding a Survey to the Library

Use the Add a Survey tool by clicking on the icon at the top of the page. Follow the instructions on the left pane. **Only land surveys produced by Vermont licensed land surveyors are permitted.** An example of uploading a .pdf survey is shown below. Uploaded content is checked before being published to ensure the validity of content.

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Subdivision For THE CONSERVATION FUND

Name of Surveyor	Richard F. Lunna, L.S.
Date of Survey	11/22/2019
Name of Uploader	up loaded by surveyor
Uploader Email	rflunna@gmail.com
Survey Type	Subdivision
Town	Killington
Notes	
Recording Information	unknown

Attachments:
801 Subdiv2_VCGI.pdf
801 Subdiv1_VCGI.pdf

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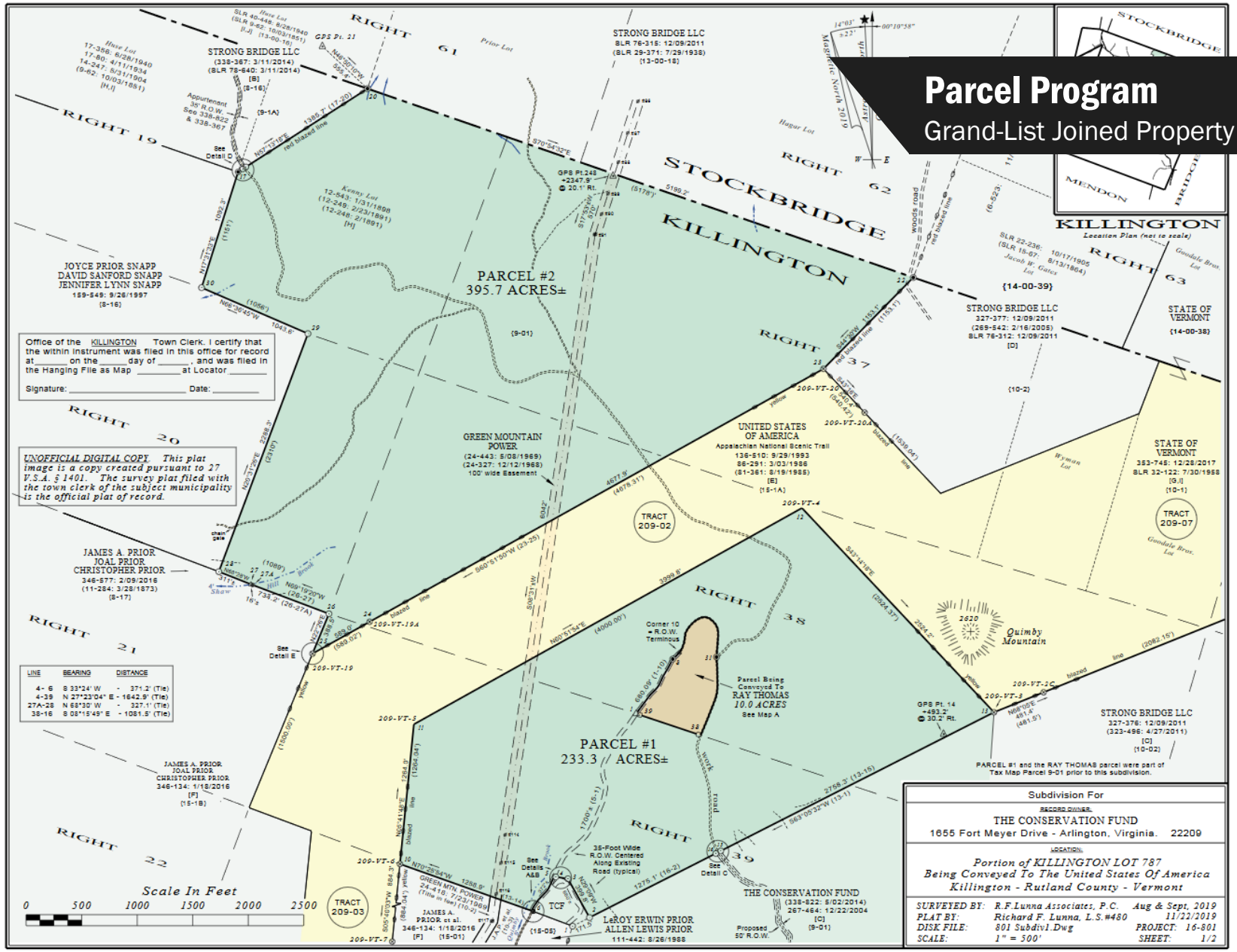

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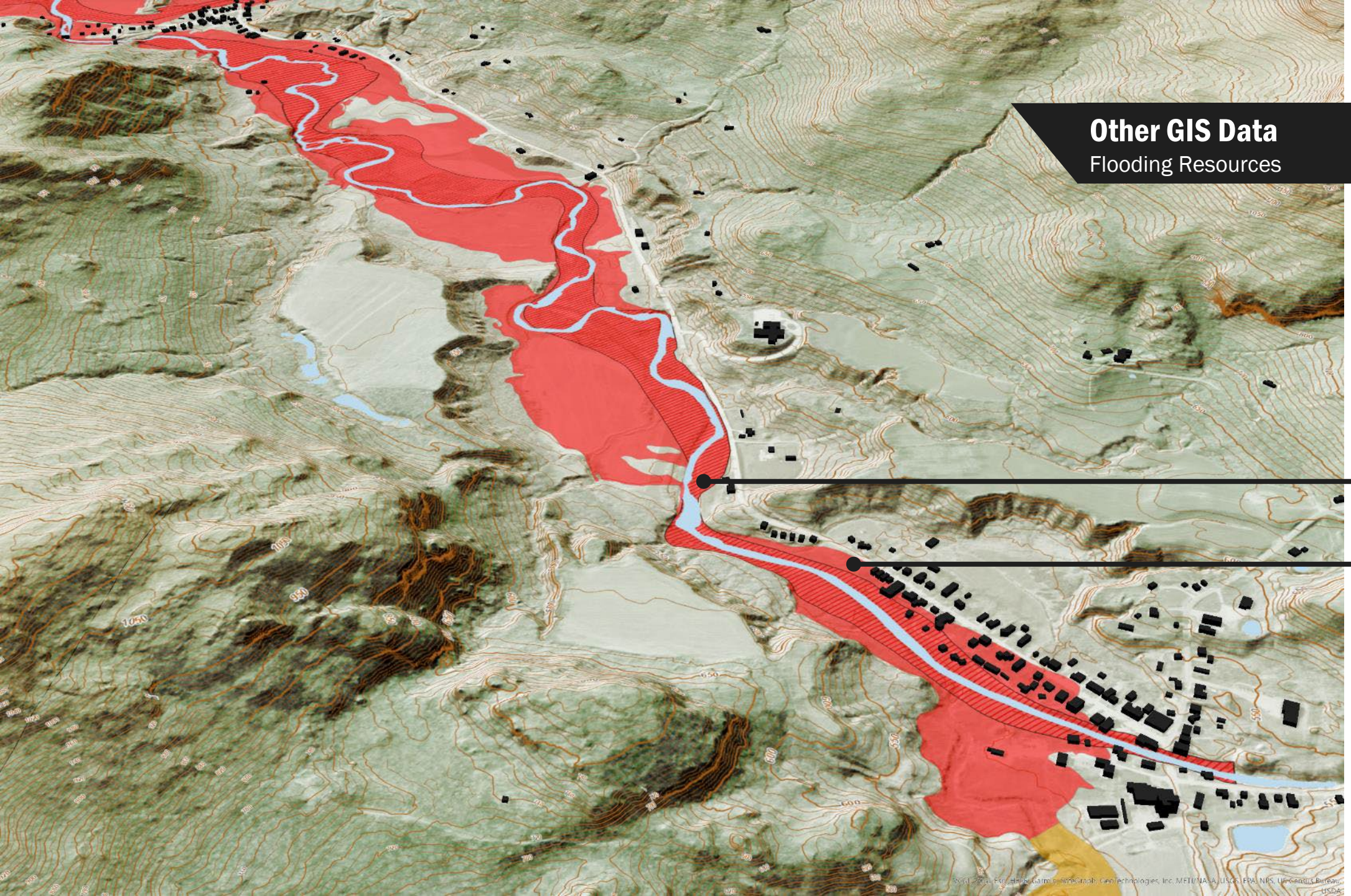

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Flooding Resources

FEMA's
NFHL (DFIRM's)

Regulatory
Floodway Zone AE

1% Annual Chance
Flood - Zone AE

0.2% Annual
Chance Flood -
Zone X
(not shown)

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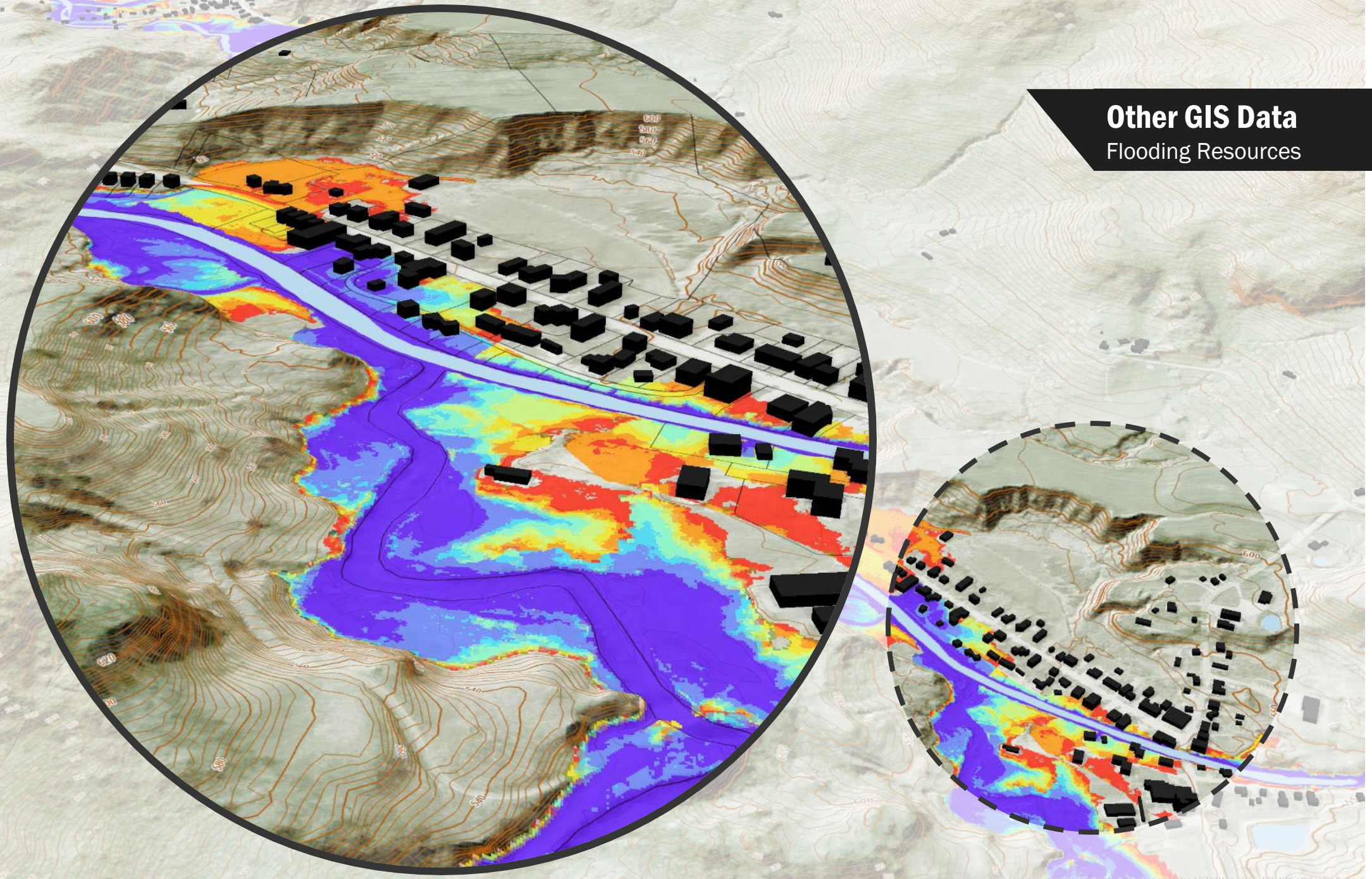

UVM's Lidar-aided Flood Inundation Layer (2022)

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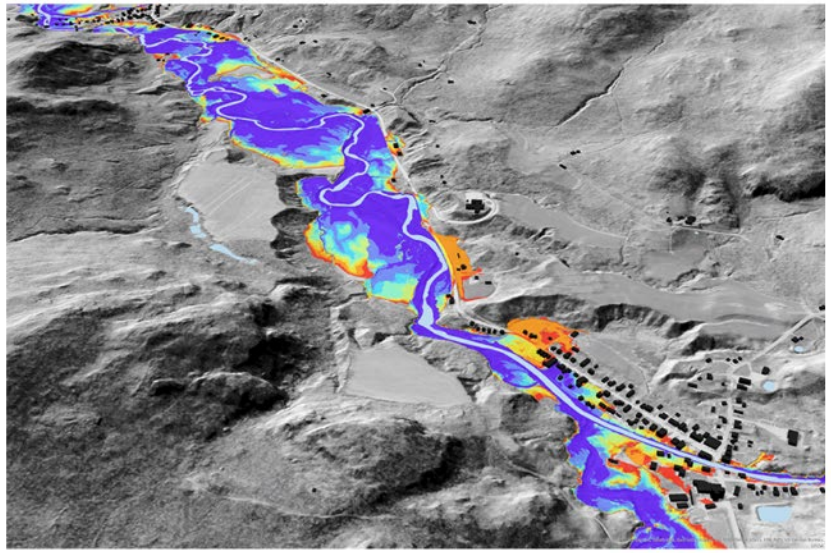
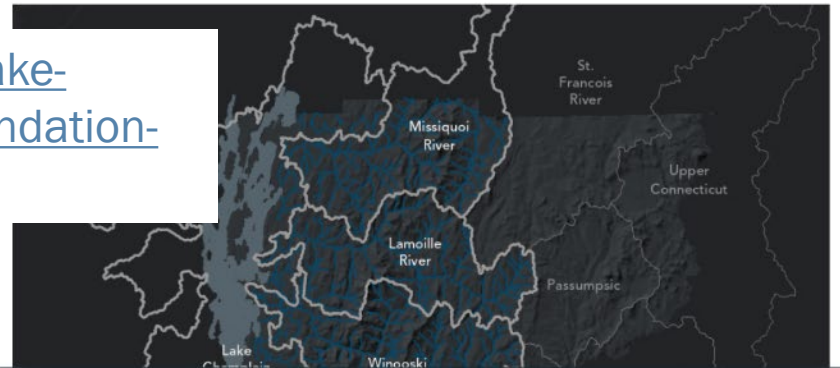
LAKE CHAMPLAIN BASIN LIDAR-INFORMED FLOOD INUNDATION LAYER NOW AVAILABLE

23 MAY 2022



The new flooding layer as seen above with other QL2 lidar data at the Trout River between Montgomery and Montgomery Center in Franklin County, VT. (View Image at Full Size)

VCGI is pleased to announce the availability of a detailed flood inundation layer for the Vermont portion of the Lake Champlain Basin. The product is informed by Vermont's statewide QL2, 0.7-meter resolution lidar collections performed between 2013 and 2017 and depicts the lateral extent of flooding at 8 modeled storm sizes of recurrence intervals ranging from 2 to 500 years for rivers that drain more than 2 square miles.



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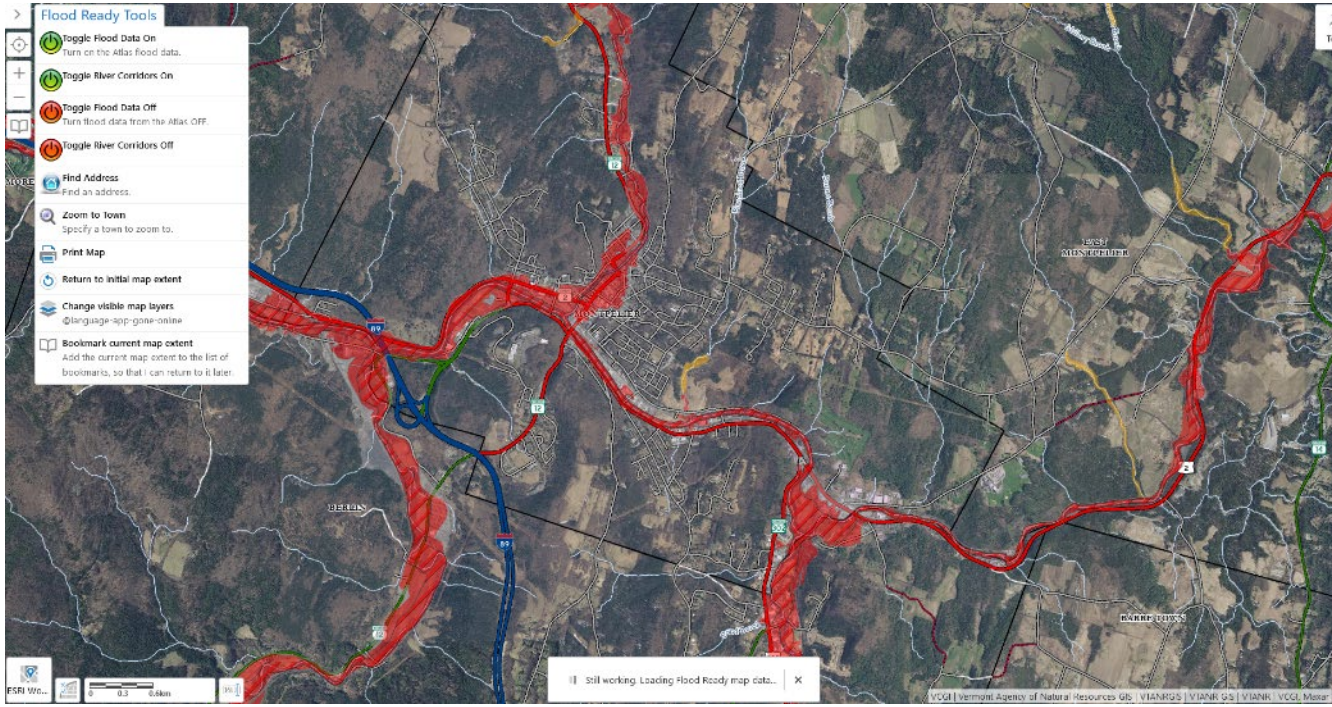

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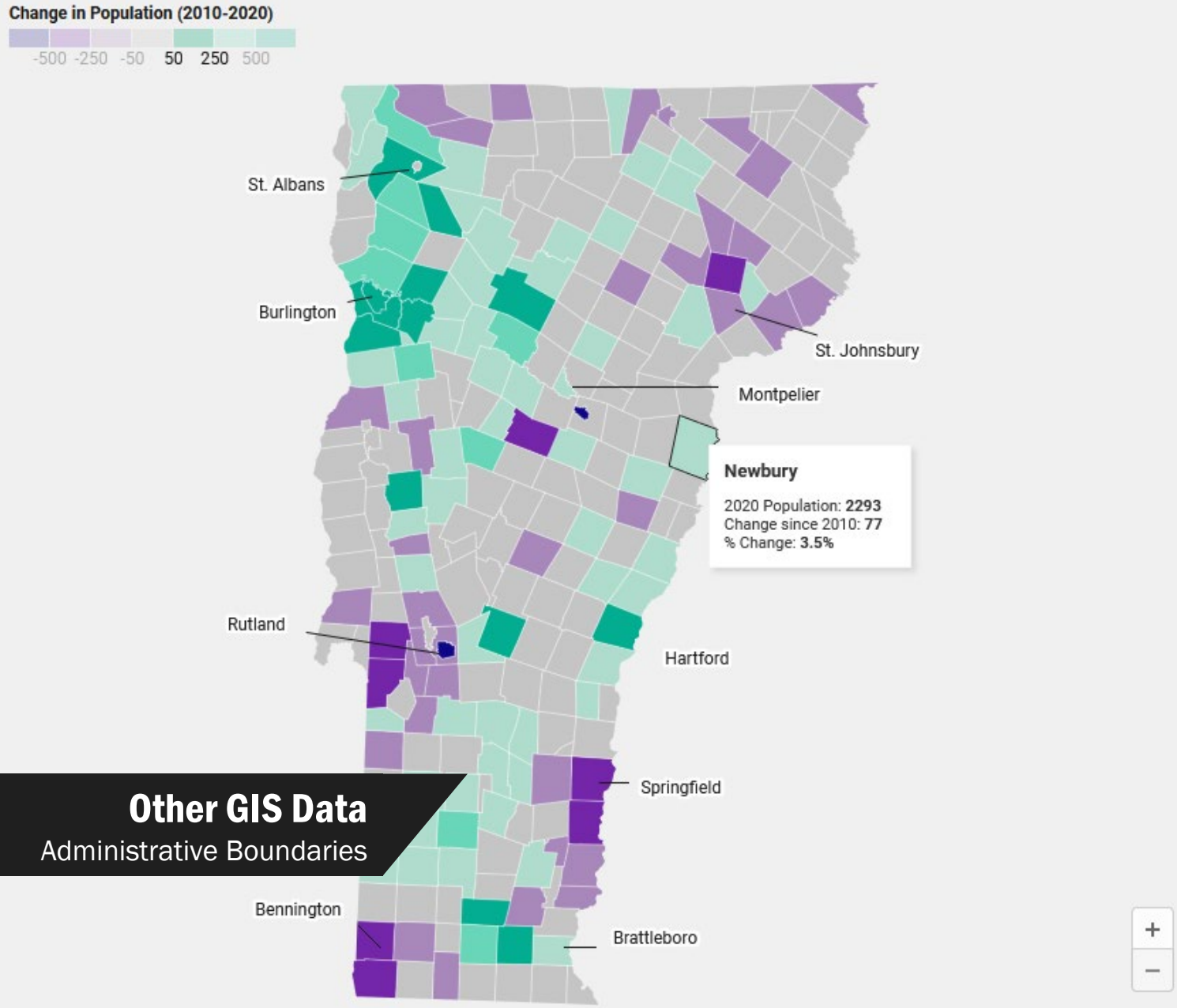

Other GIS Data

Administrative Boundaries

Search Town or County

Town	County	1791-2020	2020 Population	2010 to 2020 Change	% Change
Addison	Addison		1365	-6	-0.4%
Albany	Orleans		976	35	3.7%
Alburgh	Grand Isle		2106	108	5.4%
Andover	Windsor		568	101	21.6%
Arlington	Bennington		2457	140	6%
Athens	Windham		380	-62	-14%
Averill	Essex		21	-3	-12.5%
Avery's Gore	Essex		0	0	0%
Bakersfield	Franklin		1273	-49	-3.7%
Baltimore	Windsor		229	-15	-6.1%

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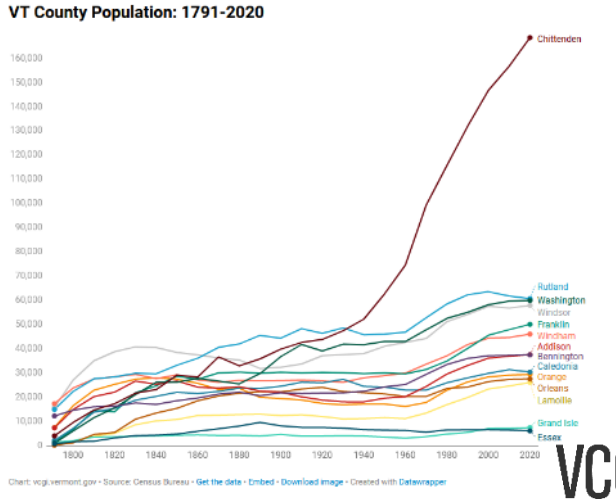
Chart: VCGI • Data: US Census



VT Data - Historical Census Municipal Population Counts 1791-2020

Opendata VCGI
VT Center for Geographic Information

Summary

Historical population counts for municipalities in the State of Vermont (1791-2020) compiled by the Vermont Historical Society (years 1791-2010) then appended with 2020 Census counts.

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Dataset
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August 13, 2021
Info Updated

Not Planned
Data Updated: August 12, 2021

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255 Records
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5,002,702,725	Barnard	Windsor	673	1,236	1,648	1,691	1,889	1,774	1,647	1,487	1,208	1,191	918	840
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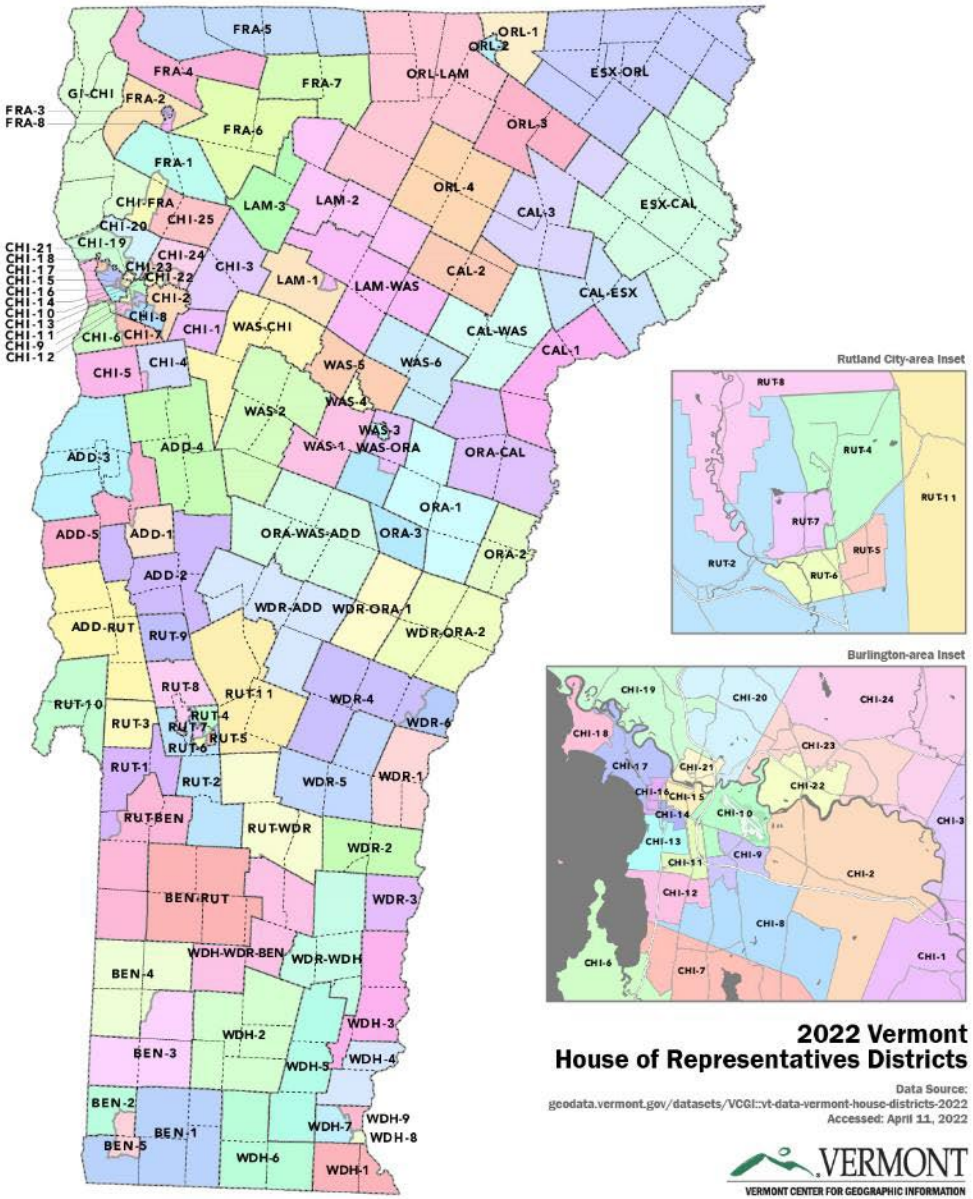

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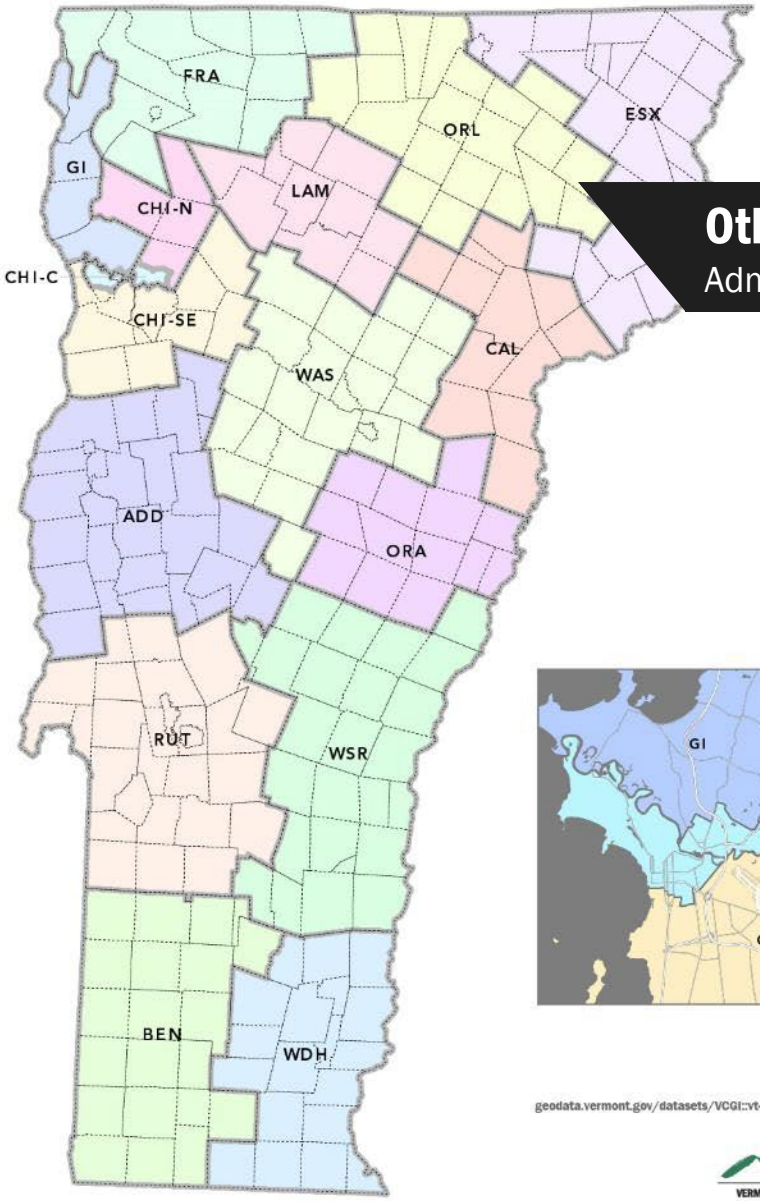

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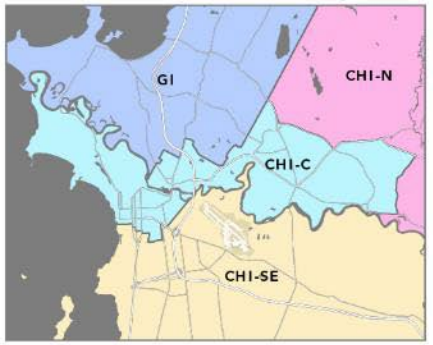

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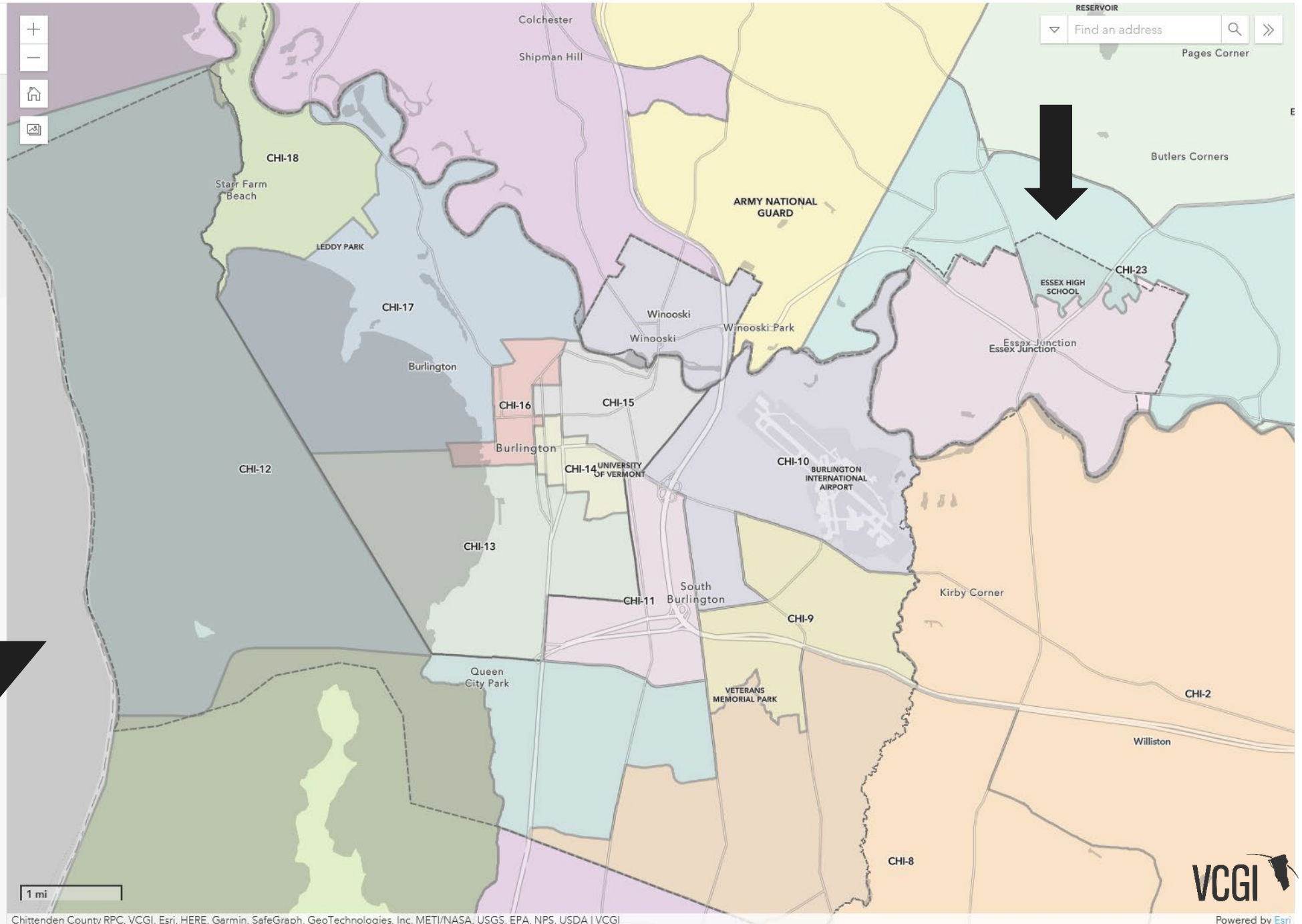

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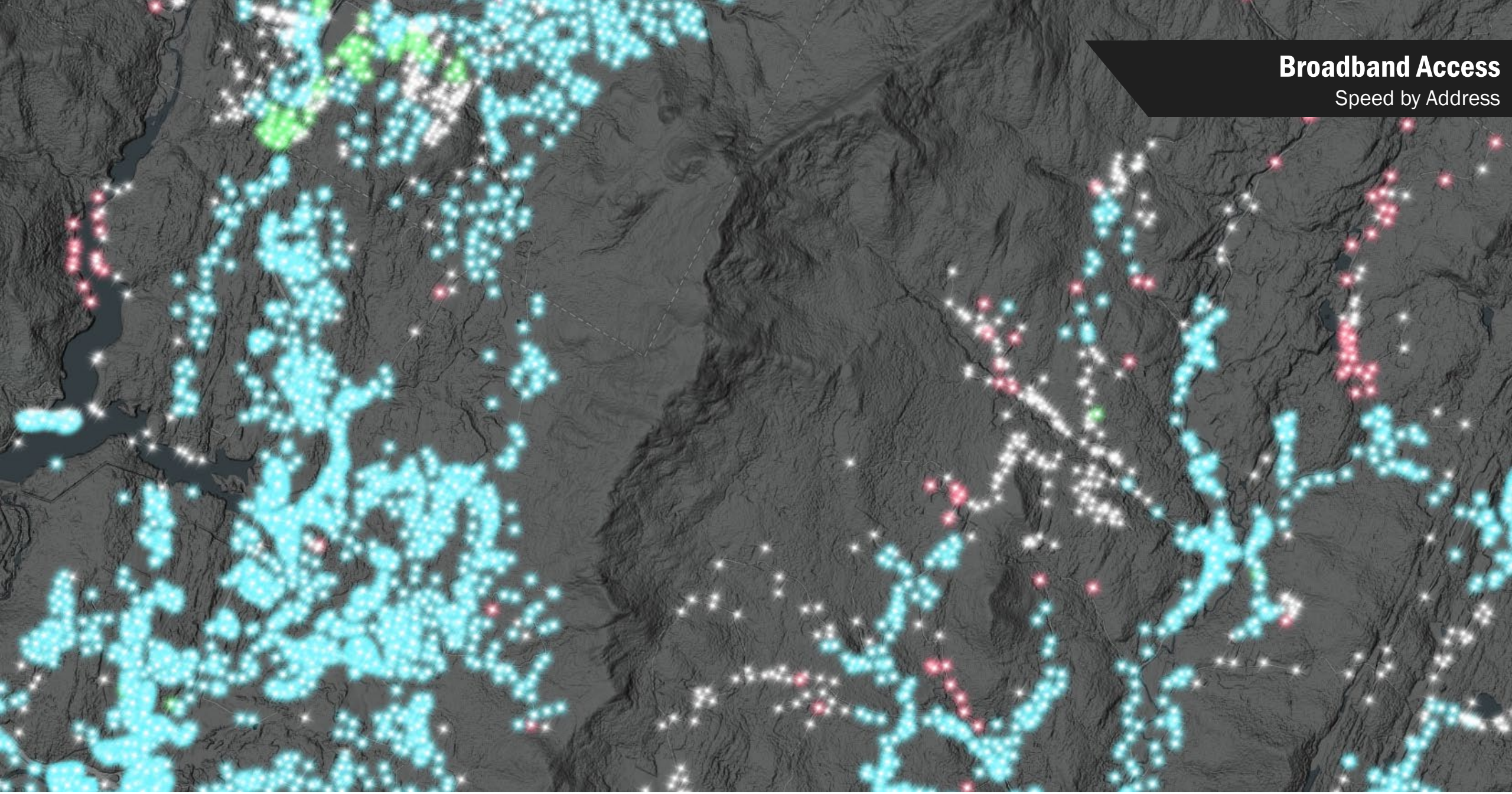

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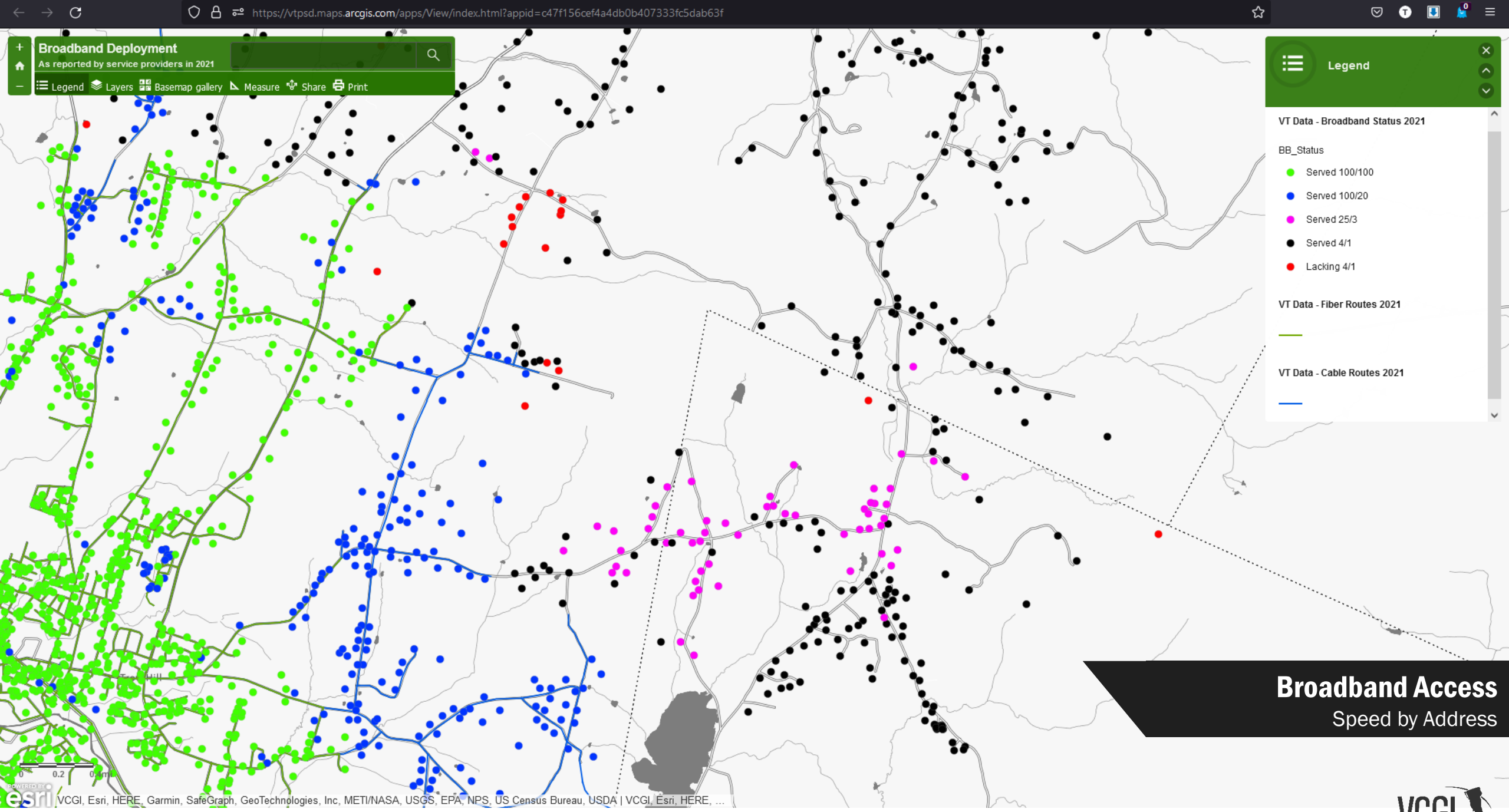

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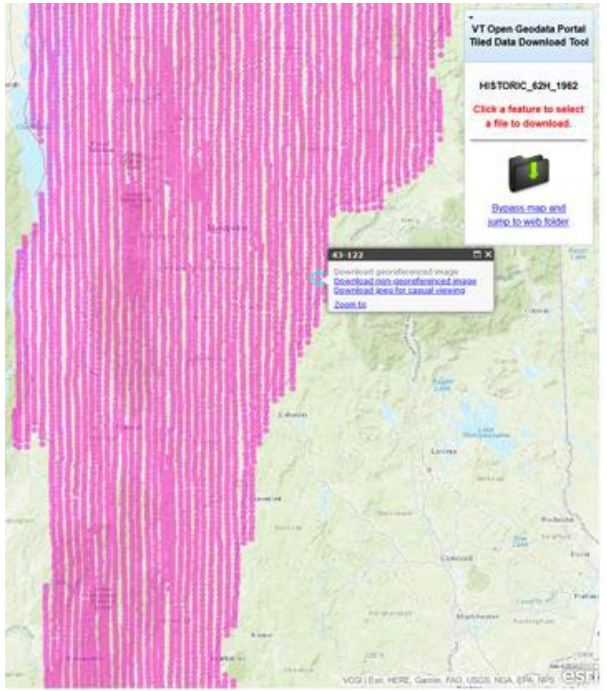

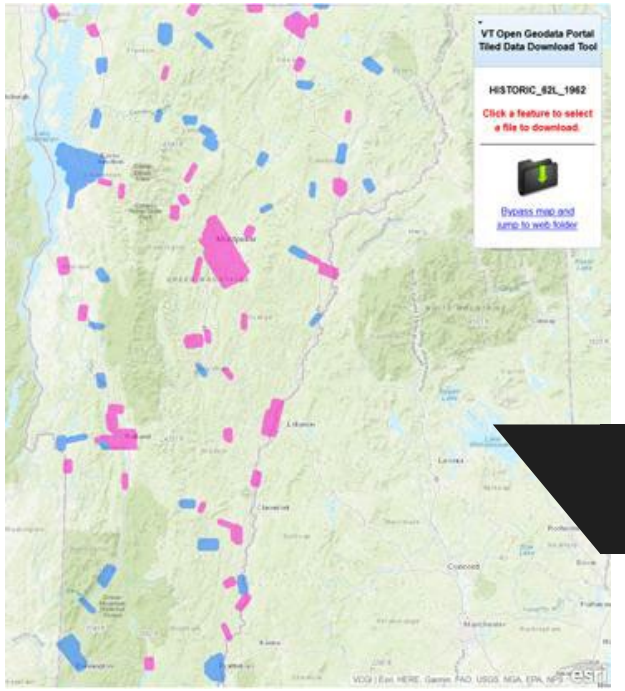

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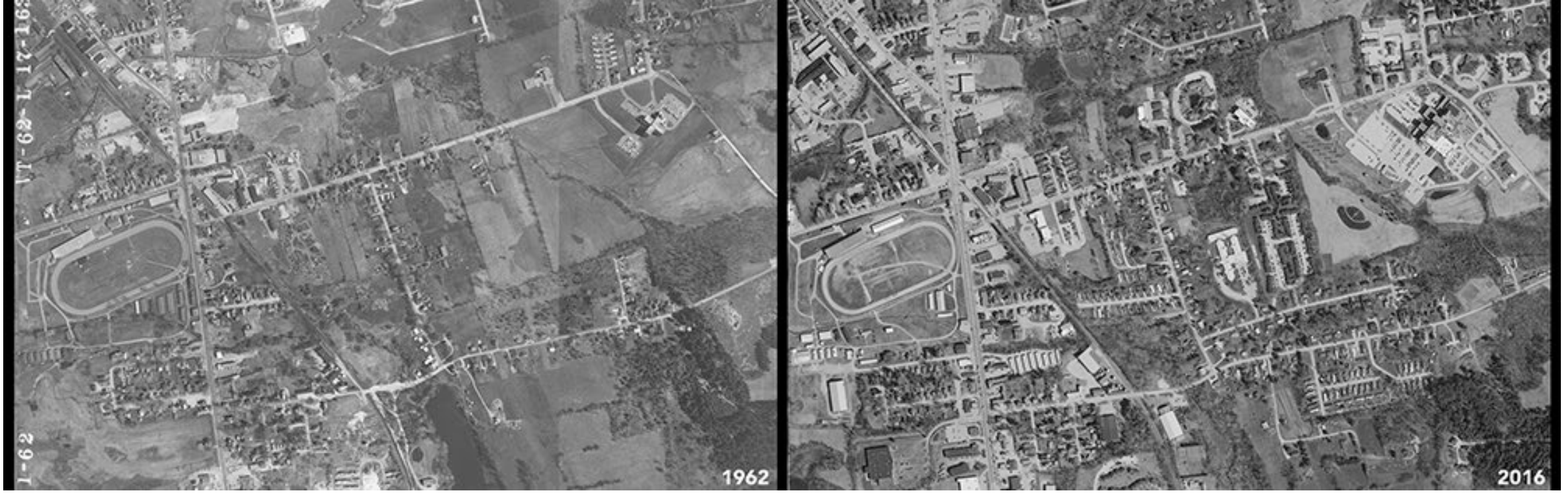

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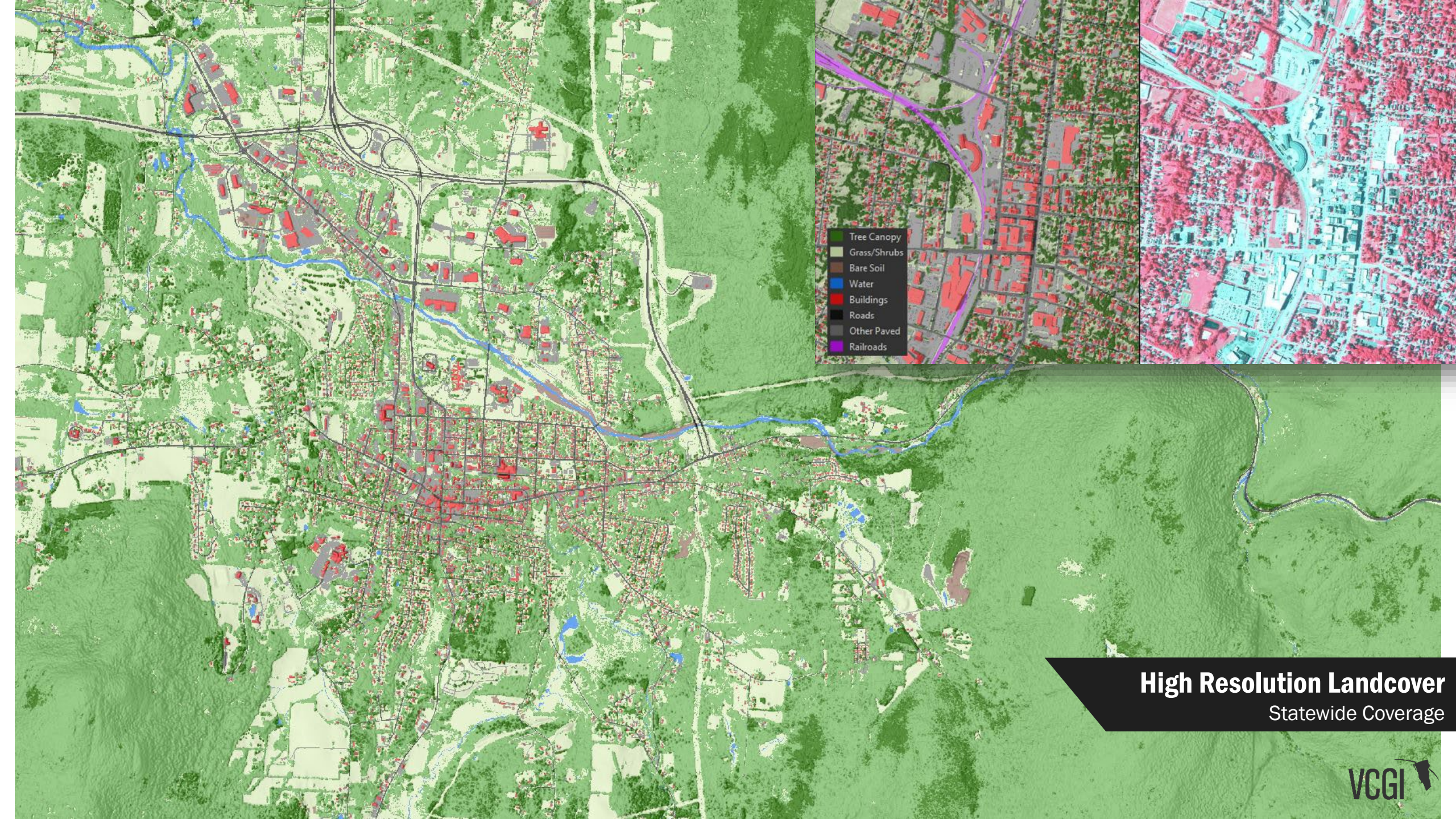

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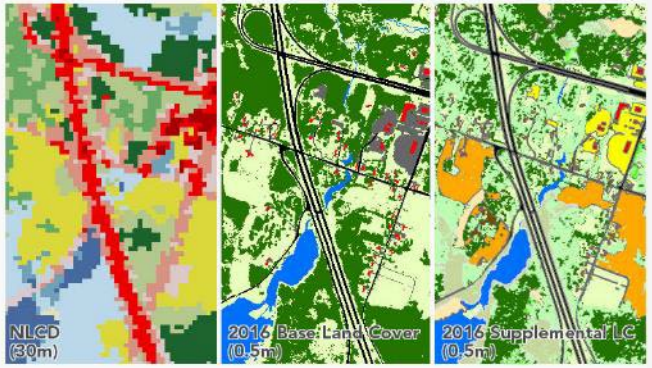
Download Land Cover Products

Vermont land cover data is available from two different efforts: the National Land Cover Database (NLCD) managed by the Multi-Resolution Land Characteristics Consortium (MRLC), and Vermont-specific land cover products created over the years.

For Vermont-specific land cover products including the 2016 statewide 0.5 meter resolution set derived from a combination of 2013 - 2017 LiDAR and 2016 orthoimagery data (see Report for details), use the data download table below. Vermont-specific land cover products are updated on an as-available basis.

For NLCD data at 30 meter resolution with editions every 2-3 years beginning in 2001, see this page.



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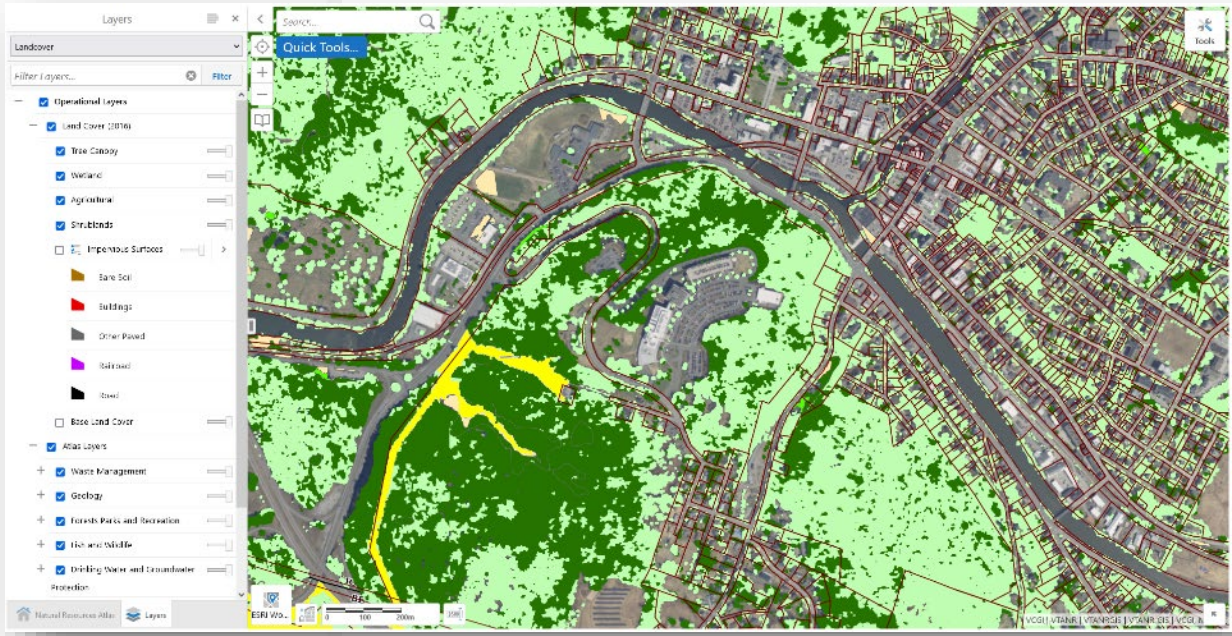

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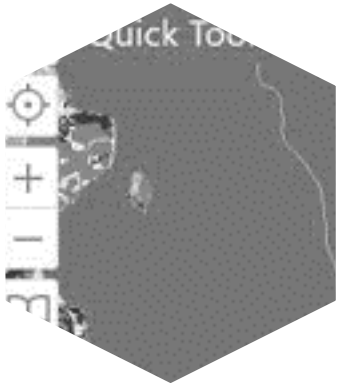

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https://maps.vcgi.vermont.gov/parcelviewer/

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MAPS

By and large, VCGI does not make maps. We instead coordinate, curate, and provide Vermont-specific digital information that others use to make maps, whether those are online or in print. VCGI and partner agencies do, however, provide a number of web mapping applications, some of which are linked below. These applications are generally one of three types: **viewers, dynamic** or **themed**.

Viewer applications host different kinds of spatial information that you can turn off or on depending on what you are trying to map. While they serve the same underlying map data, agencies provide different viewers with pre-loaded layers to make related uses easier.

Dynamic mapping applications contain layers that are regularly updated while focusing on specific kinds of map information.

Themed mapping applications typically show one or a few kinds of content, *usually at a snapshot in time. The data these applications show are static and are not guaranteed to be current or updated in the future.*

Static Maps

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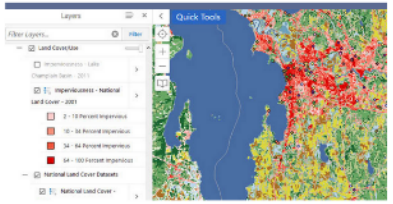
Vermont Municipalities Reference Map with Hillshade - 8.5"x11"



Vermont Interactive Map Viewer

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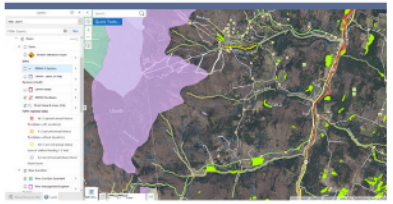

ANR Atlas

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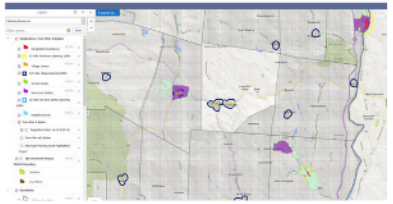
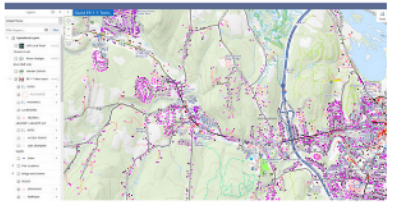


Planning Atlas

Use the Department of Housing and Community



e-9-1-1 Viewer

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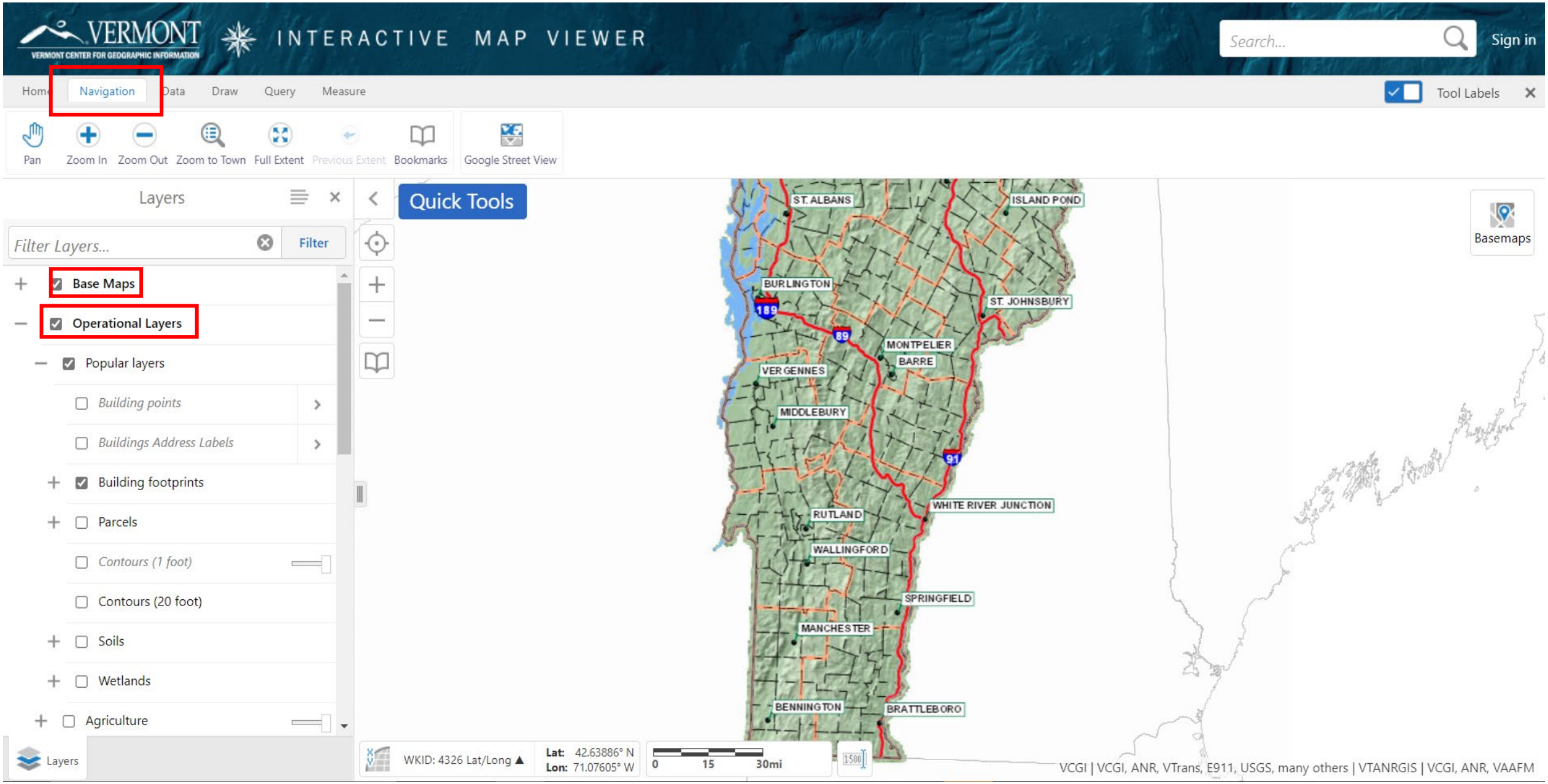

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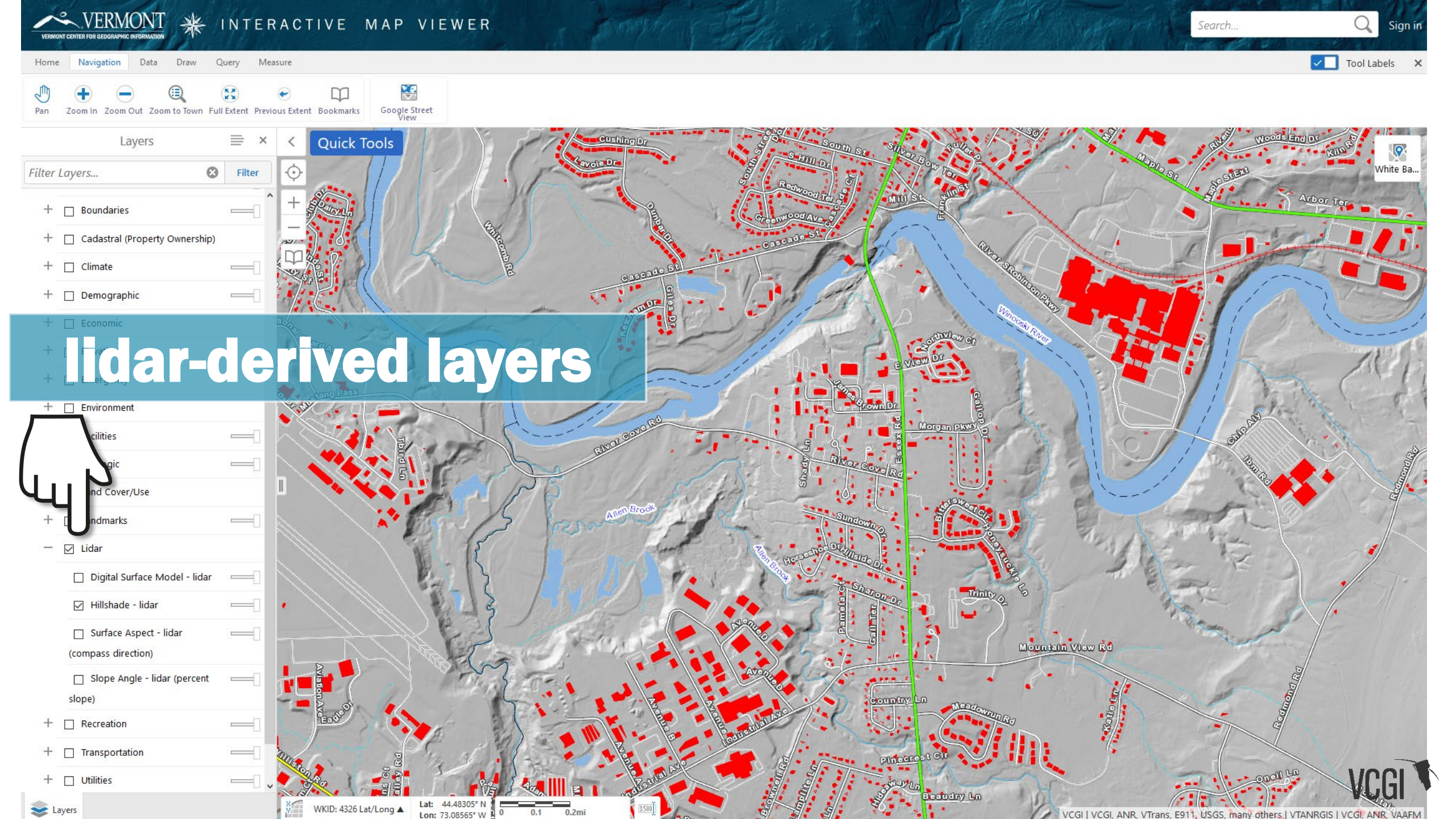
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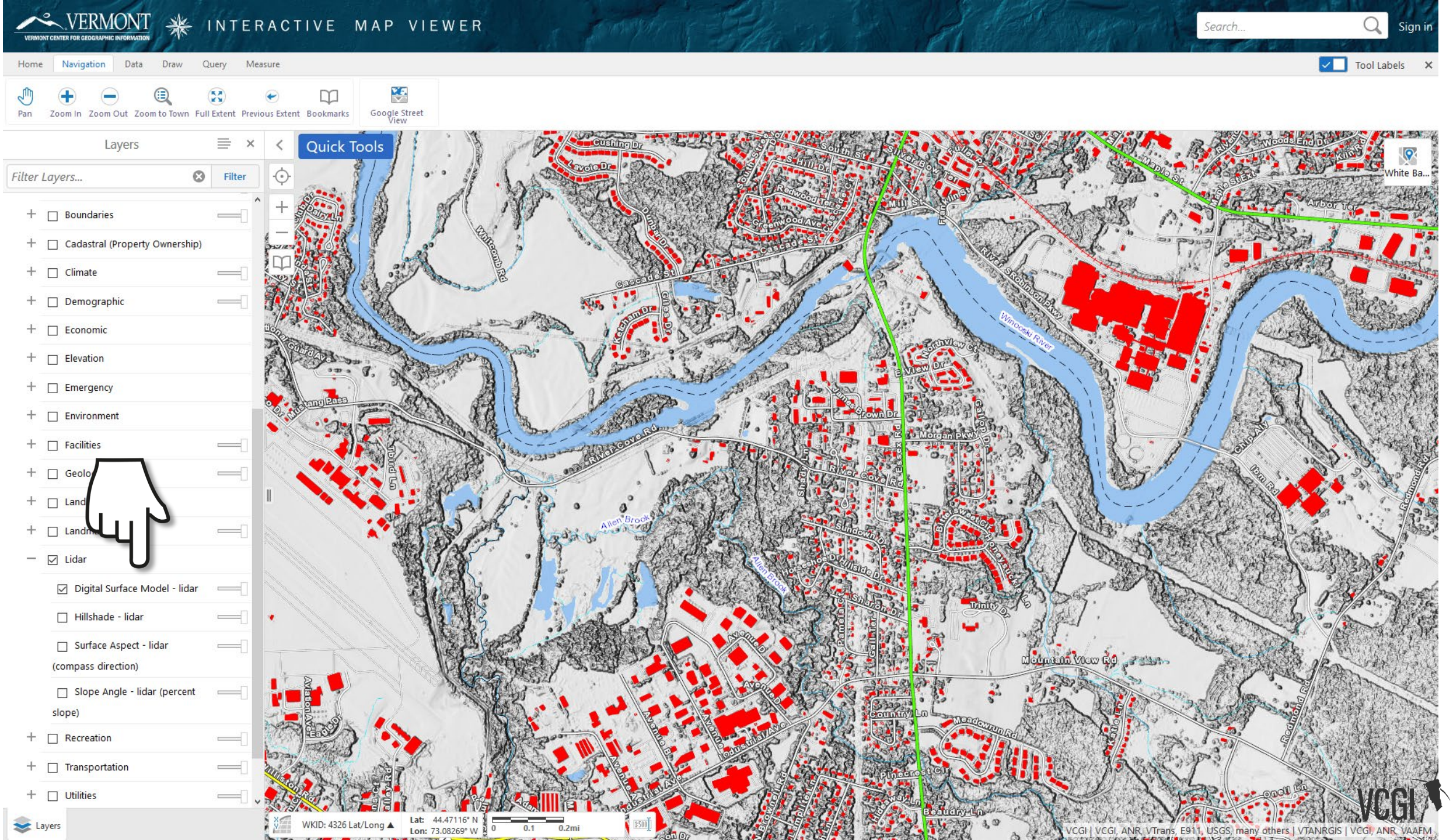
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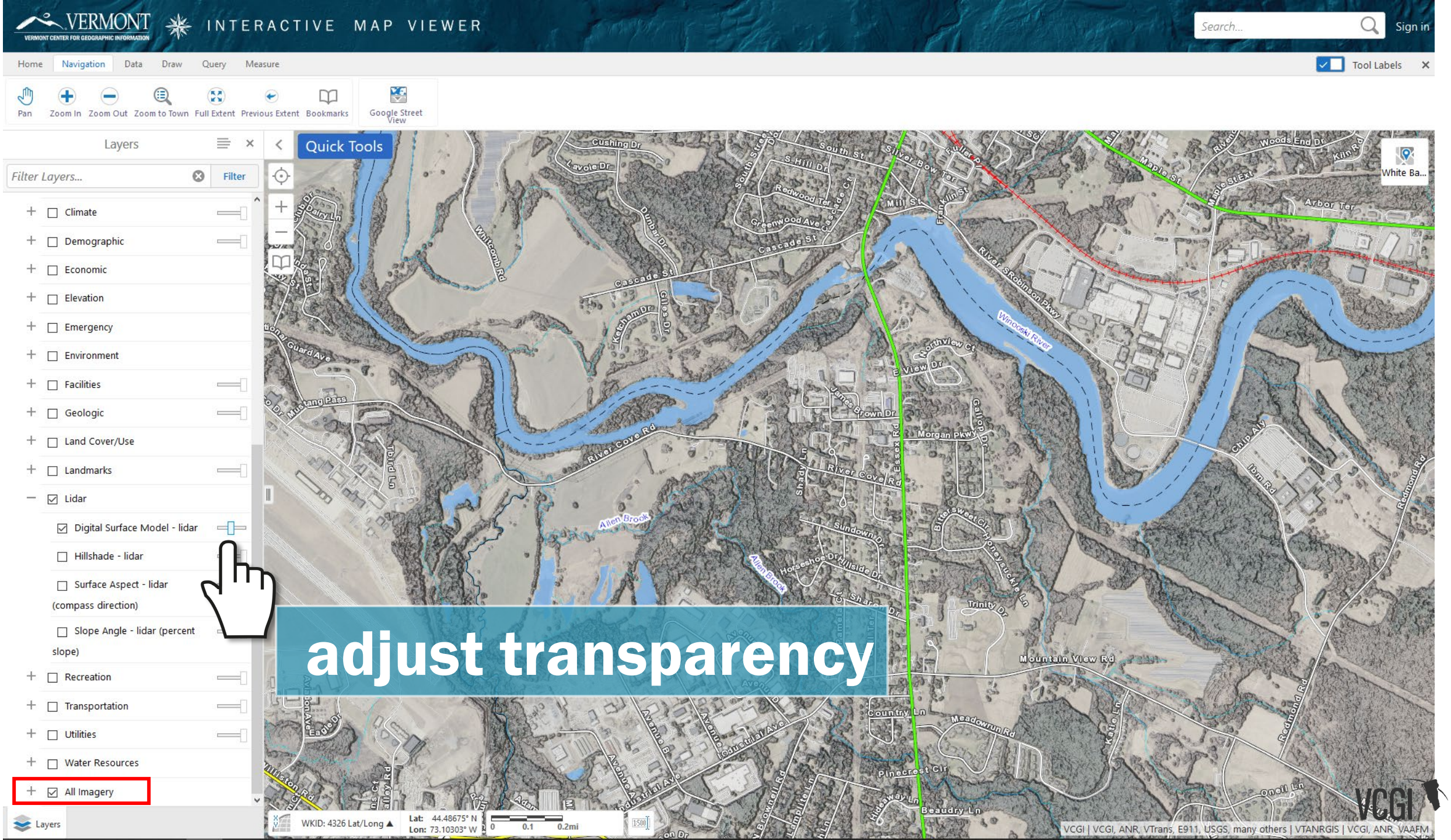
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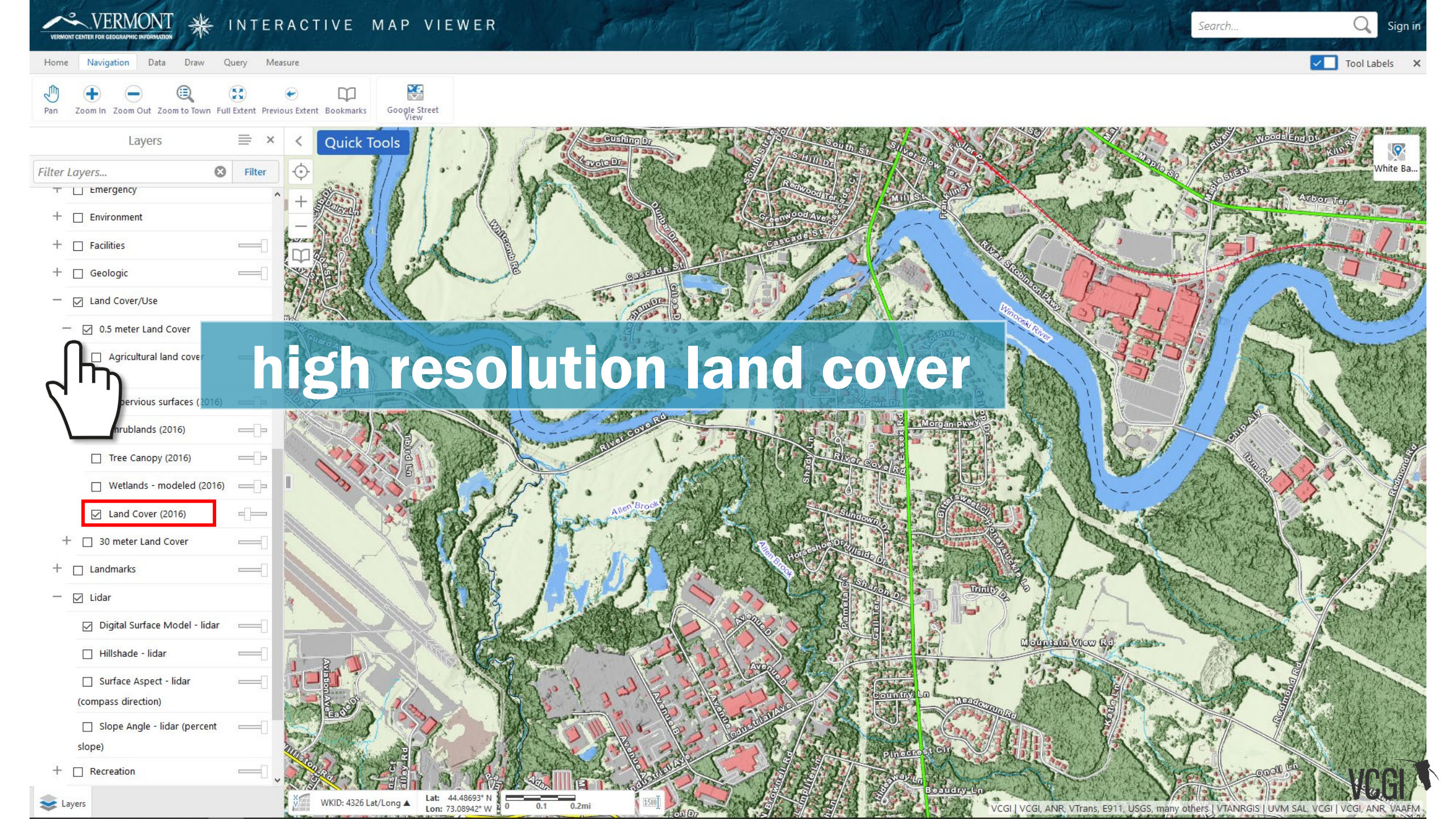
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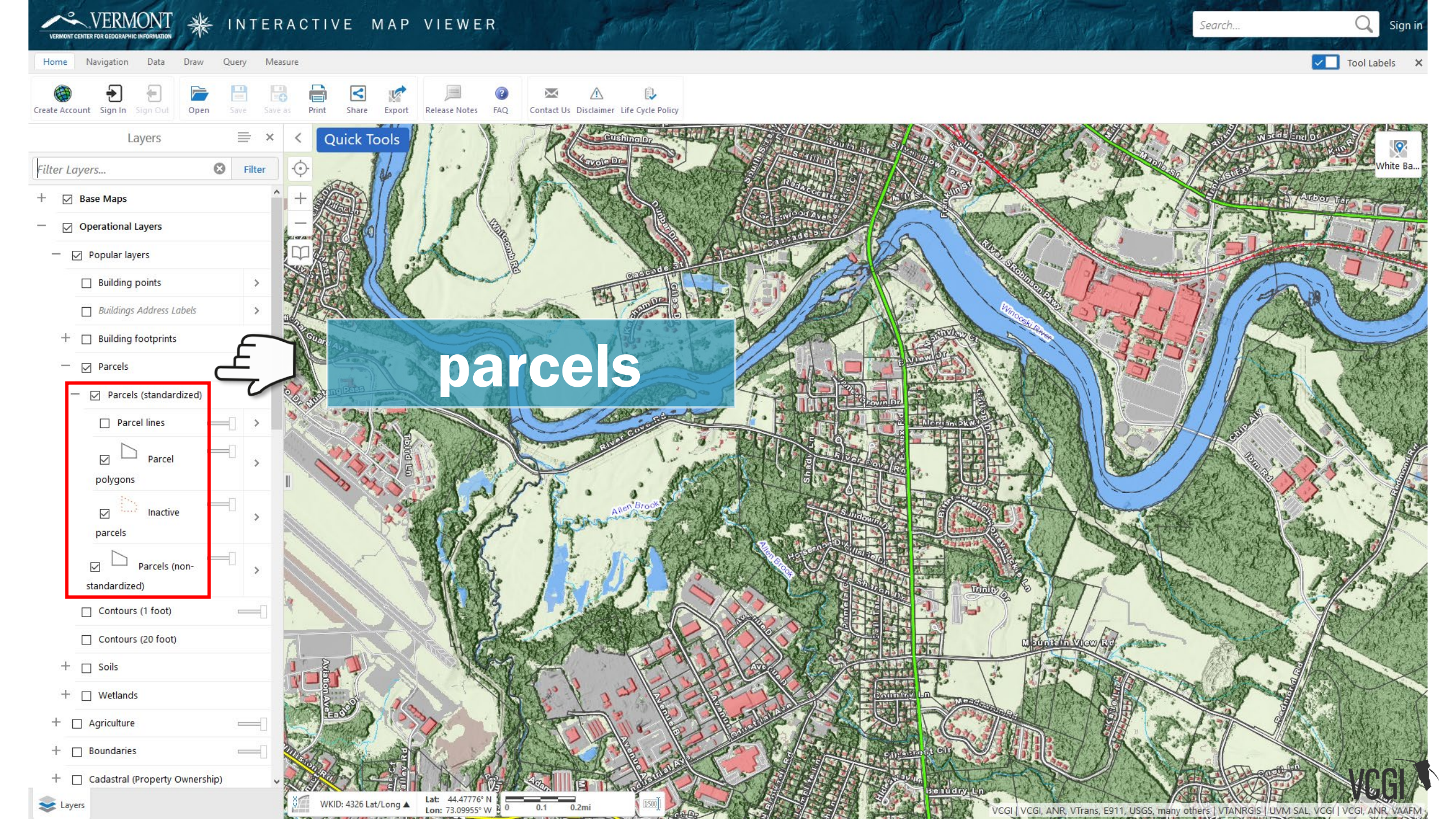
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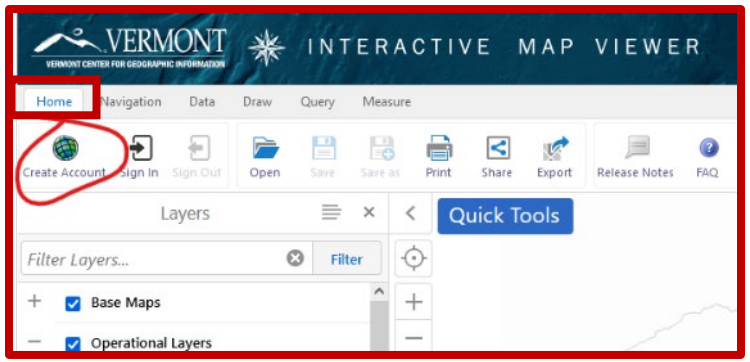

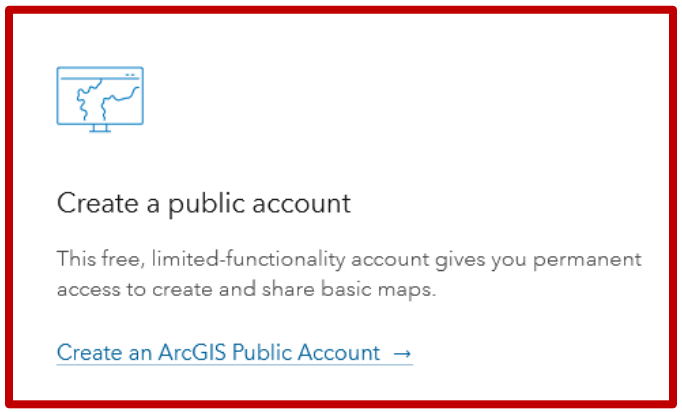

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3. Under **Create a free public account**, click **Create an ArcGIS Public Account**.
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5. Read the ArcGIS Online terms of use and privacy policy. Check the boxes to agree to the terms and policy and click **Next**.

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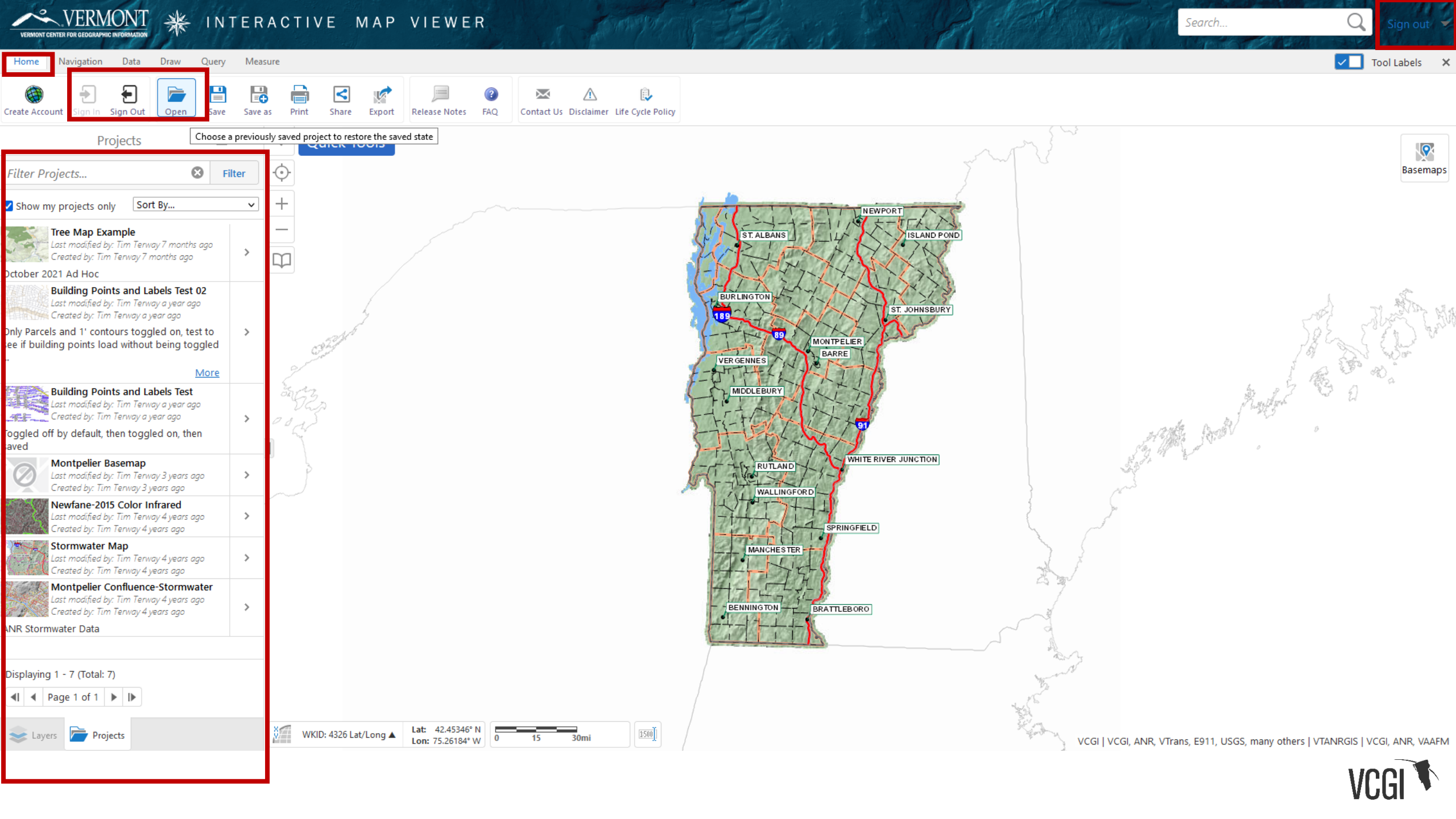
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Historical Settlements and Modern Trails

Legend
- Multi-use trails
- Walking trails/Historical road location (some sections may be logging roads)
- Historical road - impassable
- Trail
- Stream
- Stone wall
- House site/foundation
- Barn or outbuilding site/foundation
- Park office
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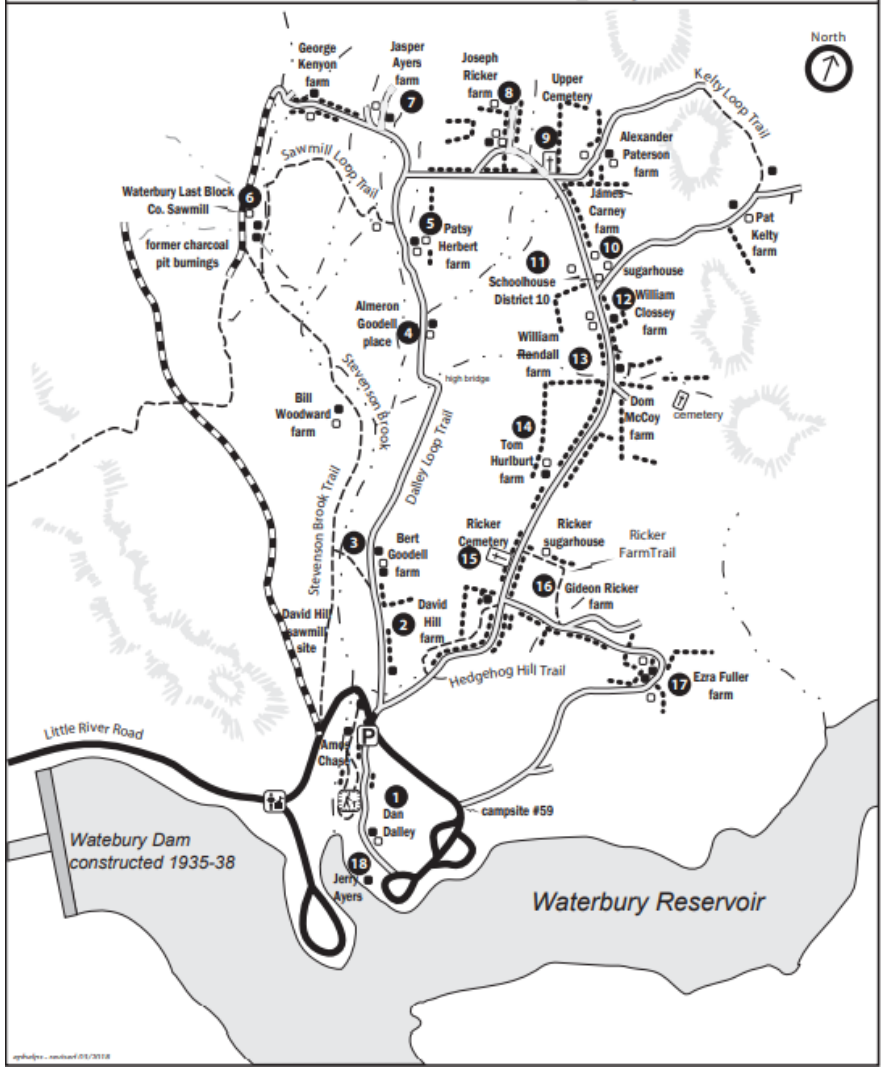

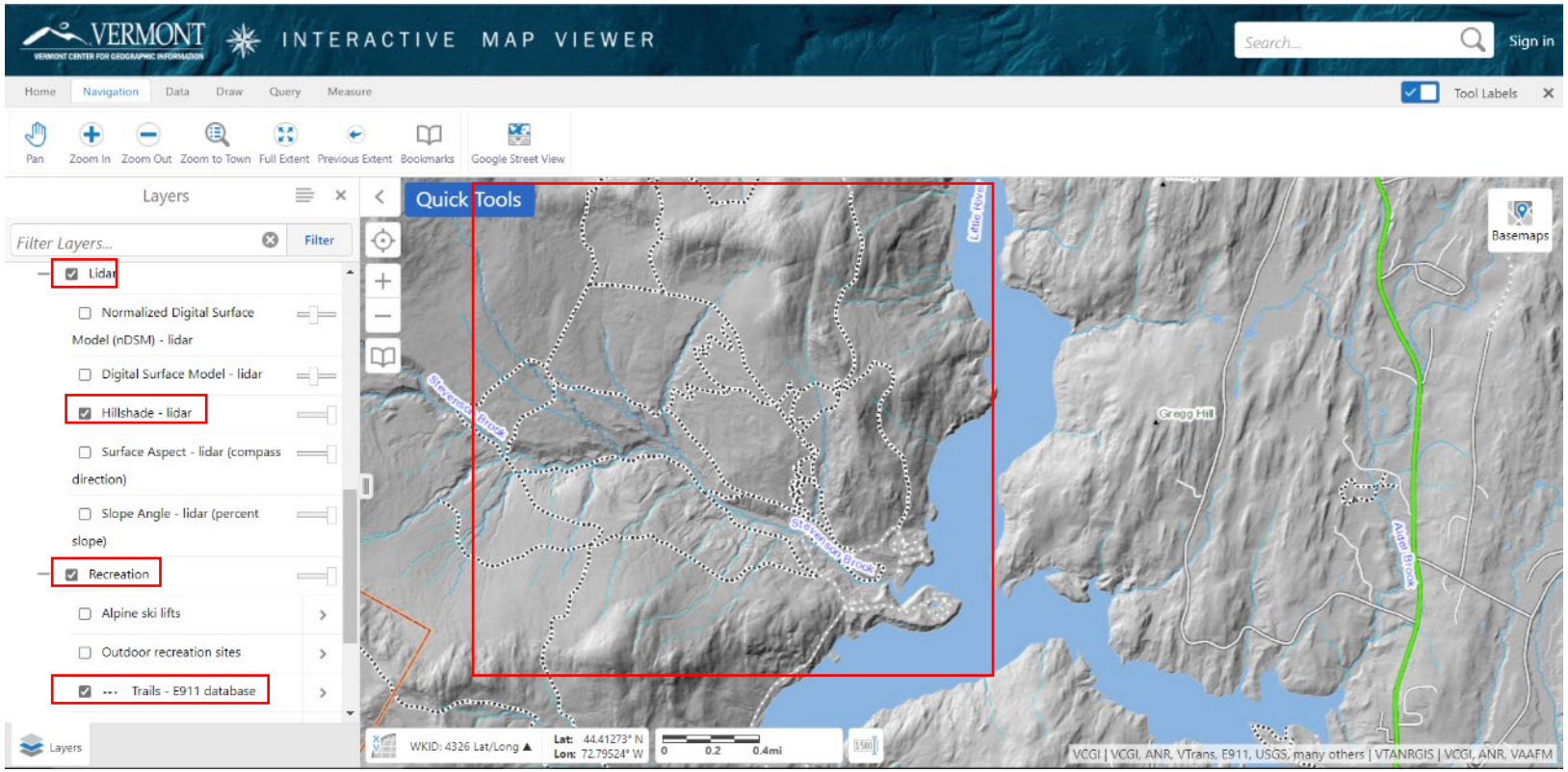

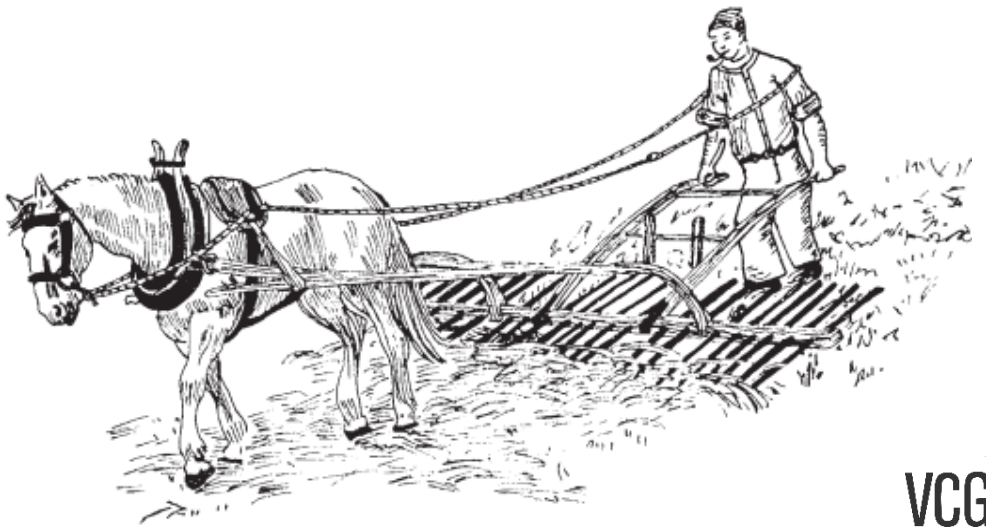

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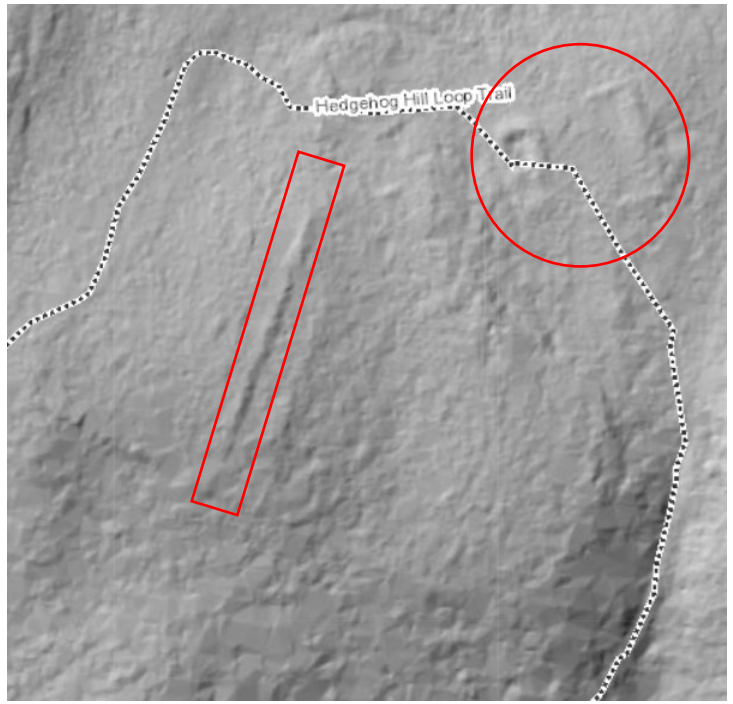
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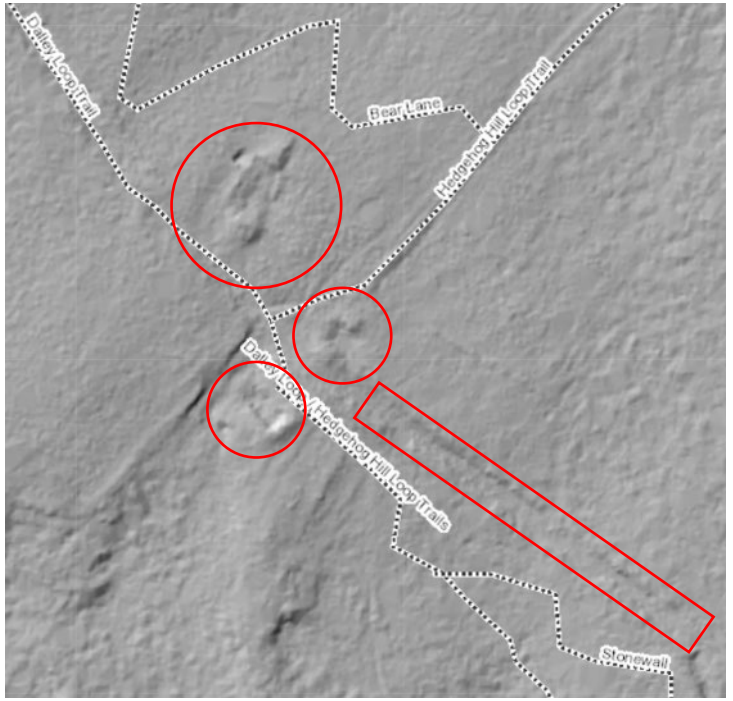
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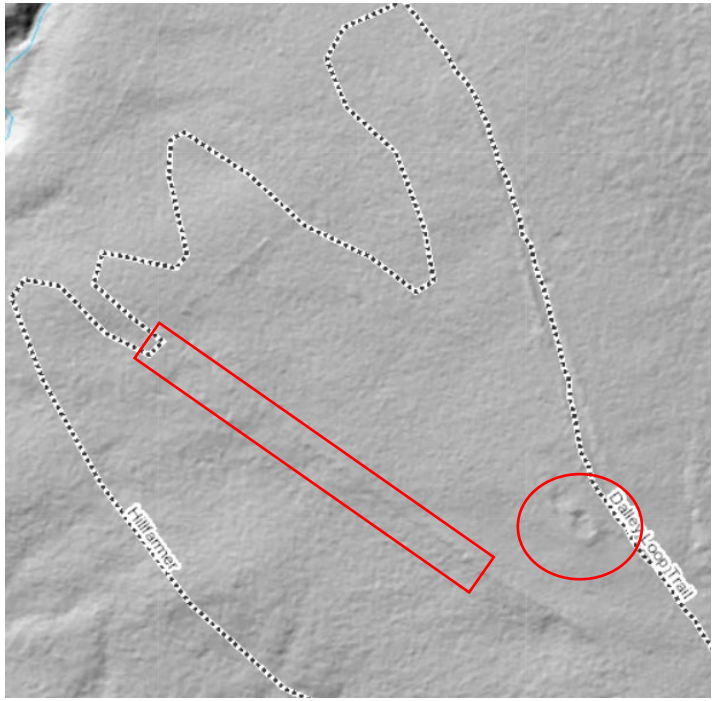
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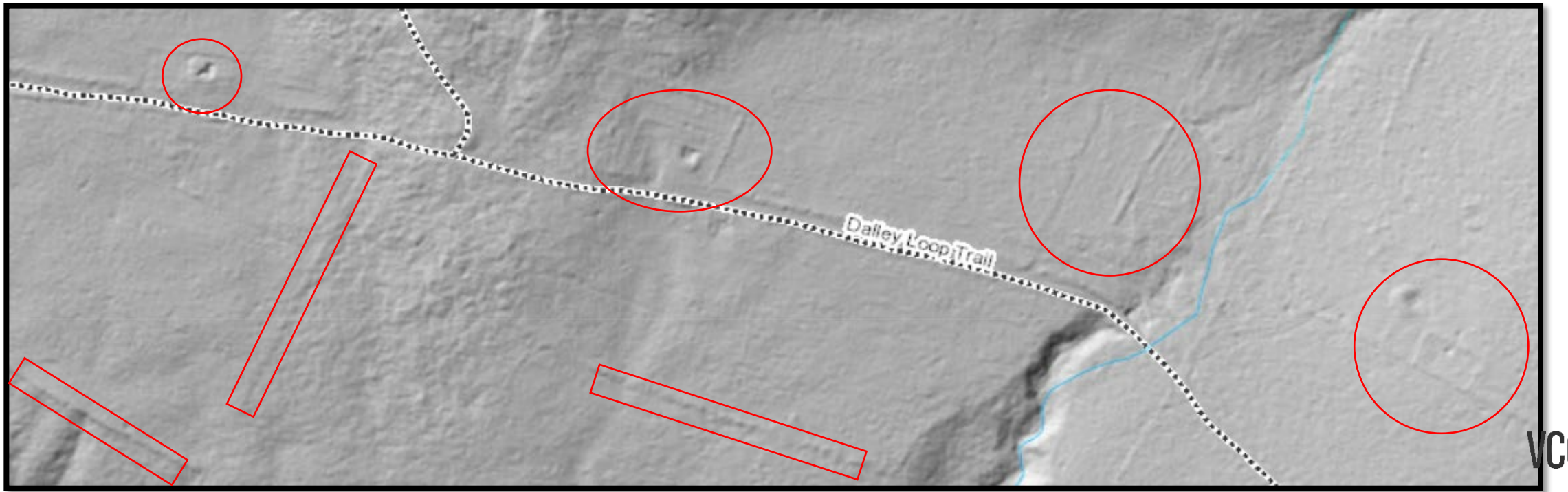
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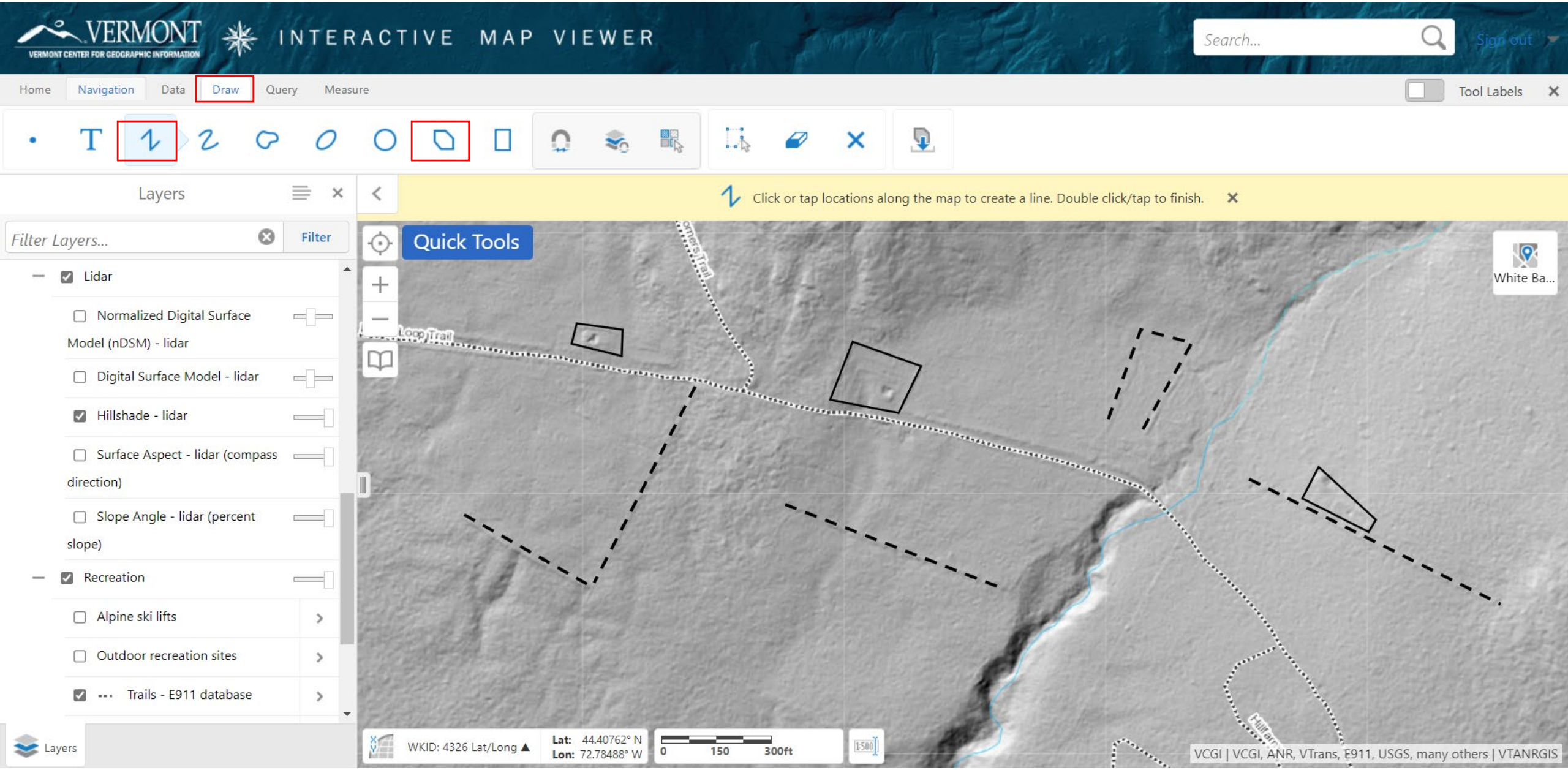
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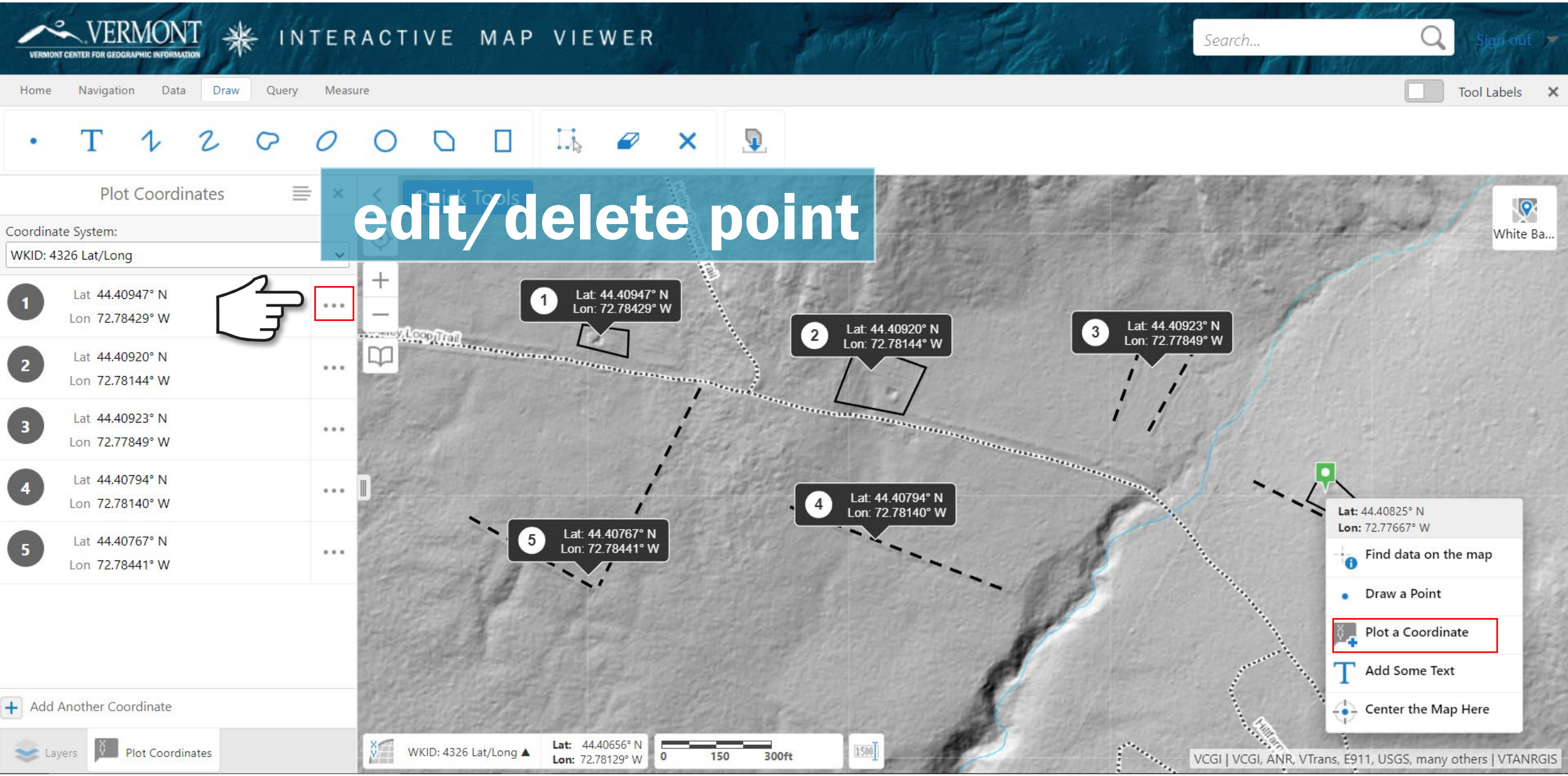
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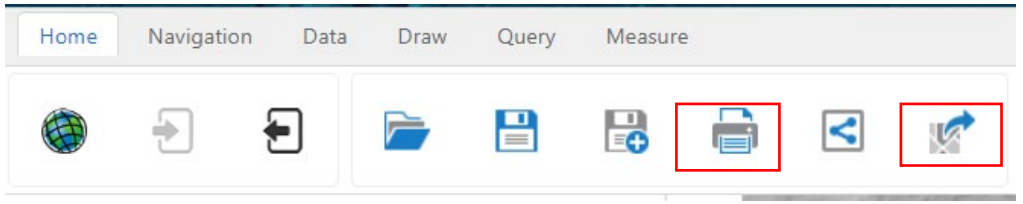

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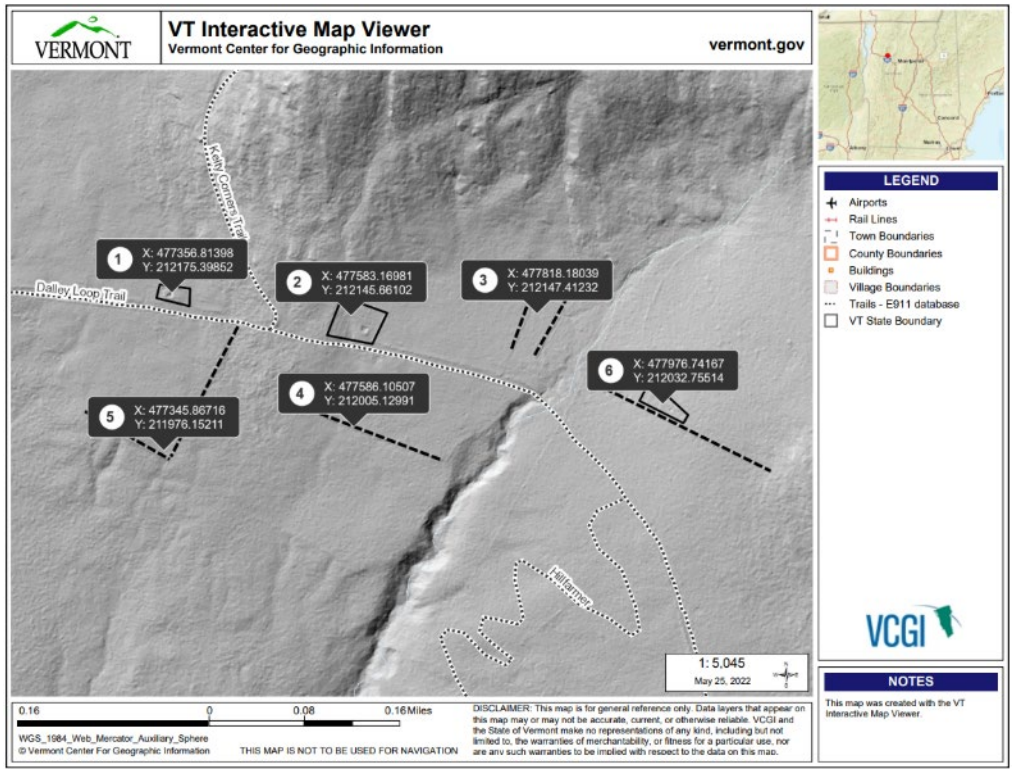

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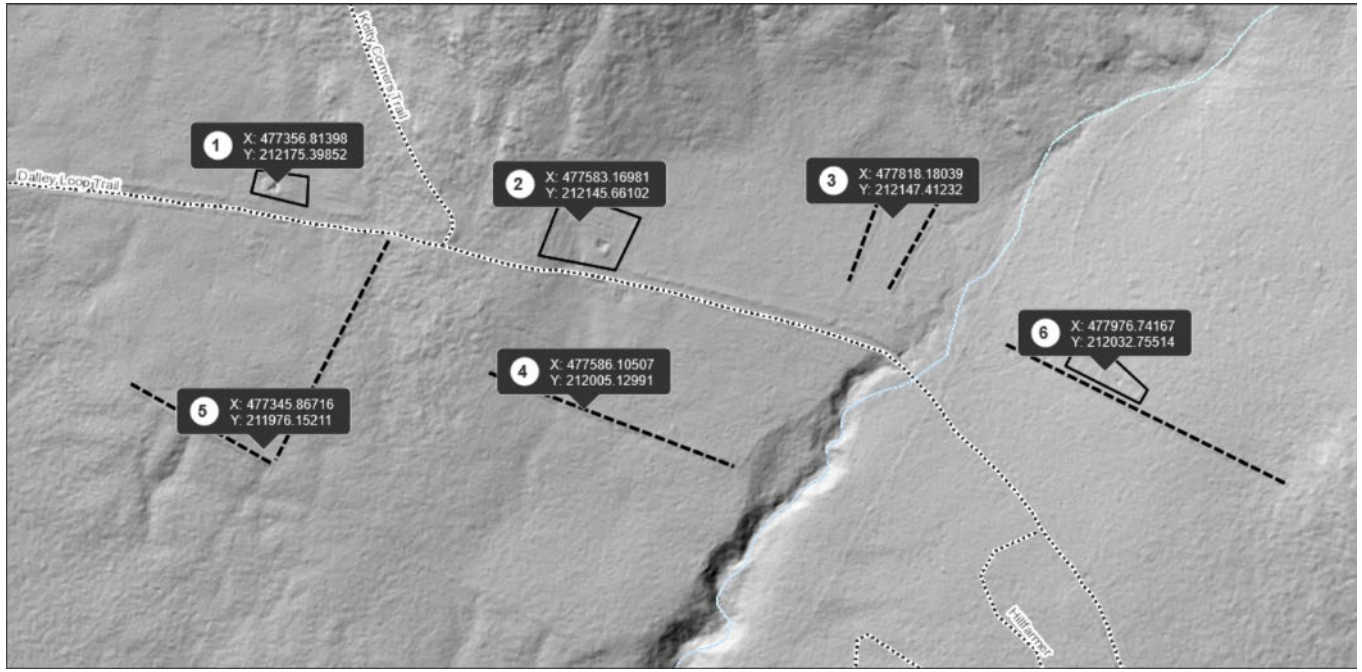

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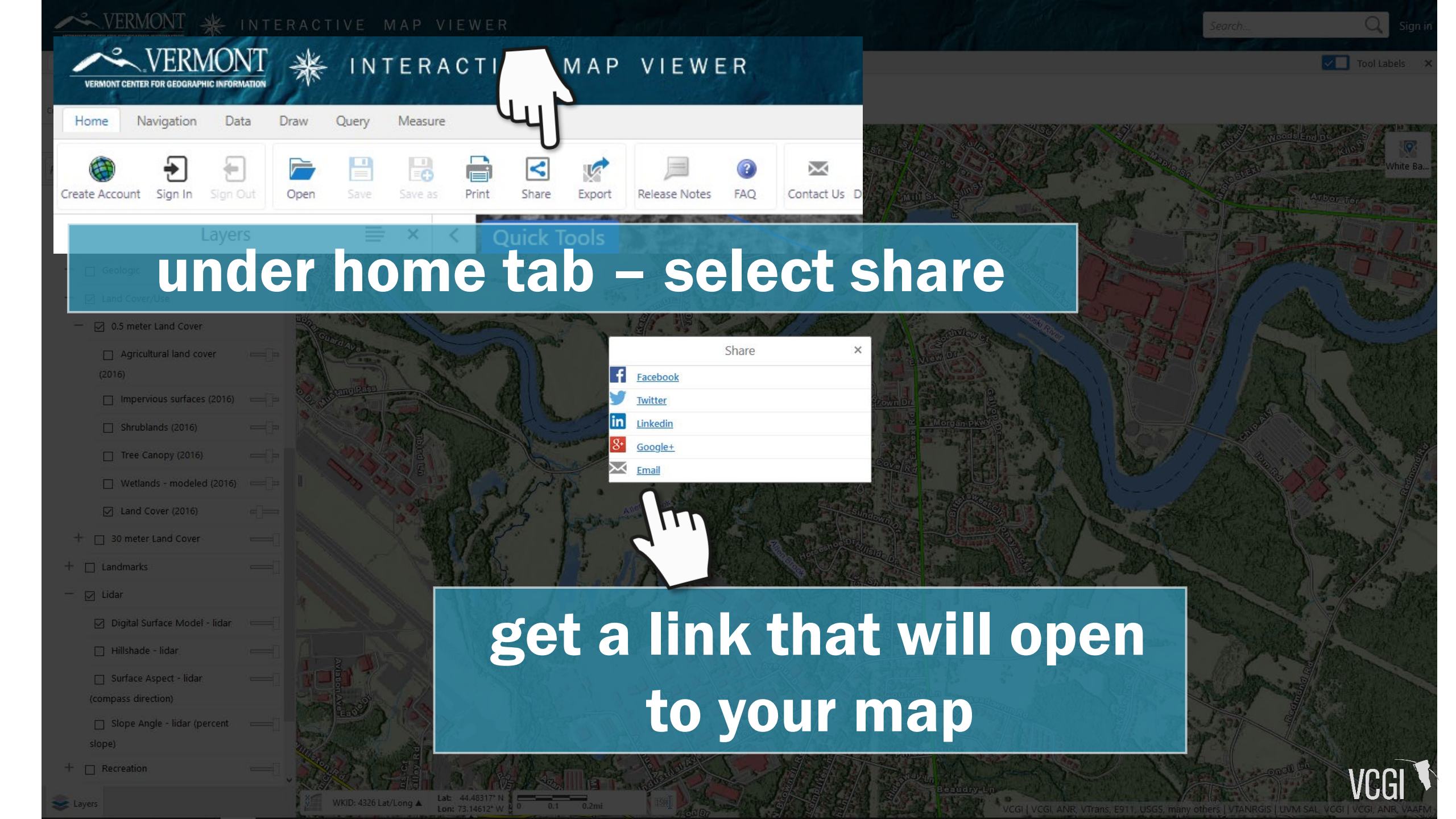
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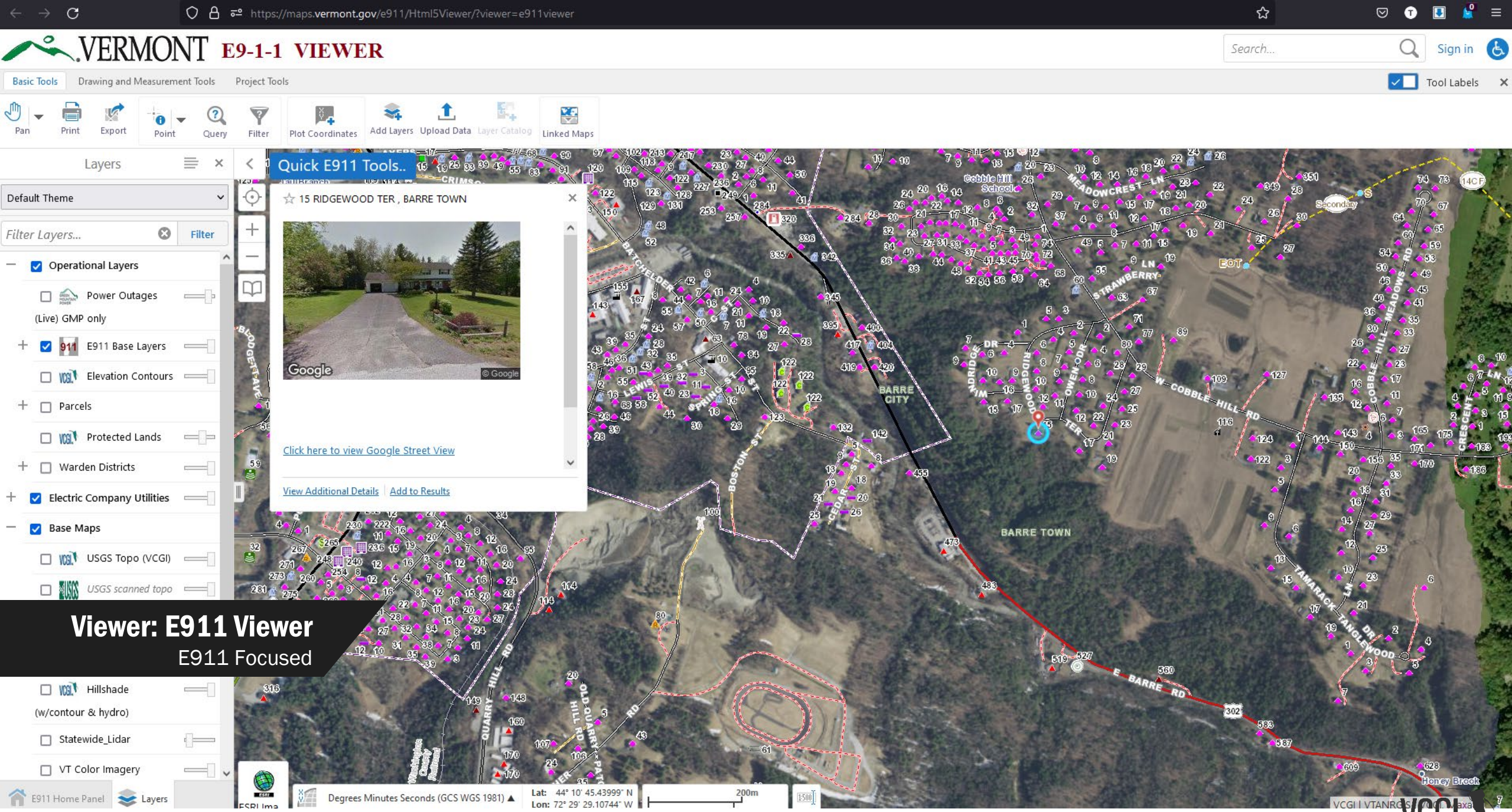

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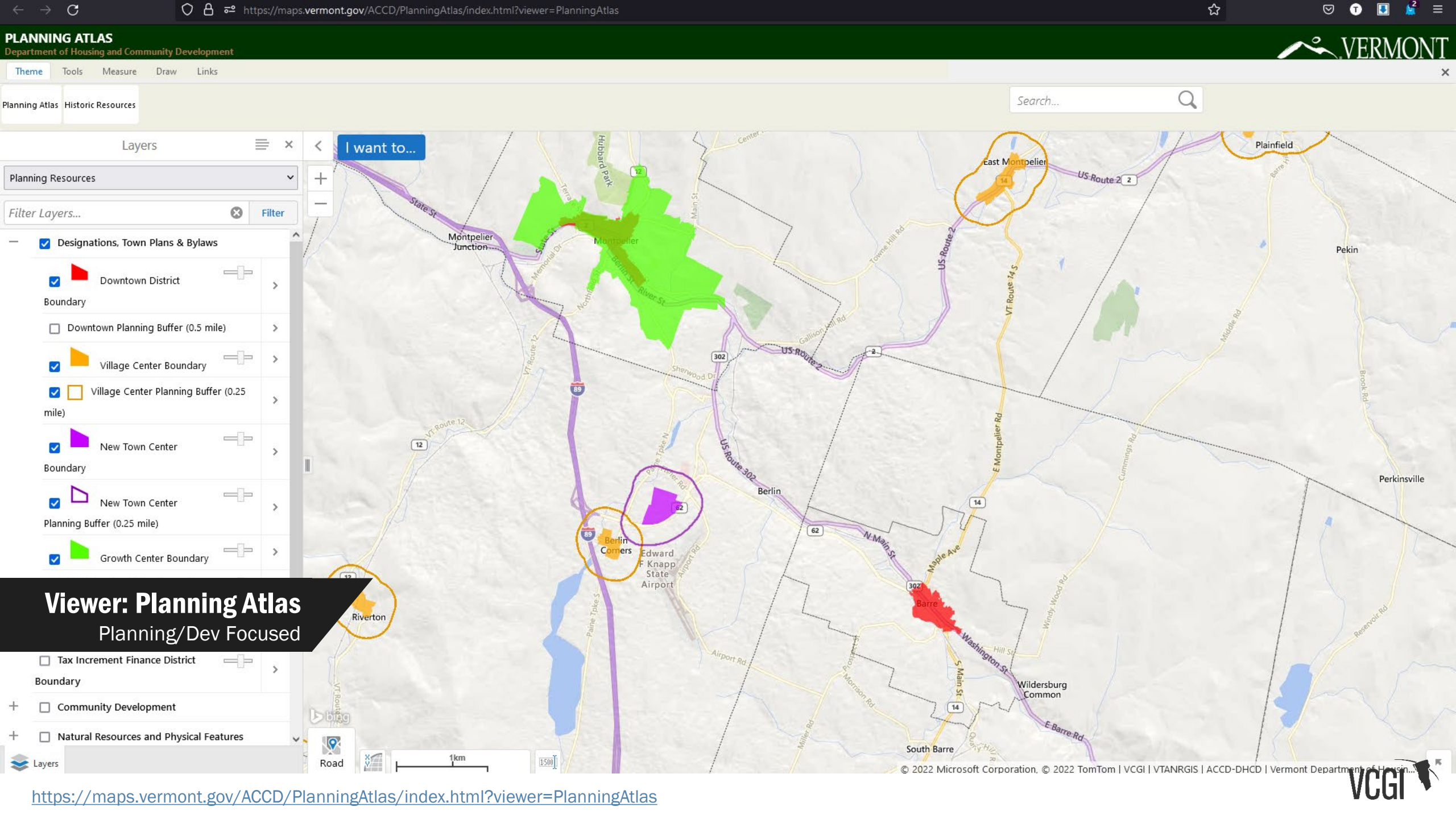

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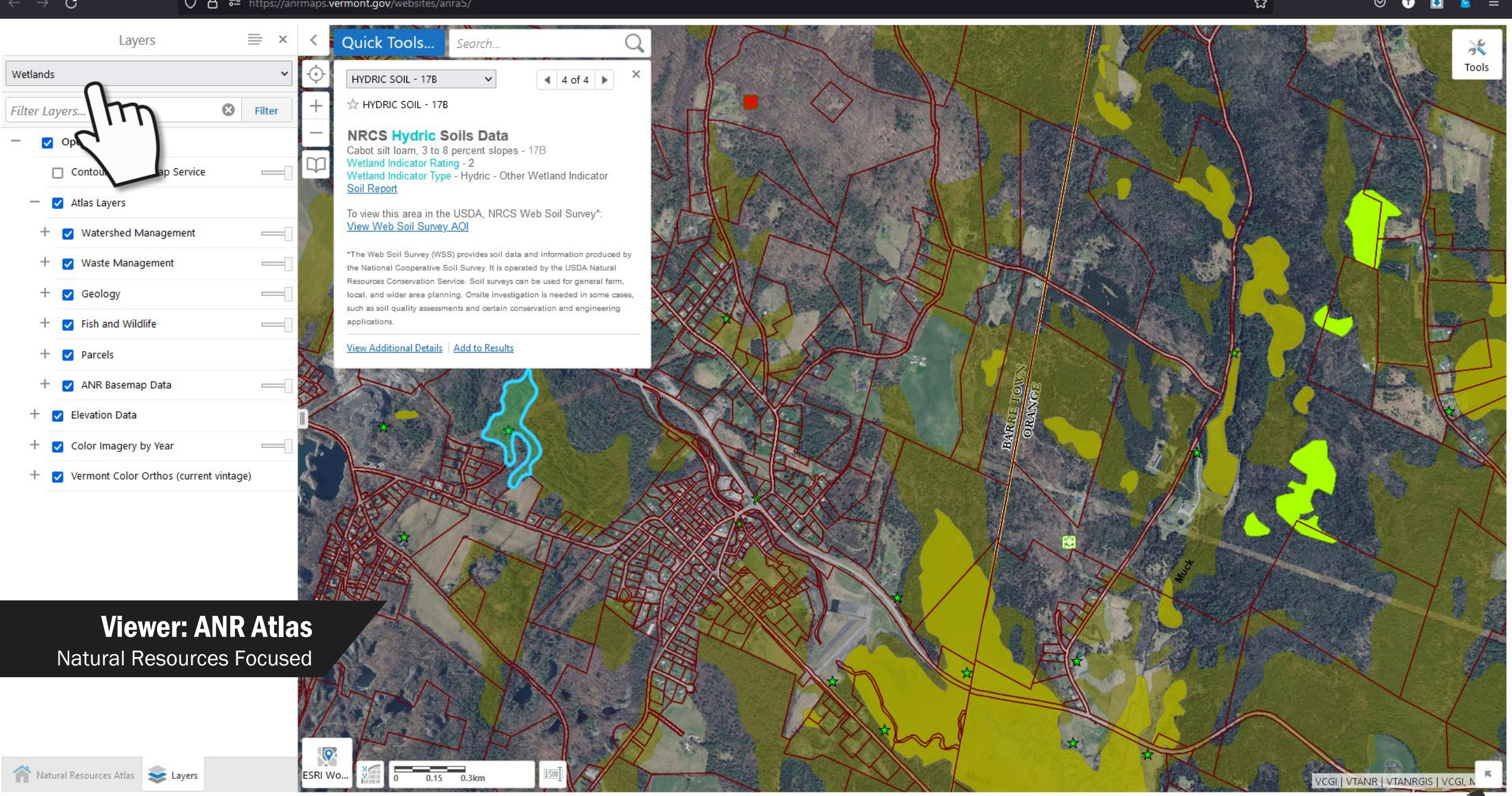

Viewer: ANR Atlas

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https://anrmaps.vermont.gov/websites/anra5/

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How to Use the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources (VT ANR) Natural Resources Atlas

2020

Prepared by Kristine Stepenuck, who modified and updated an earlier version by Becky Tharp

Viewer: ANR Atlas
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https://www.uvm.edu/seagrant/sites/default/files/files/publication/How%20to%20use%20the%20VT%20ANR%20Atlas%202020.pdf

How to Use the VTANR Natural Resources Atlas[1]

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IMV, Atlas, e911 Viewer, Planning Atlas Caveats

- They are viewers. Not a full-fledged GIS solution.
  - Not really a digitization platform
  - Or Cartographic platform
  - Or Geoprocessing/analytic platform
  - Or Data management platform…
- Kitchen sink app. That has pros/cons.
- Layers mostly pre-loaded. Custom use lends itself to other applications, including—gasp!—desktop GIS.
- Suited for trial/error: you won't break anything!

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PARTNER AGENCY MAPS

VCGI works with multiple state agencies through the Enterprise GIS Consortium, whose own maps and mapping applications are linked below.

Map Applications

AGENCY / DEPARTMENT	INTERACTIVE MAP	USES
ACCD / DHCD	Planning Atlas	View planning, development, and historic preservation-related spatial datasets.
ACCD / DHCD	Municipal Planning Data Center	View status of municipal plans, bylaws and designated areas throught Vermont.
ACCD	Themed Tourism Maps	View lodging, attractions, shops, events, and fun facts around Vermont.
ACCD / DED	Interactive Community Atlas	View businesses in Vermont with 30 or more employees and across a variety of sectors.
AHS / VDH	Local Health Basemap	View information to support local health work in Vermont.
AHS / VDH	Public Health Data Explorer	View public health information, trends over time, and visualize health indicators on a map.
AHS / VDH	Community Profiles	View public health information, trends over time, and visualize health indicators on a map, sortable by different health communities.
AHS / VDH	Environmental Public Health Tracking	View data on air quality, asthma, cancer, climate and health, drinking water, and more, all by location in Vermont.
AHS / VDH	Social Vulnerability Atlas	View the number of social vulnerability measures above the 90th percentile for Vermont census tracts.
AHS / VDH	Heat Vulnerability Index	View the overall vulnerability of each Vermont town to heat related illness.
AHS / VDH	Community Level Estimates	View disparities in risk behaviors and chronic disease for 89 geographies across Vermont.
AHS / VDH	Cyanobacteria (Blue-Green Algae) Tracker	View status of cyanobacteria (blue-green algae) in Vermont waterways.
AHS / VDH	Tick Tracker	View status and report sighting of ticks across Vermont.
AHS / VDH	EMS & MRC On-Call Station Finder	Find the Emergency Medical Services and Medical Reserve Corps locations closest to you.
AHS / VDH	Vermont Travel Clinic Finder	Find clinics near you to provide the immunizations needed for travel abroad.

Finding VT GIS Apps
Partner Agency Maintained

https://vcgi.vermont.gov/maps/partner-agency-maps

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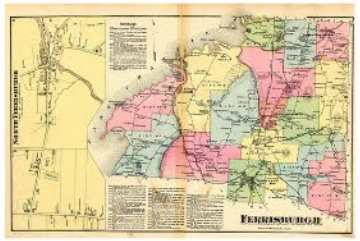
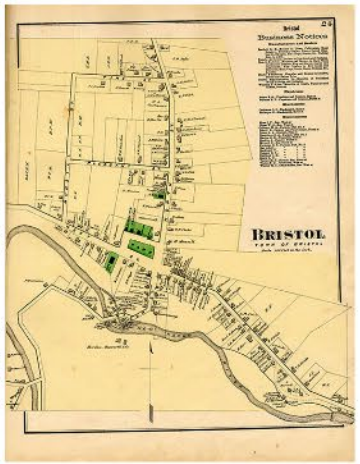
HISTORIC MAPS

Where can you find hard copy and digital historic maps? Here are some sources suggested by members of the VT mapping community:





- VT Division of Historic Preservation Online Research Center - Though this doesn't include GIS data, it does include digital documents that often have geospatial reference info
- VT State Archives and Records Administration
  - Maps and Lotting Plans
- University of VT Map Room
- Middlebury College Historic Map Collection
- VT Historical Society
- USGS Historic Topo Maps
- University of New Hampshire - Historic USGS Maps of New England & NY
- Hipkiss' Scanned Old Maps Note: You may need to manually enter https:// instead of http:// as a prefix to these pages to view.
- The David Rumsey Collection of Scanned Maps
- The Perry-Castaneda Library
- The New York Public Library
- The Library of Congress
- The UVM Special Collections Center for Digital Initiatives online collection includes some scanned maps.
- The Vermont Society of Land Surveyors has scanned thousands of surveys from around Vermont. They are not indexed or available online, but you can check whether they have surveys by a particular surveyor if you have a name.
- Norman B. Leventhal Map & Education Center at the Boston Public Library

Finding Historical Maps

Resources Elsewhere

https://vcgi.vermont.gov/maps/historic-maps

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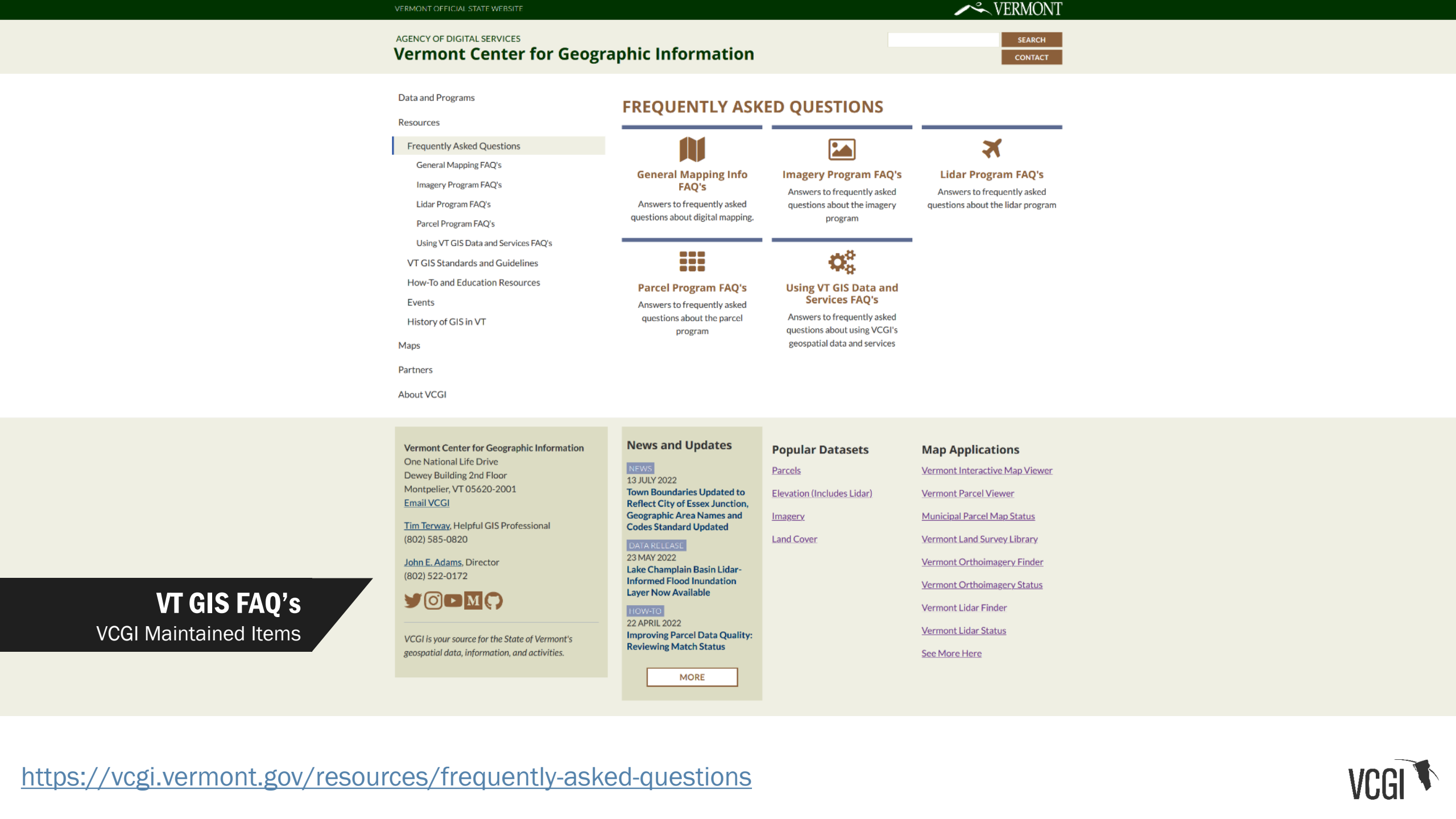

VT GIS FAQ's

VCGI Maintained Items

https://vcgi.vermont.gov/resources/frequently-asked-questions

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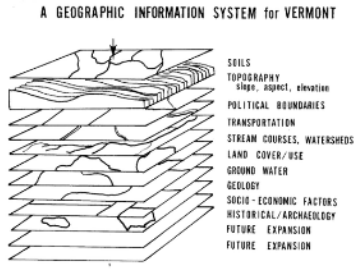
HOW-TO AND EDUCATION RESOURCES

The pace of change in geographic information system (GIS) technology and applications is often difficult to keep up with. The resources linked below are good starting points for learning more about GIS, whether you are an absolute beginner or an advanced user with specific questions.

Training and Support



GIS Concepts and Practices

List of GIS software

Basic Comparison of GIS Software

Introduction to GIS (from QGIS) *Excellent overview for those just starting to understand GIS.

Introduction to GIS Fundamentals *Similarly excellent overview for newcomers, this time in slide deck, day-long workshop format.

How to Learn GIS resources from GIS Lounge

QGIS Tutorials and Tips

GIS @ Tuft's Tutorials (comprehensive)

GIS Manual (Paul Cote, comprehensive)

GIS&T Body of Knowledge - University Consortium for Geographic Information Science (comprehensive overview of GIS-related concepts)

ESRI Map Book Library *Excellent resource for inspirational examples of different mapping techniques and mappable content.

Common Design & Engineering Operations (including GIS to CAD conversion of contour data in QGIS and older Arc platforms PDF)

Geospatial and Statistical Data Resources (Harvard GSD) *Includes links to free GIS resources, common operations

Software & Platform Focused

ESRI (ArcGIS) Training Offerings

QGIS Training Directory

QGIS Training Manual

QGIS 3 for Absolute Beginners *Video link, ideal companion to Introduction to QGIS resources linked above.

OGC Geopackage Documentation *A potential successor to the shapefile

How to Export SHP to CAD Without Losing Elevation Value Using QGIS *Useful for working with elevation data such as 1' contours

Learning GIS
Resources Elsewhere

https://vcgi.vermont.gov/resources/how-and-education-resources

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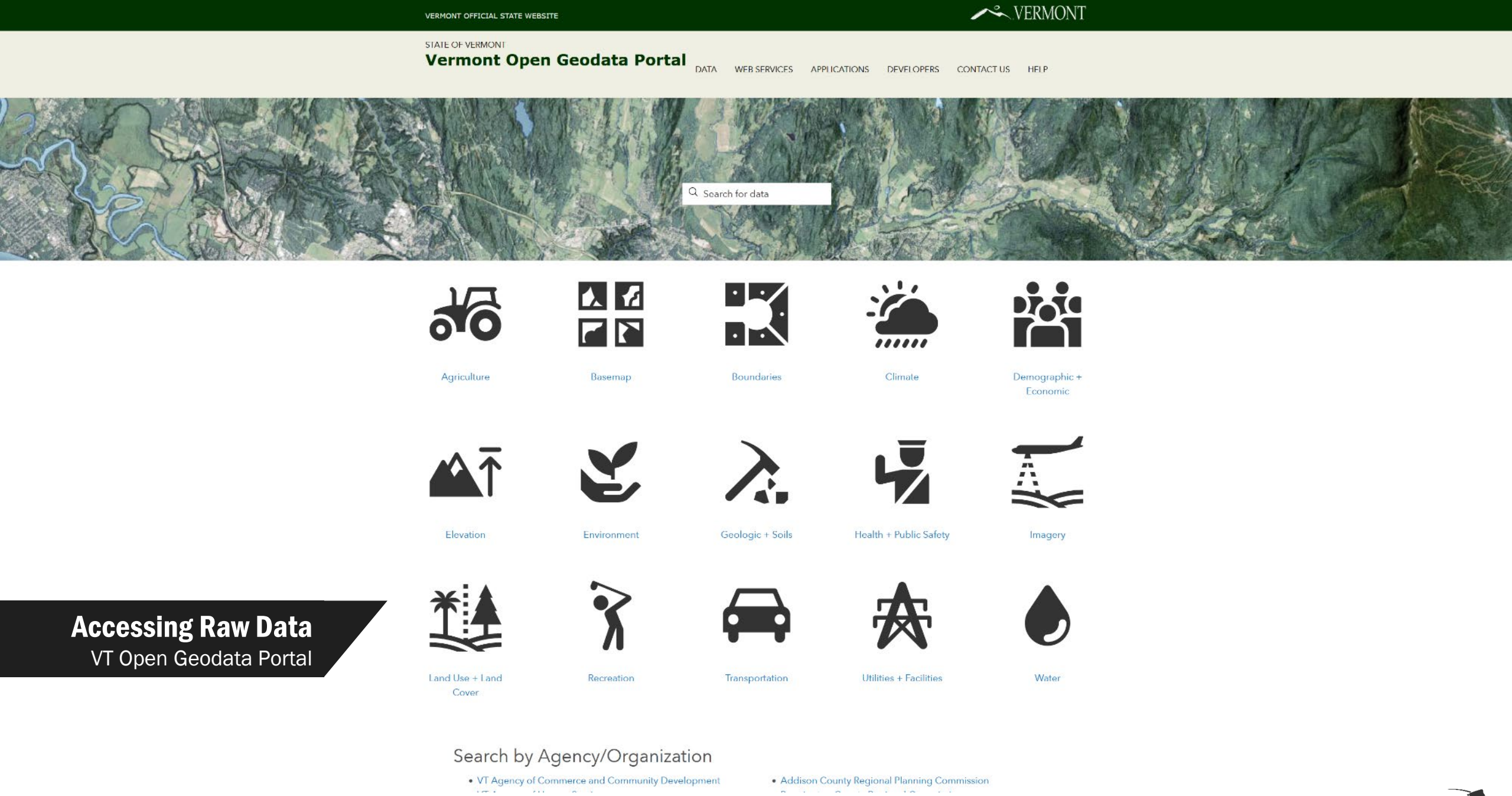

Accessing Raw Data

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https://geodata.vermont.gov/

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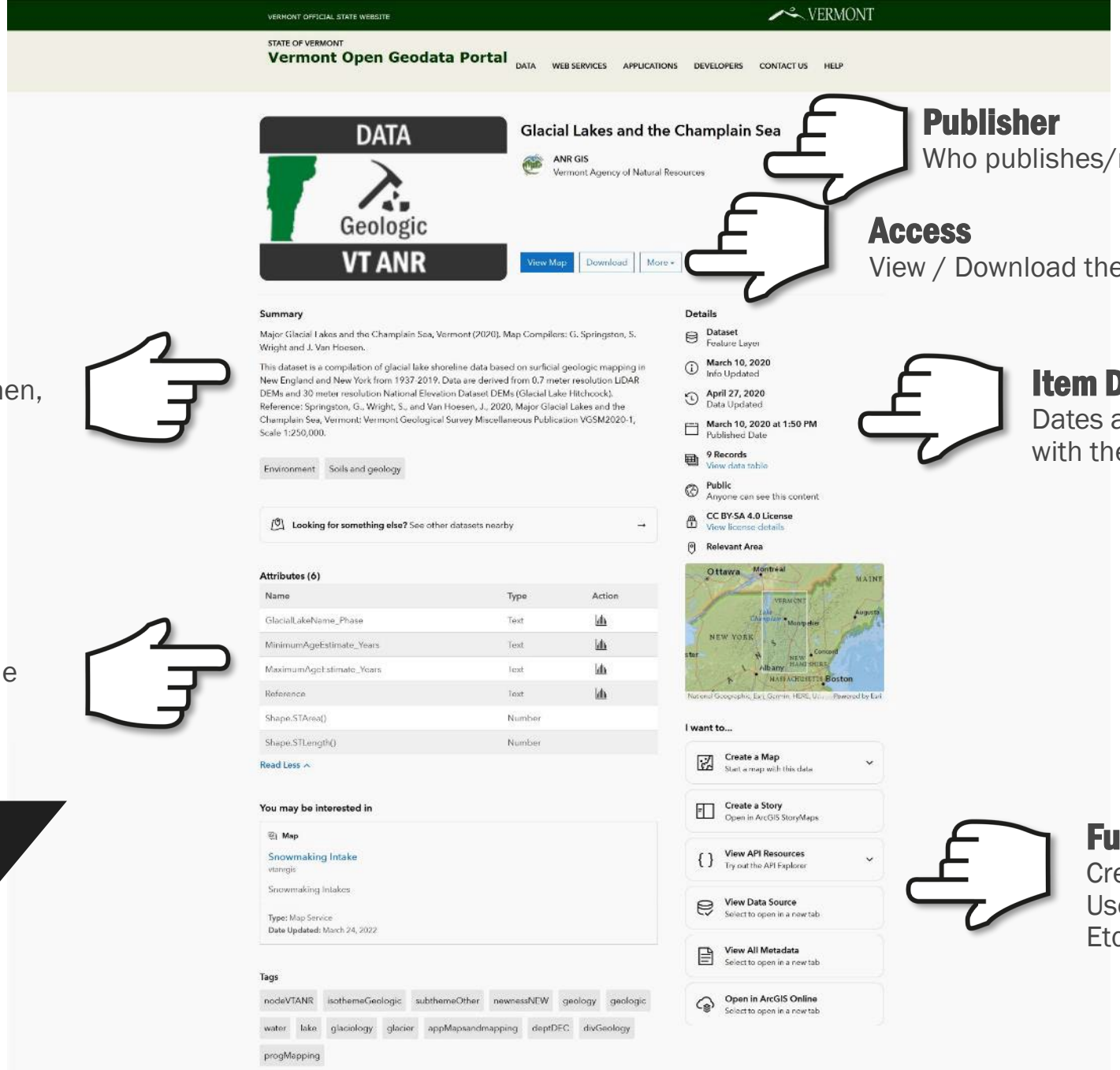

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Access
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Item Description
The “what, who, how, when, why” information.

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Fields and type within the dataset.

Further Uses
Create ArcGIS Online map,
Use the API, service, metadata,
Etc.

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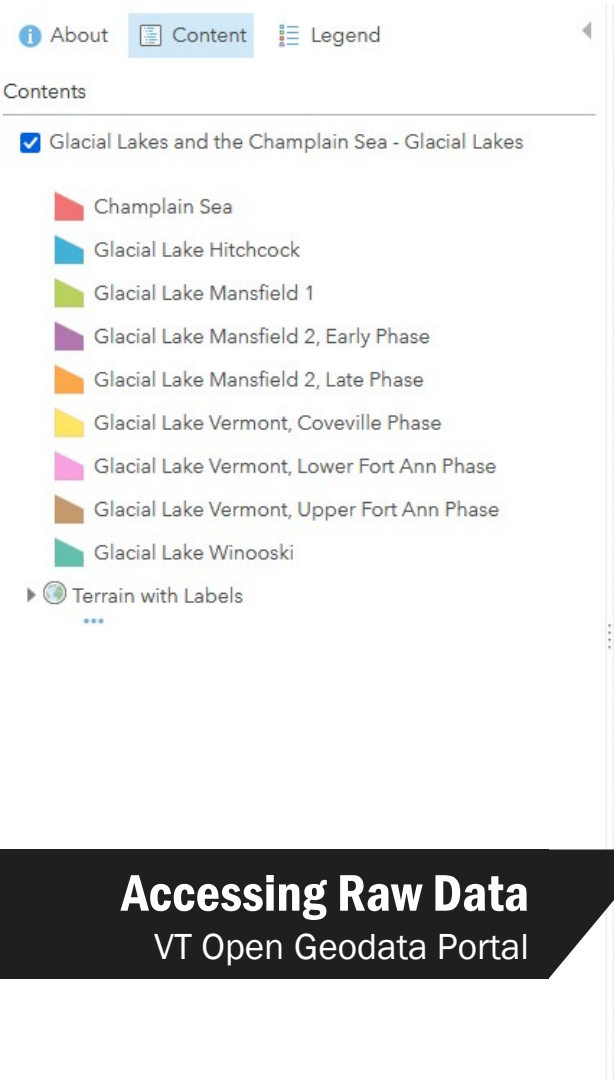

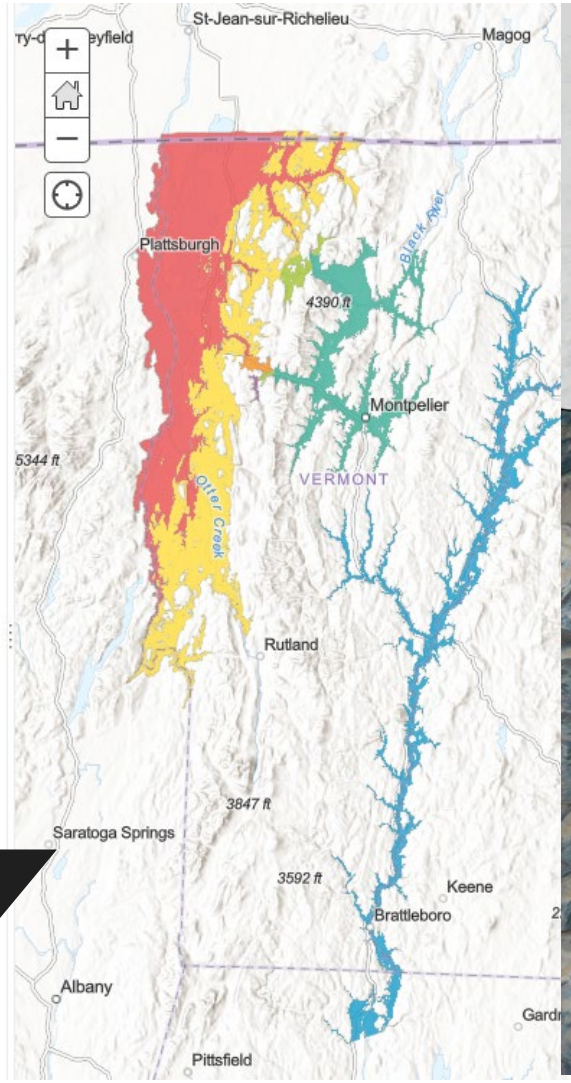

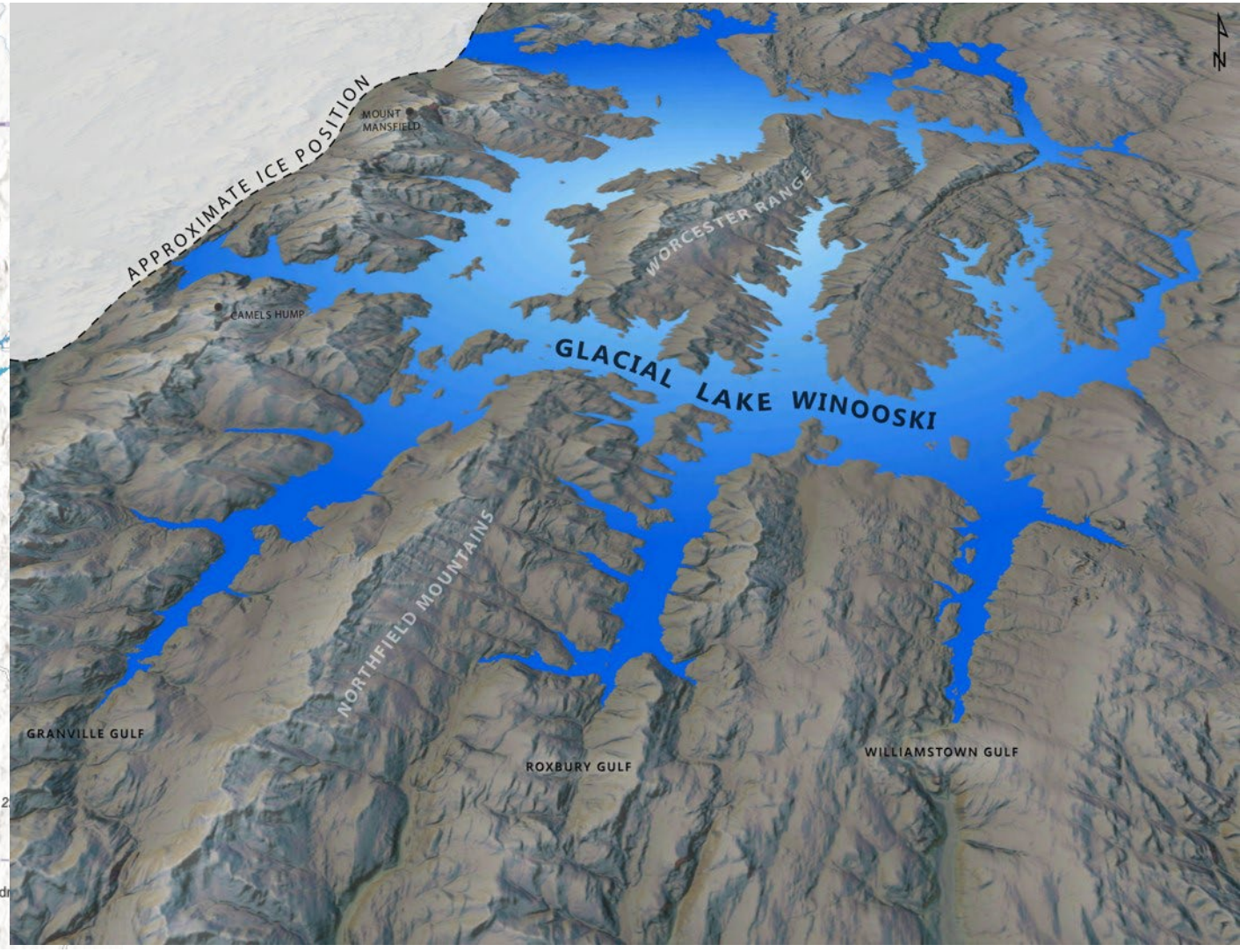

Accessing Raw Data

VT Open Geodata Portal

IMAGE: COLIN DOWEY, ANR

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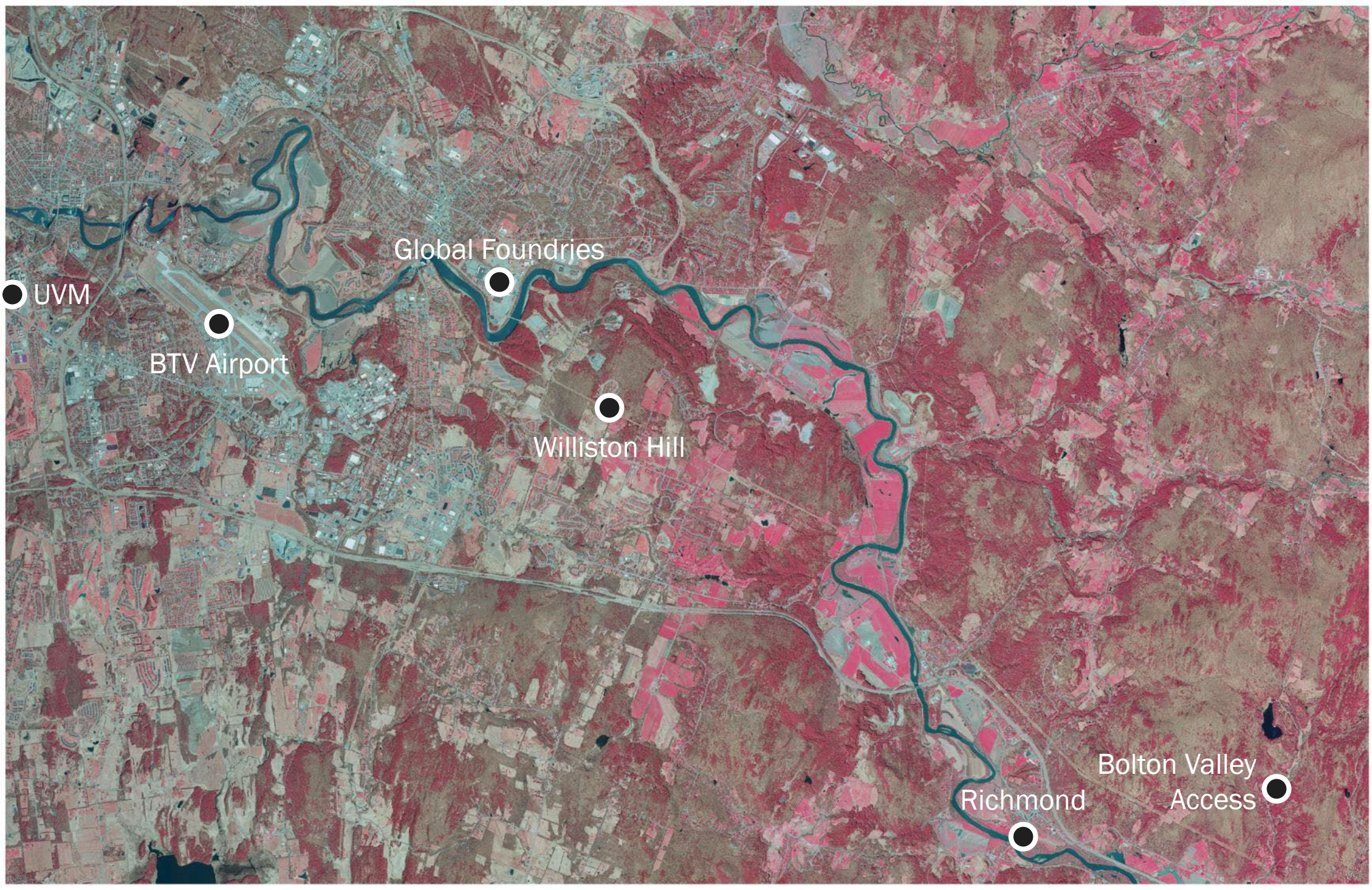

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CIR Imagery

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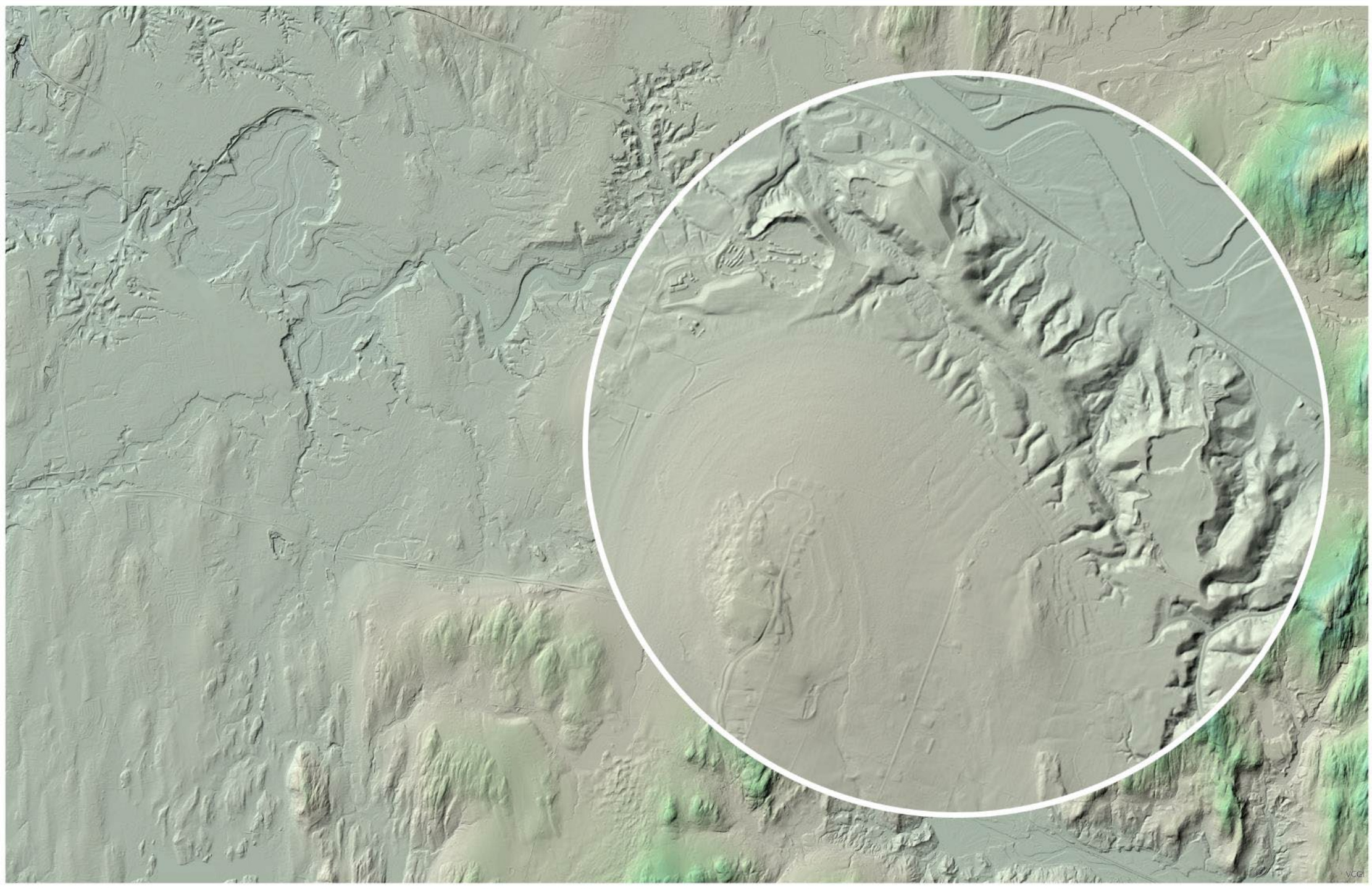

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DEM - Shaded
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CIR + DEM +
Hydro + Contours
+ Infrastructure

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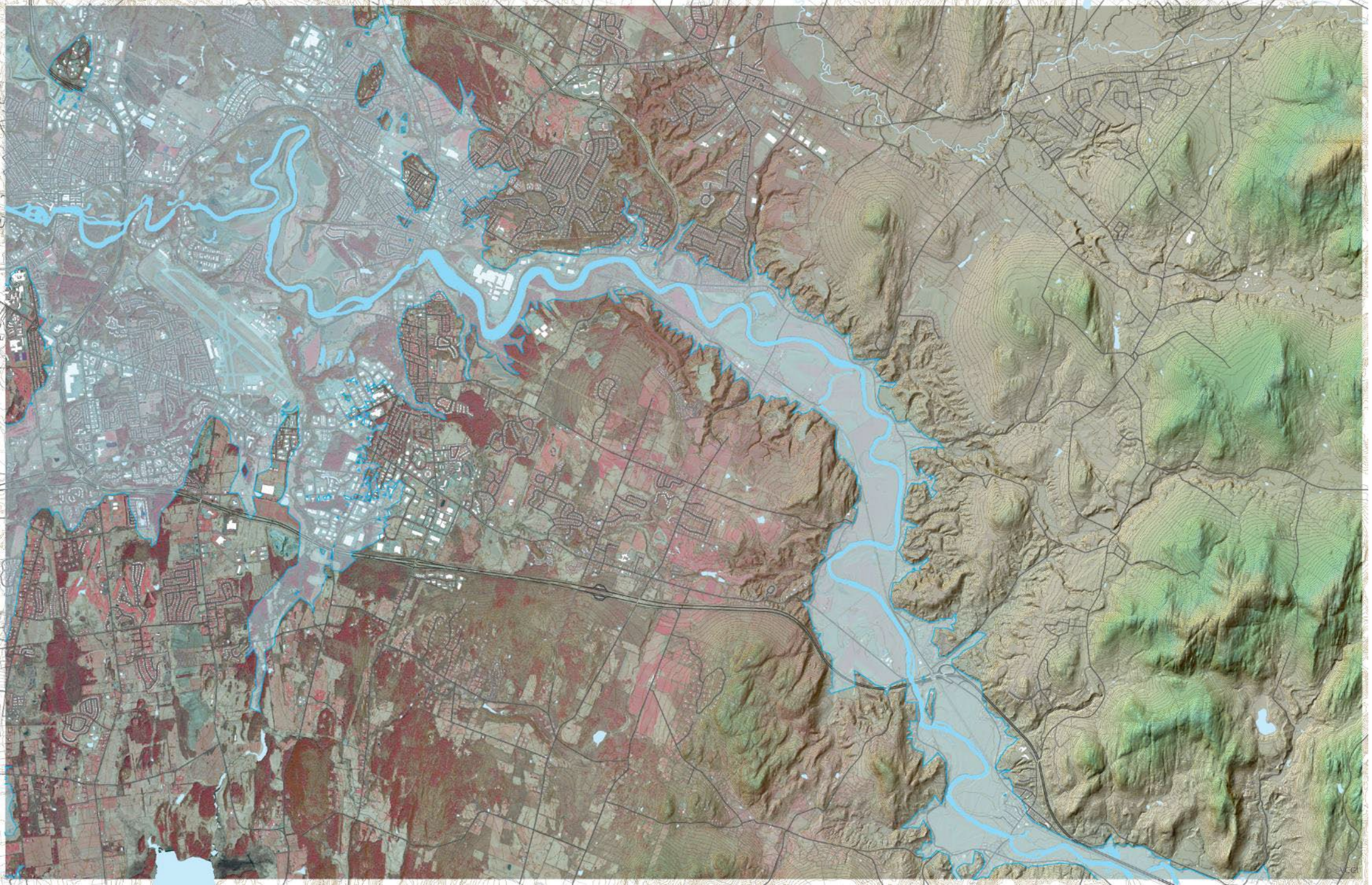

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Former Extent
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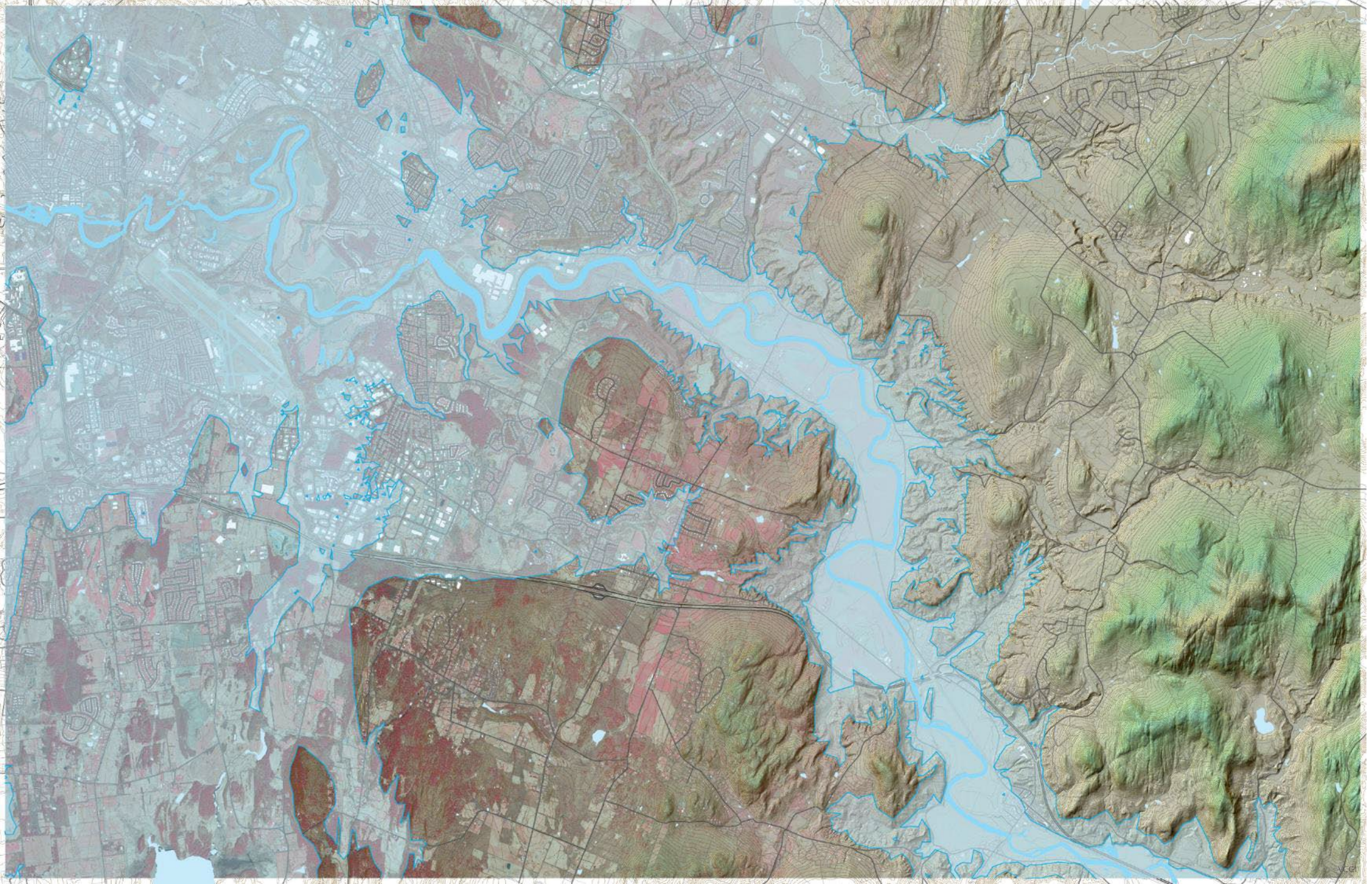

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Former Extent
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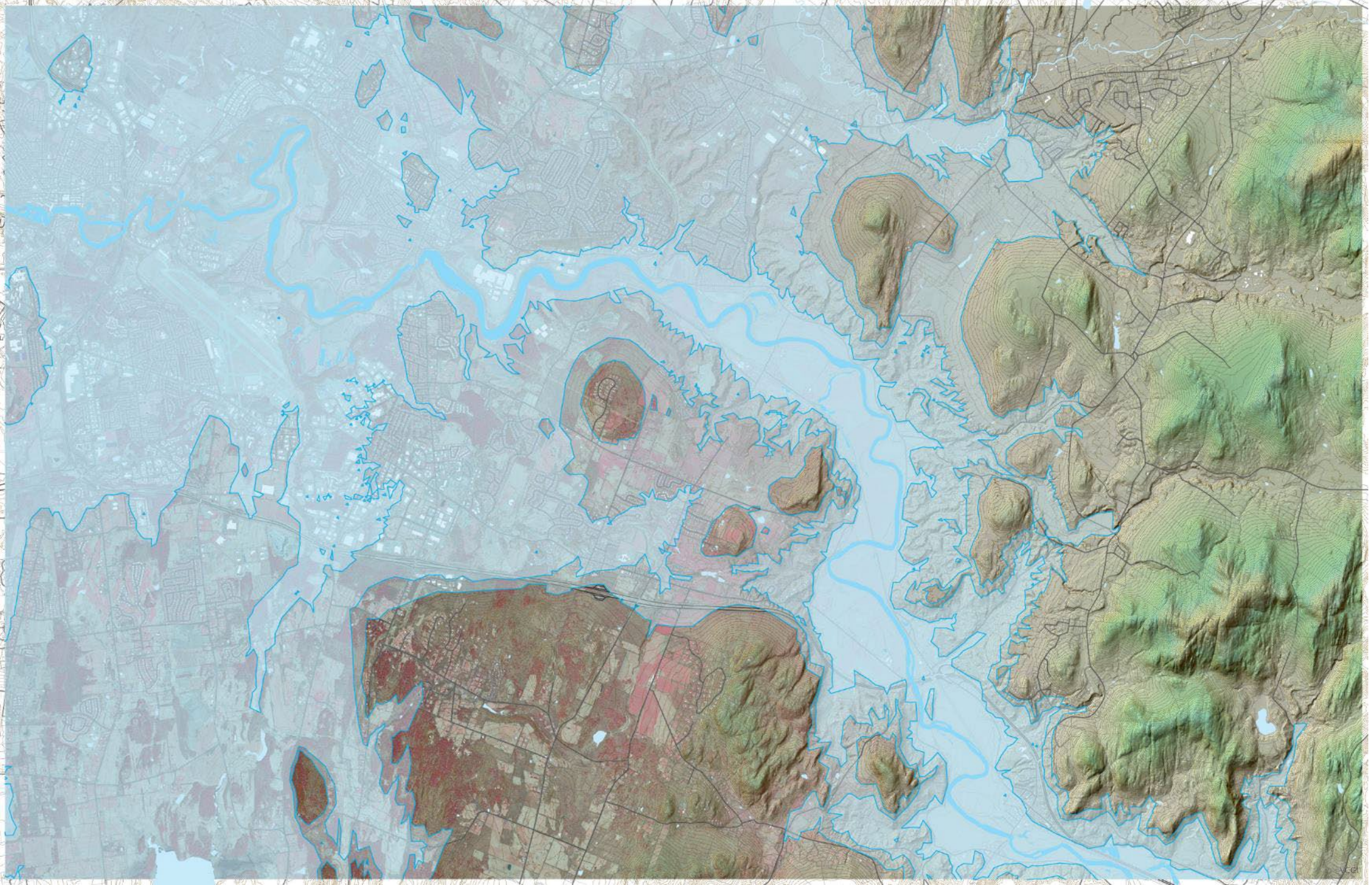

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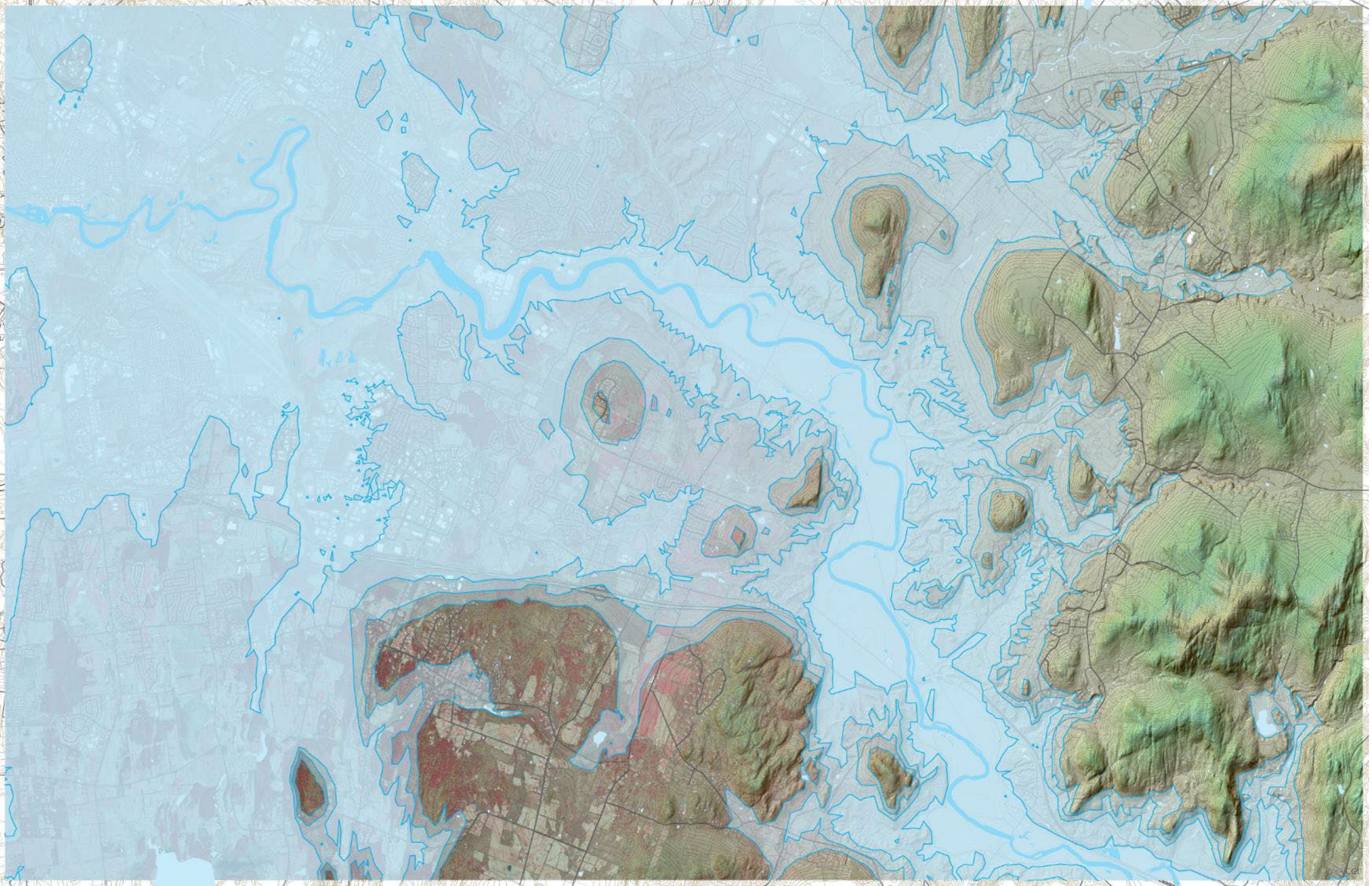

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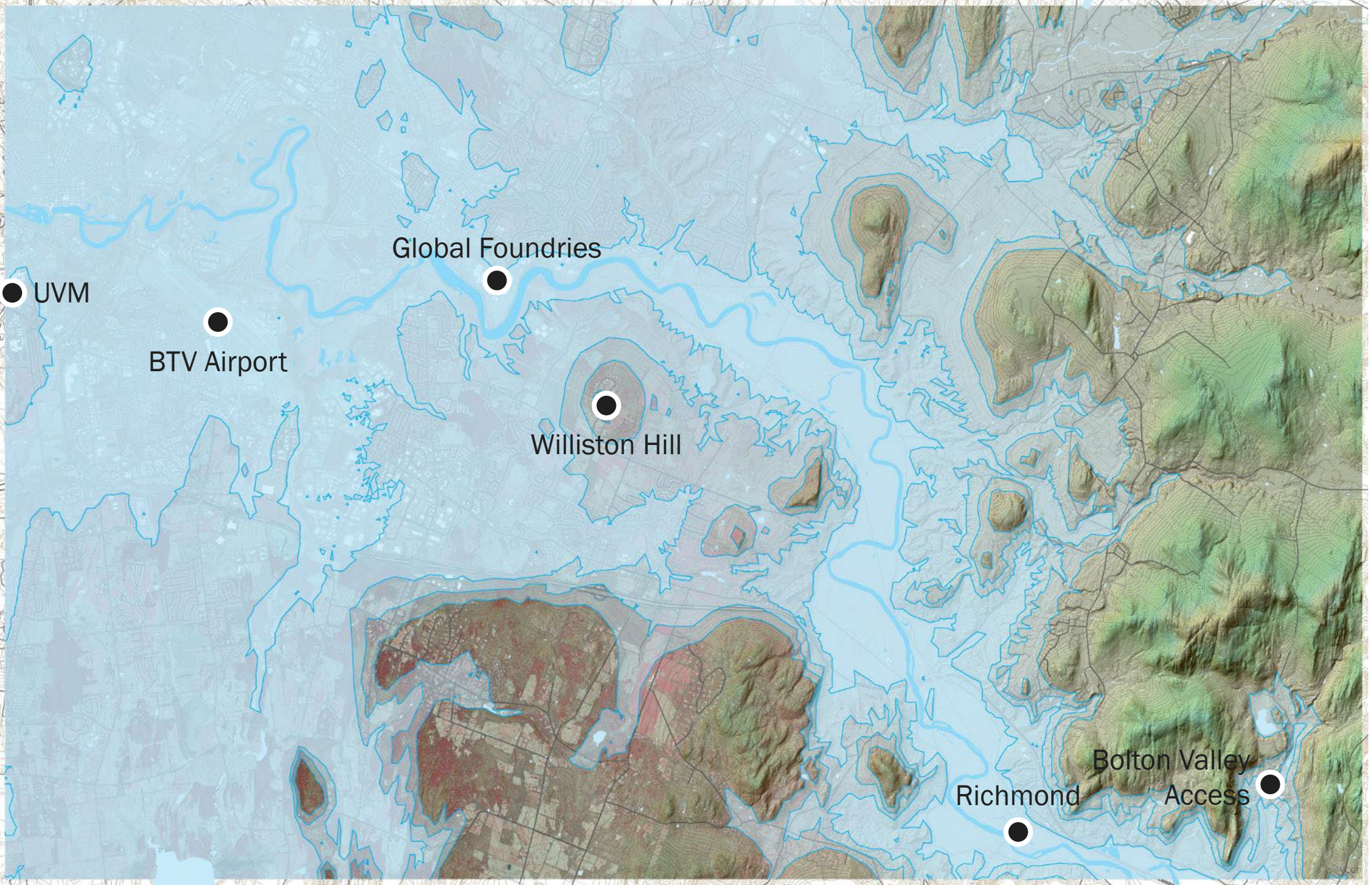

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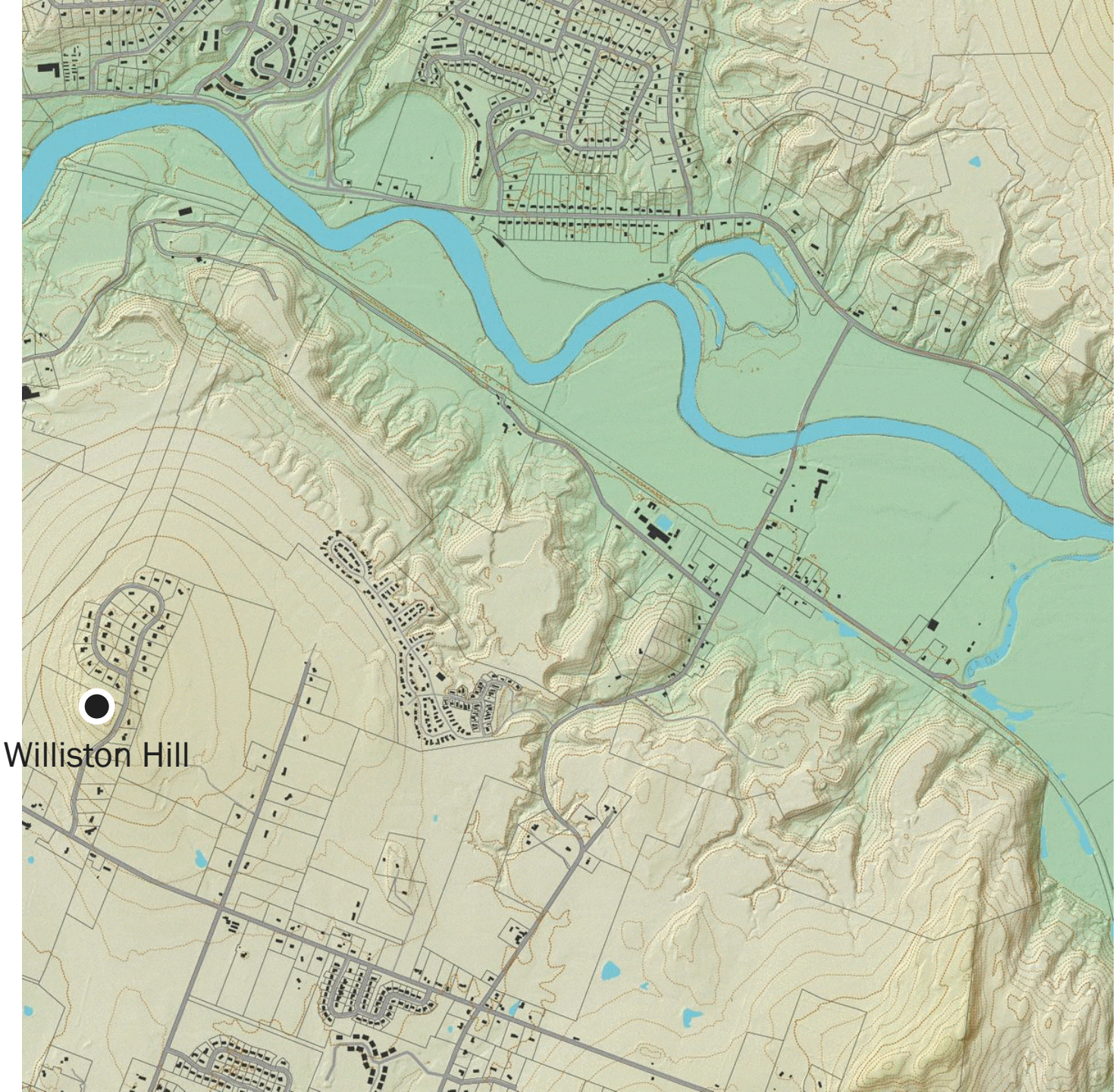

Champlain Sea
through
Lake Coveville

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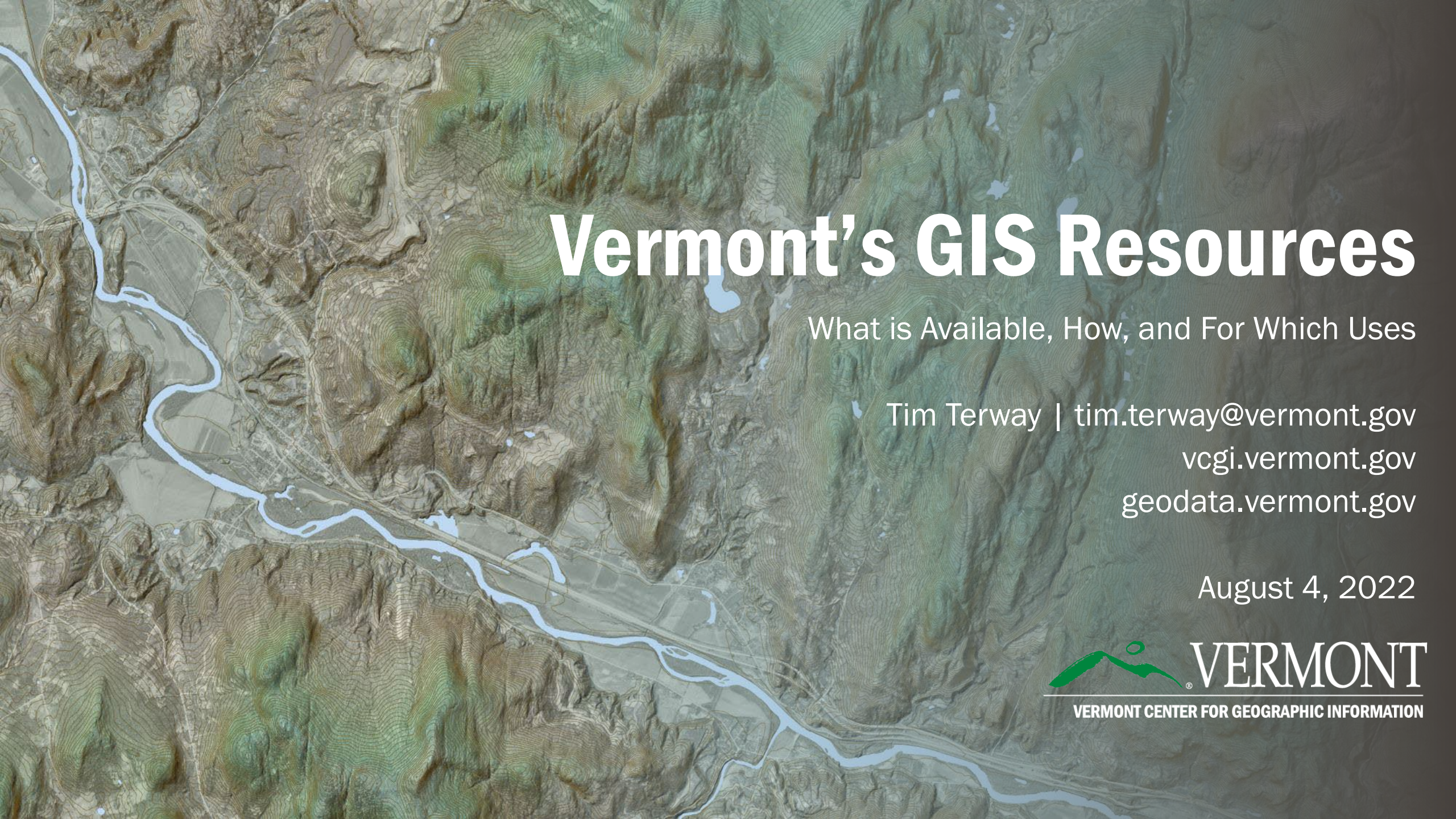
Some Linked Resources

- Vermont Lidar Program
- Lidar FAQ's
- VT Interactive Map Viewer
- ANR Natural Resources Atlas
- Beneath the Trees App
- What's My Elevation App
- VT Open Geodata Portal Elevation Page (Raw Data Access)
- VT Lidar Status App
- VT Lidar Finder App
- VCGI News and Announcements (e.g., new data release notice)
- Learning Resources (for going further on your own)

Elevation | Imagery | Parcels



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