

Pittard Road and Dunlap Road – Summary Reports Potential Environmental Issues and Community Concerns

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Purpose/Agenda

- Project Authorization
- Determining the Area of Interest
- Research and Investigation
- Findings and Recommendations

Project Authorization

- July 7, 2020 – Resolution in Recognition that Black Lives Matter

The Unified Government will explore ways to work to address the environmental health concerns in the Pittard Road and Dunlap Road Black communities.

- June 2021 – Funding

Budget allocation to investigate potential environmental concerns in the Pittard and Dunlap Road Areas

The nature and extent of the concern was not defined at the time

Created 2 Reports

Pittard Road Summary Report And Dunlap Road (Landfill) Summary Report

Based on Public vs. Private Land Ownership

Environmental concerns related to Pittard Road are generally associated with privately owned land, while the concerns in the area of Dunlap Road involve the Municipal Solid Waste Landfill owned by ACCGov.

Because of the two different types of ownership (public and private), these areas were divided into two sub-projects to better address area-specific concerns and issues.

Pittard Road Summary Report

Defining the Area of Interest

- Met with District 9 Commissioner Thornton and area residents
- Reviewed historic aerial maps (from 1938-2021) for past land use
- Reviewed hydrology, topography
- Established a “best guess” Area of Interest (maps)

**Pittard Road
Area of Interest**



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2019 Ortho, Sustainability Office October 2021

Madison Co.

Hull Road

CSX Mainline

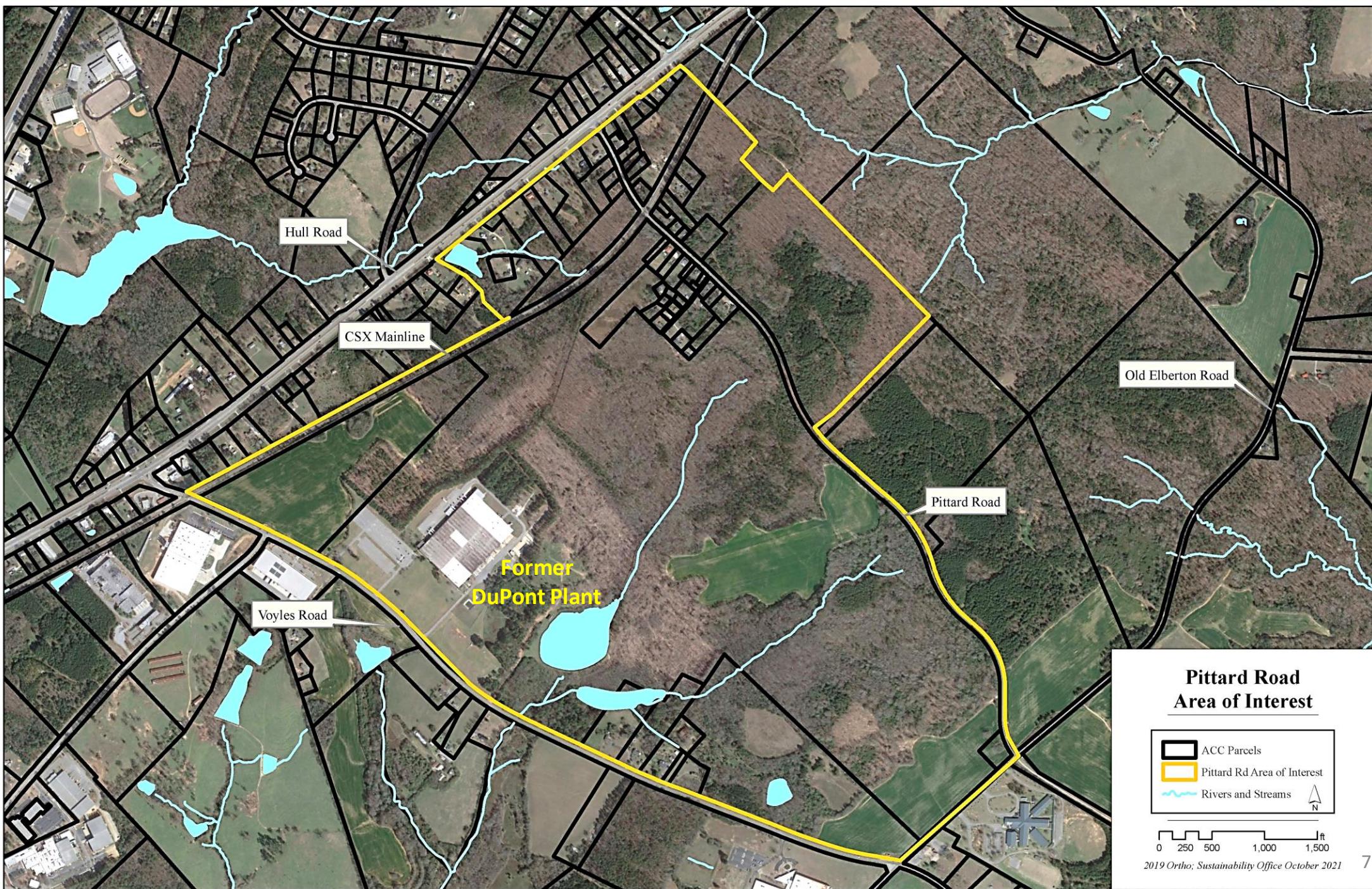
10 Loop

US 29 North

Pittard Road

Old Elberton Road

Voyles Road



Conducted Research and Records Investigation

- Submitted **Open Records** and Freedom of Information Requests – state and federal
- Search for **legal actions** in the area, found a DOJ complaint (2005) and a Consent Decree (2006)
- Obtained a Georgia Public **Cancer Cluster Investigation Report** (2006)
- Obtained **Environmental Assessments** both Phase 1 and Phase 2
- Atlanta Testing and Engineering (**ground water** – 1988)
- Vertex Companies, Inc. (**Phase 1** – 2018)
- All Phase Environmental (**Phase 1**- 2019)
- All Phase Environmental (**Limited Phase 2** Subsurface Investigation- Underground Storage Tank)
- Nutter and Associates (**Land Application System Report** – 2020)
- Georgia Environmental Protection Division – **Well Testing Sites**

Findings

- **Private Land** - Limits on ACCGov access/action
- **No evidence in the record** of environmental, health, or toxic substance release issues
- **EPA and EPD Records Requests** – no evidence that would warrant action
- **Environmental Justice** – no evidence that would raise Environmental Justice related issues

Recommendations

- Present the findings to the Mayor and Commission
- Make Summary Report and all documents found during the investigation available to the public
- Host a public meeting to share results

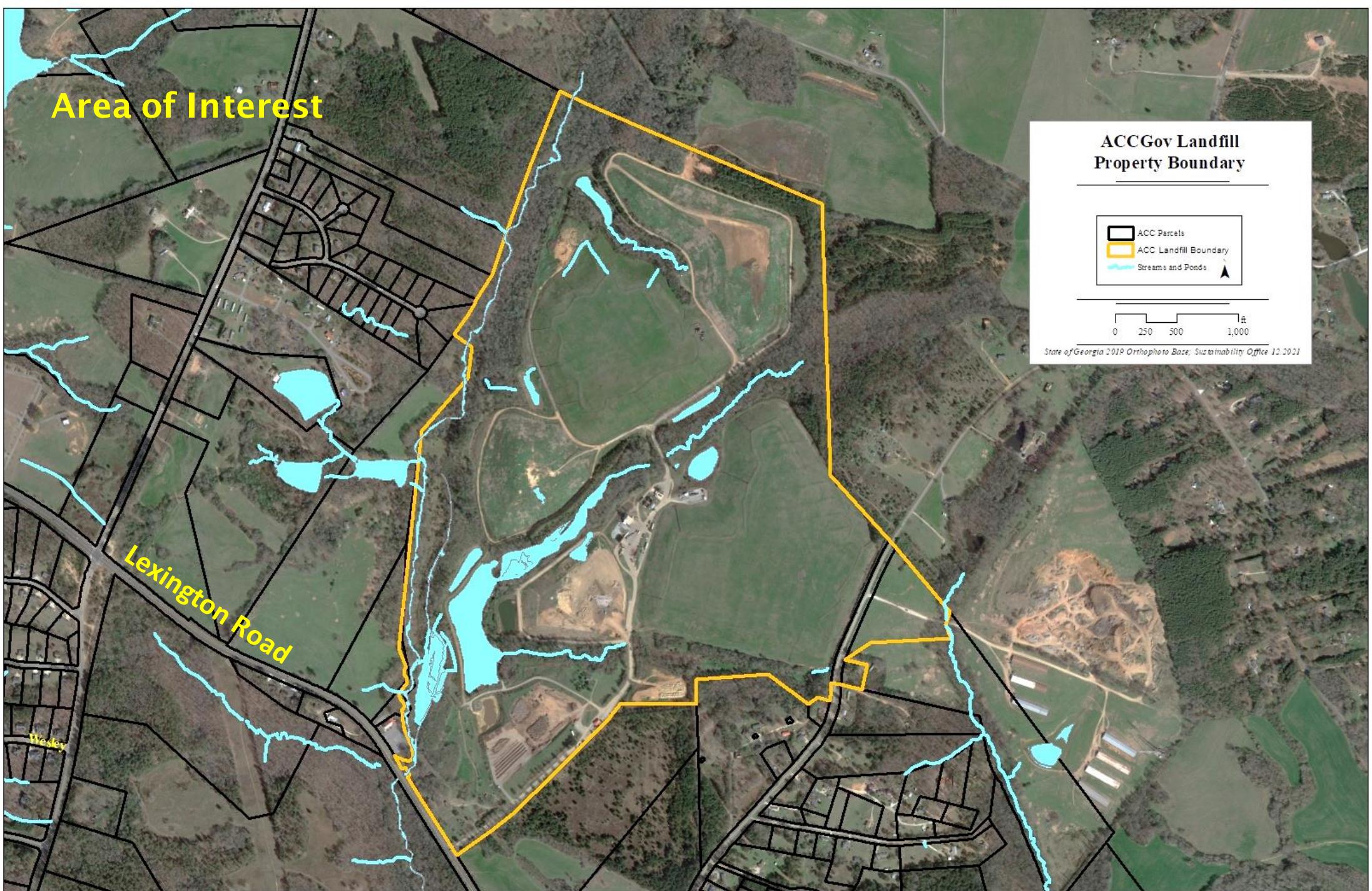
Public Meeting: April 27, 2003 starting at 6pm - New Grove Baptist Church

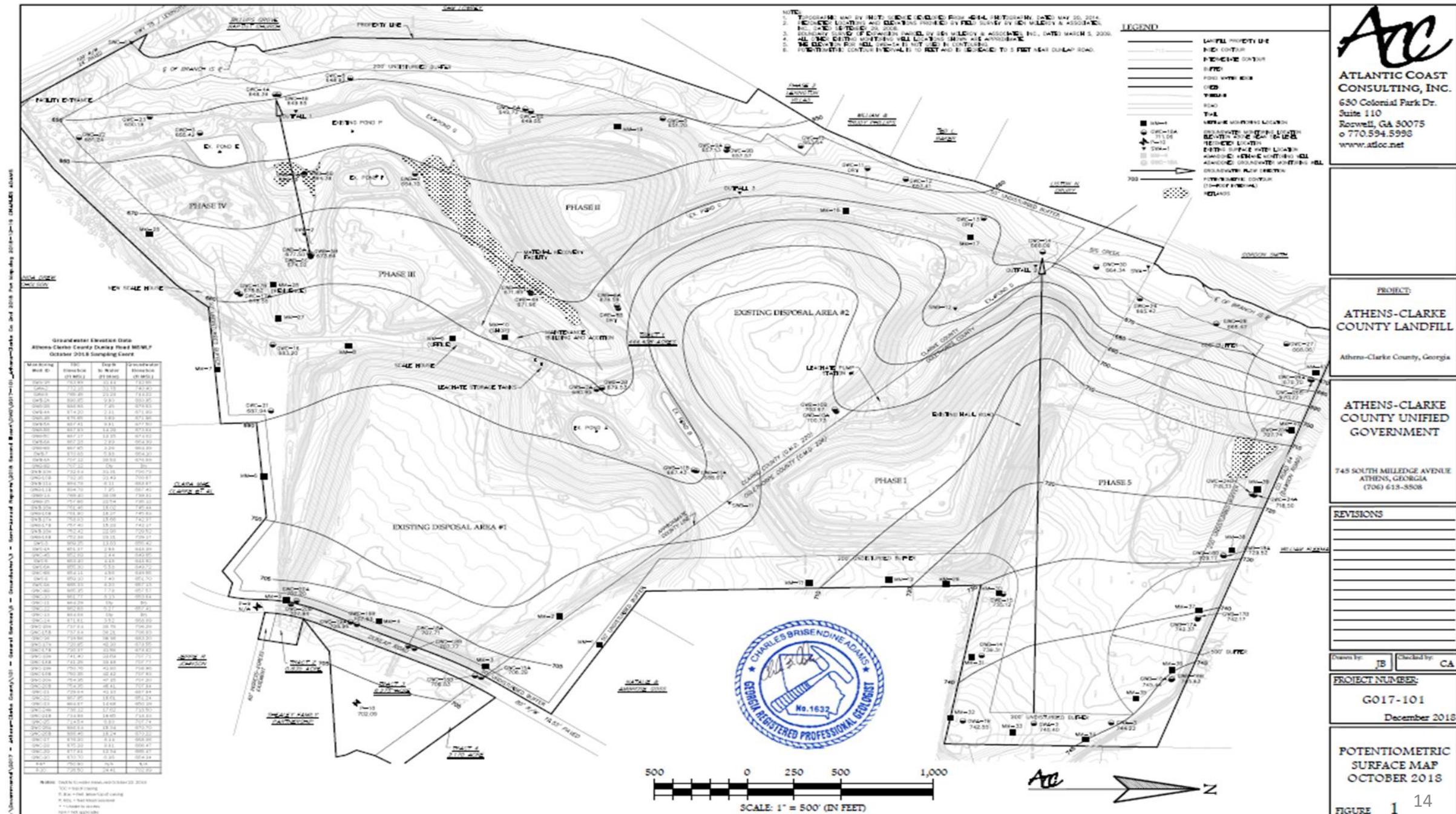
Report and Attachments: www.acgov.com/pittard

Questions?

Dunlap Road Summary Report







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Documents Available

Compiled Landfill Corrective Actions, Reports and Inspections

- Summarized **Corrective measures** implemented to address the historical groundwater contamination
- Outlined **Citizen Agreement** water requirements from 1992
- Included **GDPH Health Consultation** results from 2000
- Reviewed **Resident Response Letters** from requests and/or complaints to EPD and GADPH
- **Surface Water Test Results** from Atlantic Coast Consulting and ACC Public Utilities Department
- 2022 **Status of Remedial Action Review Report (SRARR)** required by GA EPD plus the previous two available from 2016 and 2020
- Recent **GA EPD Compliance Inspection** (past inspections available upon request)

Findings

- **No evidence in the record** of new environmental health concerns. Historical groundwater contamination in correction action.
- **Current Data** - demonstrates that the implementation of ongoing remedial measures is responsible for improved groundwater quality at the site. The landfill has been consistently in compliance.
- **Environmental Justice** - no evidence that would raise Environmental Justice related issues but perception issues that need to be addressed through public engagement.

Recommendations

- Present the findings to the Mayor and Commission
- Make Summary Report and all documents found during the investigation available to the public
- Provide information and the process for well testing in the Dunlap Road community
- Host a public meeting to share results
- Depending on comments from the public, ACCGov could request another health assessment, EPD operational review and/or third party compliance review

Questions?

Public Meeting: April 25, 2003 starting at 6 pm -
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