

Integrated Columbus Part II Planning Act and Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Act Study

Public Information Centre #1
Visioning Session
December 5, 2018



Presentation Outline

- Study Context and Background
- Consultant Team
- Work Program
- Physical Context



Study Context and Background

- The community of Columbus is a unique area of Oshawa with a significant heritage component focused at the intersection of Columbus Road and Simcoe Street North.
- The Columbus Planning Area expansion was added to the City's Part II Planning Areas in 2016 through Amendment 179 to the Oshawa Official Plan.
- The lands are designated "Residential", "Open Space and Recreation" and "Special Development Area" in the Oshawa Official Plan (Schedule "A", Land Use).
- A portion of the Columbus lands is subject to a Deferral and its inclusion as a proposed expansion area is an outstanding matter to be addressed.

Study Context and Background

- The City of Oshawa has initiated an Integrated Planning Act and Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Act Study (the Study) for the Columbus Community focusing on the Columbus Part II Plan Area.
- The Study will guide future growth and development in the Columbus Part II Plan Area.
- The Study will take into consideration the history and cultural heritage of the area, land use, scale of development, transportation and servicing infrastructure, and the protection and enhancement of environmental and natural features.

Study Context and Background

- Provincial and Municipal legislation also contain policies which will influence the development of the Columbus Part II Plan Area including:
 - Provincial Policy Statement (2014);
 - Places to Grow: Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe (2017);
 - Greenbelt Plan (2017);
 - Durham Region Official Plan (2017 Consolidation); and,
 - City of Oshawa Official Plan (2018 Consolidation).







Study Context and Background

- The specific objectives of the Study are to:
 - Facilitate the future development of the Columbus Part II Plan Area;
 - Achieve minimum population and job density targets identified in Provincial policies;
 - Ensure that development conforms to the Region of Durham and City of Oshawa Official Plans;
 - Emphasize sustainable development and the protection and enhancement of environmental and natural features;
 - Protect lands along the Highway 407 East corridor for future employment uses;
 - Advance development that is compliant with the requirements of the Municipal Class EA process; and
 - Ensure development occurs in a manner that is sensitive to the historic Columbus community.

Study Context and Background

- Future development will impact matters such as the natural heritage system and transportation and servicing infrastructure, not only in the Columbus Planning Area but also in the surrounding area.
- Accordingly, the Study includes reviewing lands beyond the designated Columbus Part II Plan Area, such as:
 - Proposed Living Area subject to Section 14.13.7 of the Durham Region Official Plan;
 - The South Columbus Industrial Area; and
 - The Columbus Whitebelt Area.

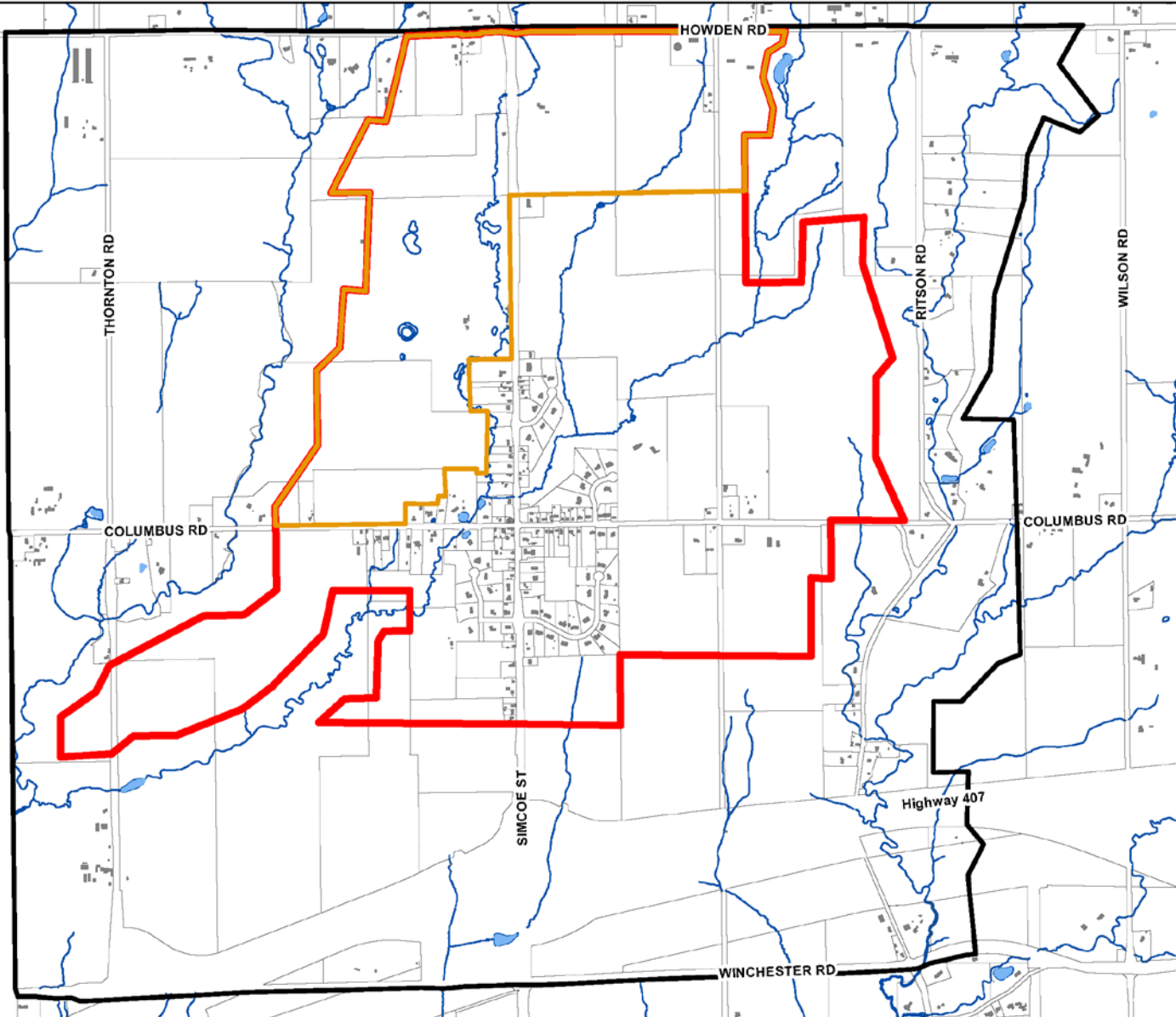
City of Oshawa Columbus Community Base Map

-  Columbus Study Area Boundary
-  Columbus Part II Plan Area
-  Proposed Living Area subject to Regional Deferrals Section 14.13.7 of the D.R.O.P.
-  Building Footprints
-  Water Bodies
-  Watercourses

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Study Context and Background

- The Oshawa Official Plan also requires the Columbus Subwatershed Study (CSWS) to be completed prior to the adoption of the Part II Plan.
- Stantec was retained in 2016 to prepare the CSWS.
- The Draft CSWS Phase I Report was completed in May 2017.
- Dialogue is continuing with the agencies to address comments on the Phase 1 CSWS report.
- Phase 2 of the CSWS Report will be initiated following resolution of the Phase 1 comments.

Consultant Team

The City has retained a consultant team to assist with the preparation of the Study.

- MSH – project management/land use planning
- HDR – Class EA lead, transportation/mobility
- Wood – stormwater management, water and wastewater, hydrogeology
- Brook McIlroy – urban design, sustainable development, public consultation/facilitation



Consultant Team

- Natural Resource Solutions – natural heritage
- Watson & Associates – land economics, fiscal analysis
- Three Sixty Collective – retail planning
- ASI – cultural heritage, archaeology, indigenous consultation

Work Program and Schedule

- The Work Program is divided into 4 stages:
 - Stage 1: Study Initiation & Background Analysis
 - Stage 2: Land Use & Transportation Alternatives
 - Stage 3: Preferred Land Use & Transportation Alternative
 - Stage 4: Part II Plan
- Completion Objective: Fall of 2020



Work Program



Work Program

STAGE 1

- 1 BACKGROUND RESEARCH & ANALYSIS
- 2 COMMUNITY VISIONING SESSION (PIC #1) WINTER 2018
- 3 VISION & GUIDING PRINCIPLES
- 4 BACKGROUND REPORT
- 5 COMMUNITY INFORMATION SESSION (PIC #2) SPRING 2019



Work Program

STAGE 2

1

DEVELOP CONCEPTUAL
LAND USE & TRANSPORTATION
ALTERNATIVES

2

EVALUATE & ASSESS
THE ALTERNATIVES

3

COMMUNITY WORKSHOP
OF PLAN ALTERNATIVES
(PIC #3)

FALL
2019

Work Program

STAGE 3

1

DEVELOP PREFERRED
LAND USE & TRANSPORTATION
ALTERNATIVE

2

ANALYSIS OF
PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE

3

OPEN HOUSE AND
WORKSHOP (PIC #4)

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2020

Work Program

STAGE 4

1

PREPARE DRAFT PART II
PLAN & RELATED PLANS

2

COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE
AND STATUTORY
PUBLIC MEETING

3

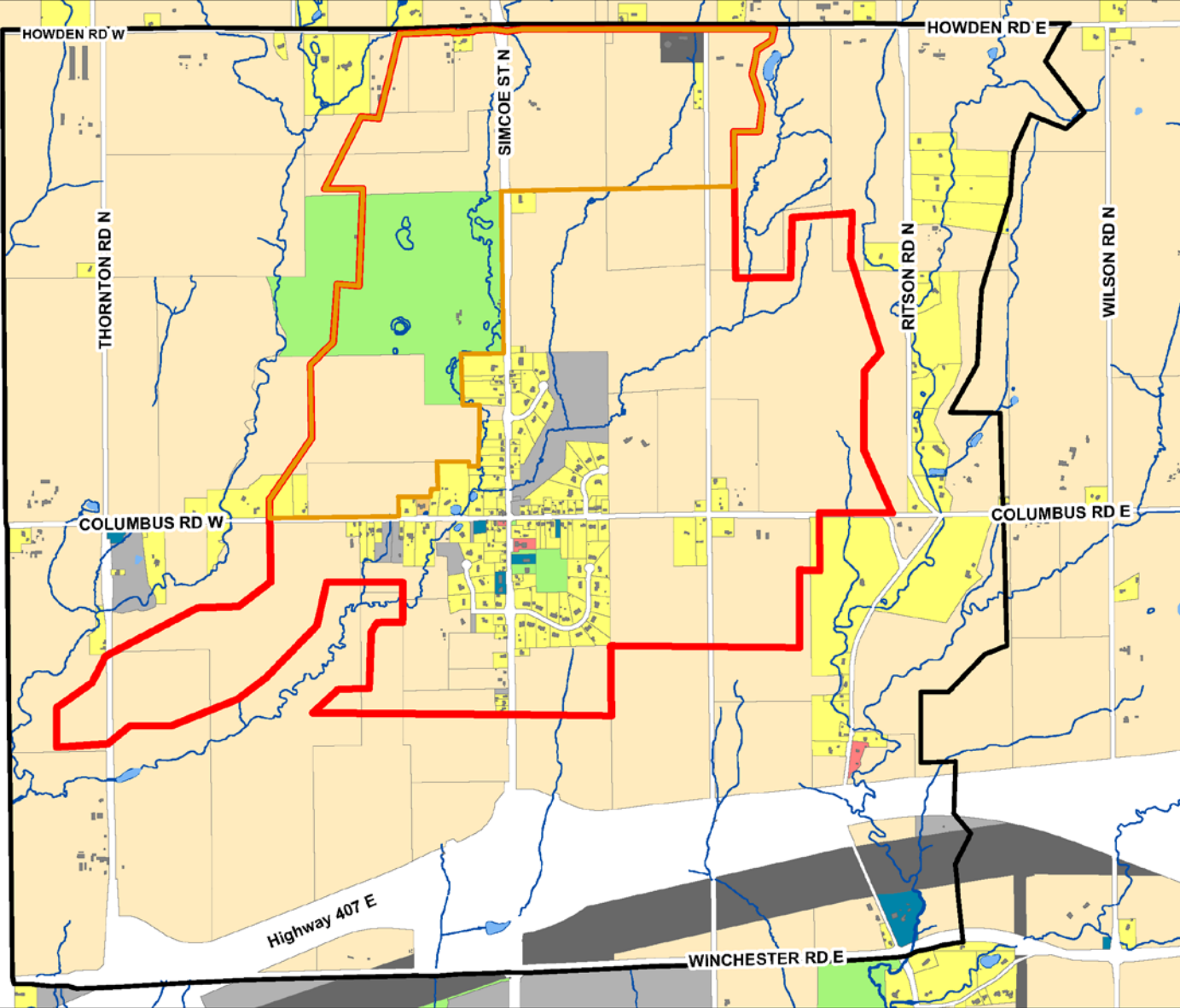
COUNCIL ADOPTION
OF PART II PLAN &
RELATED PLANS

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Physical Context

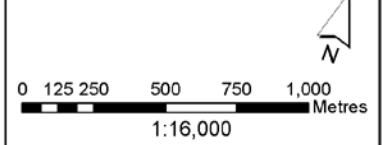
- Detailed background review and analysis is required to inform the Integrated Columbus Part II Planning Act and Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Act Study. This work is underway.
- As a basis for the Visioning Session this evening, however, an initial understanding of the physical context is provided with respect to:
 - Existing Land Use;
 - Natural Heritage; and,
 - Built Heritage.

City of Oshawa Columbus Community Existing Land Use



- Columbus Study Area Boundary
 - Columbus Part II Plan Area
 - Proposed Living Area subject to Regional Deferrals Section 14.13.7 of the D.R.O.P.
 - Building Footprints
 - Water Bodies
 - Watercourses
- Existing Land Use**
- Farm
 - Residential
 - Residential/Commercial
 - Commercial
 - Institution, Community, Government
 - Park, Open Space, Recreation
 - Utility, Transportation, Communication
 - Vacant











Source: City of Oshawa 2018, updated by MSH



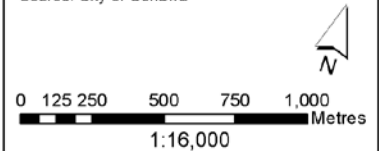
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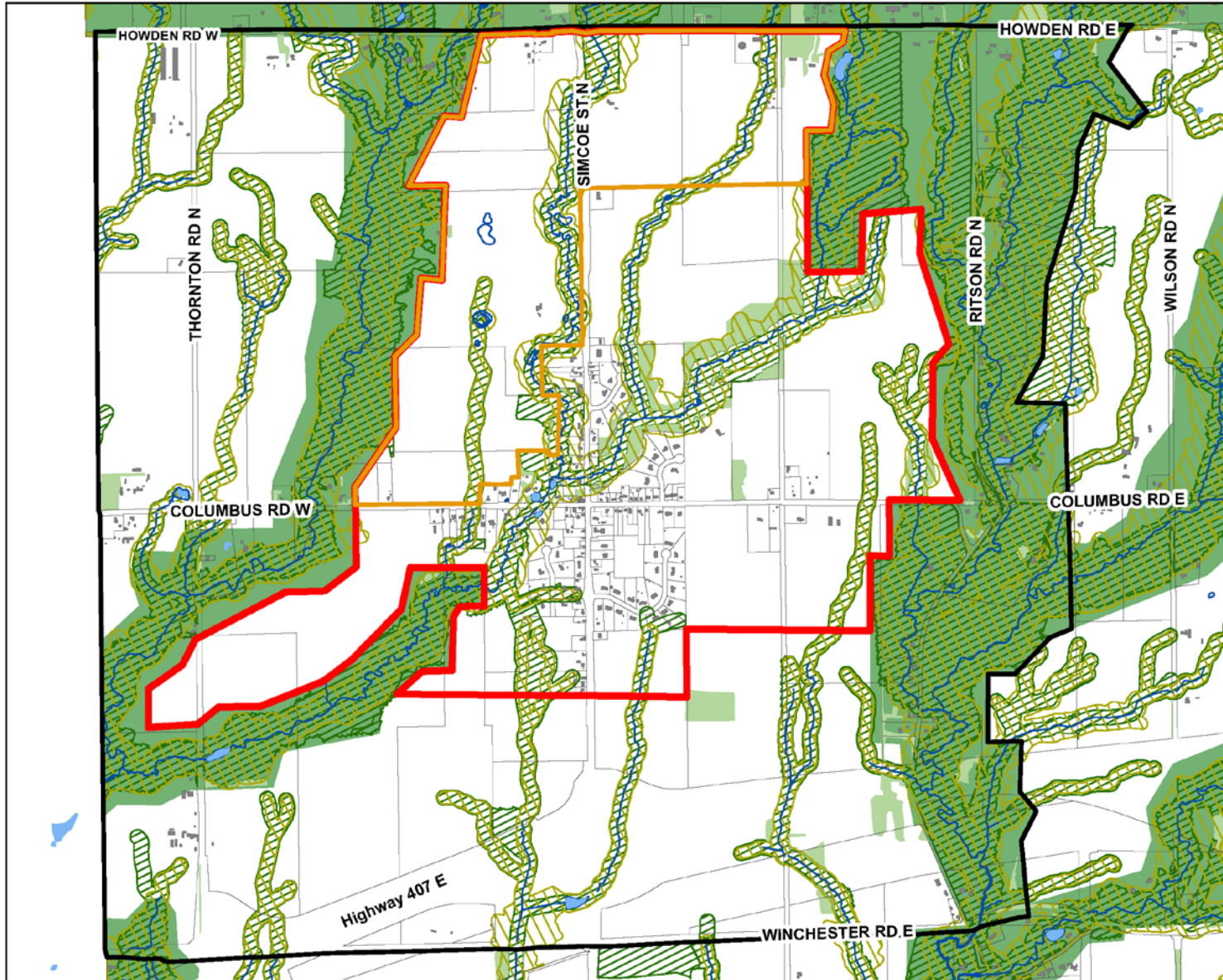
City of Oshawa Columbus Community Natural Heritage

-  Columbus Study Area Boundary
-  Columbus Part II Plan Area
-  Proposed Living Area subject to Regional Deferrals Section 14.13.7 of the D.R.O.P.
-  Building Footprints
-  Natural Heritage System
-  Hazard Lands
-  Greenbelt Plan Area
-  Natural Heritage/Hydrologic Features Outside NHS
-  Water Bodies
-  Watercourses

Source: City of Oshawa



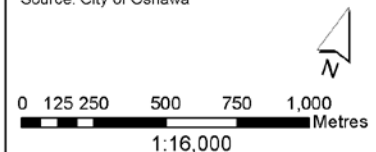
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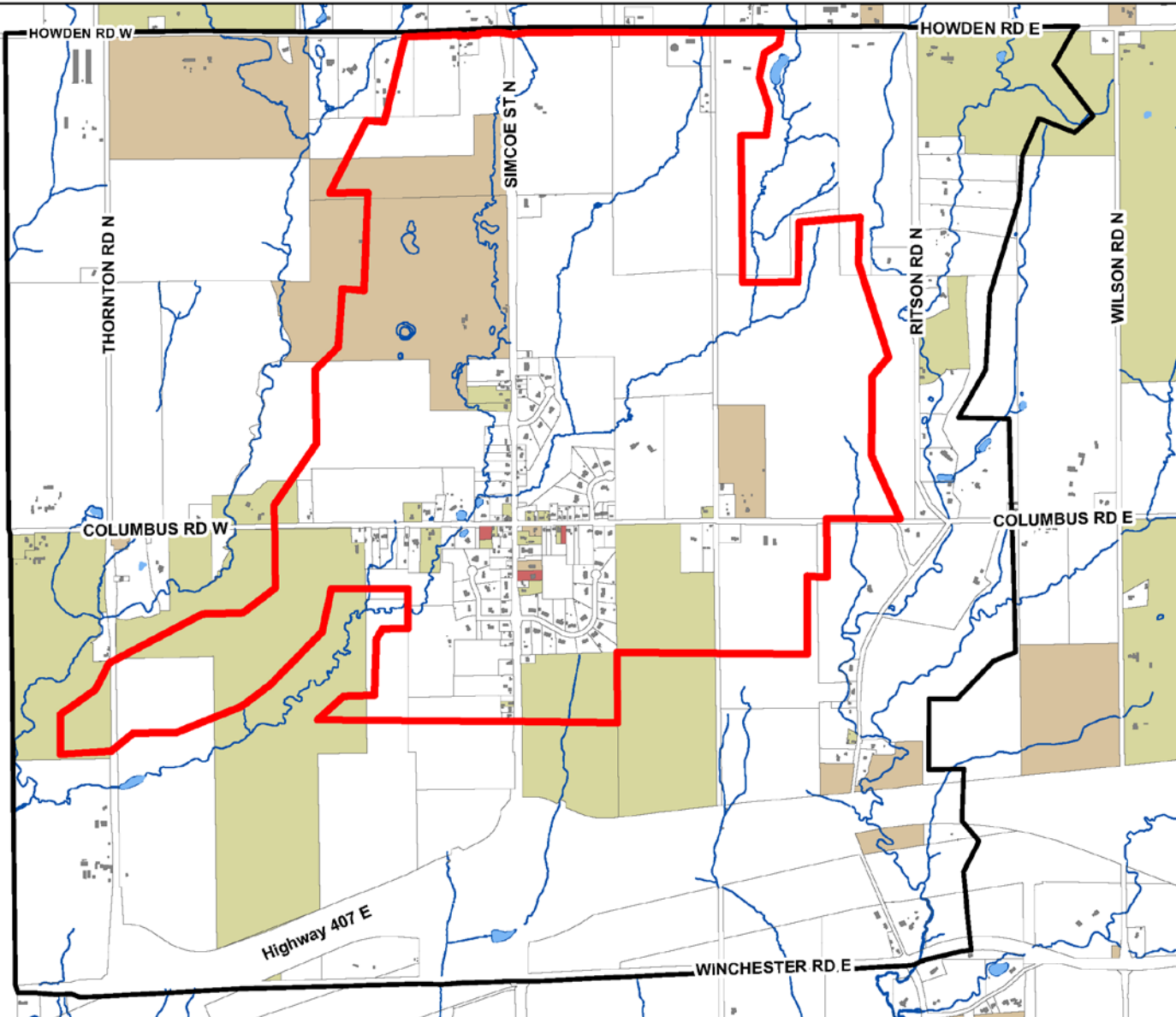
City of Oshawa Columbus Community Heritage Sites

-  Columbus Study Area Boundary
 -  Columbus Part II Plan Area
 -  Building Footprints
 -  Water Bodies
 -  Watercourses
- Heritage Sites**
-  Class A Inventory Properties
 -  Class B Inventory Properties
 -  Designated
 -  Listed

Note: ASI to Confirm
Source: City of Oshawa



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Thank You

Questions?



- **Workshop: Developing the Vision**
 - Step 1: Your Priorities (10 minutes)
 - Step 2: Your Places (15 minutes)
 - Step 3: Your Vision (5 minutes)
- **Report Back**

