

Ohio Water Policies

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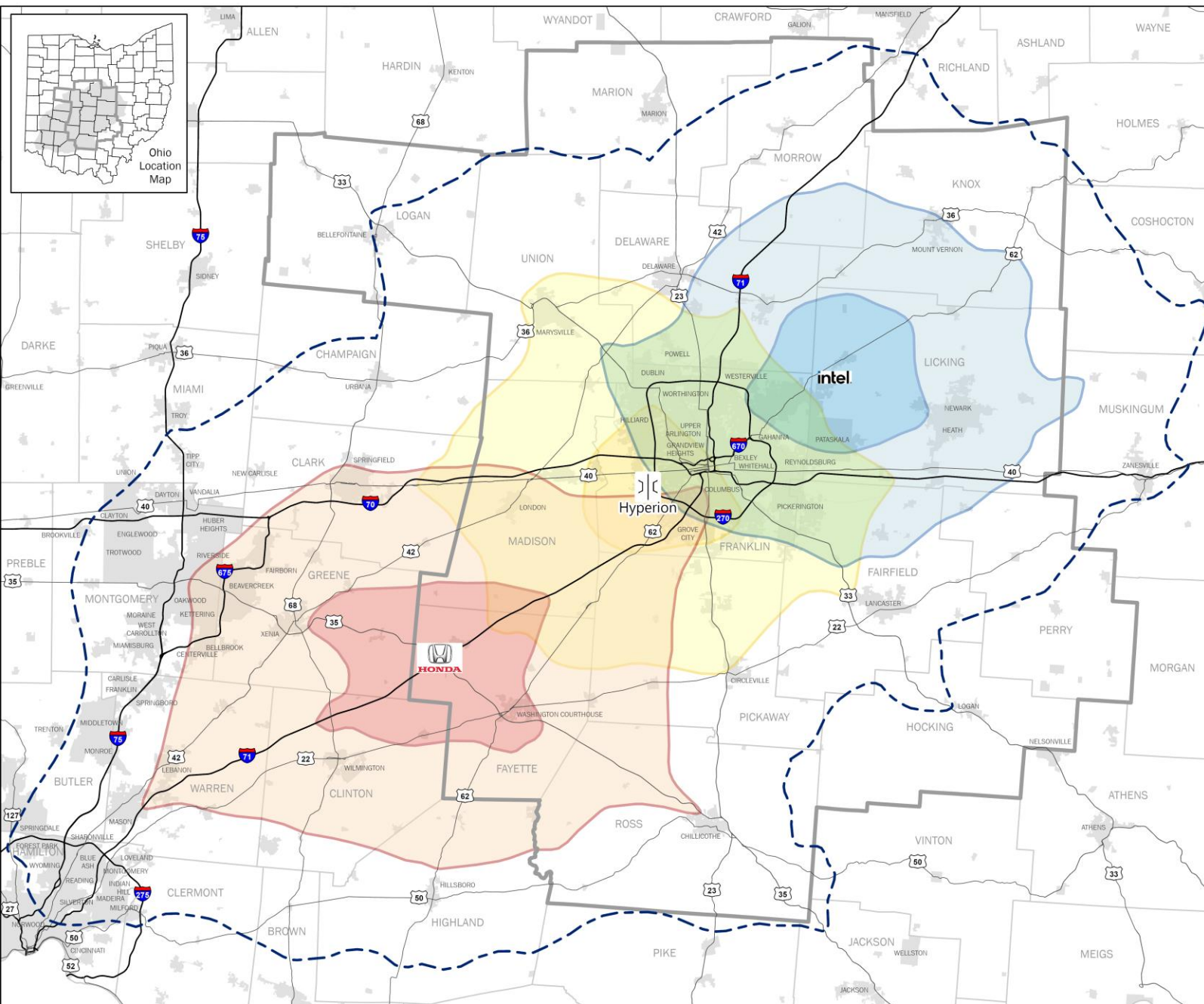
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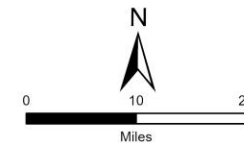




Major New Development Driving Times

- Intel
- 20 minutes
 - 40 minutes
- Honda
- 20 minutes
 - 40 minutes
- Hyperion
- 20 minutes
 - 40 minutes
- Within 60 minutes of a Development
- MORPC Area
- City/Village

Note: Travel assumed by car. Travel times are approximate from Intel, Hyperion, and Honda sites out at 5pm. Buffers generated using ESRI Network current conditions.



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Environmental Protection Agency

Ohio is the Midwest's Cloud Infrastructure Hub

- From 2015-22, Amazon Web Services (AWS) invested **\$6.3 billion** in its Ohio data centers
- In June 2023, AWS announced it planned to invest an additional **\$7.8 billion** in Ohio by 2030
- In 2017, Meta announced its initial multi-building data center campus in central Ohio that is LEED Certified Gold
 - Meta's total announced Ohio investment had grown to **\$1.5 billion** as of 2022
- In 2019, Google officially broke ground on a **\$600 million** data center in New Albany
 - In 2023, Google announced two new locations that will bring total investment to more than **\$2 billion**
- In 2021, the Tax Foundation's Location Matters report found Ohio **ranked #1** in new data center corporate tax costs

Economic Impact of the AWS US East (Ohio) Region from 2015-2022

\$6.3 billion

Total investment
in Ohio, including both
capital and operating
expenditures

\$2.2 billion

Estimated total gross
domestic product (GDP)
contributed to Ohio

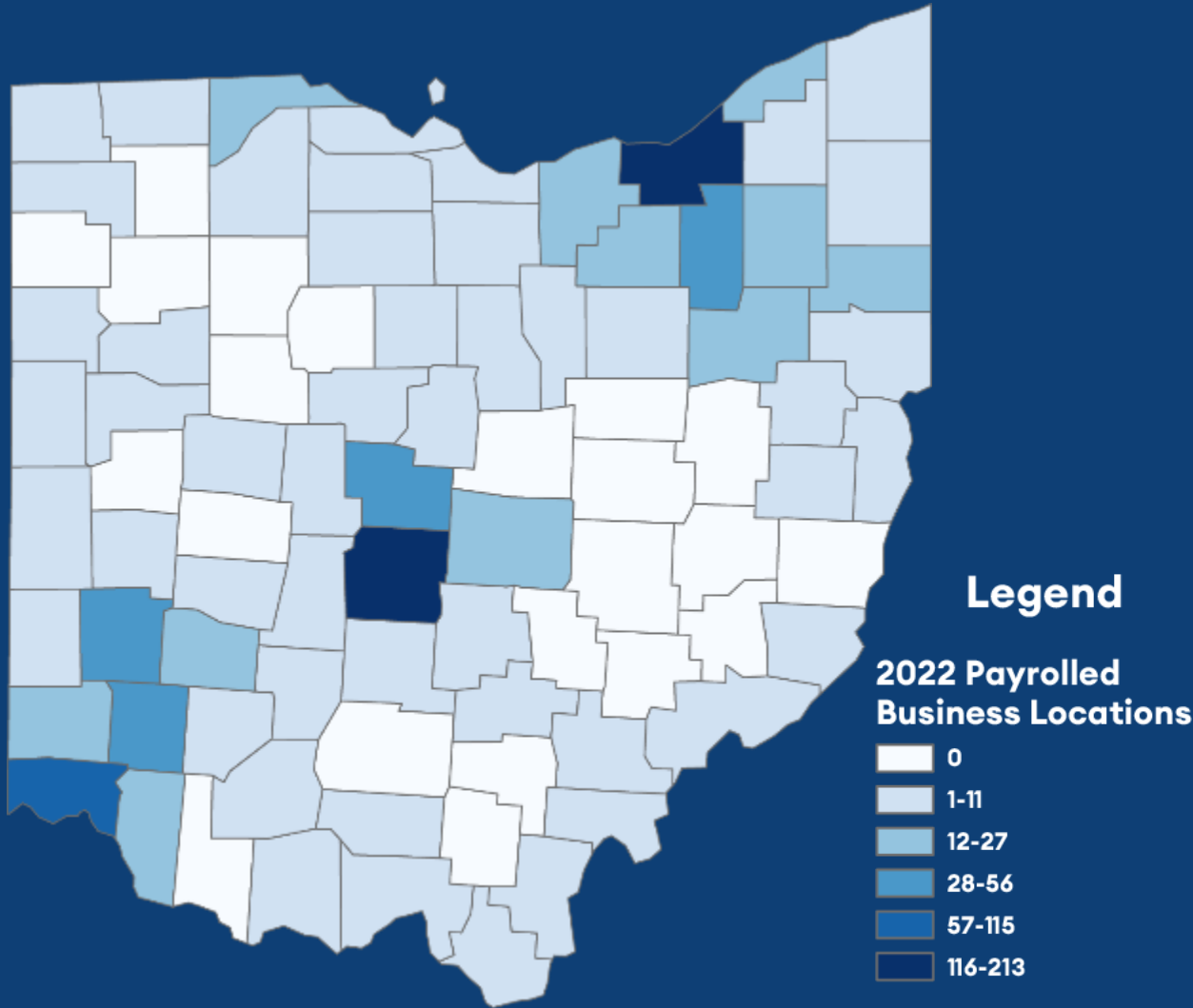
3,550

Estimated average
full-time equivalent (FTE)
jobs supported at local
vendors annually in Ohio

AWS Capital Investment in Ohio



Dramatic Growth in the Data Center Industry over the Past Decade



3X Data Center Growth

In 2011, Ohio had 379 data center locations -

Today, there are over 1,100



Source: Lightcast, 2022 Payrolled Business Locations in NAICS 51-8210: Data Processing, Hosting, and Related Services
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WWTP-Treated Effluent as Process Water





Regional Water Studies - Scope

- Comprehensive Water Study
 - Current availability
 - Current demand
 - Projected future demand 2030, 2040, & 2050
 - Gap analysis
 - Regionalization recommendations
 - Water reuse opportunities
 - Siting locations for new mega water users

Request for Proposals - Scope



Identify zones of economic opportunity based on water resource feasibility and availability



Provide a “Pathway to Readiness” for communities with capacity limitations



Maintain water quality in our rivers and streams throughout the state in the long term

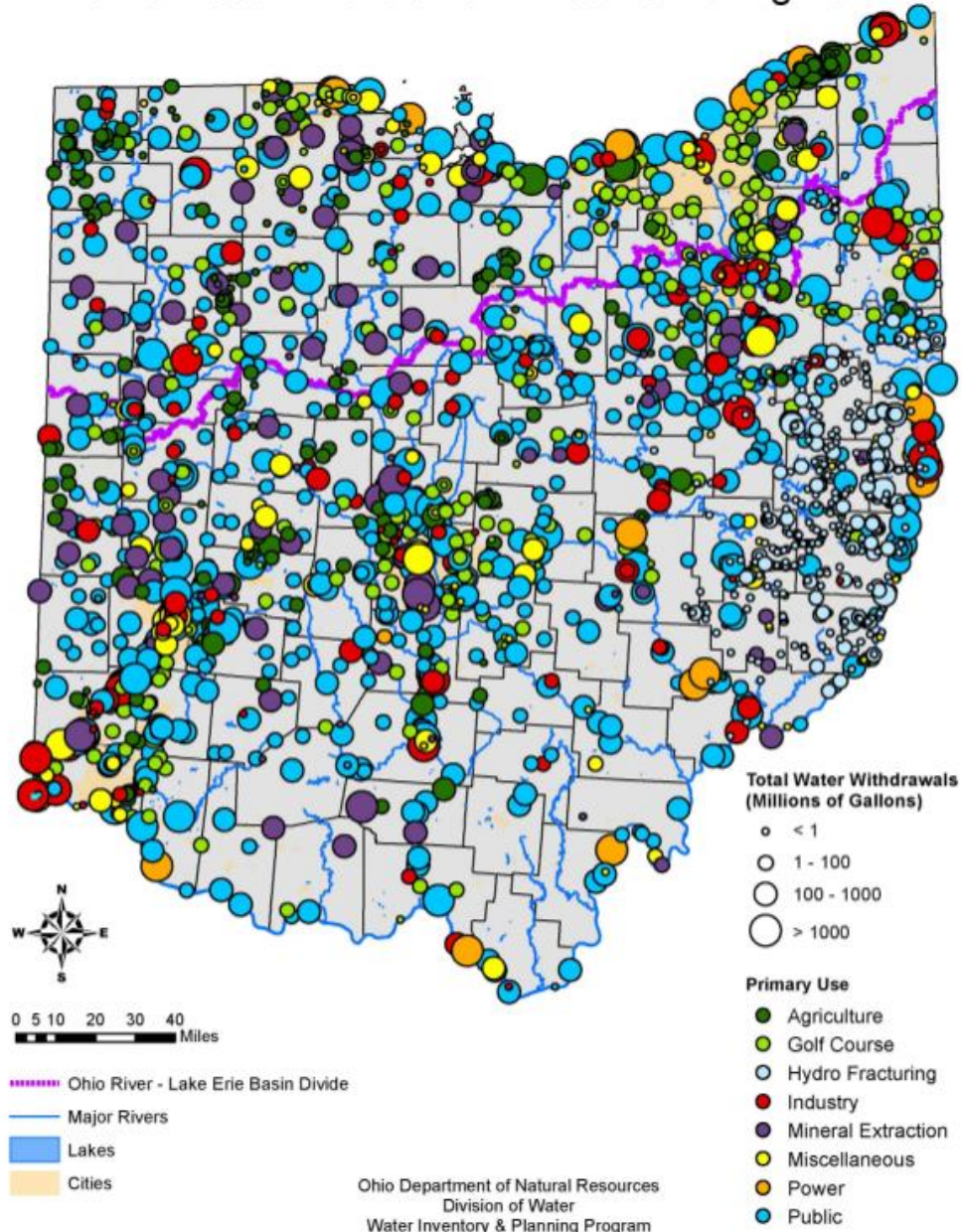


Identify ground water recharge needs and recommendations



Provide information regarding reservoir re-evaluation and management (ODNR, USACE controlled and others)

Ohio Water Withdrawal Amounts During 2021



Ohio Department of Natural Resources

- Water availability (water budget)
- High-capacity withdrawal permitting
- Reservoirs / USACE Contracts

Proposal 4

- **\$2,997,700**
- **RANK 1st**
- **Contracted for \$2797,700**



Ohio Water
Development Authority

Hazen

Jacobs



Geosyntec
consultants



BURGESS & NIPLE



Overview of Hazen's Subconsultant Roles

Jacobs

Scenario planning and integrated modeling expertise, economic development planning

Eagon and Associates

Ground water availability, local modeling, ground water sensitivities and contamination

Coldwater

Ecosystem and recreational services, environmental demands, water quality limits

Burgess & Niple

Scenario development, infrastructure needs

Geosyntec

Regulatory constraints and permitting, TMDLs

Neighborhood Strategies

Ground water availability, local modeling, ground water sensitivities and contamination

Midwest Biodiversity Institute

Technical advisor - Central Ohio stream health knowledge

Lisa Jeffrey

Technical advisor - Evaluation of safe yield and water quality considerations



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Current and Projected
Demands

Integrated Map and Model

Scorecard for
Alternatives Analysis

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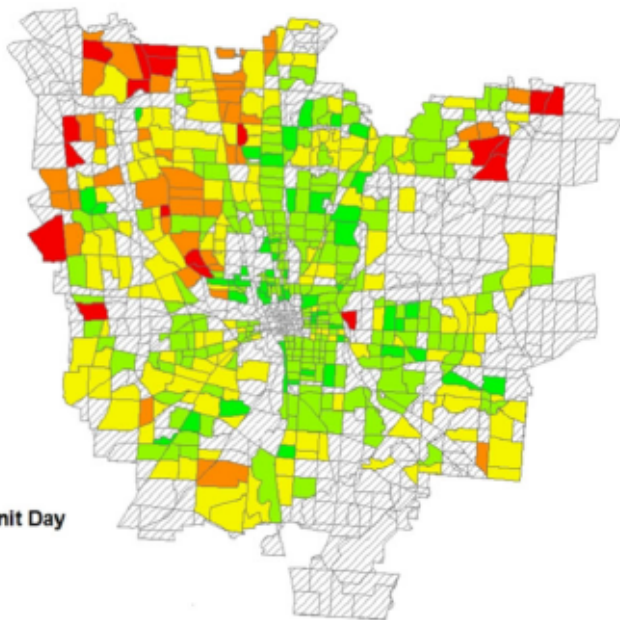
Area of interest:

City of Columbus

Historical parameter:

Residential gallons per unit day by TAZ (2018)

Historical Data



Gallons per Unit Day

- 25 - 88
- 89 - 127
- 128 - 182
- 183 - 305
- 306+

Screened Out or No Observed Use

Household growth rate:

+10%

Residential GPCD:

Base GPCD 2020-2022 Avg

Non-residential GPCD:

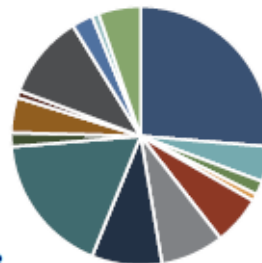
Base GPCD 2020-2022 Avg

Weather condition:

Historical Normal

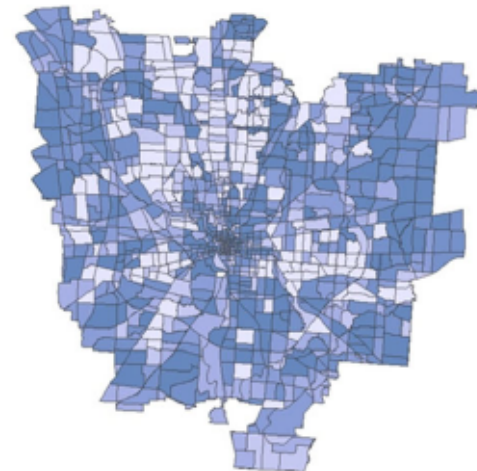
Water efficiency factor:

Passive

Total Water Use by County
in Central Ohio Region

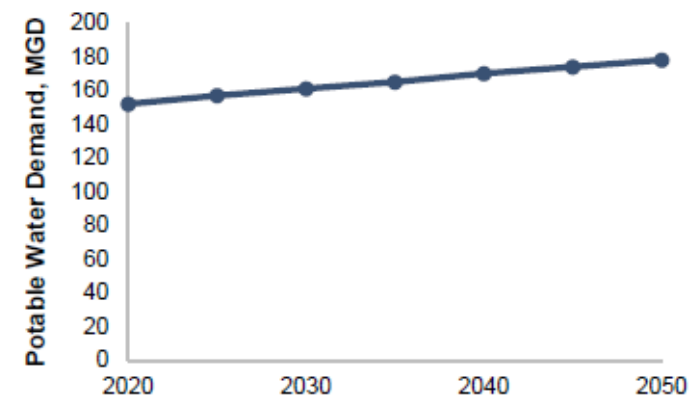
2023

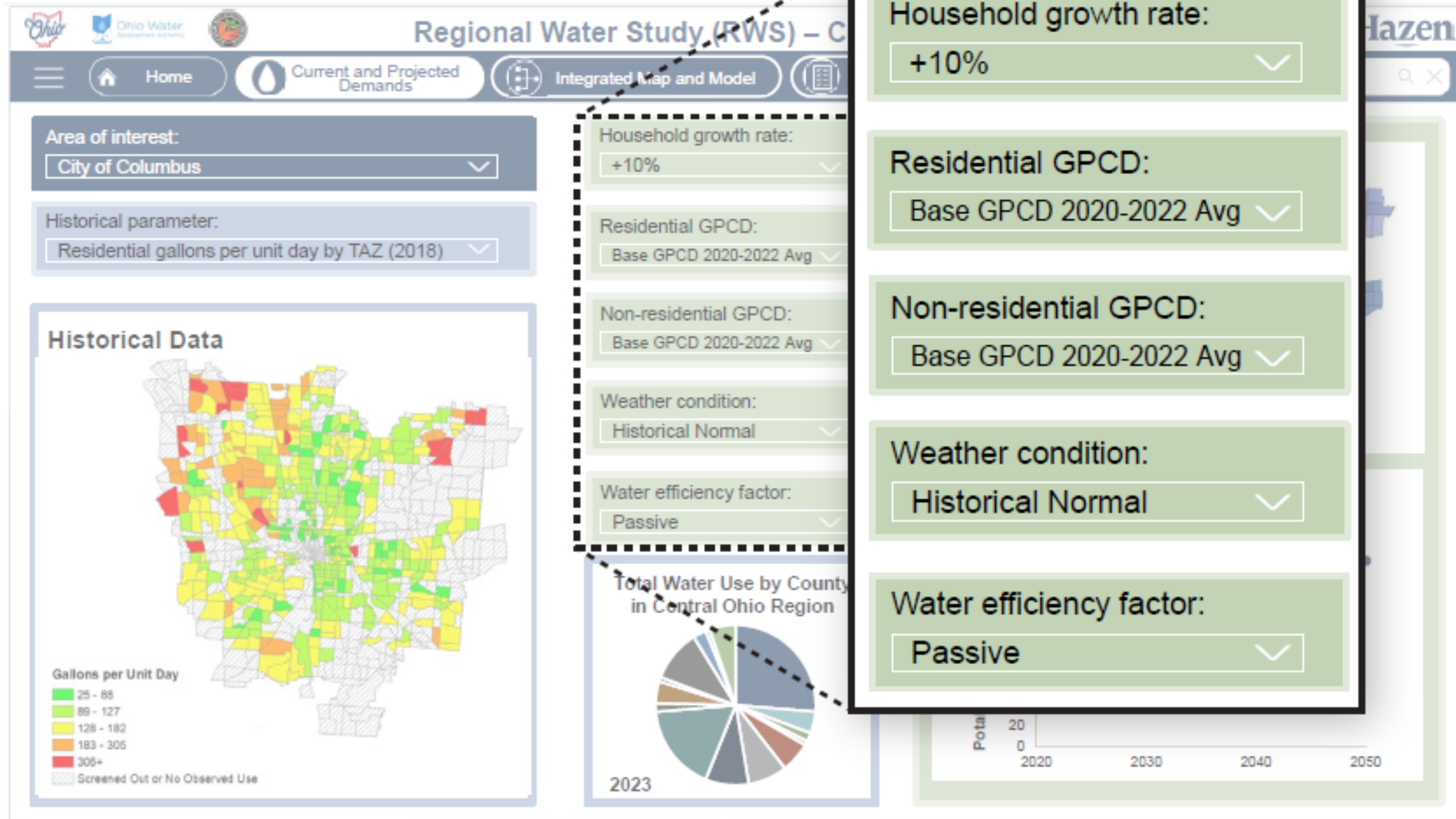
Projected Data

Change in Total Water Use
(2020-2050, MGD)

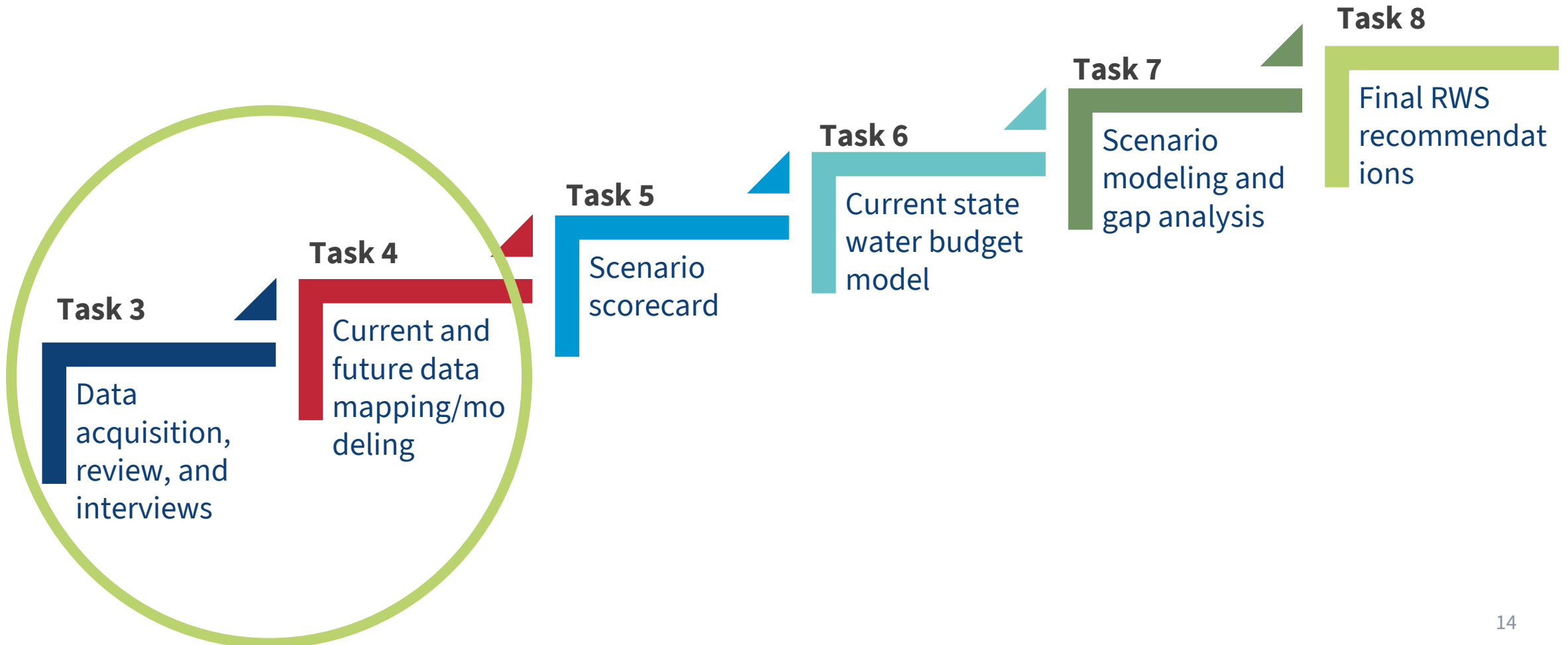
- 0.078 - -0.008
- 0.007 - 0.000
- 0.001 - 0.003
- 0.004 - 0.010
- 0.011 - 0.028
- 0.029 - 0.963

Projected Data

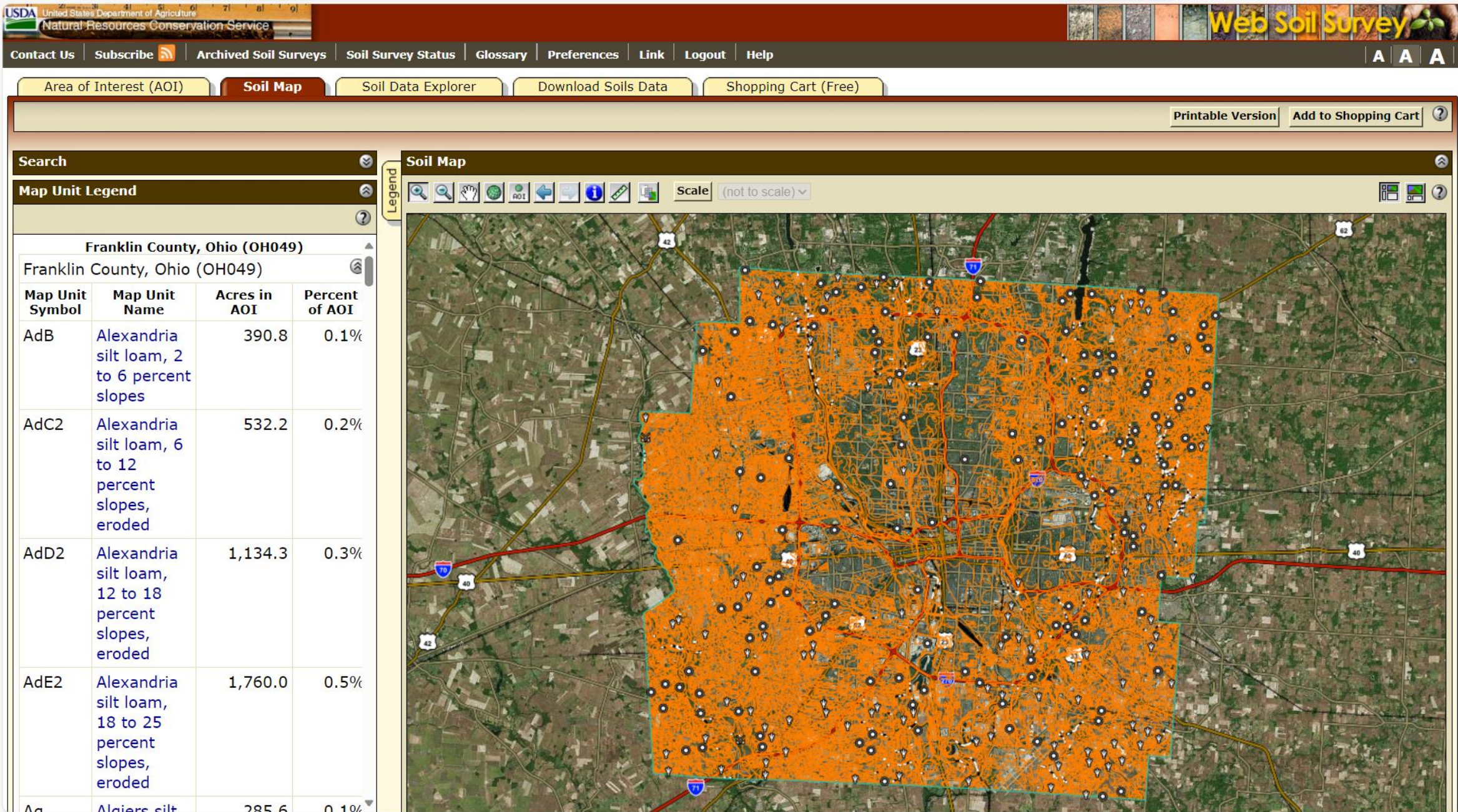






Project Workflow



USDA NRCS Web Soil Survey



Ohio Water Well Database




OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

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Zoom In

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Zoom Out




Wells




Sealing Reports




Well Symbology




Base Map




Features & Layers




Select



Measure



Draw



Zoom To Location

Scale: 1 : 144447.6442


Latitude: 39.995276

Longitude: -82.994328

WATER WELLS DATABASE

HELP

LOGIN



QUICK SEARCH

ADVANCED SEARCH

☒ Well Log

☐ Sealing Report

County

FRANKLIN

Township

Select Township

Record Number

SEARCH BY ID

Aquifer Type

Sandstone & Limestone (SLI)

Shells Lime Sand (LSS)

Shells/Lime/Sand (SHL)

Traverse Group (TRV)

Dolomite (DOL)

Limestone & Gravel (LSG)

Limestone (LST)

Shell (SHE)

Niagara Formation (NIA)

Marl (MRL)

Shale w/ Sandstone Streaks (SHD)

Shale & Sandstone (SHS)

Stringer (STG)

Streak (STK)

Sandstone & Shale (STS)

Injun Sandstone & Shale (ISH)

Sandstone/Shale/Limestone (SSL)

Limestone & Shale (LSH)

Limestone & Rock (LSR)

Shale & Limestone (SHI)


Limestone & Clay (LSC)

Lime & Clay (LMC)

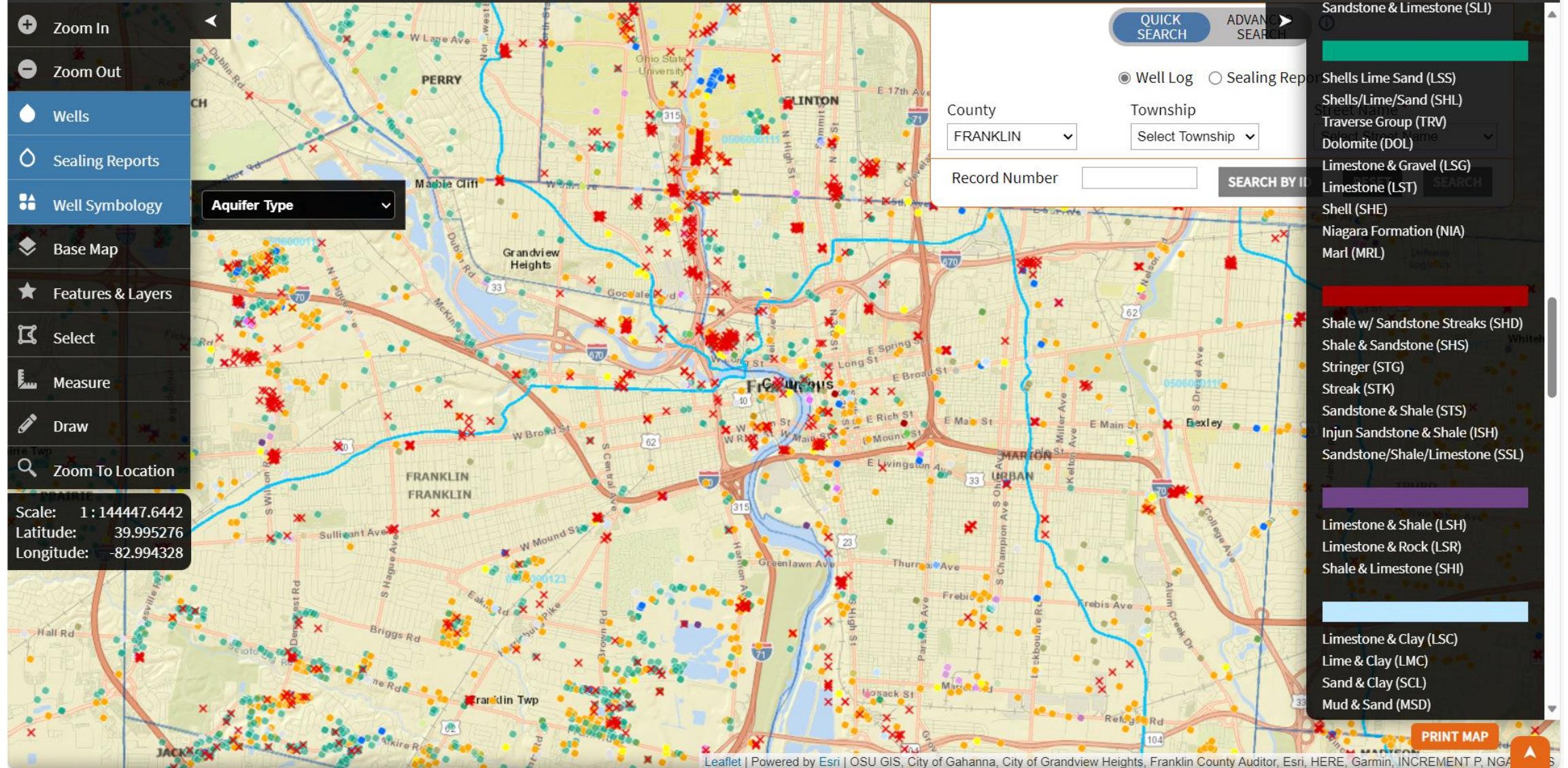
Sand & Clay (SCL)

Mud & Sand (MSD)

PRINT MAP



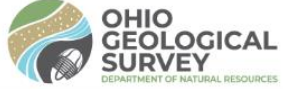
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The map displays a dense distribution of water wells in Franklin County, Ohio. The wells are color-coded according to their aquifer type, with red 'X' marks also present. The map includes major roads, rivers, and city boundaries. The interface features a sidebar with navigation tools, a search bar, and a legend for aquifer types.

Aquifer Type
Sandstone & Limestone (SLI)
Shells Lime Sand (LSS)
Shells/Lime/Sand (SHL)
Traverse Group (TRV)
Dolomite (DOL)
Limestone & Gravel (LSG)
Limestone (LST)
Shell (SHE)
Niagara Formation (NIA)
Marl (MRL)
Shale w/ Sandstone Streaks (SHD)
Shale & Sandstone (SHS)
Stringer (STG)
Streak (STK)
Sandstone & Shale (STS)
Injun Sandstone & Shale (ISH)
Sandstone/Shale/Limestone (SSL)
Limestone & Shale (LSH)
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Ohio Observation Well Network



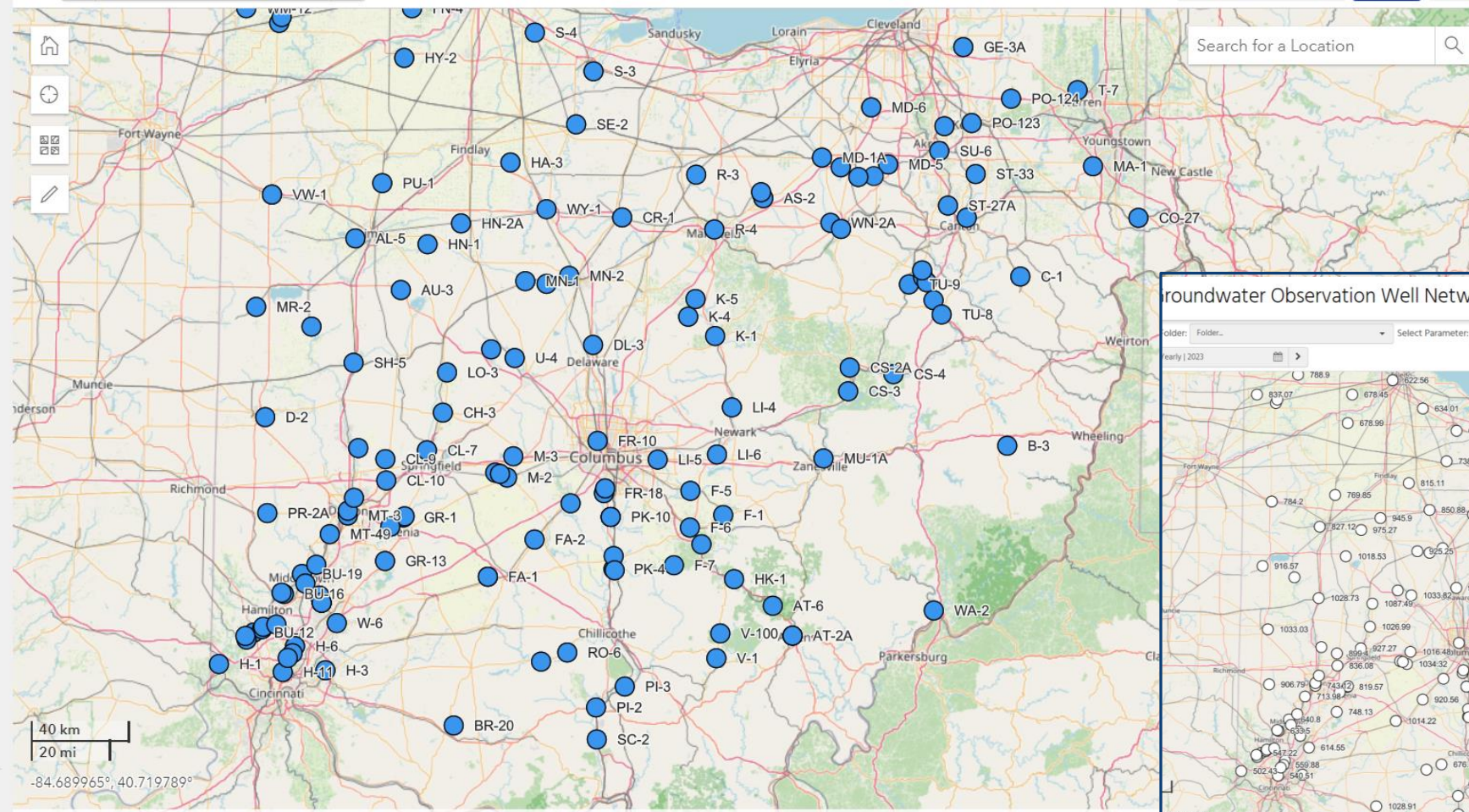
Ohio Groundwater Observation Well Network

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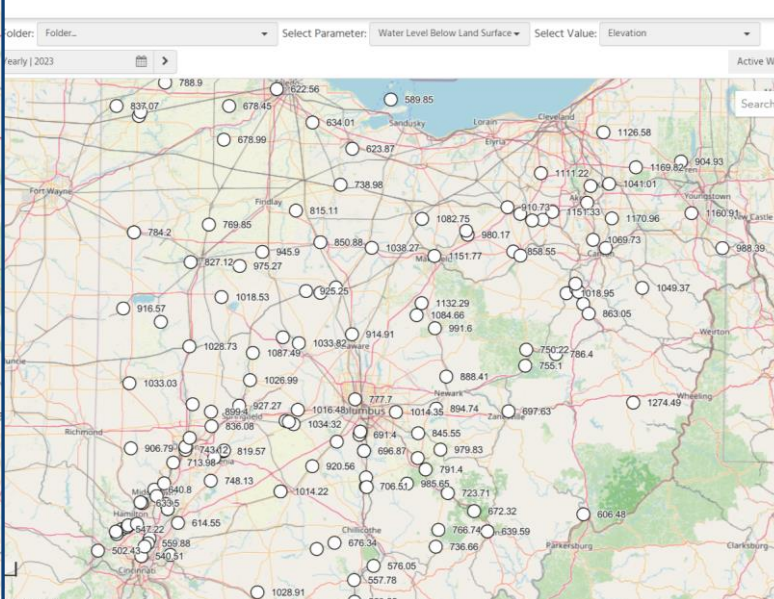
Search for a Folder: Folder... Select Parameter: Water Level Below Land Surface Select Value: Location Identifier

Date: < Yearly | 2023 >

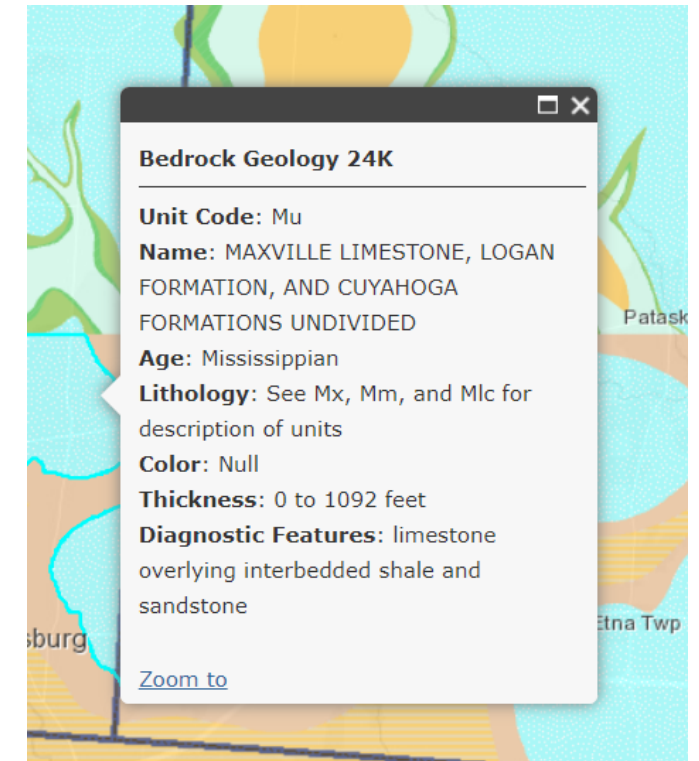
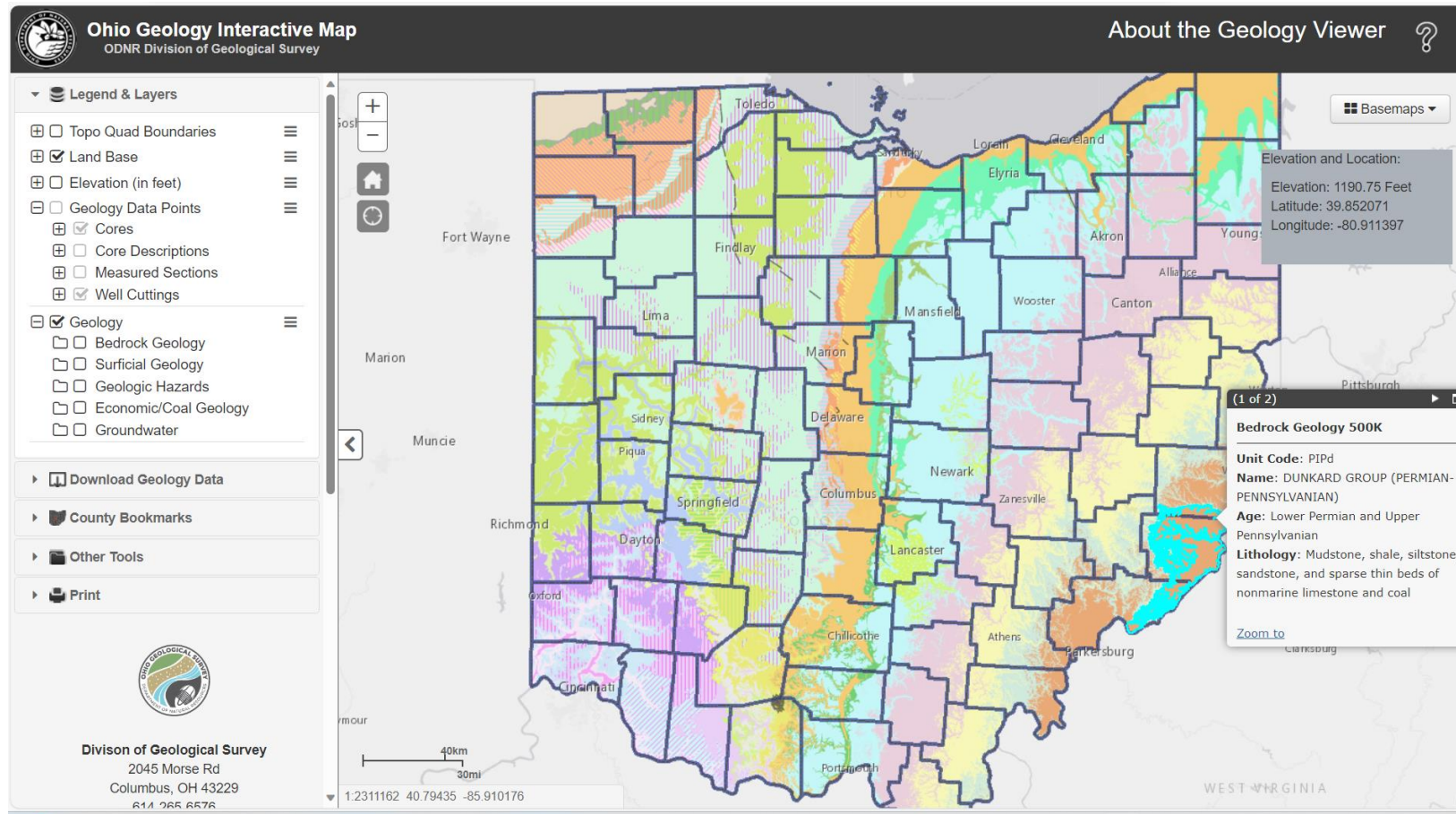
Active Wells Edit Filter



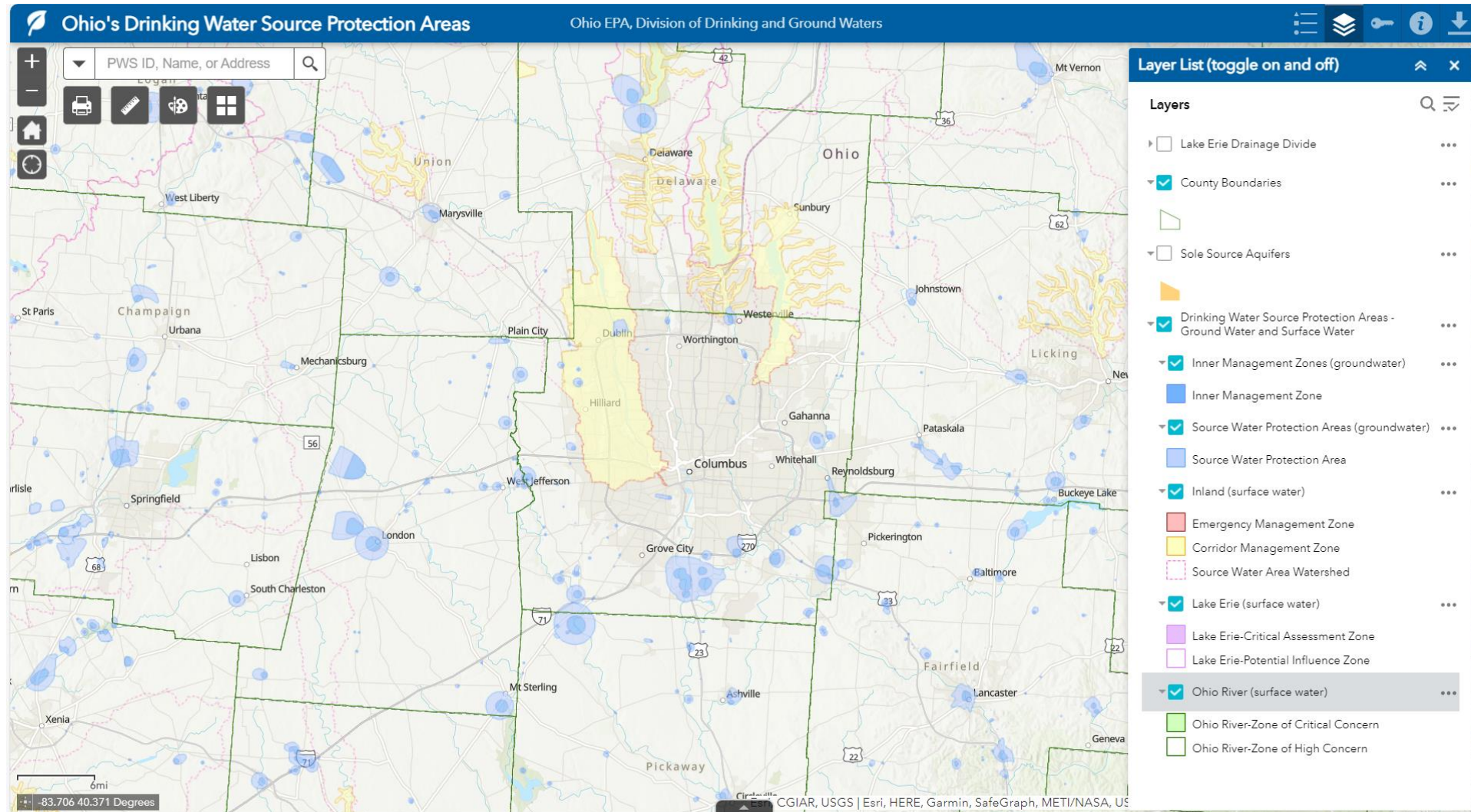
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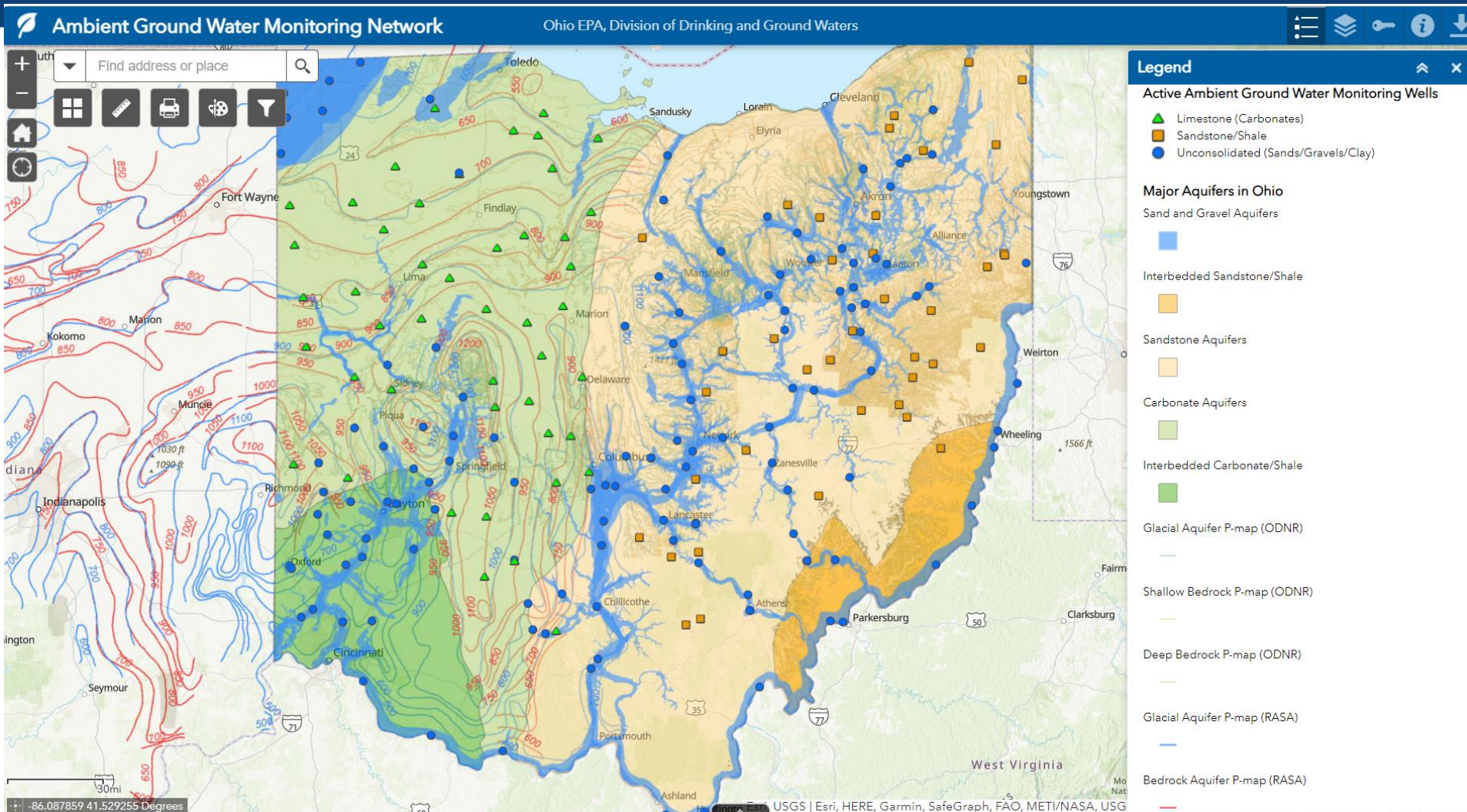
Ground Water Vulnerability Map of Ohio



Drinking Water Source Protection Area



Ambient Ground Water Monitoring Data



Strawser & Allen Partnership

County: Franklin
Ambient Well ID: 39FRA00404
Well No: 1
ODNR Well Log: 468710
Aquifer Lithology: LS
Local Aquifer Name: Hilliard
Geologic Age: DEV_SIL
Well Depth (ft): 85.00
Casing Length (ft): 41.00
Depth to Bedrock (ft): 26.00
Elevation (AMSL, ft): 708.00
Sampling Status: Active18Cycle
Inorganic Report: [LINK](#)
Organic Report: [LINK](#)
Time Series: [LINK](#)

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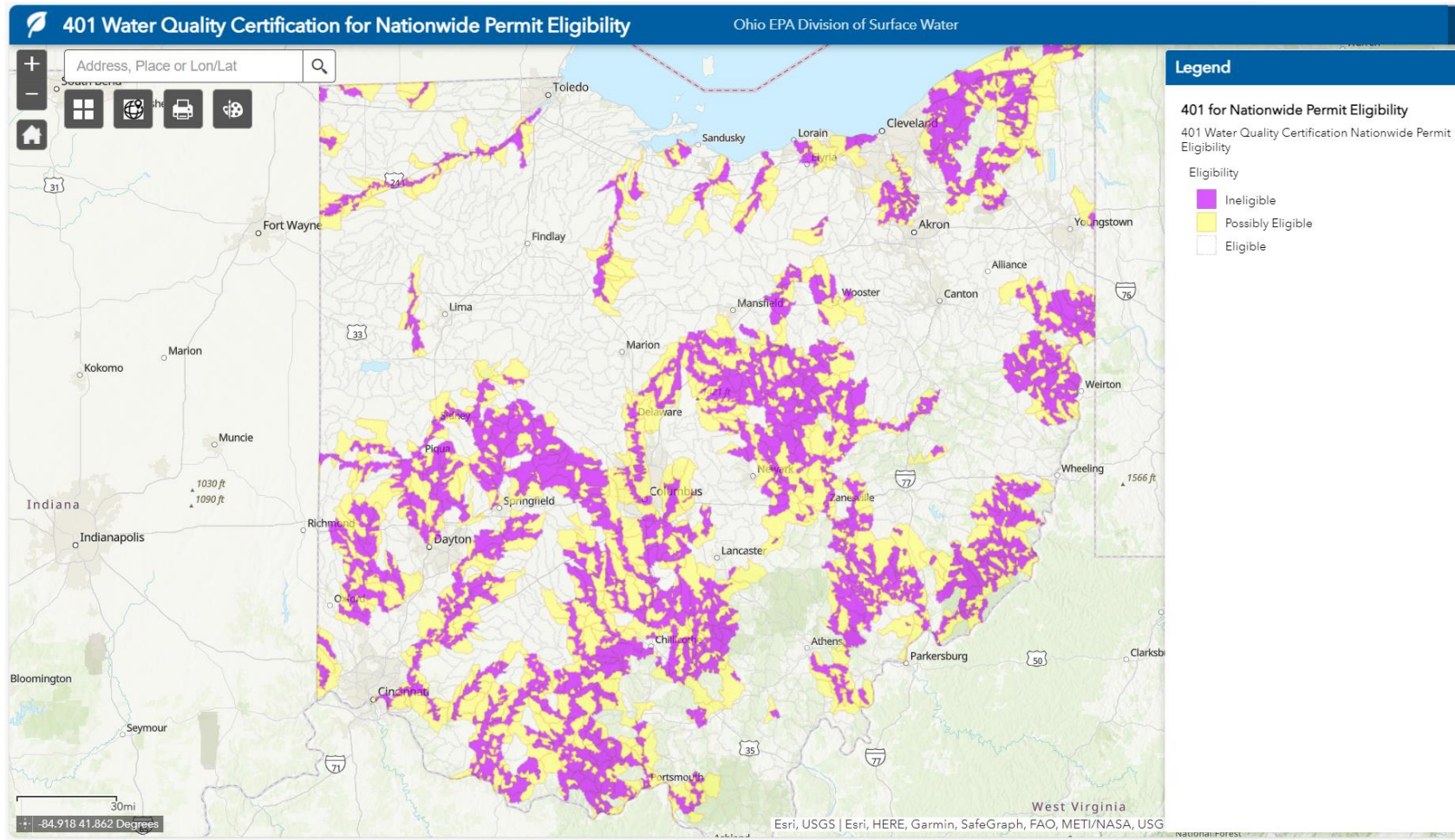
Voluntary Action Program Properties Ohio EPA, Division of Environmental Response and Revitalization

Find address or place

Layers

- ☒ Urban Setting Designation (USD) Area Centroid
- ☒ Urban Setting Designation (USD) Areas
- ☒ DERR - Covenant Not to Sue Centroids
- ☒ DERR - Covenant Not to Sue Areas
- Environmental Covenant
- Covenant Not to Sue
- Easement
- Institutional Control
- Other
- ☐ Statewide Parcels

Ohio EPA Stream Eligibility Map



Category Definitions:

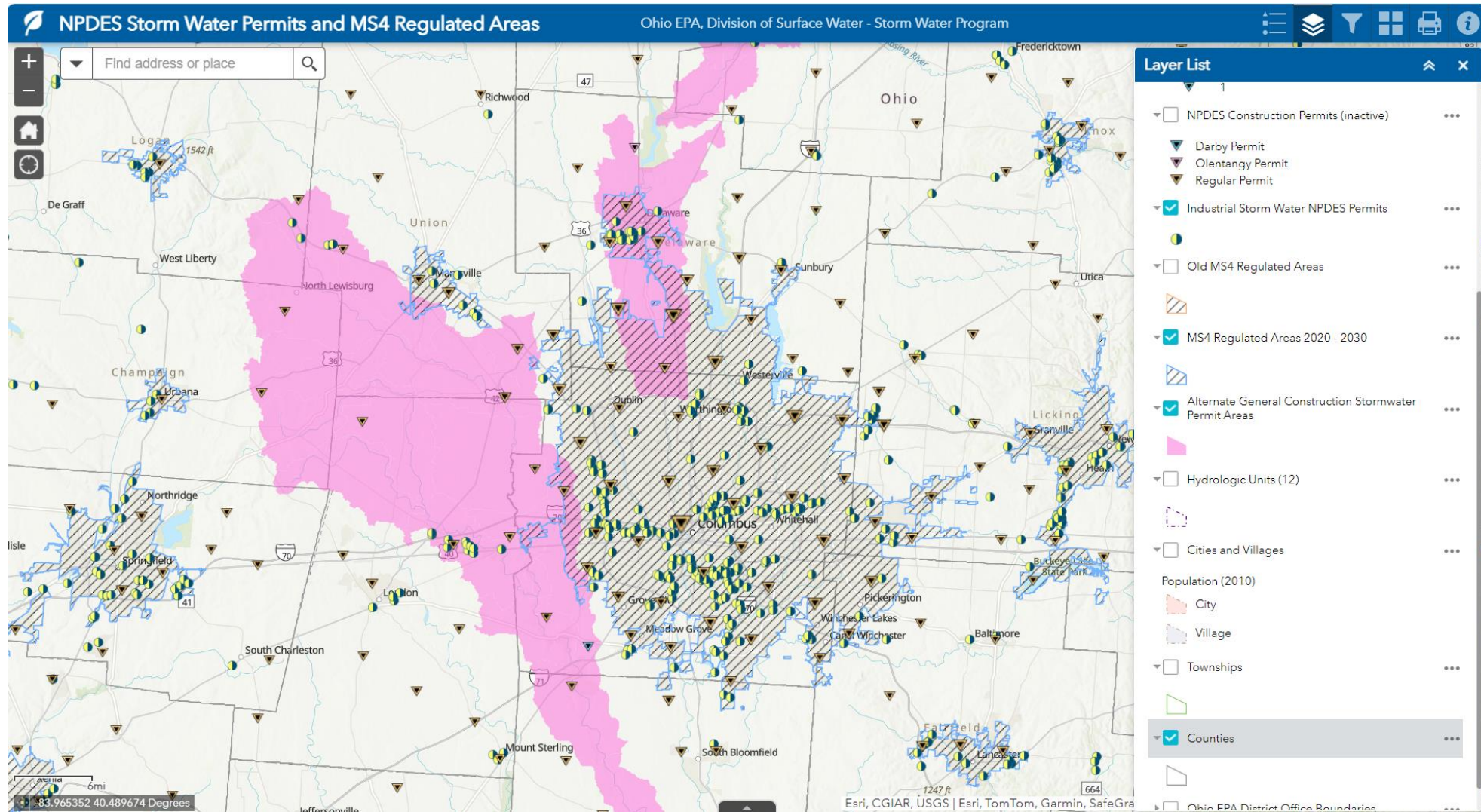
Ineligible Areas (Shaded Purple): an individual 401 water quality certification is required.

Possibly Eligible Areas (Shaded Yellow): may require an individual water quality certification if the streams which are proposed to be impacted exhibit habitat features indicative of high quality waters, or if other Ohio general and special limitations and conditions for the nationwide permits are not met.

Eligible Areas (No Shading): may require an individual 401 water quality certification if Ohio general and special limitations and conditions for the nationwide permits are not met.

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NPDES MS4 Regulated Areas

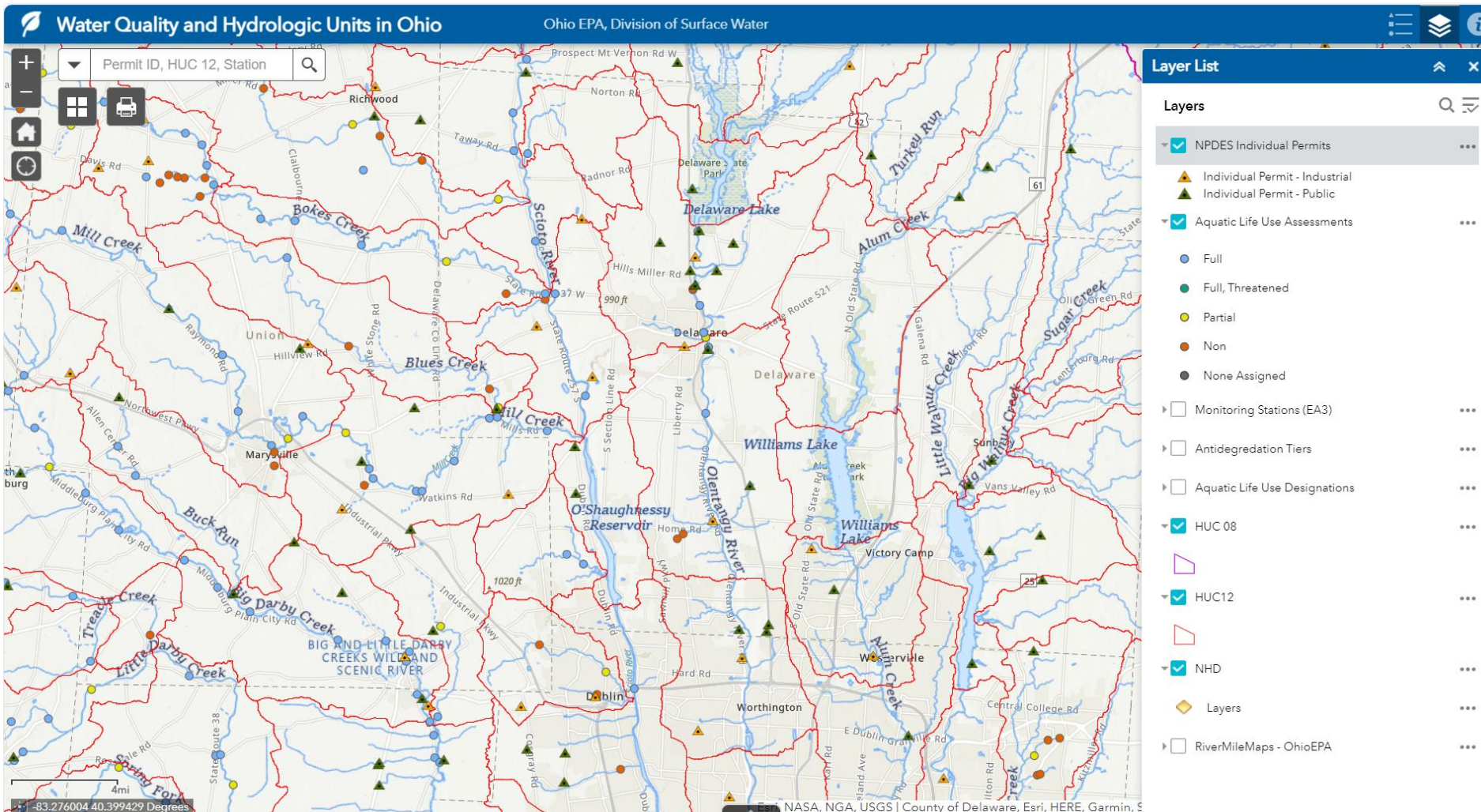


Water Quality and Hydrologic Units

Watershed Attributes

Watersheds - Watershed - HUC12: Bliss Run-Alum Creek

Name	Bliss Run-Alum Creek
AreaAcres	33,866.00
AreaSqKm	137.05
GNIS_ID	
HUC12	050600011602
HUMod	TF
HUType	Standard
LoadDate	January 18 2013
MetaSourceID	
NonContributingAcres	0.00
NonContributingSqKm	0.00
SourceDataDesc	
Zoom to	



How's My Waterway

Let's get started!

Search by address, zip code, or place... [Go](#) OR [Use My Location](#)

Choose a place to learn about your waters:

Community

State & Tribal

National

Explore Topics:



Swimming



Eating Fish



Aquatic Life



Drinking Water



Columbus, Ohio

WATERSHED: Kian Run-Scioto River (050600012302)

Overview

Swimming

Eating Fish

Aquatic Life

Drinking Water

Water Quality

Overview

Show Text

Your Waters: What We Know

Waters in your community are connected within a local [watershed](#). The **dashed outline on the map shows your watershed**.

Water quality is monitored for physical, chemical and biological factors. The monitoring results are assessed against EPA approved water quality standards or thresholds. Water can be impaired, meaning it is not able to be used for certain purposes.... [Show more](#)

DISCLAIMER

2

Waterbodies

38

Water Monitoring Locations

6

Permitted Dischargers

Waterbody Conditions:

Good

Impaired

Condition Unknown

Overall condition of 2 waterbodies in the *Kian Run-Scioto River* watershed.

Expand All



Kian Run-Scioto River

State Waterbody ID: OH050600012302



Ohio Water Quality

Choose a Topic:

Swimming

Eating Fish

Aquatic Life

Drinking Water

Other

Pick your Water Type and Use:

Water Type:

Rivers and Streams

Use:

Recreation - Bathing Waters

Assessed **Rivers and Streams** that support **Recreation - Bathing Waters**

Targeted monitoring provides information on water quality problems for the subset of those waters that were assessed.

Good

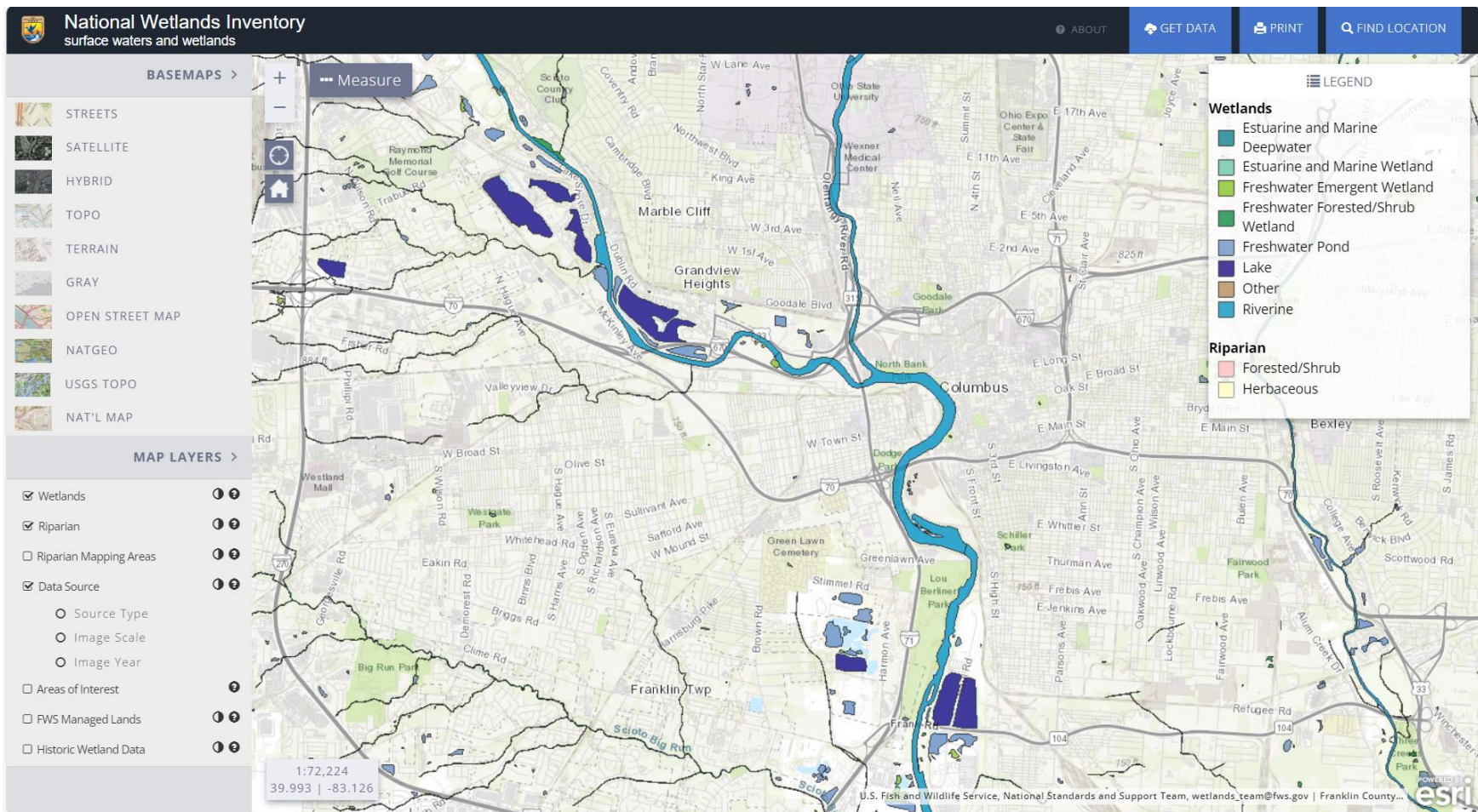
235 miles

210 miles

Impairment for Ohio **Rivers and Streams** assessed for **Recreation - Bathing Waters**

contain [Bacteria and Other Microbes](#).

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service National Wetland Inventory



General **Description** **Reports** **About**

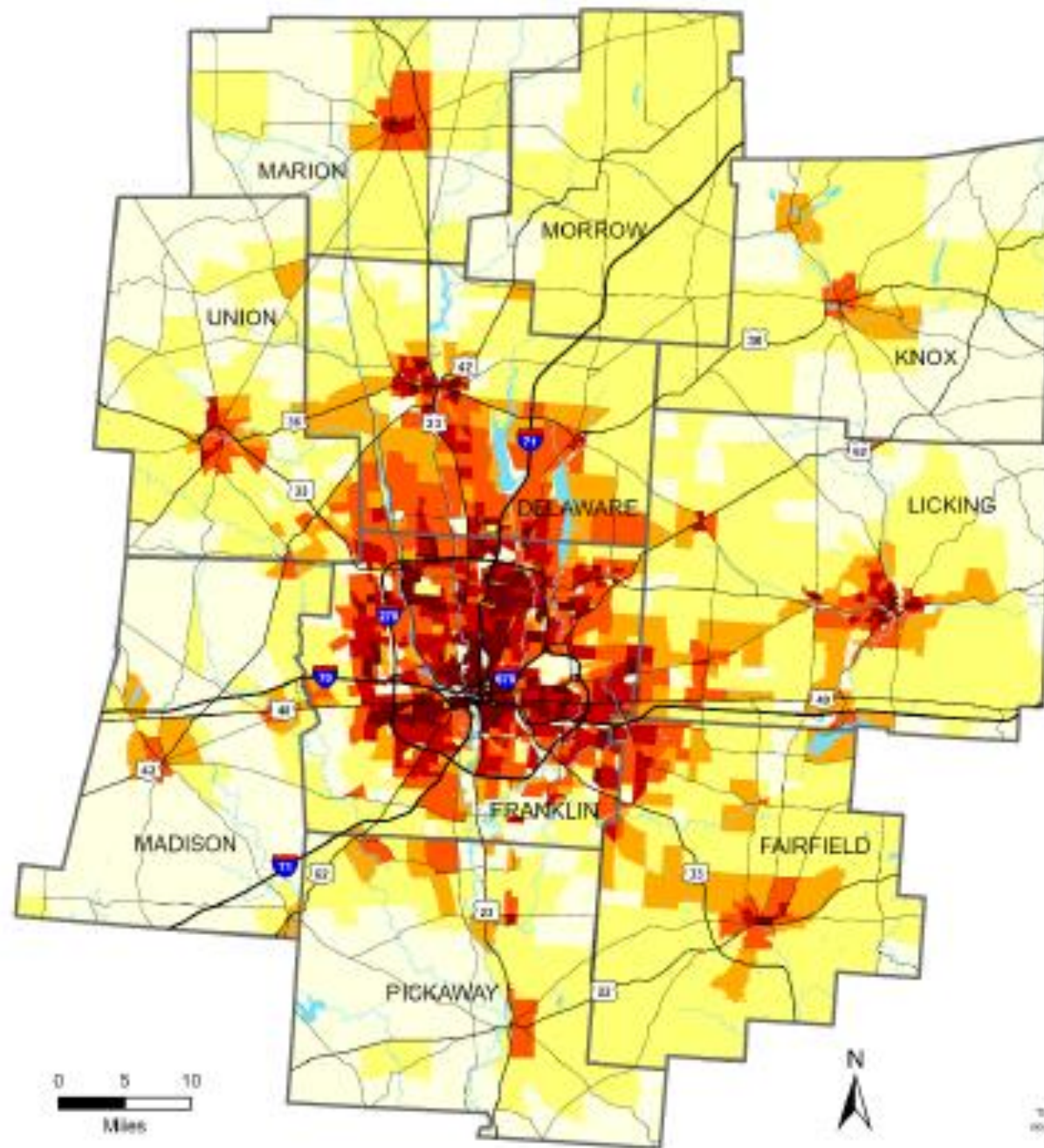
This 513.69 acre Riverine habitat is classified as a R2UBH. For a complete code description, click [here](#).

The wetlands and deepwater habitats in this area were photo interpreted using 1 meter (or less) digital, color infrared imagery from 2007. Click [here](#) for project specific mapping conventions and information.

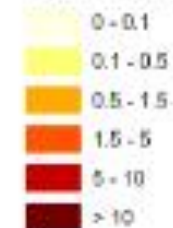
[Zoom to wetland](#)

[Zoom to project area](#)

Population Density Forecast 2050



Population 2050 per acre



Traffic Analysis Zone outputs from
MORPC regional land use model,
based on local input.

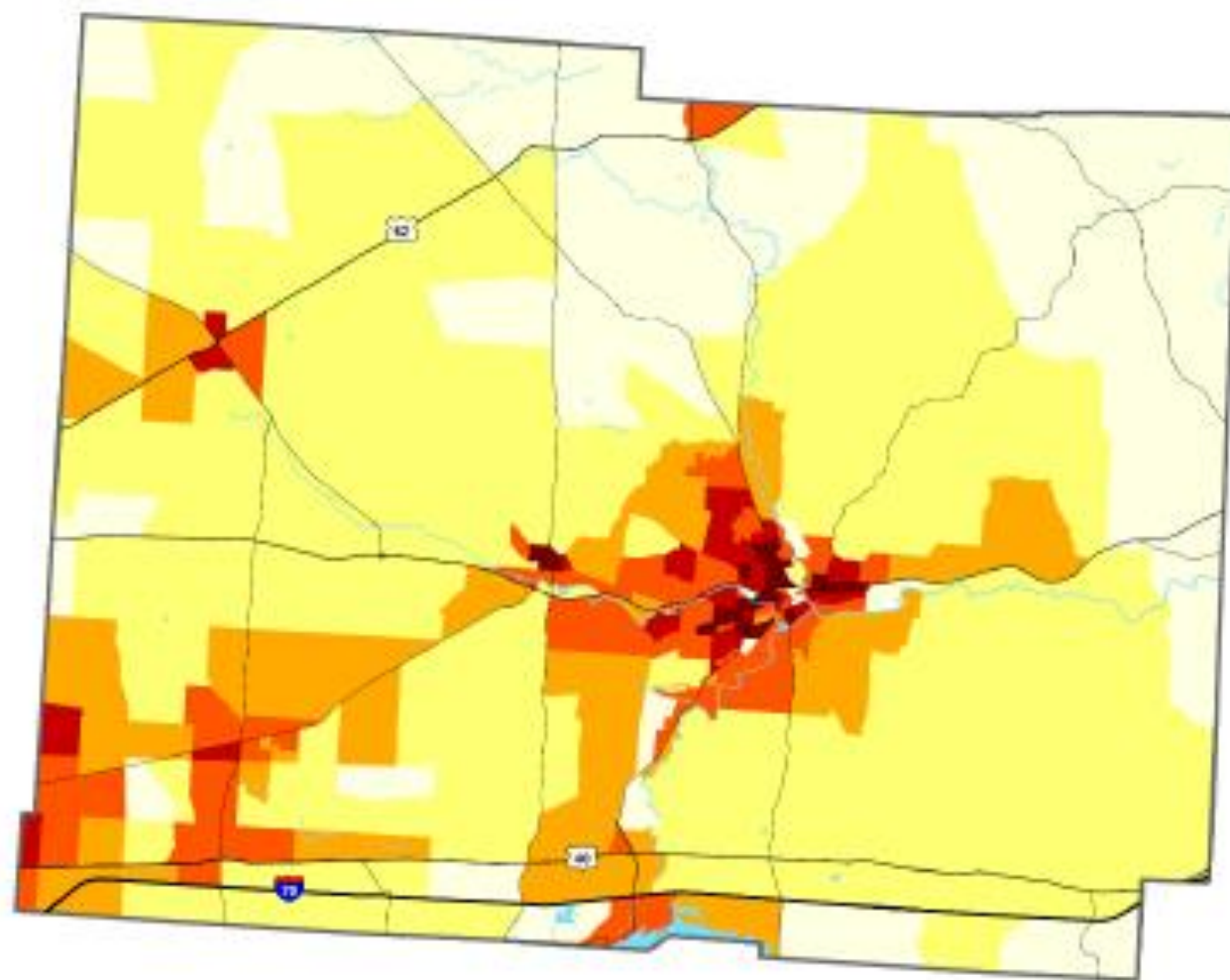
10 County Population: 2,925,943



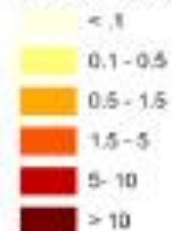
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Population Density Forecast 2050 Licking County



Population 2050 per acre



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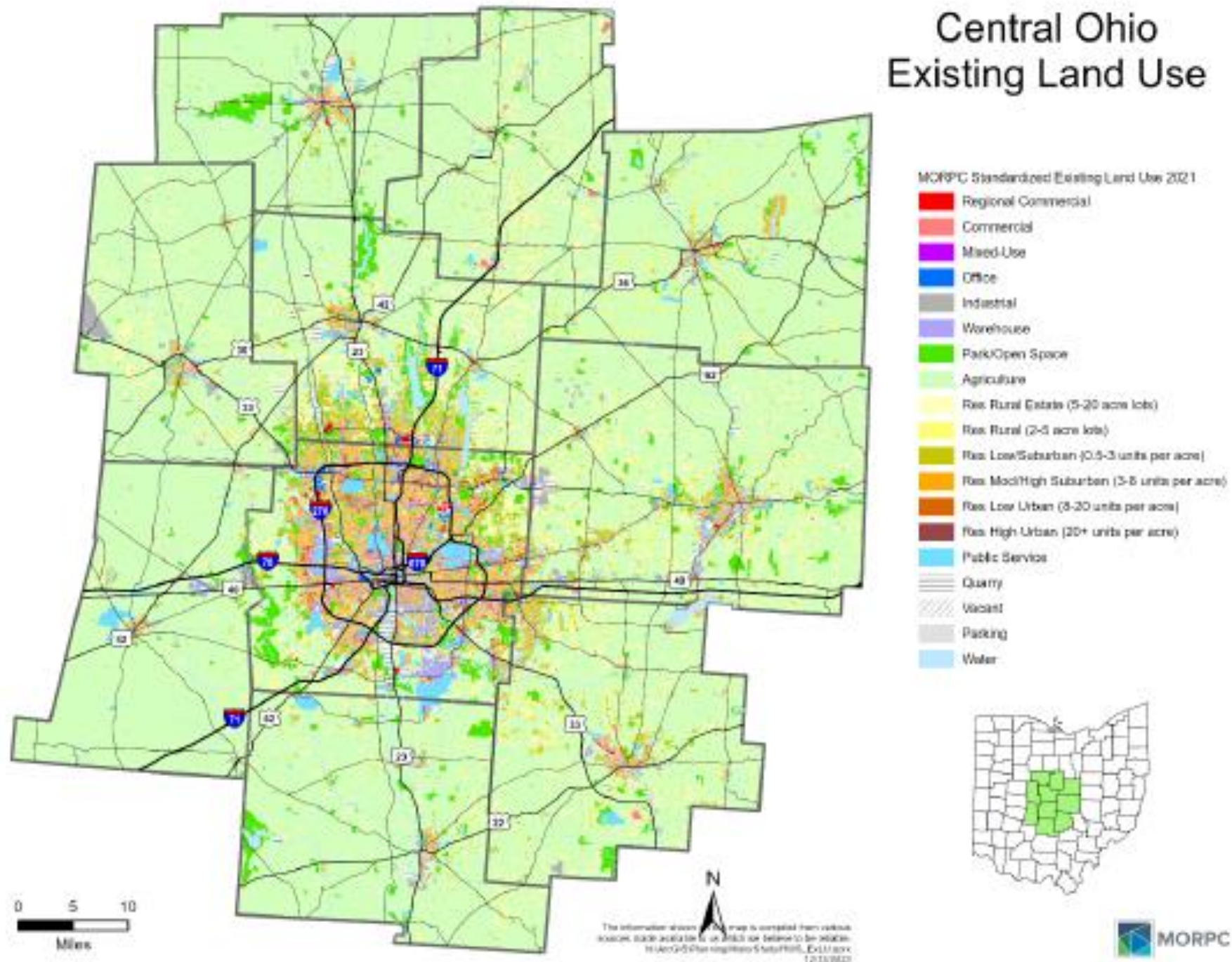
Licking County
2050 Population: 236,202



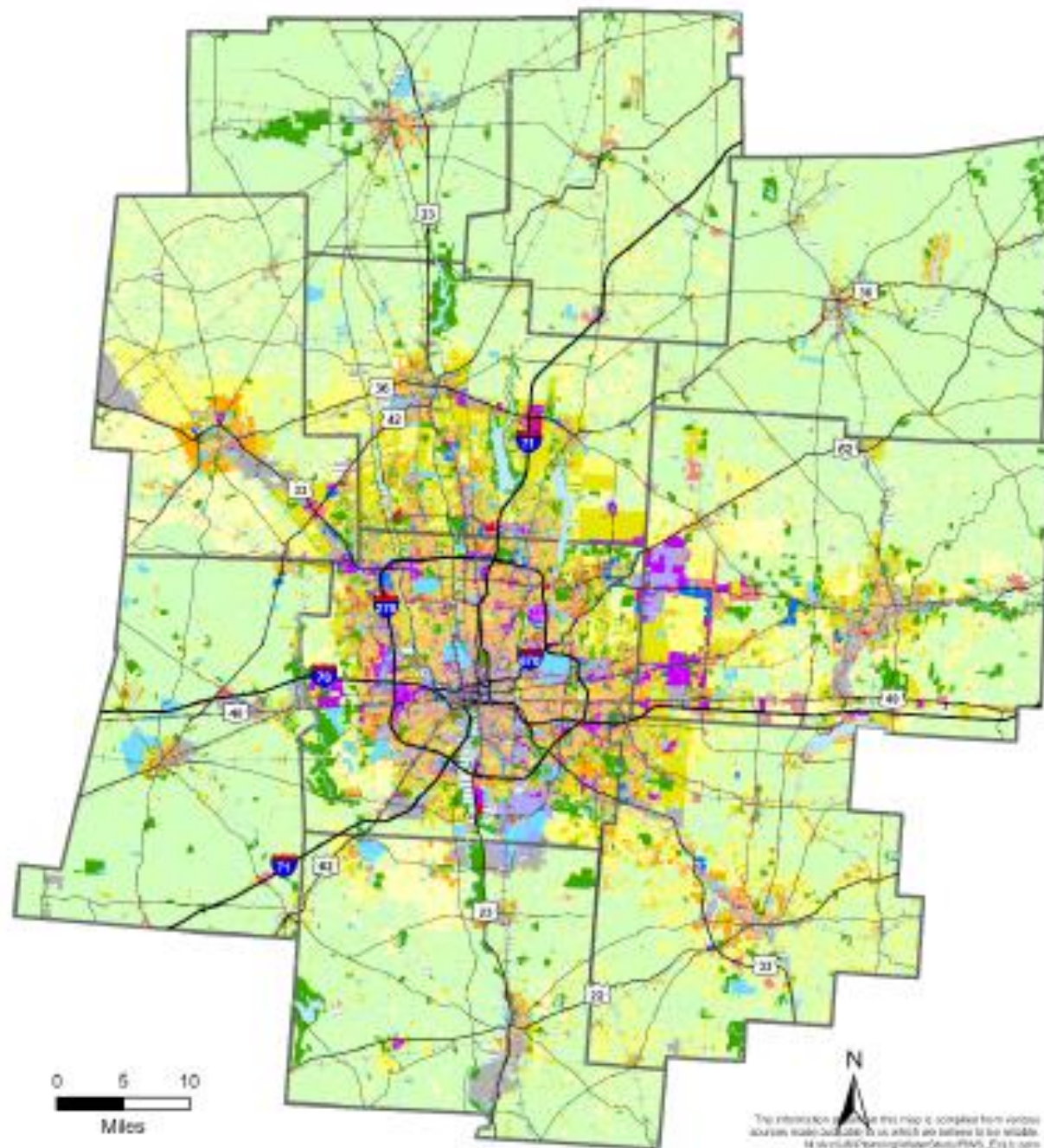
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Central Ohio Existing Land Use



Central Ohio Future Land Use



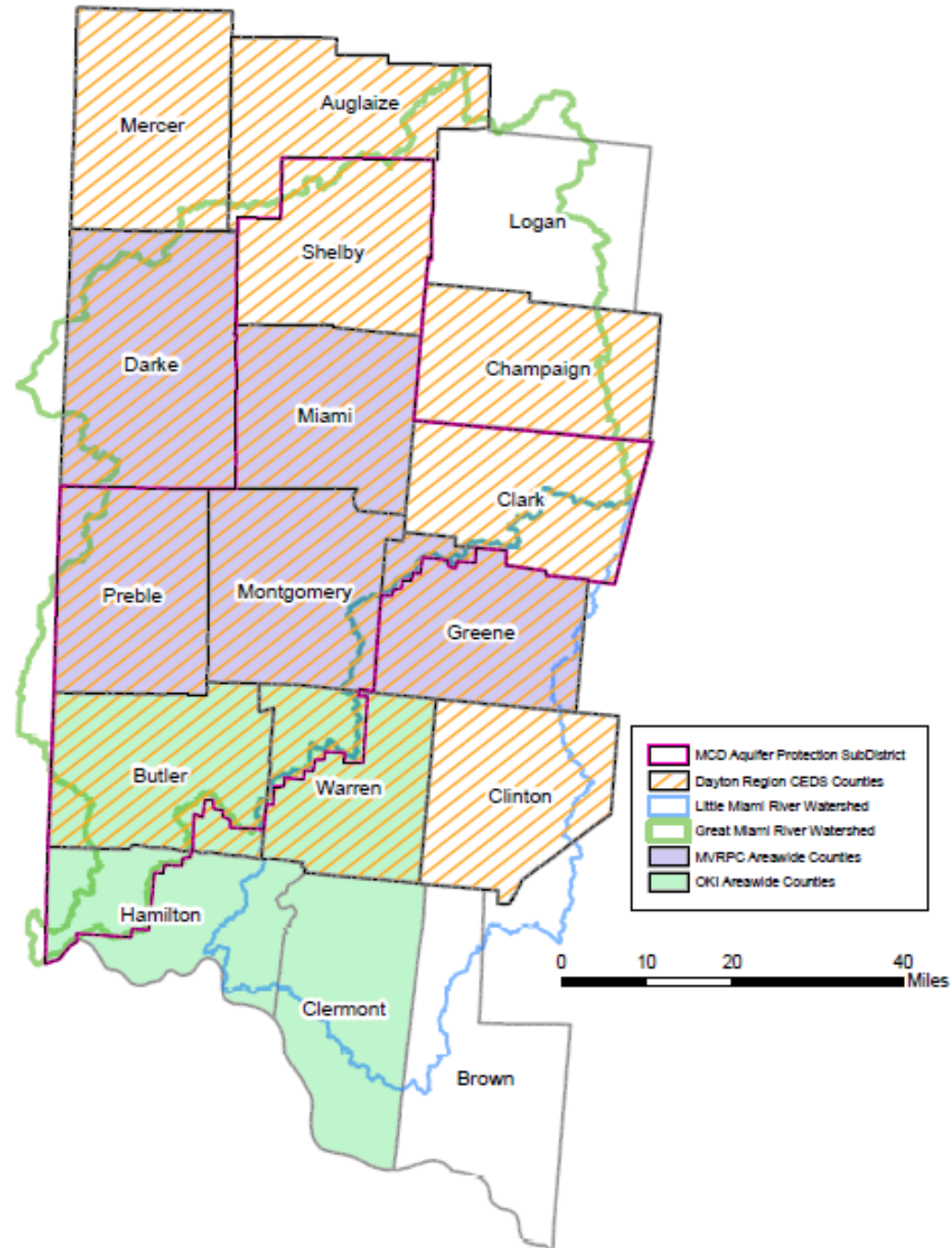
MORPC Standardized Future Land Use

- Regional Commercial
- Commercial
- Mixed-Use
- Office
- Industrial
- Warehouse
- Park/Open Space
- Agriculture
- Res Rural Estate (5-20 acre lots)
- Res Rural (2-5 acre lots)
- Res Low/Suburban (0.5-3 units per acre)
- Res Mod/High Suburban (3-8 units per acre)
- Res Low Urban (8-20 units per acre)
- Res High Urban (20+ units per acre)
- Public Service
- Quarry
- Parking
- Water

Future is based on local comprehensive plans, zoning and known development.



Southwest Ohio Comprehensive Water Study





**Environmental
Protection
Agency**

Next Steps

Central Ohio - completion date = December 2024

Southwest Ohio – Request for Proposals - 2024

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WWTP-Treated Effluent as Process Water



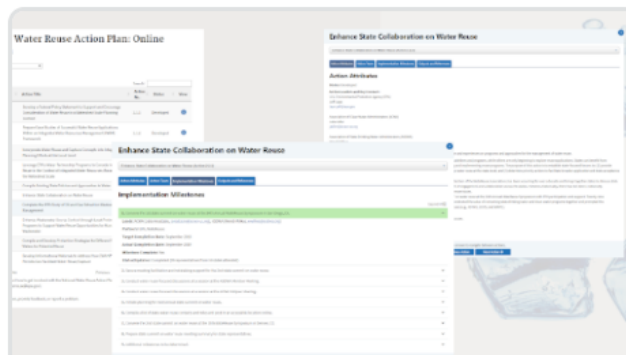
About Water Reuse

Water reuse is the practice of reclaiming water from a variety of sources, treating it, and reusing it for beneficial purposes. It can provide alternative supplies for potable and non-potable uses to enhance water security, sustainability, and resilience. EPA's Water Reuse Program helps foster collaboration among water reuse stakeholders and helps advance water reuse applications across the United States. [Sign up for EPA's water reuse email updates](#) to learn about the latest activities and find opportunities to get engaged.



REUSExplorer Tool

This tool contains summaries of state regulations and guidelines for a variety of water reuse applications.



WRAP Online Platform

The WRAP Online Platform is an interactive tool that tracks and presents the progress of all constituent actions of the National Water Reuse Action Plan (WRAP).



Resource Hub Organized by End-Use

This tool organizes useful information and resources for water reuse professionals by end-use.

MEMBER RESOURCE

Environmental Benefits of Water Reuse

Learn how water reuse projects can restore habitats, employ natural wetland treatment, prevent subsidence and saltwater intrusion, and more!

LEARN MORE

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- Jacobs
- ODH
- Ohio EPA
- Ohio DNR
- Amazon Web Services
- Honda



- **First Board Meeting took place May 29th**
- **Sub-committee interest, broken into 6 sub-categories:**
 - **Potable**
 - **Purple Pipe**
 - **Onsite**
 - **Outreach**
 - **Financial**
 - **Regulatory**

Proposed WaterReuse Sub-Committees

Potable

Indirect Reuse (reservoir recharge, aquifer recharge)

Direct Reuse

Specifications

Infrastructure required (pipes, pumps, towers, etc.)

Treatment technology required

Purple Pipe

Irrigation Use

Agricultural Use

Industrial Use

Specifications

Infrastructure required (pipes, pumps, towers, etc.)

Treatment technology required

Onsite technology required

Gray Water/stormwater

Closed loop sewer mining

Industrial Use

Infrastructure Required

Treatment

Outreach

PFAS Action Plan 2.0



- **MCL Rule Development**
- **Dupont / Washington Works Settlement**
- **H2Ohio Rivers**
- **Dayton Sewershed Source Investigation**
- **Statewide Source Investigation**
- **AFFF - Fire Fighting Foam - Take Back**
- **Fish Consumption Advisory Methodology**
- **Risk Communications**
- **Funding, etc**

AFFF Takeback



Questions

