

HCDD CDBG DR-2 Program Guidelines Waiver Request

Request No. 9: Allowing Targeted Outreach Outside of Community Revitalization Areas (CRAs)

Date: July 9, 2013

The City of Houston (the City), for the Hurricane Ike/Dolly Round II Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Program (the Program) recommends that it is in the best interest of the residents of the City of Houston to modify the Texas General Land Office (GLO) Homeowner Opportunity Program Guidelines (HOP Guidelines), and therefore requests the following waiver.

The HOP Guidelines require that all funds be spent in target areas pursuant to the Outreach Priorities (HOP Guidelines p. 6). The City, through an extensive Planning process, identified multiple Community Revitalization Areas (CRAs) (described in Exhibit A attached hereto), those areas where the City desires to invest funds from the Program, that will be the focus of its outreach. The City is committed to the CRA process in the short and long term; however, there are CRA Outreach Areas (described in Exhibit B attached hereto) that have significant concentration of damage and poverty and need the assistance of this program. Although not all the areas within the CRA Outreach Areas were designated as CRAs through the City's planning process, they have been included in the public process. The formal outreach program will not be involved in this waiver, but the City has identified areas of damage and high poverty within these aforementioned CRA Outreach Areas where outreach activities to identify eligible participants may be conducted.

General outreach forms that are received from areas not designated as CRAs or CRA Outreach Areas will be accepted by the Program and considered in priority after those outreach forms that are received from areas that are designated as CRAs or CRA Outreach Areas.

The City of Houston respectfully requests that the GLO grant this waiver to the HOP Guidelines.

Submitted by:



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Director

Housing and Community Development Department

City of Houston



Date

Approved by:

Jorge Ramirez
GLO

Date

Exhibit A

Please see attached.

Greater 5th Ward Community Revitalization Area

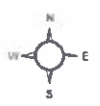
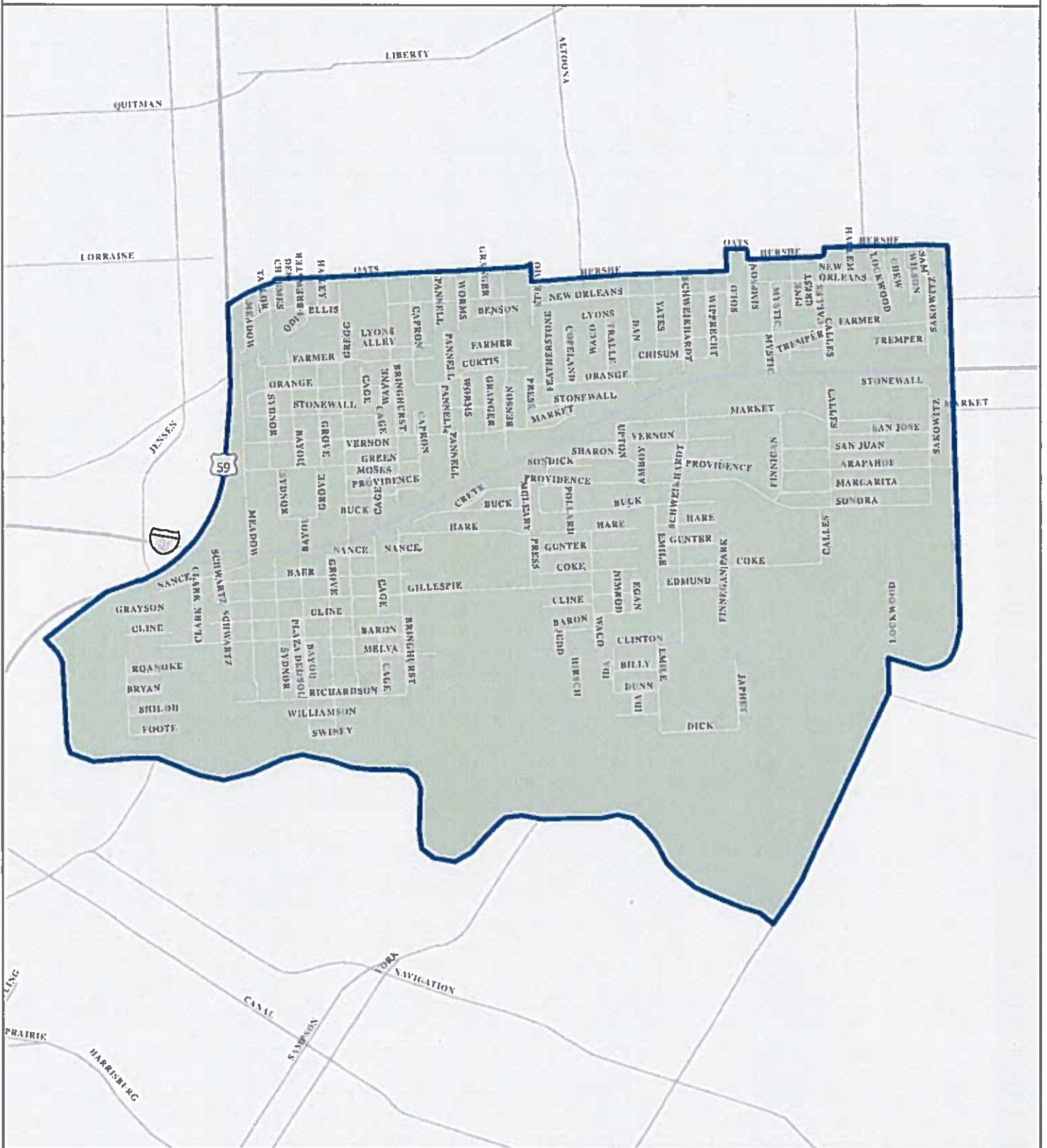
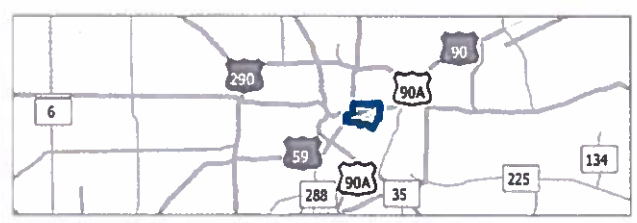
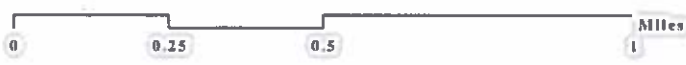


EXHIBIT A



OST/South Union Community Revitalization Area



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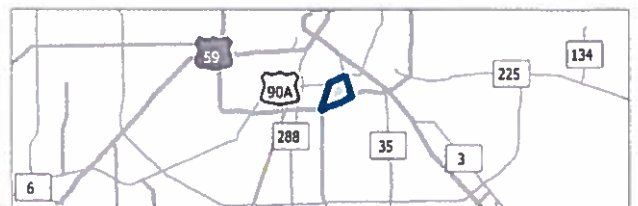


Exhibit B

Please see attached.

Acres Homes CRA Outreach Area

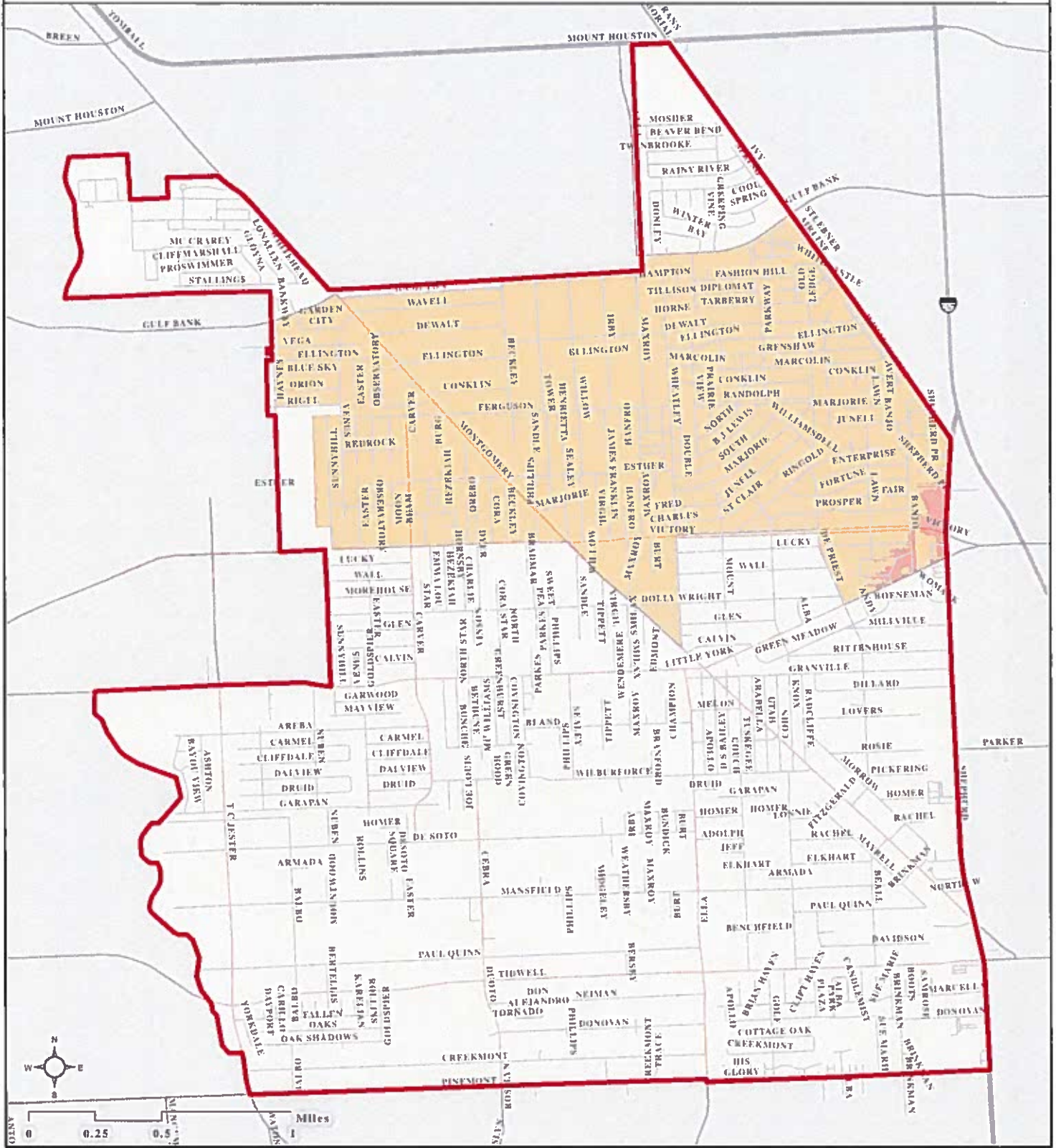
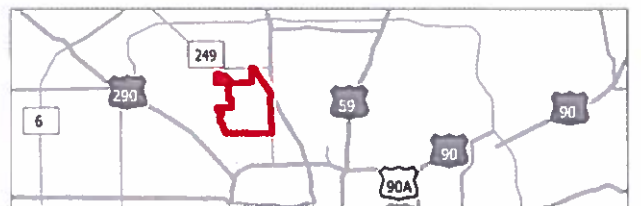


EXHIBIT B

- Primary Target Area
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- Tertiary Target Area
- CRA Outreach Area Boundary



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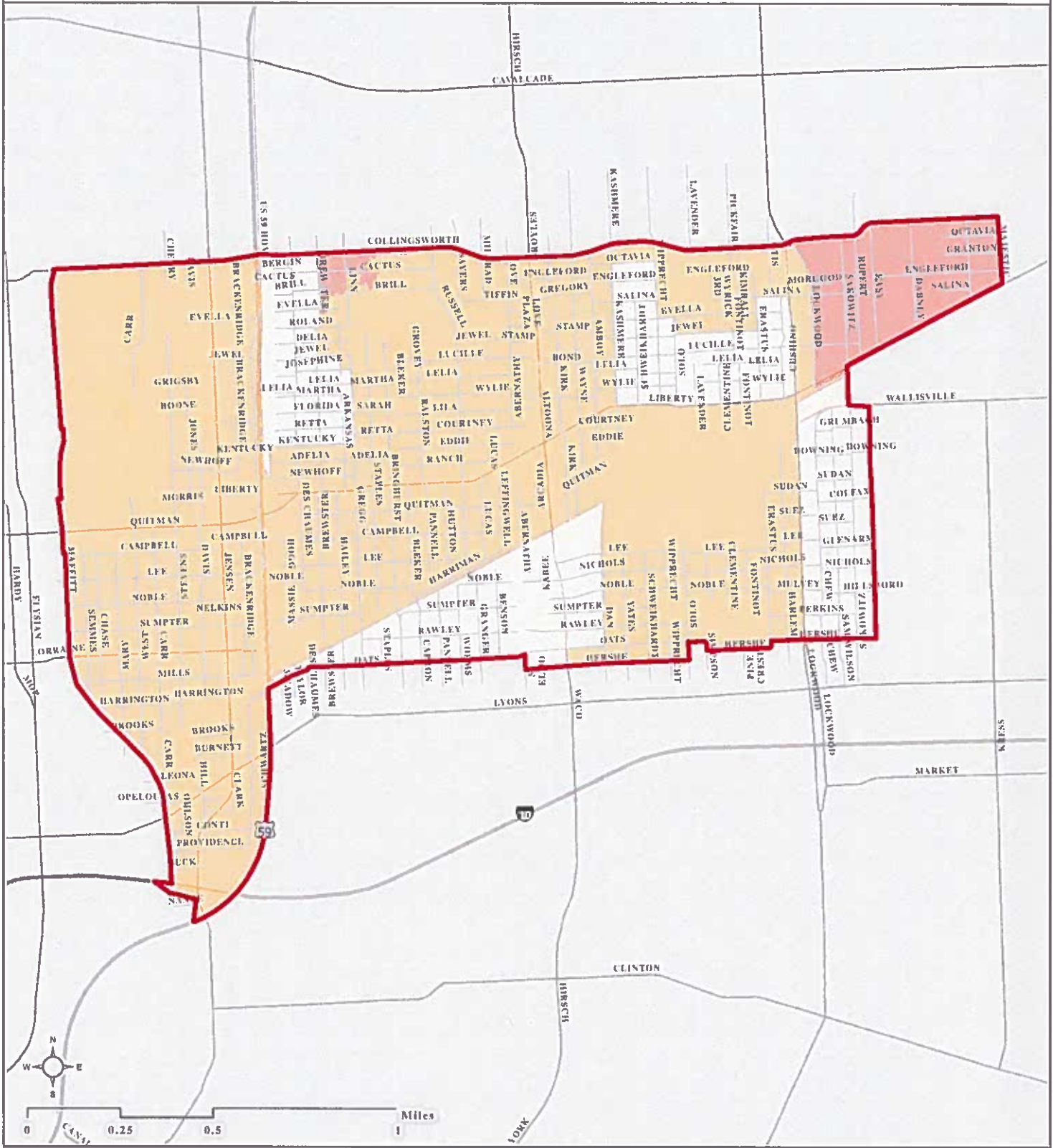
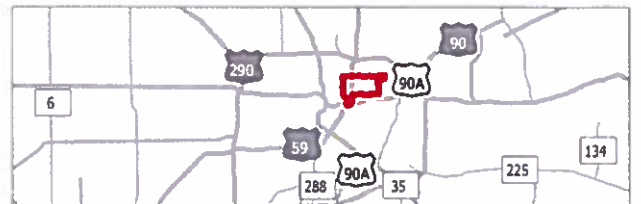


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Independence Heights CRA Outreach Area

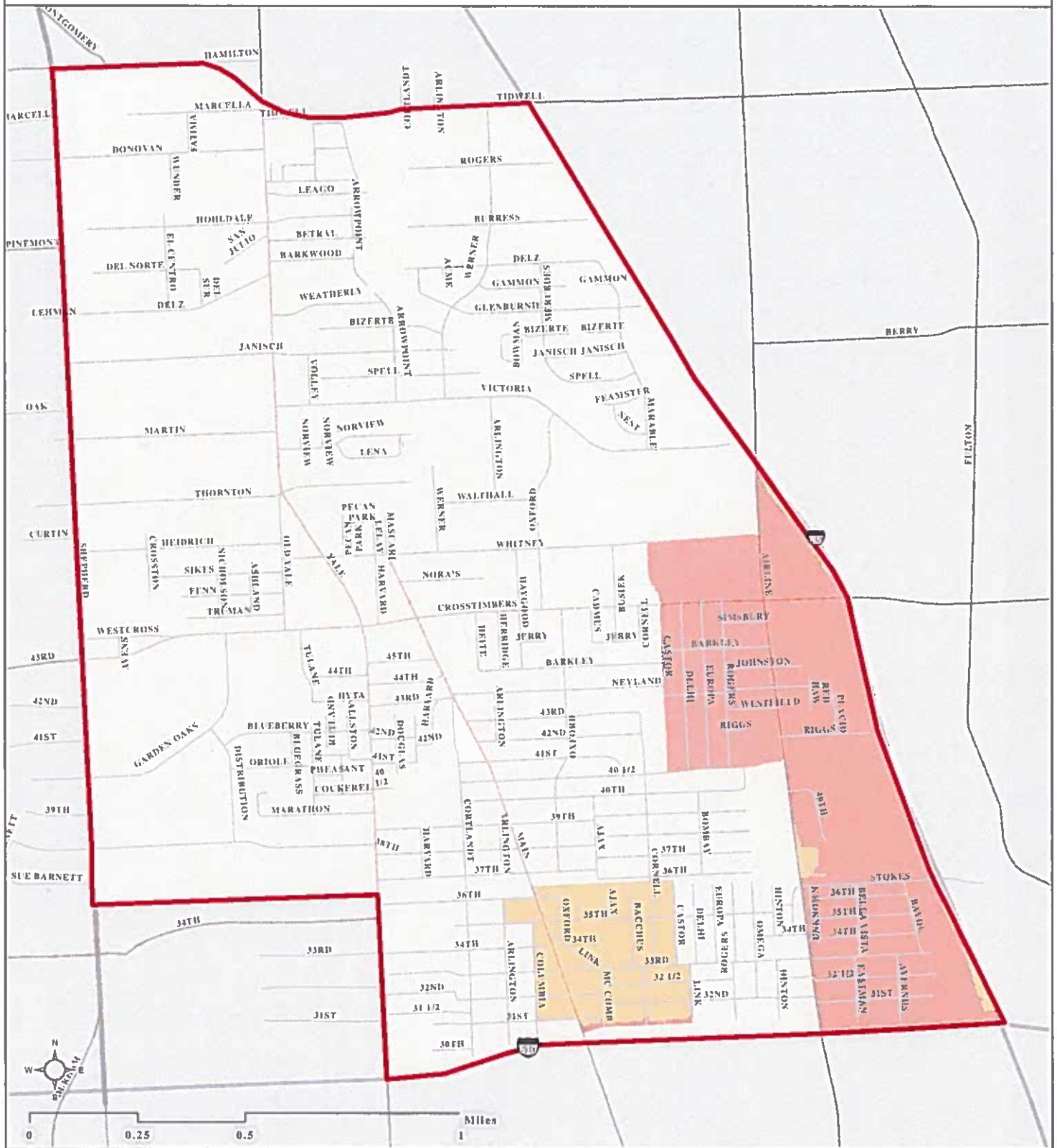
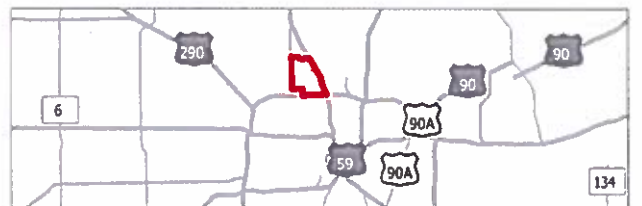


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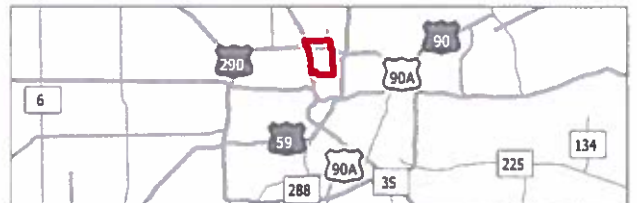


Northside Village CRA Outreach Area



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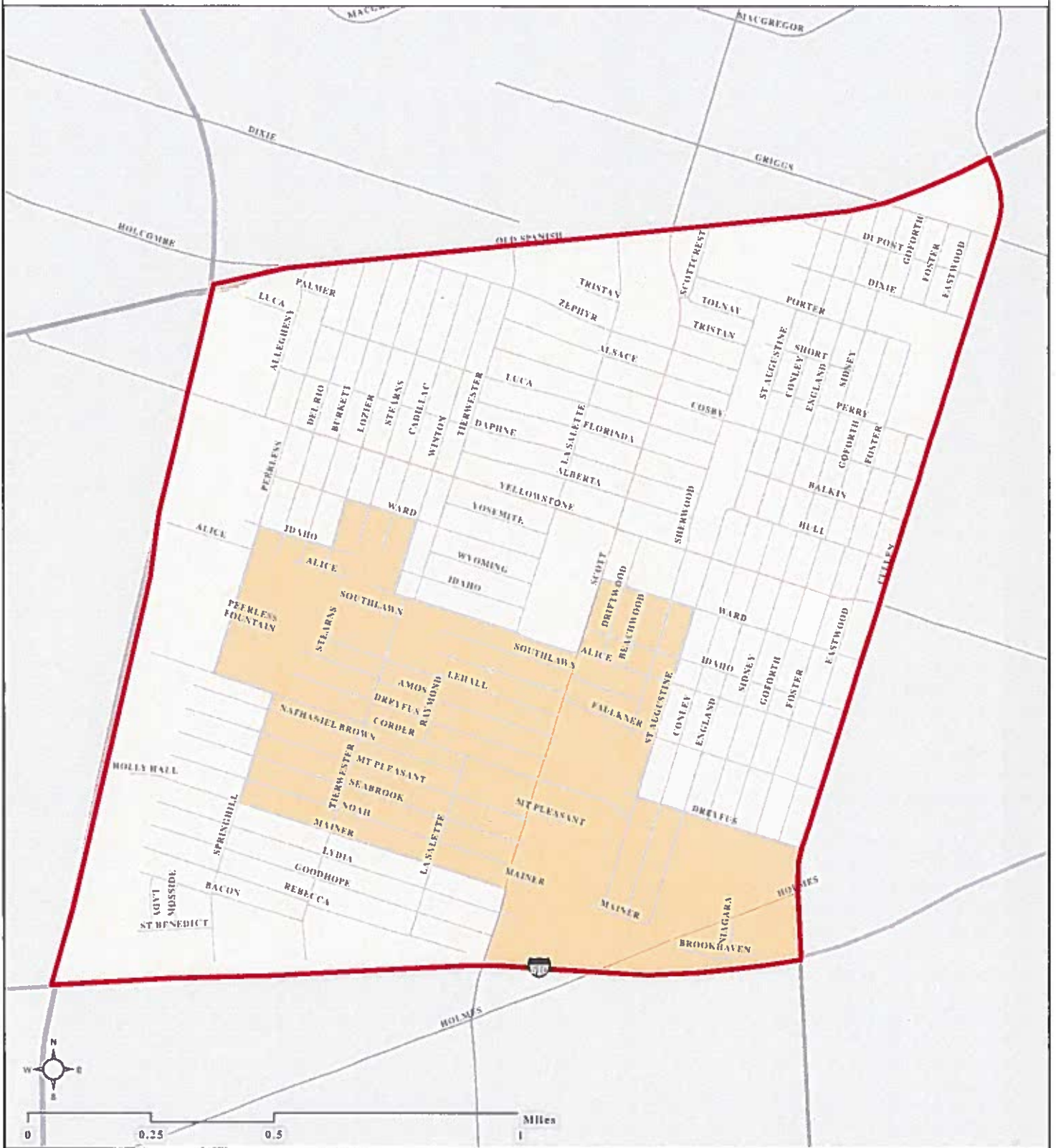
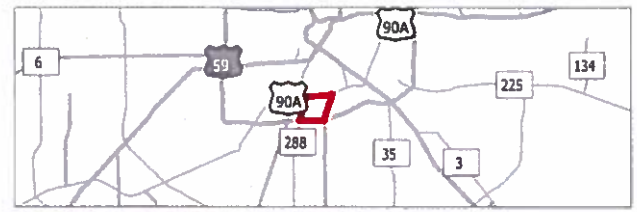


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Sunnyside CRA Outreach Area

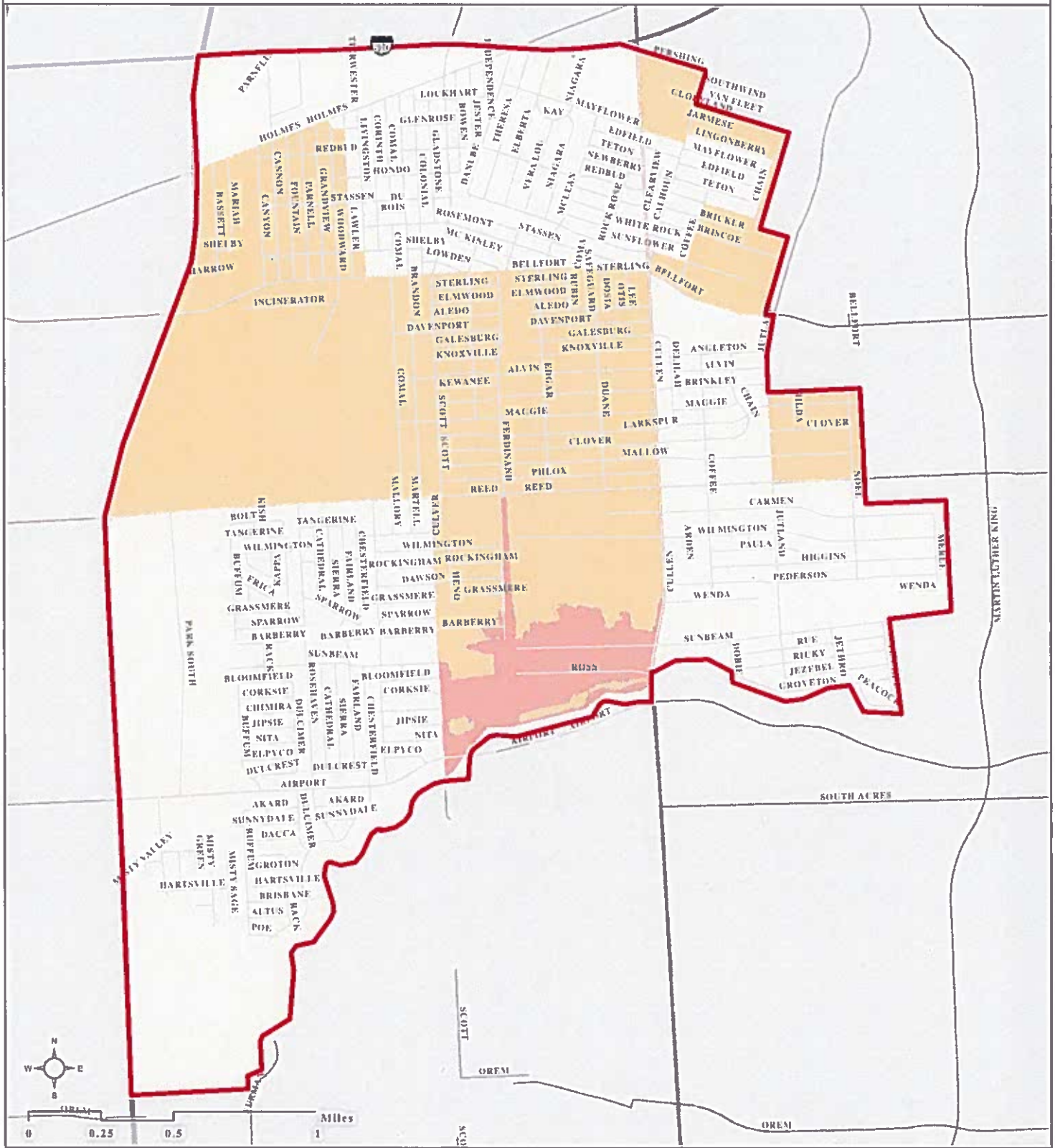


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