Northern Westchester County DRAFT Wireless Telecommunications Infrastructure Master Plan

#### **Town of Lewisboro**

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Northern
Westchester
County
Wireless Tasks
and
Deliverables



#### Wireless Telecommunications History



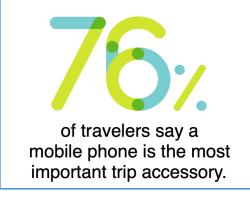


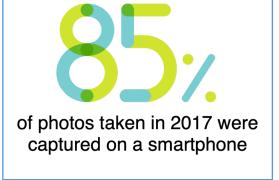


- 1G service provided voice calls only.
- 2G service included voice, texting and data.
- 3G service offered in early 2000's improved data speeds (Providers retiring 1-3G CDMA in 2022).
- iPhone in 2007 offers thousands of applications and introduces smart phone technology.
- 4G service on AWS and LTE began around 2010 and increased data speeds; included new 700 and 2100 MHz frequencies (smaller handsets, Internet access, longer battery life).
- 5G service increases wireless bandwidth for faster transfer of data, Internet of Things (IoT).

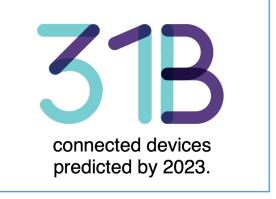
#### Quick Facts:

- Over 49% of U.S. households have "cut the cord" and are wireless only
- 80% of an estimated 240 million 9-1-1 calls are made from wireless devices.
- 45 million Americans use mobile phones as their primary Internet access device
- 2.4 mission students connected
- Smart houses, smart cars, smart industry
- More use of data intensive applications such as Facetime, Internet, Streaming Music and HD Movies, Social Media, etc.

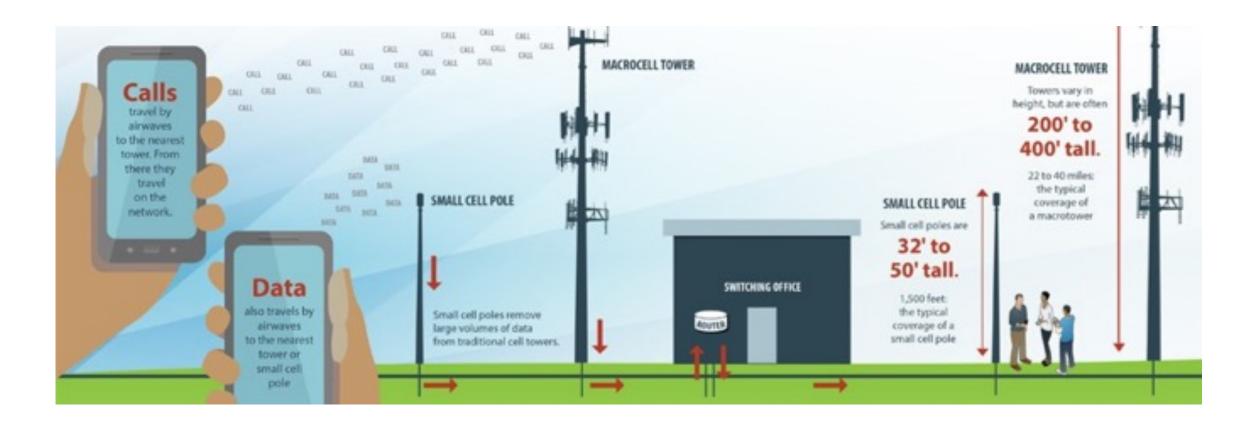








Source: CTIA Wireless Quick Facts, 2019, 2020



### Wireless Network Planning/Mapping

Macro and Small Wireless Facilities For Seamless Connectivity







#### Lewisboro Macro Tower Sites







#### Lewisboro Base Station Sites







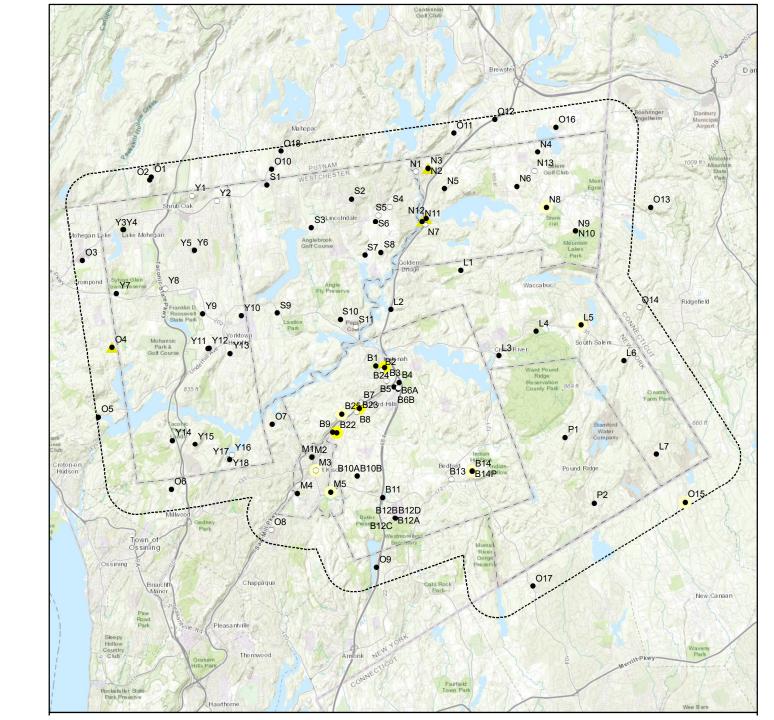
### Small Wireless Facility Sites



### Northern Westchester County Inventory

- Town of Bedford: 21
- Town of Lewisboro: 7
- Town/Village of Mount Kisco: 5
- Town of North Salem: 13
- Town of Pound Ridge: 2
- Town of Somers: 11
- Town of Yorktown: 18
- One-Mile Perimeter: 18

(95) Total Wireless Facilities



### Inventory by Structure Type

#### **Towers** in Lewisboro (7)

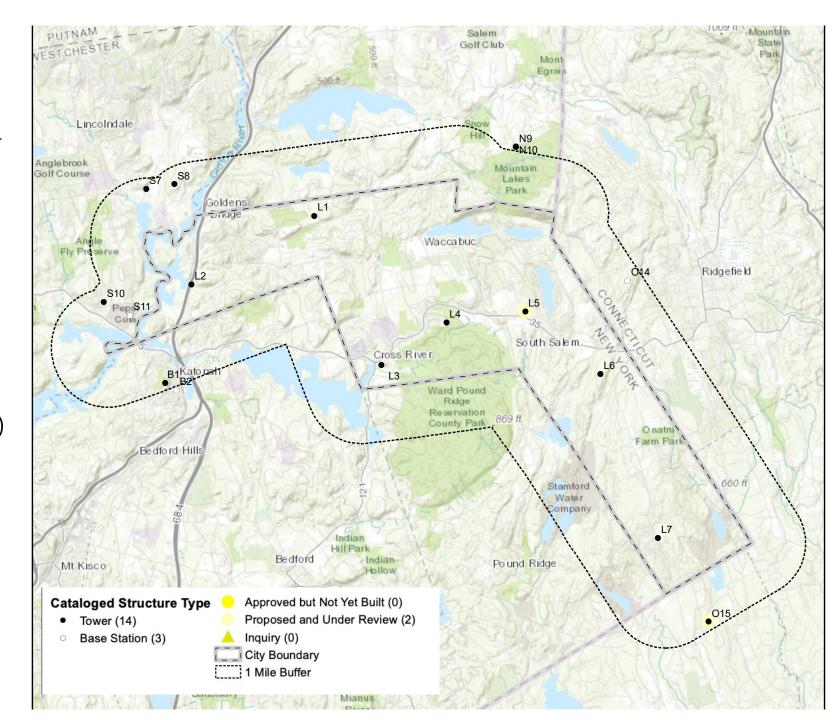
- 6 Existing
- 1 Proposed and under review

#### **Towers** in one-mile perimeter (7)

- 6 Existing
- 1 Proposed and under review

#### Base Stations in one-mile perimeter (3)

• 3 Existing



### Inventory by PWSF Antenna Type

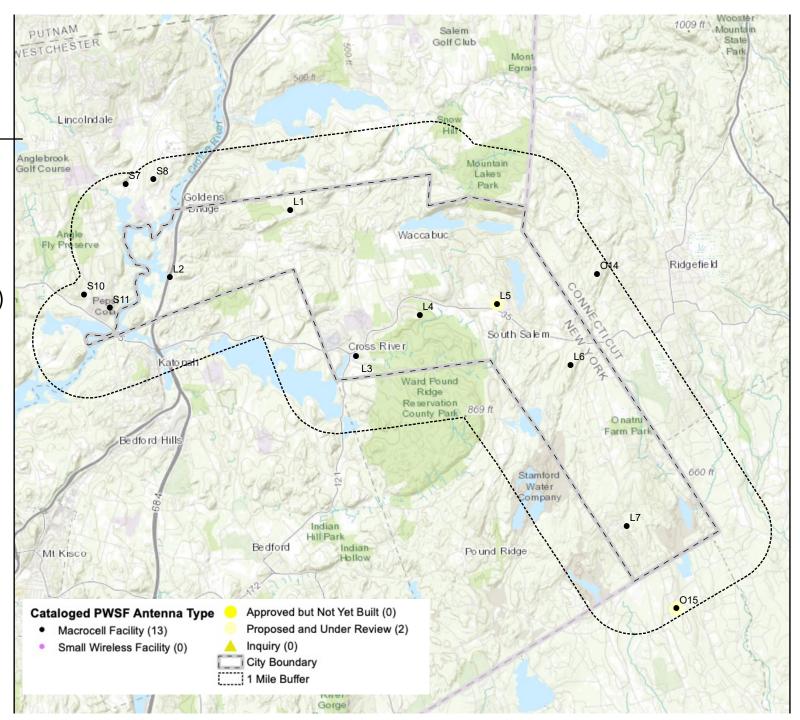
Macro facilities in Lewisboro (7)

- 6 Existing
- 1 Proposed and Under Review

Macro facilities in one-mile perimeter (6)

- 5 Existing
- 1 Proposed and Under Review

Small Wireless Facilities (0)



### Inventory by All Antenna Type

#### Macro facilities in Lewisboro (6)

- 5 Existing
- 1 Proposed and under review

Macro facilities in one-mile perimeter (4)

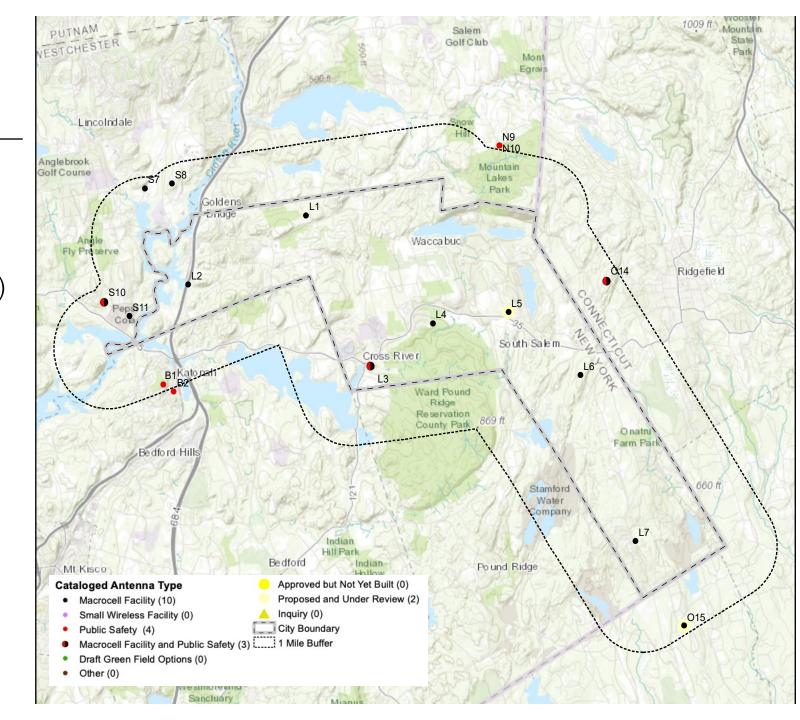
- 3 Existing
- 1 Proposed and under review

Small wireless facilities (0)

Public safety in one-mile perimeter (4)

Public safety and macro (3)

- Lewisboro 1 existing
- One-mile perimeter 2 existing



### Inventory by Location

#### Private property (8)

- 3 Existing in Lewisboro
- 4 Existing in one-mile perimeter
- 1 Proposed and under review in one-mile perimeter

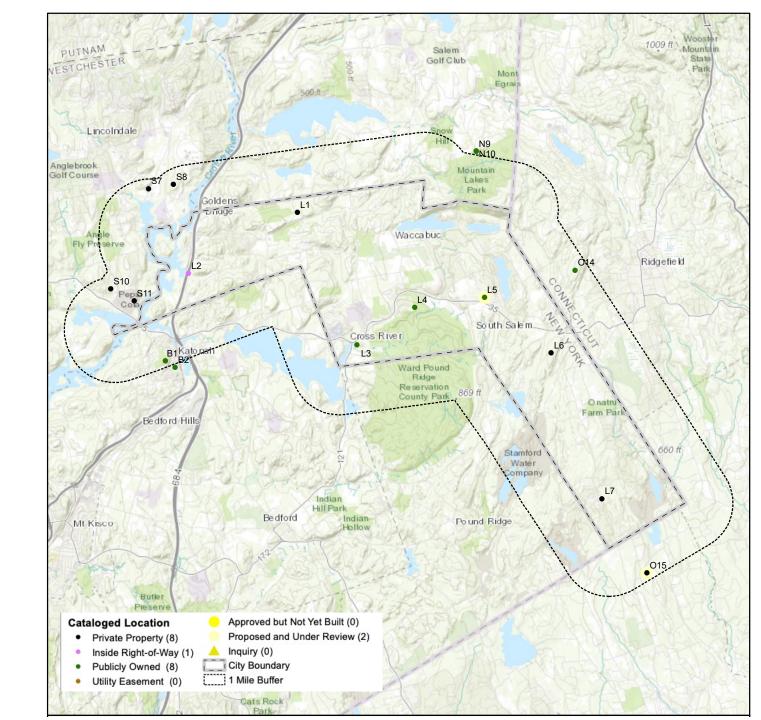
#### Inside Rights-of-Way (1)

• 1 Existing in Lewisboro

#### Public Property (8)

- 2 Existing in Lewisboro
- 1 Proposed and under review in Lewisboro
- 5 existing in one-mile perimeter

#### Utility Easement (0)



### Inventory by Design Type

Concealed in Lewisboro (1)

1 Proposed and under review

Concealed in one-mile perimeter (2)

- 1 Existing
- 1 Proposed and under review

Semi-Concealed in one-mile perimeter (1)

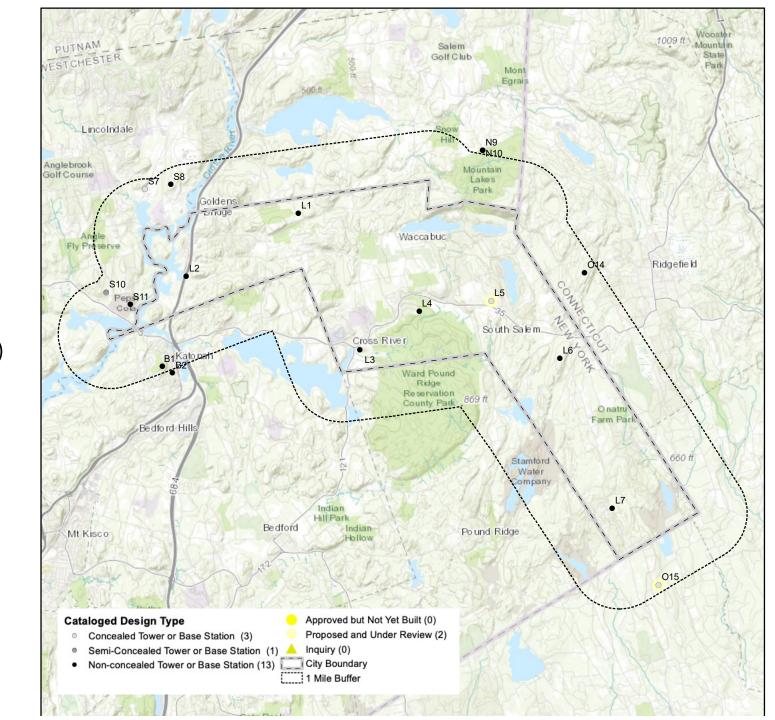
• 1 Existing

Non-Concealed in Lewisboro (6)

6 Existing

Non-Concealed in one-mile perimeter (7)

7 Existing

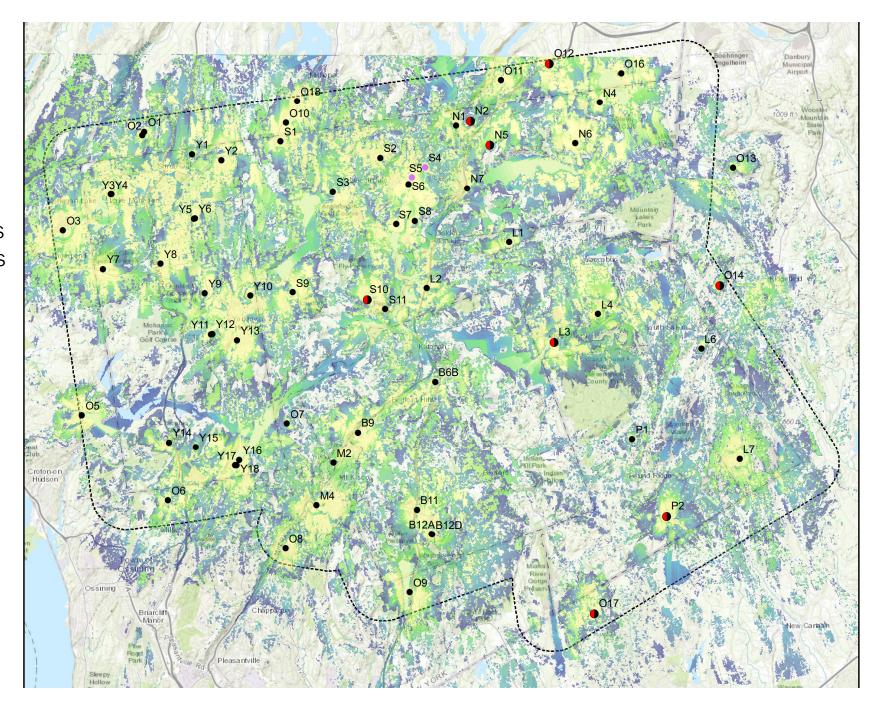


# Simulated Propagation Coverage Maps

- Simulated coverage and capacity mapping from existing PWSF sites to identify gaps in network service areas
- Simulated coverage and capacity mapping from potential PWSF sites to identify gaps in network service areas
- 3 Evaluation for future network capacity

#### Coverage Map For A Single Provider

- High frequency coverage map
- Assumes same provider at each site
- Level of propagation signal strength is shown through the gradation of colors from yellow to blue or no color
- → Yellow superior; strong enough to operate within most buildings
- → Green average; strong enough to operate in vehicle but not inside most buildings
- →Blue acceptable; strong enough to operate outside but not in most vehicles or buildings
- No color poor; no service or dropped calls; gaps where new sites will be needed

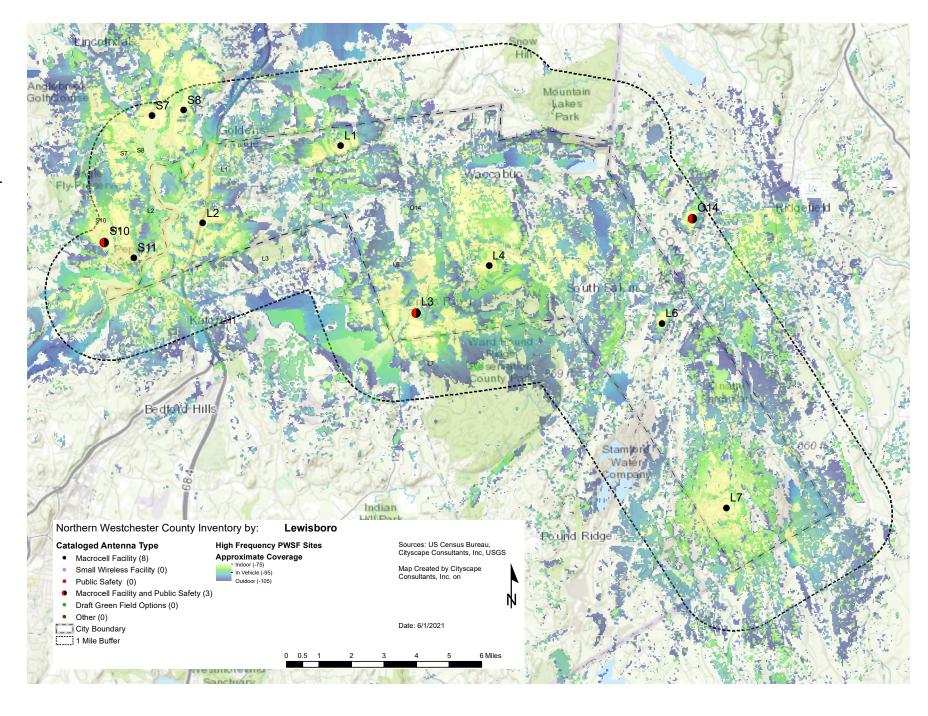


#### Coverage Map Lewisboro Study Area

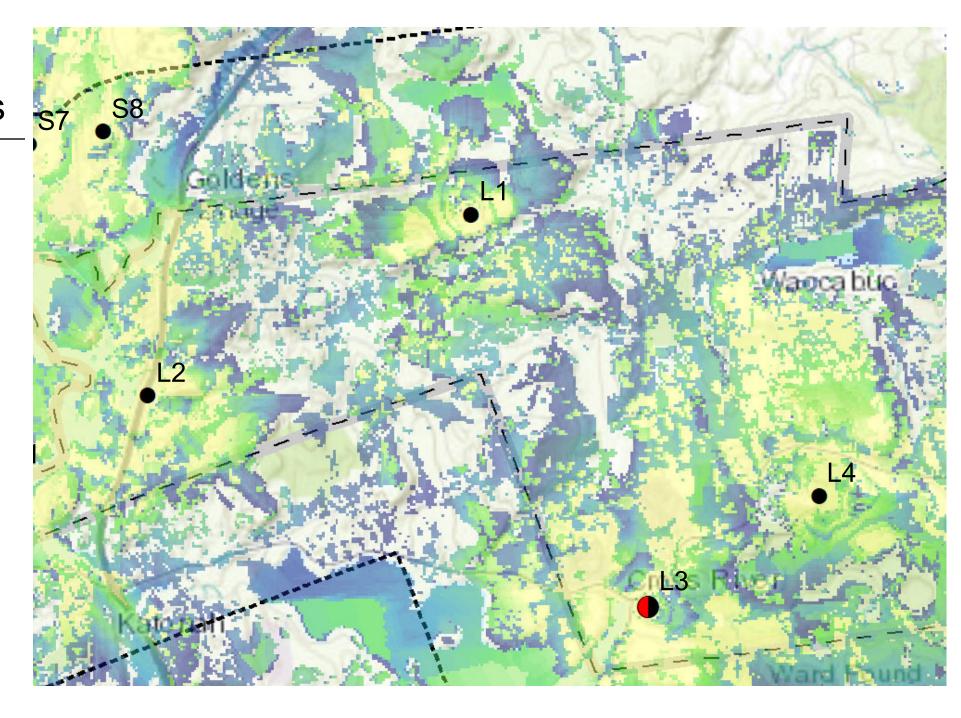
Site Numbers in Study Area

- L1
- L2
- L3
- L4
- L6
- L7
- S7
- S8
- S10
- S11
- O14

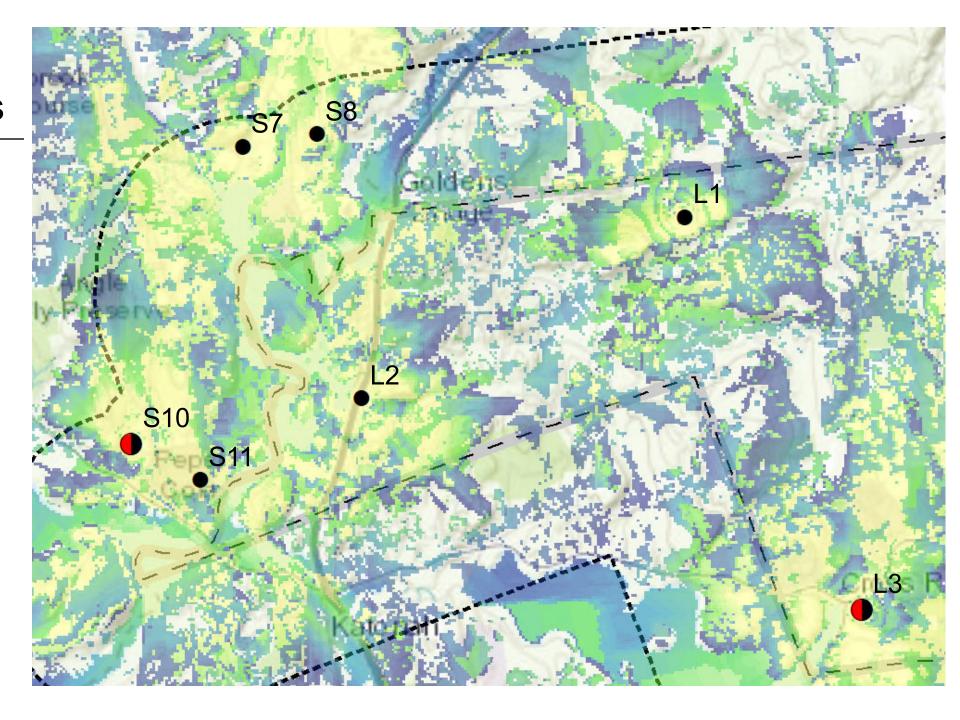
11 Sites in Study Area



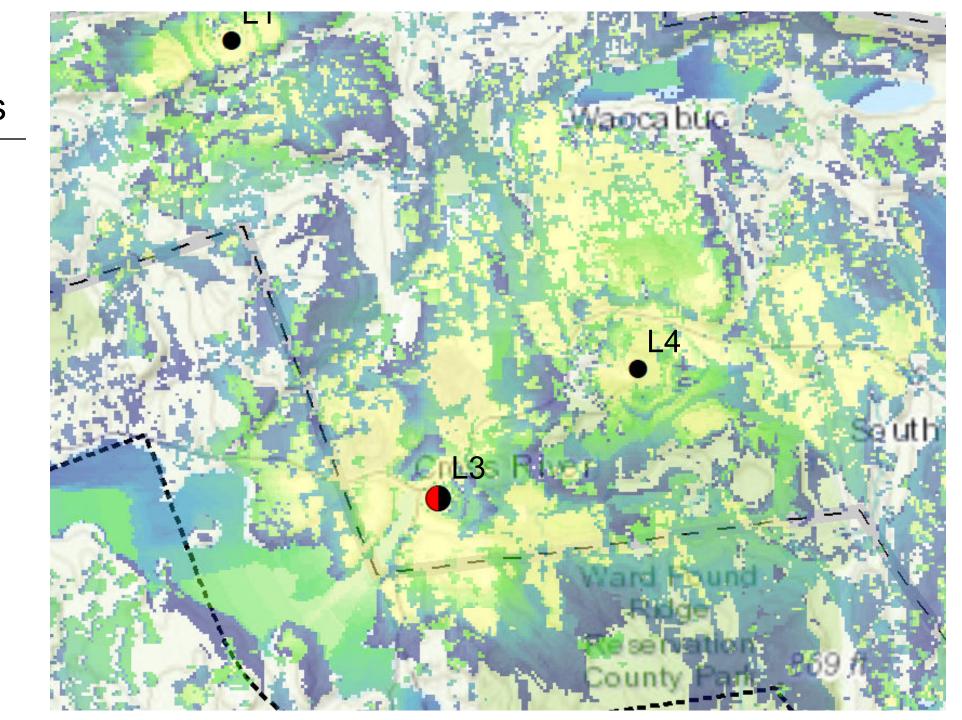
→ L1 is at the Northern town line with poor handoff to S8, L2, L3 and L4. Many gaps in services in and around this area.



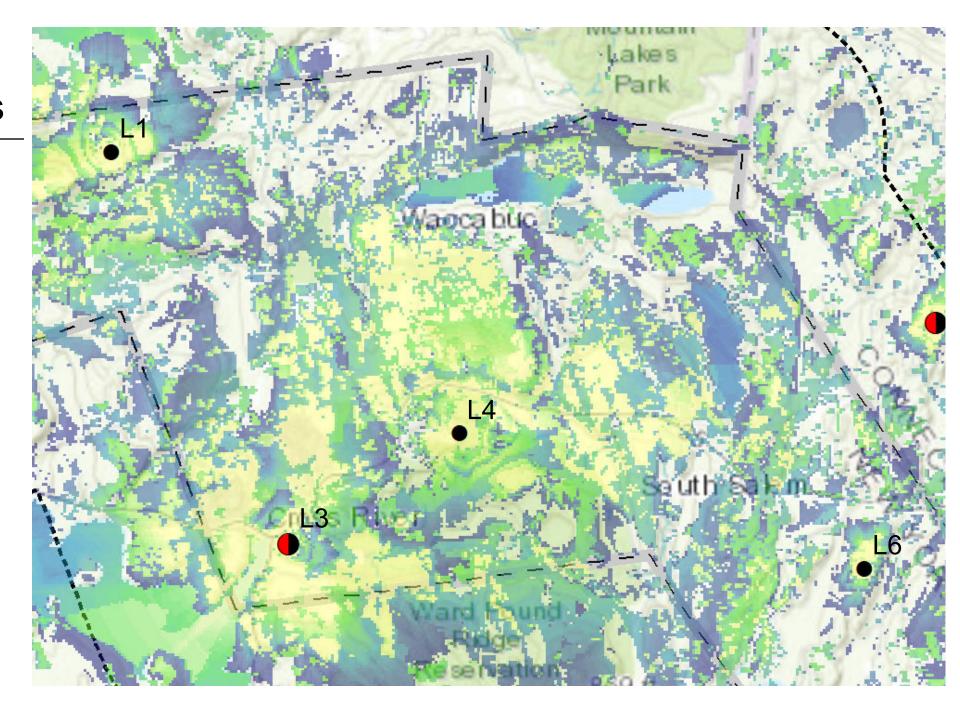
→ L2 is parallel to I-684
with good handoff to
sites in Somers but
not to other
Lewisboro sites



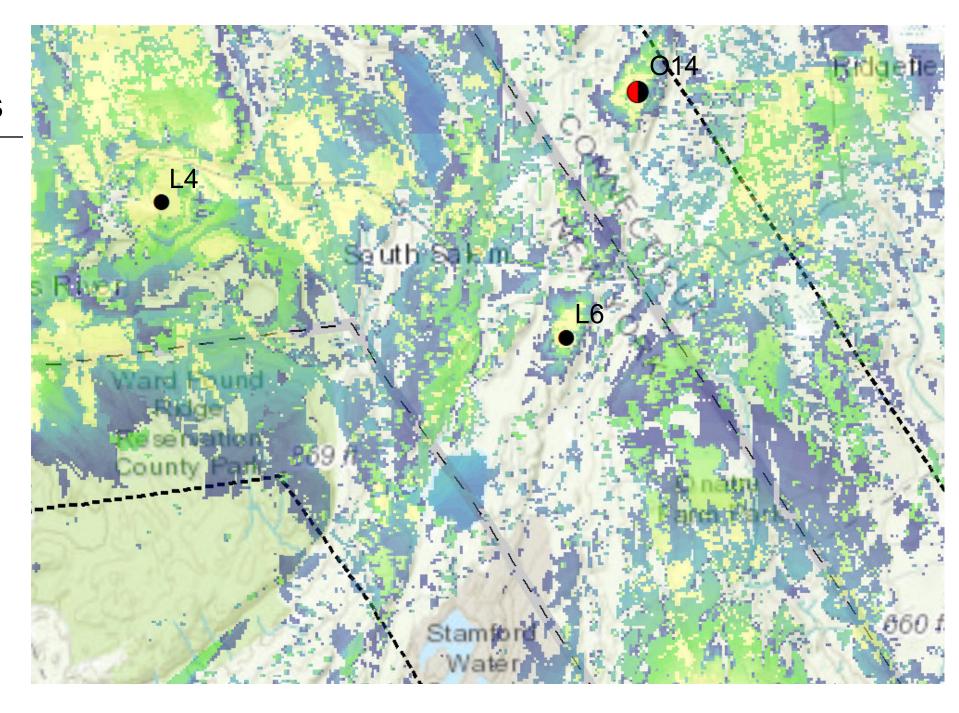
→ L3 gaps in handoff to L4 and to L1



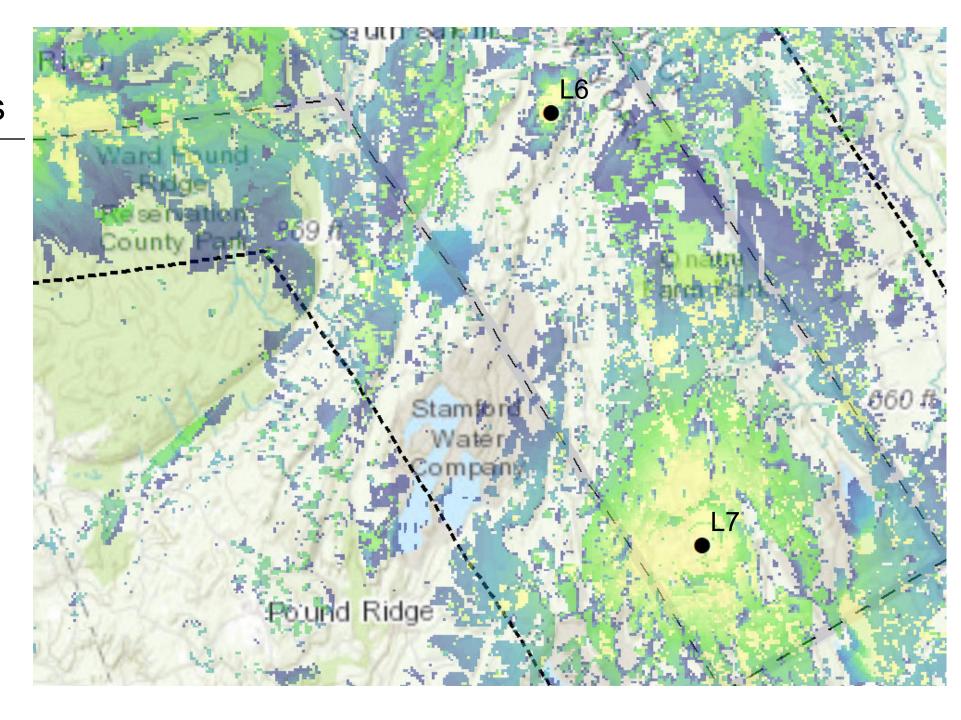
→ L4 gaps in handoff to L3, L1 and L6



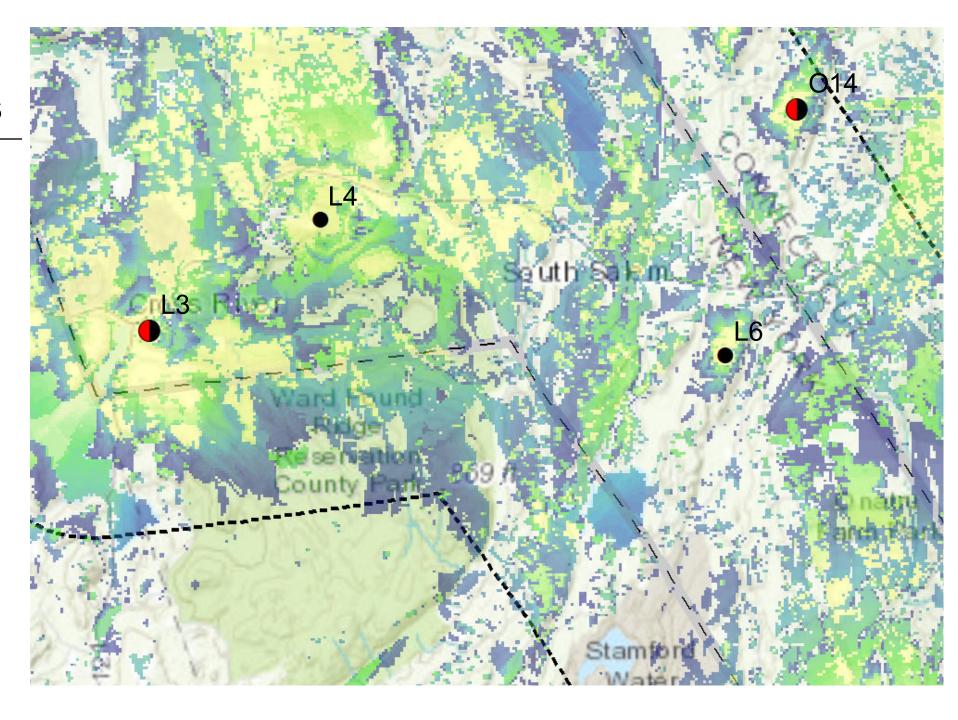
→ L6 has a small coverage area; the assumption is the the coverage in the valley is perhaps due to the beam tilt of the antennas



→ L7 provides good coverage to the southwest corner of Town but significant gaps in handoff to L6

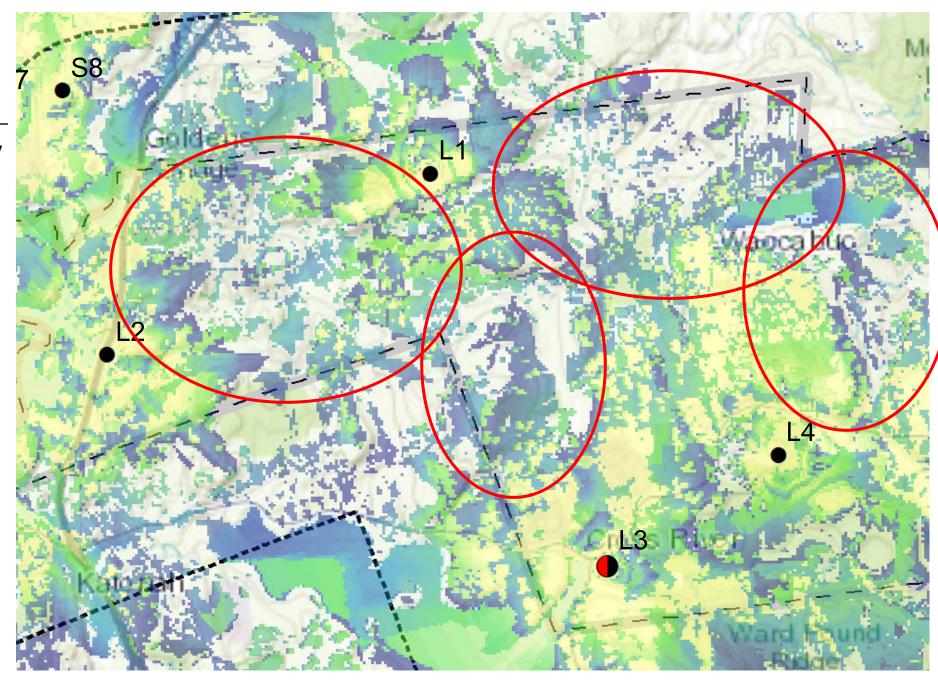


→ L3- L6 only provides minimal coverages along Rt 35 (Cross River Rd)



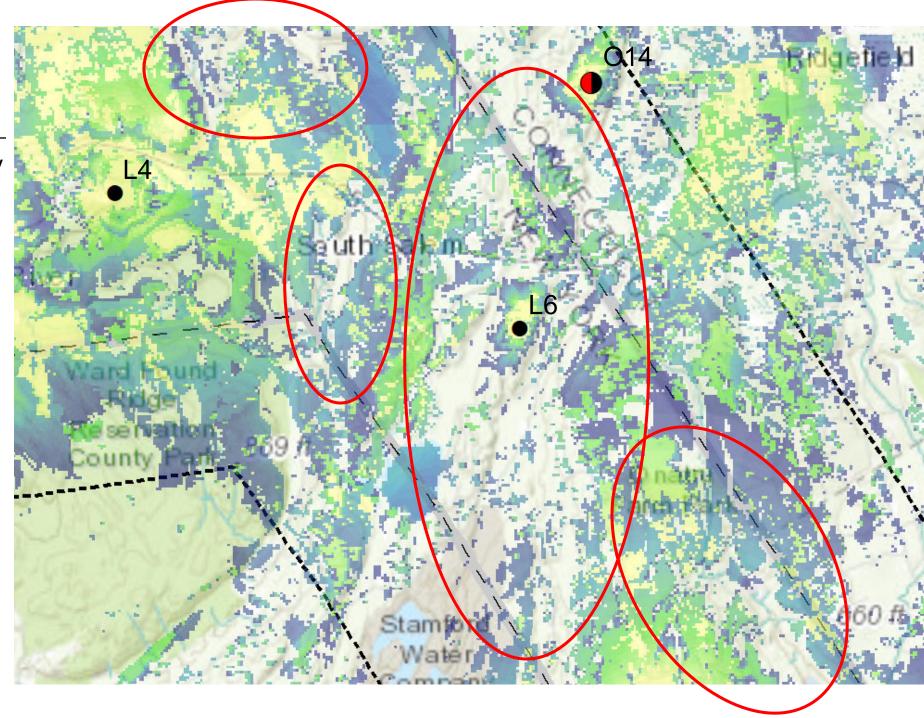
#### North Side of Town Summery

- → Many gaps in coverages throughout the Town as indicated with areas with no color
- → New sites are needed to improve network connectivity between sites

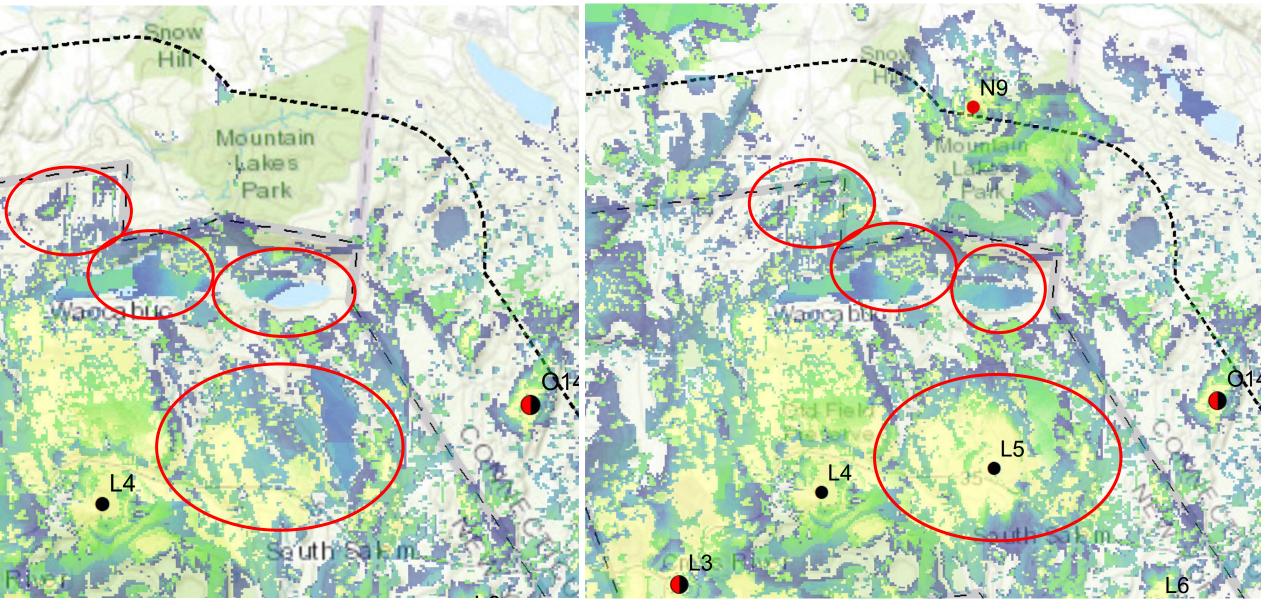


#### South Side of Town Summery

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- → New sites are needed to improve network connectivity between sites

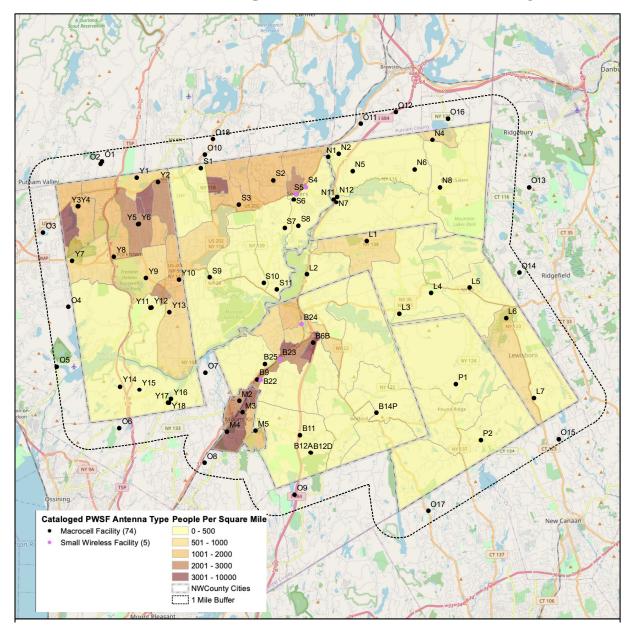


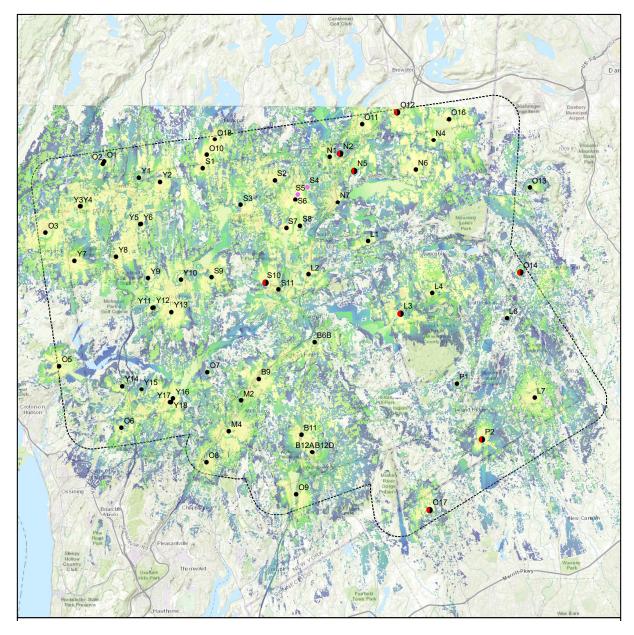
**Coverage Comparisons** 



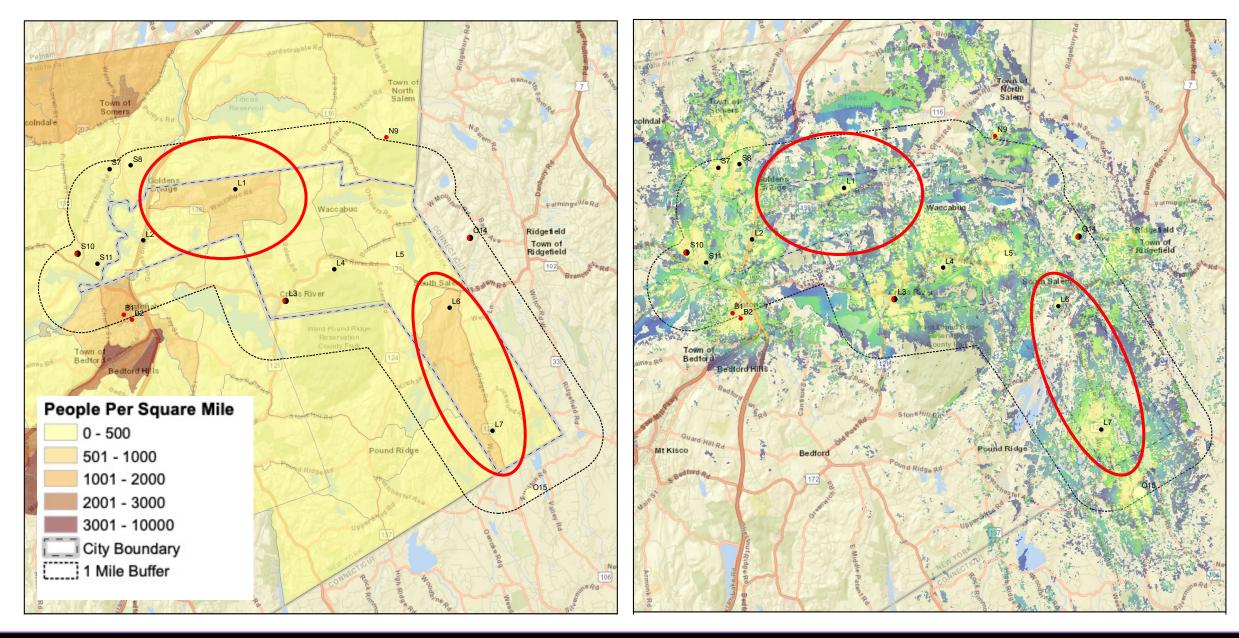
- If personal wireless is added to site N9 there is nominal improvements for the Town
- Adding L5 will provide better handoff to L4 and improve coverage along Rt 35 and eastward

#### Coverage Gaps in County Compared to People Per Square Mile



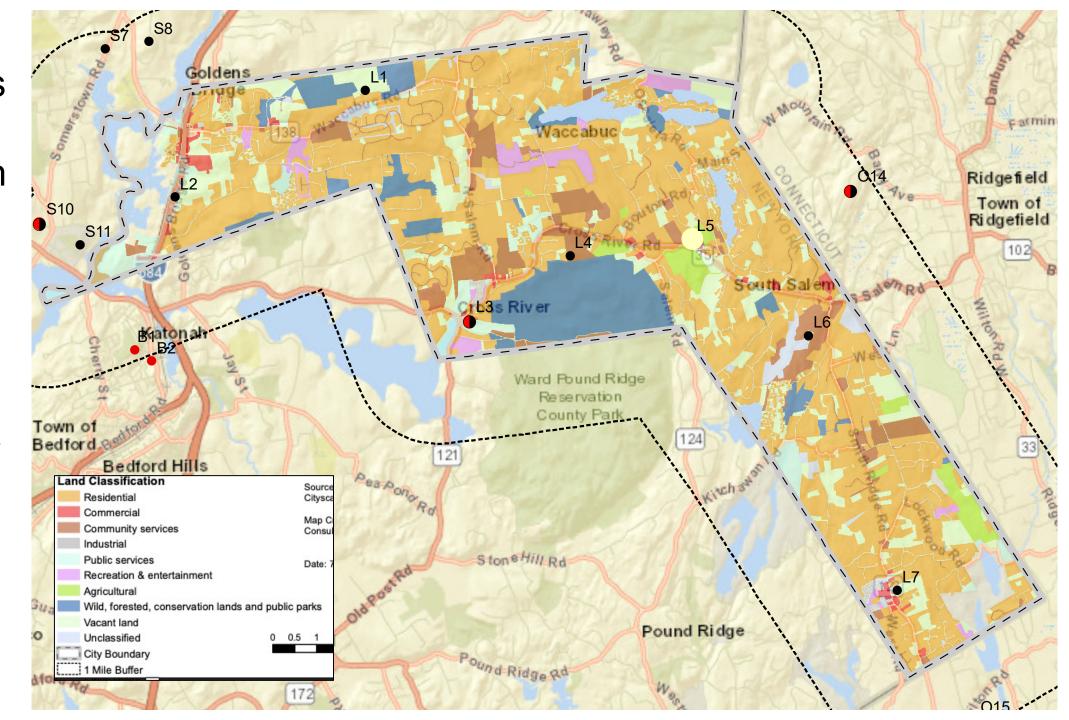


#### Coverage Gaps in Lewisboro Compared to People Per Square Mile

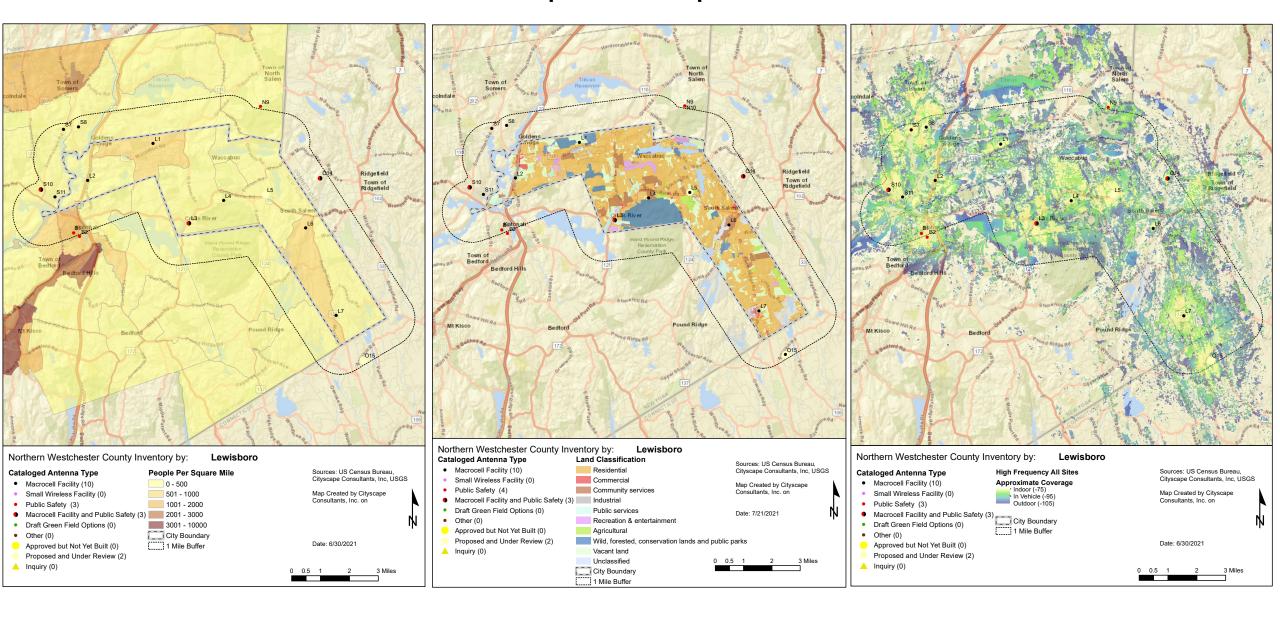


## Coverage Gap Analysis Land Classification

- Lewisboro largely residential with 4,610 parcels
- Vacant land 775 parcels (Site L1)
- Small pockets of commercial areas with 58 parcels
- Community
   Services 204
   parcels

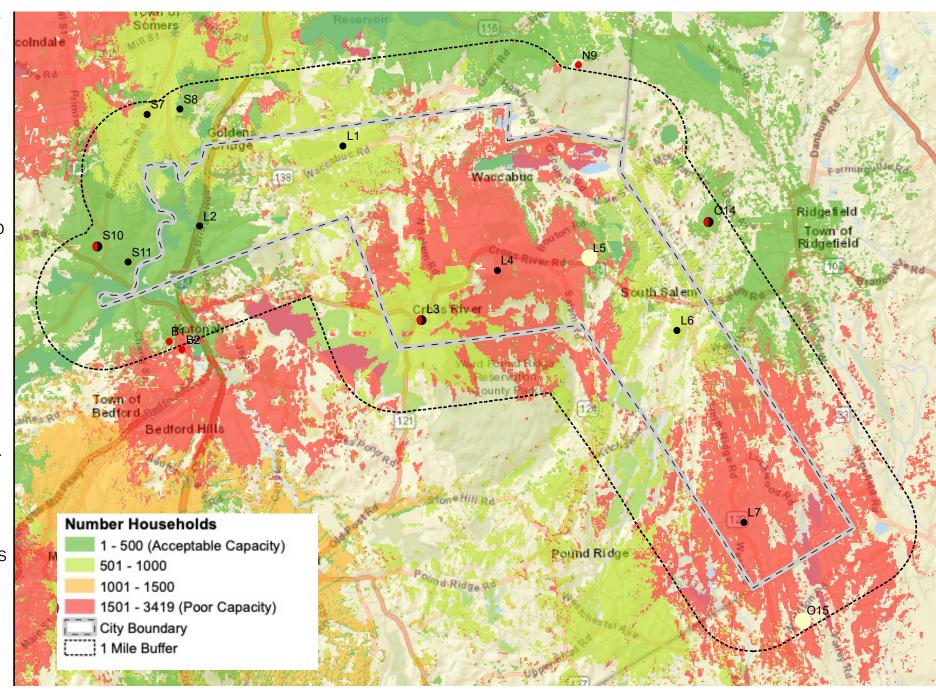


#### Anticipated Gap Fill-in

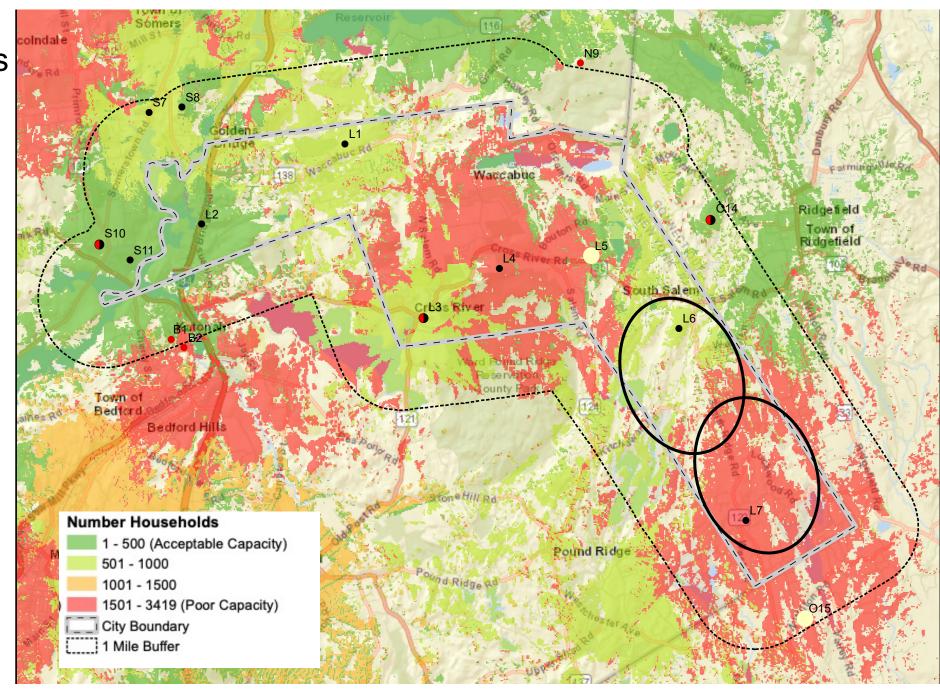


### Network Capacity for a Single Provider

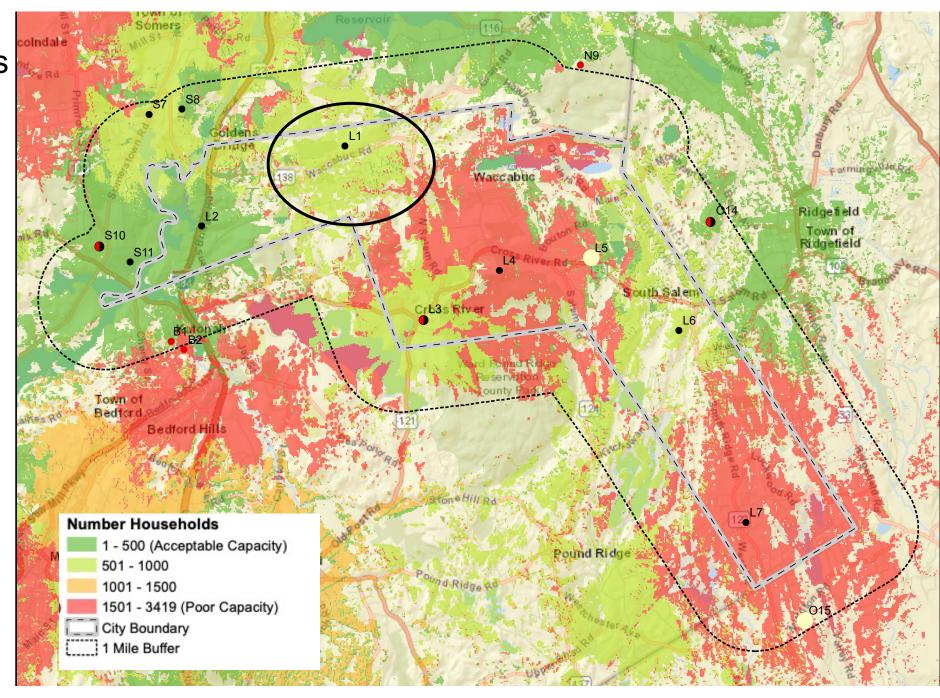
- Simulates areas with potential capacity problems
- Level of propagation signal strength is shown through the gradations of colors from green to red
- Areas with no coloration have no coverage so need for capacity does not show up
- → Green good; ratio of number of sites supporting subscriber base
- →Orange average; ratio of number of sites to subscriber base is problematic
- → Red poor; ratio of number of sites to subscriber base is poor
- No color none; PWSF sites are needed in most of these areas



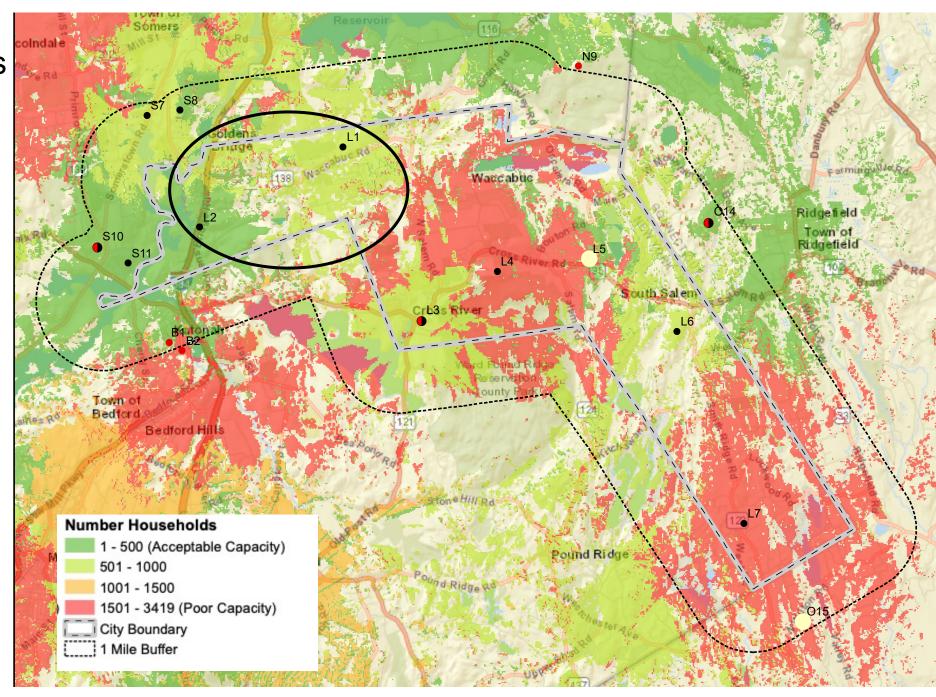
→ L6 and L7 the areas that show no coloration is because there isn't any coverage in this area therefore it doesn't show capacity issue, however this is a higher density residential area and new sites will be necessary for these gaps



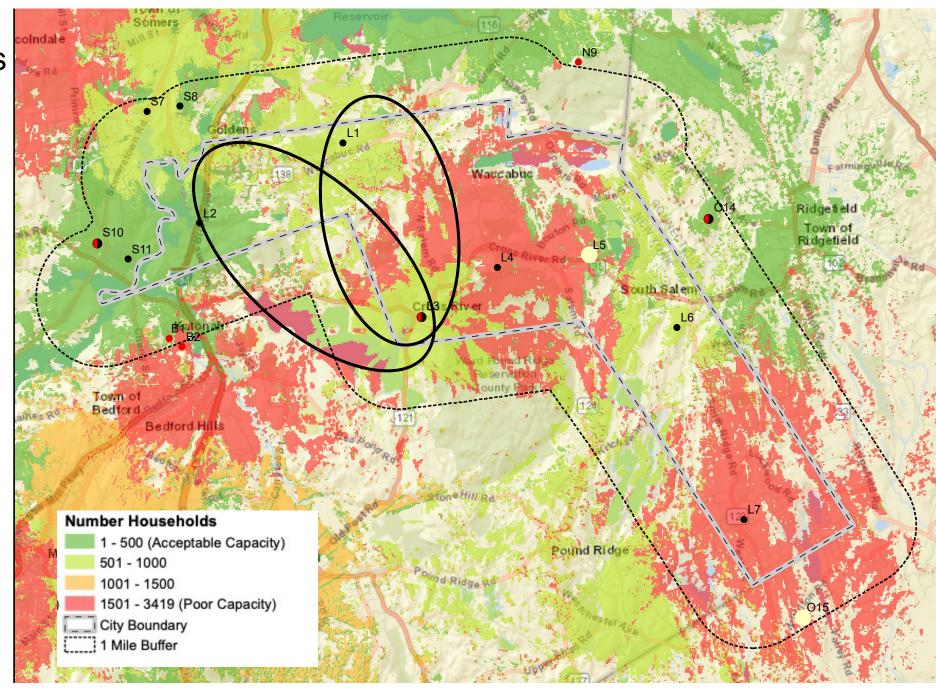
→ L1 Vacant and public property in low priority area



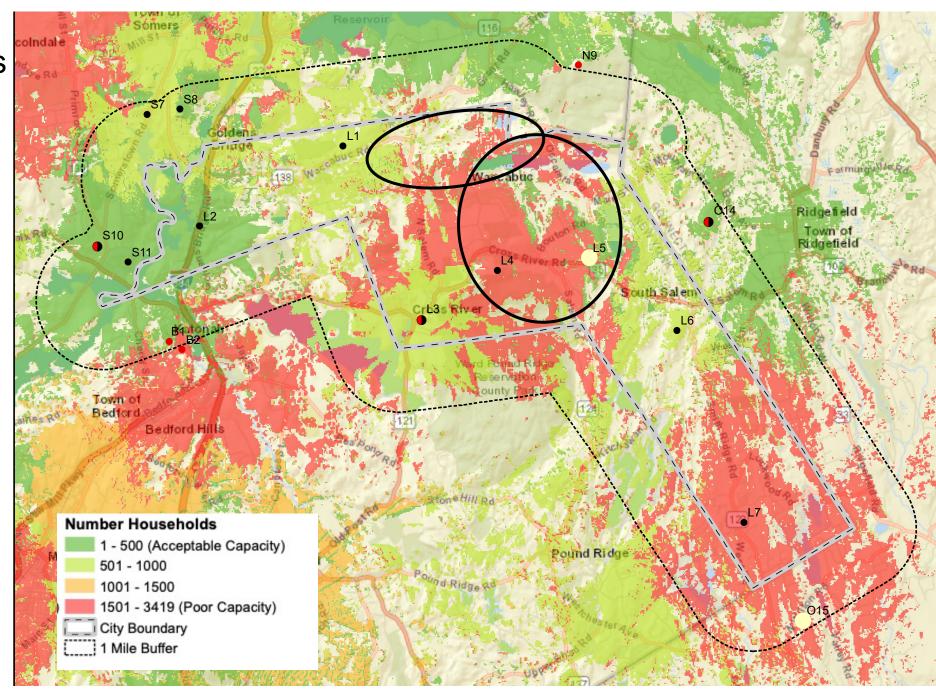
→ L2 site needed
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add coverage and
improve handoff
between sites



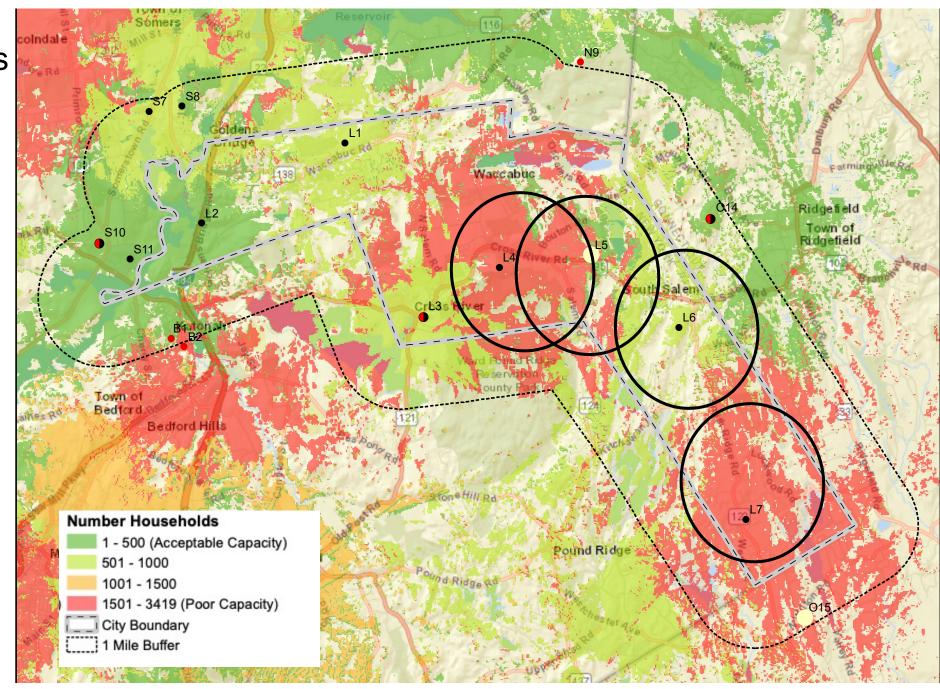
→ L3 sites needed
between L3 and L1
and L2 to help
capacity issues, add
coverage and
improve handoff
between sites



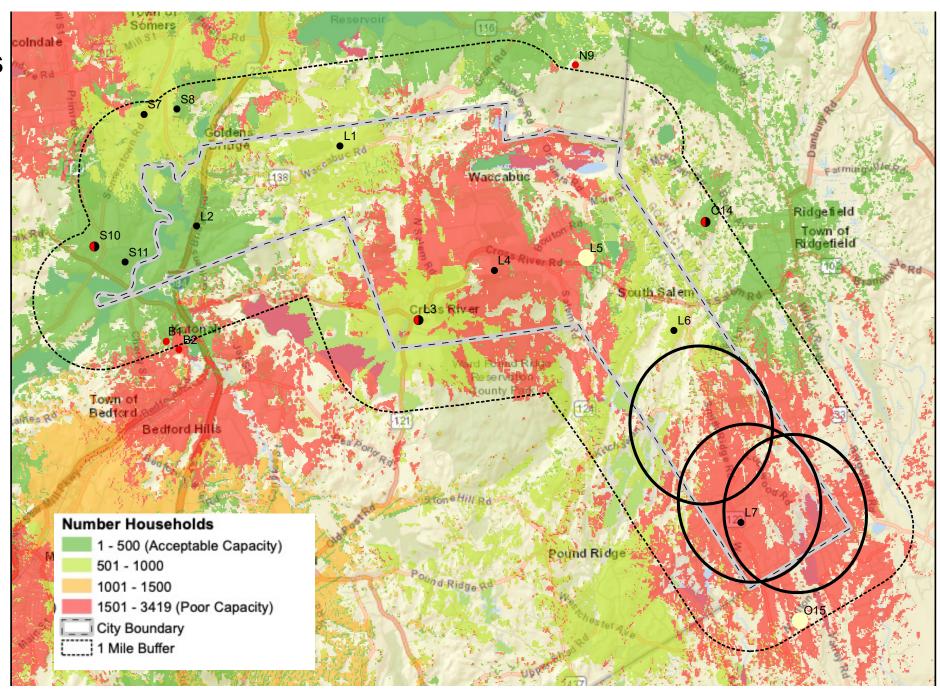
- → L4 additional sites
  needed north, south
  and east of L4
  because of the larger
  geographic area in
  need
- → Additional sites will be needed east of L1 and north of L4 in addition to the potential L5 site



→ L6 gaps in network
coverage area need
to be filled in with new
sites to alleviate
capacity issues and
add connectivity to
L4, L7 and in the area
of the potential L5

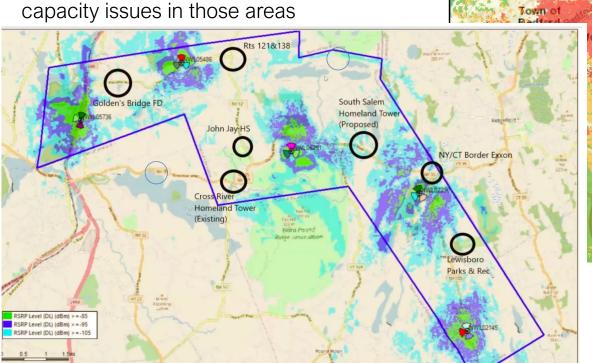


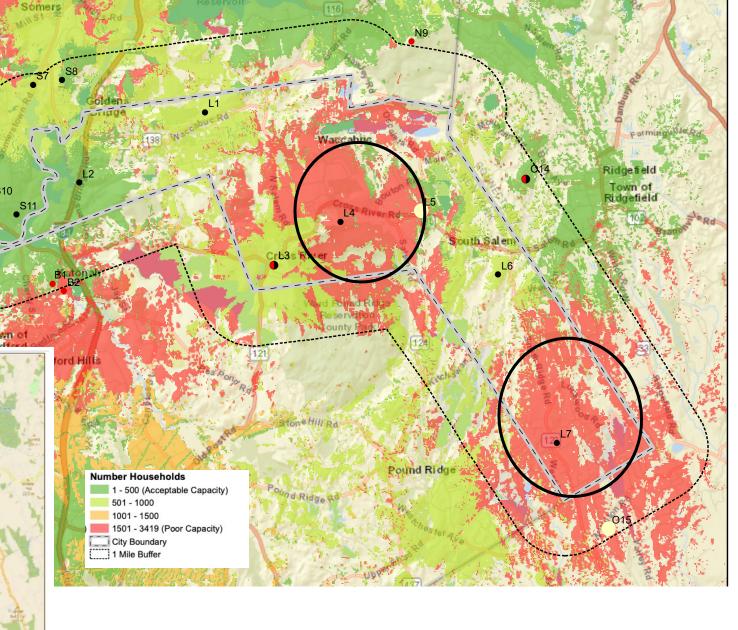
→ L7 additional sites
needed surrounding
this site due to the
size of the geographic
area it is serving



#### **Comparison Maps**

- The below map was included in the minutes of the AAB dated September 2, 2020, and the circles in bold and light outline indicates the need for PWSF sites to increase coverage and capacity in those geographic areas
- Analysis indicates additional sites would likely be needed over the next 10 years in the vicinity of L4 and L7 to improve capacity issues in those areas





#### Community Poll

Lewisboro Wireless Infrastructure

Preference Poll

