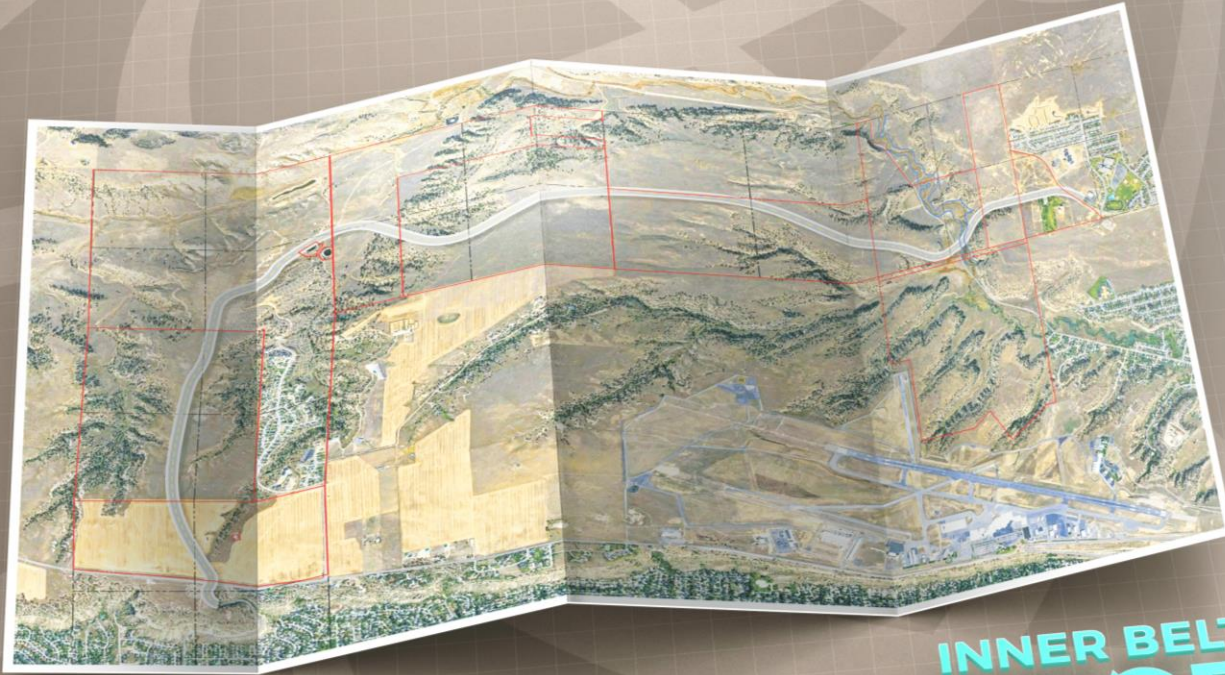


INNER BELT LOOP CORRIDOR STUDY



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Billings City Council
Project Update
September 16, 2019

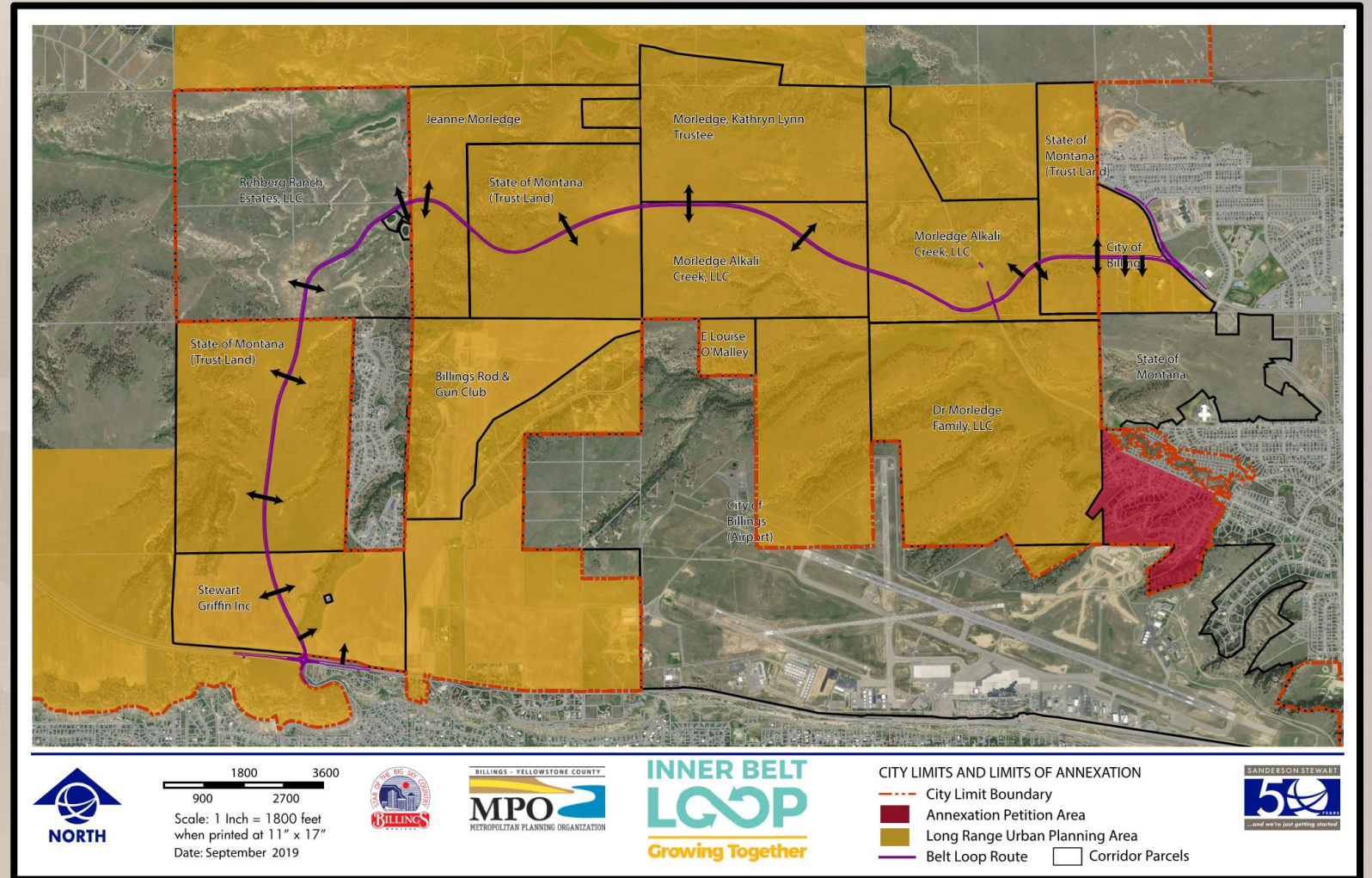
PROJECT OVERVIEW

Purpose Statement

To develop a comprehensive vision for the Inner Belt Loop roadway corridor that is based on stakeholder input, land use context, thoughtful planning, and sound technical analysis.

Background Info

- First identified as a key future link during development of 1990 transportation plan update
- Additional access into and out of and relief of congestion for the Heights region of Billings
- Provision of access to what is defined in the Growth Policy as a preferred future growth area
- BUILD Grant application

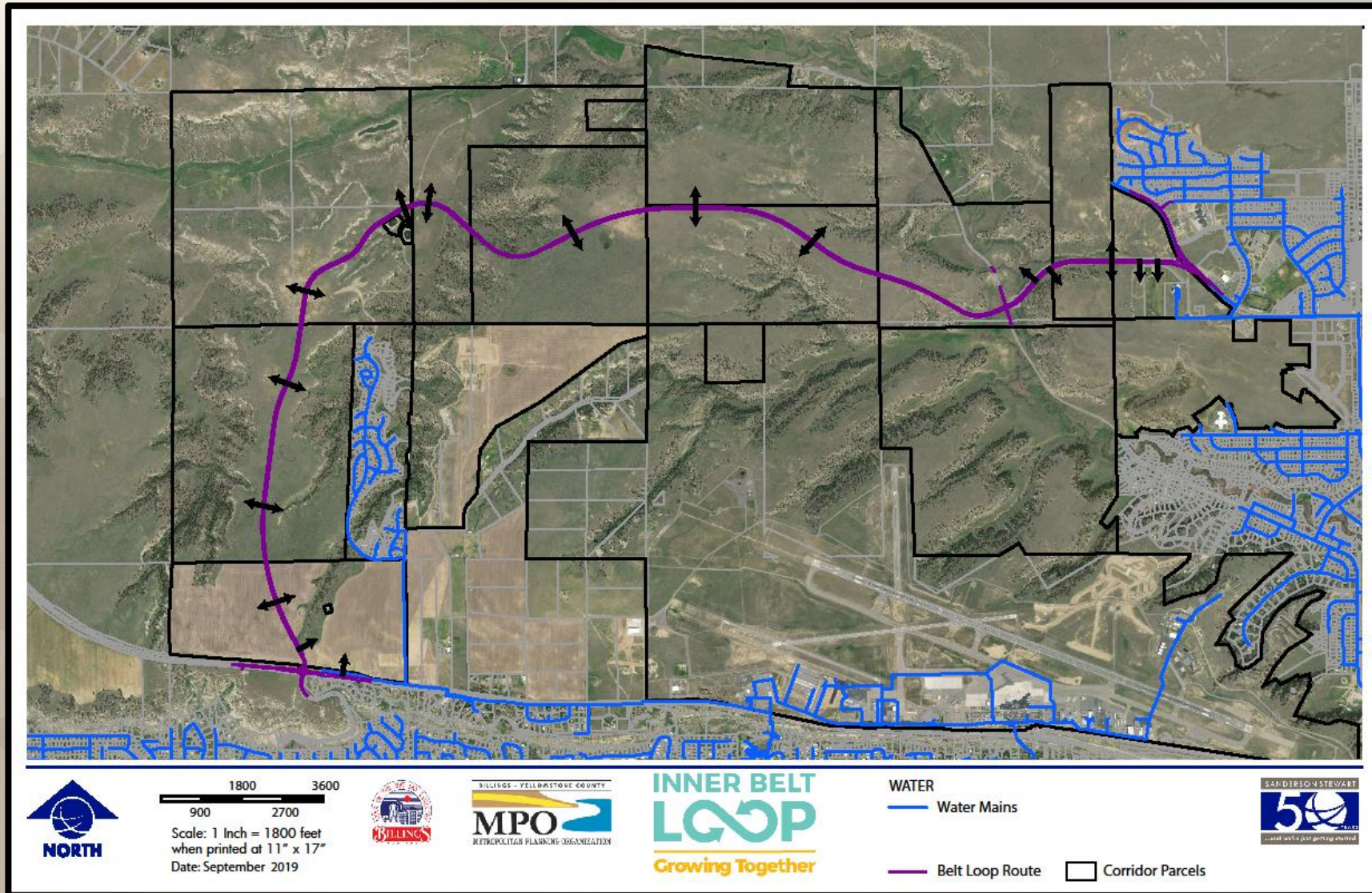


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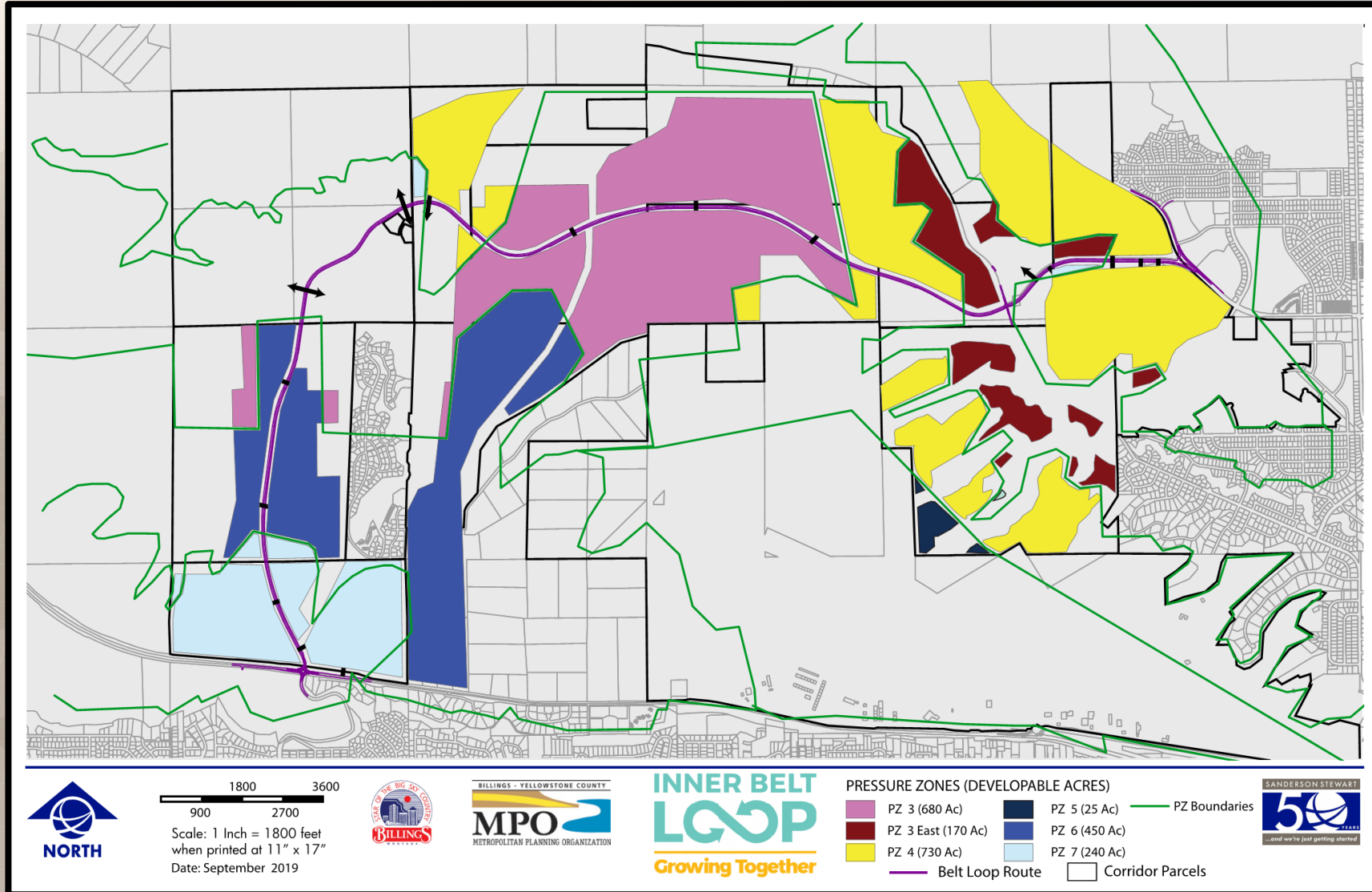
- Traffic Data Collection & Analysis
- Property Owner Meetings
- Public Works Coordination
- Misc. Stakeholder Meetings
- Land Development Feasibility Analysis
- Project Oversight Committee Meetings



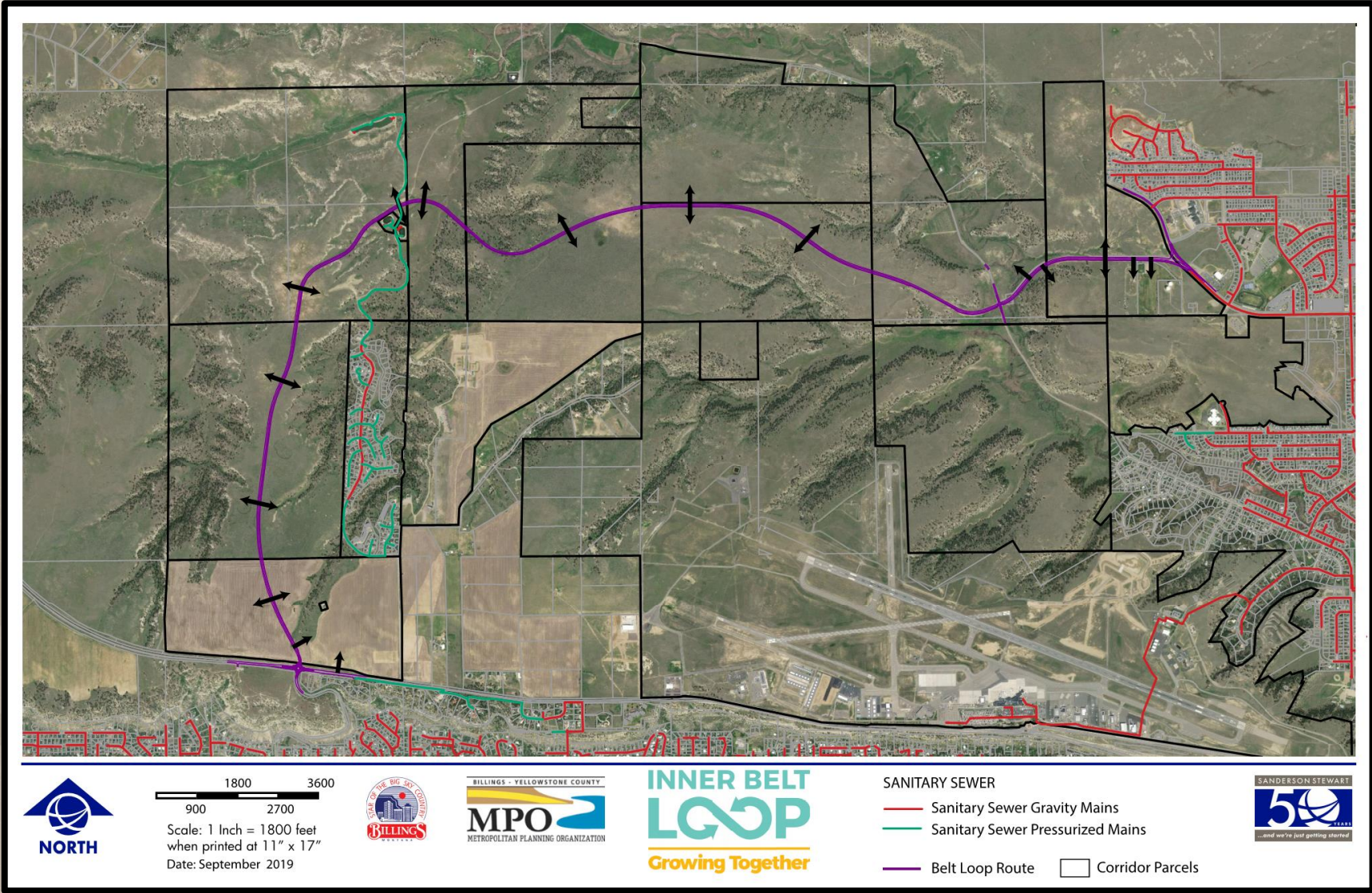
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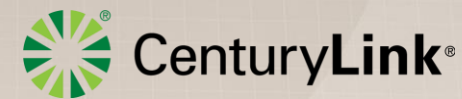


SANITARY SEWER CONNECTION POINTS



PRIVATE UTILITIES SERVICE

- Mixture of public and private investment required
- Other than funding, no major hurdles
- Service jurisdiction TBD in some cases



EMERGENCY SERVICES



Billings Fire Department

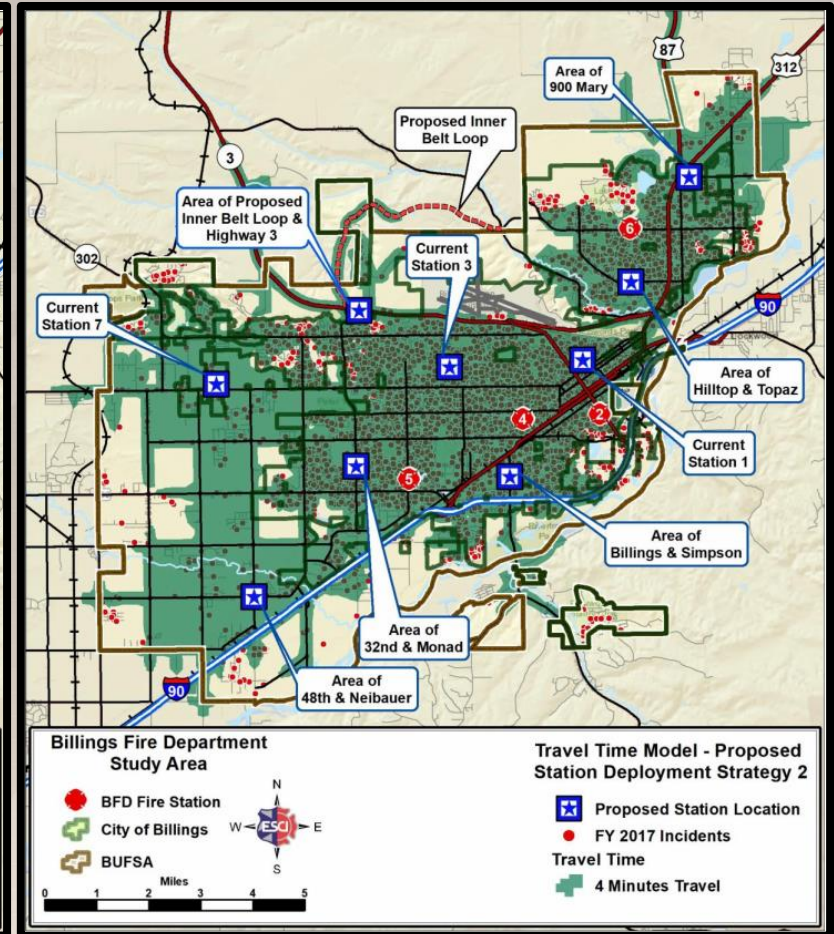
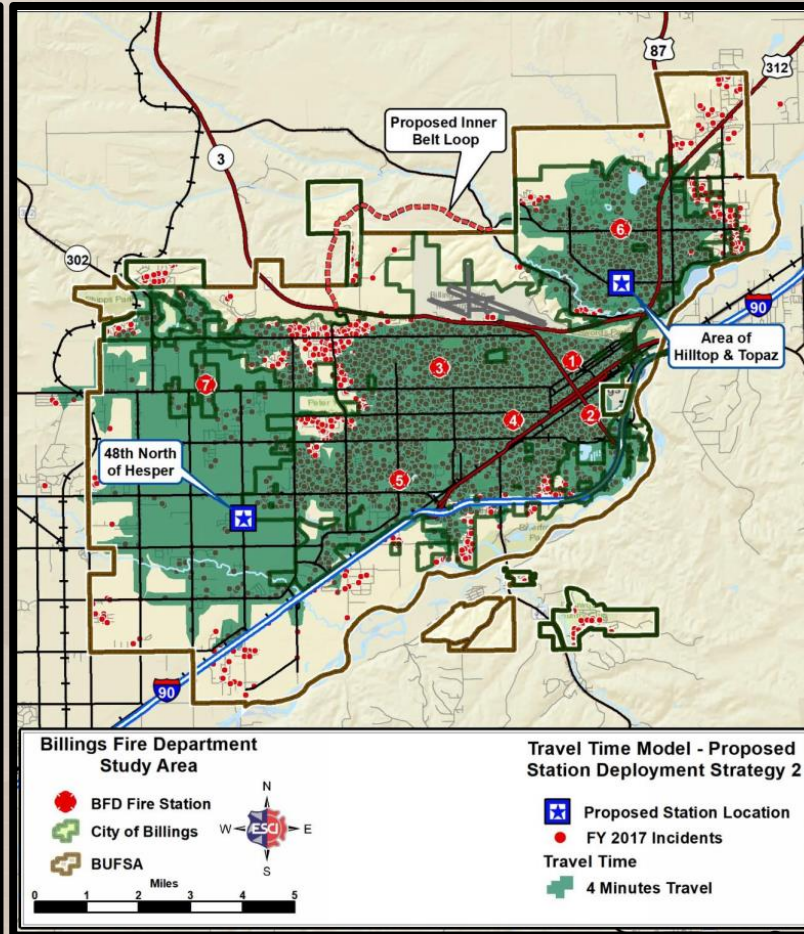
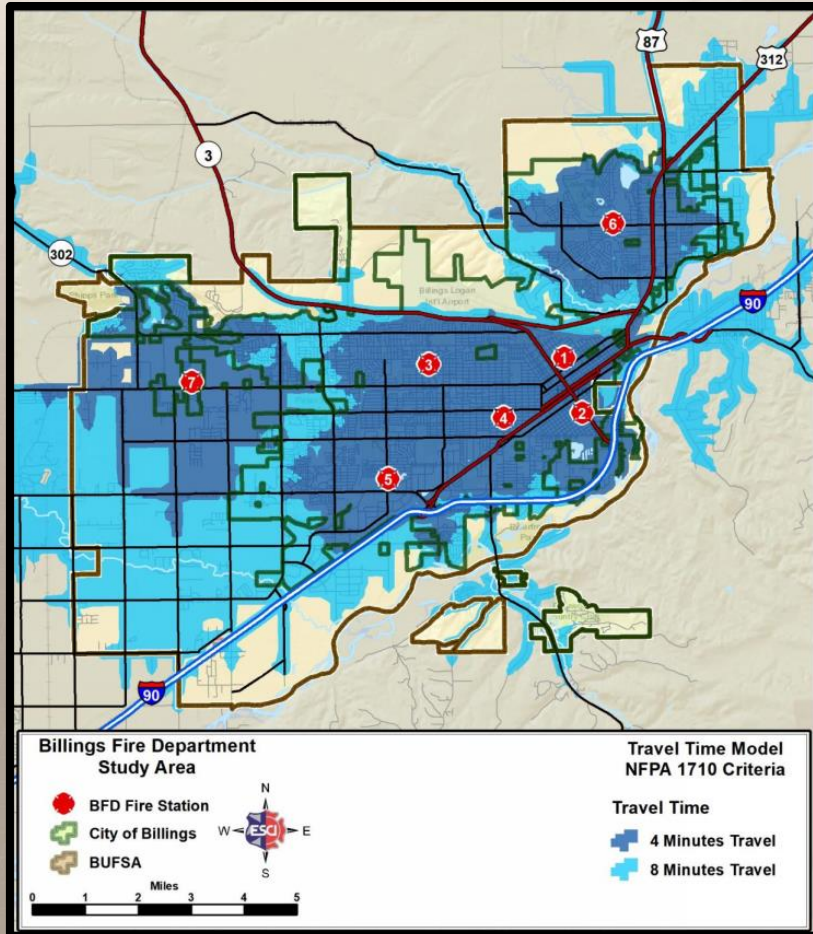
- ✓ Billings Urban Fire Service Area (BUFSA) – independent fire service district
- ✓ 2020 mill levy proposal – 2 new fire stations proposed
- ✓ Evaluation of an additional fire station in airport area to support significant IBL corridor development



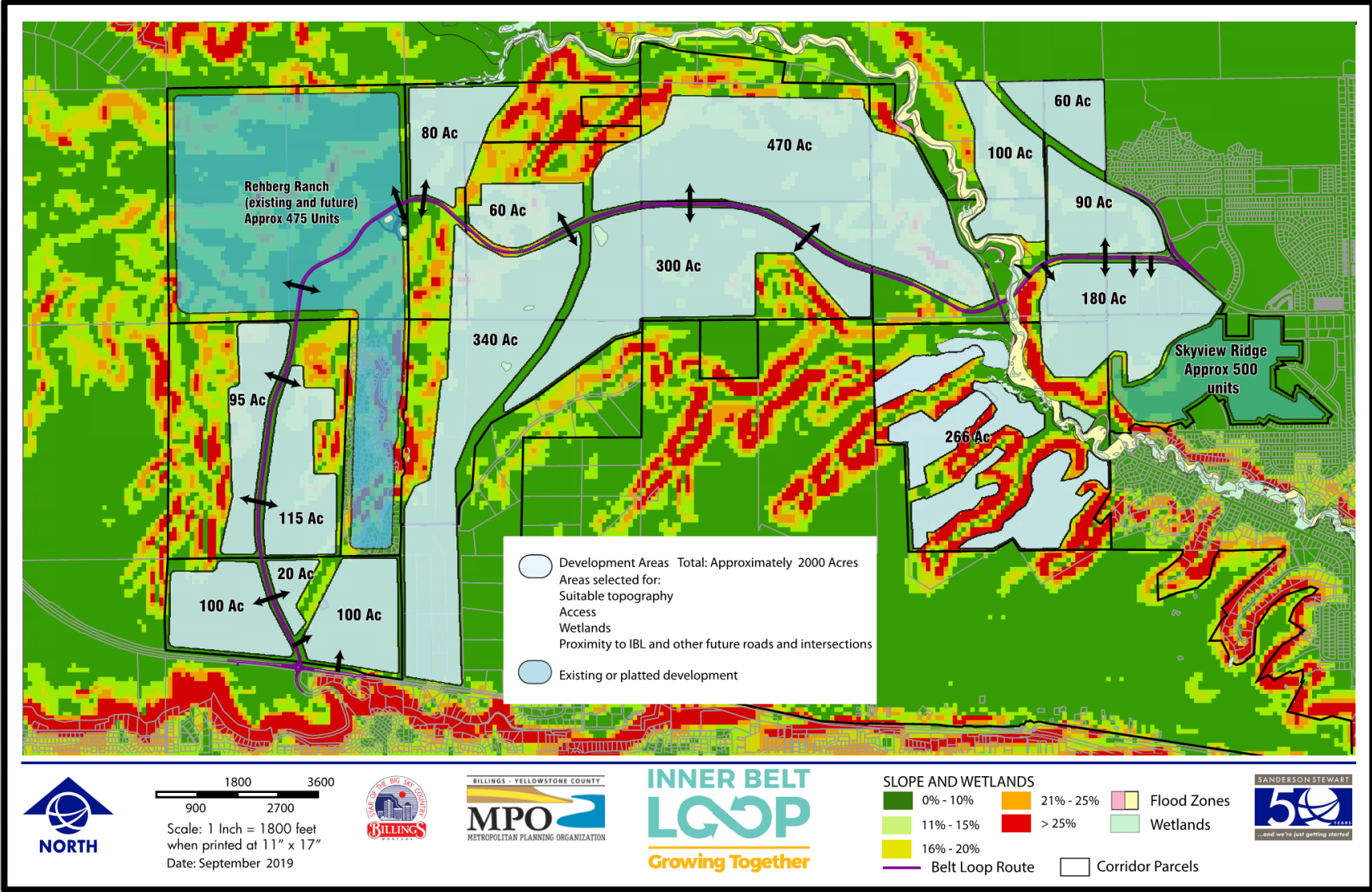
Billings Police Department

- ✓ Max of 4 officers patrolling Heights area at any one time
- ✓ Mil levy would also benefit BPD – needs are manpower-based
- ✓ Strategic co-location with fire stations

BFD RESPONSE/TRAVEL TIME



LAND DEVELOPMENT POTENTIAL



SUMMARY OF KEY CONSIDERATIONS

- **BUILD Grant application selection in December**
- **Sewer/water infrastructure challenges and costs**
- **Emergency services provisions – 2020 mil levy and beyond**
- **City vs. County development (densities)**
- **Urgency to develop property seems to be relatively low**



NEXT STEPS

- Additional Technical Analysis

- ✓ Land Development Feasibility
- ✓ Traffic Projections
- ✓ Future Conditions Traffic Operations Analysis
- ✓ Access Control
- ✓ Stormwater/Drainage Analysis

- Vision Development/Draft Report

- Public Meeting #1 (mid to late October)

- Draft Report (late 2019)

- Public Meeting #2 (January 2020)

- Final Report (first quarter 2020)

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QUESTIONS?

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