GREATER LOWNDES PLANNING COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: Rezoning Case REZ-2024-15 Regular Meeting (x)

Work Session (x)

DATE OF MEETING: August 26, 2024 Recommendation (x)

Policy/Discussion ()

BUDGET IMPACT: N/A Report ()

FUNDING SOURCE: () Annual () SPLOST () Capital (X) N/A

ACTION REQUESTED ON: REZ-2024-15 Loch Winn Farms LTD,

Loch Laurel Rd & Carroll Ulmer Rd, ~62ac,

R-A to R-1 & R-A, Well and Septic

HISTORY, FACTS AND ISSUES:

This request represents a change in zoning on the subject properties from R-A (Residential Agricultural) zoning to R-1 (Low Density Residential) and R-A zoning. The general motivation in this case is for the applicant to subdivide a portion of the properties into a 41-lot residential subdivision. The subject property possesses road frontage on Loch Laurel and Carroll Ulmer, both locally maintained County Roads, with proposed access off Loch Laurel, and is within the Urban Service Area and Rural Residential Character Area.

Depicted on the conceptual layout as Lot 11 is an existing cemetery, which is currently being field delineated and will not be suitable for development.

The TRC analyzed the request, the standards governing the exercise of zoning power set forth in 10.01.05 of the ULDC, and factors most relevant to this application, including the neighboring land use, lot sizes, and zoning pattern, the lack of available utilities, and the groundwater recharge area, and therefore recommends approval of the request for R-1 zoning as depicted on the exhibit, while the remaining portion of Map and Parcel 0168 113 remain R-A.

OPTIONS: 1. Approve 2. Approve with Conditions 3. Table 4. Deny

RECOMMENDATION: Option 1 DIVISION: Planning STAFF: JD Dillard

Recommendation by the Commission:

Loch-Winn Farms Letter of Intent

July 30, 2024

TO: Lowndes County Planning and Zoning Department

FROM: Loch-Winn Farms LTD 1201 Evergreen Dr

Thomasville, GA 31792

Loch-Winn Farms, LTD, headquartered in Thomasville, Georgia is requesting, as applicant, to rezone a vacant parcel totaling 62.414 +/- acres at Loch Laurel Road in Lowndes County, Georgia from Residential Agriculture District (R-A) to Residential (R-1).

This requested change of zoning from R-A to R-1 is to allow for the development of residential subdivision with 1.25+ acre lots.

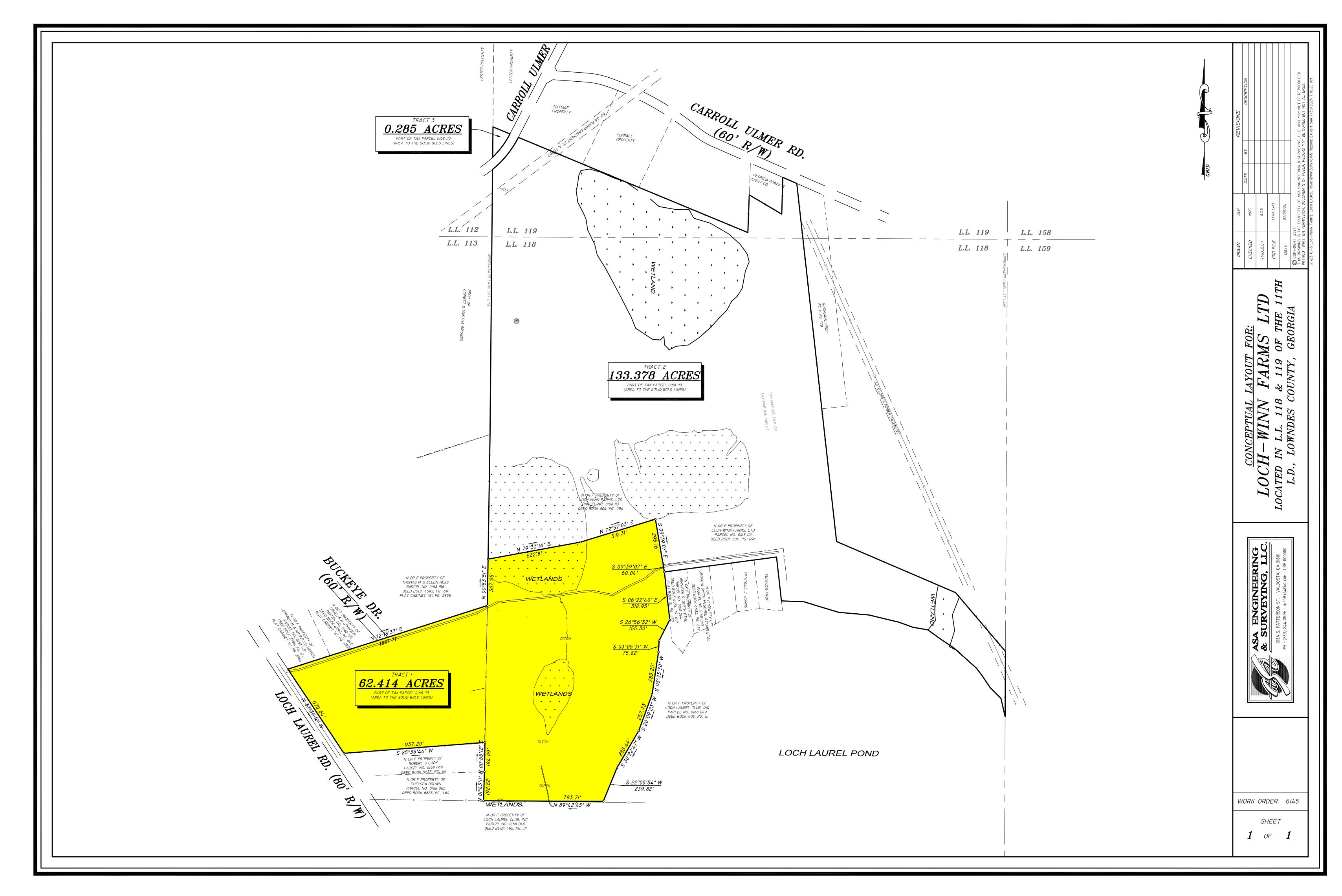
We have reviewed the Lowndes County Unified Land Development Code and would like to highlight the following:

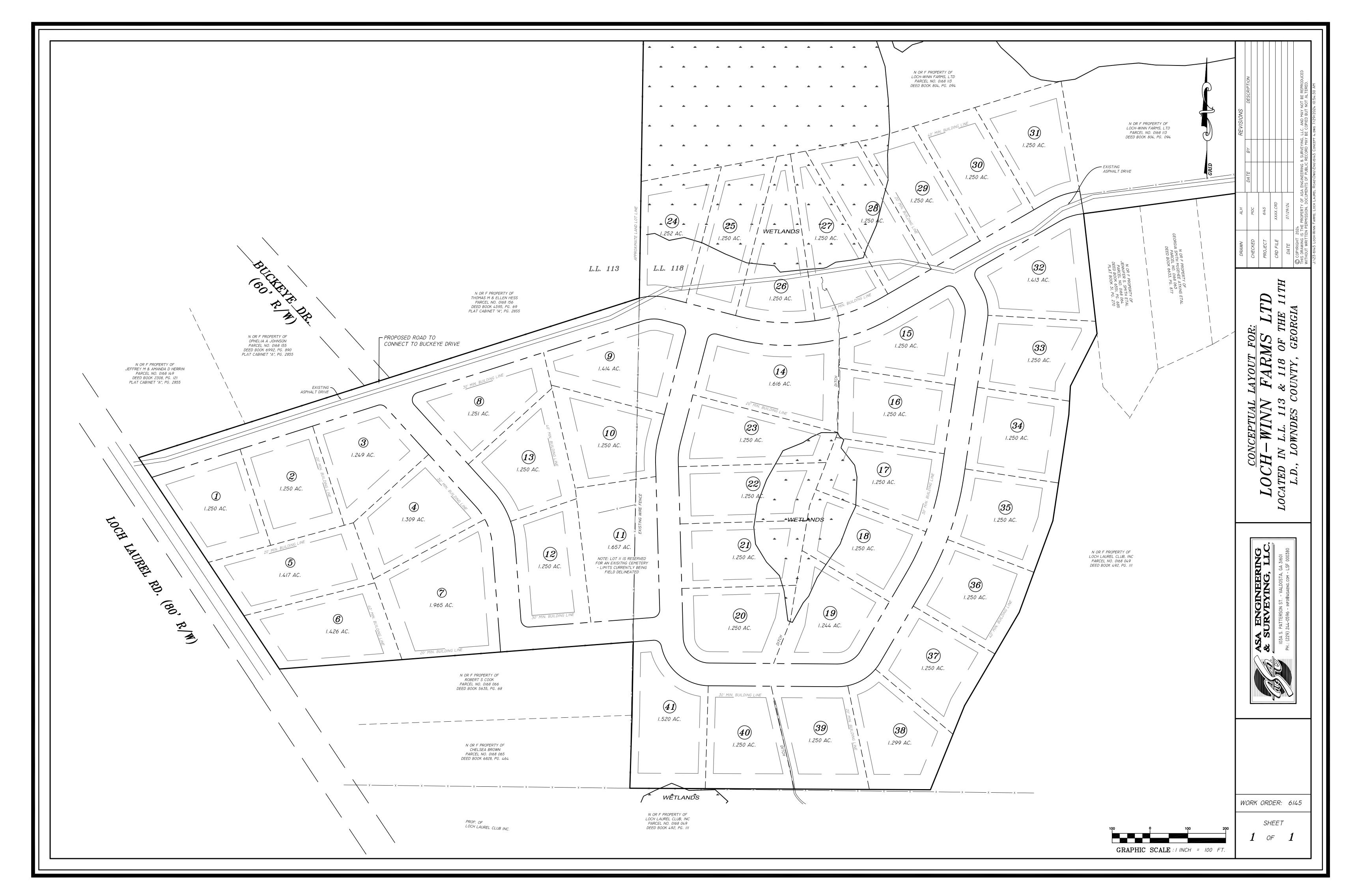
- The current zoning for the adjacent properties is as follows:
 - Adjacent (south): R-A
 - Adjacent (west): R-1
 - Adjacent (north): R-1
 - Adjacent (east): R-1

Based on the current zoning of the adjacent properties (shown above), the rezoning of this property from R-A to R-1 would be appropriate for the area.

• Under the R-A zoning, an residential subdivision would not be able to be developed. The only zoning designation that allows for residential housing is an R-1 designation.

We believe this rezoning request is in conformity with the policy in place by Lowndes County and will be an ideal multi-family development due to its proximity to schools, retail, and commercial establishments.



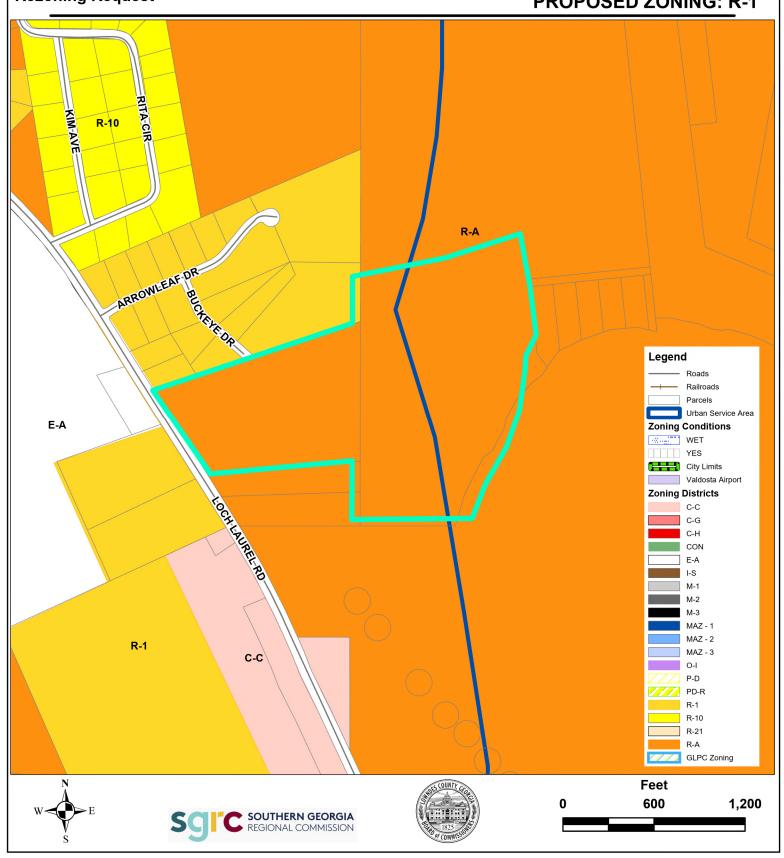


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Zoning Location Map

Loch Winn Farms LTD Rezoning Request

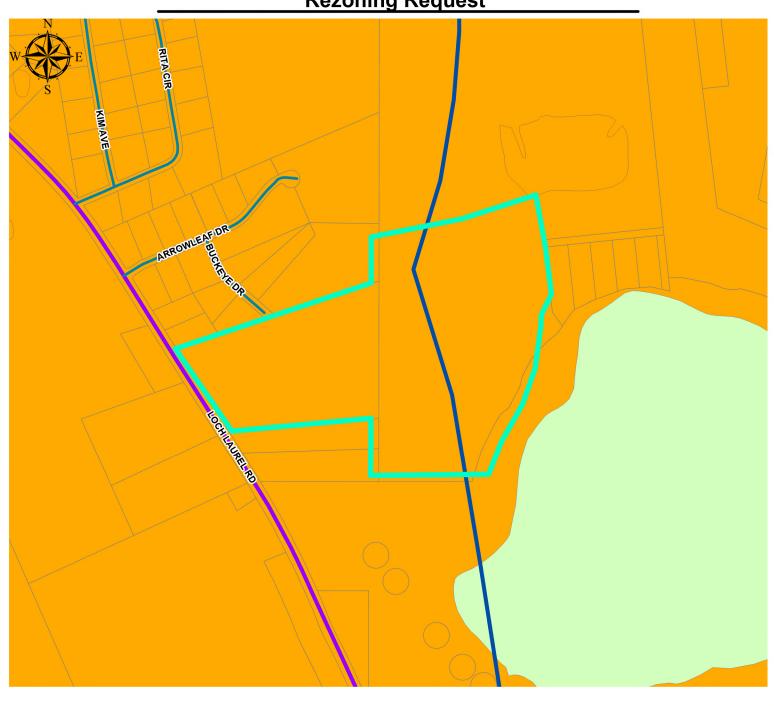
CURRENT ZONING: R-A PROPOSED ZONING: R-1

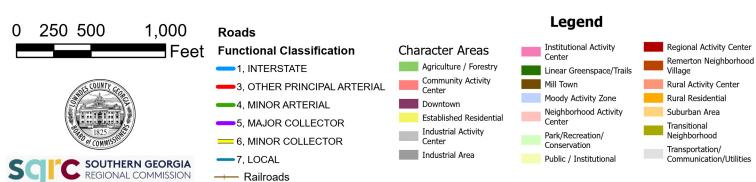


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Future Development Map

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WRPDO Site Map

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1040

1560 **■** Feet

