



# TOWN OF GEORGIA TOWN PLAN UPDATE - OPEN HOUSE

## What do you think are the most important issues in the Town of Georgia today?

Housing  
Transportation  
Air & Water Quality  
Green Energy!

More recreation  
programs, for adults  
as well as kids.  
Needed businesses in  
Georgia, including  
pharmacy and  
convenient restaurant.

Remembering Small  
Town is OK!  
Affordable Housing -  
rebirth of smaller housing  
developments.  
A better way to alert the public  
about Town Information  
"A sign board"

to much sprawling  
growth.

THE MAINTENANCE OF  
EXISTING ROADS  
PRIORITY

quality of  
education

More safety  
Keep zoning  
coverage

Appropriate  
and  
Quality  
Growth of Georgia

How QUICKLY  
GEORGIA IS  
GROWING AND  
THE INFRASTRUCTURE  
TO SUPPORT IT.

need to preserve the  
environmental  
Sustainability of  
landscape and  
Lake Champlain.  
consider providing  
for more environmental  
responsible  
transportation  
ie. electric car  
power vestoring

LACK OF EFFECTIVE  
LAW ENFORCEMENT -  
CONSTANT 4-WHEELER  
RACES ON GEORGIA ROADS  
LOUD TRUCKS DOING  
BURNOUTS ON RESIDENT  
ROADS, UNSIGHTLY  
CLUSTER HOUSING  
DEVELOPMENTS Diminishing  
Rural Countryside

Post It  
Here!

AFFORDABILITY FOR  
OUR FRESH INCOME  
RESIDENTS

community  
events, engagement  
community spaces

Holding  
Business  
Accountable  
for Property  
Maintenance  
(ie. Docks General)

Lack of childcare  
Housing - need more  
services in town  
before expanding  
low income housing

### PLACE STICKY NOTES HERE

Developments/Growth  
that are a typical  
to a small historic  
town.  
It would be nice to  
see a historical act  
in place where certain  
areas have more of a  
ceremonial

Lack of police  
presence

NO MORE BUILDING  
DEVELOPMENT IN  
WET / SWAMPY  
AREAS - LOTS OF  
HOUSES BEING BUILT  
ON VERY WET LAND  
(MAY BE NOT TECHNICALLY  
"WETLANDS")

Community  
events  
Community  
organizations  
Activities for  
older citizens

There have been  
rumors about new  
town Hall, new town  
library etc. what  
is the succession plan  
on old building of this  
to have  
Ex. Town garage olden

better  
Road  
maintenance  
(ie. should complete  
paving a road instead  
of sporadic parts)

Preserve landscape  
Farmland open  
space  
Keep town historic  
Small town feel

Child care  
senior  
activities

- the present form  
of taxation is  
not working  
- housing in general  
need re-structuring  
- land use  
need control  
over tenant  
behavior

Lake quality

Wetland area  
protection is  
development

Transportation  
Side walks along  
Ballast Road  
safe bike lanes  
preserving natural areas

→ keep the rural  
feel  
→ Appropriately sized  
and placed growth  
→ walkability  
→ NOT paying for gy  
m - limited benefit  
for majority of residents

Redistricting  
areas to allow  
for subdivision /  
more affordable  
housing

Uncontrolled  
development  
ruined my small  
hometown. I grew  
up in. Flood plains  
were built on causing  
home flooding

Police presence  
(more needed)  
Community events +  
spaces/reasons  
to come together





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## What would you like to see CHANGE in the Town of Georgia?

**POSTER NOTES HERE**

- More focus on climate change & support for green energy
- Road Improvement Fund to pave some dirt roads
- Better communication Police services NO POLICE! Police!
- Landlords who rent out rooms or apartments are often prejudiced by race. In frustration they refuse to rent again with housing at such a premium. WE NEED more places for people to rent.
- INCREASE CELL PHONE COVERAGE
- Like to see more emphasis on small town & open space
- promote universal accessibility
- new library + town office in the south village
- Less Spread more cluster housing
- Adding a Town Manager that way the Selectboard could spend time forward thinking
- Better community communication
- PLAN SHOULD HAVE SOME FEES ON BATTERY.
- multi-use community center with resources services supports
- To be able to have drive thru.
- Place Post It Notes Here!
- Better Law Enforcement and First Responder Coverage More Development in Center less in Village Value Agriculture and small business and industrial development
- Bring back the Parade!
- Continue town green gatherings
- EASIER ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT APPROVAL/PERMITS. A TOOL FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING.
- MANAGED US/LW in SV. and ex Town Hall Area
- Walkable - Open Space, increased bikeways in high density area
- NO MORE CLUSTER HOUSING VISIBLE FROM ROADS LESS DEVELOPMENT STRONG LAW ENFORCEMENT PRESENCE ENFORCE LAWS w/ 4 WHEEL RACING ON RAILS TRUCK BURNOUTS/STRESS
- Return of Quality Education + GEMS
- A MORE DIVERSE SELECTBOARD. Agreed!
- More community based activities. MORE SUPPORT FOR LOCAL BUSINESSES
- Better Law Enforcement coverage
- 35 mph to the Hwy
- AN INCREASE OF SOCIAL MEDIA COVERAGE OF WHAT IS HAPPENING WITH THE TOWN.
- Creating a town that is one of another (Taylor, Mill Hill + St Albans)
- More areas restricted from major development
- Limit development
- Local places to eat/gather still without drive-throughs
- More sidewalks
- Limitations on local gov't positions
- A restaurant
- A more central park
- Good group volunteers for needy citizens for town projects
- own office
- South Village (Site Dispute in Park)
- more responsible oversight of lakeshore protection and improved stormwater infiltration on town owned property - roadsides Town Beach.
- Also - keep new buildings looking like New England architecture





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## What would you like to see STAY THE SAME in the Town of Georgia?

It is great to welcome residents to town committees and activities

Celebrate the history - both human and natural - of this area. ie. appropriate road names - don't leave it up to developers

Small Town Character!

Agricultural Support farms & open areas

Place Post-It Notes Here!

Leave Georgia agriculture including South Village.

Keep ag areas while building up/welcoming more businesses + affordable housing in high density areas (ie by the highway)

PLACE STICKY NOTES HERE

Small town Ex. Stefford, VT  
Agriculture

KEEP THE SAME RURAL NATURE OF THE TOWN  
- LIMIT RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT - NOW A CONSTANT FLOW OF CONTRACTOR VEHICLES  
RESIDENTIAL TRAFFIC IS RAPIDLY INCREASING

Keeping the individual sections of town  
- George Center  
- West Georgia  
- Georgia Plains  
- East Plains  
- South Village

Keeping Georgia a small town!  
Not a suburb

space + natural area clustered business area

Small safe village  
Don't turn it into Winnsboro

Open space  
Rural nature/ret  
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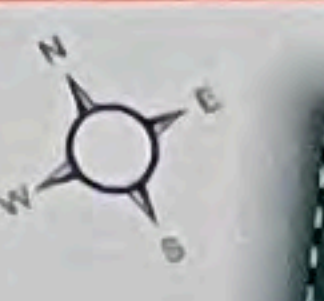
rural quiet town/comm community





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## Do you have any suggestions for specific PLACES in the Town of Georgia?



Widen Road along Georgia Shore or put in a Bike Path.

Better Traffic Control around Exit 18

Better traffic flow at Rt 7 and 109A intersection

Transfer of development rights for south end and south village

traffic signal needed at Rt 89 intersection agree! yes!

Strip mall for food/clothes places for example, dunkin donuts or a pizza place.

BETTER Traffic Flow 109A/RT7/109

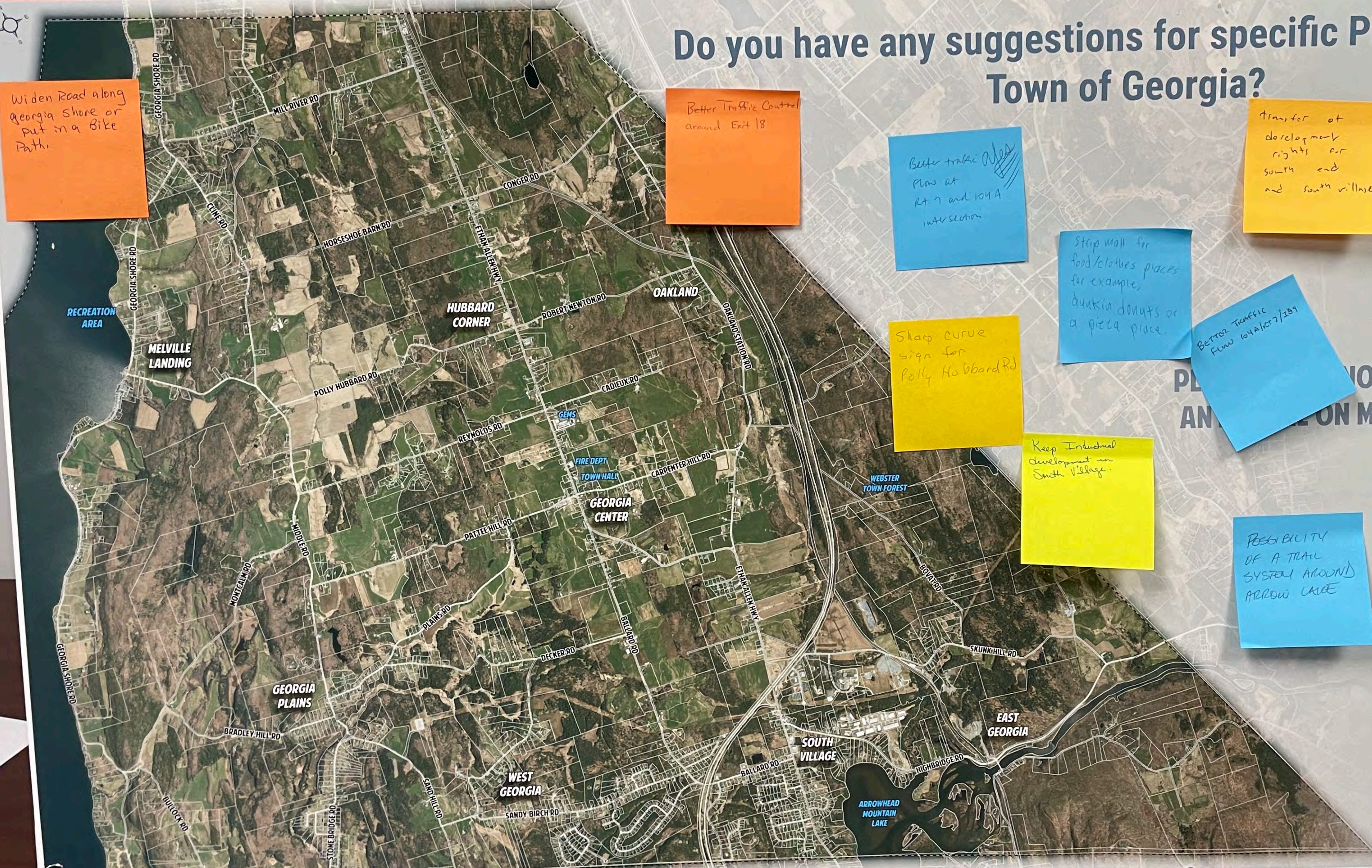
Sharp curve sign for Polly Hubbard Rd

This is a good spot for a trail!

Keep Industrial development in South Village.

POSSIBILITY OF A TRAIL SYSTEM AROUND ARROW LAKE

- FOCUS DEVELOPMENT IN ALREADY DEVELOPED + CRESTED AREAS (SOUTH VILLAGE)  
- KEEP RURAL AREAS OPEN



PLAN NOTES AND COMMENTS ON MAP

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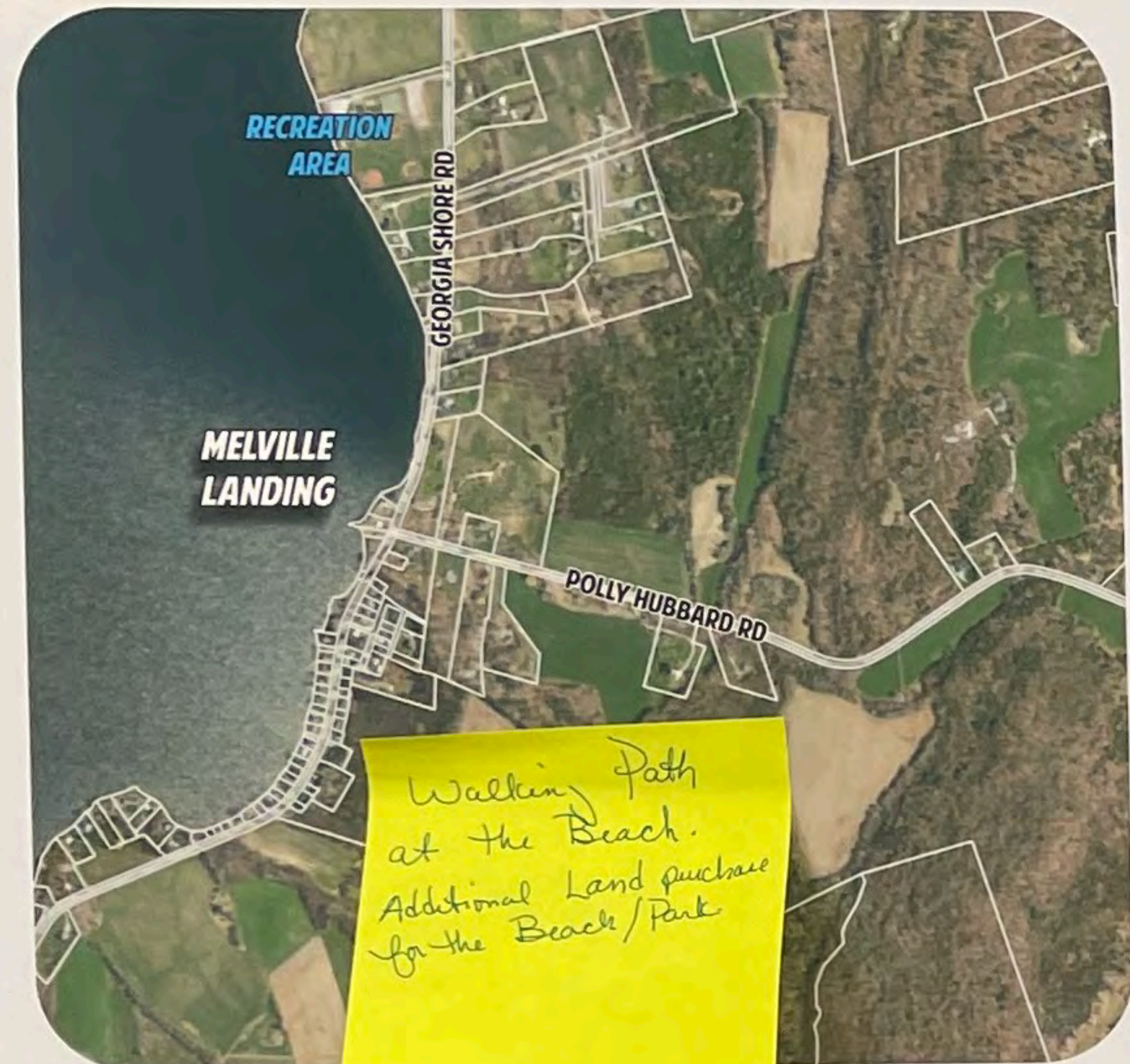
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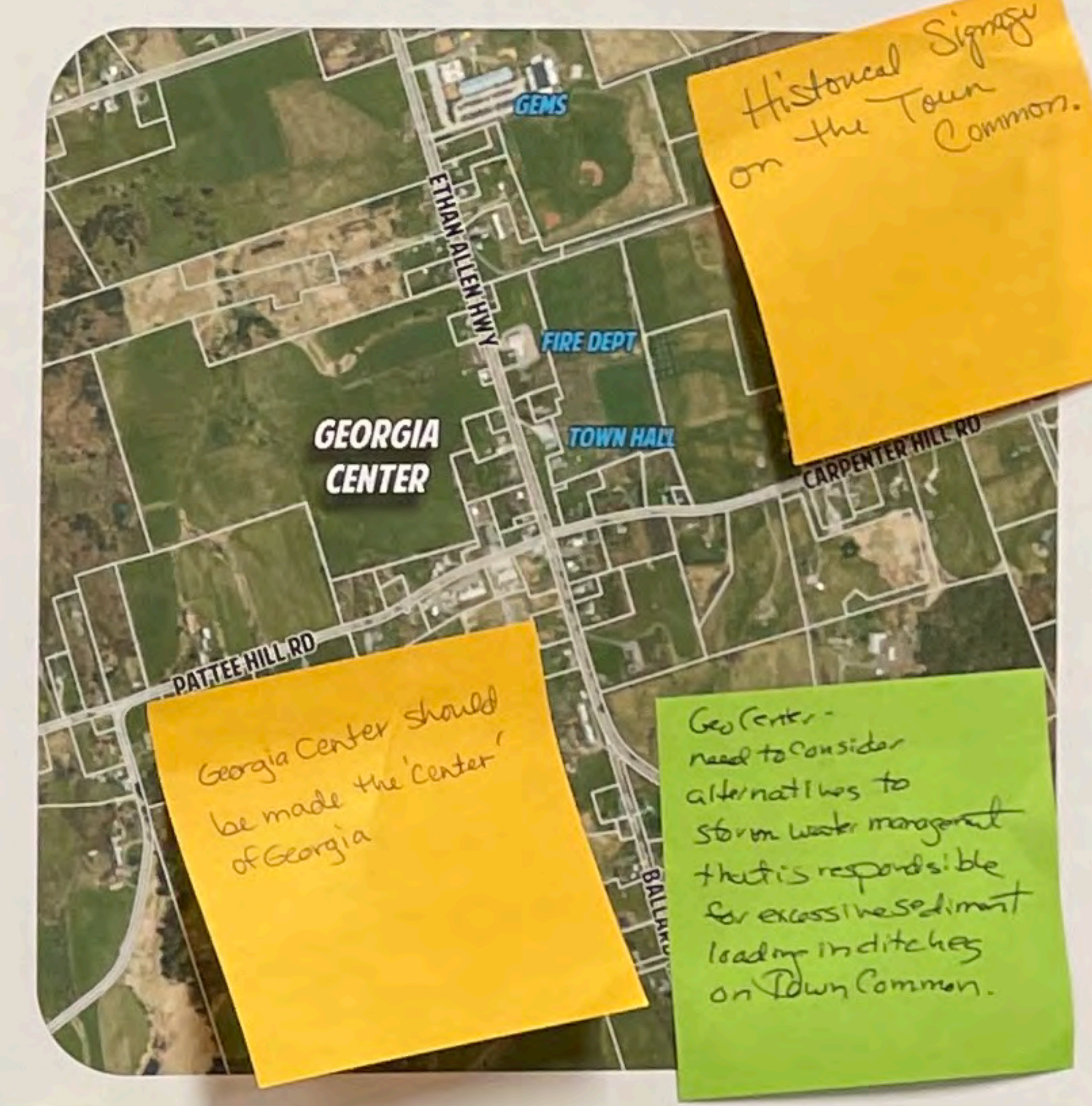


# Do you have any suggestions for the HAMLETS in the Town of Georgia?

Where is the Hamlet of North Georgia??



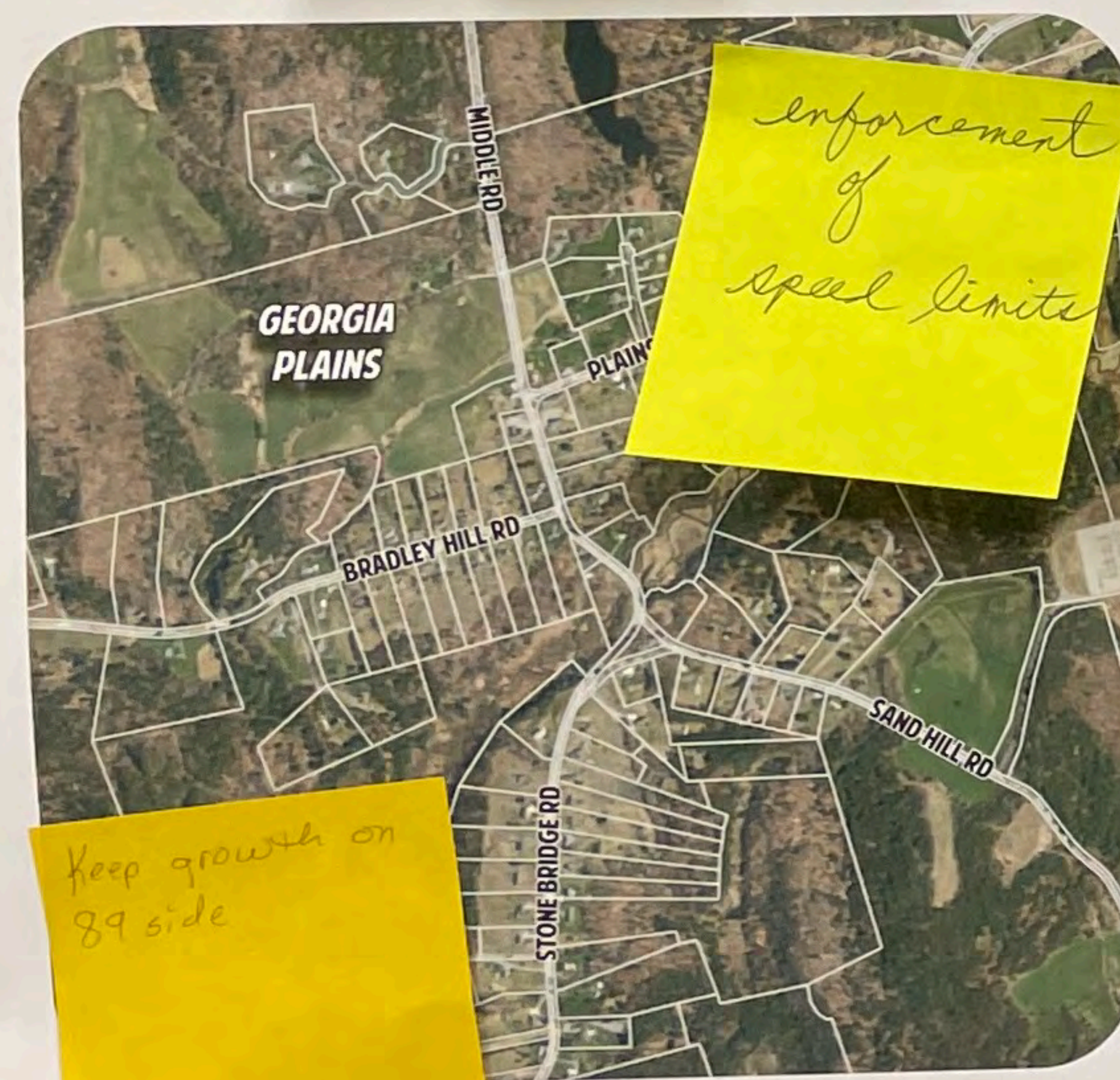
Walking Path at the Beach. Additional Land purchase for the Beach/Park



Georgia Center should be made the 'center' of Georgia

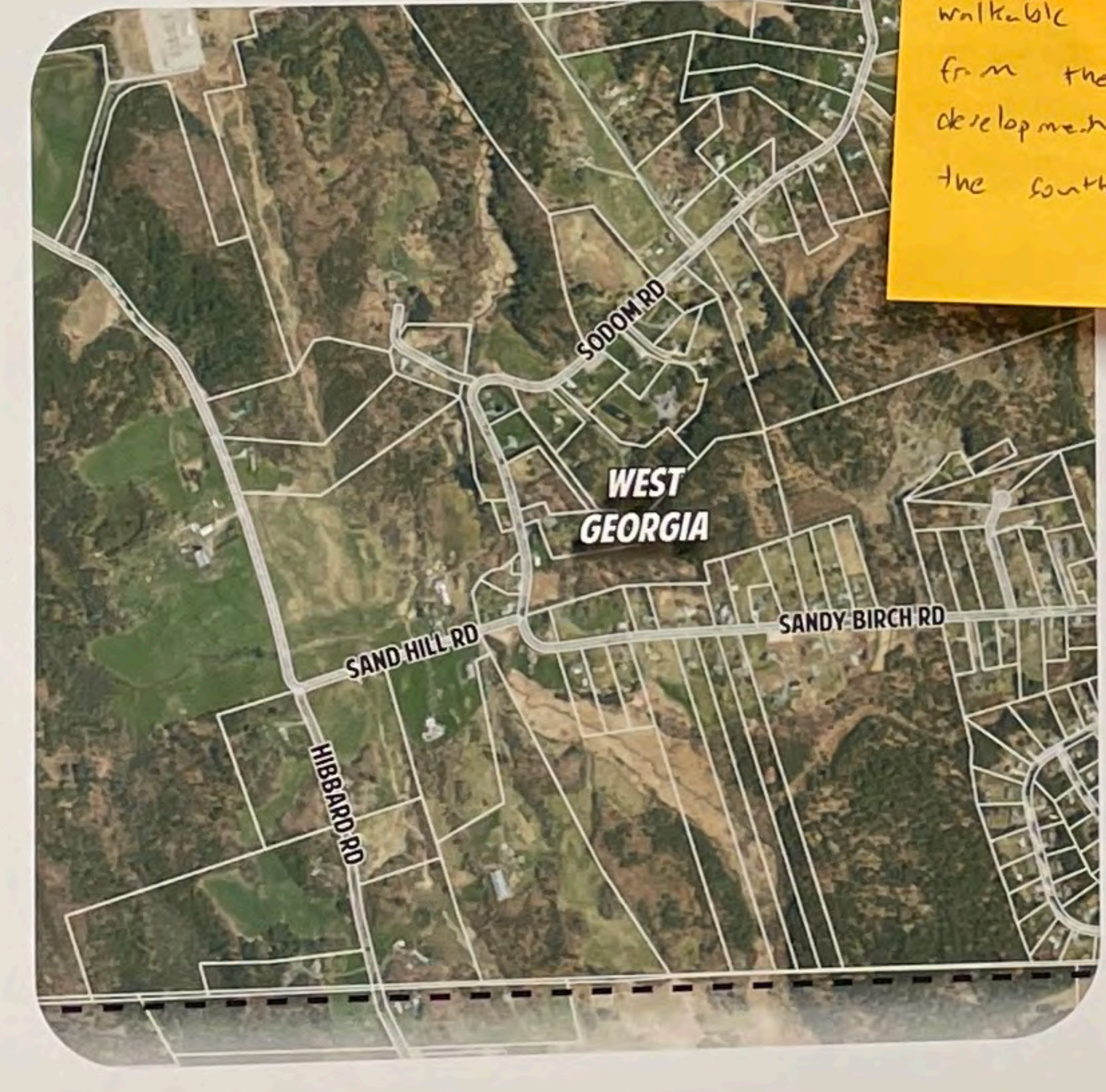
Historical Signage on the Town Commons.

Geo Center - need to consider alternatives to storm water management that is responsible for excessive sediment leading to ditches on Dun Common.



enforcement of speed limits

Keep growth on 89 side



a park/playground ballfield walkable distance from the big developments in the south end

Safe walking/bike paths or sidewalk along Ballard Rd, Rt 7, in business areas.

walkable/bikeable connection of developments in south side

Better traffic flow especially at 5 PM

Better/safer traffic flow before any new housing or businesses

Don't make the south village a ghetto should be mix

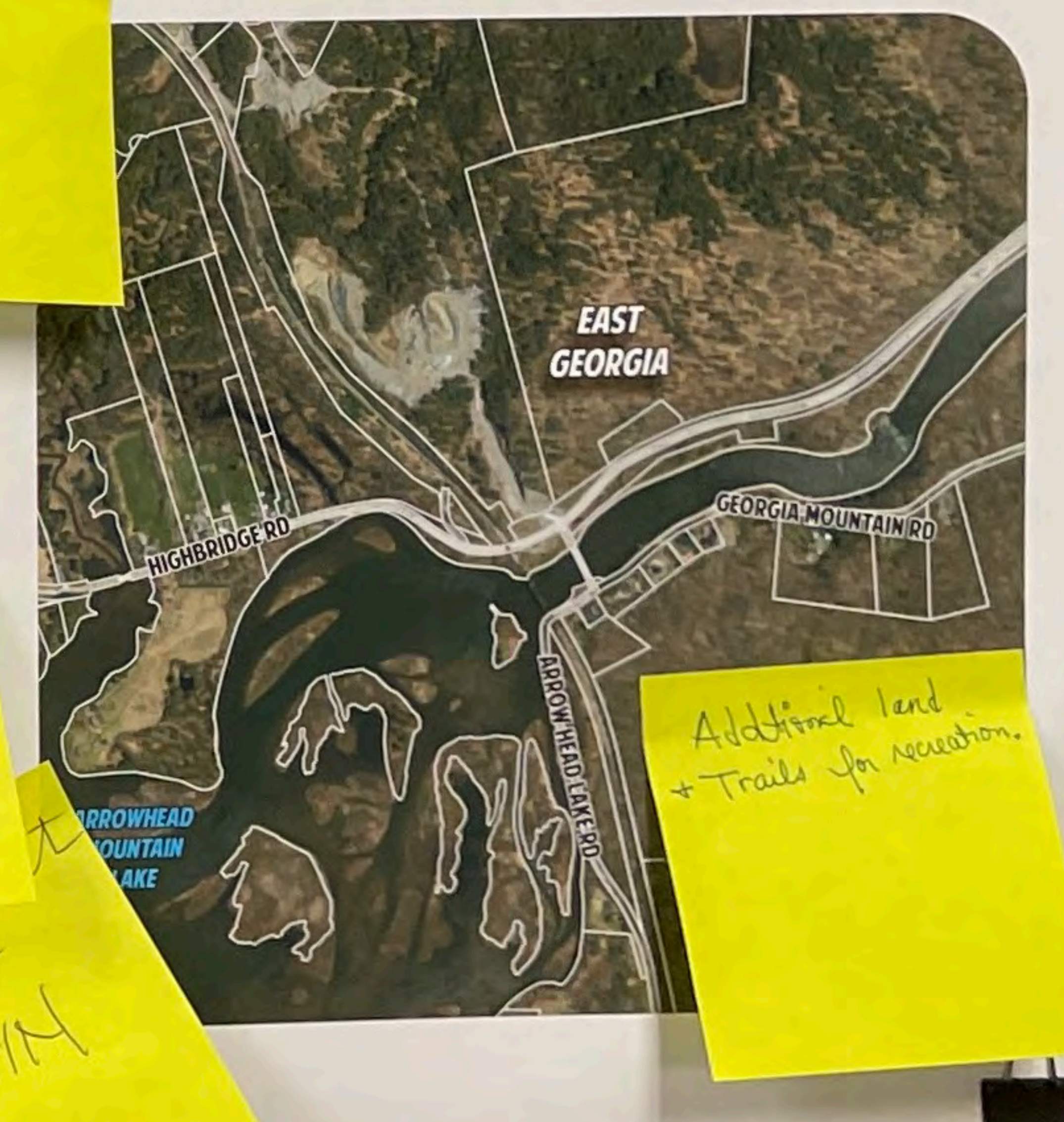
Need a mix of businesses for everyone

Drive to coffee

yes!

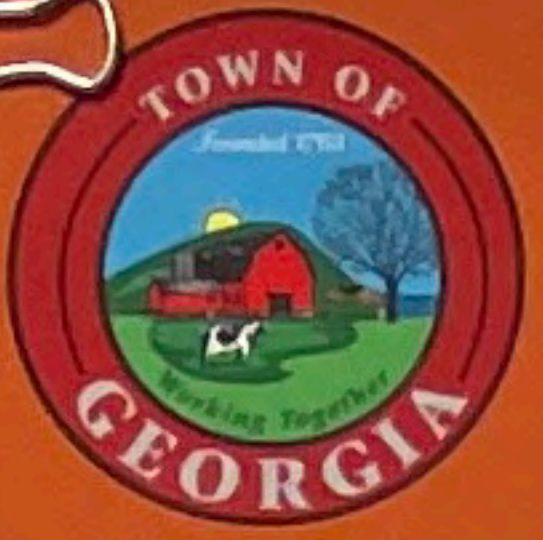
needed businesses - pharmacy, take out restaurant, etc.

Not a CHAIR



Additional land + Trails for recreation.





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### What words might you use to describe your future vision for the Town of Georgia?

PLACE STICKY NOTES HERE

Conduct Quarterly "listening" meetings like this to increase resident participation and trust.

Place Post It Notes Here!

Keep it rural and taxes low by limiting costly residential development

Seeing the Town take care of its properties / maintain them. Keep the historical presence.

- Small town community feel while adapting to the growing world  
- Georgia is already a bedroom community

Hamlet village  
Agriculture  
Small community  
Historical

place Post It Notes Here!  
- RESPONSIBLE, LIMITED GROWTH IN ALREADY DEVELOPED AREAS (South Village)  
- KEEP RURAL LANDS OPEN + PROTECTED FROM DEVELOPMENT

Growth will happen but keep it a quality town

A real town center where events would occur for gatherings.

Local projects for towns people to work together on

Keep - Small town character we already have!  
- Develop more in Center  
- Agriculture  
- More traffic control along Botts area  
- Better Law Enforcement / First Responder Coverage

How about a local newspaper!





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Are there any question(s) you would like to see us ask in the upcoming TOWN-WIDE SURVEY?

Town Government  
Changes:  
A qualified  
Town Manager

WHAT % OF THE  
BUDGET WILL BE  
ALLOCATED TO  
OUR ROAD  
MAINTENANCE.

PLACE STICKY NOTES HERE

Place Post It  
Notes Here!