

# Town of Oxford Open Space and Recreation Plan 2024



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# Section 1: Plan Summary



## **Section 1: Plan Summary**

As part of an ongoing effort to conserve natural resources and improve recreational opportunities, the Town of Oxford initiated the update to their Open Space and Recreation Plan in June 2022 with the submission of a proposal to the Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (EOEEA) Division of Conservation Services (DCS).

The 2024 Oxford Open Space and Recreation Plan was prepared and updated by Oxford's Open Space and Recreation Plan (OSRP) Planning Committee with the support of the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission (CMRPC), Oxford's Regional Planning Agency (RPA). This update to the 2007 Oxford Open Space and Recreation Plan is the result of considerable outreach, research, and collaboration, including ten OSRP Planning Committee meetings, a public survey, an infrastructure and environmental issues survey for key stakeholders, a public workshop, and various meetings with stakeholders, town staff, and committee members.

The Oxford OSRP Planning Committee members used the findings from the public outreach efforts to identify the Town's open space and recreational goals through the development of the Seven-Year Action Plan. The goals and objectives included in the Action Plan will guide Oxford towards improved environmental stewardship and recreational operation while prioritizing the needs of the Town's youth and also increasing overall climate resilience.

**Goal 1 – Ensure the facilitation of this Seven-Year Action Plan**

**Goal 2 – Preserve and amplify Oxford's historic character**

**Goal 3 – Protect Oxford's natural resources**

**Goal 4 – Enrich Oxford's recreational opportunities**

**Goal 5 – Increase community engagement throughout the improvement of Oxford's historical, natural, and recreational resources**

**Goal 6 – Improve access to Oxford's historical, natural, and recreation resources through improved transportation systems**

Overall, the purpose of this Plan is to not only highlight Oxford's natural, recreational, and historic assets, but to provide a comprehensive plan for the long-term stewardship and improvement of these resources.

## Section 2: Introduction



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### **A. Statement of Purpose**

This Open Space and Recreation Plan will help to preserve the Town of Oxford's natural, historical, and recreational resources, and recommends strategies to improve and enhance these resources over the next seven years. This Plan will allow the Town to identify how land is being used and what parcels may need enhanced protection or offer recreational potential. Together with other Town committees, this Plan will help to preserve the rural character and unique features Oxford has to offer.

This Plan is a comprehensive revision of the 1988 Oxford Open Space and Recreation Plan and the 2007 Oxford Open Space and Recreation Plan. Since the 2007 document is now outdated, the Town has endeavored to develop new approaches to resource protection and the improvement of Oxford's recreation opportunities.

### **B. Planning Process and Public Participation**

Various different boards and committees in the Town of Oxford are committed to the conservation of open spaces and natural resources, the improvement of recreational opportunities, and the implementation of climate mitigation strategies. Some of these boards and committees include the Oxford Recreation Commission, the Oxford Conservation Commission, and the Oxford Historical Commission.

In July 2022, the Town of Oxford pursued planning assistance from the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission (CMRPC) under Chapter 40B of the Massachusetts General Laws. With the assistance of CMRPC, the Town convened an Open Space and Recreation Plan (OSRP) Planning Committee to facilitate the updating of this Plan.

The first meeting between the local OSRP Planning Committee and CMRPC occurred on January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at the Oxford Town Hall on Main Street. In addition to two staff members from CMRPC, eight different representatives from the Town of Oxford assembled to discuss the kick-off of this Plan's update (listed in acknowledgments). At this meeting, attendees reviewed the OSRP requirements, delegated responsibility, and began brainstorming the public outreach approach.

In total, this OSRP Planning Committee met ten times, with a mixture of in-person and online meetings. The in-person meetings occurred at a variety of buildings in Oxford, including the Town Hall, the Senior Center, and the Carbuncle Pond Beach House. After the first meeting, the remaining nine meetings occurred on February 8<sup>th</sup>, March 8<sup>th</sup>, April 18<sup>th</sup>, May 10<sup>th</sup>, June 14<sup>th</sup>, July 19<sup>th</sup>, August 22<sup>nd</sup>, September 27<sup>th</sup>, and November 21<sup>st</sup>. The purpose of these meetings was to develop and analyze public outreach opportunities, collect data and local expertise on open

space, natural resources, and environmental challenges, and develop the goals and objectives included in the Seven-Year Action Plan.

In an effort to involve Oxford residents in the open space and recreation planning process and to ensure the representation of their priorities, the Committee initiated the development of a community survey at their first meeting. During the second committee meeting, survey questions were thoroughly workshopped and finalized, and promotion methods were solidified. The public survey officially launched on February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023, and was promoted using a survey flyer that was available online, in-person at select locations, and through the 2023 Winter Edition of *Onward Oxford*, the Town Newsletter. This newsletter is available on the Town's website, promoted on the Town Facebook page, and sent to all residents. Additionally, the survey flyer itself was available at the Oxford Town Hall, the Public Library, each of the public schools, at the Oxford Community Center, and at the Oxford Senior Center. Additionally, the flyer was posted at Carl's Oxford Diner and Isador's Organics (currently closed) as well as promoted at the Senior Center's pollinator campaign forum held on March 29<sup>th</sup>. The virtual flyer was promoted on the Town of Oxford's Facebook page, the Town of Oxford's website, the Oxford Public School District's Electronic Backpack, and on the Oxford Community Center registration page. By the time the survey closed on April 10<sup>th</sup>, it received 233 responses.

Another major outreach effort involved in this open space and recreation planning process was the public workshop at the Carbuncle Pond Beach House. The committee planned for this workshop at the fourth, fifth, and sixth meetings, including determining the main objectives that needed to be addressed at each table. Prior to the workshop, the committee met at the Carbuncle Pond Beach House for their fifth meeting to solidify plans for the event and their outreach strategy. The Carbuncle Pond Beach House opened in 2021 and was built by Bay Path Regional Vocational School students. However, swimming lessons at Carbuncle Pond have ceased, originally due to the presence of bacteria and now due to the overabundance of algae. This underscores the importance of maintaining natural assets and existing recreational facilities.

The Carbuncle Pond Beach House Public Workshop was promoted using a variety of methods similar to the public survey. Specifically, the Oxford OSRP Planning Committee and CMRPC created an eye-catching flyer advertising the public event and shared it with many local businesses and organizations, such as local restaurants, the Oxford Community Center, the public schools, and Town Departments, Boards, and Committees, such as the Planning Board. This flyer was also inserted into the 2023 Spring Edition of *Onward Oxford*, the Town newsletter that is mailed directly to all residents and is available on the Town website and Town Facebook page. Finally, this flyer was also available at the May 2023 Oxford Town Meeting.

The public workshop was held the evening of June 28<sup>th</sup> and showcased various stations pertinent to open space and recreation topics in Town. In addition to a sign-in table, a welcome and orientation table, and a thank-you table, the workshop included tables dedicated to trails, recreational programs, recreational facilities, and mobility and accessibility. The workshop also offered an opportunity for residents to vote on their open space and recreation funding priorities using “Oxford bucks”. From this exercise, the top three priorities were identified as preserving existing trails and recreation land, the maintenance of town facilities, and the establishment of new recreational lands, trails, and facilities.

Finally, CMRPC staff also developed and distributed a “Infrastructure and Environmental Issues” Survey among the OSRP Planning Committee and other relevant town boards and committees. This survey asked stakeholders about any pressures facing town open space, natural, agricultural, historic, and recreational resources, such as new developments. This survey also asked respondents to consider and detail any issues with current recreational resources, such as the availability of opportunities for people with disabilities. Ultimately, this survey only received six responses. These responses were considered throughout the development of the Environmental Challenges section of this Plan as well as the Seven-Year Action Plan.

### **Enhanced Outreach to Environmental Justice Populations**

In terms of enhanced outreach to Environmental Justice populations for both the community survey and the public workshop, the OSRP Planning Committee identified various local businesses and organizations that service residents of Oxford’s Environmental Justice neighborhoods. These businesses and organizations included the Oxford Housing Authority, local barbershops, and some local markets. Both the Committee and CMRPC made a concerted effort to reach these identified businesses and organizations and ask them to promote the community survey and the public workshop. The OSRP Planning Committee and CMRPC also identified reaching youth and older adult populations as a priority, so outreach to the public schools and Senior Center was conducted.

Overall, the most direct outreach methods for reaching residents of Oxford’s Environmental Justice community were the insertion of the community survey flyer and public workshop flyer in the Winter and Spring/Summer editions of the Onward Oxford newsletter, respectively. This newsletter is sent to all Oxford residents, including those living in the Environmental Justice neighborhood, locally referred to as Orchard Hill. Additionally, this newsletter is promoted on the Town’s Facebook page and available on the Town’s website.

# Section 3: Community Setting



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### A. Regional Context

Oxford is located in southern Worcester County and is bordered by Dudley and Charlton on the west, Millbury and Sutton on the east, Douglas and Webster on the South, and Leicester and Auburn on the north. Oxford is about 14 miles south of Worcester, about 51 miles southwest of Boston, about 53 miles southwest of Lowell, and about 52 miles east of Springfield. It has been described as a “bedroom” community, or commuter town, due to its location on I-395, which offers businesses and their employees easy on and off access to the highway at three interchanges. Oxford is a member community of the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission, one of thirteen Regional Planning Agencies in Massachusetts.

Almost all of Oxford’s lies within the French River Basin Watershed, specifically the Quinebaug Subbasin, except for the extreme eastern edge of the Town, which lies in the Blackstone River Basin Watershed, specifically the Mumford River Subbasin (**Map 5** displays the locations of the watershed boundaries). The headwaters of the French River lie in neighboring Leicester and southeast Spencer. Because of extensive flooding that occurred throughout the French River Basin from the 1955 flood, the Army Corps of Engineer constructed a flood control project at Hodges Village in central Oxford. To construct this facility, an entire neighborhood, called Greenbriar, was relocated to various lots throughout town. This facility has successfully mitigated further damage from flooding while providing an extensive natural area for wildlife habitat and facilities for both passive and active recreation. Today, the French River is viewed as a regional recreational asset offering long-distance canoeing and hiking due to long stretches of land remaining in a natural state.

The Town of Oxford experienced a steady rise in population through 2010. Due to rapid growth, the Town adopted a growth management zoning bylaw in 2005 that was active through 2010. This bylaw restricted the number of homes that may be built on a parcel of land and allowed the Town time to study the needs of the community, refurbish infrastructure, and study growth patterns to maintain rural character while allowing for growth that did not burden existing residents. Although both the State and County populations rose from 2010 to 2020, the Town of Oxford’s population has declined, and is estimated to have declined further since the census. Currently, the Town’s population density is 485.35 people per square mile. The recent decline in population may be attributed to the rising costs associated with homeownership; in fact, 22.8% of housing units in Town are renter occupied (2020 Census). Although Worcester County’s population is estimated to be steadily rising since the 2020 census, Massachusetts population as a whole is estimated to have declined (2022 ACS).

All of Oxford’s neighboring communities continue to experience rapid growth, which affects

housing characteristics and traffic patterns. Notably, the Town of Webster saw over 1,000 new residents move into town over the past decade, with the Town of Auburn close behind with over 700 new residents. In the past, Auburn residents have moved to Oxford to live in a more rural setting. Between 2000 and 2010, the Town of Charlton welcomed nearly 2,000 new residents, and since then their population has still been on the rise. This came with an increase in the number of new single-family homes and effected traffic patterns in the surrounding communities. Today, motorists travel through Oxford on Sutton Avenue and Charlton Street to access Charlton, as well as Dudley Road and Old Webster Road to access Dudley and Webster, respectively. These traffic patterns cause congestion in the center of Oxford. This trend is expected to be exacerbated in the coming years with the construction of an Amazon warehouse in Charlton on Sturbridge Road, which is expected to create over 1,000 new jobs.

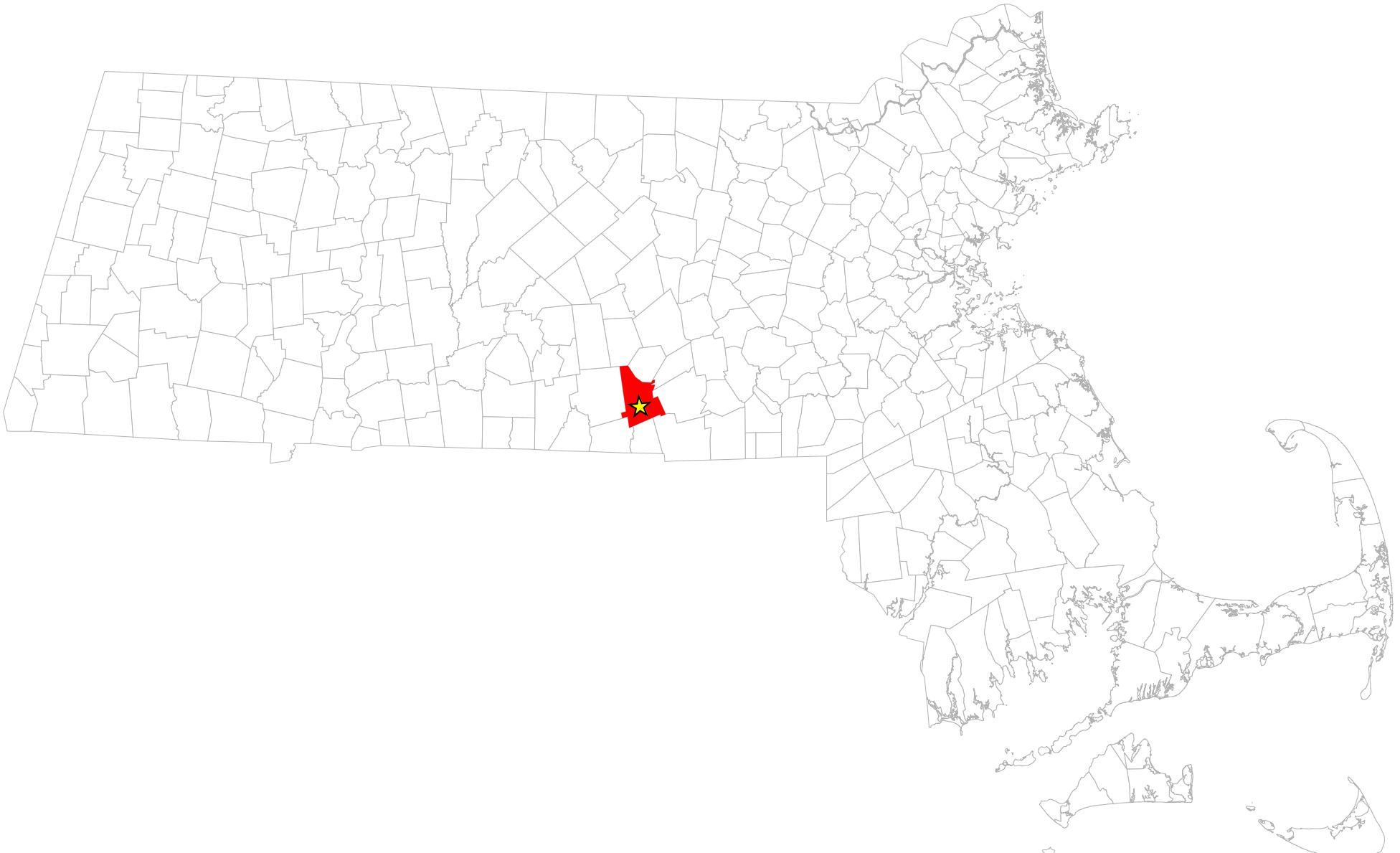
Oxford's economy consists mostly of locally owned, small businesses, but also offers residents the convenience of commerce with large corporations, such as Walmart and Home Depot. Additionally, Oxford residents may seek employment in neighboring communities, such as Auburn, Charlton, and Webster. Thus, residents have plenty of employment opportunities both in town and in the surrounding towns, allowing for Oxford to maintain its rural character while still achieving self-sufficiency.

The Town of Oxford has participated in various planning efforts that effect the region as a whole, such as their recent Master Plan (2017 – 2027) as well as their Transportation Plan (2006). The Town is also currently updating their Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) in tandem with the development of a report as part of the Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) Program. The Town is also considered in other CMRPC regional planning efforts, such as the CMRPC Regional Infrastructure Plan, the CMRPC Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS), and the CMMPO Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). Currently, the Town is also pursuing the development of a Housing Production Plan (HPP).

Oxford shares many other resources with its neighboring communities, including permanently protected open space, forested areas, and core habitat for rare species. For example, Merrill Pond Wildlife Management Area (WMA) is a protected forested area situated mostly in Sutton that extends into Millbury and Oxford. This area is also considered critical natural landscape, a large swathe of land that is minimally impacted by development and buffers core habitat for rare species. The mid-state trail, a 92-mile hiking trail that travels through the middle of the state, also passes through Oxford. This trail has direct connections to Charlton, Sutton, and Douglas, with extended connections to additional communities. In addition to the French River, Oxford also shares another wetland core with a neighboring community. Bugs Swamp, identified as a wetland core since it is mostly intact and undisturbed by development, spreads into the Town of Sutton. These shared resources help to meet the recreational needs of both Oxford residents and residents of neighboring

communities.

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## Legend

- Oxford
- Massachusetts Towns

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## **B. History of Community**

The Nipmuc Indian tribe populated the Oxford area in the 1600's. Chief Black James sold the area to the Massachusetts Colony; this sale granted a nine-by-twelve-mile parcel of land to Major Joseph Dudley, Daniel Cox, John Blackwell, and Thomas Freake.

French Huguenot settlers came to the Oxford area in 1686 and settled around Fort Hill. Their village included houses, a fort, and a chapel. In 1687, the Huguenots held services at the site of the first Episcopal Church. The Episcopal Church which is active today, Grace Episcopal Church (now Good Shepherd Episcopal Church), was built from stone quarried from a nearby hill in 1864 as a gift from George Hodges, whose burial plot is located to the rear the church. Along the French River and adjacent streams, the settlement prospered and set up mills. In 1696, attacks by Indians, especially the Johnson Massacre in August 1696, caused the settlers to abandon their village. They tried to return in 1699, but attacks during Queen Anne's War caused the Huguenot settlement's final abandonment in 1704.

In 1713, 30 English families settled in the Oxford Center area, establishing the first permanent settlement founded by Europeans in what is now Oxford. They laid out a broad, straight thoroughfare called "Eight Rod Way," and this route later became Main Street. It was over 100 ft. wide and was lined with trees on both sides. In the spring, the scent of crabapple blossoms would fill the air along the way. House lots of the English settlers were located upon this central route. Today, many of these older homes still line Main Street. The first meeting house, the First Congregational Church, was built on the northwest corner of the common in 1721 near present day Church Street. The present meeting house is the fourth, is also a church, and was dedicated in 1829; a stained-glass window on its south wall was dedicated in memory of Miss Clara Barton in 1913.

Tradition has it that the wide, straight road was established because Oxford was supposed to become the County seat. That idea has traditionally been thought to have been rejected by the Town's residents because they thought becoming the County seat would bring corruption of morals to youth in the community. Most of the Town's settlers were farmers, and some industrial activity began in 1715 when the first mill was built by Daniel Elliot along Wellington Brook.

By 1775, Oxford's basic settlement pattern was established. The Town center was where the Town's major commercial and cultural activities mainly occurred, with the North Common area near present day Main Street, Dana and Rocky Hill Roads, and Millbury Boulevard servicing as a secondary civic and religious center. Small mill sites developed into 19th century mill villages. The uplands remained agricultural until the post-World War II era. The first cemetery in Oxford, now called the South Cemetery, was called the Old Burying Ground.

“Colonel” Ebenezer Learned became quite active in the American revolutionary cause, first as a Colonel and then as a Brigadier General. He and his men marched on the Lexington Alarm, fought at Bunker Hill and Valley Forge, and were present when the British evacuated Boston. Ebenezer Learned also served as a selectman, moderator, assessor and justice of the peace in Oxford. He is buried in South Cemetery.

In 1778 the area of Ward, or present-day Auburn, was established as a separate town. There were about a thousand people living in Oxford in 1790. Joshua Stockwell built a bridge in the Sacarrappa area in 1792; this bridge led to a mill at which nails were made, and this mill was next to a raceway. On the north side of the brook a house, blacksmith’s shop and schoolhouse were built. In 1813, Samuel Slater established a cotton spinning mill in a part of Oxford that later became part of Webster. The Town’s population increased to over 2,000 by 1830 as manufacturing and the textile industry prospered.

Clara Barton, founder of the American Red Cross, was born in Oxford on December 25, 1821. She entered the Hall of Fame for Great Americans in 1976 as its 100th member. An American postage stamp in her honor was issued in 1948. The house she was born in still stands and is open to the public on Fridays through Sundays between late May and late August, on Saturdays in September, and by appointment during other months: It is on the National Register of Historic Places.

In 1816 the first textile mill in present day Oxford was established near the site of the 1715 Elliot Mill site. Industrial growth with associated population and commercial growth took place from 1830 through 1860. In this period shoe and boot making became the major industry in Oxford. During May of 1847, the North Oxford Baptist Church was dedicated to fill the spiritual needs of a growing community of worshippers. Although economic growth in Oxford slowed down due to the Civil War, a recovery of the textile industry occurred in the 1880’s and the industry remained prosperous in town until 1905.

Oxford’s growth rate varied around the time of Webster’s 1832 incorporation as a separate town from Dudley and Oxford. Throughout Oxford’s industrial period, 1830 through 1860, agricultural activities in the outlying areas remained steady with the rural areas of town not sharing in the building and economic boom of the period. The railroad was built right through Huguenot Square, effectively dividing the Town. The population of the Town increased as villages developed around the growing textile mills and other businesses where workers found employment.

During the depression of the mid and late 1870’s, the Town’s industrial base, including the textile industry, saw many changes. In the late 1880’s, the textile industry recovered. New industries expanded rapidly in the late 1800’s, particularly the box, cloth board, and lumber businesses. Farms and acreage under cultivation grew during the late 1800’s as well. However,

the last shoe manufacturer closed in 1898. The population of Oxford grew to 1,938 in 1875; between 1905 and 1915 the population in town grew from 2,927 to 3,476.

The most important civic change of this period was the relocation of the Town Hall in 1873 to Oxford Center from the North Common. This move re-established the civic focus at the Town center for the first time since 1748. The tower was added to the Town Hall in 1888. At the turn of the century the new trolley in town gave residents the ability to more easily work and shop outside of Oxford. During these years, road construction in town replaced dirt paths and small roads were widened to allow for increased vehicular traffic. Built in 1903-1904, the Oxford Free Public Library was a gift from Mr. Charles Larned. The stained-glass window above the main entrance of the library shows the departure of Pilgrims from Holland in 1620. A historical exhibit dedicated to the Larned family is on display at the library's museum.

Oxford continued to grow and thrive in the first half of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. The Town's population grew from 3,476 in 1915 to 4,623 in 1940. With the advent of the automobile, Route 12, which included Main Street in town, was established as a major north-south traffic route from Worcester to Norwich, Connecticut. In this era most residential development broke away from the traditional settlement patterns and became more dispersed.

During the 1950's and 1960's, Oxford's population grew from 5,851 to 9,282. Unfortunately, this growth was not accompanied by proportional commercial and industrial development, and Oxford became more of a bedroom community within the Worcester metropolitan area. With the construction of interstate highways I-90 and I-395 through town in the 1960's and 1970's, Oxford became a more attractive place to live as the highways increased the accessibility of the area's major job markets from the Town. Two large housing developments built in the 1950's created a need for larger educational facilities in town. Oxford's population grew from 9,282 in 1960 to 10,345 in 1970, and it grew at an even greater rate in the 1970's to reach 11,680 in 1980. The Town has experienced periods of growth and has seen many changes since the 1960's and 1970's. With this growth and continued change, Oxford needs to be ever more careful with its remaining undeveloped land.

The Oxford Historical Commission is the part of the municipal government responsible for addressing historic preservation needs in town. The ultimate responsibility for carrying out historic preservation, however, rests within the community. The Historical Commission has no doubt that Oxford can retain its historic identity, and at the same time, grow responsibly. Growth can occur alongside historic preservation and does not require the destruction of historic properties. With sensitivity, creativity and a genuine respect for the Town's history, an old structure can be put to a new use without significant alteration to the building's exterior. New construction can be built to blend in with historic structures and resources. Oxford must

be alert and responsive to all new development proposals if our historical character is to be retained during the years ahead.

Today, Oxford is at a crossroads. While Huguenot Square, otherwise known as Oxford Center, is located at the crossroads of Main Street and Charlton St./Sutton Ave., it is also at a crossroads regarding destruction or preservation. Huguenot Square is at risk, as are other historic properties in town. The Commission is very concerned with what the future will hold for the old High School, as it helps define the historic district within which it is located. What is done with each historic property affects the entire community. It is important to recognize that with the disappearance of even one piece of Oxford's history, there is significant loss to the Town's historic character.

The Huguenot Fort site is considered the most historically sensitive area of town; it has a preservation restriction and is listed on the State Register of Historic Places. The Davis houses located on Lovett Road and one Davis House on Sutton Avenue are among the earliest homes remaining from the early English settlers of the Town. The Hudson House on Hudson Road is included on the State and National Registers of Historic Places and is considered the oldest home still standing in Oxford. The Clara Barton Birthplace (Homestead) is also listed on the State and National Register of Historic Places. The old barn is located on the same parcel.

The number of historic properties in Oxford is not limited to those on the State Register. It is also not limited to those on the list of "Oxford Properties Recommended for Listing in the National Register;" This list was compiled from the Massachusetts Historical Commission's study of Oxford in 1984 and includes the following properties:

- Bartlett's Bridge, Clara Barton Road over the French River
- Clara Barton Homestead, Clara Barton Road
- 15 Charlton St.
- 7 Charlton St.
- William Hudson House, Hudson Road
- Huguenot Fort, Fort Hill Road
- Allen L. Joslin House, 34 Main Street
- Benjamin Pain House, 259 Main Street
- Capt. Abijah Davis House, 253 Main St, which unfortunately burned down in 2014

All of these properties are now registered on the National Register of Historic Places, either as themselves or as part of the Oxford Center National Historic District.

Several old houses are important pieces of Oxford's history. One of these is "Buffalo Hill Farm", which was built by Dr. Elliot P. Joslin and is still in the family. Another interesting house is what is known as the "Clara Barton Summer Home" on Charlton St; this was a residence that Clara

Barton spent time in up until her death in 1912. Many other homes in Oxford are equally significant to this town's history.

Villages have historically been and still are an important part of this town. Beginning in the early 1800's, they developed around textile industry workplaces and other businesses where workers found employment. These villages grew as this employment promised a more prosperous way of life for new immigrants. The 1984 Study of Historic Properties in Oxford commissioned by the Massachusetts Historical Commission and carried out by the Oxford Historical Commission identified the following places as worthy of consideration for listing on the National Register of Historic Places:

- Wells Street and Watch Street
- Learnedville, otherwise known as Texas Village on Route 56 located between Route 20 and Route 12
- North Oxford along Route 12 from Leicester Street south to Depot Road including Clara Barton Road and 1 Old Depot Road. This area includes Hawes Village/White Village at its southernmost end.
- The North Common area from Federal Hill Road south along Route 12, through Chaffee Village, and including Holman Street
- Huguenot Square, otherwise known specifically as Oxford Center, at the crossroads of Sutton Ave and Charlton Street.
  - In addition to being included in the Oxford Center area referenced in the line above, it is listed separately here to call attention to the history reflected in it. It is at the heart of this community.
- Howarth Village
- Oxford Center between Front Street and Huguenot Road, including Maple Road, Fremont Street, Barton Street, East Main Street, some properties just west of the center on Charlton Street, and some properties just east of the center on Sutton Ave.
  - Oxford Center was designated as a National Historic District in 2011.

Monuments and historical markers throughout Oxford record important events which have occurred in Oxford and recognize people who have served their town and country. They include, but are not limited to:

- The Daughters of the American Revolution Monument, which was erected on Camp Hill in 1911 by members of the D.A.R. It has been moved to make way for a large housing development, and it is now located at the intersection of Maple Road and Rawson Ave.
- The Johnson Monument is on Main Street near Sunset Lane, which was erected to memorialize people who lost their lives in the event known as the Johnson Massacre.

- Memorials to Veterans of the Korean War and the Vietnam War at Joslin Park on Main Street; the park is a reminder of the generosity of Dr. Elliot P. Joslin.
- The 1872 North Gore District 8 School House, which was moved from Merriam District to Joslin Park.
- War memorials found on Main Street within the Oxford Center area as well as in other areas in town
- The Maanexit Ford, found on Harwood Street.
- A marker at the corner of Marshall and Bacon Streets which notes Charles Lindbergh's landing site at the old Oxford Airport.
- Special Milestone Markers are found throughout the Town, including on Main Street and on Sutton Ave. One of these markers shows the direction and distance to the Massachusetts State House.
- The Hartland Monument, as well as several other markers and monuments, which recognize individuals.
- Memorial Hall (Oxford Town Hall), which is also a historic and functional town owned building, acts as a memorial to veterans from Oxford who served in the Civil War.

Places designated as historic by the Town include, but are not limited to, the following:

- The Old Burying Ground, now known as South Cemetery, located behind the Congregational Church.
- North Cemetery, especially the old cemetery lots in the northeast corner closest to Main St.
- Gore Cemetery on Pleasant Street in Merriam District
- St. Roch's Cemetery on Federal Hill Road
- Grace Episcopal Church Cemetery at Grace Episcopal Church
- Clark Cemetery on Prospect Hill (only a small portion of it is in Oxford)
- Old Pope Cellar Hole, which is located north-east of Strack's Corner (Walkers on Route 12), between that location at the Eddy House at the end of Bailey Road.
- The location of "Dell Queen" Silver Mine (referenced in Ida Miller Semon's History of North Oxford, 1969) is perhaps in Auburn to the north of the intersection of Routes 12 and 20 in Oxford.
- The "Devil's Den" (probably the cave referred to as Clara Barton Cave on the original list) off Clara Barton Road is reached from the road to Lane Corp. using Stumpy Pond as a landmark.
- An Old Indian Burial ground, thought to be at the end of what is now Water Street
- A rock outcropping just North of Sutton Ave overlooking what is now I-395, traditionally thought to provide shelter for Native Americans.

- An old mill site on Sutton Ave at Fort Hill Road
- The site of the Chamois/washed leather mill, which is just off Sutton Avenue and is in a field along the brook leading southwest from Eames Pond.
- Maanexit Dam, which may possibly be located near the Maanexit Ford Crossing of the French River at Harwood Street.
- The Sibley Mill, otherwise known as Krintzman's Mill, on Route 12 in North Oxford
- Edwin Bartlett Co Mill (Old Mill) on Clara Barton Road near Main Street
- The Chaffee Brothers Complex on Route 12
- Huguenot Fort with the Huguenot Monument is found on Mayo's Hill, otherwise known as Fort Hill Road (Noted at beginning of report)
- The Huguenot Church and Burial Site are traditionally thought to be north of Huguenot Road, just before it meets Holbrook Road
- The French Gardens, located off Fort Hill Road just south of 94 Fort Hill Road
- Bartlett Bridge, which is already on the State Register, and the remaining stonework just to the north of it.
- Larned Cave is on the list of historic properties; its location is uncertain, but with additional research/time its location may be found. It is possibly connected with a bank robbery which occurred many years ago.
- Private Cemetery located near 13 Whiting Road

The following places were once designated as historic by the Town but have unfortunately been recently removed and/or demolished.

- The Sacarrappa Bridge and nearby raceway on Sacarrappa Road, which were part of a mill site known to make nails and other items. The original bridge was taken down, but a new bridge was built at the site; the raceway and mill are gone.
- The Blacksmith Shop and Toll House on Sutton Avenue at the intersection with Joe Jenny Road; the Blacksmith Shop and the Toll House have been demolished.
- The Huguenot Oak, reported to be one of the oaks used to guide settlers to the Fort, was found at the corner of Huguenot Road and Russell Lane; The tree was removed in April 2022, but the stump is still located at the same place and an offspring of the tree is growing in town. Some of the wood from the oak was memorialized for use in fixtures at Town Hall.

With the exception of the Huguenot Fort, cemeteries, and bridges, all of the above historic areas are now located on privately owned property.

Historically significant town buildings (and vehicles) include, but are not limited to:

- The Old High School on Main Street was built in 1913 and has been carefully restored. It is known today as the Leblanc building. Its presence is an anchor for the historic Main Street area.
- The 1872 District 8 North Gore School House, which is also listed under monuments and historical markers.
- Huguenot Steamer No. 1, located at the old fire station on Route 12 in North Oxford, which has been rebuilt through the work of the Oxford Firefighters Association. Ownership with restrictions was turned over to the Firefighters Association in 1999.
- Oxford Free Public Library, as the recent addition respects the historical integrity of the original structure.
- Memorial Hall (Oxford Town Hall), also listed under monuments and historical markers. Its historical integrity has been respected and preserved.

The Allen L. Joslin School, built more than 75 years ago, was at risk because it was unoccupied and without heat; unfortunately, it was demolished between 2006 and 2007.

Historically significant churches in Oxford are all located on Main Street. They include:

- The Universalist Church: although it is considerably changed from the original form, the present structure remains the oldest Universalist Church in the world, as it was built in 1792-93.
- The Congregational Church
- The First Baptist Church
- Grace Episcopal Church
- St. Ann Church
- St. Roch's Church

### C. Population Characteristics

Based on the United States Census Bureau's records for 2020 and American Community Survey (ACS) Five-Year Estimates, the Town of Oxford is experiencing a slight decline in its population. Currently, Oxford has an estimated population of 13,287 people according to the 2022 ACS Estimates and a recorded population of 13,347 from the 2020 census, creating a population density of 485.35 people per square mile. These numbers are lower than the recorded populations from the years 2000 and 2010 and are juxtaposed with Oxford's steady rise in population between 1980 and 2010. On the other hand, Oxford's neighboring communities (**Table 1**) have all seen a steady rise in their population since 2010.

Although a drop in Oxford's population may support its small-town charm, it is important to note that CMRPC projects the Town's population will increase in the coming decades. CMRPC projects that by the year 2030, the Town of Oxford will have a population of 14,715 people (**Table 14**). With that being considered, protecting open space and enhancing recreational resources in town is crucial in upholding Oxford's rural character while simultaneously supporting new residents.

Out of all of Oxford's neighboring communities, the Town of Webster is the largest with nearly 18,000 people. Additionally, the Town of Webster has seen the greatest increase in residents in the recent decade, with over 1,000 new residents. The Town of Douglas is the smallest in this subregion, with fewer than 9,000 people. So, Oxford has a relatively average population in comparison to the region.

**Table 1:**  
**Population Growth – Oxford & Neighboring Communities**

	Oxford	Auburn	Charlton	Douglas	Dudley	Millbury	Sutton	Webster
<b>1980</b>	11,680	14,845	6,719	3,730	8,717	11,808	5,855	14,480
<b>1990</b>	12,588	15,005	9,576	5,438	9,540	12,228	6,824	16,196
<b>2000</b>	13,352	15,901	11,263	7,045	10,036	12,784	8,250	16,415
<b>2010</b>	13,709	16,188	12,981	8,471	11,390	13,261	8,963	16,767
<b>2020</b>	13,347	16,889	13,315	8,983	11,921	13,831	9,357	17,776

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2020 Census

Although the Town of Oxford's population has recently declined according to the American Community Survey (ACS), the County's, State's, and Country's population all increased between the 2010 census and the 2020 census. However, the State's population is estimated to have since declined (**Table 2**).

**Table 2:**  
**Population Growth - County, State, and Country**

	Oxford	Worcester County	Massachusetts	The United States
<b>2010</b>	13,709	798,552	6,547,629	308,745,538
<b>2020</b>	13,347	862,111	7,029,917	331,449,281
<b>2022</b>	13,287	862,927	6,981,974	333,287,557

**Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2020 Census, 2022 American Community Survey Estimates**

Growth in surrounding towns, the County, and the State suggests that Oxford residents will continue to be affected by excess traffic traveling through town, and also by new people potentially wanting to relocate here. This is the time for Oxford to take inventory of its open space and preserve its natural resources. Since this is so important to Oxford's future, Town Meeting adopted a growth management bylaw in 2005, restricting the number of building permits issued in a calendar year through 2010. This allowed the Town time to address concerns about traffic, school overcrowding, loss of teacher aides, and maintaining town services, such as police, fire and road maintenance.

**Table 3** indicates the total number of Oxford residents within each of the identified age groups. As the table illustrates, the age 20 to age 34 age group is the largest of all the age groups in Oxford. While there has been a decrease in the number of children under the age of 14, there has been an increase in the number of teenagers from age 15 to age 19. This age group represents a critical need for secure access to outdoor recreational opportunities. Additionally, there has been an increase in the number of residents who are age 55 and older. This age group represents a cohort of people who may retire in Oxford and who also would benefit from access to open space and recreational opportunities.

**Table 3:**  
**Age Distribution**

	<b>1990</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2021</b>
<b>Under 5</b>	920	868	576
<b>5-14</b>	1,950	2,008	1,704
<b>15-19</b>	924	887	923
<b>20-34</b>	3,163	2,537	2,662
<b>35-44</b>	2,222	2,485	1,653
<b>45-54</b>	1,083	1,988	1,938
<b>55-64</b>	971	1,097	2,146
<b>65-74</b>	849	823	1,048
<b>75-84</b>	359	532	558
<b>85+</b>	147	127	191

**Source: 2021 American Community Survey Estimates**

The total number of households in Oxford increased from 2000 to 2021 by nearly 7%, the total number of households occupied by families decreased by almost 1% over the past two decades. The total number of non-family households and the total number of households with people living alone both increased by over 25%. Interestingly, the total number of households with married couples declined by almost 6% and the total number of households with elderly living alone more than doubled.

**Table 4:**  
**Household Composition**

	<b>Total Households</b>	<b>Total Family Households</b>	<b>Total Non-Family Households</b>	<b>Total Living Alone</b>	<b>Total Households with Married Couples</b>	<b>Elderly Living Alone</b>
<b>1990</b>	4,514	3,446	1,068	908	2,847	323
<b>2000</b>	5,069	3,584	1,485	1,193	2,808	409
<b>2020</b>	5,410	3,551	1,859	1,510	2,648	657

**Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2020 Census**

## Environmental Justice Populations

Since 2002, the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (EOEEA) has been instituting the Environmental Justice Policy to ensure equal representation and protection of all people. Historically, low-income and minority populations have had the least access to open space and recreation opportunities and resources, while also experiencing increased exposure to pollution and vulnerability in the face of natural hazards. This policy helps to identify which census tracts in each town are considered vulnerable based on characteristics related to race, ethnicity, English-proficiency, and income. One census tract in Oxford is considered an Environmental Justice population based on income, as the median household income in this census tract is \$31,563 (MA EJ Mapper). Also, within this census tract, over 10% of the people are also considered minority populations.

The Town of Oxford is 88.7% White, 6% Hispanic or Latino, and less than 2% Black, according to the 2020 census. Additionally, most residents speak English at home or only speak English. However, 4.4% of residents also speak Spanish and 1.3% of residents speak Spanish as their primary language. Also, 1.2% of residents speak Portuguese. Although the Town is not relatively diverse, it is important to consider minority and limited English proficiency populations access to open space and recreation resources and how to better accommodate different needs. For example, trail signage in town could be offered in Spanish as well as English.

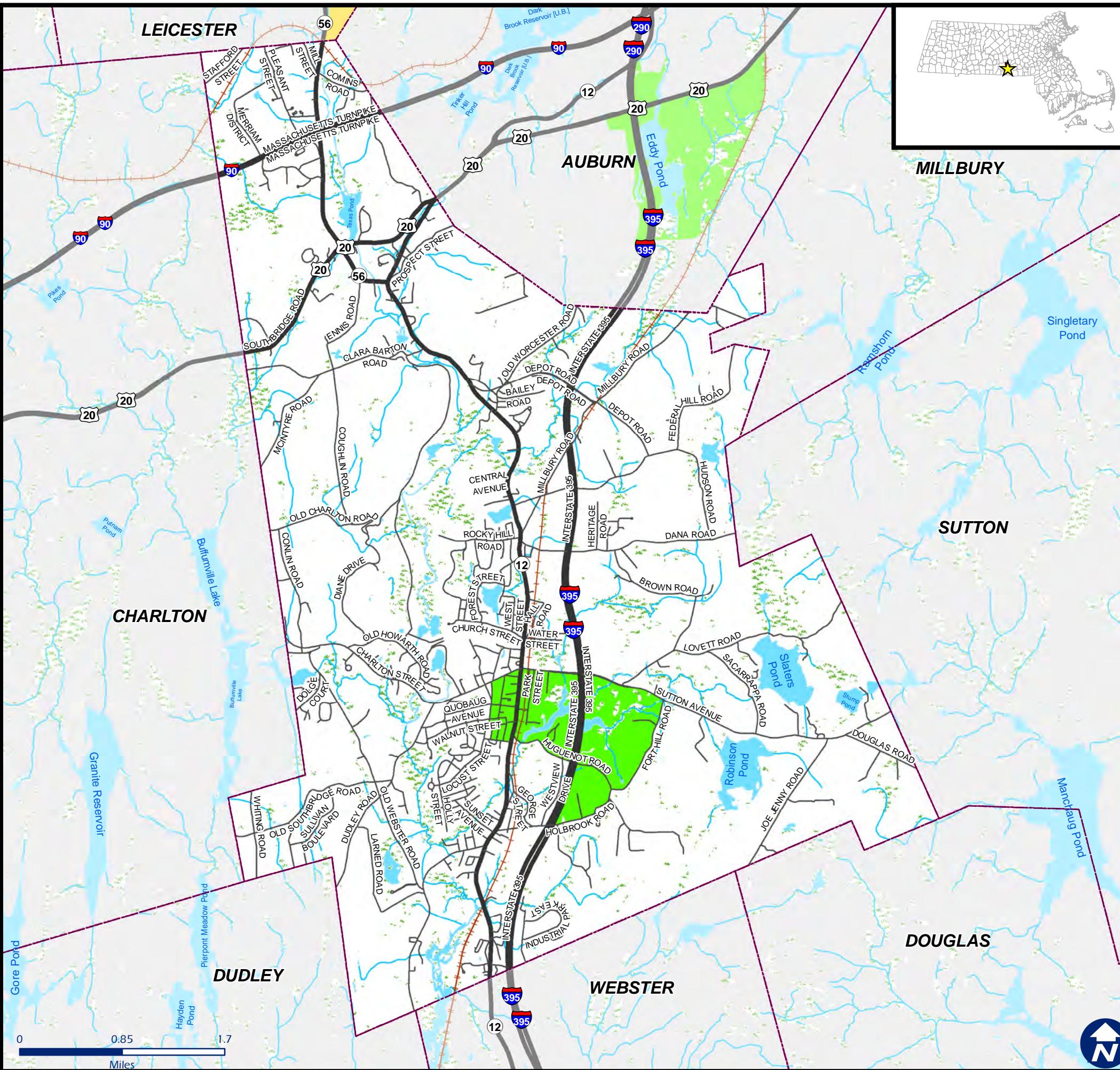
**Table 5:**  
**Racial Demographics**

Race	Oxford Count	Percent (%)	Massachusetts Count	Percent (%)
<b>White (alone)</b>	11,844	88.7	4,896,037	69.6
<b>Black or African American</b>	214	1.6	494,029	7
<b>American Indian and Alaskan Native</b>	29	0.2	24,018	0.3
<b>Asian</b>	151	1.1	507,934	7.2
<b>Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander</b>	3	0	2,301	0
<b>Some other Race</b>	300	2.2	496,731	7.1
<b>Two or more races</b>	806	6	608,867	8.7
<b>Hispanic or Latino</b>	806	6	887,685	12.6

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2020 Census

# MAP 2

# ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE



# Town of Oxford 2023 Open Space & Recreation Plan

## Median Household Income

As shown in **Table 6**, the Town of Oxford has an estimated median family income of \$125,828 and a per capita income of \$39,485. Compared to recorded numbers in 2000, the Town of Oxford has seen an 80.9% increase in resident's per capita income and a 119.7% increase in median family income. Furthermore, the Town of Oxford has a median household income of \$94,298. On the other hand, 2.6% of people in Oxford live in poverty.

**Table 6:**  
**Income**

	<b>Per Capita Income</b>	<b>Median Family Income</b>
<b>1970</b>	\$2,782	\$10,621
<b>1980</b>	\$6,190	\$19,798
<b>1990</b>	\$16,937	\$52,233
<b>2000</b>	\$21,828	\$57,270
<b>2021</b>	\$39,485*	\$125,828*

**Source: 2021 American Community Survey Estimates**

*\* In 2021 Inflation Adjusted Dollars*

## Disabilities

It is also important to consider the accessibility of Oxford's open space and recreation resources. In Oxford, nearly 13% of residents have at least one mental or physical disability. Of this population, 6.9% have cognitive difficulty, 6.6% have independent living difficulty, and 5.7% have ambulatory difficulty. So, in the future it will be important for Oxford to consider the needs of these residents when it comes to recreational assets. Out of all the people living with disabilities in Oxford, 123 are under the age of 18, 978 are between the ages of 18 and 64, and 611 are over the age of 65.

**Table 7:**  
**People with Disabilities**

<b>Disability Type</b>	<b># of Oxford Residents</b>	<b>% of Residents</b>
Hearing Difficulty	627	4.70%
Vision Difficulty	229	1.70%
Cognitive Difficulty	877	6.90%
Ambulatory Difficulty	726	5.70%
Self-Care Difficulty	396	3.10%
Independent-Living Difficulty	694	6.60%

**Source: 2021 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates**

## Languages Spoken

An estimated 11,625 of Oxford residents speak only English. Other major languages spoken in town include Spanish, Russian, Polish, or other Slavic languages, or other Indo-European languages.

**Table 8:**  
**Languages Spoken**

Language	# of Residents
Spanish	397
French, Haitian, Cajun	46
German or other West Germanic Languages	14
Russian, Polish, or other Slavic Languages	358
Other Indo-European Languages	263
Vietnamese	46
Other Asian or Pacific Island Languages	34
Arabic	14
Other/Unspecified Languages	26

**Source: 2021 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates**

## Major Employers

Oxford offers various in-town employment opportunities to its residents, including jobs in the public and private sectors (**Table 9**). Notably, IPG Photonics on Old Webster Road employs 1,550 people. This company manufactures fiber lasers, amplifiers, and other laser systems. Other major private employers include the Walmart Super Center on Main Street, which employs 250 to 499 people, and the Home Depot on Sutton Avenue, which employs 100 to 249 people. Major public employers include the Town of Oxford itself, which employs nearly 150 people, as well as the Oxford School Department, which employs 246 people. The Oxford School Department includes the Middle and High schools as well as the Alfred M. Chaffee School, which employs 50 to 99 people, and the Clara Barton School, which employs 20 to 49 people.

**Table 9:**  
**Major Employers**

<b>Employer</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b># of Employees</b>
IPG Photonics	Old Webster Road	1,550*
Walmart Super Center	Main Street	250 to 499
Oxford School Department	Main Street	246*
Town Employees	Main Street	142*
Home Depot	Sutton Avenue	100 to 249
La Mountain Brothers	Federal Hill Road	100 to 249
Market Basket	Sutton Avenue	100 to 249
United Construction & Forestry	Southbridge Road	100 to 249
Bankhometown	Sutton Avenue	50 to 99
Central Mass Auto Auction	Industrial Park Road E	50 to 99
Chase Corporation	Dana Road	50 to 99
J Anthony's Italian Grill	Southbridge Road	50 to 99
Ned Corporation	Town Forest Road #3	50 to 99
Pine Ridge Country Club	Pleasant Street	50 to 99
Primerica	Industrial Park Road W #3	50 to 99
R & M Leasing	Main Street	50 to 99
Casella Waste Systems	Leicester Street	20 to 49
Dunkin' Donuts	Sutton Avenue	20 to 49
McDonald's	Sutton Avenue	20 to 49
Optima Shipping	Boulder Parkway	20 to 49
Tauper Land Survey Incorporated	Main Street	20 to 49
Venmill	Town Forest Road	20 to 49
Wastebuilt Environmental Solutions	Southbridge Road	20 to 49
Wilson's Language Training Corporation	Old Webster Road	20 to 49

**Sources:** Massachusetts Department of Economic Research

**\*Oxford Town Manager's Office**

Many people living in Oxford travel outside of town for work, which indicates that Oxford is an affordable, desirable place to live and commute from. ACS estimates from 2021 indicate that the average commute time for Oxford residents is just under 30 minutes. Additionally, based on population and employment statistics, the CMRPC data collection team prepares population and employment projections for all municipalities in the region. CMRPC projects that the Town of Oxford will see an above average growth in the number of people employed between 2020 and 2030 and an average, steady increase in its employment from 2030 to 2050 (**table 14**).

By 2030, CMRPC projects that the leading employment industry in Oxford will be professional and business services, with over 1,000 residents working in this sector (**table 15**). Following this sector, the majority of Oxford residents will be working in the educational and health services field, the leisure and hospitality field, and then the trade, transportation, and utilities field.

The Board of Selectman sent out a survey before the 2007 update to this OSRP in which people reported having moved from Auburn and other surrounding towns to Oxford because of the rural character. Additionally, results from the survey indicated that between 1990 and 2000, more people drove to work alone, fewer people carpooled, and only 23 people used public transportation. Other notable changes in commute patterns between 1990 and 2000 included 47.5% increase in the number of people who drove 30 to 44 minutes to work and a 62% increase in the number of people who drove 45 minutes or more to work. Between 1990 and 2000, there was also a 40% increase in the number of people who left for work between 5:00 AM and 5:59 AM.

Although a similar survey was not conducted before the update to this 2024 update, data from the U.S. Census Bureau does provide sufficient information about Oxford residents commute patterns, as shown in **table 11**. For example, over 80% of Oxford workers over the age of 16 commute in a personal vehicle, and only 7% carpool. Furthermore, nearly 7% of workers in Oxford work from home, which may be attributed to the COVID-19 pandemic.

**Table 11:**  
**Means of Transportation to Work**

<b>Means of Transportation</b>	<b># of Workers 16+</b>
Drove Alone	6,032
Carpooled	508
Public Transportation	30
Walked	21
Taxi, Motorcycle, Bike, Other	162
Worked from Home	484
<b>Total # of Workers 16+</b>	<b>7,237</b>

**Source: 2021 American Community Survey**

While people do travel outside of Oxford to work, the Town does have some very thriving businesses here that employ Oxford residents as well as outsiders. These businesses provide a livelihood to residents, support the local economy, and keep people in town or interested in moving to town. Oxford has seen its population grow at varying levels over the years. Much of this can be attributed to I-395, attracting people to a suburban community, but with easy access to all major cities. Also, the COVID-19 pandemic encouraged many people to relocate. Rapid building took place in the 1980's, but growth has remained at a fairly steady pace since.

**Table 12:**  
**Population Growth**

	<b>Population</b>	<b>Density</b>	<b>Numerical Change</b>	<b>Percent Change (%)</b>
<b>1930</b>	3,943	143.4	x	x
<b>1940</b>	4,623	168.1	680	17.25%
<b>1950</b>	5,851	212.8	1,228	26.56%
<b>1960</b>	9,282	337.5	3,431	58.64%
<b>1970</b>	10,345	376.2	1,063	11.45%
<b>1980</b>	11,680	424.7	1,335	12.90%
<b>1990</b>	12,588	457.7	908	7.77%
<b>2000</b>	13,352	485.5	764	6.07%
<b>2010</b>	13,709	498.5	357	2.67%
<b>2020</b>	13,347	485.3	-362	-2.64%

**Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2020 Census**

## **D. Growth and Development Patterns**

### **Patterns and Trends**

Oxford began in the 1600's with mills and farms. The Town Center near Main Street has always been the center of gravity of the Town, and outward growth has occurred from there. Main Street today is still a mix of small family retail stores, historic homes, churches and schools. The 1950's and 1960's brought large population increases in town. Most of the development from these decades took place along the Main St. axis, consisting largely of small single-family ranch-style and cape cod-style homes.

Many homes were built in Greenbriar before the dangers of flooding were fully known. All of these homes were moved to other locations in 1958, and Greenbrier has no residences today. It is now part of the overflow area of the Hodges Village Reservoir and is managed by the Army Corps of Engineers.

Until recently, most development in town was closely situated along the Main Street corridor. In the 1970's Oxford witnessed the construction of I-395 and the development of three exits into town. At about this time Oxford welcomed the construction of Orchard Hill, a rent subsidized apartment complex, and Sherwood Forest, a low-income housing development. Density in town increased due to these developments. As continued suburban development occurred within town in the late 1960's and early 1970's, town residents noticed that the community's schools were getting crowded. Double sessions took place in which students went to school in two shifts while the Town planned for a new, larger high school to serve the growing population of students in town. Additional development began to be built to the east and west of the Town Center, and some new development also took place also took place north of the Town Center. In the 1980's and 1990's, residential growth in town slowed. New housing built during these decades mainly consisted of large single-family homes on vacant fields which were more spread apart than older homes in town.

From 1990 through 2010, Oxford continued to grow but at a modest pace; the Town's population has slightly declined since 2010. As much of central Oxford is now developed, developers have been forced to build further into outlying woodlands, often building larger homes on larger size lots. Wildlife populations have been negatively impacted by this trend. Due to the disturbance to the woodlands brought by construction, animals have been forced out of their natural habitat and may no longer be able to maintain viable populations in town. Now is an important time to study and take inventory of the precious lands Oxford has left if the Town is to preserve its natural resources. The Town has several large pieces of Chapter 61, 61A and 61B land that are at risk of being developed. The Town should consider allocating

funds from the Town budget and/or adopting the Community Preservation Act and allocating CPA funds in order to preserve these areas when they are being looked at by developers.

## **Infrastructure**

### Water System

Oxford currently has more than 20 public water supply wells, and three of these are used for the community's water supply by the Aquarion Water Company. In 2022, the average amount of water delivered within the Aquarion system was 611,400 gallons per day. According to Aquarion's 2022 Water Quality Report for its system in Oxford, 6,850 residents are served by the system. This means that, when comparing this number to the total population of Oxford of 13,347 according to the 2020 US Census, approximately 51% of Oxford residents are served by Aquarion while 49% of Oxford residents rely on private well water.

The Mass. Water Resources Commission categories river basins according to the stress placed on water supply. The French River Basin within most of the Town's area is experiencing a medium level of stress; this means that the target per capita per day water consumption for the public water supply should not exceed 65 gallons per day. The Aquarion water system in town was recently expanded to residences along Joe Jenny Road. This supply was installed after permits and design plans for it were submitted to the Oxford Conservation Commission in the Spring of 2007.

Oxford needs to pay close attention to its water resources. Overdevelopment of land puts a strain on the Town's natural aquifers, as they cannot be replenished as quickly as water is taken out. Oxford residents, the Town government, and businesses in town must be careful to ensure that the Town's water resources are used wisely.

### Sewer System

There are 414 municipal sewer accounts in Oxford. Municipal sewage ultimately discharges to the Upper Blackstone Clean Water facility in Auburn and Millbury. The municipal sewer system serves the northern part of Main Street in town as well as parts of Route 20, Clara Barton Road, and other smaller nearby streets.

Some of the most northern parts of North Oxford is served by the Oxford-Rochdale Wastewater Plant, which discharges into the French River. It was originally built as a 0.18 million gallon per day facility. It was upgraded in 1995 with a doubling of its capacity to treat 0.368 million gallons per day. The upgrade was done as part of an enforcement order by the Mass. DEP.

Also of note is a sewer system in the south part of town which serves the IPG facility and several other businesses and organizations on Old Webster Road near the Dudley and Webster town lines. Further development in this area may occur due to the presence of this sewer line.

### Transportation System

Oxford has excellent access to the interstate highway network, and this is a factor that has undoubtedly contributed to its steady residential growth. The major transportation route of I-395 has three exits in Oxford: one at Depot Road in North Oxford, one at Sutton Ave in the Town Center, and one at Cudworth Road in South Oxford. I-395 connects to I-90 and I-290 in Auburn immediately to the north and to Connecticut to the south. Route 20 is a major trucking route that traverses through North Oxford in an east-west direction; in recent years, Route 20 as well as other areas throughout town have witnessed significant industrial and warehousing development. And as noted above, Route 12 travels through the center of town in a north-south direction and historically has been the main artery through Oxford.

Oxford is a member of the Worcester Regional Transit Authority, which provides fixed Route 42 bus service between Worcester, Auburn, Oxford, and Webster as well as para-transit services connecting Oxford to nearby communities. Within Oxford, Route 42 proceeds through town from north to south along Main Street, with express service along I-395 occurring outbound early on weekday mornings and inbound late on Saturday nights; Route 42 does not have Sunday service. Amtrak train service and commuter rail service into Boston as well as bus connections to the rest of the WRTA system are available at Union Station in Worcester, which is a 12.5-mile drive or route 42 bus ride away from Oxford's Town Center. Dudley and Southbridge are also connected on weekdays to Oxford via Route 42 and the Webster-Dudley-Southbridge Shuttle. WRTA fixed Route 29 express bus service between Worcester, Auburn, Charlton, and Southbridge occurs on weekdays and Saturdays, but currently this route does not stop on Route 20 in North Oxford due to safety concerns.

Charlton Street, Dudley Road, and Sutton Ave connect Oxford to Charlton, Dudley and Webster, and Sutton, respectively, and act as feeder routes to I-395 for those living nearby. They are experiencing major traffic problems as Oxford and the surrounding towns grow and use the route as a means to get to I-395. As a result of these trends, Oxford Center has become quite congested during peak hour periods.

The Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission (CMRPC) Transportation Department completed a Transportation Plan for Oxford in 2005; this plan provides a great deal of data and information on Oxford's transportation network and contains a number of significant recommendations for improvements. The CMRPC Transportation Department,

also the staff to the Central Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization (CMMPO), completed their federally-required Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) in 2023, which involves the entire CMRPC region including the Town of Oxford. One of the project priorities identified in this LRTP that involves Oxford includes Route 20 corridor improvements in Oxford and neighboring Charlton. Another federally-required planning document developed by the CMMPO is the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). This document lists all the transportation projects within the CMRPC region that are scheduled to receive federal funding in the following years. The 2023 to 2027 TIP also lists the Route 20 corridor improvement as a project that is programmed to receive federal funding.

### Active Transportation Systems

In terms of bicycle and pedestrian accommodations, the Main Street corridor, or Route 12, in Oxford offers sidewalks and crosswalks for those who may utilize active transportation or mobility assistance devices. In 2022, the Oxford Department of Public Works (DPW) applied for Massachusetts Complete Streets funding to implement four different active transportation projects that align with the Complete Streets Program criteria. These criteria include providing safe and accessible transportation routes for youth and seniors while benefiting Environmental Justice areas. In 2023, the Town was awarded Complete Streets funding for the following four projects:

1. Sigourney Street Pedestrian Improvements: ADA-compliant sidewalk along south side of Sigourney Street, connecting to existing sidewalks on Main Street and an ADA compliant ramp/crossing at Fremont Street.
2. Fremont Street Pedestrian Improvements: ADA-compliant sidewalk along the east side of Fremont Street, providing new sidewalks between existing sidewalks on Charlton Street and Maple Road as well as ADA-compliant crossing at Sigourney Street.
3. Main Street Speed Feedback Signs: Provide solar powered speed feedback signs for both vehicle travel directions.
4. Sutton Avenue Speed Feedback Signs: Provide solar powered speed feedback signs for both vehicle travel directions.

Oxford's Charlton Street and Sutton Avenue also offer similar sidewalk and crosswalk accommodations to Main Street. Further east along Sutton Avenue however, towards the I-395 interchange, bicycle and pedestrian accommodations are lacking. This is an issue due to the high levels of activity in the area caused by the Oxford Crossing Shopping Plaza. Improving bicycle and pedestrian accommodation near the I-395 interchange on Sutton Avenue is an ongoing priority for the Town that is identified in this Plan's Seven-Year Action

Plan. The Oxford Board of Health (BOH) was awarded a mini-grant through the Massachusetts Department of Public Health and the Massachusetts Health Officers Association in 2023 to study pedestrian and bicycle accessibility in this area. Specifically, the Town conducted a sidewalk assessment from Orchard Hill to the Oxford Crossing Shopping Plaza and then up to Main Street. The Oxford Board of Health is currently assembling an Inclusive Health Coalition and plans to address the findings of this assessment in coordination with the Oxford Department of Public Works (DPW).

Another action related to active transportation accommodations that is identified in this Plan's Seven-Year Action Plan is to revisit the Oxford Department of Public Works' (DPW) Street Pavement Management Plan and to create an updated list of priority sidewalks. Once priority sidewalks are identified, the Town may pursue additional funding for improving the identified sidewalks. The Town also acknowledges within this Plan's Seven Year Action Plan that bicycle and pedestrian accommodations should be pursued in tandem with ADA improvements, especially those provided at the Town's recreational areas.

Also in the future, the Town of Oxford will continue to support the implementation of the French River Regional Shared-Use Path. The Town of Oxford was awarded funding from the Massachusetts' MassTrails Program in 2023 for design and engineering services for the French River Shared-Use Path. The initial design will consist of a 2-mile off-road pathway with connections to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers property at Hodges Village Dam and the regional Mid-State Trail. The design and engineering for the first phase is expected to be completed in the middle of 2024.

### **Long-Term Development Patterns**

#### Zoning, Effects of Development, and Buildout Analysis

Most of Oxford is zoned for various types of residential use, such as rural residential, suburban residential, and multi-family districts. The heart of Main Street, south of Sutton Avenue and north of Huguenot Road, is zoned as a Village Business District, while other portions of Main Street are zoned as a General Business District. There are large pockets of land zoned Industrial or Light Industrial in various areas of town. To the south, along Main Street and Route 395 and as far west as Old Webster Road, there are many acres zoned for Industrial and Light Industrial uses.

Other large areas zoned Industrial are the north portion of Old Webster Road, land to the south of Federal Hill Road, the northern section of Old Worcester Road, and Route 56 both near Route 20 and in the Mill Street/Comins Road area. Additional areas zoned Light Industrial are to the north and east of Millbury Road. One area of Oxford, where Sutton Avenue intersects with

I-395, is zoned Highway Interchange. A Conservation district is in effect in the Greenbriar Recreational Area and Hodges Village Dam area.

Overall, Oxford currently utilizes traditional suburban zoning pattern separating land uses. Due to this approach to development, Oxford will continue to spread out as it grows, which leads to new developments eating up open space, agricultural land, scenic vistas, and wildlife habitat. Oxford residents will find increasing inconvenience as development spreads, as the Town's population fluctuates, and as neighboring communities grow, also causing increased time spent in traffic. Greater distances and inhospitable pedestrian walkways and streetscapes will continue to force more and more people to get in their cars, clogging already overburdened streets and parking areas.

As conventional development patterns continue to dominate, Oxford will begin to see the emergence of strip malls and the continuance of large suburban tract developments indistinguishable from tract housing all over the United States. In the 2007 Oxford OSRP, the previous OSRP Planning Committee stated the Town should expect increased development near I-395. Since the last Plan, a Market Basket has been constructed right off of I-395 along Sutton Avenue. In the same plaza, there is also a Home Depot, a gas station, a pet supply store, and other retailers.

As Oxford's population fluctuates and development continues, the availability of open space land in town may shrink. On the other hand, the need for town services and expanded, updated infrastructure will increase, potentially causing a significant rise in property taxes. Deterioration of the environment due to increased development will become apparent through declining air and water quality, disappearance of indigenous species of plants and animals, increasing noise and light pollution, and the loss of wind and erosion control.

Since the development of 2007 Oxford OSRP update, the Town has seen some changes to its zoning bylaws, including minor changes and additions to allowed uses in residential districts to include accessory/in-law developments and large scale mounted solar energy systems. In 2018, the Town also established a village business district to "perpetuate the distinctive and historical character and identity of Oxford Center" as well as a North Oxford business district. In relation to commercial zones, the Town now allows hotels, motels, and country inns. One major recent change to the zoning bylaws includes the addition of a Marijuana Overlay District in 2018. Although the establishment of this overlay district has not proved to cause any major impacts to resident's lives, changes may be expected as any businesses expand, and the population continues to fluctuate.

The long-term outlook for Oxford is one of growth. **Table 13** contains the results of a "Build-Out Analysis" conducted in 2000 and displays the amount of future development that could occur. The build-out analysis is based upon zoning regulations in effect at the time it was conducted

and is designed to take into account environmental conditions that limit the Town's development potential. The results do not provide a timeframe for predicting growth but do provide a glimpse into the future by quantifying the maximum amount of development that can occur if no changes are made to alter the outcomes. Since the 2007 Oxford OSRP update, a similar build-out analysis has not been conducted.

Of Oxford's total land area of approximately 17,000 acres, almost 9,600 acres (56%) are considered potentially available for additional development per the 2000 build-out analysis. However, even given large lot sizes in districts where the land is most prevalent and significant environmental constraints, most notably steep slopes, this area could accommodate over 5,000 new residential lots in town. Development of these lots could lead to over 14,000 new residents and almost 4,000 new students in town. This result equates to about one lot for every two acres of available land. Such a large lot pattern of growth would limit the overall density of development in the community and would also result in the almost complete disruption of wildlife habitat in town; it would also place great strain on the Town's natural resources, to say nothing of significant strain it would place on taxpayers. While the build-out study by no means assures that this will be the outcome of existing policies, it does raise an alarm for local officials to consider Smart Growth alternatives to conventional development practices in order to preserve the natural environment and Oxford's community character. In recent years, the Town has implemented such Smart Growth alternatives by changing its Cluster Development Bylaw and by lessening parking regulations in the Village Business District. In addition, Oxford also has large areas zoned for industrial and commercial purposes that, if built to their maximum potential, would yield over 6.5 million square feet of new buildable floor area. Such growth would have significant traffic impacts on both major highways and local roads; it would likely lead to increased stress on local water resources due to increased pavement and higher concentrations of storm water pollutants. In addition, it would lead to the destruction of much wildlife habitat. The buildout analysis has identified vulnerable areas which will need permanent protection to avoid being developed; the Town should take action to ensure protection of the most important of these areas to recreation and wildlife.

**Table 13:**  
**Total Build-Out**

<b>Buildout Factor</b>	<b>Results</b>
Developable Land (acres)	9,594
Total Residential Lots	5,052
Total Residential Units	5,397
Area (sq. ft.)	6,553,320
Residential Water Use (gallons per day)	1,093,084

Comm./Ind. Water Use (gallons per day)	491,499
Municipal Solid Waste (tons)	8,788
Non-Recycled Solid Waste (tons)	5,320
New Residents	14,574
New Students	3,973
Roads (miles)	87.6

Source: CMRPC

In 2023, the CMRPC Data Collection team developed population and employment projections as a part of their planning process for the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). These projections are informed by the Massachusetts' Department of Transportation's socioeconomic projections for the region, population and employment statistics from the U.S. Census Bureau, and regionally customized control totals. These projections are a vital resource to the region as they provide towns and residents alike with informed estimates to consider throughout planning and local governmental processes.

**Table 14:**  
**CMRPC Population & Employment Projections**

	Population	Employment
<b>2020</b>	13,347	4,313
<b>2030</b>	14,715	4,624
<b>2040</b>	15,181	4,694
<b>2050</b>	15,681	4,821

Source: CMRPC

**Table 15:**  
**CMRPC Major Industry Sector Projections for Oxford**

Major Industry Sector	2010	2020	2030	2040	2050
Construction	270	294	323	313	303
Education & Health Services	444	704	974	1,045	1,121
Financial Activities	278	174	193	194	190
Government	120	93	101	97	86
Information	33	22	24	26	32
Leisure & Hospitality	863	934	894	830	768
Manufacturing	284	253	262	245	224
Mining, Lodging, Other Services	156	117	147	145	145
Professional & Business Services	1,153	1,168	1,098	1,100	1,103
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	557	566	567	561	551

Source: CMRPC

## **Impervious Surfaces**

Impervious surfaces are materials that do not allow the passage of water, such as the pavement used to create roadways and sidewalks. Buildings are also considered impervious surfaces as they prevent the entry of rainwater. Considering impervious surfaces is crucial to the protection of natural resources, as higher percentages of impervious surface area may lead to increased pollution and even flooding. According to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), “as impervious surfaces increase, stormwater runoff increases in quantity, speed, temperature, and pollutant load.” This stormwater runoff eventually reaches surface water or soil, then dispersing into groundwater. According to land use data from MassGIS, Oxford’s impervious surface acreage is roughly 1,204.32 acres, which is roughly 6.86% of the Town’s total land area. Although this is somewhat average compared to the rest of the region, it is important to consider impervious surface acreage as the Town continues to develop. The preservation of open space is crucial as extreme weather events become more frequent and overall climate pollution increases.

## **Current and Proposed Projects**

### Selected Private Projects

#### 1. Bright Feeds

Bright Feeds is a New England based startup food waste recycling collection facility located at 233-235 Old Webster Road. They use artificial intelligence and drying technology to convert unwanted food into all-natural animal feed. The company plans to scale up additional collection facilities in the region. The Oxford facility is expected to open in 2024.

#### 2. Oxford Logistics Center

The Oxford Logistics Center is a nearly 350,000 square foot proposed warehousing and distribution facility that would be located on Depot Road. The developer seeks to construct a large-scale industrial building with cross-dock loading for wholesale distribution at 75 Depot Road. The project site is in the Light Industrial Zoning District and is bound by Interstate 395 to the west and an active rail line to the east. The project was approved by the Oxford Planning Board in 2023.

#### 3. Zero Point Battery Storage Facility

The developer seeks to construct a large-scale battery storage facility at 27 Industrial Park Road East. The facility will include the installation of an energy storage system consisting of twelve

battery storage containers along with associated electrical equipment. The project is an effort to help increase the resiliency and efficiency of renewable energy in the region by capturing the energy produced during the day, and redistribute it during times of peak demand, when other sources (like solar) are not producing adequate energy. The developer is currently working through state regulatory requirements and anticipates beginning construction soon.

### Selected Public Projects

#### 1. French River Regional Shared Use Path

The Town of Oxford was recently awarded funding from the state's MassTrails Program for design and engineering services. The initial design will consist of a 2-mile off-road pathway with connections to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers property at Hodges Village Dam and the regional Mid-State Trail. The design and engineering for the first phase is expected to be completed in the middle of 2024.

#### 2. Oxford Community Center

In February of 2023, the Town of Oxford completed a feasibility study for extensive improvements at the Oxford Community Center on Maple Road off of Main Street. The Oxford Community Center is an invaluable asset to the Town that offers indoor recreation facilities and other enrichment programs to people of all ages. The feasibility study recommends improving and maintaining the current Oxford Community Center facility rather than demolishing the current facility and constructing a new one. Some of the improvements examined in this study include cafeteria renovations, new HVAC systems, parking lot expansion and improvements including new handicap spots, multipurpose renovations that allow for a variety of identified uses such as art classes, music programs, and meetings. The Town is looking to secure funding for these improvements.

#### 3. Ruel Fields

The Oxford Recreation Commission has been working to improve Ruel Fields. Recently, a new softball field was added specifically for girls' softball, as well as new soccer nets, new bathroom facilities, and a snack shack. Additionally, all the fields were updated, a new access road was added, and a new irrigation system was partially installed. The Recreation Commission is now working to finish the remaining elements of the Ruel Field Development Plan, which includes implementing a new play area for younger children and potentially approaching National Grid to inquire about additional lighting throughout the complex.

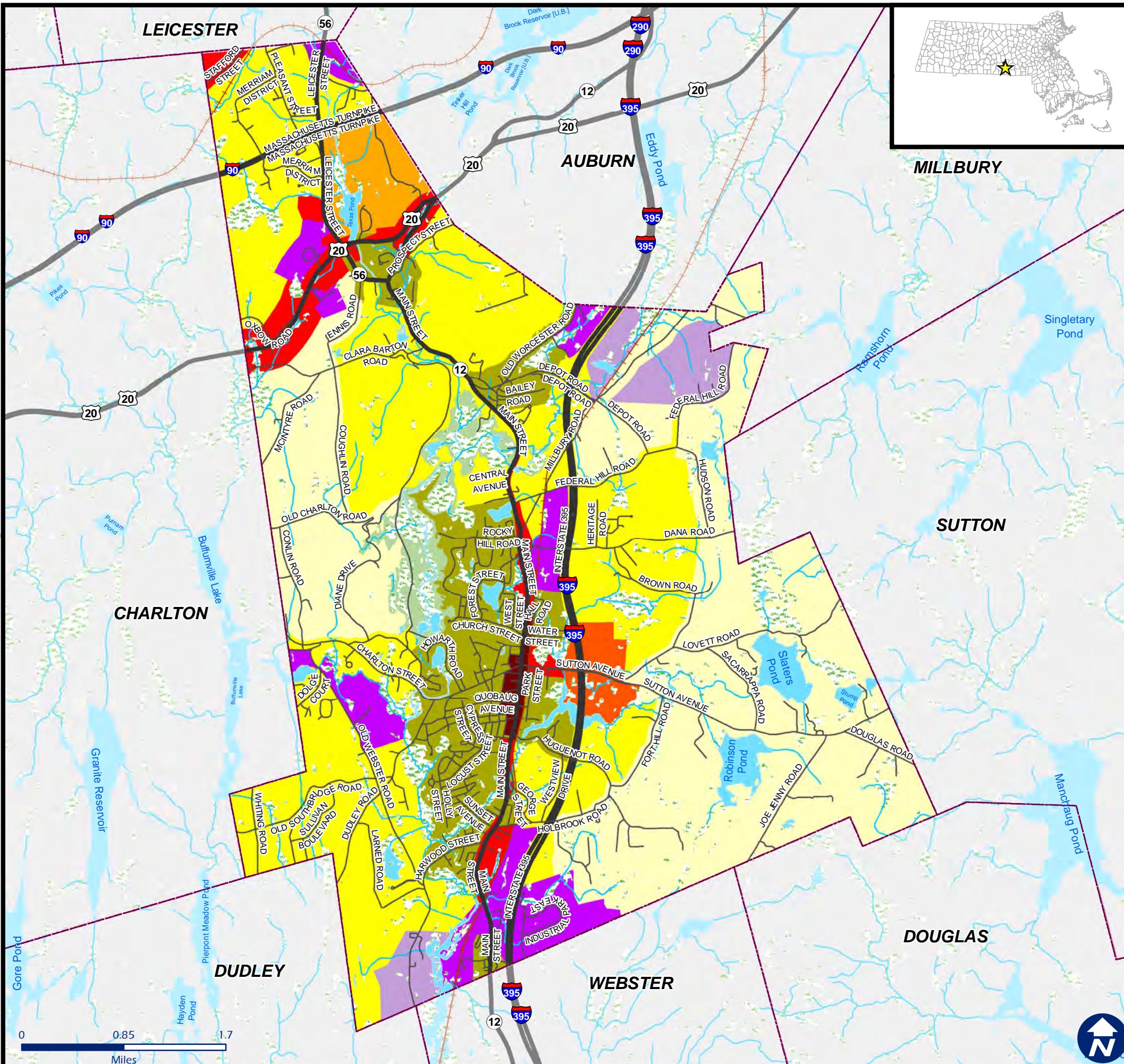
#### 4. Carbuncle Pond Beach House

Carbuncle Pond is located near the corner of Main Street and Carbuncle Drive, next to the Oxford Middle and High schools. The Carbuncle Pond Beach House was built by students from Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical School and town staff and opened in 2019. The beach house also offers a Splash Pad, a playground, and picnic benches. The hill which the Beach house sits on top of includes a grassy area that is clean and mowed. There is a trail that connects Greenbriar to Carbuncle Pond beach, and there is an opportunity to add signage to aid in wayfinding along this trail. This Beach House offers scenic, recreational, and social opportunities to all residents.

## MAP 3

# ZONING DISTRCITS

# Town of Oxford 2023 Open Space & Recreation Plan



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# Section 4:

# Environmental Inventory & Analysis



## Section 4: Environmental Inventory and Analysis

### A. Geology, Soils, & Topography

The terrain of Oxford, like much of New England, is controlled by the glacial geology of the predominant river basin of the area, that of the French River. The basin has been referred to as a worn-down mountain area as the result of internal folding, glaciation, ordinary weathering, and storm erosion. A large part of the northern half of North America is covered by a layer of unconsolidated material of many kinds that was transported and deposited during the melting of the glacial ice. The area is predominantly underlain with schist with occasional exposures of granite outcrops. The exposed schist is generally weathered and fractured. Other types of metamorphic rock present are phyllite, quartzite, and gneiss. Bedrock is overlain by glacial outwash with fill and kame terraces scattered about. Other evidence of the Pleistocene glaciations includes drumlins, eskers, recessional and ground moraines, glacial striae, and drift. Quite frequently sand and gravel are found on one side of the streams, while the other side has schist exposures. The land surface in the French River basin has considerable variability from upland to lowland, from rugged ledge to flood-prone flatness.

Glaciation, indicating the general direction of the advance of the Wisconsin Ice Sheet, has carved a hilly and rocky landscape in Oxford, resulting in the appearance of steep slopes and ridges surrounding the developed strip along the Route 12 and Route 395 corridors.

Soils within the Town of Oxford are composed mostly of glacial till, water sorted sand and gravels, clay, silt, and fine sands. The principal bedrock materials underlying the region are granite, gneiss, schist, sandstone, shale, slate, phyllite, and limestone. Geologically speaking, the soils of the French River basin and surrounding area are relatively young, the result of a cold New England climate which retards the development of soil from the parent glacial material. Some organic material has accumulated, and the soils have derived a brown coloration due both to the organic content and the oxidation of iron on the soil minerals.

The well-drained upland soils in the area are classified in the Gloucester, Charlton, Paxton, and Brookfield soil series. Those soils which have developed under high moisture conditions are principally of the Sutton and Whitman series, and those developed under deficient moisture conditions are in the Hinckley (hills) and Merrimac (plains) series. Soils in areas of recently deposited alluvium (along stream beds) are grouped in the Ondawa series. In addition, small areas of muck occur throughout the region.

### Geology's Effect on Development, Infrastructure, and Recreation

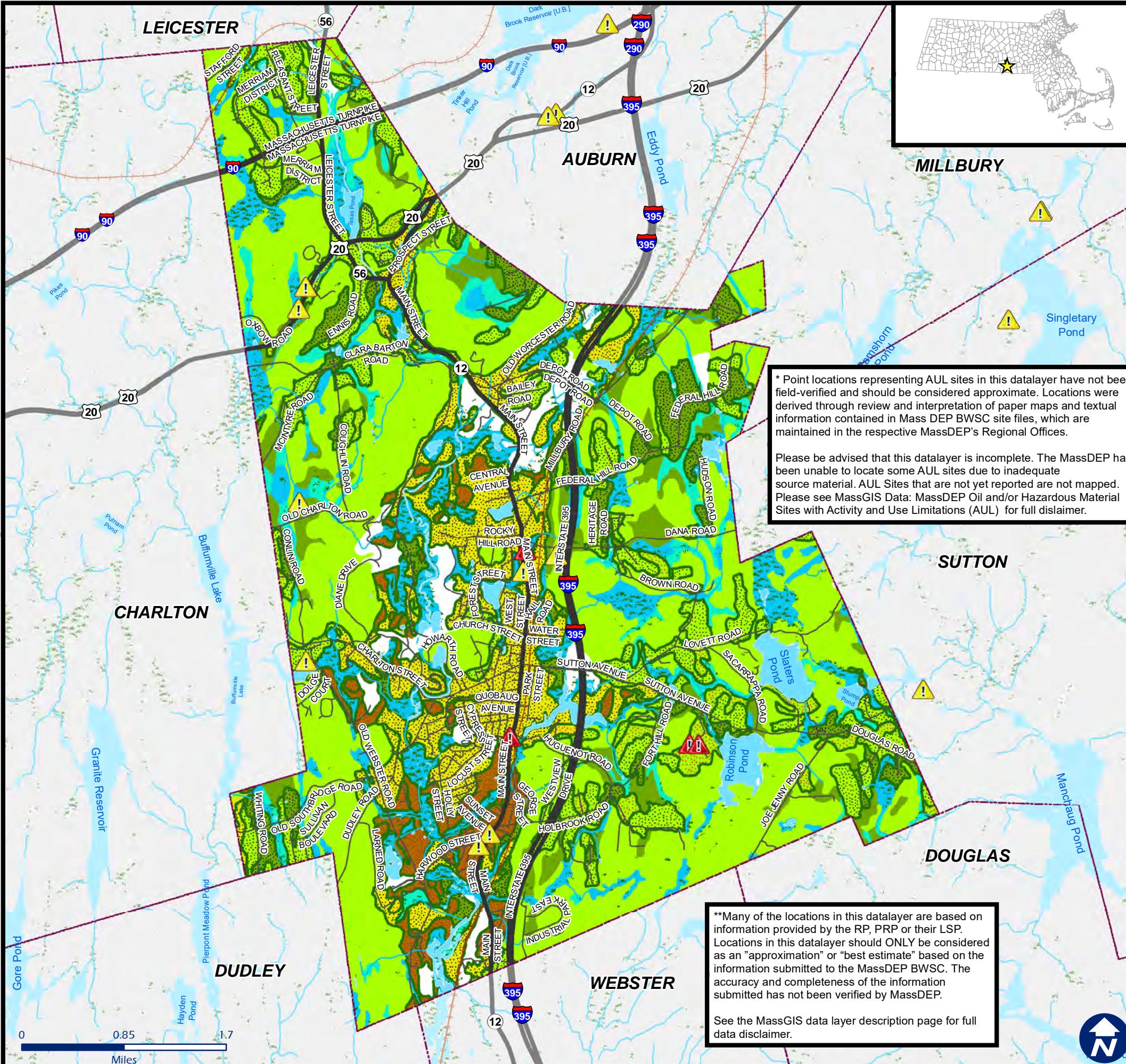
The effect of Oxford's geologic and soil conditions on the growth of the community can be clearly discerned by examining the six soils characteristics (**Map 4**). The broad level valley created by the French River in central and southern Oxford has been the location of extensive

single family residential development. Soils here are well drained and conducive to on- site septic systems, of crucial importance since most of Oxford lacks sewerage to this day. Soil here is also conducive to private drinking water wells, which is how the majority of homes in town get their water. Framing the river valley are steep hillsides with shallow soils and hardpan that limit development due to slow percolation rates for septic systems. Steep slopes rising from the valley floor further limit new road construction, and shallow soils are easily erodible when disturbed for development. However, a limited ability to develop these lands ensures preservation for open space and recreational interests for years to come. Typical of higher ridges, wetlands and hydric soils can be found along streams and depressions that must be protected for the ecological functions they perform.

# MAP 4

# SOILS & GEOLOGIC FEATURES

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## **B. Landscape Character**

Oxford's landscape character is heavily influenced by the French River and the historical uses of the river's corridor. The French River runs the length of the Town and has been a focal point of development throughout the Town's history, including its agricultural and industrial past. The center of Oxford is a large glacial outwash plain of valuable agricultural land. Hills in the northern portion of town allowed the river to power many early mills, including grist and sawmills.

Native Americans lived in the area that is now known as the Town of Oxford for hundreds of years and used the French River as their main transportation corridor. By the late 1600s, European settlers majorly made up of French Huguenots had settled here. The French Huguenots began instituting agricultural and industrial practices that have had a permanent impact on the Town's landscape character, including the damming of rivers to power several mills, such as cotton, wool, saw, and grist mills. The Town's agricultural past included many livestock and dairy farms. Metal working also became a staple of the community, with various machinery manufacturers in Town.

One of the locations in Oxford that is listed on the National Register of Historic Places is the Huguenot Fort, the remains of which stand on Fort Hill Road. This property includes a monument that pays homage to the Huguenots and is also where a descendant of the Huguenot Oak tree stands. Further along Fort Hill Road, one may view the Quinebaug and Shetucket River Valley that Oxford lies in, which has been designated by Congress as a National Heritage Corridor and is commonly known as "the Last Green Valley". The Last Green Valley got its name from its rural character, including the hills and forests that may be seen from Fort Hill Road in Oxford.

Today, the Town of Oxford encompasses 27.5 square miles, or 17,550.5 acres, of land and is home to 13,347 people, creating a population density of 485.35 people per square mile. This population density is relatively average compared to neighboring communities and is supported by a variety of open space and recreational assets, such as scenic roads, Wildlife Management Areas, and preserved agricultural lands.

Specifically, Oxford has a total of fourteen locally identified scenic roads (listed in Scenic Resources and Unique Environments Section), two Wildlife Management Areas, and four properties under an Agricultural Preservation Restriction. The Merrill Pond Wildlife Management Area (WMA) is the largest State-owned property in the town with 331 acres of land. The Merrill Pond WMA is a major scenic and recreational asset to residents, containing hardwood ridges, scattered wetlands, perennial streams, and man-made ponds for fishing, while also permitting hunting.

Another major component of Oxford's landscape and open space is the Hodges Village Dam. Out of all the open space land in Oxford, 52.72% is Federally owned. The majority of this Federally owned open space, 99.9%, is a part of the Hodges Village Dam Flood Risk Management Project, which is owned and operated by the Army Corps of Engineers. The remaining 0.10% of the Federally owned open space is the Buffumville Lake Flood Risk Management Project.

Another notable component of the Town of Oxford today is the wide Main Street, also known as Route 12, which is the second widest main street in New England. Main Street bisects the town from north to south and is surrounded by rocky hills. The main commercial district is along Main Street consisting of mostly small local businesses. Most residential development extends off of Main Street into small neighborhoods with inter-connected street grids. In recent years, residential development has sprawled outward into the outlying agricultural lands that nestle in among the hills. Also running north to south, parallel to Main Street, is Interstate 395, which is carved out of steep bluffs that include rocky outcroppings.

## C. Water Resources

### **Watersheds**

There are two watershed areas partially within Oxford. The main watershed is that of the French River. A small portion of southeast Oxford in the area of Stump Pond, as well as very small areas in east and northeast Oxford, lie in the Blackstone River Watershed. The drainage divide between these two watersheds lies between Sacarrappa Pond and Singletary Pond.

### **Surface Water**

The vast majority of Oxford lies within the French River Drainage Basin; this basin contains the headwater streams, which include the basin's namesake French River, of the Shetucket River. The Shetucket in turn is one of the two major tributaries of the Thames River, which flows into the Long Island Sound in southeastern Connecticut. The French River begins at Sargent's Pond in Leicester and flows southward through Oxford to its confluence with the Quinebaug River, a tributary of the Shetucket, in northeastern Connecticut. The French River Corridor varies in stream velocity from a fast-flowing channel to broad, slow-flowing pond areas.

The French River enters Oxford just south of Stafford Street in Leicester and passes over the ruins of a dam which is associated with an old mill before it crosses Leicester Street.

Approximately 1000 feet south of this dam, a tributary stream enters the river from the east. The newly enlarged river then passes under Route 56 and widens. South of Route 56, in the Cominsville area, there are wetlands and fields near the river. On the east side of the river, north of Mill Street, there is a shrub-sedge wetland. The ground in the wetland is soggy, and there are run-off ditches connecting the wetland to the river. The wetland extends north nearly to Route 56. South of Mill Street, north of the Allen Textile Company dam, the river enters an extensive wet meadow and shrub wetland filling the floodplain. South of the meadow, the river passes over an old dam and catwalk structure. The dam, Cominsville Pond Dam, was cleaned and made passable in 2014; the area around it has been deemed a Massachusetts Department of Fisheries and Wildlife-designated coldwater fishery.

South of Cominsville, the river flows as a fast, shallow, broad stream south to the Massachusetts Turnpike (I-90), where it is joined by two streams and road drainage. After passing under the Massachusetts Turnpike, the River continues to flow southward as a fast, fairly broad stream for about 1000 feet until the topography flattens. Here, a broad wetland area of mixed emergent marsh and forested wetlands occurs. The wetland extends to approximately 2500 feet south of Route 90, where the river enlarges to form Texas Pond. A tributary stream flows to the west side of this pond, which is a manmade reservoir. Texas Pond is navigable for recreational boating, but the river to its north and south is not. Texas Pond includes several areas of bordering vegetated wetland along its shores. These are found in small

bays, especially in the north end, and are mainly cattail marsh. The river flows from Texas Pond over a broad stone dam and passes under Route 20.

South of Route 20, the river flows as a broad, shallow channel with limited shrub wetland on each bank. This stretch of the river flows through land that is developed for industrial and residential uses. The river passes under Route 56 near its intersection with Route 12. To the north and south of this bridge, the riverbank has been riveted with large stones. The river elevation drops abruptly over a line of rocks just north of the bridge. Immediately south of the bridge, the river flows through woods and developed land, and approximately 1000 feet south of the bridge, the river is joined on the west side by a tributary which is connected to a pond at the Clara Barton Camp. A little further south, the River widens into a pond; In this stretch there is extensive forested wetland on the west side, between the River and the Clara Barton Camp tributary. There is also some forested wetland on the east side of the river. The river forms Bartlett Pond close to Clara Barton Road, after flowing through a shrub/emergent marsh; Bartlett Pond, another manmade reservoir, includes cattail marsh habitat at its north end and in small bays spread throughout it. Shrub wetland is present bordering the southwest side of the pond, and alder, maple, and dogwood grow in this wetland. The pond drains over a privately-owned and maintained wide stone dam into several rocky channels under white pine and red maple woods. This dam is a Significant Hazard dam which is susceptible to seepage, and its owners are seeking funding to remove the dam and restore stream flow.

South of the stone dam, at Clara Barton Road, the River flows as a narrow channel bounded by steep slopes to the west. In this stretch, the river flows over boulders and forms a cascade area about 3000 feet south of Clara Barton Road.

Wellington Brook, a Massachusetts Department of Fisheries and Wildlife-designated coldwater fishery, enters the river from the east between the Greenbriar Fields to the north and the North Cemetery to the south.

South of the French River Cascade, the River continues to flow below steep slopes on the west side. The east side of the river has nearly flat, open land which includes the Greenbriar fields cleared for recreational uses including softball, baseball, soccer, pickleball, tennis, and skateboarding, extensive wetlands such as cattail marshes and shrub swamps, and marsh areas under flooded-out standing dead trees. The river occupies only a small portion of the land which could be covered by water under maximum retention conditions at the Hodges Village Dam. Just north of this flood control dam, the river widens into a large pond, Mill Pond. Shrub swamp and emergent marsh border the open water here.

The river goes through the Hodges Village Dam via a concrete spillway and then forms another pond. From this pond south to the North Village Dam in Webster, the River is navigable by

canoe or small boat, crossing under bridges at Charlton Street, Dudley Road, Harwood Street, and Bigelow Road.

South of the pond, the river flows through fairly flat land with extensive areas of shrub wetlands. Just before Charlton Street, there is an area of wet meadow. South of Charlton Street, there are extensive areas of shrub and forested swamp and emergent marsh wetlands filling the river floodplain around the river's winding channel. Little River joins the French River from the west just south of Charlton Street, and Lowes Brook joins the river from the east just north of the intersection between Old Webster Road and Harwood Street.

In addition to the French River, other water bodies in Oxford include:

**Table 16:**  
**Major Water Bodies**

Augutteback Pond	Barber's Hollow Brook	Batty Brook	Buffum Pond
Bugg Swamp	Carbuncle Pond	Cedar Swamp	Chimney Pond
Clara Barton Pond	Eames Pond	Grassy Pond	Howarth's Swamp
Hudson Pond	Little River	Lowes Brook	Lowes Pond
McKinstry Pond	Mill Brook	Robinson Pond	Sacarrappa Pond
Stump Pond	Stumpy Pond	Texas Pond	Thayer Pond
Wellington Brook			

Some of the more prominent water bodies are described below:

#### 1. Carbuncle Pond

Carbuncle Pond was originally called Town Pond. Carbuncle Pond is the deepest pond in the Town of Oxford, and it covers 11 acres. It is also the only pond in Oxford that is stocked with trout by the Department of Fish and Game. 2022 MassDEP data reported that the Pond was covered by harmful algal blooms with an unknown source. In both 2022 and 2023, the pond has been overrun by bacteria as well as this noxious algae, causing it to close for recreational use for limited periods in summer 2022 as well as for all of summer 2023; further action than the aquatic herbicide/algaeicide treatment which was done in August 2022 should be taken to restore the pond to a healthy state.

The Carbuncle Pond Beach House and Splash Pad opened in 2019 and have enhanced recreational opportunities on town property next to the pond.

#### 2. McKinstry Pond

McKinstry Pond was commissioned to be created in 1940 by Merton B. McKinstry and consists of approximately 16 acres. This land had been used as a cranberry bog and hay meadow and was surrounded by spring-fed streams. Mr. McKinstry had a love for nature, and being an avid

hunter and fisherman, he constructed the pond as a fishing hole and bait house for himself and fellow members of his gun club. A contractor dug a shallow basin that filled with water from the natural springs to create the pond. The land was sold to the Town of Oxford on June 12, 1973 for a token fee of \$100. It was sold with restrictions that it only be used for an animal and bird sanctuary and other conservation and recreational purposes as well as that it remain known as McKinstry Pond. The water level of the pond is controlled by two dams at either end of the pond. 2022 MassDEP data indicates that the Pond has a problem with excessive nutrient levels caused by discharges from residences and municipal storm sewer systems; these nutrients lead to photosynthetic growth in the pond which prevents ideal recreational use of its waters.

### 3. Buffumville Lake

Buffumville Lake straddles the Town boundary of Charlton and Oxford. It is a large lake of approximately 199 acres operated by the Army Corps of Engineers for flood control purposes. Buffumville Dam was built in 1958 by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in response to the floods in 1936 which caused tremendous damage to the area. The French River watershed is 76 percent forested and most of non-forested land within the watershed is rural or agricultural in character. The Corps operates a public swimming area within the lake and provides a 300-foot long beach with picnic tables, grills, and some recreational amenities. The seven-mile Lake Shore Trail begins at the beach and goes around the entire lake. In addition, Park Rangers hold special interpretive programs on the cultural landscape of the region, the natural environment near the lake, water resources in the region, water safety, and flood control. The Corps provides a handicapped fishing dock and an accessible platform on Buffumville Beach. The beach is also accessible to those in wheelchairs. A boat ramp and culvert underneath Oxford Road permit boating on both sides of the lake. No fee is required for launching a boat or canoe at the launching ramp.

### 4. Hudson Pond

According to a MassDEP report for the French River Basin, Hudson Pond is only about 15 acres large. According to an assessment of the pond from Massachusetts DEP, completed in 1994, the pond has a serious problem with noxious aquatic plants. The assessment noted: "A 21 September 1994 synoptic survey indicates that 75% of the pond was covered with floating leaf plants. It is likely that the coverage is 100% (including submerged plants and floating leaf) overall." 2022 MassDEP data indicates that the Pond has a problem with excessive nutrient levels caused by discharges from residences, industrial parks, and farms; these nutrients lead to noxious aquatic plant growth in the pond which prevents ideal recreational use of its waters.

## 5. Lowes Pond

Lowes Pond is a small body of water created by a dam which is approximately 33 acres large. The dam is old and leaking but holds back about 10 vertical feet of water; there are plans to repair this dam. I-395 bisects the pond and the I-395 interchange at Sutton Ave is adjacent to the pond's shore; the interstate is therefore a major contributor to stormwater runoff. Lowes Pond was also assessed by DEP in the summer of 1994 and the assessment of it reported: "A 21 September 1994 synoptic survey indicates that 75% to 100% of the pond was covered with aquatic plants. It consisted of mostly floating leaf plants." 2022 MassDEP data indicates that the Pond has a problem with excessive nutrient levels caused by discharges from residences, farms, and municipal storm sewer systems; these nutrients lead to photosynthetic growth in the pond which prevents ideal recreational use of its waters.

## 6. Robinson Pond

Robinson Pond is a large pond of approximately 99 acres. Robinson Pond was assessed by DEP in the summer of 1994 and the assessment comments reported5: "Historically moderate total phosphorus levels and very dense growths of aquatic macrophytes (primarily *Myriophyllum* sp.) cover the entire pond. A synoptic survey conducted on 21 Sept. 1994 noted 100% floating vegetation (*Nymphaea* sp. primarily) at the north end of the pond and 75-100% in the west cove and south end of the pond." The Pond has not been assessed by MassDEP in recent years, but in 2023 it was reported to be in good condition by the Conservation Commission. In addition, the Pond's dam is in a state of serious disrepair. With funding provided by a Smart Growth Technical Assistance Grant from EOEA, the engineering firm of Fuss & O'Neill completed the "Robinson Pond Visual Inspection Report" in 2006 and estimated the cost to repair the dam between \$294,000 and \$630,000. As of 2024, the dam has not been repaired.

## 7. Texas Pond

Texas Pond is a small reservoir of approximately 28 acres. The dam has been breached, but a shallow reservoir remains. The Pond is located a short distance downstream of the Oxford Rochdale wastewater treatment plant and is also below the Leicester wastewater treatment plant. The 1994 MassDEP report also identified Texas Pond as having dense macrophyte (aquatic plant) growths near the shoreline around the entire pond. This weed growth was likely caused by very high total phosphorus levels and suspended solids from the wastewater treatment plants. The Pond is now assessed as part of the French River by MassDEP, and noxious aquatic plants have not been reported by the MassDEP to be affecting the river since 2014. However, in mercury in fish tissue has been reported in these water bodies, most recently in 2022.

## **Aquifer Recharge Areas**

According to the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection's Public Water Supplies data layer, Oxford has twenty public water supply wells, one of which is an out-of-operation Aquarion well which has been replaced by one of the three currently in operation. These include wells which serve:

### **1. Aquarion Water Company**

Aquarion Water Company supplies water to the Town of Oxford and obtains its water supply from three overburden wells. The wells each have a Zone I with a radius of 400 feet and are located in an aquifer with a high vulnerability to contamination due to the absence of hydrogeologic barriers that can prevent contaminant migration. One of the wells currently in operation is a replacement for a well which is out-of-operation. The overall susceptibility to contamination for the system is high; this assessment is based on the presence of high threat land uses in the Zone II area such as body shops, gas stations, service stations/auto repair shops, junk and salvage yards, paint shops, railroad tracks and yards, repair shops, large quantity hazardous waste generators, and underground storage tanks.

### **2. Fabrico, Inc.**

The well for this facility is located in the woods to the northeast of the building. The well has a Zone I with a radius of 108 feet and an IWPA with a radius of 425 feet. The well is located in an aquifer with a high vulnerability to contamination due to the absence of hydrogeologic barriers that can prevent contaminant migration. The overall susceptibility to contamination for the well is high; this assessment is based on the presence of high threat activities in the IWPA area, specifically the storage of hazardous materials and a machine/metalworking shop. Fabrico, Inc. is now owned by IPG and this facility is now closed.

### **3. American Polymers, Inc.**

American Polymers, Inc. obtained its water supply from a deep bedrock well with a jet pump which is located about ten feet from the road within a building adjacent to the facility. The well has a Zone I with a radius of 100 feet and an IWPA with a radius of 411 feet. The well is located in an aquifer with a high vulnerability to contamination due to the absence of hydrogeologic barriers that can prevent contaminant migration. The overall susceptibility to contamination for the well is high; this assessment is based on the presence of high threat activities in the Zone I and IWPA areas, specifically a machine/metalworking shop and a junk yard/salvage yard/body work/repair shop. This facility is now closed and has been bought by Bright Feeds.

#### 4. Pinewood on the Green

The two wells for this facility are located to the west of the condominium buildings, away from Pleasant Street. Each well has a Zone I with a radius of 245 feet and an IWPA with a radius of 605 feet. The wells are located in an aquifer with a high vulnerability to contamination due to the absence of hydrogeologic barriers that can prevent contamination migration. The overall susceptibility to contamination for the wells is moderate; this assessment is based on the presence of moderate threat land uses and activities in the Zone I or IWPA area such as parking lots/driveways/roads, a golf course, a cemetery, septic systems, above ground fuel storage, and structures.

#### 5. Buffumville Heights Estates

Buffumville Heights Condominiums gets its water supply from two wells. Well #1 has a Zone I with a radius of 167 feet and an IWPA with a radius of 462 feet. Well #2 has a Zone I with a radius of 172 feet and an IWPA with a radius of 467 feet. The wells are located in an aquifer with a high vulnerability to contamination due to the absence of hydrogeologic barriers that can prevent contaminant migration. The overall ranking of susceptibility to contamination for the wells is moderate, based on the presence of moderate threat land uses and activities in the Zone I and IWPA areas, specifically parking areas, fertilizer storage and use, septic systems, and structures.

#### 6. Toria Heights Condominiums

The wells for this development are located behind the two condominium buildings. Well #1 has a Zone I with a radius of 205 feet and an IWPA with a radius of 511 feet. Well #2 has a Zone I with a radius of 228 feet and an IWPA with a radius of 559 feet. The two wells are located in an aquifer with a high vulnerability to contamination due to the absence of hydrogeologic barriers that can prevent contaminant migration. The overall susceptibility to contamination for the wells is moderate; this assessment is based on the presence of moderate threat land uses in the Zone I and IWPA areas such as parking areas and roads, lawn care and gardening, and septic systems.

#### 7. Charlton Street (Maplebrook) Apartments

Charlton Street Apartments gets its water supply from a well located on its premises. The well has a Zone I with a radius of 171 feet and an IWPA with a radius of 466 feet. The well is located in an aquifer with a high vulnerability to contamination due to the absence of hydrogeologic barriers that can prevent contaminant migration. The overall susceptibility to contamination for the well is moderate; this assessment is based on the presence of moderate threat land uses and activities in the Zone I and IWPA areas, specifically parking areas, fertilizer storage and use, septic systems, and structures.

## 8. Clara Barton Diabetes Center

The Center gets its water supply from four wells. Well #1 has a Zone I with a radius of 100 feet and an IWPA with a radius of 500 feet. Well #2 has a Zone I with a radius of 100 feet and an IWPA with a radius of 402 feet. Well #3 and Well #4 each have a Zone I with a radius of 100 feet and an IWPA with a radius of 400 feet. The overall susceptibility to contamination for the well is moderate; this assessment is based on the presence of moderate threat land uses and activities in the Zone I and IWPA areas, specifically structures, roads, parking areas, fertilizer storage and use, and lawn care and gardening.

## 9. DW Diesel and Fuel

This facility gets its water supply from two wells. Well #1 has a Zone I with a radius of 100 feet and an IWPA with a radius of 500 feet. Well #2 has a Zone I with a radius of 100 feet and an IWPA with a radius of 402 feet. The overall susceptibility to contamination for the wells is high; this assessment is based on the presence of high threat activities in the Zone I and IWPA areas, specifically a junk yard/salvage yard/body work/repair shop.

## 10. Hillcrest Church

The church gets its water supply from one well which has a Zone I with a radius of 100 feet and an IWPA with a radius of 500 feet. The overall susceptibility to contamination for the well is moderate; this assessment is based on the presence of moderate threat land uses and activities in the Zone I and IWPA areas, specifically structures, roads, parking areas, and fertilizer storage and use.

## 11. APG New England an Oldcastle Company

The well for APG New England an Oldcastle Company is located outside of the on-site building to the east. The well has a Zone I with a radius of 100 feet and an Interim Wellhead Protection Area (IWPA) with a radius of 415 feet. The well is located in an aquifer with a high vulnerability to contamination due to the absence of hydrogeologic barriers that can prevent contaminant migration. The overall susceptibility to contamination for the well is high; this assessment is based on the presence of high threat activities in the Zone I and IWPA areas, specifically the presence of manufacturing activities and hazardous material storage. This well is not included in the most recent version of MassDEP's Public Water Supplies layer, but it is still active.

The Oxford OSRP Planning Committee also identified the Chase Corporation water supply wells, the Sutton Avenue water supply for Home Depot, and the water supply for Joe Jenny Road as public water supplies, but these are also not present in the MassDEP Public Water Supplies data layer.

## Flood Hazard Areas

Zones on FEMA flood maps that begin with the letters A and V are high-risk Special Flood Hazard Areas which have been deemed to have at least a one in four chance that they will experience flooding during a 30-year mortgage. Flood insurance is required for all homes and businesses in these areas which have mortgages from lenders who are regulated and/or insured by the federal government. The Hodges Village Dam property is a FEMA Zone A Special Flood Hazard Area, and other Zone A and Zone AE areas are present near the French River and its tributaries across town.

The French River region has experienced several major floods since Oxford was founded. The Hodges Village Flood Control Dam was constructed in 1959 at a cost of \$4.4 million by the US Army Corps of Engineers in response to the floods of 1936 and 1955; these floods caused tremendous property damage (hundreds of millions of 1936 dollars) and took over 150 lives in the Northeast USA. The dam is an earth and rock fill embankment with a concrete spillway section and four earth dikes. It is part of a system of six flood control dams designed and built by the USACOE to control flooding between Oxford and Long Island Sound. Hodges Village Dam most directly protects the downstream communities of Oxford, Dudley, Webster, and Thompson CT.

The Hodges Village Dam property is comprised of 1,130 acres of land, including 867 fee-owned acres and 263 acres of flowage easement areas. The Hodges Village Reservoir is not a permanent pool of water and is therefore considered to be a dry reservoir; however, the land is typically swampy and floods in the springtime. The USACOE usually lets the river flow normally except when large amounts of rainfall is anticipated. Two ponds, Hodges Village Dam Pond and Augutteback Pond, exist within the reservoir property. The USACOE manages the natural resources near the dam for the many benefits they provide, including flood control, wildlife habitat, forest production, watershed protection, and outdoor recreation.

Currently, Hodges Village Dam has approximately 22 miles of trails for hiking, nature study, mountain biking, cross country skiing, and horseback riding nearby it. On the west side of the French River, dirt bikes and snowmobiles are allowed on designated trails. Hunting is allowed in season on the west side of the river. Fishing and canoeing are also allowed, with boat launches available at Augutteback Pond in Greenbriar Park.

## Wetlands

According to the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection wetland data, Oxford has 2,379 acres of wetlands. Broken down according to characteristics and shown in **Table 17**, the wetlands in Oxford consist primarily of deciduous wooded swamp, followed by deep marsh and shrub swamp.

**Table 17:**  
**Wetlands**

<b>Wetland Type</b>	<b>Acres</b>
Wooded Swamp Mixed Trees	141 acres
Wooded Swamp Deciduous	686 acres
Wooded Swamp Coniferous	10 acres
Shrub Swamp	345 acres
Shallow Marsh Meadow or Fen	83 acres
Bog	42 acres
Deep Marsh	359 acres
Water Bodies Listed as Ponds	423 acres

**Source: MassDEP**

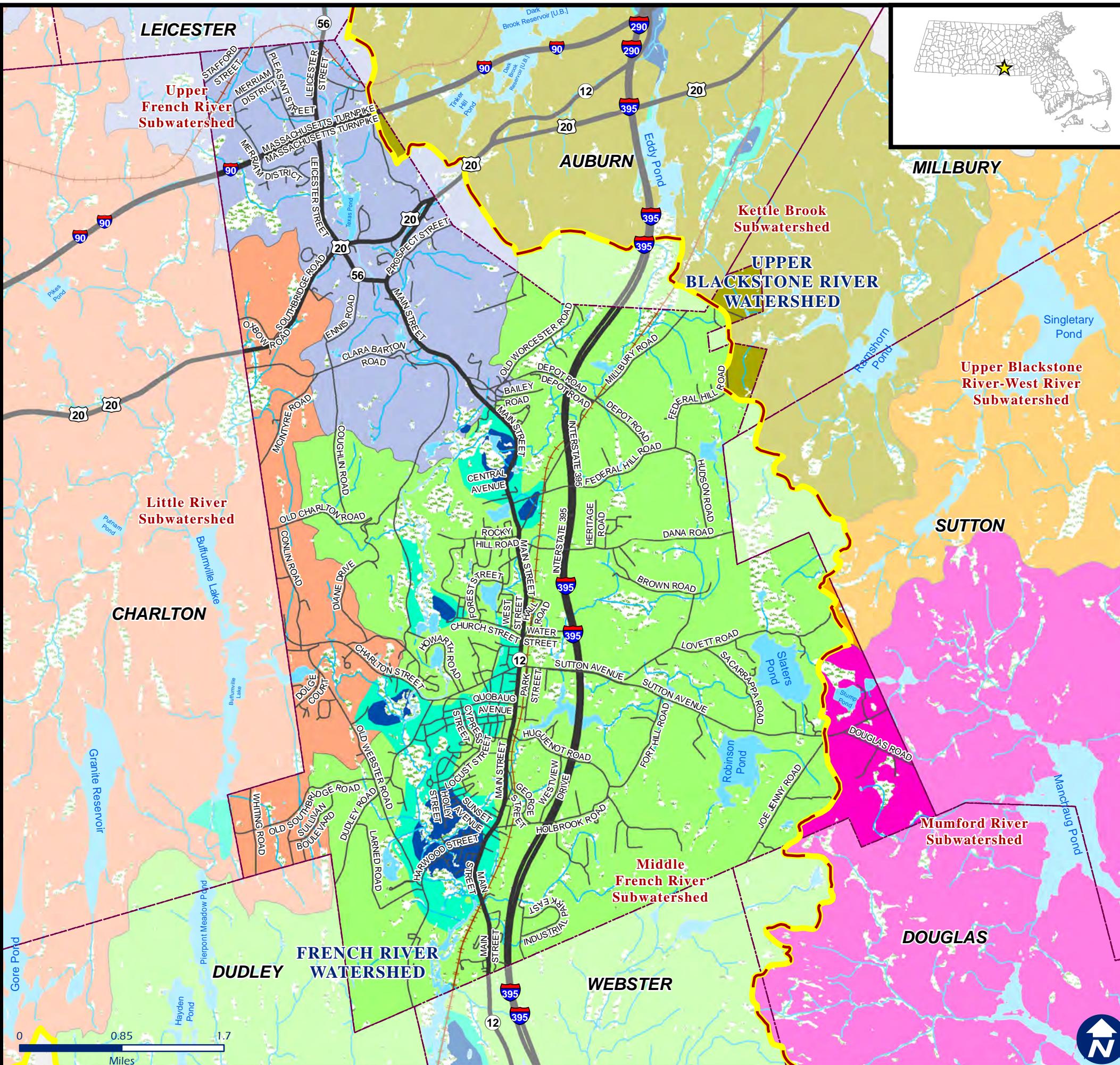
Additionally, there are numerous wetlands associated with the French River. The main wetland types in the corridor include emergent marshes, submergent/aquatic communities, and forested and shrub/scrub wetlands. Large wetland areas occur primarily in the flood storage reserve area to Hodges Village Dam and along the winding river channel to the south of the dam. In the latter area, there is an extensive buttonbrush-dogwood wetland spreading from the river channel to both sides and growing under flooded conditions in the spring.

Oxford has not completed a town-wide wetlands restoration plan but will work on one if a wetland on town property becomes altered or degraded. Private developers and property owners in town have restored wetlands due to erosion and sediment issues in the past, but none of these restoration projects have been large-scale.

## MAP 5

# WATER RESOURCES MAP 1

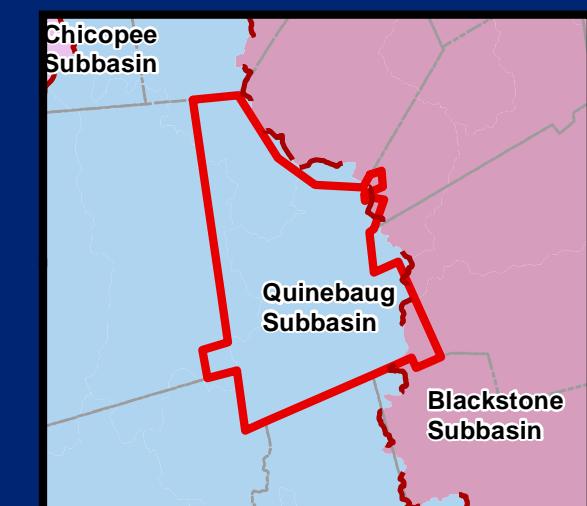
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## Legenda

The legend includes the following entries:

- Town Boundary (Dashed red line)
- River, Stream (Wavy blue line)
- Lake, Pond (Blue blob)
- MassDEP Wetlands (Green blob with dots)
- Active Rail Service (Red line with diagonal dashes)
- Major Road (Solid black line)
- Local Road (Thin black line)
- Aquifers
  - High Yield (> 300 gpm) (Dark blue box)
  - Medium Yield (100-300 gpm) (Teal box)
- NRCS HUC Subbasin Boundary (Red line)
- NRCS HUC Watershed Boundary (Yellow line)
- NRCS HUC Subwatersheds (Listed on the right: Upper Blackstone River-West River, Mumford River, Middle French River, Little River, Upper French River, Kettle Brook)



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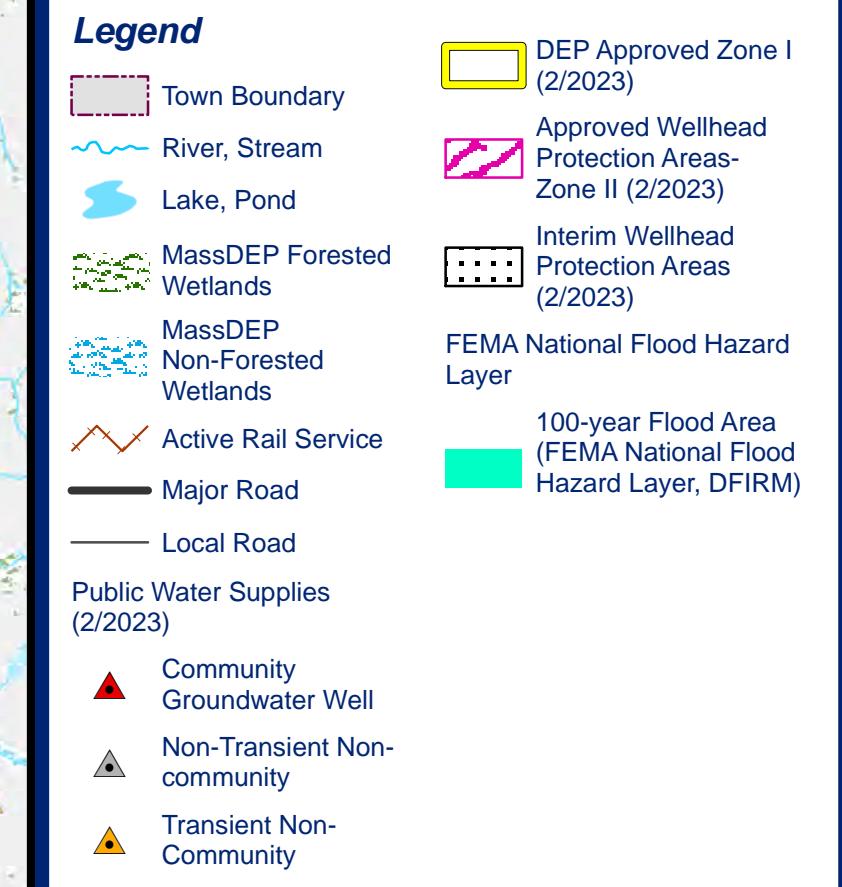
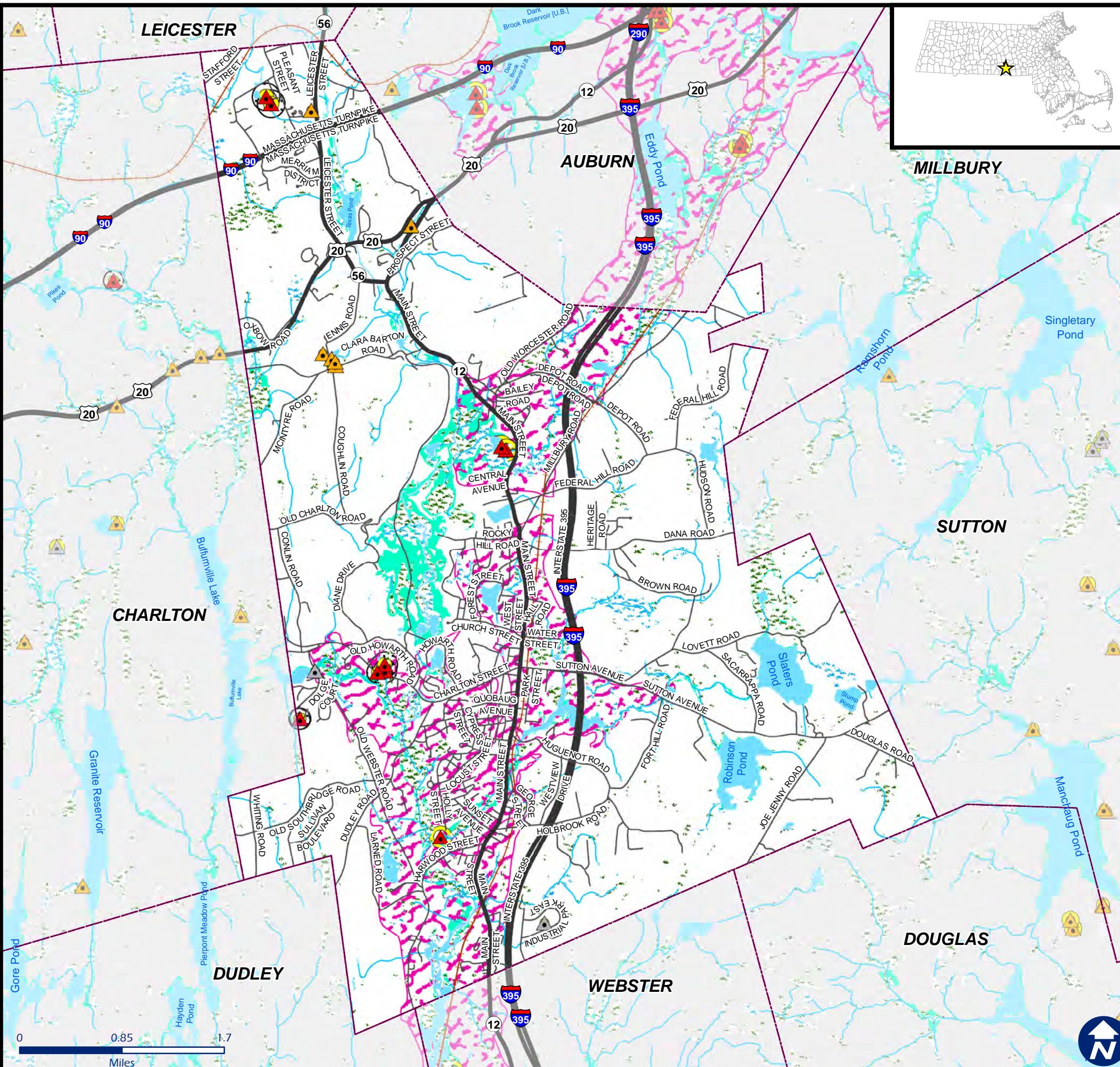


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# MAP 6

# WATER RESOURCES MAP 2

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## D. Vegetation

In Oxford, there are a variety of plant and fungi species. Typical species one may encounter include the following:

**Table 18:**  
**Wildflowers**

Lizard's Tail	Wild Ginger	Dutchman's Pipe	Virginia Snakeroot
Water-Lily	Pond-Lily	Marsh Marigold	Leather Flower
Virgin's Bower	Curlflower	Goldenseal	Purple Meadow Rue
Rue Anemone	American Globeflower	Goldthread	Hepaticas
Wild Columbine	Red Baneberry	Spring Larkspur	Bristly Crowfoot
Swamp and Tall Buttercup	Wood Anemone	Thimbleweed	Blue Cohosh
Mayapple	Twinleaf	Greater Celandine	Bloodroot
Dutchman's Breeches	Squirrel Corn	Allegheny Vine	Pale Corydalis
Stinging Nettle	Pokeweed	Four O'Clock	Rock Sandwort
Chickweed	Starry Campion	Catchflies	Bladder Campion
Bouncing Bet	Deptford Pink	Lamb's Quarters	Common Purslane
Carpetweed	Water Smartweed	Pinkweed	Curly Dock
St. Johnswort	St. Peterswort	Pineweed	Rose Mallow
Musk Mallow	Marsh Mallow	Velvetleaf	Flower-of-an-hour
Northern Pitcher Plant	Sundew	Common Blue Violet	Common White Violet
Maypop	Rockrose	Wild Cucumbers	Star Cucumbers
Wintercress	Wild Radish	Black Mustard	Dame's Rocket
Cutleaf Toothwart	Whitlow Grass	Watercress	Springcress
Bearberry	Checkerberry	American Cranberry	Mayflower
Pipsissewa	Wintergreen	Shinleaf	Indian Pipe
Pinesap	Wandflower	Primrose	Shooting Star
Loosestrife	Starflower	Scarlet Pimpernel	Wall Pepper
Orpine	Roseroot	Ditch Stonecrop	Early Saxifrage
Grass of Parnassus	Bishop's Cap	Allegheny Foamflower	Meadow Street
Wild Strawberry	Steeplebush	American Burnet	Marsh Cinquefoil
Tall Cinquefoil	Silverweed	Fivefingers	Purple Avens
Wild Senna	Patridge Pea	Butterfly Pea	Cow Vetch
Crown Vetch	Milk Vetch	Beach Pea	Wild Licorice
Birdfoot Trefoil	Rattlebox	Groundnut	Blue Lupine
False Indigo	Red Clovers	White Clovers	Crimson Clover

Rabbit's Foot Clovers	White Sweet Clover	Showy Tick Trefoil	Round-Headed Bush Clover
Alfalfa	Fireweed	Common Primrose	Showy Evening Primrose
Mistletoe	Bunchberry	Pale Meadow Beauty	Deergrass
Climbing Bittersweet	Allegheny Spurge	Poison Ivy	Cypress Spurge
Snow-on-the-Mountain	Wild Poinsettia	Wild Grape	Virginia Creeper
Wild Geranium	Jewelweed	Yellow Sorrels	Violet Sorrels
Wood Sorrels	Gaywings	Seneca Snakeroot	Orange Milkwort
Field Milkwort	Common Flax	Wild Sarsaparilla	American Spikenard
Indian Pink	Dwarf Ginseng	American Ginseng	Harbinger of Spring
Golden Alexander	Queen Anne's Lace	Cow Parsnip	Rattlesnake Master
Poison Hemlock	Great Angelica	Pennywort	Fringed Gentians
Downy Gentians	Bottle Gentians	Buckbean	Rose Pinks
Marsh Pinks	Running Myrtle	Blue Star	Spreading Dogbane
Indian Hemp	Common Milkweed	Sand Milkweed	Swamp Milkweed
Butterfly Weed	Bittersweet Nightshade	Black Nightshade	Buffalo Bur
Horse Nettle	Ground Cherry	Jimsonweed	Morning Glory
Wild Potato Vine	Field Bindweed	Hedge Bindweed	Dodder
Creeping Phlox	Blue Phlox	Downy Phlox	Jacob's Ladder
Virginia Waterleaf			

**Table 19:**  
**Shrubs**

Witch Hazel	Spicebush	Labrador Tea	Rhododendron
Mountain Laurel	Highbush Blueberry	Lowbush Blueberry	Multiflora Rose
Red-Osier Dogwood	Poison Sumac	Buttonbush	American Elder
Nannyberry	Hobblebush	Fly Honeysuckle	

**Table 20:**  
**Lichen, Fern, Mushroom, Non-Flowering Plants**

Shining Moss	Bog Moss	Tree Moss	Meadow Moss
Rock Spike Moss	Running Cedar	Running Pine	Quilwort
Field Horsetail	Scouring Rush	Water Horsetail	Water Fern
Burned Ground Fern	Cord Fern	Broom Fern	Rock Fern
Silver Fern	Tree Fern	Delicate Fern	Haircap Moss
Feather Moss	Star Moss	Spineleaf Moss	Four-Tooth Moss

Common Liverwort	Fringed Waterwort	Dog Lichen	Lung Lichen
Orange Star Lichen	Map Lichen	Toadskin Lichen	Cracked Shield Lichen
Reindeer Lichen	Flabby Lichen	Beard Lichen	Ladder Lichen
Pyxie Cups	British Soldiers	Destroying Angel	Fly Agaric
Death Cup	Caesar's Mushroom	Blusher	Napkin Amanita
Grisette	Parasol Mushroom	Smooth Lepoita	Shaggy Lepoita
Green Gill Mushroom	Cone-Shaped Hygrophorus	Vermillion Hygrophorus	Russula Hygrophorus
Orange-Brown Lactarius	Cottony-Marginated Milky Cap	Delicious Lactarius	Pungent Russula
Short-Stemmed Russula	Scaly Lentinus	Split-Gilled Mushroom	Maroon Tricholoma
Golden Trumpets	Parasitic Asterphora	Honey Mushroom	Fairy Ring
Little Wheel Mushroom	Clubfooted Clitocybe	Jack O'Lantern	Wood Blewit
False Chanterelle	Winter Mushroom	Rooting Collybia	Golden Mycena
Bleeding Mycena	Waxy Laccaria	Russet-Scaly Tricholoma	Greenish-Yellow Tricholoma
Dingy Tricholoma	Silky Volvaria		

## Forest Land

According to the 2016 land use data provided by MassGIS, Oxford is 65.5% forested, including forested wetlands. Since the development of the previous plan, the percentage of forested land has declined by 3.7%. Without including forested wetlands, Oxford is 59% forested, with 10,353.97 acres of evergreen and deciduous forests.

Due to soil type, weather conditions, elevation, and other microclimate conditions, the typical forest in this area is white pine mixed with varying associated species including red oak; American and blue beech (ironwood); hemlock; white and gray birch; quaking and big tooth aspen; black cherry; northern white cedar; and red maple. This mixed deciduous-coniferous forest is fairly open, with a shrub understory in some places. Canopy coverage ranges from nearly one hundred percent in pure white pine stands to forty or fifty percent in beech and oak areas. There is moderate regeneration. Many of the woods appear to be in a stabilized state, not rapidly evolving toward another vegetative type.

Oxford also contains “old fields,” or land once cleared for agriculture and later abandoned to revert to forest. Grasses and weedy species such as Queen Ann’s Lace, goldenrod, and evening primrose are common. Later, shrubs appear, and eventually a forest develops on the abandoned land. Overall, Oxford contains 0.8% bare land, 2.4% scrub/shrub land, and 3.72% grassland.

## **Public Shade Trees**

The Shade Tree Act is a part of MGL Chapter 87 and defines all trees within the public way as “public shade trees”. This includes street trees, cemetery trees, trees in parks, and any other publicly owned and managed trees. Notably, Oxford has many public shade trees along the Main Street corridor and within Joslin Park, or the Town Common. Many shade trees are also present in the North Cemetery and around Carbuncle Pond. Additional public shade trees were recently planted along Charlton Street. According to the Oxford 2007 Reconnaissance Report, the Town Tree Warden is responsible for the care, maintenance, and protection of all shade trees in town, except for those along State highways. Furthermore, the trimming or removal of any public shade trees greater than 1.5” in diameter requires a public hearing and must be completed by the municipal Tree Warden or DPW staff.

Nonetheless, it is important to consider that with the continued effects of climate change, such as the increased frequencies of extreme weather events and the spread of invasive species, the continued care and maintenance of public shade trees is crucial to ensure the safety of residents and health of the local ecosystem. In the future, the Town of Oxford must consider these factors as they plan to strategically manage their public shade trees.

## Urban and Community Forestry Program

The Bureau of Forest Fire Control and Forestry in the Massachusetts’ Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) developed an Urban and Community Forestry Program in an effort to provide guidance for communities on how to manage their forests. If a community can reach the following six goals, they may receive a Massachusetts Sustainable Community Forestry Award:

1. Professionally trained forest staff;
2. Development of a local tree ordinance and/or evidence of enforcement of MGL Chapter 87 on Public Shade Trees;
3. Establishment of a “tree committee” or similar advocacy group;
4. Development of a Forest Resource Management Plan;
5. Tree City USA status;
6. Overall good interagency coordination.

Although Oxford is not currently eligible for a Massachusetts Sustainable Community Forestry Award, the Town does demonstrate good interagency coordination. Additionally, the Town does employ professionally trained forestry staff who implement the Public Shade Tree ordinance. In the future, Oxford may have the capacity to complete the remaining steps necessary to become eligible for this award.

## **Agricultural Land**

Out of all of the land in Oxford that is protected in perpetuity, 21.65%, or 343.1 acres, is under an Agricultural Preservation Restriction (APR). The Agricultural Preservation Restriction (APR) Program is a voluntary program offered by the Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources to farmers or owners of agricultural land. The program offers to pay farmland owners the difference between “fair market value” and the “agricultural value” of their land in exchange for a permanent deed restriction. This ensures that, as long as the farmland remains under the same ownership, it will only be used to support agricultural production. Additionally, 0.30% of Oxford’s land is currently cultivated and 3.07% is used for pastureland or hay production. These are relatively average percentages compared to Oxford’s neighboring communities, contributing to a regional commitment to the area’s agricultural past.

## **Wetland Vegetation**

Along the Cominsville section of the French River there is a strip of bordering vegetated wetland along the riverbanks, primarily made up of shrubs including alder, red maple, dogwood, and pussy willow. There is a small patch of cattail wetland not far south from Stafford Street. South of Route 56 there are wetlands and fields. On the east side of the river, north of Mill Street, there is a shrub-sedge wetland. Wetland species include sweet birch, red maple, highbush blueberry, ironwood, alder, sedges, dogwood, sensitive fern, pasture rose, and cattail.

South of Mill Street, north of the Allon Textile Company dam, the River enters an extensive wet meadow and shrub wetland filling the floodplain. Alder, meadowsweet, elderberry, and other shrubs fringe the wet meadow including woolgrass, tussock sedge, and rushes.

Approximately 1000 feet south of the Massachusetts Turnpike, a broad wetland area of mixed emergent marsh and forested wetland occurs. At Texas Pond, several areas of bordering vegetated wetland occur along the shores, mainly cattail marshes. South of the Route 56 bridge the River widens into a pond with extensive forested wetland on both the west and east sides.

After flowing through a shrub/emergent marsh, the river forms Bartlett Pond. The pond includes cattail marsh in the north end. Bordering shrub wetland occurs on the southwest side with alder, maple, and dogwood. The pond drains over a wide stone dam into several rocky channels under white pine and red maple woods.

South of the French River Cascade, the Greenbriar area includes extensive wetlands such as cattail marshes and shrub swamps. Just north of the flood control dam, the river widens into Mill Pond. Shrub swamp and emergent marsh border the open water.

South of the pond at Hodges Village, the River flows through fairly flat land with mixed forest and pine stands and extensive areas of shrub wetlands. Bordering wetlands include dogwood, red maple, buttonbrush, and alder shrubs and sedges. The River is fairly shallow and, in place, these shrubs extend well out into the channel or form islands. Just before Charlton Street, there is an area of wet meadow.

South of Charlton Street, there are extensive areas of shrub and forested swamp and emergent marsh wetlands filling in the floodplain around the River's winding channel. Buttonbrush and dogwood dominate and grow in standing water as dense colonies. Aquatic plants such as milfoil also occur in this area.

For more information about wetlands, please see the water resources section of this Plan.

### **Rare, Threatened, and Endangered Species**

According to the Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program (NHESP) under the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife (MassWildlife), four rare vascular plant species have been identified in Oxford. Vascular plants are simply plants with vascular tissues that are used to transport water, minerals, and/or sugars. Two vascular plant species in Oxford are under special concern while another two are currently threatened. *Ranunculus pensylvanicus*, or Bristly Buttercup, is of special concern and has not been observed since 2006, while *lygodium palmatum*, or Climbing Fern, is also of special concern and has not been observed since 1941. The *platanthera flava* var. *herbiola*, or pale green orchid, is considered threatened and has not been observed since 1939, while the *ophioglossum pusillum*, or Adder's tongue fern, is considered threatened and has not been observed since 1933.

MassWildlife's BioMap tool also offers a visual illustration of the core habitat area that supports rare species across Massachusetts. A total of eight different core habitats have been identified by MassWildlife on BioMap, totaling to 2,636.16 acres of core habitat in the Town.

### **Unique Natural Resources**

#### **1. French River Cascades**

Located just north of the Hodges Village Flood Control lands and easily accessible from Route 12, the small cascade in the French River is a scenic asset. Together with the industrial remnants in the woods nearby, this area has good potential for a picnic area.

#### **2. Rocky Hill**

Rocky Hill is a high ridge located west of the French River in North Oxford, adjacent to the Hodges Village Flood Control land. This hill is one of the few remaining undeveloped high spots in Oxford, and could potentially provide views of the French River corridor. Its rocky, wooded

terrain invites hiking trails. Its south end is being quarried for crushed stone. Eventually, the crest of the quarry may provide views of the French River area and the Town of Oxford.

### 3. Hemlock Grove

Growing on a talus of tumbled boulders toward the north end of Rocky Hill is an isolated, ecologically unique, pure hemlock grove.

### 4. Cedar Swamps

A large cedar swamp is located in the flood storage reserve area for Hodges Village Dam. Another cedar swamp exists at the south end of Eddy Pond in Core Habitat BM974 and several examples lie within Core Habitat 1069.

### 5. Old Charlton Road Waterfall

A small waterfall is located near Old Charlton Road at the south end of Rocky Hill along an unnamed tributary brook to the French River.

## E. Fisheries and Wildlife

Typical species expected for the French River area include the following:

**Table 21:**  
**Mammals**

White-Tailed Deer	Raccoon	Skunk	Red Fox
Eastern Coyote	Beaver	Red Squirrel	Eastern Grey Squirrel
Porcupine	Woodchuck	Chipmunk	Little Brown Bat
Big Brown Bat	River Otter	Muskrat	Red-Backed Vole
Meadow Vole	White-Footed Gray Mouse	Meadow Jumping Mouse	Woodland Jumping Mouse
Opossum	Masked Shrew	Water Shrew	Star-Nosed Mole
Eastern Cottontail Rabbit	New England Cottontail Rabbit	Snowshoe Hare	

**Table 22:**  
**Birds**

Canada Goose	Blue-Winged Teal	Wood Duck	Black Duck
Mallard Duck	Osprey	Northern Harrier	Red-Tailed Hawk
Pheasant*	Wild Turkey	Ruffed Grouse	Woodcock
Great Horned Owl	Barrel Owl	Red-Headed Woodpecker	Black-Backed Woodpecker
Hairy Woodpecker	Downy Woodpecker	Pileated Woodpecker	Yellow-Bellied Sapsucker
Belted Kingfisher	Green Heron	Great Blue Heron	American Kestrel
Spotter Sandpiper	Rock Dove	Mourning Dove	Yellow-Billed Cuckoo
Black-Billed Cuckoo	Common Flicker	Eastern Kingbird	Eastern Phoebe
Least Flycatcher	Eastern Wood Peewee	Tree Swallow	Bank Swallow
Rough-Winged Swallow	Barn Swallow	Blue Jay	Common Crow
Black-Capped Chickadee	Tufted Titmouse	White-Breasted Nuthatch	House Wren
Mockingbird	Gray Catbird	Brown Thrasher	American Robin
Wood Thrush	Veery	Cedar Waxwing	Starling
Red-Eyed Vireo	Black-and-White Warbler	Yellow Warbler	Chestnut-Sided Warbler
Prairie Warbler	Ovenbird	Common Yellow Throat	American Redstart
House Sparrow	Red-Winged Blackbird	Northern Oriole	Common Grackle

Brown-Headed Cowbird	Scarlet Tanager	Cardinal	Rose-Breasted Grosbeak
Indigo Bunting	Purple Finch	American Goldfinch	Rufous Sided Towhee
Field Sparrow	Swamp Sparrow	Song Sparrow	Turkey Vulture

\*Pheasants are stocked annually by Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife near town in Sutton and Auburn

**Table 23:**  
**Reptiles**

Snapping Turtle	Box Turtle	Musk Turtle	Painted Turtle
Northern Water Snake	Northern Brown Snake	Northern Redbelly Snake	Eastern Garter Snake
Delay's Snake	Hognose Snake	Ringneck Snake	Black Racer Snake
Green Snake	King Snake	Eastern Ribbon Snake	

**Table 24:**  
**Amphibians**

Marbled Salamander	Jefferson Salamander	Blue-Spotted Salamander	Spotted Salamander
Northern Dusky Salamander	Northern Two-Lined Salamander	Red-Spotted Newt	Eastern Toad
American Toad	Fowler's Toad	Spring Peeper	Gray Frog
Tree Frog	Bullfrog	Green Frog	Pickerel Frog
Wood Frog	Leopard Frog		

Both warm water and coldwater fisheries are present in Oxford.

**Table 25:**  
**Fish**

<i>Yellow Bullhead</i>	<i>Brown Bullhead</i>	<i>Largemouth Bass</i>	<i>Smallmouth Bass</i>
<i>Yellow Perch</i>	<i>White Perch</i>	<i>Yellow Horn Pout</i>	<i>White-Bellied Horn Pout</i>
<i>Redfin Indula</i>	<i>Common Indula</i>	<i>Pumpkinseed</i>	<i>White Sucker</i>
<i>Carp</i>	<i>Northern Pike</i>	<i>Chain Pickerel</i>	<i>Black Crappie</i>
<i>Bluegill</i>	<i>River Dace</i>	<i>American Eel</i>	<i>Brown Trout* **</i>
<i>Northern Blacknose Dace*</i>	<i>Brook Trout**</i>	<i>Rainbow Trout**</i>	

(warm water, native coldwater\*, stocked coldwater\*\*)

With the water quality of the French River having increased, 1000 brook and brown trout were stocked in the main stem of the river for the first time in 1989. The stocking in the main stem took place below the Hodges Village Flood Control Dam from Charlton Street, Dudley Road, and Harwood Street.

The Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife currently stocks Carbuncle Pond and the French River with trout. 600 to 1200 rainbow, brown, and brook trout are stocked into Carbuncle Pond each spring, adjacent to the Hodges Village Dam reservoir area. 100 to 200 rainbow, brown, and brook trout are stocked at the Route 56 overpass of the French River each spring, and 100 to 200 rainbow, brown, and brook trout are stocked at the Bartlett Bridge overpass of the French River each spring.

Surface water in town also provides habitat for numerous species of aquatic insects. In some areas, the shallowness of the river and consequent warm summer temperatures restrict development of a high-quality, self-supporting fishery.

### **Vernal Pools**

Vernal pools, also known as ephemeral pools, autumnal pools, or temporary woodland ponds, typically fill with water in the autumn or winter due to rising groundwater and rainfall and remain ponded through the spring and into summer. Vernal pools dry completely by the middle or end of summer each year, or at least they dry up every few years. Occasional drying prevents fish from establishing permanent populations in them. Many amphibian and invertebrate species rely on this breeding habitat that is free of fish predators. Some amphibians, such as wood frogs (*Rana sylvatica*), marbled salamanders (*Ambystoma opacum*), and spotted salamanders (*Ambystoma maculatum*), breed here exclusively. If a vernal pool is destroyed, the pool-dependent species living there will very likely be unable to find alternate breeding pools. In order to be legally protected by the state, vernal pools must be mapped and certified by the Massachusetts Natural Heritage and Endangered Species (NHESP) Program. Oxford has 25 NHESP certified vernal pools.

### **Corridors for Wildlife Migration**

Protecting and creating wildlife corridors is crucial for the preservation of natural landscapes as well as native and endangered species. They allow species to move freely within their range and migrate without obstruction by potentially harmful human activities. As a long and virtually unspoiled corridor through Oxford, the French River provides an excellent north-south migratory pathway for many species of wildlife. After passing through the largely undeveloped flood control property at Hodges Village, the River enters a broad wild area which contains marshes and coves and therefore provides excellent wildlife habitat. Migratory birds such as Wood Ducks, Great Blue Herons, and American Woodcocks use the river in the summer

through the fall. The river is also home to many other animals, including beavers, muskrats, and White-tailed Deer, year-round.

### **Rare, Threatened, and Endangered Species**

According to the Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program (NHESP) under the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife (MassWildlife), four rare species of invertebrates and four rare species of vertebrates have been identified in Oxford.

All of the following invertebrate species are of special concern. The Creeper (*Strophitus undulatus*), a species of mussel, was last identified in town in 2006. The Heath Metarranthis (*Metarranthis pilosaria*) is a species of moth that was last seen in town in 2007. The last identifications of the Orange Sallow Moth (*Pyrrhia aurantiago*) and Pink Sallow Moth (*Psectraglaea carnosa*) in Oxford occurred in 2009.

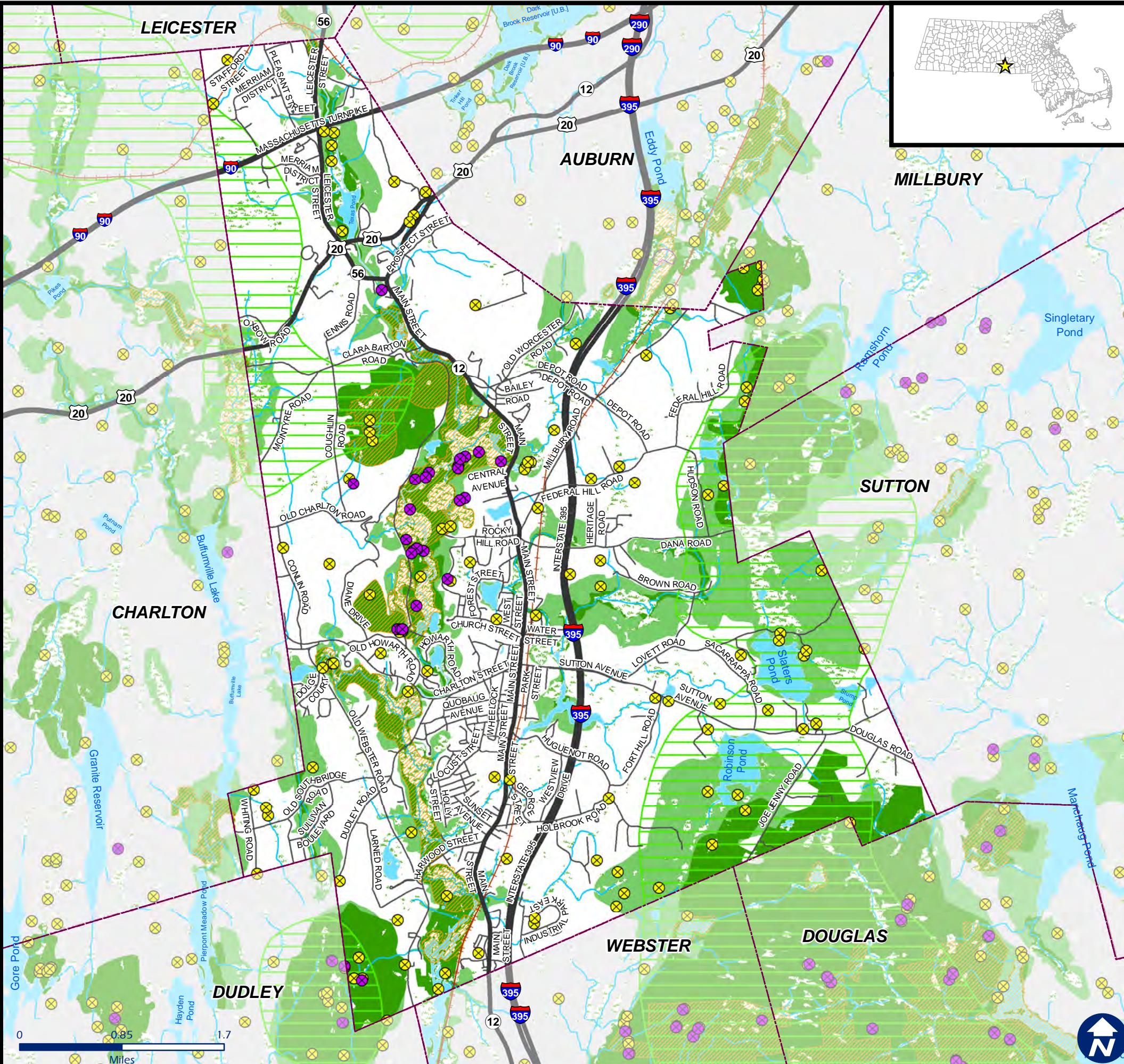
The following species of rare, threatened, and endangered vertebrates have been identified in Oxford. The Eastern Whip-poor-will (*Antrostomus vociferus*) is a bird species of special concern which was last seen in town in 2017. The Pied-billed Grebe (*Podilymbus podiceps*) is an endangered species of bird which was last identified in town in 2006. The last identification of the Marbled Salamander (*Ambystoma opacum*), a threatened species, in Oxford occurred in 2012; these salamanders live in clusters of vernal pools and associated small wetlands. The Wood Turtle (*Glyptemys insculpta*) was last seen in Oxford in 2017 and is of special concern.

MassWildlife's BioMap tool also offers a visual illustration of the core habitat area that supports rare species across Massachusetts. A total of eight different core habitats have been identified by MassWildlife on BioMap, totaling to 2,636.16 acres of core habitat in the Town.

## MAP 7

## HABITAT FEATURES

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## Legenda

The legend is organized into two columns. The left column lists features with their corresponding icons: Town Boundary (dashed red box), River, Stream (blue wavy line), Lake, Pond (blue water drop with a blue arrow), MassDEP Wetlands (green wetland icon), Active Rail Service (red zigzag line), Major Road (black line), Local Road (grey line), and two types of Vernal Pools. The right column lists features with their corresponding icons: NHESP Priority Habitats of Rare (2017) (orange diagonal lines), NHESP/TNC BioMap Regional Components (blue dashed line), Regional Rare Species (purple diagonal lines), Regional Connectivity (green horizontal line), NHESP/TNC BioMap Elements (light blue vertical line), Core Habitat (dark green vertical line), and Critical Natural Landscape (light green vertical line).

Town Boundary	NHESP Priority Habitats of Rare (2017)
River, Stream	NHESP/TNC BioMap Regional Components
Lake, Pond	
MassDEP Wetlands	
Active Rail Service	Regional Rare Species
Major Road	Regional Connectivity
Local Road	
NHESP Certified Vernal Pools (3/2023)	NHESP/TNC BioMap Elements
NHESP Potential Vernal Pools (NOT equivalent to Certified Vernal Pools)(7/2013)	Core Habitat
	Critical Natural Landscape

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## **F. Scenic Resources and Unique Environments**

### **Scenic Landscapes**

Oxford is located on the eastern side of the New England Upland Region of the state. The mean elevation for Oxford is 669 feet above sea level. Southern portions of Oxford house some of the lowest elevations in the community and thus some areas are considered to be in floodplains. Higher elevations in the community, up to 892 feet above sea level, offer visual vantage points to view the rest of Oxford and surrounding communities. These areas include Fort Hill, Buffalo Hill, Rocky Hill, Federal Hill, Taft Hill, Triangle Hill, and Prospect Hill. Also, these higher elevations in the community are the most visible from the most viewing areas.

Like much of New England, Oxford has several scenic roads, many lined with stone walls. By approval at the annual Town Meeting on March 1, 1975, fourteen roads have been designated as scenic roads according to MGL Chapter 40, Section 15C.

**Table 26:**  
**Scenic Roads**

Lovett Road
Sutton Avenue (east of Lovett Road)
Clara Barton Road
Conlin Road
Ennis Road
Dana Road boundary of cemetery wall
Federal Hill Road
Sacarrappa Road
Fort Hill Road
Joe Jenny Road
Larned Road
McIntyre Road
Church Street (from Main Street to west; "Cemetery Section")
Brown Road

Because these roads have been designated as Scenic Roads, the cutting or removal of trees or the tearing down or destruction of stone walls, or portions thereof, shall not be allowed for any purpose including those for repairs, maintenance, reconstruction, or paving work with respect to those roads, except by the prior written consent of the Planning Board. Unfortunately, in the years between the designation of these scenic roads and the present, rampant development has caused much destruction of trees and stone walls along these roadways.

Some roads that may be considered for local scenic designation if suggested by the Conservation Commission, Historical Commission, or Planning Board may include Hudson Road, Huguenot Road, Dolge Court, and Old Webster Road, as identified by the OSRP Planning Committee.

The French River affords numerous areas of scenic natural landscape including the French River Cascades. Additionally, Sacarrappa Pond and, most notably, Robinson Pond are remarkably pristine ponds surrounded by very little development.

### **Cultural, Archaeological, and Historic Areas**

The French River has been a major force behind the history and cultural development of the region. Prehistoric and later peoples frequently settled in river regions due to the availability of drinking, cooking, and washing water, water-based transportation, energy possibilities, and the abundance of food due to the presence of plants and animals that occupy riverine areas.

Pre-colonial history of the French River Corridor is not well known. According to the Massachusetts Historical Commission, no systematic archaeological research has been completed in the study area. It is likely that native settlements may have been located along the French River. The Nipmuc, Mohegan, Manchaug, Pequot, Waentuck, and Narragansett Indians are all thought to have used the French River region. Some eastern Massachusetts tribes may also have used the region. The Central Turnpike, connecting Boston to New York via Connecticut, is thought to lie along an Indian trail.

Post-European history is better known. The availability of water power from the French River with dam installation resulted in the development of an extensive textile mill industry in the area. Mills were established in Hodges Village, North Oxford, Rochdale, and Texas Village.

Other industries once operating in town include shoe and boot manufacturing, clothing manufacturing, lumber and wood products processing, and metalworking. Agriculture was and continues to be practiced in Oxford.

Many artifacts remain from Oxford's industrial period. The most obvious are the surviving mill buildings and water control structures. Additionally, there are numerous historic and cultural landmarks from other periods in Oxford's history worth noting in this Plan, including four that are listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

The following list of unique features and scenic environments are depicted on the Scenic Resources and Unique Environments Map (**Map 8**).

## 1. Milestone Marker

For two centuries this marker has told travelers that 53½ miles lay between the corner where Sigourney Street meets Main Street and the state capital. The milestone was erected in 1771.

## 2. Grace Episcopal Church

The first Episcopal service was held as early as 1687 by the Huguenots. The present church was constructed from stone quarried from a nearby hill as a gift from George Hodges, whose burial plot is located to the rear of the church. This church is now called the Good Shepherd Church.

## 3. Main Street (in Downtown/Oxford Center)

This was the principal avenue of the Town at the time of its early settlement in 1713. It is over 100 feet wide and lined with trees on both sides. Many older homes still line Main Street. Main Street is also a part of the Main Street Historic District which is on the National Register of Historic Places.

## 4. Site of the Johnson Massacre

The massacre of the Johnson family during an Indian raid on August 25, 1696 brought the first Huguenot settlement to an end.

## 5. Huguenot Oak Tree

The last living evidence of the Huguenot presence in Oxford; the trunk is located on the corner of Huguenot Road and Russell Lane while a descendant of this tree is also located at Huguenot Fort on Fort Hill Road.

## 6. Huguenot Monument

Erected to the memory of the Huguenot settlers on the site of the original Fort that was constructed in 1686. Listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

## 7. Learned Davis House

Unique ¾ design built in 1785 by Learned Davis. Davis was a state representative, selectman, assessor, and member of the school committee.

## 8. Clara Barton Summer Home

The summers of Clara Barton's last 10 years were spent at her home at 28 Charlton Street.

## 9. Hodges Village Dam and Reservoir

A federal flood control project that brings much needed flood protection to the French River Basin.

## 10. Camp Hill

The site of the camp of Colonel Nathan Rice's Regiments of the New England Division of Adam's Provisional Army in 1799 and 1800. The camp was visited by Alexander Hamilton in 1800. This encampment site was commemorated with a marker by Colonel Learned in the woods beyond Camp Hill Drive; however, there is a nearby development along Monument Drive.

## 11. Free Public Library

Built in 1903 as a gift from Mr. Charles Larned. The stained glass window above the former main entrance shows the departure of the Pilgrims from Holland in 1620. A fine historical exhibit is on display in the library's museum.

## 12. First Congregational Church

The first meeting house built in Oxford. The present house is the fourth on the site, dedicated in 1829.

## 13. Old Burying Ground (South Cemetery)

The first cemetery in Oxford. General Ebenezer Learned and Reverend Campbell (first minister of the Congregational Church) are buried here. Many other interesting stones can be found including that of an enslaved person named "Diana."

## 14. Joslin Park

A gift from Dr. Elliott P. Joslin, the land was the location of one of the first public schools in Oxford. It includes memorials to the veterans of the Korean and Vietnam Wars as well as the 1872 North Gore District 8 Schoolhouse.

## 15. North Cemetery

Clara Barton, founder of the American Red Cross, and Dr. Elliott P. Joslin, founder of the Joslin Diabetes Foundation and noted in the treatment of Diabetes, are buried here.

## 16. Clara Barton Birthplace

Clara Barton was born here December 25, 1821. She has been entered into the Hall of Fame for Great Americans and the site is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. A camp for diabetic girls is currently located on the property.

## 17. North Oxford Baptist Church

Dedicated in May of 1847. Bartlett's Bridge Located on Clara Barton Road over the French River. Listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

## 18. Hudson House

Located on Hudson Road and listed on the National Register of Historic Places, Hudson House is the oldest standing house in Oxford.

## 19. Buffalo Hill

Former summer home of Dr. Elliott P. Joslin, founder of the Joslin Diabetes Foundation. A significant portion of this site was permanently conserved in 2016 for agricultural purposes.

## 20. Daughters of the American Revolution Monument

Erected on Camp Hill in 1911. It was relocated to the intersection of Rawson Avenue and Maple Road.

## 21. Lindbergh Marker

Located on the corner of Marshall and Bacon Streets, this marker notes Lindbergh's landing site at the old Oxford Airport.

## 22. Oxford Town Hall

Located in Oxford Center, this building is a memorial to veterans of the Civil War.

## 23. Oxford Memorial Building

The Oxford Memorial Building is an old Memorial High School along Main Street that is now used for municipal purposes as well as some community services.

## 24. French River Corridor and Trail

The French River originates in Leicester and meanders southward, through Oxford, until it reaches the Quinebaug River in Putnam, Connecticut. This area was recognized by Congress in 1994 as the Last Green Valley National Heritage Corridor and is preserved by local and state entities, the National Parks Service, residents, non-profits and other businesses, such as the Last Green Valley, inc. There have been many local and regional efforts to establish a shared-use path along the corridor, including in Oxford. The Town of Oxford is currently utilizing MassTrails funding for the design and engineering of a two-mile section of this shared-use path in town.

## 25. Mid-State Trail

The Mid-State Trail is a 92-mile hiking trail that travels through the middle of Massachusetts and through Oxford. Specifically, the trail extends from Rhode Island up to the Wapack Trail in New Hampshire. This trail has direct connections to Charlton, Sutton, and Douglas, with extended connections to additional communities. A Mid-State Trail trailhead on Lovett Road in

Oxford reopened in 2022 once an agreement was met between landowners and the Mid-State Trail Committee.

### **Unusual Geologic Features**

In addition to the typical geological characteristics of the land and soil, the Town of Oxford also has some more unique geological features.

#### **26. The Devil's Den (Clara Barton Cave)**

Located off Clara Barton Road and reached from the road to Lane Corporation using Stumpy Pond as a landmark.

#### **27. Larned Caves (27a or 27b on **Map 8**)**

Small boulder caves whose location is currently uncertain. Some research indicates they may be located off Ennis Road or near the crest of Rocky Hill.

#### **28. Rock Outcropping**

Located just north of Sutton Avenue overlooking what is now I-395. This outcropping is traditionally thought to have provided shelter to Native Americans.

#### **29. Rocky Hill Quarry**

The south end of Rocky Hill has been quarried for crushed stone since the settlement of the Huguenots and can be viewed from Fort Hill Road as well as the French River

### **Unique Environments**

Oxford has been designated by Congress as one of the 35 towns that make up the Quinebaug and Shetucket Rivers Valley National Heritage Corridor. It is in the northeastern part of the corridor, making it a gateway to the corridor from Worcester and Boston. This region has been recognized as a unique natural resource because it has retained its rural character within the most urbanized region of the country.

Known as “The Last Green Valley,” the area, which includes towns in Massachusetts and Connecticut, has retained important prehistoric archeological sites, diversified agriculture, excellent water quality, beautiful rural landscapes, and a large acreage of parks and other permanent space for recreation. The National Park Service describes The Last Green Valley as “...still notable for its quality of life and quality of place. Amid the enormous economic and population changes of the twentieth century, the region has retained its fundamental attributes of lush pastures and woodlands, clean streams, rivers, ponds, and lakes; small cities and smaller towns representing important developments in American history; and continuing opportunities for individuals and families to enjoy a rural, small-town lifestyle.”

## **Reconnaissance Report**

Shortly after the previous update to this Open Space and Recreation Plan was published, the Town of Oxford participated in the Department of Conservation and Recreation's Heritage Landscape Inventory Program. The deliverable for this program was the Oxford Reconnaissance Report, which details the natural and historic nature of the Town as well as specific relevant resources. With the guidance of many residents and the support of the Oxford Historical Commission, key findings from this report include resources with high visual value that are worthy of protection.

Both Oxford Center and the French River Corridor are listed in this report, as well as four locations that are under private ownership. These locations offer local historic and scenic value and are recognized as an asset by many community members: the Eames Pond Mill Site on Sutton Avenue, the French Gardens off Fort Hill Road, Cassavant Farm on Fort Hill Road, Buffalo Hill Farm on Dana Road.

## **Natural Heritage BioMap**

The Natural Heritage BioMap is an innovative tool created by the Massachusetts Department of Fish and Game and the Massachusetts Nature Conservancy Program. This publicly accessible tool maps out a variety of components of the Massachusetts landscape, including identified core habitat areas to rare species and critical natural landscapes that abut these identified core habitats.

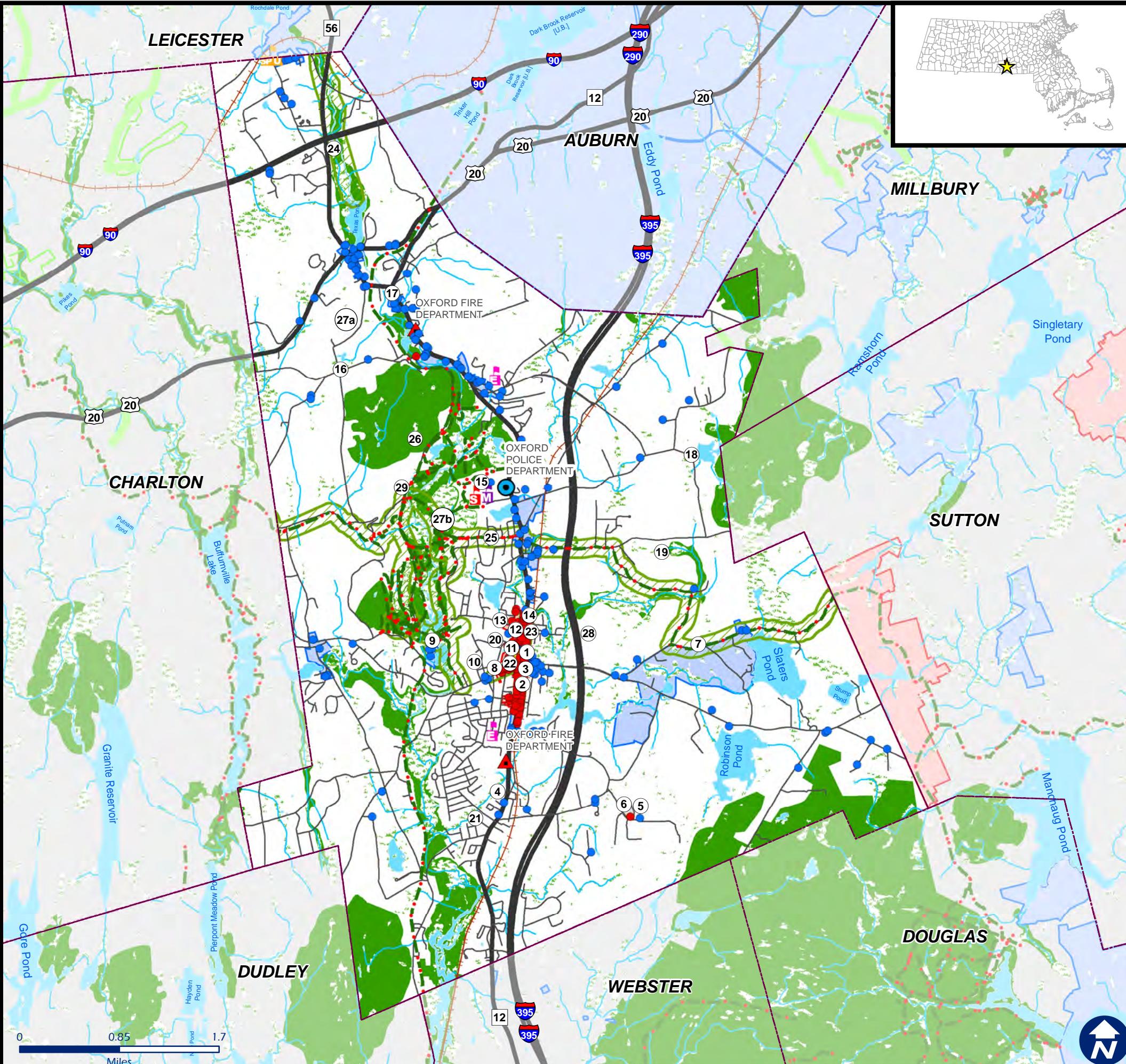
More specifically, the identified core habitat includes lands that are critically important to the survival of rare species. Also, the identified habitat includes more unique natural communities or resilient ecosystems. Critical natural landscapes also include coastal ecosystems and blocks that are minimally impacted by development.

BioMap also provides town specific reports, which can be used to determine the percentage of land in a town that is considered core habitat, and the percentage of that land that is protected. In Oxford, 16.7% of the land is considered core habitat, but only 4.5% of that land, or less than 800 acres, is currently protected. Of this 16.7% of land that is considered core habitat, 1,876.3 acres are rare species core, 424 acres are forest core, 1,238.9 acres are aquatic core, and 450.3 acres are wetlands core. The Town of Oxford also has 25 NHESP certified vernal pools, mostly situated on the Hodges Village Dam property owned by the Army Corps of Engineers. In total, Oxford has 540.3 acres of vernal pool core.

Additionally, 31.4% of Oxford's land is considered critical natural landscape, but only 6.5% of that land is protected. This highlights a need for increased protection and, potentially, town acquisition. Critical natural landscape is a vital component of a town and area's character, as it supports native wildlife species and provides scenic and cultural value to residents and visitors.

# MAP 8 SCENIC RESOURCES & UNIQUE ENVIRONMENTS

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Town Boundary	Schools (PK-12)(05/2022)
River, Stream	Public Elementary
Lake, Pond	Public Middle
MassDEP Wetlands	Public Secondary
Active Rail Service	Special Education (Unapproved)
Major Road	
Local Road	
Trails	
Scenic Roads	
Priority Preservation Area	
Town Hall (07/2017)	
Police	
Fire Dept. (9/2022)	
Locally Identified Points of Interest (including Priority Preservation Areas and Unusual Geologic Features)	
Inventoried Property	Nat'l Register of Historic Places
Nat'l Register of Historic Places	Preservation Restriction
Preservation Restriction	Inventoried Area
Local Historic District	NHESP/TNC BioMap - Core Habitat

Please refer to Section 4, Sub-Section F, *Scenic Resources and Unique Environments*, of this OSRP for the key to the numbered icons on this map.

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## **G. Environmental Challenges**

### **Hazardous Waste and Brownfield Sites**

162 hazardous waste release sites have been reported in Oxford since 1985 according to the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection. Most of these sites are businesses that deal with oil or other hazardous materials. The following seven sites are currently open, while the other 154 are closed.

1. American Polymers 235 Old Webster Road
2. Residence 3 Harwood Street
3. Food N Fuel FMR 117 Main Street
4. Residential Property 36 ½ Dana Road
5. Brennan Property 17 Old Charlton Road
6. Oxbow Road and Route 20
7. Route 56, 100 feet north of Route 20

The following four sites have use limitations despite being closed:

1. Webster Spring Garage 434 Main Street
2. McCarthy Motors 217 Main Street
3. Two sites at Orchard Hill Estates 165 Sutton Ave
4. Gas Station 109 South Main Street

This high number of hazardous waste sites is of grave concern since many Oxford businesses are located on Main Street within a Zone II water supply protection area. The Moscoffian Property at 233 Old Webster Road has ground contamination, and the Town recently completed, with CMRPC's assistance, a brownfields assessment of the site.

### **Landfills**

Oxford's unlined 5-acre municipal landfill closed in 1987 and was capped in 1991. The Massachusetts DEP certified the completion of the cap in 1995. The landfill is not believed to be a source of any environmental contamination. Three other landfills in Oxford are listed in the Massachusetts DEP's landfill inventory: Martin Brothers Farm Dump located on Kelley Street, the part municipally owned Oxford Airport Landfill on Federal Hill Road, and the municipally owned old Oxford Dump on Federal Hill Road. None of these landfills are lined or capped, and it is unknown if they pose a threat to the environment. There have been concerns from some nearby residents regarding groundwater contamination sourcing from the old Oxford Dump on Federal Hill Road; the Town has been in contact with CMG Environmental, the company who monitors the groundwater at the landfill so that it can address these concerns. Much of the

property where the Martin Brothers Dump has been converted into a solar power generation facility. There are several inactive, privately-owned dumping grounds in town.

A solid waste transfer station called Casella Waste Systems operates in Oxford at 200 Leicester Street. It is currently permitted by DEP to receive 650 tons per day of construction and demolition waste and municipal solid waste. Bright Feeds, a zero-waste recycling company that converts food waste to animal feed, will open a facility in 2024 at 235 Old Webster Road.

### **Impaired Water Bodies**

The Massachusetts DEP monitors the contamination of local water bodies in and near Oxford. The purpose of this monitoring work is to develop a “pollution budget” that can be used to help restore the health of impaired water bodies in the region. This work identifies the source(s) of excess nutrients from point source and non-point (indirect) discharges into water bodies, determines the maximum amount of nutrients that could be received by each water body, and develops strategies to reduce these nutrient discharges and stop degradation of water quality in regional surface water bodies. **Table 27** below identifies the waters in Oxford that appear on DEP’s “303d” list of impaired water bodies.

**Table 27:**  
**List of Impaired Waters in Oxford**

Name	Size (Ac/Length in Mi)	Stressor
Carbuncle Pond	11	Harmful Algal Blooms
French River	13.4*	Mercury in Fish Tissue
Wellington Brook	3.4**	Escherichia Coli, Lack of Coldwater Assemblage, Temperature

**Source: MassDEP List of Impaired Water Bodies**

\*Partially in Webster, Leicester, and Dudley

\*\* Partially in Auburn

Carbuncle Pond is the impaired water body in town that the OSRP planning committee is the most concerned about. The bacteria and algal blooms that are impairing the pond’s waters have prevented people from swimming in the pond for much of the first few years after the Carbuncle Beach House was built. The beach house was built to improve people’s experiences at the pond, and the committee would like increased town capacity for pond maintenance and the restoration of the pond to be priorities so people can enjoy the pond to the full extent.

### **Erosion, Sedimentation, and Storm Water**

As development increases in Oxford, the remaining land undergoing construction is increasingly on challenging slopes and in close proximity to wetlands. Lowe’s Pond, which is located south of Sutton Avenue and near Route 395, for example, has in the past been the object of concern and

frequent site visits in recent years as development of a shopping plaza near its shores has triggered erosion and siltation into its waters. As of 2024, erosion and siltation at Lowes Pond is not a major concern.

In response to the issues at Lowe's Pond and in other places around town, Oxford added three new chapters to its General Bylaws in 2005: Chapter Sixty-six, Discharges to the Municipal Storm Drain System; Chapter Sixty-seven, Stormwater Management and Land Disturbance; and Chapter Sixty-eight, Stormwater Management Requirements; each of these chapters seeks to regulate discharges into the municipal storm sewer system as well as the streams and waterways in town. Stormwater Management in town is overseen by the Oxford Department of Public Works, the Conservation Commission, and the Planning Board. The Stormwater Management Bylaw was updated in May 2021 with the amending of Chapter Sixty-seven and the repeal of Chapter Sixty-eight.

The Town also adopted the Robinson Pond Protection District Bylaw in May of 2006. This bylaw provides controls over the intensity and type of land use around Robinson Pond; it therefore protects the pond's water quality from the adverse impacts of stormwater runoff and on-site sewage disposal which can be caused by residential development.

Much of Oxford is within US EPA Automatically Designated MS4 Areas. An MS4, or a Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System, is a publicly owned conveyance or conveyance system for stormwater within the USA which is not part of a sewer treatment plant, publicly owned treatment works, or combined sewer. It is important for Oxford to continue obtaining NPDES (National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System) permits and developing stormwater management programs so that contaminants detrimental to human and environmental health are not present in MS4s in town.

### **Chronic Flooding**

The French River runs the length of the Town of Oxford and has been a focal point of development throughout the Town's history, including its agricultural and industrial past. Today, as events of fluvial flooding, also known as riverine flooding, become more frequent and intense throughout the northeast, Oxford's open space and recreational assets, as well as developed areas, may be at risk.

The Town of Oxford is currently completing their Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP), which identifies flooding as a medium risk for the Town. Specifically, as climate change effects worsen, the Town may experience more intense and frequent downpours as well as more severe storms in general. This poses a significant risk to vulnerable populations who may have trouble evacuating flood prone areas. Additionally, flooding poses a threat to buildings that may be within flood prone areas, including critical infrastructure, such as emergency response facilities.

Furthermore, more frequent and intense instances of flooding can cause well-water contamination, septic failure, financial pressure, and eutrophication, or the excessive growth of algae and plants in water bodies.

The Town of Oxford also recently completed their Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) Plan with assistance from the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission (CMRPC). The 2023 Oxford MVP Plan identifies various areas in Town that experience periodic flooding due to drainage issues or problem culverts. The following specific locations are identified in this MVP Plan:

- Holman Street
- Dana Road (culvert was recently replaced but flooding remains a concern)
- Main Street (roadway flooding linked to overwhelmed underground drainage)
- Turk Hollow Road
- Sutton Avenue & Turk Hollow
- Old Webster Road & Country Lane
- Hartwell Road
- Hall Road
- Wellington Road
- Main Street
- Chestnut Hill Road
- Birchwood Terrace (DPW recently completed drainage improvements but flooding remains a concern)
- Main Street South of Pratt Avenue
- Water Street
- Sutton Avenue and Lind Street
- Sutton Avenue between Lovett Road & Fort Hill Road (caused by beaver dam)
- Main Street near State Street & Lowe's Brook
- Prince Street
- Pinedale Drive Culvert & Pond Overtopping
- Route 12 (both flooding & icing are concerns)
- Jackson Court
- Backyard flooding south of Grassy Pond
- West Industrial Drive (culvert problems and road washout)
- Robins Road culvert

The current Oxford Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) also identifies the high hazard and significant hazard dams in Town. High hazard dams refer to dams that pose a risk to human life in the event of a dam failure; significant hazard dams, on the other hand, pose an economic risk

and/or a risk to critical infrastructure. The Town of Oxford has two dams that are identified as high hazard: the Hodges Village Dam and the Chimney Pond Dam. In the future, the Town of Oxford may consider pursuing efforts to reinforce and update these dams.

Unrelated to the integrity of the Hodges Village Dam, the Hodges Village Flood Management Area's Disc Golf course as well as Greenbriar Park's baseball field have experienced instances of repeated flooding in the past. Specifically, intense downpours have caused these areas to flood on multiple occasions. It is also worth noting that this general area, North Oxford, was severely impacted by the flooding that occurred throughout the French River subbasin in August of 1955. Following this flooding event, the Army Corps of Engineers constructed the Hodges Village Flood Management Dam.

### **Solar Energy**

A "Large-Scale Ground Mounted Solar Energy Systems" Zoning Bylaw was passed by the Town of Oxford in June 2020. The purpose of this bylaw is to regulate the development of these systems "by providing standards for the placement, design, construction, operation, monitoring, modification and removal of such systems". The goal of this bylaw is to address public safety, minimize impacts on scenic, natural, and historic resources and to provide adequate assurance for the eventual decommissioning of such installations. At the time this OSRP was updated (2023 - 2024), large scale mounted solar is allowed in all zoning districts in Oxford and land clearing for solar installations is limited to 30% of the total parcel.

### **Development Impact**

The Town of Oxford is regarded as a bedroom community, or commuter town, attributed to the high number of residents who do not work in Town. Oxford's location along I-395 provides easy on- and off-access to commuters. According to five-year estimates from the 2022 American Community Survey, 15.50% of Oxford residents travel 30 to 34 minutes to work. So, although Oxford has an average number of residents compared to its surrounding communities, many of these residents are commuters, and it is important that the Town takes strides towards protecting its assets and character from increased development and urban sprawl.

Due to rapid growth, the Town adopted a growth management zoning bylaw in 2005 that was active through 2010. This bylaw restricted the number of homes that may be built on a parcel of land and allowed the Town time to study the needs of the community, refurbish infrastructure, and study growth patterns to maintain rural character while allowing for growth that did not burden existing residents. Although both the State and County populations rose from 2010 to 2020, the Town of Oxford's population has declined, and is estimated to have declined further since the census. Currently, the Town's population density is 485.35 people per square mile. The recent decline in population may be attributed to the rising costs associated

with homeownership. However, with rising populations in the County and State, the Town should expect growth and the effects of urban sprawl, which may warrant various protections against excessive development of valuable open space land and potential recreational areas. Going forward, the Town of Oxford may consider requesting that all new developments also implement an adequately sized recreation area or set aside some open space within the area of development. Any set-aside open space may be used for either passive and/or active outdoor recreation.

The Town of Oxford's recently completed Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) Plan details how there has been a recent increase in residential development. Since 2016, there have been 49 new single-family homes constructed, along with two duplexes and two triplexes. Although it seems unlikely that the location of the newly developed homes will impact the Town's vulnerability to any natural hazards, many of these developments are occurring on the outskirts of Town and away from the Town Center. This type of sprawled development impacts the local environment through increased impervious surface cover, increased stormwater runoff contamination, and overall, more disturbed landscapes. The runoff of contaminated stormwater, however, is also an issue near the Town Center. Carbuncle Pond has been negatively affected by contaminated stormwater runoff, causing this rare kettle pond to have water quality issues.

Recently, there has also been an increase in commercial and industrial development, which may impact the Town's population in the future. For example, various private developments were mentioned in the *Growth and Development Patterns* section of this Plan that may heed increased interest in residency in the Oxford area. Overall, the Town may consider bylaw revisions or other measures that protect open space land and recreational assets from the effects of increased development and urban sprawl. However, future development in Oxford is constrained by the location of water lines and existing sewage capacity, as many homes rely on private systems.

### **Forestry Issues**

The Town of Oxford's land cover is 65.5% forested, according to the 2016 land use data provided by MassGIS. This percentage includes forested wetlands; without including forested wetlands, Oxford is 59% forested, with 10,353.97 acres of evergreen and deciduous forests. Since the development of the previous plan, the percentage of forested land has declined by 3.7%. Additionally, 1,309 acres of land have been developed in Oxford since 1971. Both the decline in forested land and increase in developed land underscore the importance of protecting remaining forested areas.

As extreme weather events increase in severity and frequency, the Town of Oxford may experience some forestry issues. For example, severe snowstorms, ice storms, and nor'easters

as well as severe thunderstorms and windstorms are all identified as a high risk in the Town's Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP). These events pose a risk to trees throughout Town; thus, the Town's Department of Public Works (DPW) and Tree Warden should continue to practice sustainable forestry management. Hurricanes and flooding are identified in the Oxford HMP as a medium risk and should also be considered throughout sustainable forestry practices. Furthermore, although wildfires and bushfires are identified as a low risk in the Town of Oxford, these events should also be considered as extreme heat events become more frequent. Notably, according to land use data provided by MassGIS, 98.3% of structures in the Town of Oxford are within 200 feet of forested areas, highlighting how wildfires pose a risk to both wildlife habitat and residents and their property.

Another major forestry issue observed by the Town and the Oxford OSRP Planning Committee is clear-cutting for solar development. As previously described in the Environmental Challenges section of this Plan, the Town recently passed a "Large-Scale Ground Mounted Solar Energy Systems" bylaw to better regulate the development of these systems. Before this bylaw was approved, there were five large-scale ground mounted solar projects in development in Oxford. This type of solar energy system is a major threat to valuable and resilient forestland cover. So, the Oxford OSRP Planning Committee would instead recommend that future solar developments also consider solar canopies over existing parking lots in order to avoid increased impervious surface cover and the need for clear-cutting.

### **Environmental Equity**

Environmental equity refers to analyzing the distribution of open space and recreation resources in a town and identifying any gaps in where they are located. There are various factors that contribute to environmental equity in addition to access to open space and recreational land, such as access to clean air, water, and soil or relative burden of environmental hazards. As is evident in the open space inventory map at the end of *Inventory of Lands of Conservation and Recreation Interest* section, undeveloped land and water resources are spread out throughout the Town of Oxford. There is also Town-owned open space and recreation land in various location throughout Town, as well as some state and federally owned open space and recreation land, such as the Merril Pond Wildlife Management Area (WMA) and the Hodges Village Dam Flood Protection Area, respectively. Nonetheless, the Oxford OSRP Planning Committee prioritizes the increased protection of open space and other undeveloped areas as well as increased management of and access to existing recreational facilities. By increasing the protection of undeveloped open spaces in Town and improving the maintenance of and access to existing recreational facilities, environmental equity in Town would be enhanced.

## Global Climate Change

Massachusetts residents and people everywhere are growing more conscious about how their daily habits and routines may impact global climate change. For example, excessive use of personal vehicles that are powered by internal combustion engines contributes to the greenhouse effect. As the effects of climate change worsen and instances of extreme weather are becoming more frequent, Massachusetts residents are realizing that the State must take action to reduce our environmental impact. Climate change threatens to decrease biodiversity in conservation lands and natural disasters damage open spaces and recreational areas, making climate resiliency an important aspect of open space planning.

The rapid spread of invasive species is also recognized as a threat to natural resources in Oxford. Japanese knotweed is an herbaceous perennial that thrives along roadsides and riverbanks. Knotweed is also allelopathic, meaning it releases chemicals that deter the growth of nearby plants. Knotweed has a shrubby appearance and can grow from six to fifteen feet, forming dense thickets that pose a threat to riparian vegetation. Knotweed is able to survive and thrive in various extreme weather events, from extreme drought and heat to flooding. Oriental bittersweet is a deciduous vine that also thrives along roadsides and rivers. Bittersweet can reach the height of forty to sixty feet, often climbing up trees and smothering them. Overall, the plant is hardy, and its seeds germinate easily, overtaking the presence of the American bittersweet. For these reasons, the management of invasive species is crucial in terms of maintaining native biodiversity in the face of climate change.

In addition to invasive plant species, the Town of Oxford has also had confirmed cases of invasive pest infestations. Specifically, the Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources (MDAR) has documented the existence of emerald ash borer in Oxford, as well as most other Massachusetts municipalities. The emerald ash borer undergoes four distinct life stages: egg, larvae, pupae, and the beetle. In Massachusetts this life cycle is typically completed in one year. The larvae feed on the inner bark of ash trees, causing canopy and limb loss and eventually tree death. These borers are generally spread by the movement of firewood. The Forest Ecosystem Monitoring Cooperative (FEMC) has also documented the existence of gypsy moth, more recently known as spongy moth, in Oxford. However, spongy moths spread to every Massachusetts municipality in the 1920's and have remained a threat to forest health since. Spongy moth egg masses contain up to 500 eggs which hatch into caterpillars that go on to feed on trees' leaves. The eventual adult male moths' mate with the females, continuing the lifecycle of these pests and posing a hazard to entire groves. Overall, invasive pests such as the emerald ash borer and spongy moth are growing more prevalent throughout Central Massachusetts, putting increased stress on native trees, limiting their ability to withstand the effects of climate change.

The Town of Oxford is also committed to mitigating its environmental impact and is now certified as a Massachusetts Green Community. The Massachusetts Green Communities Division provides grants and technical assistance to help reduce municipalities' energy use and costs through the implementation of clean energy projects in municipal buildings, facilities, and schools. The Town of Oxford is also completing their final report for the Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) program. This program aids Towns to comprehensively plan for climate change and Town-wide resiliency. Once designated as an MVP community, the Town will be eligible for additional support from the MVP program through action grants. Moreover, the Town of Oxford is developing a Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) which is another Statewide tool which forms the foundation of a community's long-term strategy to reduce or prevent losses of life, injuries, and property damage that result from natural disasters.

### **Infrastructure and Environmental Issues Survey**

CMRPC staff prepared and distributed a survey on infrastructure and environmental issues in Oxford to the OSRP Committee, town staff, and town board and committee members. This survey was separate from the public OSRP survey, and six responses were received.

Pressures on the Town's open spaces and recreational, cultural, agricultural, and historical resources described by the Town stakeholders who responded to the survey included: increased development, the pollution of some town ponds (especially Carbuncle Pond, which is especially important because the Town's public beach is on it), minimal government funding for preservation, maintenance, and development of facilities as well and the acquisition of chapter lands by the Town, many groups vying for limited recreational and youth sports venues in Town, and global warming.

Future development projects that could impact open spaces and recreational, cultural, agricultural, and historical resources that respondents described included: new homes, a new large warehouse development/logistics center, and French River Trail improvements. The large warehouse development/logistics center was seen by respondents as possibly causing negative impacts. One respondent highlighted how new businesses and economic development leads to the positive of increased tax benefits, while another respondent pointed out that every new development impacts the Town's natural resources.

Respondents all either thought that historical and cultural resources in town were not well-known and advertised, only thought that some of these resources were well-known and advertised, or were unsure about this question. Most of the respondents thought that the Town's historical and cultural resources are well-protected or were unsure regarding this question. One respondent highlighted that the Oxford Community Center should be better protected as a historical building that was built as a memorial high school after World War Two and that is in need of renovations.

# Section 5: Inventory of Lands of Conservation & Recreation Interest



## Section 5: Inventory of Lands of Conservation and Recreation Interest

This section contains an inventory of the public and private open space currently present in Oxford. As the term is used here, open space signifies land that is publicly owned or owned by a nonprofit and permanently or temporarily set aside for conservation or recreation purposes; for this plan's purposes, it also signifies land that is privately owned by individual and businesses and is permanently or temporarily set aside for recreation or management of natural resources.

Open space protection is important for a variety of reasons and has an array of benefits. Open space generally refers to any fields, forests, trails, parks, or playgrounds of significant size. Protected open space refers to any of these places that are protected in perpetuity and managed for conservation, recreation, or agricultural purposes. Open spaces are vital components of every community, as they offer residents access to green spaces. Access to green, open spaces generally coincides with improved mental and physical health. Protecting open spaces also services the local ecosystem, ensuring the preservation of wildlife habitat, the protection of water and soil quality, and the promotion of important resiliency functions, such as trees serving as riparian vegetation. Moreover, protecting open spaces not only serves residents and the ecosystem, but also protects communities from the effects of urban sprawl and excessive development. The Town of Oxford recognizes the significant role that open space protection plays in the function of the community.

**Table 28:**  
**Summary of Open Space Ownership**

Ownership Type	GIS Acres	Percent (%)
Federal	840.35	52.72
Land Trust	4.34	0.27
Municipal	43.04	2.7
Private for Profit	343.31	21.54
State	363.08	22.78

The Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE) owns the largest unfragmented tract of open space in Oxford. 1,130 acres of land along the French River around the Hodges Village Dam in central Oxford was taken by the ACOE in order to protect downstream properties from flood damage. The Army Corps allows a variety of recreational activities on this property and maintains an extensive Hodges Village Dam trail network that offers hiking access to extensive natural areas within the property. The Corps also provides active recreational facilities at Greenbriar for use by local recreation programs. Canoeing and kayaking are also offered on the property; parking and put-in are available at Augetteback Pond. The River is usually quite calm and provides opportunities for quiet reflection in and enjoyment of nature.

## Private Parcels

### Permanent Protection

#### 1. Conservation Restrictions

Conservation restrictions (CRs) are legally binding agreements which ensure permanent protection of land for conservation purposes while allowing limited land uses compatible with this conservation. As per Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 184, Sections 31-33, they need approval “in the public interest” from the state’s Secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs. They can be granted by private or public landholders to governmental units and conservation-oriented non-profits, and they can be granted to more than one organization.

The Dudley Conservation Land Trust is a volunteer-run 501(c)3 land trust which manages almost 350 acres of conservation land in Dudley as well as Oxford. In Oxford, it manages a small part of Slater Woods on the border with Dudley as well as the Leovich Landing Conservation Area. Slater Woods is a second growth forest of oak, maple, and pine trees which is around 75 acres large, and it is a corridor between other conservation areas. Leovich Landing Conservation Area surrounds a boat launch of the same name along the French River; this land is next to the projected French River Greenway route and could serve as a trailhead when this project moves forward.

**Table 29:**  
**Conservation Restrictions in Oxford**

	<b>GIS Acres</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Conservation Restriction</b>	28.79	100%
<b>(L) Land Trust</b>	4.34	15.08%
Slater Woods WCE	0.73	2.53%
Leovich Landing Conservation Area	3.61	12.55%
<b>(P) Private for Profit</b>	24.45	84.92%
Kulisa CR	24.45	84.92%

#### 2. Agricultural Preservation Restrictions

Agricultural preservation restrictions (APRs) are deed restrictions on agricultural land in which the state pays the landowner the difference between the “agricultural value” and “fair market value” of their land in return for the landowner being restricted from using the property in any way that negatively affects its future ability to support agriculture. The APR program is voluntary and is designed for farmers faced with a decision regarding the future use of their land; applications for the program are accepted on a rolling basis, are evaluated quarterly to

make sure they meet eligibility, and advance subject to available funding. To apply for an APR, the landowner's land must be at least 5 acres large, has to have been used for agriculture for the last two years preceding the application, and has to have produced "at least \$500 in gross sales per year for the first five acres plus \$5 for each additional acre or 50 cents per each additional acre of woodland and/or wetland." The goal of the APR program is to help the agricultural industry thrive in Massachusetts by making farming in the state more affordable while also preventing development on prime agricultural land which negatively impacts the environment.

As shown in **Table 30**, there are currently four APR properties in Oxford.

**Table 30:**  
**Agricultural Preservation Restrictions in Oxford**

	<b>GIS Acres</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>(P) Private for Profit (APR)</b>	318.86	100%
Kilinskas Anthony M APR	113.41	35.57%
Whittier Farm North APR	18.26	5.73%
Whittier Farm South APR	50.26	15.76%
Buffalo Hill Farm APR	136.93	42.94%

### Limited Protection

Individual private landowners that choose to retain their property for recreation, agriculture, or forestry may apply to the Town Board of Assessors for a tax abatement if they agree to keep their land undeveloped and productive. These undeveloped, productive, private open space properties are known as "chapter lands" because Massachusetts General Laws 61, 61A, and 61B establish the processes which encourage landowners to leave their property as, respectively, forested, agricultural, and recreational open space. The public benefits from chapter land remaining as protected open space as long as the agreement between the landowner and the Town stands. Communities also have the right of first refusal, and the ability to grant this right to a nonprofit, to buy any chapter lands which come up for sale to a potential developer within a year of the last time the parcel has been taxed under Chapter 61. Private landowners benefit from chapter designation because they receive a reduced tax assessment on their property. This reduced tax assessment means that the chapter land is assessed for its current open space use rather than its market value, which is frequently much higher if it is suitable for development.

1. Chapter 61

**Table 31:**  
**Chapter 61 Lands in Oxford**

Site Address	GIS Acres	%
<b>Chapter 61 Land</b>	<b>1,574.20</b>	<b>100%</b>
0 Brown Rd	37.5	2.38%
0 Charlton St	87.55	5.56%
0 Coughlin Rd	96.3	6.12%
0 Douglas Rd	13.77	0.87%
0 Joe Jenny Rd	81.48	5.18%
0 Larned Rd	213.2	13.54%
0 Leicester St	12.58	0.80%
0 Millbury Rd	27.46	1.74%
0 Old Charlton Rd	278.91	17.72%
0 Sacarrappa Rd	37.38	2.37%
0 Southbridge Rd	7.2	0.46%
0 Sutton Ave	91.2	5.79%
1 Wallace Ct	0.95	0.06%
120 Lovett Rd	67.4574	4.29%
17 Old Millbury Rd	11.1474	0.71%
18 Old Charlton Rd	14.0674	0.89%
252 Sutton Ave	13.8274	0.88%
27 Sacarrappa Rd	13.7574	0.87%
29 Clara Barton Rd	4.09	0.26%
3 Wallace Ct	59.5	3.78%
300 Sutton Ave	161.0048	10.23%
31 Clara Barton Rd	3.95	0.25%
31 Merriam Dist	108.28	6.88%
33 Clara Barton Rd	4.56	0.29%
35 Clara Barton Rd	0.98	0.06%
49 Larned Rd	22.5	1.43%
51 Federal Hill Rd	61.3108	3.89%
57 Brown Rd	8.1474	0.52%
9 Fort Hill Rd	34.1374	2.17%

2. Chapter 61 A

**Table 32:**  
**Chapter 61A Lands in Oxford**

<b>Site Address</b>	<b>GIS Acres</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Chapter 61A Land</b>	<b>1,764.81</b>	<b>100%</b>
0 Brown Rd	13.16	0.75%
0 Coughlin Rd	88.54	5.02%
0 Dana Rd	232.17	13.16%
0 Douglas Dr	114.65	6.50%
0 Douglas Rd	62.36	3.53%
0 Federal Hill Rd	87.9	4.98%
0 Fort Hill Rd	25.24	1.43%
0 Holbrook Rd	24.32	1.38%
0 Hudson Rd	23.4	1.33%
0 Larned Rd	26.82	1.52%
0 Lovett Rd	56.94	3.23%
0 Main St	32	1.81%
0 McIntyre Rd	87.77	4.97%
0 Merriam Dist	41.183	2.33%
0 Millbury Rd	5.7	0.32%
0 Old Southbridge Rd	3.73	0.21%
0 Old Webster Rd	37.04	2.10%
0 Sutton Ave	35.11	1.99%
100 Huguenot Rd	17.54	0.99%
103 Federal Hill Rd	129.41	7.33%
11 McIntyre Rd	3.83	0.22%
11 Old Millbury Rd	14.56	0.83%
110 Depot Rd	9.5983	0.54%
12 McIntyre Rd	29.55	1.67%
17 Douglas Rd	17.6174	1.00%
178 Federal Hill Rd	32.4374	1.84%
194 Sutton Ave	3.86	0.22%
2 Whiting Rd	25.56	1.45%
223 Federal Hill Rd	4.2974	0.24%
230 Sutton Ave	29.3	1.66%
25 Douglas Rd	2	0.11%
26 Fort Hill Rd	37.18	2.11%

299 Sutton Ave	14.9974	0.85%
3 Old Millbury Rd	14.23	0.81%
31 Ennis Rd	7.3574	0.42%
33 Ennis Rd	11.03	0.62%
37 Holbrook Rd	20.19	1.14%
38 Mcintyre Rd	2	0.11%
38 Merriam Dist	10.2683	0.58%
40 Mcintyre Rd	2	0.11%
40 Whiting Rd	6.8	0.39%
41 Hudson Rd	11.54	0.65%
41 Whiting Rd	4.57	0.26%
44 Mcintyre Rd	8.01	0.45%
45 Clara Barton Rd	23.7274	1.34%
45 Lovett Rd	55.9974	3.17%
50 Main St	26.25	1.49%
52 Hudson Rd	26.2874	1.49%
63 Pleasant St	42.95	2.43%
64 Old Webster Rd	15.5	0.88%
66 Hudson Rd	31.45	1.78%
74 Old Southbridge Rd	9.57	0.54%
Fort Hill Rd	65.31	3.70%

3. Chapter 61 B

**Table 33:**  
**Chapter 61B Lands in Oxford**

Site Name	GIS Acres	%
<b>Chapter 61B Land</b>	<b>562.24</b>	<b>100%</b>
0 Brown Rd	58.2983	10.37%
0 Depot Rd	34.5888	6.15%
0 Hudson Rd	8.48	1.51%
0 Lovett Rd	26.61	4.73%
0 Millbury Rd	36.55	6.50%
0 Old Worcester Rd	57.7974	10.28%
0 Russell Ln	12.09	2.15%
0 Walcott St	15.0091	2.67%
15 Lovett Rd	50.2983	8.95%
2 Douglas Rd	10.9448	1.95%
26 Maple Ave	18.66	3.32%
26 Old Charlton Rd	12.1574	2.16%
26a Conlin Rd	9.1548	1.63%
33 Ennis Rd	11.03	1.96%
49 Old Southbridge Rd	22.8531	4.06%
60 Hudson Rd	28.1874	5.01%
60 Mt Pleasant St	55.2374	9.82%
65 Dana Rd	13.7965	2.45%
71 Old Worcester Rd	49.9953	8.89%
80 Old Worcester Rd	17.21	3.06%
98 Federal Hill Rd	13.29	2.36%

**Public Parcels**

Federal and State Lands

The Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE) owns and manages the Hodges Village Dam property in Oxford; also, a very small part of the Buffumville Lake property owned and managed by ACOE, which mostly is in Charlton, is in Oxford.

A small part of Douglas State Forest is in southeastern Oxford, and Oxford is also home to two state-managed and owned wildlife management areas, of which Merrill Pond WMA is by far the larger.

**Table 34:**  
**Federal and State Lands in Oxford**

Site Name	Owner	GIS Acres	Public Access
<b>(F) Federal</b>			
Hodges Village Dam Flood Risk Management Project	Army Corps of Engineers	839.48	Yes
Buffumville Lake Flood Risk Management Project	Army Corps of Engineers	0.87	Yes
<b>(S) State</b>			
Douglas State Forest	Department of Conservation and Recreation - Division of State Parks and Recreation	29.56	Yes
Merrill Pond WMA	Department of Fish and Game	331	Yes
Little River WMA	Department of Fish and Game	2.52	Yes

#### Town-Owned Lands

The following table (**table 35** on the following page) includes information about all town-owned open space and recreation properties. It is worth noting that the Huguenot Fort property is on the National Register of Historic Places and also holds a Preservation Restriction, prohibiting any digging, excavating, or moving of materials. Additionally, Oxford's Carbuncle Pond is recognized as a Massachusetts Great Pond, and therefore protected by MGL Chapter 91: The Massachusetts Public Waterfront Act. Finally, both the 82 Charlton Street property and the 8 Sutton Avenue property were recently purchased by the Town towards the final stages of development of this Plan.

**Table 35:**  
**Town-Owned Open Space and Recreation Lands**

	Huguenot Fort	Ruel Fields	Carbuncle Pond Beach House	Treasurelands/Joslin Park Complex	North Oxford Little League Fields & Basketball Courts	82 Charlton Street/French River Welcome & Interpretive Center	8 Sutton Avenue
Managing Agency	Dept. Public Works; Hist. Com.	Recreation Commission; Dept. Public Works	Recreation Commission; Dept. Public Works	Recreation Commission; Dept. Public Works	Recreation Commission; Dept. Public Works	Dept. Public Works	Dept. Public Works
GIS Acres	8.69	34.35	27.60	12.90	9.0	1.00	0.35
Current Use	Scenic and historic resource viewing: Huguenot Fort Monument, descendent of Huguenot Oak Tree	Baseball, softball, basketball, soccer, open fields, disc golf course, recreational trails, benches, snack shack	Beach house, beach access, playground with swing set and slides, splash pad, picnic table, trails, grass areas, hill for winter sliding	Benches, playground, basketball, skate and bike park, soccer fields, open fields, aesthetic and scenic resource viewing	Youth baseball, adult and youth basketball, benches	Under-development; once developed, this site will serve as a French River Welcome & Interpretive Center	Gazebo, benches, landscaped area with fences in on three sides
Recreational Potential	Connections to recreational trails, ADA accessibility improvements	ADA accessible trails and paths to fields, playground for youth, street hockey court, paved and accessible parking lot, efficient lighting, increased maintenance	Water-quality improvements to resume swim lessons, increased maintenance, improved ADA access to beach and trails, kayak rentals, public events	Maintenance improvements, accessibility improvements, court leveling and lining, new youth activities for playground, shaded area	Maintenance improvements, accessibility improvements, landscape improvements, additional benches, electrical outlets for league play	This parcel is currently being developed to serve as the French River Welcome & Interpretive Center, including kayak launch and potential trail access	This parcel is currently being established as open space, including aesthetic and scenic resource viewing, benches, picnic tables/picnic area
Condition	Good	Fair	Good	Fair	Good	N/A	Excellent
Public Access	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

<b>Access for People with Disabilities</b>	Limited	Limited	Limited	Limited	Limited	Limited	Limited
<b>Zoning</b>	Rural Residential District	Residential District	Residential District	Residential District	Suburban District	Residential District	General Business District
<b>Protection Status</b>	National Register of Historic Places; Preservation Restriction	Limited	Chapter 91: Massachusetts Great Pond	Limited	Limited	Limited	Limited
<b>Grant Utilized (If applicable)</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Donated by Oxford Business Association

## **Recreation**

The Oxford Recreation Commission's current members include Joel Masley, Chairman, Eric Lambert, Vice Chairman, Gregory G. Gray, Wayne Alfred McFarland, Jody John Anderson, and Kerry A. Russell; Brenda Ennis is the recording clerk for the commission. The Commission's goals are to create and continue programs that enhance a wide range of recreational opportunities in Oxford and to develop recreational land for the use of the Town's citizens.

Oxford has several fields and trails for youth and adults alike to enjoy. Recent improvements have been made to many of the fields as a result of the hard work of the Recreation Committee. All fields are controlled by the Highway Department and operated by the Highway Department, the school maintenance team, and/or associated committees of the various leagues and teams. Most of the recreational fields and parks are lit at night for evening use and have plenty of parking areas. Most recreation areas in town have portable toilets available.

### **1. High School and Middle School Athletic Fields and Track**

The high school and middle school are located on Main Street, and the fields and track are between both schools, behind and beside the buildings. The principal use of the fields and track is for sports, which include soccer, baseball, football, softball, field hockey, and track. The ROTC also uses the fields for practicing their drills. The fields are open for public use by groups and individuals unaffiliated with the school; town residents use the track for walking and an adult soccer league plays games at the fields. There are lights for night games on the football field. The fields and structures (such as goals and bleachers) are in good repair and the area is kept free of trash and other debris.

### **2. North Oxford Little League Field**

This field is located on Main Street and there is ample parking available. The field is fenced-in, and the property includes bleachers, dugouts, and a batting cage, all of which are in good repair. There is also a working concession stand on the property; the Recreation Committee operates the stand for fund raising purposes. There are lights on the field for night games. Just outside the fenced-in area there is a basketball court called the North Court. The court is lit at night for informal pick-up games after work hours.

### **3. Greenbriar**

This is a large recreational area which is owned by the Army Corps of Engineers and leased to the Town of Oxford. It consists of two tennis courts, one pickleball court, two volleyball courts, two baseball fields, and a skateboard park. The Little League minor league field is also used for

T-ball. The baseball fields are fenced in and include bleachers and dugouts. There are restroom facilities available which are unlocked when the fields are being used. A rustic stone stage is also on the site. The baseball and softball fields and the tennis and pickleball courts are lit at night, but not all areas are illuminated, and the volleyball court and the skate park are not available for use after dusk.

The road entering Greenbriar is paved for the first 50 feet and is not in good repair. The rest of the road throughout the site is a dirt path. The fields, courts, and structures are in good repair and the area is clear of trash or other debris. There is some graffiti on the cement structures at the skateboard park. In addition to the playing fields, there are trails throughout the area for walking, biking, snowshoeing, and horseback riding.

#### 4. Carbuncle Pond

This pond is usually open for swimming, swimming lessons, and a summer program for children, and a lifeguard is usually on duty for most of the summer; problems in recent years with noxious algae and bacteria have prevented the pond from being open for swimming at some times, but the Town aims to restore the pond to a better condition where swimming can regularly occur during summer again. The Carbuncle Pond Beach House was built by students from Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical School and town staff and opened in 2019; the Carbuncle Splash Pad also opened in 2019, and there is also a playground near the Beach House up the hill across the street from the high school. There are picnic benches and grassy areas to enjoy as well near the pond. The area is clean and mowed, and the playground structures and picnic benches are in good repair. There is a trail that connects Greenbriar to Carbuncle Pond beach, and there is an opportunity to add signage to aid in wayfinding along this trail.

#### 5. Old Joslin School Field and Treasureland Playground

The Joslin Elementary School was demolished between 2006 and 2007; there are two outdoor basketball courts on the former site of the school. The field nearby was once used for various physical education activities as well as T-ball, but it is now mainly used for pee-wee soccer. Adjacent to the field is Treasureland Playground. The area is fenced in and contains swings, slides, a seesaw, and multiple climbing structures. There is a paved parking area near the playground, and the site is in excellent repair.

#### 6. Chaffee School and Clara Barton School

On both school properties, there are playgrounds for use by school children as well as for use by the public after school hours.

## 7. Ruel Fields

This field area currently has many soccer fields, three softball fields, two basketball courts (one of which does not have nets), a 9-hole disc golf course, walking trails, and a cement building with bathrooms. It offers a men's softball league, an adult Jack Benny Softball League, a men's soccer league, girl's lassie league softball, Oxford youth soccer, and T-ball. Beginning in the spring of 2006, a transformation took place here. A third softball field was built specifically for girls' teams, new soccer goals were added, new bathroom facilities were built, new seating areas were added, new access roads were added, all of the fields were upgraded, and scoreboards were re-done. A snack shack has been built and is open when games are being played. Fences were installed and trees were planted to make the area a more enjoyable place to visit. The equipment for a new play area for young children has been purchased by the Town, but it has not been installed yet and it is currently in storage.

### **Infrastructure and Environmental Issues Survey**

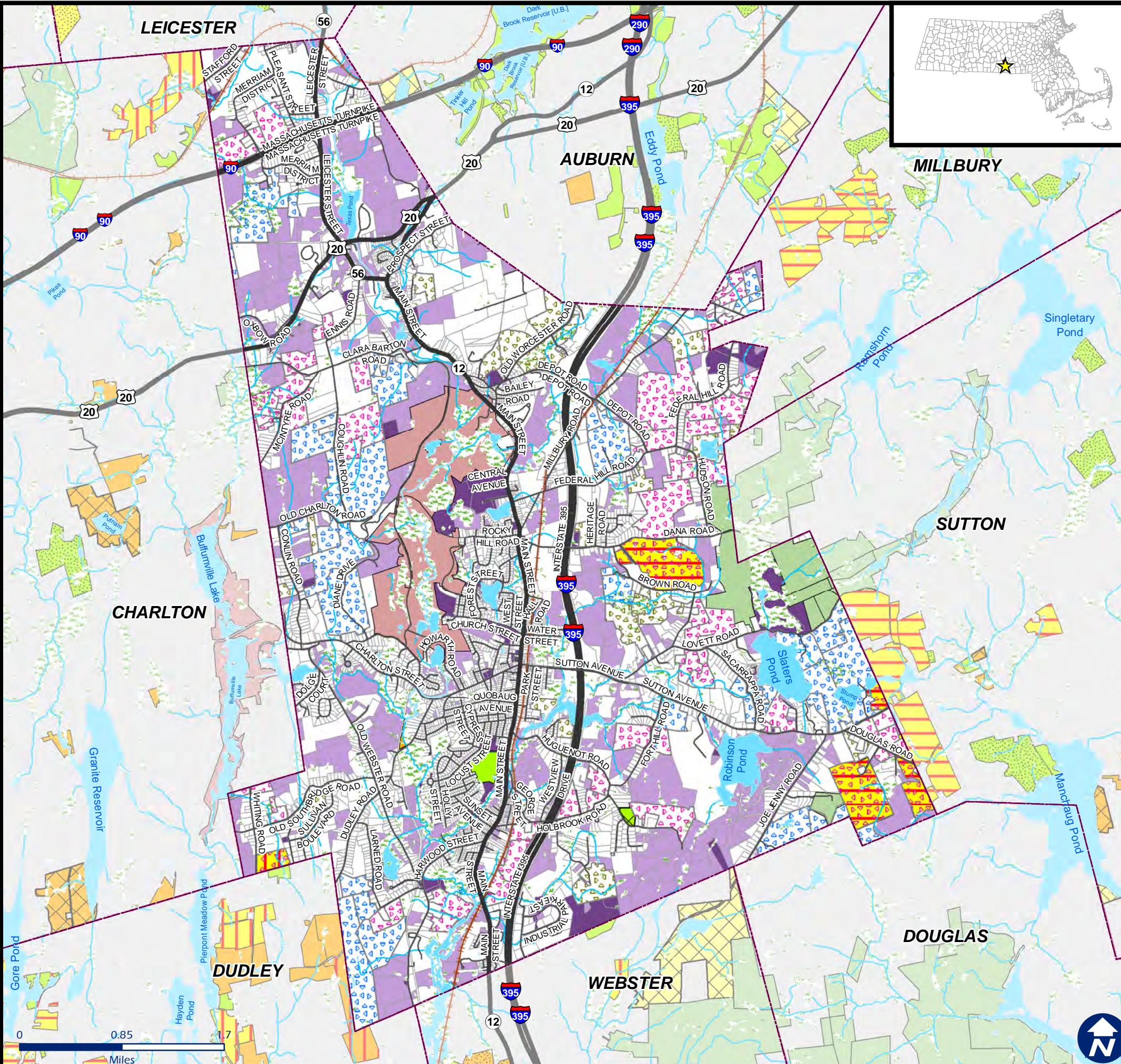
The following findings pertaining to recreation in Oxford are from the previously mentioned Oxford Infrastructure and Environmental Issues Survey completed by six members of the OSRP Committee, the Town's staff, and the Town's boards and committees.

Overall, the respondents agreed that there are adequate recreational opportunities in town, with one person stating that "this is an ever-improving area with recreation, historical and cultural areas being added and updated." However, another respondent highlighted the need for a dedicated recreation director with staff in town if the Town is going to make the most of recreational opportunities and another respondent described how recreational opportunities currently provided in town are primarily for youth.

Most respondents agreed that there were not adequate recreational opportunities for people from underserved populations, especially seniors, people with disabilities, and veterans. One respondent noted that "[We] need to continue ADA improvements and [provide] recreational/leisure spaces where our aging population [can] have safe access."

Respondents agreed that most of the Towns' open spaces and recreational resources are well-utilized but had more varying opinions of if they are well-advertised.

# Town of Oxford 2023 Open Space & Recreation Plan



## Legend

- Town Boundary
- River, Stream
- Lake, Pond
- MassDEP Wetlands
- Active Rail Service
- Major Road
- Local Road
- Town Owned Land (FY2023)
- Undeveloped Land (FY2023)

## Open Space Ownership (01/2023)

- Federal
- State
- Municipal - Conservation
- Municipal - Recreation
- Municipal - Water Supply Protection
- Municipal
- Private
- Non-Profit

## Level of Protection (01/2023)

- Perpetuity\*
- Limited
- None

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# Section 6: Community Vision



## **Section 6: Community Vision**

### **A. Description of Process**

The Town of Oxford has not engaged in a community-wide goal setting process for open space and recreation issues since the 2007 Open Space and Recreation Plan, and before that, for the 1988 Plan. To properly inform the goals and objectives included in this 2024 update, the Open Space and Recreation Plan Planning Committee resurged community engagement efforts, mainly through the facilitation of a public survey and a community workshop.

This Open Space and Recreation Plan planning process was generously supported by the Town of Oxford. The Town pursued planning assistance from the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission (CMRPC) staff under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 40B. The CMRPC staff and the OSRP Planning Committee then conducted thorough outreach to various residents who live and work for Oxford or who serve on any of the Town's many committees. Additionally, CMRPC reached out to people who served on the previous OSRP Planning Committee or who may otherwise have an interest in open space conservation and recreation.

Eventually, the Town convened eight residents at their first OSRP Planning Committee meeting on January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at the Oxford Town Hall. These eight individuals included:

1. Joel Masley, Chair of the Oxford Recreation Commission
2. Judy Lochner, Conservation Agent for the Oxford Conservation Commission
3. Roger McCarthy, Member of the Oxford Planning Board
4. Shelley Lambert, Director of the Oxford Community Center
5. Tony Sousa, Assistant Town Manager and Town Planner
6. Justin Leduc, Assistant Town Manager
7. Jennifer Callahan, Town Manager
8. Jared Duval, (former) Oxford DPW Director

These members continued to meet periodically over the next year on a total of ten occasions. The remaining nine meetings occurred on February 8<sup>th</sup>, March 8<sup>th</sup>, April #, May 10<sup>th</sup>, June 14<sup>th</sup>, July 19<sup>th</sup>, August 22<sup>nd</sup>, September 27<sup>th</sup>, and November 21<sup>st</sup>. After an initial review of the OSRP planning process and requirements as well as discussions of general aspirations and challenges related to conservation and recreation, the OSRP Planning Committee and the CMRPC staff began organizing their streamlined approach to public outreach. At the first meeting on January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023, using a public survey was confirmed as a major component of this outreach process, and the OSRP Planning Committee began brainstorming ideas for questions.

By the second committee meeting on February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023, public survey questions were thoroughly drafted and then promptly released to the public on February 12<sup>th</sup>. This survey was made available through SurveyMonkey, an online survey platform, and was open to the public for a period of two months. The survey included 25 questions which took the 233 total respondents an average of 24 minutes to complete. The online survey was promoted online via the Town's Facebook page, the Town's website, the Oxford Public School District's Electronic Backpack, and the Oxford Community Center's registration page. This same survey flyer as well as paper copies of the survey were available at the Oxford Town Hall, the Oxford Public Library, each of the public schools, the Oxford Community Center, and the Oxford Senior Center. After the public survey closed on April 10<sup>th</sup>, the results were used to draft goals for this Plan's Seven-Year action plan as well as engagement activities for the Oxford OSRP Community Night.

Notably, many survey respondents indicated that they would support the Town in protecting, acquiring, or improving town-owned land and water resources. Specifically, respondents prioritize the protection of groundwaters, surface waters, and wetlands, as well as lands for passive recreation and wildlife habitat rehabilitation. To achieve such protection, acquisition, or improvement, many respondents indicated that they would look favorably upon the Town allotting a portion of the Town budget to such actions or amending necessary bylaws. Additionally, survey respondents highlighted the importance of expanding passive recreation opportunities and opportunities specifically for youth. To achieve this, many residents specifically mentioned walking and hiking trails, pickleball, basketball, tennis, and even fishing. The results of this survey can be found in this Plan's appendix.

Similar comments were collected at the Oxford 2023 OSRP Community Night held at the Carbuncle Beach House on June 28<sup>th</sup>. This event was organized by CMRPC and the Oxford OSRP Planning Committee at prior meetings and was promoted using a variety of methods similarly used for the survey promotion, including a distribution of a virtual flyer on the Town's Facebook page. Table stations were organized by topic area, including trails, recreational programs and facilities, and mobility and accessibility. Priorities that emerged from these table stations and their activities included the preservation of existing trails and open space, the maintenance of existing town recreational facilities, as well as the development of new opportunities, especially for youth. Other priorities that were highlighted included accessibility improvements, wildlife viewing, and maintaining the Oxford Community Center as an asset.

Finally, CMRPC staff also developed an Environmental and Infrastructure Issues survey for the OSRP Planning Committee as well as other town staff and committee and board members. This survey targeted local conservation and recreation experts in an effort to gain local insight regarding environmental and infrastructure issues that the Town is facing. Despite continued outreach to Town staff, boards, and committees, the survey only received six responses. The

responses to this survey indicated that increased development, a lack of maintenance capacity, and global climate change are all issues that threaten the Town's local environment and infrastructure.

## **B. Statement of Open Space and Recreation Goals**

Throughout the outreach process for this OSRP, Oxford residents have clearly voiced their desire to maintain a small-town character and ensure that development will not hinder any historic, natural, or recreational resources. Additionally, residents want to take strides towards improving the maintenance of recreational facilities and the stewardship of their lands and waters while increasing opportunities for all residents, but especially for younger residents.

To illustrate these priorities, the Oxford OSRP Planning Committee developed a Seven-Year action plan with the following six goals:

1. Ensure the facilitation of this seven-year action plan
2. Preserve and amplify Oxford's historic character
3. Protect Oxford's natural resources
4. Enrich Oxford's recreational opportunities
5. Increase community engagement throughout the improvement of Oxford's historical, natural, and recreational resources
6. Improve access to Oxford's historical, natural, and recreational resources through improved transportation systems

Overall, the Town of Oxford and the Oxford OSRP Planning Committee prioritize protecting and improving maintenance of their historic, natural, and recreational assets while also enhancing outdoor recreation opportunities for all.

# Section 7: Analysis of Needs



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### A. Summary of Resource Protection Needs

The majority of the publicly accessible, protected open space in the Town of Oxford is owned by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Specifically, the Hodges Village Dam Flood Risk Control Area is nearly 840 acres, or 99.9%, of all Federally-owned protected open space in Oxford. The State also owns a large portion of protected open space. Over 91% of the State-owned open space is the Merril Pond Wildlife Management Area. Land under Agricultural Preservation Restrictions (APRs) make up the entirety of the privately-owned open space in Oxford.

One significant property in Oxford that is currently municipally-owned but unprotected is the site of the Huguenot Fort remains. This property is less than nine acres and is surrounded by many dwellings. Not only does this property have significant historical value, but also considerable scenic value. In the future, the Town may consider establishing permanent protection of this site.

The Town of Oxford has an abundance of undeveloped land (**Map 9**), which may be seen as an opportunity for increased development such as commercial, residential, and industrial buildings, or an opportunity to preserve land. Some of this undeveloped land is directly adjacent to identified core habitat and critical natural landscape, especially in southern Oxford and north of Hodges Village. Using the maps, inventories, and Seven-Year Action Plan from this Plan and tools such as BioMap, the Town of Oxford may choose to allocate funding toward the protection of unprotected, and undeveloped land.

To achieve increased protection, the Town of Oxford and its residents would benefit from increased consideration and promotion of the Community Preservation Act (CPA) and its benefits. Under the CPA, communities designate a local Community Preservation Fund to raise money for the protection of open space. These monies may also be used for historical preservation, outdoor recreation, and even affordable housing. The fund is accumulated through the imposition of a charge of not more than 3% of the tax levy against real property. However, the CPA may only be adopted through a ballot referendum. Residents have attempted to establish a Community Preservation Fund in Oxford in the past and failed. But with the increased threat of development and desire to preserve local assets, this mission may be possible with the help of local leaders.

Increased protection of natural lands, core habitats, and critical natural landscapes not only protect local ecosystems, but also the broader environment. As extreme weather events occur more frequently, land conservation is critical to mitigate devastating impacts. In addition to land acquisition and conservation, it is important to implement public education and outreach

about the importance of natural resources, recreation, and open space. These endeavors may involve youth populations and private landowners.

## **B. Summary of Community's Needs**

Community involvement played an integral role in this OSRP Planning Process. With roughly 13,300 residents, the Town of Oxford's population has declined in the past decade but is still expected to rise in the coming years. The Town, the Recreation Commission, and the Conservation Commission must continue to plan for the enhancement of open space and recreational resources available to residents. Through the public outreach process for this plan, maintaining a small-town character and protecting natural resources, especially from the impacts of development, were highlighted as a major priority. To strive towards these priorities, various related objectives were developed in the Seven-Year Action Plan, including ensuring future development will not hinder natural resources. Other priorities underscored throughout the outreach process included the maintenance of recreational facilities and the expansion of accessible opportunities for people of all ages.

### Community's Needs – Youth

The needs of the Town of Oxford's youth population were prioritized throughout this OSRP planning process. According to estimates from the 2021 American Community Survey, nearly 580 children in the Town of Oxford are under the age of five, 1,704 children are between the ages of five and fourteen, and 923 teenagers are between the ages of fifteen to nineteen. This means that nearly 24% of Oxford residents are under the age of 19. The majority of these children and teenagers are enrolled within the Oxford Public Schools, which offer a variety of recreational programs and resources to students. Nonetheless, improving maintenance of existing recreation facilities and enhancing existing opportunities for youth is a shared priority among the Oxford OSRP Planning Committee and the public.

Improved maintenance of existing recreational facilities would involve increased seasonal maintenance or expanded capacity to improve trails, courts, parks, or sports fields. Enhancing existing recreational opportunities would involve implementing improvements once expanded capacity has been achieved. Several actions were developed within this Plan's Seven-Year Action Plan that are specifically catered to the needs of youth. For example, under this Plan's Action Plan's goal to "enrich Oxford's recreational opportunities", an action was developed for promoting existing and establishing additional sports leagues for all ages, including youth. Another action prioritizes the improvement of signage along the trails behind the Oxford Public Schools, so students may enjoy trails with ease. Other priority actions that were developed as part of this Plan's Action Plan relate to increasing recreational opportunities for youth include improving the maintenance of the Town's recreational facilities, such as Ruel Fields, and supporting the implementation of the Ruel Field and Oxford Community Center improvements.

### Community's Needs – Older Adults

The needs of older adults were also considered throughout the development of this Plan. According to estimates from the 2021 American Community Survey, nearly 1,800 people in the Town of Oxford are over the age of 65. Many older adults participated in the public outreach efforts for this Plan, including the community survey and the public workshop. Many of the actions developed as part of this Plan's Action Plan relate to improved maintenance of existing recreational facilities or increased access to open spaces consider people of all ages, both youth and older adults. This includes improvements to recreational courts in Town, such as for both tennis and pickleball. Other actions that were identified as priorities for older adults include improving access to passive recreation opportunities, such as implementing better trail signage and including more accessible trail entrances where possible.

The emergent priority of addressing the needs of older adults in tandem with the needs of youth was underscored throughout the public outreach process for this Plan. For example, the first question of the community survey asked participants to share how often they visit the Town's recreational facilities for various reasons. Although 58 respondents indicated that they visit parks or open spaces weekly to participate in or watch youth sports leagues, 57 respondents indicated that they visit parks and open spaces rarely to participate in or watch adult sports leagues. This highlights how the needs of older adults need to be considered as much and as often as the needs of youth, as their participation in recreational activities and their utilization of recreational assets are similar.

### Community's Needs – People with Disabilities

In order to provide residents with equitable access to recreational opportunities, recreational facilities must be accessible. The need for accessibility considerations is highlighted by the fact that 6.9% of Oxford residents have a cognitive difficulty, 6.6% have an independent-living difficulty, and 5.7% have ambulatory difficulty. The Oxford OSRP Planning Committee recognized that the Town needs to make ADA improvements throughout Town and plans to use this Plan's ADA assessment to determine which recreational facilities need to be prioritized for accessibility improvements. The Oxford OSRP Planning Committee determined that accessibility improvements are needed at the Ruel Fields, along the access road to Greenbriar Recreation Area, and near the I-395 ramps along Sutton Avenue. These specific priorities are outlined in this Plan's Seven-Year Action Plan. More generally, the Action Plan prioritizes making wheelchair accessibility improvement wherever possible in the future, such as on ramps and bridges. This may include Ruel Fields, as the parking lot there is in need of improvements. The Action Plan also prioritizes offering more complete signage related to accessibility accommodations along the Town's trail network. Overall, the Town is committed to providing equitable open space and recreation opportunities.

## Other Needs

The Oxford OSRP Planning Committee recognizes that in addition to the needs of youth, older adults, and people with disabilities, it is also important to consider the needs of other underrepresented groups throughout the OSRP Planning Process. Other underrepresented groups may include low-income individuals and families, racial and ethnic minorities, and people who speak English as a second language or who have limited English-speaking proficiency. Underrepresented groups such as these were also considered throughout this OSRP planning process, including the development of this Plan's Action Plan. Specifically, the Town prioritizes raising awareness of Oxford historic, recreational, and natural and scenic amenities going forward. The Town also prioritizes improving access to water-based recreation and recreational trails, which would provide underrepresented groups increased access to public green spaces. Specifically, the Action Plan includes improving recreational trail signage so that it is more comprehensive, including the consideration of offering trail signage in Spanish, as nearly 3% of residents speak Spanish.

The identified needs of youth, older adults, and people with disabilities also mirror the overall needs and desires of Oxford residents, in general. Throughout the outreach process for the update to this Plan, Oxford residents emphasized that they value unique recreational opportunities that may welcome and appeal to all people. To accommodate this, the OSRP Planning Committee developed goals and objectives in the Seven-Year action plan that call for the improvement, expansion, and maintenance of multi-use courts and trails. Both public recreation facilities such as courts and active recreation opportunities offer a chance to all residents to enjoy their preferred level of physical recreation, whether playing pickleball, trail-running, or simply viewing local wildlife. Also, the OSRP Planning Committee supports the plans laid out in the Oxford Community Center Feasibility Study as well as the overall improvements of Ruel Field and Joslin Park.

## **Massachusetts Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP)**

The Massachusetts Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP) was developed by the Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (EOEEA). This critical tool not only examines outdoor recreation assets and needs throughout the State, but also through a regional lens. The purpose of this plan is to guide future recreational investments towards regional and Statewide needs while supporting and striving towards four main goals:

1. Provide access to underserved populations.
2. Support the Statewide Trails Initiative.
3. Increase the availability of water-based recreation.
4. Support the creation and renovation of neighborhood parks.

This 2024 Open Space and Recreation Plan for the Town of Oxford encompasses all four of these goals, with ample consideration of each. In general, increasing access to open space lands and recreational assets for underserved populations, such as youth, older adults, and people with disabilities, is a shared priority among Oxford municipal staff and residents. These priorities are identified in this Plan's Seven-Year Action Plan and future investments in open space and recreational endeavors in the Town of Oxford will consider how to increase access for these underserved populations. Additionally, Oxford continues to support the Regional and Statewide Trails Initiative. The Town will continue to support the construction of the French River Shared-Use Path as well as the maintenance of the Massachusetts Mid-State Trail, both of which are identified in this Plan's Seven-Year Action Plan. Increasing availability of water-based recreation is also identified in the Seven-Year Action Plan; for example, the Oxford Recreation Commission is committed to cleaning up the Carbuncle Pond so that swim lessons may resume there. Finally, Oxford is also committed to the renovation and maintenance of their existing parks and recreational facilities, such as Ruel Fields, which are also identified in this Plan's Seven-Year Action Plan.

### **C. Management Needs, Potential Change of Use**

The Town of Oxford has active and productive town staff and board and committee members. Both the Conservation Commission and the Recreation Commission take great pride in their community and their roles in protecting natural and recreational assets.

The Oxford Conservation Commission provides assistance to town staff and other boards and committees regarding all issues related to natural resource protection. However, their specific mission remains the protection of all wetlands in Town through the administration of the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (WPA) and the Town of Oxford's stormwater management bylaws, specifically, chapter 66 and 67. This is a particularly important mission as Oxford has Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems, commonly referred to as an MS4.

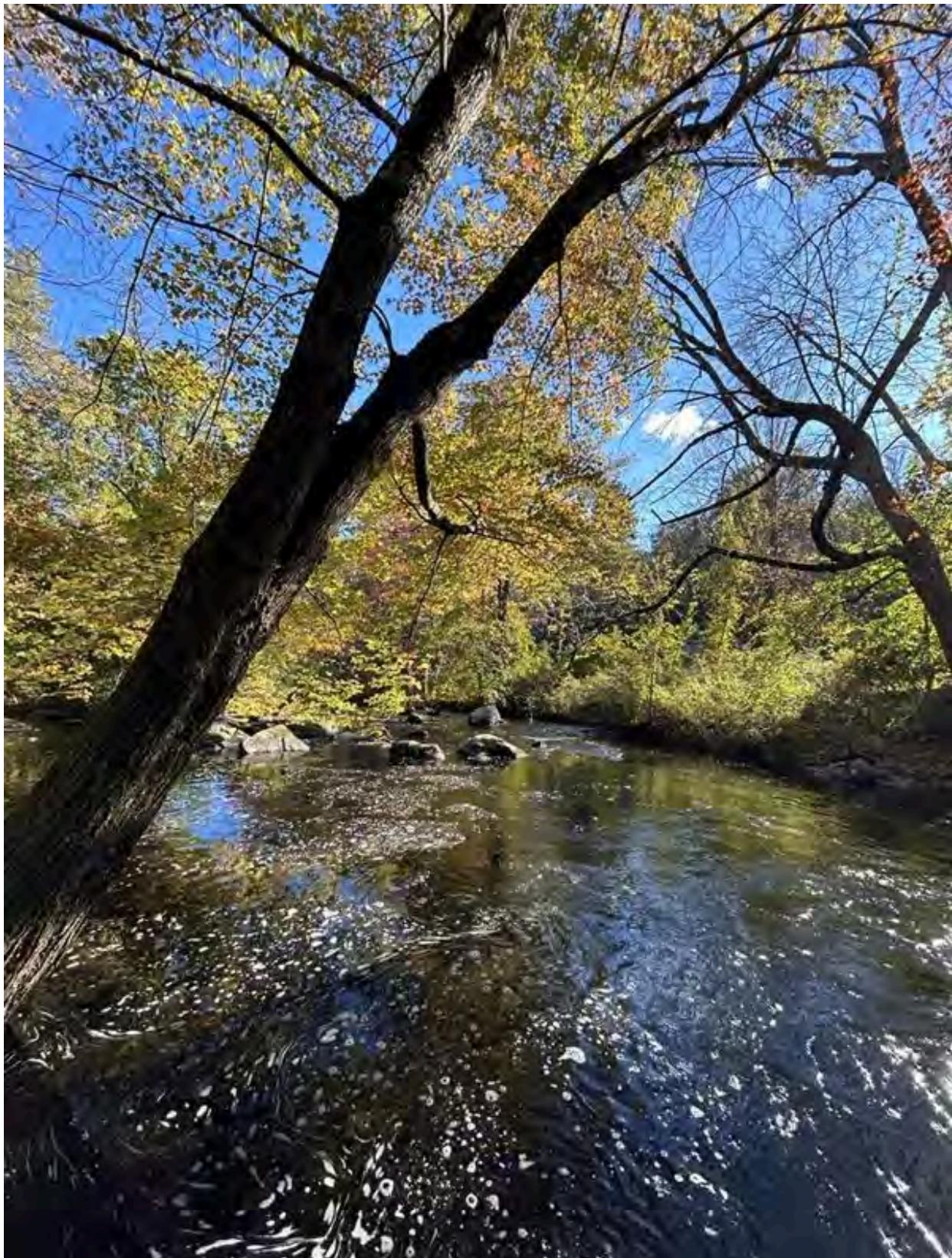
The Conservation Commission meets regularly in the form of public hearings to allow residents a platform to share their ideas for potential projects that may fall under their jurisdiction. Going forward, it will be helpful to reference the Seven-Year Action Plan included in this Plan at these meetings as well as promote any and all Ad-Hoc Open Space Quarterly Commission meetings. Then, initiatives and projects from the Action Plan that are eventually pursued by the Conservation Commission may be discussed at these public hearings, as possible.

The Oxford Recreation Commission also takes great pride in providing residents with safe, maintained, and attractive facilities. However, like many towns, their Commission is restricted by capacity and funding. Additionally, the need for an enhanced or expanded Department of Public Works facility was underscored as a priority. The symptoms of a limited DPW facility are

noticed as the Town aspires to pursue improvements at recreational facilities but has no place to properly store new equipment or supplies.

Overall, maintenance of current facilities and assets, and funding and capacity to increase and improve maintenance of facilities and assets, is a top priority for the OSRP Planning Committee. With the approval of this 2024 Oxford Open Space and Recreation Plan, the Town may pursue grant funding from programs such as the Local Acquisition for Natural Diversity (LAND) Grant Program, the Parkland Acquisition and Renovations for Communities (PARC) Grant Program, or the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF).

# Section 8: Goals & Objectives



## **Section 8: Goals and Objectives**

The following goals were developed by the Oxford Open Space Committee and were informed by the feedback provided by residents throughout the public outreach process for this Plan. In order to achieve these goals, the Committee also identified a list of objectives that will guide the facilitation of necessary actions that may be carried out by various entities in town.

### **Goal 1: Ensure the Facilitation of this Action Plan**

Objectives:

- a. Establish an ad-hoc Oxford Open Space Quarterly Commission

### **Goal 2: Preserve and Amplify Oxford's Historic Character**

Objectives:

- a. Conserve Oxford's Historic Resources
- b. Raise awareness of Oxford's historic character

### **Goal 3: Protect Oxford's Natural Resources**

Objectives:

- a. Safeguard Oxford's groundwater resources
- b. Ensure future development will not hinder Oxford's natural resources
- c. Improve quality of and access to Oxford's surface waters
- d. Acquire parcels that contain significant natural and cultural value

### **Goal 4: Enrich Oxford's Recreational Opportunities**

Objectives:

- a. Improve access to water-based recreation
- b. Strengthen Oxford's trail network
- c. Publicize and expand specialized recreational opportunities
- d. Provide equitable access to recreation
- e. Enhance existing recreational facilities

### **Goal 5: Increase Community Engagement while Improving Oxford's Historical, Natural, and Recreational Resources**

Objectives:

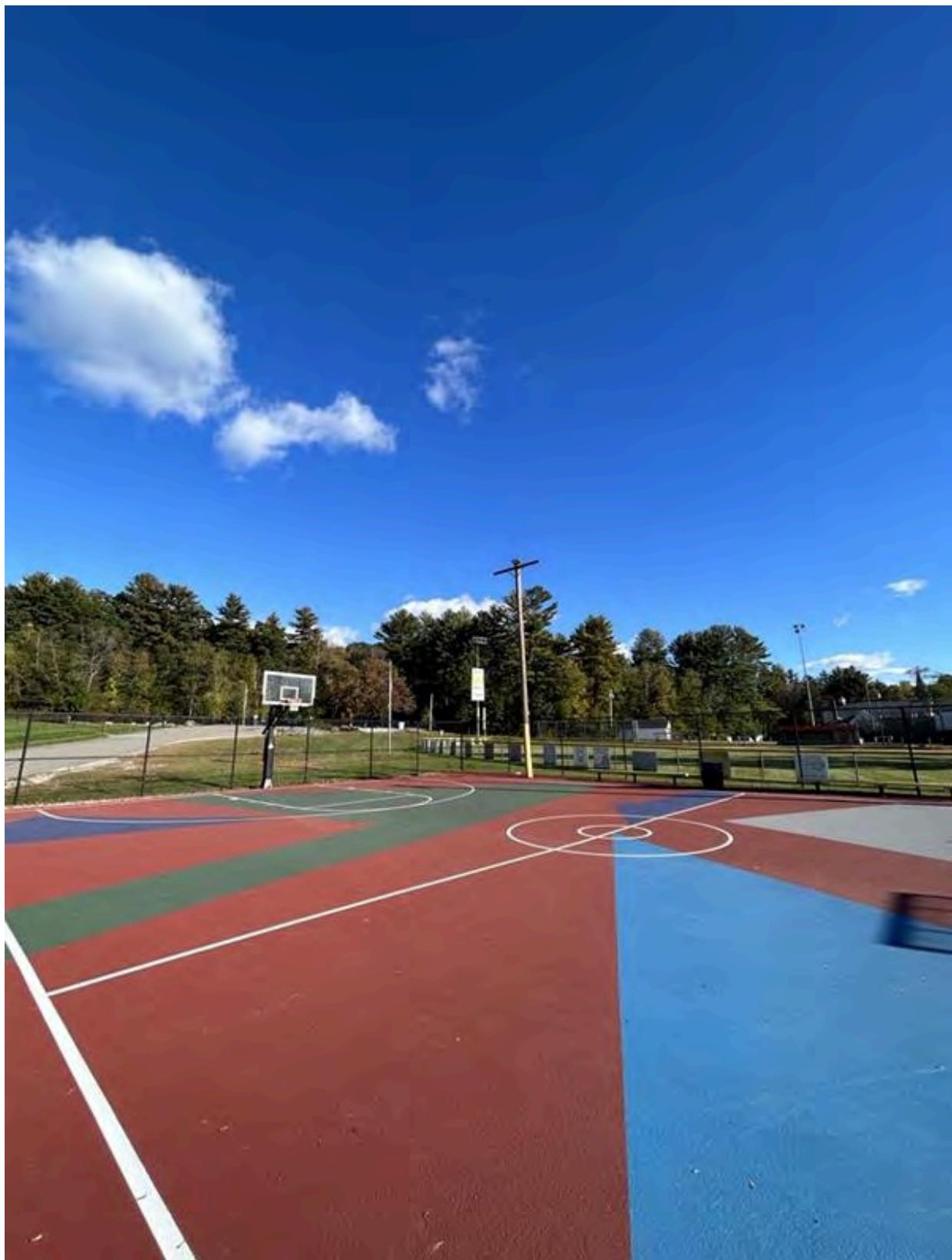
- a. Foster community involvement
- b. Elevate youth educational opportunities

**Goal 6: Improve Access to Oxford's Historical, Natural, and Recreational Resources through Improved Transportation Systems**

Objectives:

- a. Upgrade transportation systems

# Section 9: Seven-Year Action Plan



## Seven-Year Action Plan

Objective	Action Strategy	Priority	Responsible Entity/Entities	Timeline	Funding Sources
<b>Goal 1: Ensure the Facilitation of this Seven-Year Action Plan</b>					
<b>Establish an Ad-Hoc Open Space Quarterly Commission.</b>	Establish two to three people, such as the Town Manager or Director of Planning, to be responsible for facilitating Ad-Hoc Open Space Quarterly Commission meetings.	High	Planning Board	Ongoing	Town Staff Time, Volunteer
	Have at least one representative from each town board and committee at each Ad-Hoc Quarterly Commission meeting.		All town boards and committees		
	Convene this Ad-Hoc Quarterly Commission at least twice a year for the seven years following the release of this Open Space and Recreation Plan for the purpose of discussing the progress of this action plan.		Ad-Hoc Open Space Commission		
	Improve communication between all town departments, boards, and committees, and collaborate on initiatives, projects, and events, as possible. Specifically, improve communications about open space and recreation needs between Oxford Town Manager's Office, Planning Board, Conservation Commission, and Recreation Commission.		All town boards and committees		
	Promote each Quarterly Commission meeting on the Town of Oxford website.		Ad-Hoc Open Space Commission		

Objective	Action Strategy	Priority	Responsible Entity/Entities	Timeline	Funding Sources	
<b>Goal 2: Preserve and Amplify Oxford's Historic Character</b>						
<b>Conserve Oxford's historic resources</b>	Consider revisiting scenic routes and byways map and pursuing scenic designation for additional roads suggested in this plan in accordance with MGL.	Medium	Conservation Commission, Historical Commission, Planning Board	Ongoing	Town Staff Time	
	Identify specific areas and neighborhoods that may be nominated as Local Historic Landmarks and/or Places and/or as National Historic Places to facilitate protection of these areas.		Board of Selectman, Historical Commission, Planning Board, Town Managers Office		Town Staff Time	
	Propose nominations for additional Local Historic Landmarks and/or Places and/or National Historic Places.					
	Continue conducting educational campaigns to inform residents in these areas and neighborhoods of the benefits of formal Local or National Historic designations.				Town Staff Time, District Local Technical Assistance (DLTA), Local Planning Assistance (LPA)	
<b>Raise awareness of Oxford's historic character</b>	Reinvigorate a historic signage program and conduct outreach so that community input can be incorporated throughout the design process.	High	Department of Public Works, Historical Commission, Town Managers Office	Years 3 through 7	Town Staff Time, DLTA, Massachusetts Preservation Project Funds, Community Preservation Act (CPA) Funds	
	Engage the community by conducting tours of historic places and preparing outreach materials.	Medium	Historical Commission			

Objective	Action Strategy	Priority	Responsible Entity/Entities	Timeline	Funding Sources	
<b>Goal 3: Protect Oxford's Natural Resources</b>						
<b>Safeguard Oxford's groundwater resources</b>	Continue to enforce the <i>Discharges to the Municipal Storm Drain System Bylaw</i> and the <i>Stormwater Management and Land Disturbances Bylaw</i> .	High	DPW, Police Department	Ongoing	EEA Planning Assistance, Town Staff Time	
	Adopt water supply protection controls for public wells to ensure that they are protected from contamination.	High	Board of Health, Planning Board	Year 2		
	Consider revisiting and revising all water supply protection for private wells.	Medium	Board of Health, Planning Board	Year 2		
	Prepare informational outreach materials for residents regarding best practices for proper handling of products that may contaminate groundwater supplies.	Medium	Board of Health	Year 3	Town Staff Time	
	Ensure adequate number of wastebins at recreational facilities such as parks, playgrounds, and sport fields.	Medium	DPW	Years 1 & 2	Sustainable Materials Recovery Program Municipal Grant	
<b>Ensure future development will not hinder Oxford's natural resources</b>	Conduct a detailed natural resources inventory to determine any wildlife species that are under threat from nearby development, using the inventory of rare, threatened, and endangered species in this plan as a base.	High	Conservation Commission	Years 1 & 2	Town Staff Time	
	Continue to review and revise <i>Open Space Residential Design Concepts in Zoning Bylaws</i> .	Medium	Planning Board, Conservation Commission	Year 1	EEA Planning Assistance, Town Staff Time	
	Review Zoning Bylaws for conformance with Smart Growth principles. Seek implementation of measures or revisions that may further this goal.	Medium	Conservation Commission, Planning Board	Years 1 & 2		

Objective	Action Strategy	Priority	Responsible Entity/Entities	Timeline	Funding Sources	
<b>Goal 3: Protect Oxford's Natural Resources</b>						
<b>Ensure future development will not hinder Oxford's natural resources</b>	Continue to inventory and assess the condition of all brownfield sites in town and consider the possibility of cleanup or re-development.	High	Board of Health, Conservation Commission	Years 1 & 2	Town Staff Time	
	Reassess the need for a <i>Growth Management Restrictions Zoning Bylaw</i> to preserve open space; revise as appropriate.	Medium	Zoning Board of Appeals, Planning Board	Year 5	DLTA, EEA Planning Assistance, LPA, Town Staff Time	
	Continue to assess the <i>Large Scale Ground Mounted Solar Energy Systems Zoning Bylaw</i> .	Medium	Conservation Commission, Planning Board	Year 5	DLTA, EEA Planning Assistance, LPA, Town Staff Time	
<b>Protect quality of Oxford's surface waters</b>	Protect town owned ponds by implementing signage about permitted uses as well as signage that discourages illegal dumping.	Medium	Board of Health, Conservation Commission, DPW, Recreation Commission	Year 3	Lakes and Ponds Program, Massachusetts Environmental Trust	
	Enforce illegal dumping with fines.	High	Police Department	Ongoing	Town Staff Time	
	Assess MassDEP's list of impaired water bodies and develop list of priority ponds for clean-up efforts. Consider the mitigation of algae at Carbuncle Pond.	Medium	Board of Health, Conservation Commission	Years 1 through 3	Lakes and Ponds Program, Massachusetts Environmental Trust	
	Research and consider Massachusetts DEP resources and recommendations for greywater recycling systems.	Medium	Conservation Commission, DPW	Ongoing	Town Staff Time, Water and Waste Disposal Loan and Grant Program	

Objective	Action Strategy	Priority	Responsible Entity/Entities	Timeline	Funding Sources	
<b>Goal 3: Protect Oxford's Natural Resources</b>						
<b>Acquire parcels that contain significant natural and cultural value</b>	Create an informational packet for landowners that encourages voluntary land preservation techniques.	Medium	Conservation Commission	Years 1 & 2	DLTA, LPA, Town Staff Time	
	Work with the Dudley Conservation Land Trust and consider creating an Oxford-based non-profit land trust to accept land donations and assist in purchasing key open space parcels.	Medium	Ad-Hoc Open Space Commission, Town Manager, Board of Selectmen	Years 2 through 7	Town Staff Time	
	Discuss with older residents the advantages of the Life Estate method of preserving land while continuing to live on their property.	Medium	Town Legal Counsel	Years 3 & 4	DLTA, LPA, Town Staff Time	
	Use open space inventory from this plan to develop a priority list of open space parcels that should be acquired to implement key concepts in this Plan.	High	Town Manager's Office, Board of Selectmen, Conservation Commission, Recreation Commission	Years 1 through 3	DLTA, Land and Water Conservation Fund, LAND Grant, Landscape Partnership Grant Program	
	Conduct a vote at town meeting to allocate town funds to acquire or otherwise conserve open space.	High	Planning Board, Town Managers Office	Years 1 through 5	Town Staff Time, Town Allocation	
	Implement a locally-run vernal pool certification program to ensure their protection. Provide outreach to private landowners with vernal pools on their property regarding how to protect these resources.	Medium	Conservation Commission	Years 2 through 7	MassWildlife Habitat Management Grant Program	

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<b>Goal 3: Protect Oxford's Natural Resources</b>						
<b>Acquire parcels that contain significant natural and cultural value</b>	Work with residents to acquire easements that may connect the public with more open space and recreation areas. Use the list of resident's emails provided from this Oxford Open Space and Recreation Plan survey to begin outreach.	Low	Ad-Hoc Open Space Commission, Town Managers Office, Planning Board	Ongoing	Town Staff Time	
	Identify available large swaths of open space in town and plan for their permanent protection. Also plan for the protection of valuable wildlife corridors, or links between these types of lands in town.	High	Conservation Commission, Planning Board, Ad-Hoc Open Space Commission	Ongoing	Land and Water Conservation Fund, LAND Grant	
	Allow for passive recreation in areas that are valuable to wildlife as an opportunity for "wildlife viewing" and ensure long-term protection.	High	Conservation Commission, Recreation Commission	Years 1 through 5		
<b>Goal 4: Enrich Oxford's Recreational Opportunities</b>						
<b>Improve access to water-based recreation</b>	Assess the condition of the French River and Carbuncle Pond. Consider initiating clean-up efforts with state and local advocacy groups, such as the Oxford Business Association, as necessary.	Medium	Recreation Commission, Conservation Commission, Town Managers Office	Ongoing	Massachusetts Environmental Trust, Mass Wildlife Habitat Management Grant Program	
	Consider implementing additional canoe launches and improving existing canoe launches using the Canoe Access Study from the Quinebaug Shetucket Heritage Corridor. Consider revamping the canoe access point on Charlton Street.	Medium	Recreation Commission, DPW, Open Space Ad-Hoc Commission	Years 1 through 3	Land and Water Conservation Fund	

Objective	Action Strategy	Priority	Responsible Entity/Entities	Timeline	Funding Sources	
<b>Goal 4: Enrich Oxford's Recreational Opportunities</b>						
<b>Improve access to water-based recreation</b>	Once any new canoe launches are implemented, plan a community engagement event that is formatted as both an opening of relevant launches as well as a designated clean-up day along the French River.	Low	Ad-Hoc Open Space Commission, Recreation Commission, Town Managers Office	Years 6 or 7	Grassroots Grant Program Seed Grant, Town Staff Time	
<b>Strengthen Oxford's trail network</b>	Consider establishing a trails committee, perhaps as a sub-committee of the recreation commission.	High	Ad-Hoc Open Space Commission, Conservation Commission, Recreation Commission	Ongoing	Town Staff Time	
	Continue to update maps of Oxford's trail system and prepare a trail plan for linking trails as well as establishing new trails in town.	Medium	Recreation Commission, Trails Committee/Sub-Committee	Ongoing	DLTA, EEA Planning Assistance, Town Staff Time	
	Improve signage at all trails in town and include signage that indicates permitted recreational uses and relevant rules and regulations. Consider offering signage in Spanish.	High	Recreation Commission, Planning Board, Trails Committee/Sub-Committee	Years 1 through 4	MassTrails	
	Consider advancing the development of the French River Greenway to serve as a multi-use trail. This would include walking trails, bridge crossings, small parks to improve public access, and the preservation of key open spaces.	Medium	Recreation Commission, Trails Committee/Sub-Committee	Years 2 through 6	MassTrails, Land and Water Conservation Fund, Greenways Program	
	Collaborate with neighboring towns to establish a rail trail along former Webster Branch of the Boston & Albany Railroad.	Medium	Trails Committee/Sub-Committee, Planning Board, Town Managers Office	Years 2 through 6	Rails to Trails Grant, MassTrails, Land and Water Conservation Fund, Greenways Program	
	Encourage landowners to record Conservation Restrictions on their land that allow for public access.	Medium		Ongoing	Town Staff Time	

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<b>Goal 4: Enrich Oxford's Recreational Opportunities</b>						
<b>Strengthen Oxford's trail network</b>	Work with the Army Corps of Engineers, volunteers, and potentially trails committee/sub-committee to incorporate more benches around the Hodges Village Pond and revamp or implement walking bridges where necessary.	High	Trails Committee/Sub-Committee, Planning Board, DPW, Army Corps of Engineers	Years 3 through 5	Town Staff, DLTA, MassTrails, Land and Water Conservation Fund, Greenways Program	
	Implement signage at and improve maintenance of the trails behind Oxford High School.	Medium	School Committee, Town Manager	Years 1 through 5	MassTrails	
	Improve signage at and mapping of access points to the Mid-State Trail in town. Consider offering signage in Spanish.	Medium	Recreation Commission	Years 3 through 7	DLTA, MassTrails	
<b>Publicize and expand specialized recreation opportunities</b>	Promote the need for hunting and fishing licenses.	Medium	Town Clerk, Conservation Commission, Recreation Commission	Ongoing	Town Staff Time	
	Encourage utilization of hunting (in season) and fishing lands in Oxford, such as the Hodges Village Dam and the Merrill Pond Wildlife Management Area (WMA).				Massachusetts Cultural Council Grants, the Grassroots Fund	

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<b>Goal 4: Enrich Oxford's Recreational Opportunities</b>						
<b>Publicize and expand specialized recreational opportunities</b>	Engage youth in unique recreational opportunities through community engagement events, such as the revival of an ice fishing tournament, a day dedicated to street hockey, or the implementation of a disc golf tournament.	Medium	Recreation Commission, Conservation Commission, DPW	Ongoing	Massachusetts Cultural Council Grants, the Grassroots Fund	
	Promote the allowed uses of different open space lands in Oxford through the implementation of appropriate signage. For example, signage may indicate if motorized vehicles are allowed on a given property. Consider offering signage in Spanish.		Recreation Commission, Planning Board, DPW		Land and Water Conservation Fund, Town Staff Time	
	Establish additional and promote existing sports leagues, or "pick-up" sports leagues, for all ages.		Recreation Commission, Community Center		Town Staff Time, Massachusetts Cultural Council Grants	
	Consider public programs or outreach events to teach youth disc golf at Hodges Village and/or Ruel Field. Potentially partner with Army Corps of Engineers.		Recreation Commission, Planning Board, Community Center		EEA Planning Assistance, Town Staff Time	
<b>Provide equitable access to recreation</b>	Ensure investments to open space and recreational spaces are made in the vicinity of Oxford's Environmental Justice population.	High	Oxford Community Center, Recreation Commission, Ad-Hoc Open Space Commission	Ongoing	Town Staff Time, the Grassroots Fund, Environmental Justice Small Grants	

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<b>Goal 4: Enrich Oxford's Recreational Opportunities</b>						
<b>Provide equitable access to recreation</b>	Prioritize the management of algae at Carbuncle Pond in the Town Budget. Then, revitalize swimming programs at Carbuncle Pond.	High	Board of Health, Conservation Commission, Recreation Commission	Year 1	Town Allocation, Town Staff Time, Mass Wildlife Habitat Management Grant, Land and Water Conservation Fund	
	Develop a brochure to inform residents of recreational spaces and programs in town as well as facilities offered at town open spaces and fields.	Medium	Recreation Commission, Planning Board, Oxford Community Center	Years 3 & 4	Town Staff Time, the Grassroots Fund	
	Explore the ecotourism concept and strive to boast the town's ecotourism opportunities.	Medium	Town Managers Office, Planning Board	Ongoing	Town Staff Time, LPA	
	Use information from this Open Space and Recreation Plan's ADA Assessment to determine what parks or other open spaces in town need wheelchair access improvements. Create a priority list including Ruel Field, Buffumville Lake, Carbuncle Pond.	High	Commission on Disability, Council on Aging	Years 1 through 5	Town Staff Time, ADA Grant Funding	
	Provide wooden walkways on some trails in wooded areas so that older adults and people with disabilities may have safer access to more trails.	Medium	Commission on Disability, Council on Aging	Years 1 through 5	ADA Grant Funding, MassTrails	

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<b>Goal 4: Enrich Oxford's Recreational Opportunities</b>						
<b>Enhance existing recreational facilities</b>	Pursue funding for the improvement and expansion of the Department of Public Works facility or for the purchase of an additional equipment storage location.	High	DPW, Finance Commission	Years 1 through 7	Town Staff Time, Town Allocation, Private Donations, Community Facilities Grant Program, Community One Stop for Growth	
	Improve maintenance of town spaces and facilities, especially at Ruel Fields and Greenbriar Park.	High	DPW, Finance Commission	Years 1 thru 7	Private Donations, PARC Grant	
	Consider recreational opportunities for all ages as a priority. For example, basketball and tennis courts may be used by teenagers through older adults while playgrounds are used by children.	Medium	Recreation Commission	Ongoing	Town Staff Time	
	Finish remaining elements of Ruel Field Development Plan, including paving the parking area, adding additional parking and additional ADA parking. This also includes the installation of playground equipment at Ruel Field and the implementation of new and expanded lighting.	High	ADA Committee, Recreation Commission, Finance Commission	Years 1 thru 7	Private Donations, EEA Planning Assistance	
	Improve Greenbriar Park courts by leveling their surface and maintaining them as usable for both tennis and pickleball. Consider MIAA guidelines for youth tennis.	High	Recreation Commission, DPW, Planning Board, Town Manager's Office	Years 2 through 6	PARC Grant	

Objective	Action Strategy	Priority	Responsible Entity/Entities	Timeline	Funding Sources	
<b>Goal 4: Enrich Oxford's Recreational Opportunities</b>						
Enhance existing recreational facilities	Improve and maintain one basketball court at Ruel Field while converting the other to allow for street hockey. Consider MIAA guidelines for youth basketball.	High	Recreation Commission, DPW, Planning Board, Town Managers Office	Years 2 through 6	PARC Grant	
	Explore public-private partnerships to obtain funds and labor to improve Town Facilities.	High	Recreation Commission, Ad-Hoc Open Space Commission, Town Manager	Ongoing	Public-private partnerships	
	Prioritize the implementation of the Oxford Community Center Feasibility Study. Promote opportunities as they become available.	High	Recreation Commission, Oxford Community Center	Ongoing	Town Staff Time, Town Allocation, Private Donations	
<b>Goal 5: Increase Community Engagement throughout the Improvement of Oxford's Historical, Natural, and Recreational Resources</b>						
Invest in Community Preservation	Conduct educational programs about the benefits of the Community Preservation Act (CPA). Then, explore the possibility of adopting a CPA with the support of a local leader.	High	Conservation Commission, Planning Board, Town Managers Office	Years 1 through 3	Town Staff Time, LPA	
Foster community involvement	Organize additional community events and festivals at a variety of spaces and facilities in Oxford to raise awareness of existing resources and explore ideas for improvement.	Medium	Ad-Hoc Open Space Commission, Recreation Commission	Ongoing	Town Staff, DLTA, Massachusetts Cultural Council Grants, the Grassroots Fund	
	Ensure all of the Open Space Ad-Hoc Quarterly Commissions are open to the public by including notice of the meetings on the town website and calendar. Allow for an allotted time period to hear comments and questions from the public.	High	Ad-Hoc Open Space Commission		Town Staff Time	

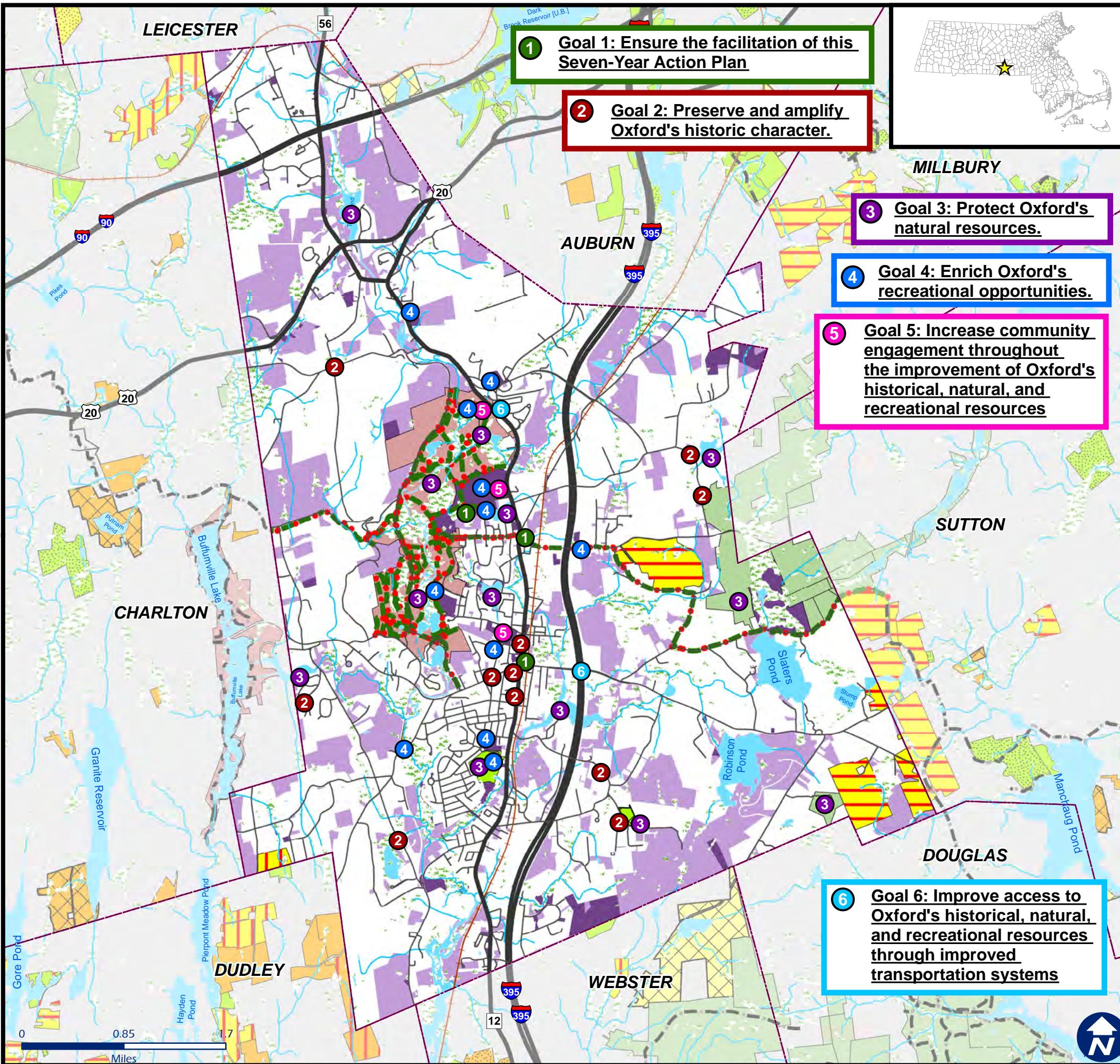
<b>Goal 5: Increase Community Engagement throughout the Improvement of Oxford's Historical, Natural, and Recreational Resources</b>						
<b>Foster community involvement</b>	Consider expanding the capacity of town parks, such as Greenbriar Park, to allow for larger community events, such as implementing bathroom facilities.	Low	Army Corps of Engineers, DPW, Recreation Commission	Years 4 through 7	PARC Grant, Massachusetts Cultural Council Grants, the Grassroots Fund	
<b>Elevate youth educational opportunities</b>	Work with the School Department and Oxford Community Center to create additional after school programs that offer an opportunity to learn about Oxford's history, natural resources, and wildlife.	Medium	School Committee, Historical Commission, Conservation Commission, Town Library, OCC	Ongoing	Massachusetts Cultural Council Grants, Library Services and Technology Act Grants	
	Promote Oxford Community Center as valuable destination for youth to go after school.		Oxford Community Center, the School Committee			
<b>Goal 6: Improve Access to Oxford's Historical, Natural, and Recreational Resources through Improved Transportation Systems</b>						
<b>Upgrade transportation systems</b>	Revisit the Street Pavement Management Plan and the ADA Self-Assessment to create a priority list of sidewalks in need of improvements.	High	DPW, Planning Board, Disability Commission	Years 1 through 5	Town Staff, ADA Grant Funding	
	Pursue funding for the improvement of identified priority sidewalks or roadways in need of sidewalks.	High	Planning Board, DPW, Disability Commission, Recreation Commission	Ongoing	Shared Streets and Spaces, Complete Streets, PROTECT Discretionary Grant, ADA Grant Funding	
	Improve the road leading to the Greenbriar Recreation Area.	High	Army Corps of Engineers, DPW	Years 2 through 5		

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<b>Goal 6: Improve Access to Oxford's Historical, Natural, and Recreational Resources through Improved Transportation Systems</b>					
Upgrade transportation systems	Improve the sidewalks along Sutton Avenue near the I-395 ramps to make this a walkable and accessible area.	Medium	Planning Board, DPW, Disability Commission, Recreation Commission	Years 4 through 7	Shared Streets and Spaces, Complete Streets, PROTECT Discretionary Grant, ADA Grant Funding
	Use the ADA Self-Assessment to create a priority list of recreational area parking lots in need of improved or increased handicap accommodations. This list should include Ruel Field.	High		Years 1 through 5	Town Staff, ADA Grant Funding
	Explore, assess, and promote public transit options and access.	Medium	Planning Board, Disability Commission	Year 1	Town Staff, LPA Hours

# MAP 10

# ACTION PLAN MAP

## Town of Oxford 2023 Open Space & Recreation Plan



### Legend

Town Boundary	III Conservation Restriction (01/2023)
River, Stream	Agricultural Preservation Restriction (01/2023)
Lake, Pond	
MassDEP Wetlands	
Active Rail Service	
Major Road	
Local Road	
Town Owned Land (FY2021)	
Undeveloped Land (FY2021)	

### Open Space Ownership (01/2023)

Federal	Municipal - Water Supply Protection
State	Municipal
Municipal - Conservation	Private
Municipal - Recreation	Non-Profit

### Level of Protection (01/2023)

Limited	Perpetuity*
None	

Information depicted on this map is for planning purposes only. This information is not adequate for legal boundary definition, regulatory interpretation, or parcel-level analysis. Use caution interpreting positional accuracy.

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# Section 10: Public Comments





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Dear Ms. Cryan:

On behalf of the Oxford Planning Board, I am writing this letter in support of the 2023 Oxford Open Space and Recreation Plan (OSRP). Members and staff have been engaged throughout the process through the 2023 Oxford Open Space and Recreation Plan (OSRP) Planning Committee and the consultant, the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission (CMRPC). They have incorporated public input into the goals and objectives detailed in the Plan in an effort to accurately depict the Town of Oxford's priorities.

The Board appreciates the effort put into the development of this Plan by the 2023 Oxford OSRP Planning Committee and the Commission. The Board believes that the Town will benefit from using the Plan as a guiding document in all future open space and recreation endeavors. Finally, the Board fully supports the goals and objectives included in the Plan, including increased collaboration among Town entities, improved stewardship of open space and recreational assets, and increased consideration of people of all ages and abilities. The Board looks forward to being involved in the OSRP's implementation over the next seven years.

Sincerely,

Craig Holmberg  
Chairman

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Craig Holmberg".



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Dear Ms. Cryan:

We are writing this letter in support of the 2023 Oxford Open Space and Recreation Plan. Several board representatives and town staff have reviewed the final draft of the 2023 Oxford Open Space and Recreation Plan, and it is clear that the Plan is the result of thorough research and collaboration. Specifically, the 2023 Oxford Open Space and Recreation Plan (OSRP) Planning Committee and the consultant, the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission (CMRPC), always made an effort to involve public feedback into the goals and objectives detailed in the Plan.

On behalf of the Town of Oxford, we appreciate the 2023 Oxford OSRP Planning Committee and the Commission's commitment to the completion of the Plan and all of its elements. The updated plan has been long overdue, and we believe the Town will benefit from using the new Plan as a guiding document in all future open space and recreation endeavors. Finally, we fully support the goals and objectives included in the Plan, including increased collaboration among municipal entities, improved stewardship of natural resources, and enhanced management capacity of recreational assets.

Sincerely,

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RE: Town of Oxford 2023 Open Space and Recreation Plan

Dear Ms. Cryan;

The Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission (CMRPC) is writing this letter in support of the Town of Oxford's recently updated 2023 Open Space and Recreation Plan. The Town and its Open Space and Recreation Planning Committee (Committee) should be commended for their commitment to completing this Plan.

The Committee and its consultant, CMRPC, have worked hard to thoroughly update each aspect of this Plan. This Plan highlights the importance of conserving open space, increasing stewardship of all natural resources, and improving recreational opportunities for all people. Additionally, the Committee and the CMRPC have made an extended effort to involve residents from the Town of Oxford throughout this OSRP process in an effort to justly develop the goals detailed in this Plan.

Specifically, the Committee and the public emphasized the importance of increasing overall capacity in order to better address the open space and recreational needs of the Town. Along with directly protecting natural assets and bolstering recreational facilities, the Committee also recognizes the need to expand community awareness and involvement in open space and recreation area development. This crossroads offers the unique opportunity of inviting residents to enjoy existing resources while also proactively planning for their protection or improvement. Finally, the Committee also recognized a vast desire for specialized recreational opportunities, such as the availability of convenient and connected trails, various courts for sports games, and safe access to surface water for swimming and fishing.

Overall, the Committee and the CMRPC have developed thorough open space and recreation goals for the Town of Oxford. Please consider this letter as a demonstration of the CMRPC's support of the 2023 Oxford Open Space and Recreation Plan and the process used to develop it. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me. We look forward to hearing your feedback.

Sincerely,

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# Town of Oxford Open Space and Recreation Plan

2024

## Appendix





# TOWN OF OXFORD

## Human Resources

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November 29, 2023

Melissa Cryan  
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100 Cambridge Street, Suite 900  
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Dear Ms. Cryan,

This letter hereby certifies that the Town of Oxford is an equal opportunity Employer and meets all requirements as an Equal Opportunity Employer. This letter may also be used to attest that the Town of Oxford's employment practices, including the recruitment, personnel actions, leave administration, training, tests, medical exams/questionnaires, social and recreational programs, fringe benefits, collective bargaining agreements, and wage and salary administration are in complete compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

Sincerely,

*Joanne Frederick*

Joanne Frederick, CPP  
ADA Coordinator  
Town of Oxford



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### **Purpose:**

The Grievance Procedure was established to meet the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990. It may be used by anyone wishing to file a complaint alleging that they have been subject to discrimination on the basis of disability in employment practices and policies or the provisions of services, activities, programs, or benefits by the Town of Oxford.

### **Policy:**

The complaint should be in writing and contain information about the alleged discrimination such as name, address, phone number, and complainant and location, date, and description of the problem. Alternative means of filing complaints, such as personal interviews or a tape recording of the complaint, will be made available for persons with disabilities upon request.

The complaint should be submitted by the grievant and/or his/her designee as soon as possible but no later than 60 calendar days after the alleged violation to the Town of Oxford ADA Coordinator:

- Joanne Frederick, HR Specialist, 325 Main Street, Oxford, MA 01540,  
[jfrederick@oxfordma.us](mailto:jfrederick@oxfordma.us)

### **Complaint Procedure:**

Within 15 calendar days after the receipt of the complaint, the ADA coordinator or his/her designee will meet with the complainant to discuss the complaint and possible resolutions. Within 15 calendar days of the meeting, Joanne Frederick or his designee will respond in writing, and where appropriate, in a format accessible to the complainant, such as large print, Braille, or audio tape. The response will explain the position of the Town of Oxford and offer options for substantive resolution of the complaint.

**Appeal Process:**

If the response by Joanne Frederick or his designee does not satisfactorily resolve the issue, the complainant and/or his/her designee may appeal the decision within 15 calendar days after the receipt of the response to the HR Specialist or his/her designee.

**Consideration and Retention:**

Within 15 calendar days after the receipt of an appeal, Joanne Frederick will meet with the complainant to discuss the complaint and possible resolutions. Within 15 calendar days of the meeting, the HR Specialist or his/her designee will respond in writing, and, where appropriate, in a format accessible to the complainant, with a final resolution of the complaint.

All written complaints receive by Joanne Frederick and/or his designee, appeals to the HR Specialist and/or his/her designee, and responses from these two offices will be retained by the HR Office for at least three years.



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## **NOTICE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION**

In accordance with the requirements of Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ("ADA"), the Town of Oxford will not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities on the basis of disability in its services, programs, or activities.

**Employment:** The Town of Oxford does not discriminate on the basis of disability in its hiring or employment practices and complies with all regulations promulgated by the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission under Title 11 of the ADA.

**Effective Communication:** The Town of Oxford will generally, upon request, provide appropriate aids and services leading to effective communication for qualified persons with disabilities so they can participate equally in Town of Oxford programs, services, and activities.

**Modifications to Policies and Procedures:** The Town of Oxford will make all reasonable modifications to policies and programs to ensure that people with disabilities have an equal opportunity to enjoy all of its programs, services, and activities. Anyone who requires an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication or a modification of policies or procedures to participate in a Town sponsored program, service, or activity, should contact the ADA Coordinator as soon as possible but no later than 48 hours before the scheduled event.

- Town of Oxford ADA Coordinator: Joanne Frederick, HR Specialist, [jfrederick@oxfordma.us](mailto:jfrederick@oxfordma.us), 508-987-6035

The ADA does not require the Town to take any action that would fundamentally alter the nature of its programs or services or impose an undue financial or administrative burden. Complaints that a program, service, or activity of the Town is not accessible to persons with disabilities should be directed to the ADA Coordinator. The Town of Oxford will not place a surcharge on a particular individual with a disability or any group of individuals with disabilities to cover the cost of providing auxiliary aid/services or reasonable modifications of policy.



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To Whom It May Concern:

I serve as the ADA Coordinator for the Town of Oxford.

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Thank you,

*Joanne Frederick*

Joanne Frederick  
Oxford HR Specialist

## Town of Oxford: Priority for ADA Transition Plan - Outdoor Areas

### Priorities:

- Priority 1: Program Access\* or Safety
- Priority 2: Navigational Issue
- Priority 3: Additional Access\*
- Priority 4: Enhanced Usability

### \*Note:

Some toilet rooms issues compromise Program Access.  
Some toilet rooms with less central issues (e.g., partially accessible toilet rooms), fall under Additional Access.

Information Provided by Institute for Human Centered Design											Project Management for the Town of Oxford			
ID	Facility Name	Element	Issue/Physical Barrier	Location	Fl.	Rm.	Town Priority	Priority for Barrier Removal	Remedies	Quantity	Estimated Cost of Barrier Removal	Project Start Date	Project Completion Date	Responsible for Barrier Removal
1	Carbuncle Beach House and Pond	A. Exterior Access Route	H. Running slope > 1:20 (5.00%) N. Accessible route not provided	Path From Parking to Pond	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Regrade to reduce running slope to be no steeper than 1:20 (5.00%) or 1:12 (8.33%) if an accessible ramp is provided to the pond and beach area.	1	\$0			
2	Carbuncle Beach House and Pond	C. Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage	A. Total # of parking B. Total # of designated car accessible parking spaces C. Total # of designated van accessible spaces P. Sign bottom < 60" above finished grade	Parking by Main Entrance	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Locate sign with the bottom of the sign 60" above the ground.	1	\$0			
3	Carbuncle Beach House and Pond	E. Exterior Ramp	M. Landing has a slope > 1:50 in either direction	Ramp at Main Entrance North Side	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Alter so that the slope in all directions is no greater than 1:50 (2.00%)./Rebuild the ramp to ensure that the slope of the landing does not exceed 1:50 (2.00%).	1	\$0			
4	Carbuncle Beach House and Pond	F. Exterior Stair	D. Handrails do not extend 12" from stair	Exterior Stair to First Floor	Ext.		Priority 1	Safety	Bottom: Ensure that the handrail extends at least 12" plus the width of one tread beyond the bottom riser.	1	\$0			

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5	Carbuncle Beach House and Pond	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided Q. Directional sign to accessible emergency exit not provided	South Egress to Exterior Stairs	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible emergency exit.	2	\$500				
6	Carbuncle Beach House and Pond	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided P. Illuminated ISA symbol not provided (MAAB)	North Egress to Ramp and Parking	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. When the illuminated exit sign is repaired or replaced, provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).	1	\$450				
7	Carbuncle Beach House and Pond	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided	Basement East Egress	B		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door.	1	\$250				
8	Carbuncle Beach House and Pond	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided Q. Directional sign to accessible emergency exit not provided	Lifeguard Room Southeast Egress	B		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible emergency exit.	2	\$500				
9	Carbuncle Beach House and Pond	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided P. Illuminated ISA symbol not provided (MAAB)	South Side Egress From Basement to Ramp and Pond	B		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. When the illuminated exit sign is repaired or replaced, provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).	1	\$450				
10	Carbuncle Beach House and Pond	B. Interior Access Route	M. Accessible vertical route not provided	Stair to Basement	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide accessible vertical access. Cost based on a two stop Limited Access Limited Use (LULA) elevator. Note design and additional renovation costs are beyond the scope of this survey.	1	\$90,000				

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11	Carbuncle Beach House and Pond	K. Signage	G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	Southwest Basement Entrance at Ramp	Ext.		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side.	1	\$0				
12	Carbuncle Beach House and Pond	U. Picnic Tables	E. Surface not stable, firm and slip-resistant H. Picnic table not on an accessible route	Splash Pad Picnic Table	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure that the accessible picnic table is connected to a stable, firm and slip resistant accessible route. Either provide an accessible route to and around the accessible picnic table, or relocate the accessible picnic table to an accessible location.	1	\$0				
13	Carbuncle Beach House and Pond	X. Kitchens and Kitchenettes	Q. Clear floor space at refrigerator not provided	Kitchenette	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate refrigerator as to provide a 30" x 48" clear floor space that is centered to the refrigerator.	1	\$0				
14	Carbuncle Beach House and Pond	B. Lavatory	F. Mirror above lavatory w/reflective surface > 40"	Women's Single-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Lower mirror so that the bottom surface is at 40" max. above the finished floor.	1	\$500				
15	Carbuncle Beach House and Pond	B. Lavatory	A. Clear floor space not provided at lavatory	Men's Multi-User Toilet Room	B		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate dispenser out of circulation path. Dispenser is a protruding object and interferes with a 30" min. by 48" min. clear floor space positioned for a forward approach at the lavatory.	1	\$500				
16	Carbuncle Beach House and Pond	B. Lavatory	A. Clear floor space not provided at lavatory	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room	B		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate dispenser out of circulation path. Dispenser is a protruding object and interferes with a 30" min. by 48" min. clear floor space positioned for a forward approach at the lavatory.	1	\$500				
17	Carbuncle Beach House and Pond	D. Toilet Compartment	D. Door has malfunctioning self-closing hinge	Men's Multi-User Toilet Room	B		Priority 3	Additional Access	Repair hinge.	1	\$0				
18	Carbuncle Beach House and Pond	D. Toilet Compartment	V. Side grab bar < 54" from back wall	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a side wall grab bar that is 42" long min. located 12" max. from the rear wall.	1	\$750				
19	Carbuncle Beach House and Pond	E. Urinal	A. Rim > 17" high	Men's Multi-User Toilet Room	B		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide at least one urinal with the rim no higher than 17" above the finished	1	\$4,222				
20	Carbuncle Beach House and Pond	H. Portable Toilet	B. Accessible portable toilets not provided	By Playground	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	If portable toilets are provided for the Carbuncle Beach House, ensure that at least 5% of the portable toilets are accessible and located on an accessible route.	1	\$4,600				
21	Carbuncle Beach House and Pond	K. Baby Changing Table	D. Operable part > 48" high	Men's Single-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	When the toilet room is renovated, lower the baby changing table so that the table opening pull control is located no higher than 48" above the finished	1	\$0				
22	Carbuncle Beach House and Pond	K. Baby Changing Table	D. Operable part > 48" high	Women's Single-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	When the toilet room is renovated, lower the baby changing table so that the table opening pull control is located no higher than 48" above the finished	1	\$0				

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23	Carbuncle Beach House and Pond	K. Baby Changing Table	D. Operable part > 48" high	Men's Multi-User Toilet Room	B		Priority 3	Additional Access	When the toilet room is renovated, lower the baby changing table so that the table opening pull control is located no higher than 48" above the finished	1	\$0				
24	Carbuncle Beach House and Pond	K. Baby Changing Table	D. Operable part > 48" high	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	When the toilet room is renovated, lower the baby changing table so that the table opening pull control is located no higher than 48" above the finished	1	\$0				
25	Carbuncle Beach House and Pond	B. Sink	B. Toe and knee clearances not provided E. Exposed plumbing underneath sink G. Dispenser not within reach range	Kitchenette	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure there is a 27" min. knee clearance positioned for a forward approach. Insulate or otherwise configure pipes at sink. Ensure there is a 27" min. knee clearance positioned for a forward approach. When kitchen is renovated, relocate	1	\$2,342				
26	Carbuncle Beach House and Pond	B. Sink	B. Toe and knee clearances not provided C. Rim or counter > 34"	Crafts Room	B		Priority 1	Program Access	Relocate stored items to ensure there is a 27" min. knee clearance positioned for a forward approach. Relocate sink with the front of the rim or counter no higher than 34" above the finished floor.	1	\$4,022				
27	Carbuncle Beach House and Pond	B. Play Areas	A. Accessible route not provided to playground B. Accessible route not provided around playground C. Accessible route not provided to play components	Playground	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Install a stable, firm and slip resistant accessible route to and around the playground. Ensure the route around the playground is 48" wide min. Provide a compliant impact-attenuating surface to and around the play components. Note: The MAAB does not consider engineered wood fiber (EWF) to comply with its regulation requiring an accessible route to each play component and around the playground.	1	\$0				
28	Carbuncle Beach House and Pond	D. Court	C. Court is not connected to an accessible route	Gaga Ball	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a stable, firm and slip resistant accessible route, 48" wide min., to the gaga ball court or relocate the gaga ball court to an accessible location.	1	\$0				
29	Carbuncle Beach House and Pond	Beach		Beach	Ext.		Priority 4	Enhanced Usability	Recommend providing a 60" wide min. beach mat across the sand to the normal recreational water level at the pond and to at least one life guard station.	1	\$0				

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30	Carbuncle Beach House and Pond	Designation Sign		Men's and Women's Single-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 4	Enhanced Usability	Recommend provide a sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA). (Since all of the toilet rooms in Carbuncle Beach House are accessible, a sign with the ISA is not required at the accessible toilet rooms, but the sign could be helpful for some users.)	2	\$0			
31	Carbuncle Beach House and Pond	Designation Sign		Men's and Women's Multi-User Toilet Room	B		Priority 4	Enhanced Usability	Recommend provide a sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA). (Since all of the toilet rooms in Carbuncle Beach House are accessible, a sign with the ISA is not required at the accessible toilet rooms, but the sign could be helpful for some users.)	2	\$0			
32	Carbuncle Beach House and Pond	Parking		Parking by Walkway to Pond and Beach	Ext.		Priority 4	Enhanced Usability	Recommend making this angled parking space near the path to the pond a compliant van accessible parking space with the access aisle located on the passenger side of the parking space, the space and access aisle each at least 8 feet wide, and with a designation sign with the words, "Van Accessible" at the existing identification sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).	1	\$0			
33	Carbuncle Beach House and Pond	Stair		Stair to Basement	1		Priority 4	Enhanced Usability	Recommend visual contrast strips on all interior and exterior stairs.	1	\$0			
1	Greenbriar Park	A. Exterior Access Route	H. Running slope > 1:20 (5.00%)	Skateboard Park	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	If this area is considered part of the accessible route to the skateboard park and not part of the park itself, reduce the running slope to be no steeper than 1:20 (5.00%). Note: Due to the location of cement barriers, visitors can't drive a car down this path towards the main portion of the skateboard park.	1	\$0			

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2	Greenbriar Park	F. Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage	A. Total # of parking B. Total # of designated car accessible parking spaces C. Total # of designated van accessible spaces G. Access aisle not provided N. Sign with the International Symbol of Acc. not provided O. Sign does not have the designation "Van Accessible"	Parking at Park Entry	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide one van accessible parking space 96" wide min. with a marked access aisle 96" wide min. Provide a sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA) with the bottom of the sign 60" min. above the ground and the top of the sign 96" max. above the ground. Add the designation "Van Accessible" to the sign located at the van accessible space.	1	\$500				
3	Greenbriar Park	F. Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage	A. Total # of parking B. Total # of designated car accessible parking spaces C. Total # of designated van accessible spaces G. Access aisle not provided N. Sign with the International Symbol of Acc. not provided O. Sign does not have the designation "Van Accessible"	Parking Between Baseball Fields	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide one van accessible parking space 96" wide min. with a marked access aisle 96" wide min. Provide a sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA) with the bottom of the sign 60" min. above the ground and the top of the sign 96" max. above the ground. Add the designation "Van Accessible" to the sign located at the van accessible space.	1	\$500				
4	Greenbriar Park	J. Portable Toilet	A. Not located on an accessible route B. Accessible portable toilets not provided	Portable Toilet by Tennis Courts	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Locate portable toilet on an accessible route. Ensure that at least 5% of portable toilets (with a minimum of one) are accessible in each area where portable toilets are provided.	1	\$4,600				
5	Greenbriar Park	J. Portable Toilet	F. Item mounted over grab bar (MAAB) G. 60" by 72" clear space not provided	Second Portable Toilet	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate the hand sanitizer dispenser so that it is not mounted over the grab bar. Provide an accessible portable toilet that has 60" wide and 72" deep at the toilet (MAAB).	1	\$4,600				
6	Greenbriar Park	C. Field	B. Accessible spaces not provided at sidelines seating C. Not connected to an accessible-route F. No accessible route to all areas of sport activity	North Baseball Field by Parking	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a 36" x 60" stable, firm and slip resistant clear floor space at sidelines seating. Provide an accessible route to sideline seating and to the boundary of sport activity at the baseball field. Install an accessible route between all areas of sports activity.	1	\$0				

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7	Greenbriar Park	C. Field	A. Accessible spaces are not provided at team seating C. Not connected to an accessible-route	North and South Baseball Field Team Seating Dugouts	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a 36" x 48" clear floor space at team seating. Provide an accessible route to the team seating with a maximum change in level between the bullpen and field of 1/2" beveled.	4	\$0				
8	Greenbriar Park	C. Field	D. Practice areas are not on an accessible route	Batting Cage	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a stable, firm and slip resistant accessible route to the batting cage.	1	\$0				
9	Greenbriar Park	C. Field	B. Accessible spaces not provided at sidelines seating C. Not connected to an accessible-route F. No accessible route to all areas of sport activity	South Baseball Field	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a 36" x 60" stable, firm and slip resistant clear floor space at sidelines seating. Provide an accessible route to sideline seating and to the boundary of sport activity at the baseball field. Install an accessible route between all areas of sports activity.	1	\$0				
10	Greenbriar Park	D. Court	C. Not connected to accessible route F. No accessible route between all areas of sport activity	Volleyball Courts	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide an accessible route to the boundary of sport activity at the volleyball courts. Install an accessible route between all areas of sport activity.	1	\$0				
11	Greenbriar Park	D. Court	C. Not connected to accessible route F. No accessible route between all areas of sport activity	Tennis Courts	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide an accessible route to the boundary of sport activity at the tennis courts. Install an accessible route between all areas of sport activity.	1	\$0				
1	Joslin Park	A. Exterior Access Route	N. Accessible route not provided	Bandstand Monument	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure an accessible route is provided to the monument by the gazebo.	1	\$0				
2	Joslin Park	A. Exterior Access Route	N. Accessible route not provided	Book Exchange Receptacle	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure an accessible route is provided to the book exchange bin.	1	\$0				
3	Joslin Park	F. Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage	A. Total # of parking B. Total # of designated car accessible parking spaces C. Total # of designated van accessible spaces O. Sign does not have the designation "Van Accessible"	Parking	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Add the designation "Van Accessible" to the sign located at the van accessible space.	1	\$500				
4	Joslin Park	D. Ramps	C. Running slope >1:12 (8.33%)	Bandstand Ramp	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Reduce running slope to be no steeper than 1:12 (8.33%). Further study will be needed to determine whether it is technically feasible to bring the ramp into full compliance with the ADA Standards.	1	\$0				

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5	Joslin Park	E. Stairways	C. Handrails do not extend 12" from stairs D. Handrails have noncompliant cross section E. Handrails not continuous where required	Bandstand Stairs	Ext.		Priority 1	Safety	Top: Ensure handrails extend horizontally above the landing for 12" min. beginning above the first riser nosing. Bottom: Ensure that the handrail extends at least 12" plus the width of one tread beyond the bottom riser. Provide handrails with a 1 1/4" - 2" circular cross section. Provide continuous handrails.	2	\$0				
6	Joslin Park	K. Picnic Tables	A. Number of seating spaces at picnic tables B. Number of accessible seating spaces H. Picnic table not on an accessible	Picnic Tables	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure that the picnic table is connected to an accessible route.	1	\$0				
7	Joslin Park	M. Benches	A. No accessible route to one bench in this area	Benches by Main Street	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide an accessible route to at least one bench in this area or relocate one bench on an accessible route.	1	\$0				
8	Joslin Park	N. Bike Racks	A. Bike rack is not connected to an accessible route	Bike Rack	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure bike racks are connected to an accessible route.	1	\$0				
9	Joslin Park	J. Portable Toilet	A. Not located on an accessible route E. Noncompliant toilet paper dispenser F. Item mounted over grab bar (MAAB) G. 60" by 72" clear space not provided	Portable Toilet	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Locate portable toilet on an accessible route. Relocate the toilet paper so that it is 24" min. high, located under the grab bar, and between 7" and 9" from the front of the toilet./Replace dispenser as it does not allow continuous paper flow. Provide an accessible portable toilet that has 60" wide and 72" deep at the toilet per MAAB.	1	\$4,600				
1	Ruel Field	A. Exterior Access Route	H. Running slope > 1:20 (5.00%)	To Soccer Field	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Reduce the running slope to be no steeper than 1:20 (5.00%).	1	0				
2	Ruel Field	A. Exterior Access Route	L. Does not prevent accumulation of water	South Softball Field	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Repair the surface.	1	\$0				
3	Ruel Field	F. Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage	A. Total # of parking B. Total # of designated car accessible parking spaces C. Total # of designated van accessible spaces G. Access aisle not provided N. Sign with the International Symbol of Acc. not provided O. Sign does not have the designation "Van Accessible"	Parking	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide one van accessible parking space 96" wide min. with a marked access aisle 96" wide min. and one car accessible parking space 96" wide min. sharing the same access aisle. Provide a sign at both spaces with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA) with the bottom of the sign 60" min. above the ground. Add the designation "Van Accessible" to the sign located at the van accessible space.	1	\$0				

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4	Ruel Field	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	O. Door requires > 5 lbs of force to open	Men's Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Adjust closers so doors do not require more than 5 pounds of force to open.	1	\$0				
5	Ruel Field	G. Service Counter	B. Counter > 36" high	Concession Stand	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a counter that is 36" max. above the ground.	1	\$1,144				
6	Ruel Field	H. Operable Parts / Reach Range	A. Element not on an accessible route C. Reach < 15" or > 48"(forward/side approach)	Exterior Light Control Switch North of Parking by Basketball Court	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	If used by members of the public, ensure the control. is located on an accessible route. Relocate control so that controls are between 15"- 48" above the finished floor. /Ensure that staff is available to assist visitors who need assistance.	1	\$0				
7	Ruel Field	A. Overall Access	K. Audible and visible alarm not provided	Men's and Women's Toilet Rooms	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	When fire system is updated, ensure that a visible and audible fire alarm is	2	\$0				
8	Ruel Field	D. Toilet Compartment	N. Noncompliant toilet paper dispenser T. Centerline < or > 18" (MAAB)	Men's Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate toilet paper so that it is 24" min high, located under the grab bar, and between 7" and 9" from the front of the toilet./Replace dispenser as it does not allow continuous paper flow. Relocate toilet so the centerline is 18" from the side wall.	1	\$4,176				
9	Ruel Field	D. Toilet Compartment	N. Noncompliant toilet paper dispenser P. Clearance at toilet < 60" clear width T. Centerline < or > 18" (MAAB)	Women's Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate toilet paper so that it is 24" min high, located under the grab bar, and between 7" and 9" from the front of the toilet./Replace dispenser as it does not allow continuous paper flow. Provide a wheelchair accessible compartment that is 60" wide min. (Relocate trash container under rear grab bar to side wall.) Relocate toilet so the centerline is 18" from the side wall.	1	\$4,676				
10	Ruel Field	D. Toilet Compartment	D. Door has malfunctioning self-closing hinge U. Door pull not provided	Men's and Women's Toilet Rooms	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Repair hinge. Provide a door pull on each side of the door between 34" to 48" above the finished floor that does not require tight grasping, pinching or twisting of the	2	\$182				
11	Ruel Field	F. Dispensers	B. Dispenser acts as a protruding object	Men's and Women's Toilet Rooms	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate hand dryer out of the circulation path or provide a cane-detectable barrier under the hand dryer located 27" max. above the finished floor.	1	\$398				

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12	Ruel Field	J. Portable Toilet	A. Not located on an accessible route B. Accessible portable toilets not provided	Portable Toilet	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Locate portable toilet on an accessible route. Ensure that at least 5% of portable toilets (with a minimum of one) are accessible.	1	\$4,600				
13	Ruel Field	L. Baby Changing Table	D. Operable part > 48" high G. Changing table requires > 5 lbs. of force	Men's Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	When toilet room is renovated lower the baby changing table so that the table pull control is located no higher than 48" above finished floor. Repair table so that it does not require greater than 5 lbs. of force to operate.	1	\$0				
14	Ruel Field	L. Baby Changing Table	D. Operable part > 48" high	Women's Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	When toilet room is renovated lower the baby changing table so that the table pull control is located no higher than 48" above finished floor. Repair table so that it does not require greater than 5 lbs. of force to operate.	1	\$0				
15	Ruel Field	C. Field	A. Accessible spaces are not provided at team seating B. Accessible spaces not provided at sidelines seating C. Not connected to an accessible-route F. No accessible route to all areas of sport activity	South Softball Field	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a 36" x 48" clear floor space at team seating. Provide a 36" x 60" clear floor space at sidelines seating. Provide an accessible route to the boundary of sport activity at the softball field. Install an accessible route between all areas of sports activity.	1	\$0				
16	Ruel Field	C. Field	C. Not connected to an accessible-route F. No accessible route to all areas of sport activity	West Soccer Fields	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide an accessible route to the boundary of sport activity at the soccer fields. Install an accessible route between all areas of sports activity.	1	\$0				
17	Ruel Field	C. Field	A. Accessible spaces are not provided at team seating B. Accessible spaces not provided at sidelines seating C. Not connected to an accessible-route F. No accessible route to all areas of sport activity	West Baseball Field	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a 36" x 48" clear floor space at team seating. Provide a 36" x 60" clear floor space at sidelines seating. Provide an accessible route to the boundary of sport activity at the field. Install an accessible route between all areas of sports activity.	1	\$0				

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18	Ruel Field	C. Field	A. Accessible spaces are not provided at team seating B. Accessible spaces not provided at sidelines seating C. Not connected to an accessible-route F. No accessible route to all areas of sport activity	North Baseball Field	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a 36" x 48" clear floor space at team seating. Provide a 36" x 60" clear floor space at sidelines seating. Provide an accessible route to the boundary of sport activity at the field. Install an accessible route between all areas of sports activity.	1	\$0				
19	Ruel Field	D. Court	C. Not connected to accessible route	Basketball	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a stable, firm and slip resistant accessible route, 48" wide min., to the boundary of sport activity at the basketball court.	1	\$0				
20	Ruel Field	H. Golf Facilities	J. Acc. route to boundary of sport activity not provided.	Disc Golf, Hole 1	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide an accessible route to the boundary of sport activity at the first hole tee stations and back from the final hole location.	1	\$0				
21	Ruel Field	H. Golf Facilities	J. Acc. route to 5% of teeing stations not provided	Disc Golf Course	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide an accessible route to at least 5% of teeing stations on the 9 hole course. If that is not possible, at the first tee and on the facility web site provide information about the nature of the route to the other tees such as the nature of the surface, maximum change in level (tree routes of about 4" were observed) and maximum running and cross slopes (cross slopes of up to 10% were observed.)	1	\$0				
22	Ruel Field	Designation Signage		Men's and Women's Toilet Rooms	Ext.		Priority 4	Enhanced Usability	Recommend, at the men's and women's multi-user toilet rooms, providing designation signage located on the latch side of the door with raised characters, braille and the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).	2	\$0				
23	Ruel Field	Walkway		Basketball Court (Southwest Side)	Ext.		Priority 4	Enhanced Usability	Recommend providing a directional sign to this walkway on the east side of the basketball court where visitors may not be aware of the presence of this walkway.	1	\$0				

## Town of Oxford: Priority for ADA Transition Plan - Schools

### Priorities:

- Priority 1: Program Access\* or Safety
- Priority 2: Navigational Issue
- Priority 3: Additional Access\*
- Priority 4: Enhanced Usability

### \*Note:

Some toilet rooms issues compromise Program Access.  
Some toilet rooms with less central issues (e.g., partially accessible toilet rooms), fall under Additional Access.

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1	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	A. Exterior Access Route	J. Level changes > 1/4"	Media Center Courtyard Door 6	1	B6	Priority 3	Additional Access	Alter change in level to be 1/4" high max.	1	\$0				
2	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	A. Exterior Access Route	N. Accessible route not provided	Media Center Courtyard	1	B6	Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure that a stable, firm and slip resistant accessible route is provided all the way to the gate in case it is needed for emergency egress.	1	\$0				
3	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	A. Exterior Access Route	N. Accessible route not provided	Media Center Courtyard	1	B6	Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure a 48" wide min. stable, firm and slip resistant accessible route is provided to the raised garden beds.	1	\$0				
4	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	A. Exterior Access Route	J. Level changes > 1/4"	Main Entrance	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Alter change in level to be 1/4" high max.	1	\$0				
5	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	A. Exterior Access Route	G. Cross slope > 1:50 (2.00%)	By Main Entrance	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Reduce cross slope to be no steeper than 1:50 (2.00%).	1	\$0				
6	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	A. Exterior Access Route	H. Running slope > 1:20 (5.00%)	Door 2 East Side	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Reduce running slope to be no steeper than 1:20 (5.00%).or 8.33% (1:12) if treated as a ramp.	1	\$0				
7	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	A. Exterior Access Route	F. Surface openings > 1/2"	Door 2 East Side	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Repair so that openings are 1/2" max.	1	\$0				
8	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	A. Exterior Access Route	N. Accessible route not provided	By Playground	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	If used by children or members of the public, ensure a stable, firm and slip resistant accessible route is provided to small above ground pool and tent.	1	\$0				

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9	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	C. Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage	A. Total # of parking B. Total # of designated car accessible parking spaces C. Total # of designated van accessible spaces N. Sign with the International Symbol of Acc. not provided	Parking by American Flag	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA) at a car accessible parking space that can share an access aisle with one of the van accessible parking space. Relocate the ISA and Van Accessible sign from the access aisle to the front of the second van accessible parking space. (Two compliant car and one compliant van space are required, but two van and one car accessible spaces are allowed.)	1	\$500					
10	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	C. Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage	A. Total # of parking B. Total # of designated car accessible parking spaces C. Total # of designated van accessible spaces N. Sign with the International Symbol of Acc. not provided	West Side Parking by Parent Pickup	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA) with the bottom of the sign 60" min. above the ground and the top 96" max. above the ground at the five car accessible parking spaces that lack an ISA sign.	5	\$2,500					
11	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	D. Passenger Loading Zones	L. Sign with ISA not provided (MAAB)	Student Drop-off	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a sign that includes the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA) at the head of the passenger loading zone. Locate the sign so that the bottom is 60" min. above the ground and the top is 96" max. above the	1	\$500					
12	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	D. Passenger Loading Zones	L. Sign with ISA not provided (MAAB)	Student Pickup by Playground	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a sign that includes the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA) at the head of the loading zone. Locate the sign so that the bottom is 60" min. above the ground and the top is 96" max. above the ground. Re-stripe faded loading zone access aisle.	1	\$500					
13	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided P. Illuminated ISA symbol not provided (MAAB)	Main Entrance Egress	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. Provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA). When the illuminated exit sign is repaired or replaced, provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).	1	\$450					

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14	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided P. Illuminated ISA symbol not provided (MAAB)	South Egress to Playground Door 4	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. Provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA)./When the illuminated exit sign is repaired or replaced, provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).	1	\$450			
15	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided P. Illuminated ISA symbol not provided (MAAB)	West Egress Door 12	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit When the illuminated exit sign is repaired or replaced, provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).	1	\$450			
16	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided	Media Center Door 6 Exit to Enclosed Courtyard	1	B6	Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door.	1	\$250			
17	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided P. Illuminated ISA symbol not provided (MAAB)	Door 10	1	B6	Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. When the illuminated exit sign is repaired or replaced, provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).	1	\$450			
18	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided P. Illuminated ISA symbol not provided (MAAB)	Gymnasium Doors 9 and 8	1	B6	Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. When the illuminated exit sign is repaired or replaced, provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).	2	\$900			

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19	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided P. Illuminated ISA symbol not provided (MAAB)	Door 7 East	1	B6	Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. When the illuminated exit sign is repaired or replaced, provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).	1	\$450					
20	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	B. Interior Access Route	A. Route < 36" wide	Nurse's Office Second Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Ensure that a clear width of 36" min. is maintained at the accessible route. (Relocate one chair.)	1	\$0					
21	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	B. Interior Access Route	D. Cross slope > 1:50 (2.00%)	Boys' Multi-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Reduce cross slope to be no steeper than 1:50 (2.00%)./Further study will be needed to determine whether it is technically feasible to bring the route into full compliance with the ADA	1	\$0					
22	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	B. Interior Access Route	B. Obstructed by protruding objects	Kindergarten Classroom	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Relocate storage cabinet out of the accessible route or provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the finished floor below the cabinet.	1	\$398					
23	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	B. Interior Access Route	B. Obstructed by protruding objects	Grade 2 Classroom	1	B6	Priority 1	Program Access	Relocate storage out of the accessible route or provide a cane-detectible barrier 27" max. above the finished floor below the storage.	1	\$398					
24	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	B. Interior Access Route	B. Obstructed by protruding objects C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	All-Gender Single-User Toilet Room Near Media Center	1	B6	Priority 1	Program Access	Relocate storage out of the accessible route or provide a cane-detectible barrier 27" max. above the finished floor below the storage.	1	\$398					
25	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	B. Interior Access Route	B. Obstructed by protruding objects	Boys' Multi-User Toilet Room by Gymnasium	1	B6	Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the ground below the shelf.	1	\$398					
26	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	B. Interior Access Route	B. Obstructed by protruding objects	Special Multipurpose Room	1	C24	Priority 1	Program Access	Relocate object out of the accessible route or provide a cane-detectable barrier under the storage.	1	\$398					
27	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	M. Door requires > 5 lbs. of force to open	Lift to Stage in Cafetorium	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Adjust closers so doors do not require more than 5 pounds of force to open.	1	\$0					
28	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	Nurse's Office	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate chair and stored items to provide 18" min. pull-side maneuvering	1	\$0					
29	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	Nurse's Office Second Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate shelving and stored items to provide 18" min. pull-side maneuvering clearance.	1	\$0					
30	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	Gymnasium	1	B6	Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide an automatic door opener to provide 18" min. pull side maneuvering clearance at the door.	1	\$6,000					

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31	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	K. Signage	P. Signage lacks 18" by 18" clear floor space	Office	1		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Remove stored items below sign. Ensure door swing does not interfere with clear floor space at sign.	1	\$0					
32	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	K. Signage	K. International Symbol of Acc. not provided	Boys' Multi-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Replace the sign with a sign containing the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).  Note: Adding a sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA) at accessible toilet rooms that do not have an ISA sign is not required if <del>every toilet room in the school is</del>	1	\$250					
33	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	K. Signage	K. International Symbol of Acc. not provided	Girls' Multi-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Replace the sign with a sign containing the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).  Note: Adding a sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA) at accessible toilet rooms that do not have an ISA sign is not required if <del>every toilet room in the school is</del>	1	\$250					
34	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	K. Signage	N. International Symbol of Acc. not compliant	Kindergarten Multi-User Children's	1		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Provide a sign with the required International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).  Note: Adding a sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA) at accessible toilet rooms that do not have an ISA sign is not required if <del>every toilet room in the school is</del>	1	\$250					
35	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	K. Signage	B. Raised characters not provided on sign  D. Braille not provided on sign	First Grade	1	B24	Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Provide text with raised characters duplicated in braille on the sign.	1	\$250					
36	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	K. Signage	G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	Media Center	1	B6	Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side. (Relocate sign to glass closer to the door latch.)	1	\$0					
37	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	K. Signage	B. Raised characters not provided on sign	Art	1	C24	Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Provide text with raised characters duplicated in braille on the sign.	1	\$250					
38	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	L. Service Counter	B. Counter > 36" high	Office	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Remove stored items from the lower accessible portion of the service counter.	1	\$0					
39	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	M. Operable Parts / Reach Range	B. Clear floor space is not provided  H. Not compliant	By Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate chairs and stored items to provide a 30" min. by 48" min. clear floor space and to allow for a parallel approach to the bottle filler.	1	\$0					
40	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	M. Operable Parts / Reach Range	B. Clear floor space is not provided	Outside Nurse's Office All-Gender Single-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate stored items to provide a 30" min. by 48" min. clear floor space at paper towel dispenser.	1	\$0					

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41	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	N. Children's Reach Ranges	D. Reach < 18" or > 40" (Ages 5 - 8)	First Grade	1	B24	Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate so the operable part of the paper towel dispenser so it is between 18" and 40" above the finished floor.	1	\$0					
42	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	O. Dining or Work Surfaces	G. Knee clearance less than 19" deep	Cafetorium	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide at least one dining or work surface with knee clearance that is 19"	1	\$1,430					
43	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	O. Dining or Work Surfaces	A. Not on a accessible route C. Knee or toe clearance not provided G. Knee clearance less than 19" deep	Media Center Courtyard	1	B6	Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure dining or work surfaces are located on an accessible route. Provide at least one dining or work surface with 27" min. high knee and toe clearance. For children, provide at least one dining or work surface with 24" min. high knee and toe clearance. Provide at least one dining or work surface with knee clearance that is 19" deep min.	1	\$1,400					
44	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	O. Dining or Work Surfaces	A. Not on a accessible route B. At least one or 5% accessible tables not provided	Playground 2 South Side	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure at least one picnic table in this area is located on an accessible route. Ensure that at least one picnic table in this area is accessible.	1	\$1,400					
45	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	P. Assembly Area	P. Assistive listening devices not provided	Cafetorium, Gym or Individual Classrooms	1		Priority 1	Program Access	If audible communication is integral to the use of the space, provide an assistive listening system.	1	\$1,430					
46	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	V. Exterior Benches	A. No accessible route to one bench in area	Playground	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Relocate one bench to an accessible route or provide an accessible route to one bench in this area. Note: The Massachusetts Architectural Access Board (MAAB) does not consider engineered wood fiber (EWF) to comply with its regulation requiring an accessible route to each play component and around the playground.	1	\$0					
47	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	A. Overall Access	F. International Symbol of Acc. not provided P. Signage lacks 18" by 18" clear floor space	Second Single-User All-Gender Toilet Room by Cafeteria	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA). Note: Adding a sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA) at accessible toilet rooms that do not have an ISA sign is not required if every toilet room in the school is accessible.	1	\$250					
48	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	B. Lavatory	E. Plumbing underneath is exposed F. Mirror above lavatory w/reflective surface > 40"	One of Two Single-User All-Gender Toilet Rooms by Cafeteria	1		Priority 1	Safety	Insulate or otherwise configure pipes to prevent contact for at least one lavatory. Lower mirror so that the bottom surface is at 40" max. above the finished floor.	1	\$483					
49	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	B. Lavatory	F. Mirror above lavatory w/reflective surface > 40"	Second Single-User All-Gender Toilet Room by Cafeteria	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Lower mirror so that the bottom surface is at 40" max. above the finished floor.	1	\$333					

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50	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	B. Lavatory	F. Mirror above lavatory w/reflective surface > 40"	Nurse's Office Single-User All-Gender Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Lower mirror so that the bottom surface is at 40" max. above the finished floor.	1	\$333		
51	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	B. Lavatory	F. Mirror above lavatory w/reflective surface > 40"	All-Gender Single-User Toilet Room Near Media Center	1	B6	Priority 3	Additional Access	Lower mirror so that the bottom surface is at 40" max. above the finished floor.	1	\$333		
52	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	C. Single-User Toilet	J. Clearance at toilet < 60" clear width	Nurse's Office Single-User All-Gender Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate cabinet to ensure that there is 60" wide min. clear floor space at the	1	\$0		
53	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	C. Single-User Toilet	F. Side or rear grab bar < 33" or > 36" high	All-Gender Single-User Toilet Room Near Media Center	1	B6	Priority 3	Additional Access	Mount grab bars 33"- 36" above the finished floor.	1	\$333		
54	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	D. Toilet Compartment	C. Door has noncompliant hardware D. Door has malfunctioning self-closing hinge	Boys' Multi-User Toilet Room by Gymnasium	1	B6	Priority 1	Program Access	Provide hardware that can be operable with one hand and not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the wrist.	1	\$750		
55	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	D. Toilet Compartment	F. Toilet seat <17" or > 19" high J. Side or rear grab bar < 33" or >36" high T. Centerline < or > 18" (MAAB)	Boys' Multi-User Toilet Room by Gymnasium	1	B6	Priority 3	Additional Access	Install a toilet with a seat height 17"- 19" above the finished floor. Locate grab bars between 33"- 36" above the finished floor. Relocate toilet so the centerline is 18" from the side wall.	1	\$4,009		
56	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	D. Toilet Compartment	C. Door has noncompliant hardware D. Door has malfunctioning self-closing hinge	Girls' Multi-User Toilet Room by Gymnasium	1	B6	Priority 1	Program Access	Provide hardware that can be operable with one hand and not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the wrist.	1	\$91		
57	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	D. Toilet Compartment	T. Centerline < or > 18" (MAAB)	Girls' Multi-User Toilet Room by Gymnasium	1	B6	Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate toilet so the centerline is 18" from the side wall.	1	\$3,676		
58	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	F. Dispensers	A. Noncompliant operable part	One of Two Single-User All-Gender Toilet Rooms by	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Ensure paper towel dispenser is not located above the grab bar.	1	\$500		
59	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	F. Dispensers	A. Noncompliant operable part	Second Single-User All-Gender Toilet Room by Cafeteria	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Ensure paper towel dispenser is not located above the grab bar.	1	\$500		
60	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	F. Dispensers	B. Dispenser acts as a protruding object	Boys' Multi-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate dispenser out of the circulation path or provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the finished floor below the paper towel dispenser.	1	\$398		
61	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	G. Shower Compartment	A. Shower not on an accessible route B. Clear space at transfer shower < 48" x 36"	Nurse's Office Shower	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a 48" x 36" clear floor space for a transfer shower. (Relocate stored items.)	1	\$0		
62	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	G. Shower Compartment	E. Grab bars not provided H. Seat not provided (transfer compartment) U. Accessible shower not provided	Nurse's Office Shower	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide compliant grab bars depending on shower type. Provide a folding seat. Provide at least one accessible shower.	1	\$7,894		

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63	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	B. Toilet Compartment (Children)	C. Door with malfunctioning self-closing hinge D. Door pull not provided	Boy's Multi-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Repair self-closing hinge. Provide a door pull on each side of the door between 34" to 48" above the finished floor that does not require tight grasping, pinching or twisting of the	1	\$91			
64	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	B. Toilet Compartment (Children)	C. Door with malfunctioning self-closing hinge D. Door pull not provided	Girls' Multi-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Repair self-closing hinge. Provide a door pull on each side of the door between 34" to 48" above the finished floor that does not require tight grasping, pinching or twisting of the	1	\$91			
65	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	B. Toilet Compartment (Children)	L. Side or rear grab bar < 25" or > 27" high (Ages 9 - 12) R. Noncompliant toilet paper dispenser	Girls' Multi-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate rear grab bar to 25"- 27" above the finished floor. Relocate toilet paper dispenser so that it is between 14"- 19" above the finished floor and between 7"- 9" in front of the toilet. Ensure dispensers and other devices are not mounted above grab bars./Replace dispenser as it does not allow continuous paper flow.	1	\$833			
66	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	C. Lavatory (Children)	F. Mirror above lavatory w/reflective surface > 31"	Boys' and Girls' Multi-User Toilet Rooms	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Lower mirror so that the bottom surface is at 31" above the finished floor.	2	\$666			
67	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	D. Dispensers (Children)	G. Dispenser acts as a protruding object	Girls' Multi-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate paper towel dispenser out of the circulation path or provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the ground under the paper towel dispenser.	1	\$398			
68	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	B. Sink	A. Clear floor space not provided at sink	Art	1	C24	Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a 30" by 48" clear floor space positioned for a forward approach. (Move stored items under the sink.)	1	\$0			
69	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	B. Play Areas	A. Accessible route not provided to playground	Playground	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Install a stable, firm and slip resistant accessible route to the playground entry.	1	\$0			
70	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	B. Play Areas	C. Accessible route not provided to play components	Playground	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a compliant impact-attenuating surface to and around the play components. Note: The Massachusetts Architectural Access Board (MAAB) does not consider engineered wood fiber (EWF) to comply with its regulation requiring an accessible route to each play component and around the playground.	1	\$0			

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71	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	B. Play Areas	C. Accessible route not provided to play components	Playground	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a compliant impact-attenuating surface to and around the play components. Note: The Massachusetts Architectural Access Board (MAAB) does not consider engineered wood fiber (EWF) to comply with its regulation requiring an accessible route to each play component and around the playground.	1	\$0			
72	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	B. Play Areas	C. Accessible route not provided to play components	Playground 2 South Side	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a compliant impact-attenuating surface to and around the play components. Note: The Massachusetts Architectural Access Board (MAAB) does not consider engineered wood fiber (EWF) to comply with its regulation requiring an accessible route to each play component and around the playground.	1	\$0			
73	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	B. Play Areas	A. Accessible route not provided to playground	Playground 2 South Side	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Install a stable, firm and slip resistant accessible route to and around the playground.	1	\$0			
74	Alfred M. Chaffee Elementary School	Podium		Gymnasium	1	B6	Priority 4	Enhanced Usability	Recommend providing an adjustable height podium with knee and toe clearance positioned for a forward	1	\$0			
1	Clara Barton Elementary School	A. Exterior Access Route	F. Surface openings > 1/2" J. Level changes > 1/4"	Egress Door 2	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Repair so that openings are 1/2" max. Alter change in level to be 1/4" high	1	\$0			
2	Clara Barton Elementary School	A. Exterior Access Route	F. Surface openings > 1/2"	Southeast Corner by Rear Parking	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Repair so that openings are 1/2" max.	1	\$0			
3	Clara Barton Elementary School	A. Exterior Access Route	G. Cross slope > 1:50 (2.00%)	By Rear Parking	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Reduce cross slope to be no steeper than 1:50 (2.00%).	1	\$0			
4	Clara Barton Elementary School	A. Exterior Access Route	N. Accessible route not provided	By Rear Parking	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure an accessible route is provided to the bike rack.	1	\$0			
5	Clara Barton Elementary School	A. Exterior Access Route	F. Surface openings > 1/2"	Southeast Corner Towards Parking	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Repair so that openings are 1/2" max.	2	\$0			
6	Clara Barton Elementary School	A. Exterior Access Route	F. Surface openings > 1/2"	By Front Entrance	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Repair so that openings are 1/2" max.	1	\$0			
7	Clara Barton Elementary School	A. Exterior Access Route	J. Level changes > 1/4"	Door 1 Main Entrance	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Alter change in level to be 1/4" high max.	1	\$0			
8	Clara Barton Elementary School	A. Exterior Access Route	F. Surface openings > 1/2" G. Cross slope > 1:50 (2.00%)	By Door 11	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Repair so that openings are 1/2" max. Reduce cross slope to be no steeper than 1:50 (2.00%).	1	\$0			
9	Clara Barton Elementary School	A. Exterior Access Route	F. Surface openings > 1/2"	Door 10	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Repair so that openings are 1/2" max. and the long opening dimension is perpendicular to the dominant direction of travel.	1	\$0			

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10	Clara Barton Elementary School	A. Exterior Access Route	J. Level changes > 1/4"	Door 6	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Alter change in level to be 1/4" high max.	1	\$0			
11	Clara Barton Elementary School	A. Exterior Access Route	N. Accessible route not provided	Playground	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure an accessible route is provided.	1	\$0			
12	Clara Barton Elementary School	A. Exterior Access Route	F. Surface openings > 1/2" H. Running slope > 1:20 (5.00%)	Egress Door 5 by Playground	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Replace or reposition so that openings are 1/2" max. and the long opening dimension is perpendicular to the dominant direction of travel. Reduce running slope to be no steeper than 1:20 (5.00%).	1	\$0			
13	Clara Barton Elementary School	A. Exterior Access Route	H. Running slope > 1:20 (5.00%)	Door 4	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Reduce running slope to be no steeper than 1:20 (5.00%).	1	\$0			
14	Clara Barton Elementary School	B. Curb Ramp	D. Transition from curb ramp to street not flush	By Door 2	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure transition from curb ramp to street is flush or free of changes in level.	1	\$0			
15	Clara Barton Elementary School	C. Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage	C. Total # of designated van accessible spaces H. Access aisle not compliant K. Access aisle < 96" wide at van space	By Front Entrance	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a marked access aisle that is at least 96" wide at the van accessible space. (Re-stripe.)	1	\$300			
16	Clara Barton Elementary School	C. Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage	C. Total # of designated van accessible spaces M. Running or cross slope at access aisle > 1:50 (2.00%)	Back Entrance Parking	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Reduce running or cross slope to be no steeper than 1:50 (2.00%).	1	\$0			
17	Clara Barton Elementary School	D. Passenger Loading Zones	L. Sign with ISA not provided (MAAB)	Pasenger Loadg Zone by Door 3			Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a sign that includes the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA) at the head of the space. Locate the sign so that the bottom is 60" min. above the ground and the top is 96" max. above the ground.	1	\$0			
18	Clara Barton Elementary School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided P. Illuminated ISA symbol not provided (MAAB)	Front Egress	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. When the illuminated exit sign is repaired or replaced, provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).	1	\$450			

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19	Clara Barton Elementary School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided P. Illuminated ISA symbol not provided (MAAB)	Door 1 Egress	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. When the illuminated exit sign is repaired or replaced, provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).	1	\$450					
20	Clara Barton Elementary School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided Q. Directional sign to accessible emergency exit not provided	Door 9 Egress	1	D23	Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible emergency exit.	2	\$500					
21	Clara Barton Elementary School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided Q. Directional sign to accessible emergency exit not provided	Media Center Door 7	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible emergency exit.	2	\$500					
22	Clara Barton Elementary School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided P. Illuminated ISA symbol not provided (MAAB)	Door 6	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. When the illuminated exit sign is repaired or replaced, provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).	1	\$450					
23	Clara Barton Elementary School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided P. Illuminated ISA symbol not provided (MAAB)	Gym Door 5	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. When the illuminated exit sign is repaired or replaced, provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).	1	\$450					

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24	Clara Barton Elementary School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided P. Illuminated ISA symbol not provided (MAAB)	Gym Door 4	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. When the illuminated exit sign is repaired or replaced, provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).	1	\$450					
25	Clara Barton Elementary School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided P. Illuminated ISA symbol not provided (MAAB)	Door 3	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. When the illuminated exit sign is repaired or replaced, provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).	1	\$450					
26	Clara Barton Elementary School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided P. Illuminated ISA symbol not provided (MAAB)	Door 2	1	B2	Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. When the illuminated exit sign is repaired or replaced, provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).	1	\$450					
27	Clara Barton Elementary School	B. Interior Access Route	B. Obstructed by protruding objects	By Nurse's Office	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate defibrillator out of the accessible route or provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the ground under the defibrillator.	1	\$398					
28	Clara Barton Elementary School	B. Interior Access Route	B. Obstructed by protruding objects	Nurse's Office	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate wall hung object out of the accessible route or provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the ground under the wall hung object.	1	\$398					
29	Clara Barton Elementary School	B. Interior Access Route	B. Obstructed by protruding objects	Women's Single-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate shelf out of the accessible route or provide a cane-detachable barrier 27" max. above the ground under the shelf.	1	\$398					
30	Clara Barton Elementary School	B. Interior Access Route	B. Obstructed by protruding objects	ILC	1	D20	Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the finished floor under the	1	\$398					
31	Clara Barton Elementary School	B. Interior Access Route	B. Obstructed by protruding objects	ILC	1	D20	Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the finished floor under the shelf or relocate the shelf out of the accessible route.	1	\$398					

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32	Clara Barton Elementary School	B. Interior Access Route	B. Obstructed by protruding objects	English	1	C19	Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate object out of the accessible route or provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the finished	1	\$398			
33	Clara Barton Elementary School	B. Interior Access Route	B. Obstructed by protruding objects	ESL	1	B1	Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a cane-detectable barrier under the shelf.	1	\$398			
34	Clara Barton Elementary School	B. Interior Access Route	D. Cross slope > 1:50 (2.00%)	Boys' Multi-User Toilet Room	1	B1	Priority 3	Additional Access	Reduce cross slope to be no steeper than 1:50 (2.00%) in all directions by the toilet./Further study will be needed to determine whether it is technically feasible to bring the floor into full compliance with the ADA Standards.	1	\$0			
35	Clara Barton Elementary School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	Nurse's Office	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate stored items to provide 18" min. maneuvering clearance on the pull side of the door,	1	\$0			
36	Clara Barton Elementary School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	Guidance	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate recycle bin to provide 18" min. pull side maneuvering clearance at the door.	1	\$0			
37	Clara Barton Elementary School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	ILC	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate shelf to provide 18" min. pull side maneuvering clearance at the door.	1	\$459			
38	Clara Barton Elementary School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	Girls' Multi-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate trash container to provide 18" min. pull side maneuvering clearance at the door.	1	\$0			
39	Clara Barton Elementary School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	A. Clear width at door < 32"	ILC Single-User Toilet Room	1	D20	Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate furniture so that there is 32" min. clear width at the door.	1	\$0			
40	Clara Barton Elementary School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	B. Obstructed by protruding objects C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	ILC 2	1	D22	Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the finished floor under the shelf. Relocate shelf to provide 18" min. pull	1	\$500			
41	Clara Barton Elementary School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	B. Obstructed by protruding objects C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	5th Grade Math and Science	1	D23	Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the finished floor under the shelf. Relocate shelf to provide 18" min. pull	1	\$500			
42	Clara Barton Elementary School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	M. Door requires > 5 lbs. of force to open	Computer Room	1	C16	Priority 3	Additional Access	Adjust closers so doors do not require more than 5 pounds of force to open.	1	\$0			
43	Clara Barton Elementary School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	Men's Single-User Toilet Room With Urinal	1	B2	Priority 3	Additional Access	Remove trash container to provide 18" min. pull side maneuvering clearance at the door.	1	\$0			
44	Clara Barton Elementary School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	B. Obstructed by protruding objects C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	Music	1	B8	Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the finished floor under the shelf. Relocate shelf to provide 18" min. pull	1	\$500			

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45	Clara Barton Elementary School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	B. Obstructed by protruding objects C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	Third Grade	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the finished floor under the shelf. Relocate shelf to provide 18" min. pull	1	\$500			
46	Clara Barton Elementary School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	Title 1	1	B6	Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate trash container and bookshelf to provide 18" min. pull side maneuvering clearance at the door.	1	\$0			
47	Clara Barton Elementary School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	Boys' Multi-User Toilet Room	1	B1	Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate trash container and bookshelf to provide 18" min. pull side maneuvering clearance at the door.	1	\$0			
48	Clara Barton Elementary School	K. Signage	G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	Media Center	1	D23	Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side.	1	\$0			
49	Clara Barton Elementary School	K. Signage	A. Signage is not provided K. International Symbol of Acc. not provided	Men's Single-User Toilet Room With Urinal	1	B2	Priority 1	Program Access	Locate compliant signage with raised characters and braille alongside the door on the latch side. Provide a sign containing the International Symbol of Accessibility (‘‘’)	1	\$250			
50	Clara Barton Elementary School	K. Signage	P. Signage lacks 18" by 18" clear floor space	ILC Single-User Toilet Room	1	D23	Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Relocate cabinets to provide a clear floor space of 18" min. by 18" min. at the sign.	1	\$0			
51	Clara Barton Elementary School	K. Signage	A. Signage is not provided K. International Symbol of Acc. not provided	ILC Single-User Toilet Room Door 3	1	D23	Priority 1	Program Access	Locate compliant signage with raised characters and braille alongside the door on the latch side. Replace the sign with a sign containing the International Symbol of Accessibility (‘‘’)	1	\$250			
52	Clara Barton Elementary School	L. Service Counter	B. Counter > 36" high	Main Office	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a counter that is 36" max. above the ground or finished floor.	1	\$1,144			
53	Clara Barton Elementary School	O. Dining or Work Surfaces	B. At least one or 5% accessible tables not provided G. Knee clearance less than 19" deep	Cafeteria	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure that at least one dining surface is accessible. Provide at least one dining surface with knee clearance that is 19" deep min.	1	\$1,430			
54	Clara Barton Elementary School	U. Picnic Tables	C. At least 5% accessible spaces not provided G. Toe or knee clearance at tables not provided K. Knee clearance less than 19" deep	By Front Entrance	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure that at least 5% (minimum one) of picnic tables in each area where picnic tables are provided are accessible and located on an accessible route.	1	\$1,400			
55	Clara Barton Elementary School	U. Picnic Tables	C. At least 5% accessible spaces not provided K. Knee clearance less than 19" deep	Media Center Courtyard	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure that at least 5% (minimum one) of picnic tables are accessible. Provide at least one picnic table with knee clearance that is 19" deep min.	1	\$1,400			
56	Clara Barton Elementary School	U. Picnic Tables	C. At least 5% accessible spaces not provided K. Knee clearance less than 19" deep	Playground	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure that at least 5% (minimum one) of picnic tables are accessible. Provide at least one picnic table with knee clearance that is 19" deep min.	1	\$0			

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57	Clara Barton Elementary School	U. Picnic Tables	C. At least 5% accessible spaces not provided K. Knee clearance less than 19" deep	By Door 5	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure that at least 5% (minimum one) of picnic tables are accessible. Provide at least one picnic table with knee clearance that is 19" deep min.	1	\$0					
58	Clara Barton Elementary School	B. Lavatory	A. Clear floor space not provided at lavatory	All-Gender Single-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide at least one lavatory with a 30" min. by 48" min. clear floor space positioned for a forward approach. (Relocate paper towel dispenser.)	1	\$500					
59	Clara Barton Elementary School	B. Lavatory	A. Clear floor space not provided at lavatory B. Toe or knee clearances not provided E. Plumbing underneath is exposed	Men's Single-User Toilet Room With Urinal	1	B2	Priority 1	Safety	Provide at least one lavatory with a 30" min. by 48" min. clear floor space positioned for a forward approach. Provide at least one lavatory with knee and toe clearance positioned for a forward approach. Insulate or otherwise configure pipes to prevent contact for at least one lavatory.	1	\$2,342					
60	Clara Barton Elementary School	C. Single-User Toilet	C. Centerline < or > 18" (MAAB) F. Side or rear grab bar < 33" or > 36" high L. Toilet paper dispenser is not compliant	Nurse's Office Single-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate toilet so that the centerline is 18" from the side wall. Mount grab bars 33"- 36" above the finished floor. Relocate toilet paper so that it is 24" min. high, located under the grab bar, and between 7" and 9" from the front of the toilet.	1	\$4,482					
61	Clara Barton Elementary School	C. Single-User Toilet	L. Toilet paper dispenser is not compliant	Women's Single-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate toilet paper so that it is 24" min. high, located under the grab bar, and between 7" and 9" from the front of the toilet.	1	\$333					
62	Clara Barton Elementary School	C. Single-User Toilet	B. Flush control not on open side L. Toilet paper dispenser is not compliant	All-Gender Single-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate the flush control to the open side. Relocate toilet paper so that it is 24" min. high, located under the grab bar, and between 7" and 9" from the front of the toilet./Replace dispenser as it does not allow continuous paper flow.	1	\$819					
63	Clara Barton Elementary School	C. Single-User Toilet	K. Clearance at toilet < 72" clear depth (MAAB) L. Toilet paper dispenser is not compliant	All-Gender Single-User Toilet Room	1	C1	Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate furniture and stored items to ensure that there is 72" deep min. clear floor space at the toilet. Relocate toilet paper so that it is 24" min. high, located under the grab bar, and between 7" and 9" from the front of the toilet./Replace dispenser as it does not allow continuous paper flow.	1	\$333					

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64	Clara Barton Elementary School	C. Single-User Toilet	B. Flush control not on open side L. Toilet paper dispenser is not compliant	All-Gender Single-User Toilet Room	1	C1 - 2	Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate the flush control to the open side. Relocate toilet paper so that it is 24" min. high, located under the grab bar, and between 7" and 9" from the front of the toilet./Replace dispenser as it does not allow for easy use.	1	\$819		
65	Clara Barton Elementary School	F. Dispensers	A. Noncompliant operable part	Women's Single-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a sanitary napkin dispenser that can be operable with one hand and not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the wrist.	1	\$1,300		
66	Clara Barton Elementary School	F. Dispensers	B. Dispenser acts as a protruding object	Girls' Multi-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate dispenser out of the circulation path or provide a cane-detectable barrier under the dispenser 27" max. above the finished floor.	2	\$796		
67	Clara Barton Elementary School	F. Dispensers	B. Dispenser acts as a protruding object	All-Gender Single-User Toilet Room	1	C1	Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate paper towel dispenser out of the circulation path.	1	\$333		
68	Clara Barton Elementary School	F. Dispensers	B. Dispenser acts as a protruding object	All-Gender Single-User Toilet Room	1	C1 - 2	Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate dispenser out of the circulation path.	1	\$333		
69	Clara Barton Elementary School	F. Dispensers	A. Noncompliant operable part	Nurse's Office Single-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate paper towel dispenser so that it is not located above the grab bar.	1	\$500		
70	Clara Barton Elementary School	G. Shower Compartment	D. Size of shower compartment not compliant F. Grab bars are not 33"-36" high U. Accessible shower not provided	Nurse's Office	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a transfer shower that is 36" by 36". Locate grab bars between 33"- 36" above the finished floor. Provide at least one compliant accessible shower.	1	\$7,894		
71	Clara Barton Elementary School	G. Shower Compartment	B. Clear space at transfer shower < 48" x 36"	Nurse's Office Shower	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a 48" x 36" clear floor space for a transfer shower. (Relocate furniture.)	1	\$0		
72	Clara Barton Elementary School	A. Single-User Toilet (Children)	K. Centerline < 15" or > 18" (4 - 6) O. Side or rear grab bar < 25" or > 27" high (4 - 6) Q. Noncompliant toilet paper and paper towel dispensers	ILC Single-User Toilet Room	1	D20	Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate toilet so that the centerline is between 15" and 18" from the side wall. Locate grab bar between 25"- 27" above the floor. Relocate the toilet paper and paper towel dispensers so that they are not mounted above grab bars.	1	\$4,932		
73	Clara Barton Elementary School	A. Single-User Toilet (Children)	B. Clearance at toilet < 60" clear wide G. Toilet seat < 15" or > 17" high (4 - 6) O. Side or rear grab bar < 25" or > 27" high (4 - 6) Q. Noncompliant toilet paper dispenser	Grade 5 Single-User Toilet Room	1	C18	Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate furniture and trash container to provide a clear floor space that is 60" wide min. Install a toilet with a seat between 15"- 17" high above the finished floor. Locate grab bar between 25"- 27" above the floor. Relocate toilet paper dispenser so that it is not mounted above grab bars.	1	\$3,649		

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74	Clara Barton Elementary School	A. Single-User Toilet (Children)	A. Clearance at toilet < 72" clear deep Q. Noncompliant toilet paper dispenser	All-Gender Single-User Toilet Room English	1	C19	Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate furniture and stored items to provide a clear floor space that is 72" deep min. Relocate toilet paper dispenser so that it is between 14"- 19" above the floor and between 7"- 9" in front of the toilet. Ensure dispensers and other devices are not mounted above grab bars./Replace dispenser as it does not allow continuous paper flow.	1	\$500			
75	Clara Barton Elementary School	A. Single-User Toilet (Children)	G. Toilet seat < 15" or > 17" high (4 - 6) K. Centerline < 15" or > 18" (4 - 6) O. Side or rear grab bar < 25" or > 27" high (4 - 6)	All-Gender Single-User Toilet Room English	1	C19	Priority 3	Additional Access	Install a toilet with a seat between 15"- 17" high above the finished floor. Relocate toilet so that the centerline is between 15" and 18" from the side wall. Locate grab bar between 25"- 27" above the floor.	1	\$4,009			
76	Clara Barton Elementary School	B. Toilet Compartment (Children)	C. Door with malfunctioning self-closing hinge L. Side or rear grab bar < 25" or > 27" high (Ages 9 - 12) R. Noncompliant toilet paper dispenser S. Clearance at toilet < 60" clear width	Girls' Multi-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Repair self-closing hinge. Relocate grab bar to 25"- 27" above the finished floor. Relocate toilet paper dispenser so that it is not mounted above grab bars. Provide a wheelchair accessible compartment that is 60" wide min. and 72" deep min. (Relocate vacuum	1	\$833			
77	Clara Barton Elementary School	B. Toilet Compartment (Children)	R. Noncompliant toilet paper dispenser	Girls' Multi-User Toilet Room	1	G2	Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate toilet paper dispenser so that it is between 14"- 19" above the finished floor and between 7"- 9" in front of the toilet. Ensure dispensers and other devices are not mounted above grab bars./Replace dispenser as it does not allow continuous paper flow.	1	\$333			
78	Clara Barton Elementary School	B. Toilet Compartment (Children)	D. Door pull not provided	Girls' Multi-User Toilet Room	1	G2	Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a door pull on each side of the door between 34" to 48" above the finished floor that does not require tight grasping, pinching or twisting of the	1	\$91			
79	Clara Barton Elementary School	B. Toilet Compartment (Children)	C. Door with malfunctioning self-closing hinge D. Door pull not provided	Men's Single-User Toilet Room With Urinal	1	B2	Priority 1	Program Access	Repair self-closing hinge. Provide a door pull on each side of the door between 34" to 48" above the finished floor that does not require tight grasping, pinching or twisting of the	1	\$91			

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80	Clara Barton Elementary School	B. Toilet Compartment (Children)	R. Noncompliant toilet paper dispenser	Men's Single-User Toilet Room With Urinal	1	B2	Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate toilet paper dispenser so that it is between 14"- 19" above the finished floor and between 7"- 9" in front of the toilet. Ensure dispensers and other devices are not mounted above grab bars./Replace dispenser as it does not allow continuous paper flow.	1	\$333					
81	Clara Barton Elementary School	B. Toilet Compartment (Children)	C. Door with malfunctioning self-closing hinge D. Door pull not provided	Boys' Multi-User Toilet Room	1	B1	Priority 1	Program Access	Repair self-closing hinge. Provide a door pull on each side of the door between 34" to 48" above the finished floor that does not require tight grasping, pinching or twisting of the	1	\$91					
82	Clara Barton Elementary School	B. Toilet Compartment (Children)	L. Side or rear grab bar < 25" or > 27" high (Ages 9 - 12) R. Noncompliant toilet paper dispenser S. Clearance at toilet < 60" clear width	Boys' Multi-User Toilet Room	1	B1	Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate grab bar to 25"- 27" above the finished floor. Relocate toilet paper dispenser so that it is not mounted above grab bars./Replace dispenser as it does not allow continuous paper flow. Provide a wheelchair accessible compartment that is 60" wide min. and 72" deep min.	1	\$8,703					
83	Clara Barton Elementary School	C. Lavatory (Children)	E. Exposed plumbing underneath	All-Gender Single-User Toilet Room English	1	C19	Priority 1	Safety	Insulate or otherwise configure pipes to prevent contact, for at least one	1	\$150					
84	Clara Barton Elementary School	A. Drinking Fountains	H. No drinking fountain provided for standing users L. Knee or toe clearance not provided	By All-Gender Toilet Room	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide an additional drinking fountain for standing users or install a Hi-Lo drinking fountain. Provide knee and toe clearance, 27" min. high at drinking fountain for seated	1	\$6,664					
85	Clara Barton Elementary School	B. Sink	B. Toe and knee clearances not provided	Fourth Grade	1	C13	Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure there is a 27" min. knee clearance positioned for a forward approach. (Relocate stored items under	1	\$0					
86	Clara Barton Elementary School	B. Play Areas	B. Accessible route not provided around playground C. Accessible route not provided to play components	Playground	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide an accessible route around the play area. Provide a compliant impact-attenuating surface to and around the play components. Note: The Massachusetts Architectural Access Board (MAAB) does not consider engineered wood fiber (EWF) to comply with its regulation requiring an accessible route to each play component and around the playground.	1	\$0					

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87	Clara Barton Elementary School	B. Play Areas	B. Accessible route not provided around playground C. Accessible route not provided to play components	Playground	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide an accessible route around the play area. Provide a compliant impact-attenuating surface to and around the play components. Note: The Massachusetts Architectural Access Board (MAAB) does not consider engineered wood fiber (EWF) to comply with its regulation requiring an accessible route to each play component and around the playground.	1	\$0			
1	Joslin Park Old Schoolhouse	C. Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage	A. Total # of parking C. Total # of designated van accessible spaces M. Running or cross slope at access aisle > 1:50 (2.00%) O. Sign does not have the designation "Van Accessible" P. Sign bottom < 60" above finished grade	Parking	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Reduce running or cross slope to be no steeper than 1:50 (2.00%). Add the designation "Van Accessible" to the sign located at the van accessible space. Locate sign with the bottom of the sign 60" above the ground. Note: Cost is for a designation sign with the words, "Van Accessible".	1	\$500			
2	Joslin Park Old Schoolhouse	E. Exterior Ramp	M. Landing has a slope > 1:50 in either direction	Ramp	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Alter so that the slope in all directions is no greater than 1:50 (2.00%)./Rebuild the ramp to ensure that the slope of the landing does not exceed 1:50 (2.00%).	1	\$0			
3	Joslin Park Old Schoolhouse	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided	Main Entrance	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door.	1	\$250			
4	Joslin Park Old Schoolhouse	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	K. Threshold > 1/2" high	Main Entrance	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Alter the threshold to be 1/2" high max.	1	\$1,000			
5	Joslin Park Old Schoolhouse	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	Main Entrance	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Relocate table to provide 18" min. pull-side maneuvering clearance at the door.	1	\$0			
6	Joslin Park Old Schoolhouse	Photographs of Interior		Old Schoolhouse	Ext.		Priority 4	Enhanced Usability	Recommend, as space is limited at the entry to the schoolhouse, providing photographs from the inside of the schoolhouse and information about the schoolhouse at a wayside exhibit at an accessible location onsite. Recommend also duplicating the display information on an Oxford-maintained website.	1	\$0			
1	Oxford High School	A. Exterior Access Route	G. Cross slope > 1:50 (2.00%)	By Main Entrance	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Reduce cross slope to be no steeper than 1:50 (2.00%).	1	\$0			

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2	Oxford High School	A. Exterior Access Route	G. Cross slope > 1:50 (2.00%)	By Concession Stand	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Reduce cross slope to be no steeper than 1:50 (2.00%).	1	\$0			
3	Oxford High School	A. Exterior Access Route	G. Cross slope > 1:50 (2.00%)	By Door 12	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Reduce cross slope to be no steeper than 1:50 (2.00%).	1	\$0			
4	Oxford High School	A. Exterior Access Route	F. Surface openings > 1/2"	Door 11	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Replace or reposition so that openings are 1/2" max. and the long opening dimension is perpendicular to the dominant direction of travel.	1	\$0			
5	Oxford High School	A. Exterior Access Route	G. Cross slope > 1:50 (2.00%)	Near Door 11	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Reduce cross slope to be no steeper than 1:50 (2.00%).	1	\$0			
6	Oxford High School	A. Exterior Access Route	N. Accessible route not provided	Long Jump	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure an accessible route is provided to the long jump area.	1	\$0			
7	Oxford High School	A. Exterior Access Route	N. Accessible route not provided	Football Bleachers Press Box	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure an accessible route is provided to the press box.  Note: The press box was locked on the day of the survey, so the inside of the press box was not surveyed.	1	\$0			
8	Oxford High School	A. Exterior Access Route	F. Surface openings > 1/2"	Football and Track	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Replace or reposition so that openings are 1/2" max. and the long opening dimension is perpendicular to the dominant direction of travel.	1	\$0			
9	Oxford High School	A. Exterior Access Route	N. Accessible route not provided	Ticket Booth	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure an accessible route is provided.	3	\$0			
10	Oxford High School	B. Curb Ramp	C. Running slope is > 1:12 (8.33%) D. Transition from curb ramp to street not flush	Door 14	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Reduce running slope to be no steeper than 1:12 (8.33%).  Ensure transition from curb ramp to street is flush or free of changes in level.	1	\$0			
11	Oxford High School	B. Curb Ramp	C. Running slope is > 1:12 (8.33%) D. Transition from curb ramp to street not flush	By Concession Stand	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Reduce running slope to be no steeper than 1:12 (8.33%).  Ensure transition from curb ramp to street is flush or free of changes in level.	1	\$0			
12	Oxford High School	B. Curb Ramp	D. Transition from curb ramp to street not flush	By Door 13	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure transition from curb ramp to street is flush or free of changes in level.	1	\$0			
13	Oxford High School	B. Curb Ramp	H. Landing not provided at top of curb ramp	By Door 12	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide landing at top of curb ramp with a slope no greater than 1:50 (2.00%) in all directions or reconfigure ramp.	1	\$0			
14	Oxford High School	B. Curb Ramp	C. Running slope is > 1:12 (8.33%)	By Track	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Reduce running slope to be no steeper than 1:12 (8.33%).	1	\$0			
15	Oxford High School	B. Curb Ramp	C. Running slope is > 1:12 (8.33%)	Door 3			Priority 1	Program Access	Reduce running slope to be no steeper than 1:12 (8.33%).	1	\$0			

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16	Oxford High School	C. Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage	B. Total # of designated car accessible parking spaces J. Access aisle < 60" wide at car/van space N. Sign with the International Symbol of Acc. not provided	Parking			Priority 1	Program Access	Re-stripe to ensure access aisle is at least 60" wide. Provide a sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA) with the bottom of the sign 60" min. above the ground and the top 96" max. above the ground at both car accessible parking spaces.	2	\$1,300		
17	Oxford High School	C. Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage	B. Total # of designated car accessible parking spaces N. Sign with the International Symbol of Acc. not provided	Parking			Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a sign at both car accessible parking spaces with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA) with the bottom of the sign 60" min. above the ground and the top 96" max. above the ground.	2	\$1,000		
18	Oxford High School	C. Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage	C. Total # of designated van accessible spaces N. Sign with the International Symbol of Acc. not provided O. Sign does not have the designation "Van Accessible"	Parking			Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA) at the space lacking an accessible parking identification sign. Mount the sign with the bottom of the sign 60" min. above the ground and the top 96" max. above the ground. Add the designation "Van Accessible" to the signs located at both of the van accessible parking spaces.	1	\$500		
19	Oxford High School	C. Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage	B. Total # of designated car accessible parking spaces	Parking			Priority 1	Program Access	This car accessible parking space is compliant.	1	\$0		
20	Oxford High School	C. Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage	B. Total # of designated car accessible parking spaces N. Sign with the International Symbol of Acc. not provided	Parking by Door 12			Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA) at the one car accessible parking space lacking an accessible parking identification sign. Mount the sign with the bottom of the sign 60" min. above the ground and the top 96" max. above the ground.	1	\$500		
21	Oxford High School	C. Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage	C. Total # of designated van accessible spaces O. Sign does not have the designation "Van Accessible"	Parking			Priority 1	Program Access	Add the designation "Van Accessible" to the sign located at the van accessible space.	1	\$500		

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22	Oxford High School	C. Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage	C. Total # of designated van accessible spaces N. Sign with the International Symbol of Acc. not provided O. Sign does not have the designation "Van Accessible"	Parking by Door 3			Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA) with the bottom of the sign 60" min. above the ground and the top 96" max. above the ground. Add the designation "Van Accessible" to the sign located at the van accessible space. Remove soil from accessible parking space.	2	\$1,000					
23	Oxford High School	D. Passenger Loading Zones	C. Vehicle pull-up space < 96" wide L. Sign with ISA not provided (MAAB)	Student Drop-off by Door 11	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a vehicle pull-up space that is at least 96" wide. Provide a sign that includes the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA) at the head of the space. Locate the sign so that the bottom is 60" min. above the ground and the top is 96" max. above the ground.	1	\$800					
24	Oxford High School	D. Passenger Loading Zones	E. Access aisle not provided L. Sign with ISA not provided (MAAB)	Front Entrance			Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a marked access aisle that is at least 60" wide and that extends the full length of the vehicle. Provide a sign that includes the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA) at the head of the space. Locate the sign so that the bottom is 60" min. above the ground and the top is 96" max. above the ground.	1	\$800					
25	Oxford High School	E. Exterior Ramp	C. Running slope > 1:12 (8.33%)	Football Bleachers	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Reduce running slope to be no steeper than 1:12 (8.33%).	1	\$0					
26	Oxford High School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided P. Illuminated ISA symbol not provided (MAAB)	Main Entrance	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. When the illuminated exit sign is repaired or replaced, provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).	3	\$1,350					
27	Oxford High School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided Q. Directional sign to accessible emergency exit not provided	Cafeteria	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible emergency exit.	2	\$500					

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28	Oxford High School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided Q. Directional sign to accessible emergency exit not provided	By Weight Room	G	G	Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. If exterior area is fenced in, provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible emergency exit.	2	\$500					
29	Oxford High School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided P. Illuminated ISA symbol not provided (MAAB)	By Locker Room	G		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. When the illuminated exit sign is repaired or replaced, provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).	1	\$450					
30	Oxford High School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided	Girls' Locker Room	G		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door.	1	\$250					
31	Oxford High School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided	Boys' Locker Room	G		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door.	1	\$250					
32	Oxford High School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided P. Illuminated ISA symbol not provided (MAAB)	By Nursing Program	G	C5	Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. When the illuminated exit sign is repaired or replaced, provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).	1	\$450					
33	Oxford High School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided Q. Directional sign to accessible emergency exit not provided	Door 13 by Auditorium	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible emergency exit.	2	\$500					

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34	Oxford High School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided P. Illuminated ISA symbol not provided (MAAB)	Auditorium Door 12	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. When the illuminated exit sign is repaired or replaced, provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).	1	\$450					
35	Oxford High School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided	Gymnasium Egress to Stairwell and Exterior of Building	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door.	2	\$500					
36	Oxford High School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided	Stair C	2		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door.	2	\$500					
37	Oxford High School	B. Interior Access Route	E. Level changes > 1/4"	Weight Room	G	G	Priority 3	Additional Access	Alter change in level to be 1/4" high	1	\$0					
38	Oxford High School	B. Interior Access Route	B. Obstructed by protruding objects	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate paper towel dispenser out of the accessible route or provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the finished floor below the dispenser.	1	\$398					
39	Oxford High School	B. Interior Access Route	B. Obstructed by protruding objects	Men's Multi-User Toilet Room	G		Priority 1	Program Access	Relocate paper towel dispenser out of the circulation path or provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the finished floor under the paper towel dispenser.	1	\$398					
40	Oxford High School	B. Interior Access Route	B. Obstructed by protruding objects L. Vertical clearance < 80" above finished floor	By Locker Room	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the finished floor underneath stair.	1	\$1,248					
41	Oxford High School	B. Interior Access Route	B. Obstructed by protruding objects	By Locker Room	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the finished floor below case.	1	\$398					
42	Oxford High School	B. Interior Access Route	B. Obstructed by protruding objects	Boys' Locker Room	G		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the finished floor.	1	\$398					
43	Oxford High School	B. Interior Access Route	C. Surface openings > 1/2" E. Level changes > 1/4"	Boys' Locker Room Shower	G	D14	Priority 3	Additional Access	Replace or reposition so that openings are 1/2" max. and the long opening dimension is perpendicular to the dominant direction of travel. Alter change in level to be 1/4" high max. Note: Cost to correct this issue with change in level at drain along wall is not	1	\$0					

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44	Oxford High School	B. Interior Access Route	B. Obstructed by protruding objects	By Nursing Program	G	C5	Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a cane-detectable barrier under stairs.	1	\$1,141					
45	Oxford High School	B. Interior Access Route	B. Obstructed by protruding objects	Hall	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate defibrillator out of the circulation path or provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the finished floor under the defibrillator.	1	\$398					
46	Oxford High School	B. Interior Access Route	B. Obstructed by protruding objects	By D122	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate defibrillator out of the circulation path or provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the finished floor under the defibrillator.	1	\$398					
47	Oxford High School	B. Interior Access Route	B. Obstructed by protruding objects	By A107	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate defibrillator out of the circulation path or provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the finished floor under the defibrillator.	1	\$398					
48	Oxford High School	B. Interior Access Route	B. Obstructed by protruding objects	B211	2	B221	Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate paper towel dispenser out of the circulation path or provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the finished floor below the paper towel dispenser.	1	\$398					
49	Oxford High School	B. Interior Access Route	A. Route < 36" wide	B208 Art	2	B208	Priority 3	Additional Access	Ensure that a clear width of 36" min. is maintained at the accessible route.	1	\$0					
50	Oxford High School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	Weight Room	G	G	Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate trash container to provide 12" min. push side maneuvering clearance at the door.	1	\$0					
51	Oxford High School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	M. Door requires > 5 lbs. of force to open	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Adjust closers so doors do not require more than 5 pounds of force to open.	1	\$0					
52	Oxford High School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	D. Maneuvering clearance not provided at recess > 6"	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Install an automatic door opener.	1	\$6,000					
53	Oxford High School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	M. Door requires > 5 lbs. of force to open	Men's Multi-User Toilet Room	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Adjust closers so doors do not require more than 5 pounds of force to open.	1	\$0					
54	Oxford High School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	Girls' Locker Room Women's Single-User Toilet Room	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate running machine so door opens to 90 degrees and relocate stored items to provide 18" min. pull side maneuvering clearance at the door.	1	\$0					
55	Oxford High School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	D. Maneuvering clearance not provided at recess > 6"	Girls' Locker Room	G		Priority 1	Program Access	Install an automatic door opener.	1	\$6,000					
56	Oxford High School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	M. Door requires > 5 lbs. of force to open	Boys' Locker Room	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Adjust closers so doors do not require more than 5 pounds of force to open.	1	\$0					
57	Oxford High School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	Boys' Locker Room	G		Priority 1	Program Access	Relocate shelving to provide 18" min. pull-side maneuvering clearance at the	1	\$0					
58	Oxford High School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	Boys' Locker Room Coach's Room	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate file cabinet to provide 18" min. pull-side maneuvering clearance at the door.	1	\$0					
59	Oxford High School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	M. Door requires > 5 lbs. of force to open	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room for Preschool	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Adjust closers so doors do not require more than 5 pounds of force to open.	1	\$0					

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60	Oxford High School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	M. Door requires > 5 lbs. of force to open	Men's Multi-User Toilet Room for Preschool	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Adjust closers so doors do not require more than 5 pounds of force to open.	1	\$0			
61	Oxford High School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	D. Maneuvering clearance not provided at recess > 6"	Media Center	1	B115	Priority 3	Additional Access	Install an automatic door opener.	1	\$6,000			
62	Oxford High School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	M. Door requires > 5 lbs. of force to open	Nurse's Office	1	A129	Priority 3	Additional Access	Adjust closers so doors do not require more than 5 pounds of force to open.	1	\$0			
63	Oxford High School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	D. Maneuvering clearance not provided at recess > 6"	Music by B104	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Install an automatic door opener.	1	\$6,000			
64	Oxford High School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	M. Door requires > 5 lbs. of force to open	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room	2		Priority 3	Additional Access	Adjust closers so doors do not require more than 5 pounds of force to open.	1	\$0			
65	Oxford High School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	D. Maneuvering clearance not provided at recess > 6"	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room	2		Priority 3	Additional Access	Install an automatic door opener.	1	\$6,000			
66	Oxford High School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	M. Door requires > 5 lbs. of force to open	Men's Multi-User Toilet Room	2		Priority 3	Additional Access	Adjust closers so doors do not require more than 5 pounds of force to open.	1	\$0			
67	Oxford High School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	B221 Guidance Counselor	2	B221	Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate furniture and stored items to provide 18" min. pull-side maneuvering clearance at the door.	4	\$0			
68	Oxford High School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	D. Maneuvering clearance not provided at recess > 6"	B212 Digital Design	2	B212	Priority 1	Program Access	Install an automatic door opener.	1	\$6,000			
69	Oxford High School	D. Ramps	B. Running slope >1:12 (8.33%)	Auditorium Stage Ramp	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Reduce ramp slope at the top of the ramp to 1:12 (8.33%). Further study will be needed to determine whether it is technically feasible to bring the ramp into full compliance with the ADA Standards.	1	\$0			
70	Oxford High School	E. Stairways	C. Handrail not provided on both sides	Auditorium	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide handrail on one side.	2	\$0			
71	Oxford High School	K. Signage	A. Signage is not provided K. International Symbol of Acc. not provided	Men's Multi-User Toilet Room	G		Priority 1	Program Access	Locate compliant signage with raised characters and braille alongside the door on the latch side. Replace the sign with a sign containing the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA)	2	\$500			
72	Oxford High School	K. Signage	A. Signage is not provided	Locker Room	G		Priority 1	Program Access	Locate compliant signage with raised characters and braille alongside the door on the latch side.	1	\$250			
73	Oxford High School	K. Signage	G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	Nurse's Office	1	A129	Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side. (Mount sign on glass by latch side of door)	1	\$0			
74	Oxford High School	K. Signage	G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	Marching Band	1	B102	Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door closer to the door latch. (Relocate sign to glass by latch side of door.)	1	\$0			
75	Oxford High School	K. Signage	G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room	2		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side.	1	\$0			

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76	Oxford High School	K. Signage	G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	Men's Multi-User Toilet Room	2		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side.	1	\$0					
77	Oxford High School	K. Signage	G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	B214, B211	2	B214, B211	Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side.	2	\$0					
78	Oxford High School	K. Signage	B. Raised characters not provided on sign D. Braille not provided on sign	B212 Digital Design	2	B212	Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Provide text with raised characters duplicated in braille on the sign. Provide braille on the sign.	1	\$0					
79	Oxford High School	K. Signage	G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	B208 Art	2	B208	Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side.	1	\$0					
80	Oxford High School	K. Signage	A. Signage is not provided	Weight Room	G	G	Priority 1	Program Access	Locate compliant signage with raised characters and braille alongside the door on the latch side.	1	\$250					
81	Oxford High School	K. Signage	B. Raised characters not provided on sign	Boys' Locker Room	G		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Provide text with raised characters duplicated in braille on the sign.	1	\$250					
82	Oxford High School	L. Service Counter	B. Counter > 36" high	Concession Stand	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a counter that is 36" max. above the ground or finished floor.	1	\$1,144					
83	Oxford High School	L. Service Counter	B. Counter > 36" high	Ticket Booth	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a counter that is 36" max. above the ground or finished floor.	3	\$3,432					
84	Oxford High School	M. Operable Parts / Reach Range	D. Side reach > 54"	Forensics Fire Safety Blanket	1	C108	Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate fire safety blanket box so that controls are between 15" - 48" above the finished floor. /Ensure that staff is available to assist visitors who need assistance.	1	\$500					
85	Oxford High School	O. Dining or Work Surfaces	C. Knee or toe clearance not provided	Auditorium Sound Mixing Board	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide at least one work surface with 27" min. high knee and toe clearance. For children, provide at least one dining or work surface with 24" min. high knee and toe clearance. (Consider raising knee clearance at mixing board by placing blocks under legs.)	1	\$0					
86	Oxford High School	O. Dining or Work Surfaces	G. Knee clearance less than 19" deep	Media Center	1	B115	Priority 1	Program Access	Provide at least one work surface with knee clearance that is 19" deep min.	1	\$455					
87	Oxford High School	O. Dining or Work Surfaces	B. At least one or 5% accessible tables not provided C. Knee or toe clearance not provided	Health A102	1	A102	Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure that at least one work surface is accessible. Provide at least one work surface with 27" min. high knee and toe clearance. For children, provide at least one dining or work surface with 24" min. high knee and toe clearance.	1	\$455					
88	Oxford High School	O. Dining or Work Surfaces	G. Knee clearance less than 19" deep	Special Education Area	1	A109	Priority 1	Program Access	Provide at least one work surface with knee clearance that is 19" deep min.	1	\$455					
89	Oxford High School	O. Dining or Work Surfaces	G. Knee clearance less than 19" deep	C214 English Language Arts	2	C214	Priority 1	Program Access	Provide at least one work surface with knee clearance that is 19" deep min.	1	\$455					
90	Oxford High School	O. Dining or Work Surfaces	G. Knee clearance less than 19" deep	B214, B211	2	B214, B211	Priority 1	Program Access	Provide at least one work surface with knee clearance that is 19" deep min.	1	\$455					

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91	Oxford High School	O. Dining or Work Surfaces	C. Knee or toe clearance not provided	B210 Yearbook	2	B210	Priority 1	Program Access	Provide at least one work surface with 27" min. high knee and toe clearance. For children, provide at least one dining or work surface with 24" min. high knee and toe clearance.	1	\$455					
92	Oxford High School	P. Assembly Area	A. Number of seats B. Number of designated wheelchair spaces M. Designated aisle seats < 5%	Auditorium	1		Priority 1	Program Access	At least 5% of the total number of aisle seats provided must be identified by a sign or marker and have folding or retractable armrests. Note: None of the four aisle seats with folding arms had a marker on the folding seat or seat arm.	1	\$0					
93	Oxford High School	P. Assembly Area	P. Assistive listening devices not provided	Auditorium	1		Priority 1	Program Access	If audible communication is integral to the use of the space, provide an assistive listening system. Note: Approximate cost for a transmitter, receiver, ear speaker, neck loop and USB charger for 700 seat capacity. Also, IHCD team was told that student-specific assistive listening systems are available in some classrooms. It was not clear if there is an assistive listening system in the	1	\$1,688					
94	Oxford High School	P. Assembly Area	B. Number of designated wheelchair spaces C. Minimum # wheelchair spaces not provided	Gymnasium	1		Priority 1	Program Access	When the bleachers are renovated or replaced, provide at least the required number of compliant wheelchair seating spaces. Note: As the bleachers were not opened on the day of the survey, it was not possible to fully confirm the lack of accessible wheelchair spaces.	1	\$0					
95	Oxford High School	Q. Locker Room	Q. Bench < 24" deep	Girls' Locker Room	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a bench that is 24" deep and 42" long. Ensure bench has back support and clear floor space for transfer onto the bench.	1	\$260					
96	Oxford High School	Q. Locker Room	Q. Bench < 24" deep	Boys' Locker Room	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a bench that is 24" deep and 42" long. Ensure bench has back support and clear floor space for transfer onto the bench.	1	\$260					
97	Oxford High School	R. Laboratory	C. At least one (or 5%) acc. fume hood not provided	Physics	1	C111	Priority 1	Program Access	Provide one accessible fume hood. (Relocate stored items under fume	1	\$0					
98	Oxford High School	U. Picnic Tables	A. Number of seating spaces at picnic tables C. At least 5% accessible spaces not provided	Courtyard	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure that at least 5% (minimum one) of picnic tables are accessible.	1	\$1,400					

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99	Oxford High School	X. Kitchens and Kitchenettes	A. Knee/toe clearance not provided at sink B. Sink > 34" high	Special Education Kitchen	1	A111	Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a sink with knee and toe clearance positioned for a forward approach (remove stored items from under sink). Lower sink to be no higher than 34"	1	\$4,022			
100	Oxford High School	B. Lavatory	B. Toe or knee clearances not provided F. Mirror above lavatory w/reflective surface > 40"	Men's Multi-User Toilet Room	G		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide at least one lavatory with knee and toe clearance positioned for a forward approach. (Increase knee clearance by top of sink to at least 8" of depth.) Lower mirror so that the bottom surface is at 40" max. above the finished floor.	1	\$2,525			
101	Oxford High School	B. Lavatory	F. Mirror above lavatory w/reflective surface > 40"	Girls' Locker Room Women's Single-User Lavatory	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Lower mirror so that the bottom surface is at 40" max. above the finished floor.	1	\$333			
102	Oxford High School	B. Lavatory	B. Toe or knee clearances not provided	Girls' Locker Room Multi-User Toilet Room	G		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide at least one lavatory with knee and toe clearance positioned for a forward approach. (Increase knee clearance by top of sink to at least 8" of	1	\$2,192			
103	Oxford High School	B. Lavatory	F. Mirror above lavatory w/reflective surface > 40"	Boys' Locker Room Single-User	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Lower mirror so that the bottom surface is at 40" max. above the finished floor.	1	\$333			
104	Oxford High School	B. Lavatory	B. Toe or knee clearances not provided	Boys' Locker Room Multi-User Toilet Room	G	D14	Priority 1	Program Access	Provide at least one lavatory with knee and toe clearance positioned for a forward approach. (Increase knee clearance by top of sink to at least 8" of	1	\$2,192			
105	Oxford High School	B. Lavatory	B. Toe or knee clearances not provided	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room for Preschool	G		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide at least one lavatory with knee and toe clearance positioned for a forward approach. (Increase knee clearance by top of sink to at least 8" of	1	\$2,192			
106	Oxford High School	B. Lavatory	B. Toe or knee clearances not provided	Men's Multi-User Toilet Room for Preschool	G		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide at least one lavatory with knee and toe clearance positioned for a forward approach. (Increase knee clearance by top of sink to at least 8" of	1	\$2,192			
107	Oxford High School	B. Lavatory	B. Toe or knee clearances not provided	Men's and Women's Multi-User Toilet Room by Door 13	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide at least one lavatory with knee and toe clearance positioned for a forward approach.	2	\$4,384			
108	Oxford High School	B. Lavatory	A. Clear floor space not provided at lavatory F. Mirror above lavatory w/reflective surface > 40"	Nurse's Office Single-User Toilet Room	1	A129	Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide at least one lavatory with a 30" min. by 48" min. clear floor space positioned for a forward approach. (Relocate paper towel dispenser.) Lower mirror so that the bottom surface is at 40" max. above the finished floor.	1	\$833			
109	Oxford High School	B. Lavatory	F. Mirror above lavatory w/reflective surface > 40"	Men's Multi-User Toilet Room by Stair C	2		Priority 3	Additional Access	Lower mirror so that the bottom surface is at 40" max. above the finished floor.	1	\$333			

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110	Oxford High School	C. Single-User Toilet	J. Clearance at toilet < 60" clear width L. Toilet paper dispenser is not compliant	Girls' Locker Room Women's Single-User Toilet	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Remove furniture to ensure that there is 60" wide min. clear floor space at the toilet. Relocate toilet paper so that it is 24" min. high, located under the grab bar, and between 7" and 9" from the front of the toilet./Replace dispenser as it does not allow continuous paper flow.	1	\$500			
111	Oxford High School	C. Single-User Toilet	O. Hook located > 54" high	Girls' Locker Room Women's Single-User Toilet Room	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Locate the coat hook no higher than 48" above the finished floor.	1	\$75			
112	Oxford High School	C. Single-User Toilet	L. Toilet paper dispenser is not compliant	Boys' Locker Room Single-User Toilet	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate toilet paper so that it is 24" min.. high, located under the grab bar, and between 7" and 9" from the front of the toilet./Replace dispenser as it does not allow continuous paper flow.	1	\$500			
113	Oxford High School	C. Single-User Toilet	L. Toilet paper dispenser is not compliant	Nurse's Office Single-User Toilet Room	1	A129	Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate toilet paper so that it is 24" min. high, located under the grab bar, and between 7" and 9" from the front of the toilet./Replace dispenser as it does not allow continuous paper flow.	1	\$500			
114	Oxford High School	D. Toilet Compartment	C. Door has noncompliant hardware U. Door pull not provided	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room	G		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a door pull on each side of the door between 34" to 48" above the finished floor that does not require tight grasping, pinching or twisting of the	1	\$91			
115	Oxford High School	D. Toilet Compartment	N. Noncompliant toilet paper dispenser	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate toilet paper so that it is 24" min. high, located under the grab bar, and between 7" and 9" from the front of the toilet./Replace dispenser as it does not allow continuous paper flow.	1	\$500			
116	Oxford High School	D. Toilet Compartment	N. Noncompliant toilet paper dispenser	Men's Multi-User Toilet Room	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate toilet paper so that it is 24" min. high, located under the grab bar, and between 7" and 9" from the front of the toilet./Replace dispenser as it does not allow continuous paper flow.	1	\$500			
117	Oxford High School	D. Toilet Compartment	U. Door pull not provided	Men's Multi-User Toilet Room	G		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a door pull on each side of the door between 34" to 48" above the finished floor that does not require tight grasping, pinching or twisting of the	1	\$91			
118	Oxford High School	D. Toilet Compartment	N. Noncompliant toilet paper dispenser	Girls' Locker Room Multi-User	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate toilet paper so that it is 24" min. high, located under the grab bar, and between 7" and 9" from the front of the toilet./Replace dispenser as it does not allow continuous paper flow.	1	\$500			

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119	Oxford High School	D. Toilet Compartment	D. Door has malfunctioning self-closing hinge U. Door pull not provided	Girls' Locker Room Multi-User Toilet Room	G		Priority 1	Program Access	Repair hinge. Provide a door pull on each side of the door between 34" to 48" above the finished floor that does not require tight grasping, pinching or twisting of the	1	\$91					
120	Oxford High School	D. Toilet Compartment	N. Noncompliant toilet paper dispenser	Boys' Locker Room Multi-User Toilet Room	G	D14	Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate toilet paper so that it is 24" min. high, located under the grab bar, and between 7" and 9" from the front of the toilet./Replace dispenser as it does not allow continuous paper flow.	1	\$500					
121	Oxford High School	D. Toilet Compartment	N. Noncompliant toilet paper dispenser	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room for Preschool	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate toilet paper so that it is 24" min. high, located under the grab bar, and between 7" and 9" from the front of the toilet./Replace dispenser as it does not allow continuous paper flow.	1	\$500					
122	Oxford High School	D. Toilet Compartment	D. Door has malfunctioning self-closing hinge U. Door pull not provided	Men's and Women's Multi-User Toilet Room for Preschool	G		Priority 1	Program Access	Repair hinge. Provide a door pull on each side of the door between 34" to 48" above the finished floor that does not require tight grasping, pinching or twisting of the	2	\$140					
123	Oxford High School	D. Toilet Compartment	N. Noncompliant toilet paper dispenser	Men's and Women's Multi-User Toilet Room for Preschool	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate toilet paper so that it is 24" min. high, located under the grab bar, and between 7" and 9" from the front of the toilet./Replace dispenser as it does not allow continuous paper flow.	2	\$1,000					
124	Oxford High School	D. Toilet Compartment	A. Door has incorrect swing U. Door pull not provided	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room by Auditorium	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Reverse swing at door and replace keeper. Provide a door pull on each side of the door between 34" to 48" above the finished floor that does not require tight	1	\$424					
125	Oxford High School	D. Toilet Compartment	N. Noncompliant toilet paper dispenser Q. Clearance at toilet < 72" clear depth (MAAB)	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room by Auditorium	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate toilet paper so that it is 24" min. high, located under the grab bar, and between 7" and 9" from the front of the toilet./Replace dispenser as it does not allow continuous paper flow. Provide a wheelchair accessible compartment that is 60" wide and 72" deep.	1	\$8,537					
126	Oxford High School	D. Toilet Compartment	N. Noncompliant toilet paper dispenser	Men's Multi-User Toilet Room by Auditorium	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate toilet paper so that it is 24" min. high, located under the grab bar, and between 7" and 9" from the front of the toilet./Replace dispenser as it does not allow continuous paper flow.	1	\$500					

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127	Oxford High School	D. Toilet Compartment	D. Door has malfunctioning self-closing hinge U. Door pull not provided	Men's Multi-User Toilet Room by Auditorium	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Repair hinge. Provide a door pull on each side of the door between 34" to 48" above the finished floor that does not require tight grasping, pinching or twisting of the	1	\$70					
128	Oxford High School	D. Toilet Compartment	D. Door has malfunctioning self-closing hinge U. Door pull not provided	Men's and Women's Multi-User Toilet Room by Door 13	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Repair hinge. Provide a door pull on each side of the door between 34" to 48" above the finished floor that does not require tight grasping, pinching or twisting of the	2	\$182					
129	Oxford High School	D. Toilet Compartment	J. Side or rear grab bar < 33" or >36" high N. Noncompliant toilet paper dispenser	Men's and Women's Multi-User Toilet Room by Door 13	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Locate grab bars between 33"- 36" above the finished floor. Relocate toilet paper so that it is 24" min. high, located under the grab bar, and between 7" and 9" from the front of the toilet./Replace dispenser as it does not allow continuous paper flow.	2	\$1,792					
130	Oxford High School	D. Toilet Compartment	A. Door has incorrect swing N. Noncompliant toilet paper dispenser U. Door pull not provided	Men's Multi-User Project Success	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Reverse swing at door and replace keeper. Relocate toilet paper so that it is 24" min. high, located under the grab bar, and between 7" and 9" from the front of the toilet. Provide a door pull on each side of the door between 34" to 48" above the finished floor that does not require tight <del>grasping, pinching or twisting of the</del>	1	\$924					
131	Oxford High School	D. Toilet Compartment	A. Door has incorrect swing N. Noncompliant toilet paper dispenser U. Door pull not provided	Women's Multi-User Project Success	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Reverse swing at door and replace keeper. Relocate toilet paper so that it is 24" min. high, located under the grab bar, and between 7" and 9" from the front of the toilet. Provide a door pull on each side of the door between 34" to 48" above the finished floor that does not require tight <del>grasping, pinching or twisting of the</del>	1	\$924					
132	Oxford High School	D. Toilet Compartment	T. Centerline < or > 18" (MAAB)	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room	2		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate toilet so the centerline is 18" from the side wall.	1	\$3,676					
133	Oxford High School	D. Toilet Compartment	A. Door has incorrect swing U. Door pull not provided	Men's and Women's Multi-User Toilet Room	2		Priority 1	Program Access	Reverse swing at door and replace keeper. Provide a door pull on each side of the door between 34" to 48" above the finished floor that does not require tight	2	\$182					

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134	Oxford High School	D. Toilet Compartment	A. Door has incorrect swing U. Door pull not provided	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room by Stair C	2		Priority 1	Program Access	Reverse swing at door and replace keeper. Provide a door pull on each side of the door between 34" to 48" above the finished floor that does not require tight	1	\$0					
135	Oxford High School	D. Toilet Compartment	N. Noncompliant toilet paper dispenser	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room by Stair C	2		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate toilet paper so that it is 24" min. high, located under the grab bar, and between 7" and 9" from the front of the toilet./Replace dispenser as it does not allow continuous paper flow.	1	\$500					
136	Oxford High School	D. Toilet Compartment	D. Door has malfunctioning self-closing hinge U. Door pull not provided	Men's Multi-User Toilet Room by Stair C	2		Priority 1	Program Access	Repair hinge. Provide a door pull on each side of the door between 34" to 48" above the finished floor that does not require tight grasping, pinching or twisting of the wrist.	1	\$70					
137	Oxford High School	D. Toilet Compartment	G. Grab bars not provided	Men's Multi-User Toilet Room by Stair C	2		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide one grab bar on the side wall of the water closet and one on the rear wall. Repair toilet seat.	1	\$750					
138	Oxford High School	F. Dispensers	A. Noncompliant operable part	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a dispenser that can be operable with one hand and not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the	1	\$1,000					
139	Oxford High School	F. Dispensers	B. Dispenser acts as a protruding object	Girls' Locker Room Multi-User Toilet Room	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate paper towel dispenser out of the accessible route or provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the finished floor below the dispenser.	1	\$398					
140	Oxford High School	F. Dispensers	B. Dispenser acts as a protruding object	Boys' Locker Room Lavatory	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the finished floor under the paper towel dispenser.	1	\$398					
141	Oxford High School	F. Dispensers	B. Dispenser acts as a protruding object	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room by Auditorium	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate paper towel dispenser out of the circulation path or provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the finished floor under the paper towel dispenser.	1	\$398					
142	Oxford High School	F. Dispensers	A. Noncompliant operable part	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room by Auditorium	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a sanitary napkin dispenser that can be operable with one hand and not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the wrist.	1	\$1,000					
143	Oxford High School	F. Dispensers	B. Dispenser acts as a protruding object	Men's Multi-User Toilet Room by Auditorium	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate paper towel dispenser out of the circulation path or provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the finished floor under the paper towel dispenser.	1	\$398					

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144	Oxford High School	F. Dispensers	A. Noncompliant operable part	Nurse's Office Single-User Toilet Room	1	A129	Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a sanitary napkin dispenser that can be operable with one hand and not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the wrist.	1	\$1,000					
145	Oxford High School	F. Dispensers	A. Noncompliant operable part	Women's Multi-User Project Success	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a sanitary napkin dispenser that can be operable with one hand and not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the wrist.	1	\$1,000					
146	Oxford High School	F. Dispensers	B. Dispenser acts as a protruding object	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room	2		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate paper towel dispenser out of the circulation path or provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the finished floor under the paper towel dispenser.	1	\$398					
147	Oxford High School	F. Dispensers	A. Noncompliant operable part	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room	2		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a dispenser that can be operable with one hand and not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the	1	\$1,000					
148	Oxford High School	F. Dispensers	B. Dispenser acts as a protruding object	Men's Multi-User Toilet Room	2		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate paper towel dispenser out of the circulation path or provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the finished floor below the paper towel dispenser.	1	\$398					
149	Oxford High School	F. Dispensers	B. Dispenser acts as a protruding object	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room by Stair C	2		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate paper towel dispenser out of the circulation path or provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the finished floor below the paper towel dispenser.	1	\$398					
150	Oxford High School	F. Dispensers	B. Dispenser acts as a protruding object	Men's Multi-User Toilet Room by Stair C	2		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate paper towel dispenser out of the circulation path or provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the finished floor below the paper towel dispenser.	1	\$398					
151	Oxford High School	G. Shower Compartment	Q. Shower spray hose < 59" long	Girls' Locker Room Shower	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a spray unit with a hose 59" long min.	1	\$829					
152	Oxford High School	G. Shower Compartment	K. Controls not located opposite of seat (transfer type)	Girls' Locker Room Shower	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate controls on the wall opposite the seat.	1	\$3,535					
153	Oxford High School	G. Shower Compartment	Q. Shower spray hose < 59" long	Boys' Locker Room Shower	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a spray unit with a hose 59" long min.	1	\$829					
154	Oxford High School	G. Shower Compartment	H. Seat not provided (transfer compartment) K. Controls not located opposite of seat (transfer type)	Boys' Locker Room Shower	G	D14	Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a folding seat. Relocate controls on the wall opposite the seat.	1	\$4,315					
155	Oxford High School	A. Drinking Fountains	H. No drinking fountain provided for standing users	Hall Near B102	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide an additional drinking fountain for standing users or install a Hi-Lo drinking fountain.	1	\$4,028					

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156	Oxford High School	A. Drinking Fountains	H. No drinking fountain provided for standing users L. Knee or toe clearance not provided	Gymnasium	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide an additional drinking fountain for standing users or install a Hi-Lo drinking fountain. Provide knee and toe clearance, 27" min. high at drinking fountain for seated users. Note: Cost based on the provision of a new Hi-lo drinking fountain.	1	\$4,216			
157	Oxford High School	A. Drinking Fountains	H. No drinking fountain provided for standing users L. Knee or toe clearance not provided	Gymnasium	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide an additional drinking fountain for standing users or install a Hi-Lo drinking fountain. Provide knee and toe clearance, 27" min. high at drinking fountain for seated users. Note: Cost based on the provision of a new Hi-lo drinking fountain.	1	\$4,216			
158	Oxford High School	A. Drinking Fountains	H. No drinking fountain provided for standing users	By Stair D	2		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide an additional drinking fountain for standing users or install a Hi-Lo drinking fountain.	1	\$4,028			
159	Oxford High School	B. Sink	B. Toe and knee clearances not provided	Nursing Program	G	C5	Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure there is a 27" min. knee clearance positioned for a forward approach at the sink.	1	\$2,192			
160	Oxford High School	B. Sink	B. Toe and knee clearances not provided C. Rim or counter > 34"	Music by B107	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure there is a 27" min. knee clearance positioned for a forward approach. Relocate sink with the front of the rim or counter no higher than 34" above the	1	\$4,022			
161	Oxford High School	C. Field	C. Field not connected to an accessible route	Baseball	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide an accessible route to the field.	1	\$0			
162	Oxford High School	C. Field	A. Accessible spaces not provided at team seating D. Practice areas are not on an accessible route	Batting Cage	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a 36" x 48" stable, firm and slip resistant clear floor space at team seating. Ensure there is a stable, firm and slip resistant accessible route to team seating. Provide an accessible route to practice	1	\$0			
163	Oxford High School	C. Field	C. Field not connected to an accessible route	Soccer	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide an accessible route to the field.	1	\$0			
164	Oxford High School	C. Field	C. Field not connected to an accessible route	Hammer Through	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide an accessible route to the field.	1	\$0			
165	Oxford High School			B208 Art	2	B208	Priority 4	Enhanced Usability	Recommend providing at least one accessible potters wheel.	1	\$0			
166	Oxford High School	Podium		History	2	C209	Priority 4	Enhanced Usability	Recommend providing an accessible adjustable height podium with knee and toe clearance.	1	\$0			

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167	Oxford High School	Scale		Nurse's Office Single-User Toilet Room	1	A129	Priority 4	Enhanced Usability	Recommend providing an accessible scale.	1	\$0					
168	Oxford High School	Stairwell Signage		Stair C	1		Priority 4	Enhanced Usability	Recommend providing accessible signage in the stairwell indicating the stairwell name and the floor.	1	\$0					
1	Oxford Middle School	A. Exterior Access Route	N. Accessible route not provided	Field D Ticket Booth	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure an accessible route is provided to the service window at the ticket booth.	1	\$0					
2	Oxford Middle School	A. Exterior Access Route	N. Accessible route not provided	By Door 22	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a 48" wide min. stable, firm and slip resistant accessible route to the existing walkway.	1	\$0					
3	Oxford Middle School	A. Exterior Access Route	F. Surface openings > 1/2" J. Level changes > 1/4"	Door 19	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Replace or reposition so that openings are 1/2" max. and the long opening dimension is perpendicular to the dominant direction of travel. Alter change in level to be 1/4" high	1	\$0					
4	Oxford Middle School	A. Exterior Access Route	F. Surface openings > 1/2" G. Cross slope > 1:50 (2.00%) H. Running slope > 1:20 (5.00%) J. Level changes > 1/4"	Door 17	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	If this door is used by students or members of the public replace or reposition so that openings are 1/2" max. and the long opening dimension is perpendicular to the dominant direction of travel. Reduce cross slope to be no steeper than 1:50 (2.00%). Reduce running slope to be no steeper than 1:20 (5.00%). Alter change in level to be 1/4" high	1	\$0					
5	Oxford Middle School	A. Exterior Access Route	G. Cross slope > 1:50 (2.00%) M. Route not maintained in operable working condition	By Door 15	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Reduce cross slope to be no steeper than 1:50 (2.00%). Ensure the accessible route is maintained in operable working	1	\$0					
6	Oxford Middle School	A. Exterior Access Route	N. Accessible route not provided	Doors 15 and 26	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure an accessible route is provided to each door if these doors are used by students or members of the public.	1	\$0					
7	Oxford Middle School	A. Exterior Access Route	N. Accessible route not provided	Doors 13 and 14	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure an accessible route is provided to each door if these doors are used by students or members of the public.	1	\$0					
8	Oxford Middle School	A. Exterior Access Route	N. Accessible route not provided	Greenhouse	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a 48" wide min. stable, firm and slip resistant accessible route to the greenhouse entry and a 36" wide min. accessible route within the greenhouse.	1	\$0					
9	Oxford Middle School	A. Exterior Access Route	F. Surface openings > 1/2"	Towards Door 6	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Replace or reposition so that openings are 1/2" max. and the long opening dimension is perpendicular to the dominant direction of travel.	1	\$0					

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10	Oxford Middle School	A. Exterior Access Route	M. Route not maintained in operable working condition	By Door 5	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure the accessible route is maintained in operable working	1	\$0					
11	Oxford Middle School	A. Exterior Access Route	G. Cross slope > 1:50 (2.00%) H. Running slope > 1:20 (5.00%)	Towards Door 3	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Reduce cross slope to be no steeper than 1:50 (2.00%). Reduce running slope to be no steeper than 1:20 (5.00%).	1	\$0					
12	Oxford Middle School	A. Exterior Access Route	K. Surface is not stable, firm, and slip-resistant	Towards Door 3	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Repair surface.	2	\$0					
13	Oxford Middle School	A. Exterior Access Route	M. Route not maintained in operable working condition	Towards Door 3	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure the accessible route is maintained in operable working	1	\$0					
14	Oxford Middle School	C. Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage	C. Total # of designated van accessible spaces E. Van space < 132" or <96" wide F. Running or cross slope at space > 1:50 (2.00%)	By Main Entrance	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a van accessible space that is at least 132" wide. Reduce running or cross slope to be no steeper than 1:50 (2.00%).	1	\$0					
15	Oxford Middle School	C. Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage	B. Total # of designated car accessible parking spaces G. Access aisle not provided N. Sign with the International Symbol of Acc. not provided	By Main Entrance	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a marked access aisle that is at least 60" wide. Provide a sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA) with the bottom of the sign 60" min. above the ground and the top 96" max. above the ground.	1	\$0					
16	Oxford Middle School	C. Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage	B. Total # of designated car accessible parking spaces N. Sign with the International Symbol of Acc. not provided	By Door 22	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA) with the bottom of the sign 60" min. above the ground and the top 96" max. above the ground.	1	\$0					
17	Oxford Middle School	C. Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage	B. Total # of designated car accessible parking spaces G. Access aisle not provided N. Sign with the International Symbol of Acc. not provided	By Door 19	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a marked access aisle that is at least 60" wide between the car accessible parking spaces or on either side of each car accessible parking space. Provide a sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA) at each accessible parking space with the bottom of the sign 60" min. above the ground and the top 96" max. above the ground.	2	\$0					
18	Oxford Middle School	C. Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage	C. Total # of designated van accessible spaces G. Access aisle not provided M. Running or cross slope at access aisle > 1:50 (2.00%) O. Sign does not have the designation "Van Accessible"	By Ramp at Door 5	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a marked access aisle that is at least 96" wide. Reduce running or cross slope to be no steeper than 1:50 (2.00%) / repair surface. Add the designation "Van Accessible" to the sign located at the van accessible space.	1	\$0					

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19	Oxford Middle School	D. Passenger Loading Zones	F. Access aisle < 60" wide L. Sign with ISA not provided (MAAB)	Drop-off Area	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a marked access aisle that is at least 60" wide and that extends the full length of the vehicle at the drop-off zone. Provide a sign that includes the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA) at the head of the space. Locate the sign so that the bottom is 60" min. above the ground and the top is 96" max.	1	\$0					
20	Oxford Middle School	E. Exterior Ramp	S. Not maintained in operable working condition	Door 5 Ramped Rear Accessible Entrance	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure the ramp is maintained in operable working condition. Reduce transition at bottom of ramp to 1/4"	1	\$0					
21	Oxford Middle School	G. Entrance	C. Directional sign to accessible entrance not provided	Door 12	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible	1	\$0					
22	Oxford Middle School	G. Entrance	C. Directional sign to accessible entrance not provided	Egress Doors 6 Through 9	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible	1	\$0					
23	Oxford Middle School	G. Entrance	C. Directional sign to accessible entrance not provided	Door 4	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible	1	\$0					
24	Oxford Middle School	G. Entrance	C. Directional sign to accessible entrance not provided	Door 3	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible	1	\$0					
25	Oxford Middle School	G. Entrance	C. Directional sign to accessible entrance not provided	Door 20	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible	1	\$0					
26	Oxford Middle School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided Q. Directional sign to accessible emergency exit not provided	Door 42	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible emergency exit.	2	\$500					
27	Oxford Middle School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided	Door 2	1	104	Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door.	1	\$250					
28	Oxford Middle School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided Q. Directional sign to accessible emergency exit not provided	Door 3	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible emergency exit.	2	\$500					

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29	Oxford Middle School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided P. Illuminated ISA symbol not provided (MAAB)	Door 5 Ramped Rear Accessible Entrance	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. When the illuminated exit sign is repaired or replaced, provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).	1	\$450					
30	Oxford Middle School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided Q. Directional sign to accessible emergency exit not provided	Door 6	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible emergency exit.	2	\$500					
31	Oxford Middle School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided Q. Directional sign to accessible emergency exit not provided	Door 25	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible emergency exit.	2	\$500					
32	Oxford Middle School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided Q. Directional sign to accessible emergency exit not provided	Auditorium	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible emergency exit.	2	\$500					
33	Oxford Middle School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided Q. Directional sign to accessible emergency exit not provided	Boys' Locker Room Door 16 to Outside	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible emergency exit.	2	\$500					

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34	Oxford Middle School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided Q. Directional sign to accessible emergency exit not provided	Gym Doors 14 and 15	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible emergency exit.	2	\$500					
35	Oxford Middle School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided Q. Directional sign to accessible emergency exit not provided	Girls' Locker Room Door 13	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible emergency exit.	2	\$500					
36	Oxford Middle School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided Q. Directional sign to accessible emergency exit not provided	Door 12	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible emergency exit.	2	\$500					
37	Oxford Middle School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided	Door 20	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door.	1	\$250					
38	Oxford Middle School	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided Q. Directional sign to accessible emergency exit not provided	Door 11	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible emergency exit.	2	\$500					
39	Oxford Middle School	B. Interior Access Route	A. Route < 36" wide	Nurse's Office	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Ensure that a clear width of 36" min. x 48" min. is maintained to allow for transfer on to at least one bed in this	1	\$0					
40	Oxford Middle School	B. Interior Access Route	B. Obstructed by protruding objects	Girls' Multi-User Toilet Room	1	118	Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a cane-detectable barrier.	1	\$398					
41	Oxford Middle School	B. Interior Access Route	B. Obstructed by protruding objects	Hallway	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate defibrillator out of the accessible route or provide a cane-	1	\$500					
42	Oxford Middle School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	Office	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate chair to provide 18" min. pull-side maneuvering clearance at the door.	2	\$0					

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43	Oxford Middle School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	A. Clear width at door < 32" L. Hardware not compliant	Nurse's Office Single-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Widen the door so that there is 32" min. clear width. Provide hardware that can be operable with one hand and not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the wrist. Note: These costs are included in the \$31985 estimated expense to renovate this toilet room	1	\$0		
44	Oxford Middle School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	D. Maneuvering clearance not provided at recess > 6" L. Hardware not compliant	Guidance	1	134	Priority 1	Program Access	Install an automatic door opener. Provide hardware that can be operable with one hand and not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the	1	\$6,000		
45	Oxford Middle School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided L. Hardware not compliant	Councilor's Office	1	134	Priority 1	Program Access	Relocate furniture to provide 18" min. pull-side maneuvering clearance at the door. Provide hardware that can be operable with one hand and not require tight	1	\$750		
46	Oxford Middle School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	All-Gender Single-User Toilet Room	1	132	Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate furniture to provide 18" min. pull-side maneuvering clearance at the	1	\$0		
47	Oxford Middle School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	D. Maneuvering clearance not provided at recess > 6"	Greenhouse	1	104	Priority 3	Additional Access	Install an automatic door opener.	1	\$6,000		
48	Oxford Middle School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	B. If double-leaf door, neither compliant M. Door requires > 5 lbs. of force to open	To Door 2	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Ensure that at least one of the active leaves is at least 32" min. wide. Adjust closers so doors do not require more than 5 pounds of force to open.	1	\$4,376		
49	Oxford Middle School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	A. Clear width at door < 32" B. Raised characters not provided on sign D. Braille not provided on sign G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door L. Directional sign to access. toilet not provided	Girls' Multi-User Toilet Room	1	118	Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide text with raised characters duplicated in braille on the sign. Provide braille on the sign. Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side. Install a sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible toilet room.	2	\$500		
50	Oxford Middle School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	A. Clear width at door < 32" B. Raised characters not provided on sign D. Braille not provided on sign G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door L. Directional sign to access. toilet not provided	Boys' Multi-User Toilet Room	1	121	Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide text with raised characters duplicated in braille on the sign. Provide braille on the sign. Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side. Install a sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible toilet room.	2	\$500		
51	Oxford Middle School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	D. Maneuvering clearance not provided at recess > 6"	Chorus, Music and Band Room	1	122	Priority 3	Additional Access	Install an automatic door opener.	1	\$6,000		

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52	Oxford Middle School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	D. Maneuvering clearance not provided at recess > 6"	Science	1	112	Priority 3	Additional Access	Install an automatic door opener.	1	\$6,000					
53	Oxford Middle School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided L. Hardware not compliant Directional sign to accessible door in this locker room not provided	Boys' and Girl's' Locker Rooms	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a sign indicating the location of the accessible door with an automatic door opener in this locker room that connects the locker room to the gym area.	2	\$500					
54	Oxford Middle School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	L. Hardware not compliant	Girls' Locker Room	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide hardware that can be operable with one hand and not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the	1	\$750					
55	Oxford Middle School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	A. Clear width at door < 32" L. Hardware not compliant	Girls' Locker Room Multi-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Widen the door so that there is 32" min. clear width. Provide hardware that can be operable with one hand and not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the	1	\$5,126					
56	Oxford Middle School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	M. Door requires > 5 lbs. of force to open	All-Gender Toilet Room by Door 20	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Adjust closers so doors do not require more than 5 pounds of force to open.	1	\$0					
57	Oxford Middle School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	D. Maneuvering clearance not provided at recess > 6"	Art	1	167	Priority 3	Additional Access	Install an automatic door opener.	1	\$6,000					
58	Oxford Middle School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	Library	2		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate stored items to provide 18" min. pull side maneuvering clearance at the door.	1	\$0					
59	Oxford Middle School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	L. Hardware not compliant	Library Student Work Room	2	249	Priority 1	Program Access	Provide hardware that can be operable with one hand and not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the	1	\$750					
60	Oxford Middle School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	Media Production and Video Control Room	2	216	Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate stored item to provide 18" min. pull side maneuvering clearance at the door.	1	\$0					
61	Oxford Middle School	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	Door 20	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Reduce slope at door landing to 2% max. in all directions.	1	\$0					
62	Oxford Middle School	E. Stairways	B. Handrail height < 34" or > 38" D. Handrails do not extend 12" from stairs F. Handrails not continuous where required	All Four Staircases	1	104	Priority 1	Safety	Alter so the handrails are 34"- 38" high above the floor. Ensure that the handrail extends at least 12" plus the width of one tread beyond the bottom riser. Provide continuous handrails.	4	\$0					
63	Oxford Middle School	J. Elevator		Elevator by Door 6	1				Note: IHCD team understands that it is the policy of the school that students who need to use the elevator to move between floors must contact a staff member who brings a key to activates	1	\$0					

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64	Oxford Middle School	K. Signage	B. Raised characters not provided on sign D. Braille not provided on sign G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	Office	1		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Provide text with raised characters duplicated in braille on the sign. Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side.	1	\$250					
65	Oxford Middle School	K. Signage	B. Raised characters not provided on sign D. Braille not provided on sign G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	AP Room	1		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Provide text with raised characters duplicated in braille on the sign. Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side.	1	\$250					
66	Oxford Middle School	K. Signage	B. Raised characters not provided on sign D. Braille not provided on sign G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	Nurse's Office	1		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Provide text with raised characters duplicated in braille on the sign. Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side.	1	\$250					
67	Oxford Middle School	K. Signage	B. Raised characters not provided on sign D. Braille not provided on sign G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	Computer Lab	1	104	Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Provide text with raised characters duplicated in braille on the sign. Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side.	1	\$250					
68	Oxford Middle School	K. Signage	A. Signage is not provided	Boys' Locker Room Multi-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Locate compliant signage with raised characters and braille alongside the door on the latch side.	1	\$250					
69	Oxford Middle School	K. Signage	A. Signage is not provided	Girls' Locker Room	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Locate compliant signage with raised characters and braille alongside the door on the latch side.	1	\$250					
70	Oxford Middle School	K. Signage	L. Directional sign to access. toilet not provided	Boys' and Girls' Multi-User Toilet Room by Door 172	1		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Install a sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible toilet room.	2	\$500					
71	Oxford Middle School	K. Signage	L. Directional sign to access. toilet not provided	Boys' and Girls' Multi-User Toilet Room	2		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Install a sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible toilet room.	2	\$0					
72	Oxford Middle School	K. Signage	B. Raised characters not provided on sign D. Braille not provided on sign G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door L. Directional sign to access. toilet not provided	Boys' and Girls' Multi-User Toilet Rooms 224 and 236	2		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Provide text with raised characters duplicated in braille on the sign. Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side. Install a sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible toilet room.	4	\$1,000					
73	Oxford Middle School	L. Service Counter	A. Counter not connected to an accessible route B. Counter > 36" high	Library	2		Priority 3	Additional Access	Ensure the counter is connected to an accessible route. Provide a counter that is 36" max. above the ground or finished floor.	1	\$1,144					

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74	Oxford Middle School	O. Dining or Work Surfaces		Caffeteria	1				Note: IHCD team understands that an accessible dining surface is provided as needed in the cafeteria.	1	\$0					
75	Oxford Middle School	O. Dining or Work Surfaces	C. Knee or toe clearance not provided	Art	1	167	Priority 1	Program Access	Provide at least one work surface with 27" min. high knee and toe clearance. For children, provide at least one work surface with 24" min. high knee and toe	1	\$455					
76	Oxford Middle School	O. Dining or Work Surfaces	B. At least one or 5% accessible tables not provided	History	2	259	Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure that at least one work surface is accessible.	1	\$455					
77	Oxford Middle School	O. Dining or Work Surfaces	B. At least one or 5% accessible tables not provided C. Knee or toe clearance not provided	Library	2		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure that at least one work surface is accessible. Provide at least one work surface with 27" min. high knee and toe clearance. For children, provide at least one dining or work surface with 24" min. high knee and toe clearance.	1	\$455					
78	Oxford Middle School	O. Dining or Work Surfaces	C. Knee or toe clearance not provided	Library Student Work Room	2	249	Priority 1	Program Access	Provide at least one work surface with 27" min. high knee and toe clearance. For children, provide at least one dining or work surface with 24" min. high knee and toe clearance.	1	\$455					
79	Oxford Middle School	O. Dining or Work Surfaces	C. Knee or toe clearance not provided	Library	2		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide at least one work surface with 27" min. high knee and toe clearance. For children, provide at least one work surface with 24" min. high knee and toe	1	\$455					
80	Oxford Middle School	O. Dining or Work Surfaces	C. Knee or toe clearance not provided	Media Production and Video Control Room	2	216	Priority 1	Program Access	Provide at least one work surface with 27" min. high knee and toe clearance. For children, provide at least one work surface with 24" min. high knee and toe	1	\$455					
81	Oxford Middle School	O. Dining or Work Surfaces	C. Knee or toe clearance not provided	Intensive Learing Center	2	216	Priority 1	Program Access	Provide at least one work surface with 27" min. high knee and toe clearance. For children, provide at least one work surface with 24" min. high knee and toe	1	\$455					
82	Oxford Middle School	O. Dining or Work Surfaces	D. Top of dining/work surface < 28" or > 34"	Science	2	275	Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide at least one work surface with tops between 28"- 34" above the floor and 27" clear height underneath.	1	\$455					
83	Oxford Middle School	P. Assebly Area	P. Assistive listening devices not provided	Chorus, Music and Band Room	1	122	Priority 1	Program Access	If audible communication is integral to the use of the space, provide an assistive listening system.	1	\$1,578					

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84	Oxford Middle School	P. Assembly Area	A. Number of seats B. Number of designated wheelchair spaces P. Assistive listening devices not provided	Auditorium	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure accessible seating complies with Table 221.2.1.1 Number of Wheelchair Spaces in Assembly Areas in the 2010 Standards for Accessible Design. Based on an estimated seating count of 469, six accessible seats are required in this assembly area. If audible communication is integral to the use of the space, provide an assistive listening system. (Cost for provision of assistive listening system.)	1	\$1,578			
85	Oxford Middle School	P. Assembly Area	A. Number of seats B. Number of designated wheelchair spaces	Gym	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure accessible seating complies with Table 221.2.1.1 Number of Wheelchair Spaces in Assembly Areas in the 2010 Standards for Accessible Design.	1	\$0			
86	Oxford Middle School	Q. Locker Room	B. Total # of accessible locker	Lockers	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Note: IHCD team was told that the lockers are not used by students or members of the public.	1	\$0			
87	Oxford Middle School	Q. Locker Room	P. Bench is not 17"-19" high Q. Bench < 24" deep	Boys' Locker Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Install a bench with the top of the seat between 17"- 19" above the finished floor.	1	\$260			
88	Oxford Middle School	A. Overall Access	B. Turning space not provided C. Accessible plumbing fixtures or stalls not provided	Nurse's Office Single-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Renovate to provide or add an accessible single-user toilet room in the nurse's office.	1	\$31,985			
89	Oxford Middle School	A. Overall Access	B. Turning space not provided C. Accessible plumbing fixtures or stalls not provided	Boys' Locker Room Multi-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide one accessible wheelchair compartment.	1	\$8,037			
90	Oxford Middle School	A. Overall Access	B. Turning space not provided C. Accessible plumbing fixtures or stalls not provided	Girls' Locker Room Multi-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide one accessible wheelchair compartment.	1	\$8,037			
91	Oxford Middle School	B. Lavatory	E. Plumbing underneath is exposed F. Mirror above lavatory w/reflective surface > 40"	All-Gender Single-User Toilet Room	1	132	Priority 1	Safety	Insulate or otherwise configure pipes to prevent contact for at least one lavatory. Lower mirror so that the bottom surface is at 40" max. above the finished floor.	1	\$650			
92	Oxford Middle School	B. Lavatory	D. Faucet is not compliant E. Plumbing underneath is exposed	Boys' Locker Room Multi-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 1	Safety	Provide a faucet that can be operable with one hand and not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the wrist for at least one lavatory. Insulate or otherwise configure pipes to prevent contact for at least one lavatory.	1	\$1,432			

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93	Oxford Middle School	B. Lavatory	D. Faucet is not compliant E. Plumbing underneath is exposed F. Mirror above lavatory w/reflective surface > 40"	Girls' Locker Room Multi-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 1	Safety	Provide a faucet that can be operable with one hand and not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the wrist for at least one lavatory. Insulate or otherwise configure pipes to prevent contact for at least one lavatory. Lower mirror so that the bottom surface is at 40" max. above the finished floor.	1	\$1,932					
94	Oxford Middle School	C. Single-User Toilet	A. Toilet seat < 17" or > 19" high L. Toilet paper dispenser is not compliant	All-Gender Single-User Toilet Room by Door 20	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Install a toilet with a seat between 17"-19" high above the finished floor. Relocate toilet paper so that it is 24" min. high, located under the grab bar, and between 7" and 9" from the front of the toilet./Replace dispenser as it does not allow continuous paper flow.	1	\$3,316					
95	Oxford Middle School	C. Single-User Toilet	A. Toilet seat < 17" or > 19" high J. Clearance at toilet < 60" clear width L. Toilet paper dispenser is not compliant	All-Gender Single-User Toilet Room	2	242	Priority 3	Additional Access	Install a toilet with a seat between 17"-19" high above the finished floor. Ensure that there is 60" wide min. clear floor space at the toilet. (relocate trash container.) Relocate toilet paper so that it is 24" min. high, located under the grab bar, and between 7" and 9" from the front of the toilet./Replace dispenser as it does not allow continuous paper flow. Ensure dispenser is not above the grab bar.	1	\$3,316					
96	Oxford Middle School	E. Urinal	A. Rim > 17" high	Boys' Locker Room Multi-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide at least one urinal with the rim no higher than 17" above the finished	1	\$4,222					
97	Oxford Middle School	F. Dispensers	G. Forward reach if obstruction > 20"-25" deep is > 44" high	Boys' Locker Room Multi-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate the ... dispenser so that the controls are between 15" - 48" above the finished floor. (Relocate trash	1	\$0					
98	Oxford Middle School	F. Dispensers	B. Dispenser acts as a protruding object	All-Gender Single-User Toilet Room by Door 20	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate dispenser out of the circulation path.	1	\$500					
99	Oxford Middle School	G. Shower Compartment	A. Shower not on an accessible route U. Accessible shower not provided	Boys' Locker Room	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide an accessible route to an accessible shower (this gang shower is recessed). Provide at least one accessible shower.	1	\$3,606					
100	Oxford Middle School	G. Shower Compartment	A. Shower not on an accessible route U. Accessible shower not provided	Girls' Locker Room	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Locate the accessible shower on an accessible route. Provide at least one accessible shower.	1	\$7,894					

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101	Oxford Middle School	H. Portable Toilet	A. Not located on an accessible route B. Accessible portable toilets not provided F. 60" by 72" clear space not provided	By Field D	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Locate portable toilet on an accessible route with a door threshold no greater than 1/4". Ensure that at least 5% and at least one of the portable toilets in each distinct areas where they are provided is accessible. Provide an accessible portable toilet that has 60" wide and 72" deep at the toilet per 521 CMR, the regulations of the Massachusetts Architectural Access Board (MAAB).	1	\$0					
102	Oxford Middle School	J. Changing Rooms	A. 5% of changing rooms are not accessible	Girls' Locker Room	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide an accessible changing room.	1	\$7,626					
103	Oxford Middle School	A. Single-User Toilet (Children)	D. Flush control not on open side O. Side or rear grab bar < 25" or > 27" high (4 - 6) Q. Noncompliant toilet paper dispenser. (Ensure toilet paper dispenser is not located above the grab bar.	All-Gender Single-User Toilet Room	1	132	Priority 3	Additional Access	Move the flush control to the open side. Mount flush control between 20" - 30" above the floor. Locate grab bar between 25"- 27" above the floor. Relocate toilet paper dispenser so that it is between 14"- 19" above the floor and between 7"- 9" in front of the toilet. Ensure dispensers and other devices are not mounted above grab bars./Replace dispenser as it does not allow continuous paper flow.	1	\$2,000					
104	Oxford Middle School	A. Drinking Fountains	H. No drinking fountain provided for standing users L. Knee or toe clearance not provided	Cafeteria	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide an additional drinking fountain for standing users or install a Hi-Lo drinking fountain. Provide knee and toe clearance, 27" min. high at drinking fountain for seated	1	\$5,236					
105	Oxford Middle School	A. Drinking Fountains	J. No drinking fountain provided for seated users	Gym	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide an additional drinking fountain for seated users or install a Hi-Lo drinking fountain.	1	\$5,481					
106	Oxford Middle School	B. Sink	E. Exposed plumbing underneath sink G. Dispenser not within reach range	Nurse's Office	1		Priority 1	Safety	Insulate or otherwise configure pipes at sink. Relocate dispenser 48" max. above the finished floor or ground.	1	\$650					
107	Oxford Middle School	B. Sink	B. Toe and knee clearances not provided C. Rim or counter > 34" E. Exposed plumbing underneath sink	Chorus, Music and Band Room	1	122	Priority 1	Safety	Ensure there is a 27" min. knee clearance positioned for a forward approach. Relocate sink with the front of the rim or counter no higher than 34" above the finished floor. Insulate or otherwise configure pipes at sink	1	\$1,650					

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108	Oxford Middle School	B. Sink	B. Toe and knee clearances not provided C. Rim or counter > 34"	Art	1	167	Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure there is a 27" min. knee clearance positioned for a forward approach. Relocate sink with the front of the rim or counter no higher than 34" above the	1	\$1,500					
109	Oxford Middle School	C. Field	C. Field not connected to an accessible route F. No accessible route to all areas of sport activity	Softball Field E	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a 48" wide min. stable, firm and slip resistant accessible route to the boundary of sport activity at the softball field. Install an accessible route between all areas of sport activity.	1	\$0					
110	Oxford Middle School	C. Field	C. Field not connected to an accessible route F. No accessible route to all areas of sport activity	Soccer Field D	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a 48" wide min. stable, firm and slip resistant accessible route to the boundary of sport activity at the soccer field. Install an accessible route between all areas of sport activity.	1	\$0					
111	Oxford Middle School	Service Window		Cafeteria Store	1		Priority 4	Enhanced Usability	Recommend, if the service window at the cafeteria store is renovated, ensuring that the base of the service window is between 36" and 43" above the finished floor. If a service counter is installed following a renovation, it should be no higher than 36" above the finished floor.	1	\$0					

## Town of Oxford: Priority for ADA Transition Plan - Facilities

### Priorities:

- Priority 1: Program Access\* or Safety
- Priority 2: Navigational Issue
- Priority 3: Additional Access\*
- Priority 4: Enhanced Usability

### \*Note:

Some toilet rooms issues compromise Program Access.  
Some toilet rooms with less central issues (e.g., partially accessible toilet rooms), fall under Additional Access.

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1	Animal Control Kennel	A. Exterior Access Route	J. Level changes > 1/4"	Main Entrance	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Alter change in level to be 1/4" high max.	1	\$0				
2	Animal Control Kennel	A. Exterior Access Route	J. Level changes > 1/4"	Main Entrance	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Alter change in level to be 1/4" high max.	1	\$0				
3	Animal Control Kennel	A. Exterior Access Route	J. Level changes > 1/4" N. Accessible route not provided	Route to Outdoor Kennels	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Alter change in level to be 1/4" high max. Ensure an accessible route is provided from the walkway to the exterior kennel	1	\$0				
4	Animal Control Kennel	C. Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage	A. Total # of parking B. Total # of designated car accessible parking spaces C. Total # of designated van accessible spaces G. Access aisle not provided N. Sign with the International Symbol of Acc. not provided	Parking	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a van accessible parking space 96" wide min. with a marked access aisle that is also 96" wide min. Provide a sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA) with the bottom of the sign 60" min. above the ground and the top 96" max. above the ground. Add the designation "Van Accessible" to the sign located at the van accessible parking space.	1	\$500				
5	Animal Control Kennel	B. Interior Access Route	H. Accessible route not provided	Interior Route to Kennels	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Note: IHCD team was told that staff will bring dogs and other animals from both the interior and exterior kennel areas to visitors waiting at an accessible location outside of the building as needed.	1	\$0				

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6	Animal Control Kennel	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	K. Threshold > 1/2" high	Main Entrance	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Alter the threshold to be 1/2" high max.	1	\$1,000				
7	Animal Control Kennel	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	Entrance Vestibule	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate chair to provide 18" min. pull-side maneuvering clearance.	1	\$0				
8	Animal Control Kennel	A. Overall Access	B. Turning space not provided C. Accessible plumbing fixtures or stalls not provided	Single-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Note: While the toilet room could not be entered to be fully surveyed, it is apparent that it is not a compliant accessible single-user toilet room. IHCD team was told there is very limited public use of the toilet room. If the toilet room is available to members of the public going forward, it should be made accessible and an accessible sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA) should be provided.	1	\$0				
9	Animal Control Kennel	Intercom		Main Entrance	Ext.		Priority 4	Enhanced Usability	Recommend providing an intercom at an accessible location outside of the gate so visitors with disabilities can notify staff inside of the building of their arrival. Ensure intercom controls are positioned no higher than 48" above the ground and that the controls can be used without requiring tight grasping, pinching or twisting of the wrist.	1	\$0				
1	Community Center	C. Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage	B. Total # of designated car accessible parking spaces C. Total # of designated van accessible spaces K. Access aisle < 96" wide at van space O. Sign does not have the designation "Van Accessible" P. Sign bottom < 60" above finished grade	By Main Entrance	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a marked access aisle that is at least 96" wide at the van accessible parking space. Add the designation "Van Accessible" to the sign located at the van accessible space. Locate sign with the bottom of the sign 60" min. measured to the bottom of the sign and 96" max. measured to the top of the sign above the ground.	1	\$500				
2	Community Center	C. Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage	B. Total # of designated car accessible parking spaces C. Total # of designated van accessible spaces G. Access aisle not provided M. Running or cross slope at access aisle > 1:50 (2.00%) N. Sign with the International Symbol of Acc. not provided P. Sign bottom < 60" above finished grade	Reserved Accessible Parking	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a marked access aisle that is at least 60" wide. Reduce running or cross slope to be no steeper than 1:50 (2.00%) in all directions. Provide a sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA) with the bottom of the sign 60" min. above the ground. Locate existing ISA sign with the bottom of the sign 60" min. above the ground.	1	\$500				

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3	Community Center	D. Passenger Loading Zones	L. Sign with ISA not provided (MAAB)	Main Entrance	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a sign that includes the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA) at the head of the space. Locate the sign so that the bottom is 60" min. above the ground and the top is 96" max. above the ground.	1	\$500				
4	Community Center	E. Exterior Ramp	F. Handrails do not extend 12" past top & bottom	Main Entrance Ramp	Ext.		Priority 1	Safety	Alter handrails to extend horizontally above the landing for 12" min. beyond the bottom ramp run.	1	\$0				
5	Community Center	F. Exterior Stair	D. Handrails do not extend 12" from stair	Secondary West Egress	Ext.		Priority 1	Safety	Top: Ensure handrails extend horizontally above the landing for 12" min. beginning above the first riser nosing. Bottom: Ensure that the handrail extends at least 12" plus the width of one tread beyond the bottom riser.	1	\$0				
6	Community Center	F. Exterior Stair	C. Handrail height < 34" or > 38" D. Handrails do not extend 12" from stair F. Handrail is not continuous where required	Secondary South Egress	Ext.		Priority 1	Safety	Alter so the handrails are 34"- 38" high above the finished floor or ground. Top: Ensure handrails extend horizontally above the landing for 12" min. beginning above the first riser nosing. Bottom: Ensure that the handrail extends at least 12" plus the width of one tread beyond the bottom riser. Provide continuous handrails.	1	\$0				
7	Community Center	G. Entrance	E. Clear width at door is < 32"	Main Entrance Ramp Door	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Widen the door so that there is 32" min. clear width.	1	\$4,376				
8	Community Center	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided Q. Directional sign to accessible emergency exit not provided	Basketball Gym West Egress to Stairs	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"- 60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible emergency exit.	2	\$500				
9	Community Center	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided Q. Directional sign to accessible emergency exit not provided	South Egress to Stairs	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"- 60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible emergency exit.	2	\$500				

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10	Community Center	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided Q. Directional sign to accessible emergency exit not provided	Egress at Stairs to Ground Level Near South Egress	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible emergency exit.	2	\$500				
11	Community Center	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided	Stair 1	2		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door.	1	\$250				
12	Community Center	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided	Stair 2	2		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door.	1	\$250				
13	Community Center	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided Q. Directional sign to accessible emergency exit not provided	East Egress - Locked	G		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible emergency exit.	2	\$500				
14	Community Center	B. Interior Access Route	B. Obstructed by protruding objects	Hallway	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate defibrillator out of the accessible route or provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the ground under the defibrillator.	1	\$398				
15	Community Center	B. Interior Access Route	F. Surface not stable, firm, and slip-resistant	Craft Room/ Babysitting	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Secure rug to floor to prevent tripping hazard.	1	\$0				
16	Community Center	B. Interior Access Route	B. Obstructed by protruding objects	Hallway	2		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate fire extinguisher case out of the accessible route or provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the ground under the case.	2	\$796				
17	Community Center	B. Interior Access Route	B. Obstructed by protruding objects	Stair 1 From Main Entry	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a cane-detectable barrier under stairs.	1	\$1,141				
18	Community Center	B. Interior Access Route	B. Obstructed by protruding objects	Food Pantry	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate fire extinguisher out of the accessible route or provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the finished floor under the fire extinguisher.	1	\$398				

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19	Community Center	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	D. Maneuvering clearance not provided at recess > 6" L. Hardware not compliant	Craft Room/ Babysitting	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Install an automatic door opener. Provide hardware that can be operable with one hand and not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the	1	\$6,750				
20	Community Center	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	D. Maneuvering clearance not provided at recess > 6" L. Hardware not compliant	Community Room	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Install an automatic door opener./Reverse the swing of the door to provide maneuvering clearance. Provide hardware that can be operable with one hand and not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the	1	\$6,750				
21	Community Center	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	L. Hardware not compliant	Babysitting Room Becoming Multipurpose Room	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide hardware that can be operable with one hand and not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the	1	\$750				
22	Community Center	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	A. Clear width at door < 32"	Main Office	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Widen the door so that there is 32" min. clear width.	1	\$4,376				
23	Community Center	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	Main Office	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate furniture to provide 18" min. pull-side maneuvering clearance at the	1	\$0				
24	Community Center	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	H. Mat not securely attached	Main Office	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Secure the mat.	1	\$0				
25	Community Center	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	B. If double-leaf door, neither compliant M. Door requires > 5 lbs. of force to open	Basketball Gym	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Ensure that at least one of the active leaves is at least 32" min. wide. Adjust closers so doors do not require more than 5 pounds of force to open.	1	\$4,376				
26	Community Center	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	B. If double-leaf door, neither compliant	Basketball Gym West Egress to Stairs	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Ensure that at least one of the active leaves is at least 32" min. wide.	1	\$4,376				
27	Community Center	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	M. Door requires > 5 lbs. of force to open	Men's Single-User Toilet Room	2		Priority 3	Additional Access	Adjust closers so doors do not require more than 5 pounds of force to open.	1	\$0				
28	Community Center	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	M. Door requires > 5 lbs. of force to open	Women's Single-User Toilet Room	2		Priority 3	Additional Access	Adjust closers so doors do not require more than 5 pounds of force to open.	1	\$0				
29	Community Center	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	H. Mat not securely attached	School Administration	2		Priority 3	Additional Access	Secure the mat.	1	\$0				
30	Community Center	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	School Administration	2		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate table and chairs to provide 18" min. pull-side maneuvering clearance at the door.	1	\$0				
31	Community Center	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	H. Mat not securely attached	Title 1	2	210	Priority 3	Additional Access	Secure the mat.	1	\$0				
32	Community Center	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	D. Maneuvering clearance not provided at recess > 6"	Superintendent's Office	2	201	Priority 3	Additional Access	Install an automatic door opener.	1	\$6,000				
33	Community Center	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	B. If double-leaf door, neither compliant	Stair 2	2		Priority 3	Additional Access	Ensure that at least one of the active leaves is at least 32" min. wide.	1	\$4,376				
34	Community Center	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	D. Maneuvering clearance not provided at recess > 6"	Conference Room	2	221	Priority 3	Additional Access	Install an automatic door opener.	1	\$6,000				

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35	Community Center	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	L. Hardware not compliant	Spinning Room	G		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide hardware that can be operable with one hand and not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the	1	\$750				
36	Community Center	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	D. Maneuvering clearance not provided at recess > 6" M. Door requires > 5 lbs. of force to open	Cardio Room	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Install an automatic door opener. Adjust closers so doors do not require more than 5 pounds of force to open.	1	\$6,000				
37	Community Center	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	D. Maneuvering clearance not provided at recess > 6"	Group Fitness	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Install an automatic door opener.	1	\$6,000				
38	Community Center	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	L. Hardware not compliant	Group Fitness	G		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide hardware that can be operable with one hand and not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the	1	\$750				
39	Community Center	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	B. If double-leaf door, neither compliant	Doors to Stair 2	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Ensure that at least one of the active leaves is at least 32" min. wide.	1	\$4,376				
40	Community Center	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	L. Hardware not compliant	Food Pantry	G		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide hardware that can be operable with one hand and not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the	1	\$750				
41	Community Center	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	L. Hardware not compliant	All-Gender Single-User Toilet Room	G		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide hardware that can be operable with one hand and not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the	1	\$629				
42	Community Center	E. Stairways	B. Handrail height < 34" or > 38" D. Handrails do not extend 12" from stairs P. Handrails not provided	Basketball Gym West Egress Stairs	1		Priority 1	Safety	Alter so the handrails are 34"- 38" high above the floor. Top: Ensure handrails extend horizontally above the landing for 12" min. beginning above the first riser nosing. Bottom: Ensure that the handrail extends at least 12" plus the width of one tread beyond the bottom riser. Provide handrails.	1	\$0				
43	Community Center	E. Stairways	B. Handrail height < 34" or > 38" D. Handrails do not extend 12" from stairs	Stairs to Ground Level Near South Egress	1		Priority 1	Safety	Alter so the handrails are 34"- 38" high above the floor. Top: Ensure handrails extend horizontally above the landing for 12" min. beginning above the first riser nosing. Bottom: Ensure that the handrail extends at least 12" plus the width of one tread beyond the bottom riser.	1	\$0				

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44	Community Center	E. Stairways	B. Handrail height < 34" or > 38" D. Handrails do not extend 12" from stairs F. Handrails not continuous where required	Stair 1	2		Priority 1	Safety	Alter so the handrails are 34"- 38" high above the floor. Top: Ensure handrails extend horizontally above the landing for 12" min. beginning above the first riser nosing. Bottom: Ensure that the handrail extends at least 12" plus the width of one tread beyond the bottom riser. Provide continuous handrails.	1	\$0				
45	Community Center	E. Stairways	D. Handrails do not extend 12" from stairs F. Handrails not continuous where required	Stair 2	2		Priority 1	Safety	Top: Ensure handrails extend horizontally above the landing for 12" min. beginning above the first riser nosing. Bottom: Ensure that the handrail extends at least 12" plus the width of one tread beyond the bottom riser. Provide continuous handrails.	1	\$0				
46	Community Center	E. Stairways	D. Handrails do not extend 12" from stairs F. Handrails not continuous where required	Stair 1 From Main Entry	G		Priority 1	Safety	Top: Ensure handrails extend horizontally above the landing for 12" min. beginning above the first riser nosing. Bottom: Ensure that the handrail extends at least 12" plus the width of one tread beyond the bottom riser. Provide continuous handrails.	1	\$0				
47	Community Center	E. Stairways	D. Handrails do not extend 12" from stairs F. Handrails not continuous where required	Stair 2	G		Priority 1	Safety	Top: Ensure handrails extend horizontally above the landing for 12" min. beginning above the first riser nosing. Bottom: Ensure that the handrail extends at least 12" plus the width of one tread beyond the bottom riser. Provide continuous handrails.	1	\$0				
48	Community Center	K. Signage	B. Raised characters not provided on sign D. Braille not provided on sign G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	Craft Room/ Babysitting	1		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Provide text with raised characters duplicated in braille on the sign. Provide braille on the sign. Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side.	1	\$250				
49	Community Center	K. Signage	A. Signage is not provided	Community Room	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Locate compliant signage with raised characters and braille alongside the door on the latch side.	1	\$250				
50	Community Center	K. Signage	B. Raised characters not provided on sign D. Braille not provided on sign G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	Babysitting Room Becoming Multipurpose Room	1		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Provide text with raised characters duplicated in braille on the sign. Provide braille on the sign. Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side.	1	\$250				

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51	Community Center	K. Signage	B. Raised characters not provided on sign D. Braille not provided on sign G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	Main Office	1		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Provide text with raised characters duplicated in braille on the sign. Provide braille on the sign. Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side.	1	\$250				
52	Community Center	K. Signage	G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	School Department	2	222	Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side.	1	\$0				
53	Community Center	K. Signage	C. Raised characters < 48" or > 60" above ground G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	Title 1	2	210	Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Mount the sign so that the baseline of the lowest tactile character is 48" min. above finished floor and the baseline of the highest tactile character is 60" max. above the finished floor. Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side.	1	\$250				
54	Community Center	K. Signage	B. Raised characters not provided on sign D. Braille not provided on sign G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	Superintendent's Office	2	201	Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Provide text with raised characters duplicated in braille on the sign. Provide braille on the sign. Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side.	1	\$250				
55	Community Center	K. Signage	R. Int. Symbol of Acc. for Hearing Loss not provided	Conference Room	2		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Provide a sign containing the International Symbol of Access for Hearing Loss. (IHCD team was told that the community center has a portable assistive listening system. Therefore, a sign with the International Symbol of Access for Hearing Loss should be displayed at a prominent location to let visitors know of the system's	1	\$250				
56	Community Center	K. Signage	N. International Symbol of Acc. not compliant	Main Entrance	Ext.		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Provide the required International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA). (The "active" International Symbol of	1	\$250				
57	Community Center	K. Signage	B. Raised characters not provided on sign C. Raised characters < 48" or > 60" above ground G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	Spinning Room	G		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Provide text with raised characters duplicated in braille on the sign. Mount the sign so that the baseline of the lowest tactile character is 48" min. above finished floor and the baseline of the highest tactile character is 60" max. above the finished floor. Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side.	1	\$250				
58	Community Center	K. Signage	A. Signage is not provided	Food Pantry	G		Priority 1	Program Access	Locate compliant signage with raised characters and braille alongside the door on the latch side.	1	\$250				

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59	Community Center	M. Operable Parts / Reach Range	Clear floor space not provided.	Community Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Ensure clear floor space is provided at the paper towel dispenser. (Relocate portable steps as needed.)	1	\$0			
60	Community Center	M. Operable Parts / Reach Range	C. Reach < 15" or > 48"(forward/side approach)	Main Entrance Intercom	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate intercom controls so that controls are between 15"- 48" above the finished floor or ground	1	\$500			
61	Community Center	M. Operable Parts / Reach Range	D. Side reach > 54"	Cardio Room	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate spray bottle with cleanser used to clean machines to between 15" - 48" above the finished floor.	2	\$0			
62	Community Center	O. Dining or Work Surfaces	C. Knee or toe clearance not provided	School Administration	2		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide at least one work surface with 27" min. high knee and toe clearance. For children, provide at least one dining or work surface with 24" min. high knee and toe clearance.	1	\$450			
63	Community Center	O. Dining or Work Surfaces	C. Knee or toe clearance not provided	SPED Office	2	217	Priority 1	Program Access	Provide at least one work surface with 27" min. high knee and toe clearance. For children, provide at least one dining or work surface with 24" min. high knee and toe clearance.	1	\$450			
64	Community Center	O. Dining or Work Surfaces	C. Knee or toe clearance not provided	Superintendent's Office	2		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide at least one work surface with 27" min. high knee and toe clearance. For children, provide at least one dining or work surface with 24" min. high knee and toe clearance.	1	\$450			
65	Community Center	B. Lavatory	B. Toe or knee clearances not provided	Men's Single-User Toilet Room	2		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide at least one lavatory with knee and toe clearance positioned for a forward approach. (At least 8" of depth must be provided at the first 3" below the rim of the lavatory.)	1	\$2,192			
66	Community Center	B. Lavatory	B. Toe or knee clearances not provided	Women's Single-User Toilet Room	2		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide at least one lavatory with knee and toe clearance positioned for a forward approach. (At least 8" of depth must be provided at the first 3" below the rim of the lavatory.)	1	\$2,192			
67	Community Center	B. Lavatory	F. Mirror above lavatory w/reflective surface > 40"	All-Gender Single-User Toilet Room	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Lower mirror so that the bottom surface is at 40" max. above the finished floor.	1	\$500			
68	Community Center	C. Single-User Toilet	P. Item mounted over grab bar (MAAB)	Men's Single-User Toilet Room	2		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate paper towel dispenser so that it is not mounted over the grab bar.	1	\$333			
69	Community Center	C. Single-User Toilet	N. Hook located > 48" high (2010 ADA)	Men's Single-User Toilet Room	2		Priority 3	Additional Access	Locate the coat hook no higher than 48" above the finished floor.	1	\$75			
70	Community Center	C. Single-User Toilet	E. Side grab bar < 54" from back wall	Women's Single-User Toilet Room	2		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a side wall grab bar that is 42" long min. located 12" max. from the rear wall and 54" from the back wall overall. (This grab bar is just 48" from the back wall.)	1	\$459			

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71	Community Center	C. Single-User Toilet	O. Hook located > 54" high	Women's Single-User Toilet Room	2		Priority 3	Additional Access	Locate the coat hook no higher than 48" above the finished floor.	1	\$75				
72	Community Center	C. Single-User Toilet	C. Centerline < or > 18" (MAAB) E. Side grab bar < 54" from back wall J. Clearance at toilet < 60" clear width L. Toilet paper dispenser is not compliant P. Item mounted over grab bar (MAAB)	All-Gender Single-User Toilet Room	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate toilet so that the centerline is 18" from the side wall. Provide a side wall grab bar that is 42" long min. located 12" max. from the rear wall. Relocate lavatory to provide 60" clear floor space at the toilet. Relocate toilet paper so that it is 24" min. high,, under the grab bar, and between 7" and 9" from the front of the toilet. Relocate paper towel dispenser so that it is not mounted over the grab bar.	1	\$9,116				
73	Community Center	C. Single-User Toilet	N. Hook located > 48" high (2010 ADA)	All-Gender Single-User Toilet Room	G		Priority 3	Additional Access	Locate the coat hook no higher than 48" above the finished floor.	1	\$75				
74	Community Center	G. Overall Access (Children)	E. Sign to accessible toilet room not provided	Women's and Men's Multi-User Toilet Rooms on Floors G and 2	G		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible toilet room. (Recommendation applies to inaccessible toilet rooms on the ground and second floors. Accessible single-user toilet rooms are available on the ground floor and on the second floor in the school administration area, and there is accessible vertical access to all floors via an elevator.)	4	\$1,000				
75	Community Center	A. Drinking Fountains	D. Spout > 36" high (wheelchair users) H. No drinking fountain provided for standing users	By Superintendent's Office	2		Priority 1	Program Access	Lower drinking fountain so that the spout is 36" max. above the finished floor or ground. Provide an additional drinking fountain for standing users or install a Hi-Lo drinking fountain.	1	\$6,056				
76	Community Center	B. Sink	B. Toe and knee clearances not provided	Community Room	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure there is a 27" min. knee clearance positioned for a forward	1	\$2,192				
77	Community Center	D. Court	B. Accessible spaces are not provided at sidelines seating	Basketball Gym	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure accessible seating complies with Table 221.2.1.1 Number of Wheelchair Spaces in Assembly Areas in the 2010 Standards for Accessible design.	1	\$0				
1	Council on Aging Senior Center	B. Curb Ramp	D. Transition from curb ramp to street not flush	Accessible Parking by the Town Hall	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure transition from curb ramp to street is flush or free of changes in level.	1	\$0				

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2	Council on Aging Senior Center	C. Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage	A. Total # of parking B. Total # of designated car accessible parking spaces C. Total # of designated van accessible spaces E. Van space < 132" or <96" wide H. Access aisle not compliant K. Access aisle < 96" wide at van space O. Sign does not have the designation "Van Accessible"	South Side Senior Center Parking	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a van accessible space that is at least 132" wide. Provide a marked access aisle that is at least 60" wide. between the car and van space. (Re-stripe.)Add the designation "Van Accessible" to the sign located at the van accessible space.(Van spaces and access aisles can be 8' and 8' or the space can be 11' with a 5' access aisle. Price provided for an exterior sign.)	1	\$450				
3	Council on Aging Senior Center	E. Exterior Ramp	P. Edge protection < 4" high	Main Entry Ramp	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide edge protection on the ramp that prevents the passage of a 4" diameter sphere, where any portion of the sphere is within 4" of the finished floor or ground surface.	1	\$0				
4	Council on Aging Senior Center	E. Exterior Ramp	M. Landing has a slope > 1:50 in either direction	Main Entry Ramp	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Alter so that the slope in all directions is no greater than 1:50 (2.00%)./Rebuild the ramp to ensure that the slope of the landing does not exceed 1:50 (2.00%).	1	\$0				
5	Council on Aging Senior Center	E. Exterior Ramp	M. Landing has a slope > 1:50 in either direction P. Edge protection < 4" high S. Not maintained in operable working condition	Southwest Side Ramp Bottom Landing	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Alter so that the slope in all directions is no greater than 1:50 (2.00%) at the landing and 1:12 (8.33%) on the ramp. Provide edge protection that prevents the passage of a 4" diameter sphere, where any portion of the sphere is within 4" of the finished floor or ground surface. Ensure the ramp landing is maintained in	1	\$0				
6	Council on Aging Senior Center	E. Exterior Ramp	C. Running slope > 1:12 (8.33%)	Southwest Side Ramp	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Reduce running slope to be no steeper than 1:12 (8.33%).	1	\$0				
7	Council on Aging Senior Center	E. Exterior Ramp	B. Ramp < 48" wide K. Landing < 60" min. long	Southwest Side Ramp	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	The width of this ramp complies with the 2010 Standards for Accessible Design, but 521 CMR, the regulations of the Massachusetts Architectural Access Board (MAAB) call for a minimum width of 48". The landing at the door is also less than 60" long. Since the main entry ramp is wide enough and near by, we recommend providing a sign at this ramp directing visitors to the main entrance.	1	\$250				

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8	Council on Aging Senior Center	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided P. Illuminated ISA symbol not provided (MAAB)	Main Entrance and Egress	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. Provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA)./When the illuminated exit sign is repaired or replaced, provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).	1	\$450				
9	Council on Aging Senior Center	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided P. Illuminated ISA symbol not provided (MAAB)	Main Meeting Room Egress to Ramp	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. Provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA)./When the illuminated exit sign is repaired or replaced, provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).	1	\$450				
10	Council on Aging Senior Center	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided P. Illuminated ISA symbol not provided (MAAB)	Main Meeting Room Southwest Egress	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. Provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA)./When the illuminated exit sign is repaired or replaced, provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).	1	\$450				
11	Council on Aging Senior Center	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided P. Illuminated ISA symbol not provided (MAAB)	Main Meeting Room South Egress	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. Provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA)./When the illuminated exit sign is repaired or replaced, provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).	1	\$450				

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12	Council on Aging Senior Center	B. Interior Access Route	A. Route < 36" wide	Conference Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Ensure that a clear width of 36" min. is maintained at the accessible route.(Reposition table.)	1	\$0				
13	Council on Aging Senior Center	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	Outreach Office	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate printer to provide 18" min. pull-side maneuvering clearance at the door.	1	\$0				
14	Council on Aging Senior Center	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	Veterans Office	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate furniture to provide 18" min. pull-side maneuvering clearance at the	1	\$0				
15	Council on Aging Senior Center	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	Conference Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate trash container to provide 18" min. pull-side maneuvering clearance at the door.	1	\$0				
16	Council on Aging Senior Center	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	Main Meeting Room South Egress	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Remove trash container and fire extinguisher to provide 12" min. maneuvering clearance on the push side of the door.	1	\$0				
17	Council on Aging Senior Center	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	Director's Office	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate furniture to provide 18" min. pull-side maneuvering clearance at the	1	\$0				
18	Council on Aging Senior Center	K. Signage	B. Raised characters not provided on sign D. Braille not provided on sign G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room Near Main Entrance	1		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Provide text with raised characters duplicated in braille on the sign. Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side.	1	\$250				
19	Council on Aging Senior Center	K. Signage	B. Raised characters not provided on sign D. Braille not provided on sign G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	Men's Multi-User Toilet Room Near Main Entrance	1		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Provide text with raised characters duplicated in braille on the sign. Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side.	1	\$250				
20	Council on Aging Senior Center	K. Signage	B. Raised characters not provided on sign D. Braille not provided on sign G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	Outreach Office	1		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Provide text with raised characters duplicated in braille on the sign. Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side.	1	\$250				
21	Council on Aging Senior Center	K. Signage	B. Raised characters not provided on sign D. Braille not provided on sign G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	Veterans Office	1		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Provide text with raised characters duplicated in braille on the sign. Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side.	1	\$250				
22	Council on Aging Senior Center	K. Signage	B. Raised characters not provided on sign D. Braille not provided on sign G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	Conference Room	1		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Provide text with raised characters duplicated in braille on the sign. Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side.	1	\$250				

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23	Council on Aging Senior Center	K. Signage	B. Raised characters not provided on sign D. Braille not provided on sign G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	Director's Office	1		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Provide text with raised characters duplicated in braille on the sign. Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side.	1	\$250				
24	Council on Aging Senior Center	K. Signage	B. Raised characters not provided on sign D. Braille not provided on sign G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	Director's Office	1		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Provide text with raised characters duplicated in braille on the sign. Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side.	1	\$250				
25	Council on Aging Senior Center	M. Operable Parts / Reach Range	A. Element not on an accessible route B. Clear floor space is not provided	Main Meeting Room	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure the defibrillator is located on an accessible route. Provide a 30" min. by 48" min. clear floor space at the defibrillator. (Relocate defibrillator or relocate the table and stored items under the defibrillator.)	1	\$500				
26	Council on Aging Senior Center	M. Operable Parts / Reach Range		Main Meeting Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	If used by members of the public, 50% or storage is not accessible. Ensure that staff is available to assist visitors who need assistance.	1	\$0				
27	Council on Aging Senior Center	M. Operable Parts / Reach Range	C. Reach < 15" or > 48"(forward/side approach)	By Main Meeting Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a clothes rod or hook between 15"- 48" above the finished floor.	1	\$75				
28	Council on Aging Senior Center	O. Dining or Work Surfaces	C. Knee or toe clearance not provided	Main Meeting Room and Cafe	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide at least one computer work surface with 27" min. high knee and toe clearance. For children, provide at least one dining or work surface with 24" min. high knee and toe clearance.	1	\$450				
29	Council on Aging Senior Center	P. Assembly Area	P. Assistive listening devices not provided	Main Meeting Room and Cafe	1		Priority 1	Program Access	If audible communication is integral to the use of the space, provide an assistive listening system.	1	\$1,578				
30	Council on Aging Senior Center	A. Overall Access	F. International Symbol of Acc. not provided	Men's and Women's Multi-User Toilet Rooms	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).	2	\$500				
31	Council on Aging Senior Center	B. Lavatory	E. Plumbing underneath is exposed	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room Near Main Entrance	1		Priority 1	Safety	Insulate or otherwise configure pipes to prevent contact for at least one lavatory.	1	\$150				
32	Council on Aging Senior Center	B. Lavatory	E. Plumbing underneath is exposed	Men's Multi-User Toilet Room Near Main Entrance	1		Priority 1	Safety	Insulate or otherwise configure pipes to prevent contact for at least one lavatory.	1	\$150				
33	Council on Aging Senior Center	D. Toilet Compartment	Q. Clearance at toilet < 72" clear depth (MAAB)	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room Near Main Entrance	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a wheelchair accessible compartment that is 60" wide and 72" deep.	1	\$8,037				
34	Council on Aging Senior Center	D. Toilet Compartment	C. Door has noncompliant hardware	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room Near Main Entrance	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide hardware that can be operable with one hand and not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the wrist. (Install an accessible door pull.)	1	\$91				

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35	Council on Aging Senior Center	D. Toilet Compartment	C. Door has noncompliant hardware	Men's Multi-User Toilet Room Near Main Entrance	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide hardware that can be operable with one hand and not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the wrist. (Install an accessible door pull.)	1	\$70				
36	Council on Aging Senior Center	D. Toilet Compartment	O. Noncompliant toilet cover dispenser	Men's Multi-User Toilet Room Near Main Entrance	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate toilet cover dispenser so the operable parts are no higher than 48" on the side of the toilet and not located above the grab bar.	1	\$500				
37	Council on Aging Senior Center	F. Dispensers	B. Dispenser acts as a protruding object	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room Near Main Entrance	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate paper towel dispenser out of the circulation path or provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the finished floor under the paper towel dispenser.	1	\$398				
38	Council on Aging Senior Center	F. Dispensers	A. Noncompliant operable part	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room Near Main Entrance	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a tampon dispenser that can be operable with one hand and not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the wrist.	1	\$1,000				
39	Council on Aging Senior Center	F. Dispensers	B. Dispenser acts as a protruding object	Men's Multi-User Toilet Room Near Main Entrance	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate paper towel dispenser out of the circulation path or provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the finished floor under the paper towel dispenser.	1	\$398				
40	Council on Aging Senior Center	B. Sink	B. Toe and knee clearances not provided E. Exposed plumbing underneath sink	Conference Room	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure there is a 27" min. knee clearance positioned for a forward approach. Insulate or otherwise configure pipes at	1	\$150				
41	Council on Aging Senior Center	Automatic Door Opener		Toilet Rooms and Main Entrance	1		Priority 1	Program Access	IHCD team was told by senior center staff that some visitors have expressed having difficulty in opening the main entry and egress door and the doors to the two multi-user toilet rooms. The staff indicated that there had been requests to have automatic door openers installed at each of these locations in order to make it easier for all visitors to use the main entrance and egress and to enter and exit from the	3	\$0				
42	Council on Aging Senior Center	Parking		South Side Senior Center Parking	Ext.		Priority 4	Enhanced Usability	If accessible spaces in excess of the required number are provided, recommend locating them at the shortest distance to the accessible entrance. The spaces shown at the far side of the lot in this image are not at as close as they could be to the accessible entrance in this lot	1	\$0				

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43	Council on Aging Senior Center	Podium		Main Meeting Room and Cafe	1		Priority 4	Enhanced Usability	Recommend an accessible adjustable height podium with knee and toe clearance.	1	\$0				
1	DPW Cemetery Office	C. Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage	A. Total # of parking	Parking			Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a marked access aisle 96' wide min. Note: When just one parking space is available to members of the public, an identification sign with the international Symbol of Accessibility (ISA) is not required, and all visitors can use the parking space. Recommend as a best practice recommendation, if space permits, marking the space and access aisle in the unpaved lot as shown in the narrative report.	1	\$0				
2	DPW Cemetery Office	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	J. Threshold not beveled	Entrance			Priority 3	Additional Access	Bevel the threshold and ensure it is no higher than 1/2".	1	\$1,000				
3	DPW Cemetery Office	M. Operable Parts / Reach Range	C. Reach < 15" or > 48"(forward/side approach)	By Main Entrance			Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate the opening of the dispenser with cemetery information to between 15"- 48" above the ground.	1	\$0				
4	DPW Cemetery Office	H. Portable Toilet	B. Accessible portable toilets not provided F. 60" by 72" clear space not provided	By Building			Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure that at least 5% of portable toilets are accessible. Provide an accessible portable toilet that has 60" wide and 72" deep at the toilet.	1	\$4,600				
1	DPW Office 450 Main Street	A. Exterior Access Route	B. Exterior route < 36" wide	By Main Entrance	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure that a clear width of 36" min. is maintained at the accessible route. (Relocate time stamp case.)	1	\$0				
2	DPW Office 450 Main Street	A. Exterior Access Route	H. Running slope > 1:20 (5.00%) J. Level changes > 1/4"	By Main Entrance	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Reduce running slope to be no steeper than 1:20 (5.00%). Alter change in level to be 1/4" high	1	\$0				
3	DPW Office 450 Main Street	C. Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage	A. Total # of parking C. Total # of designated van accessible spaces F. Running or cross slope at space > 1:50 (2.00%) G. Access aisle not provided O. Sign does not have the designation "Van Accessible" P. Sign bottom < 60" above finished grade	Parking	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a compliant van accessible parking space. Reduce running or cross slope to be no steeper than 1:50 (2.00%). Provide a marked access aisle that is at least 96" wide. Add the designation "Van Accessible" to the sign located at the van accessible space. Locate sign with the bottom of the sign 60" above the ground. (Cost is for a parking designation sign.)	1	\$500				

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4	DPW Office 450 Main Street	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided Q. Directional sign to accessible emergency exit not provided	West Side Egress	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible emergency exit.	1	\$0				
5	DPW Office 450 Main Street	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided Q. Directional sign to accessible emergency exit not provided	Southeast Side Egress	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible emergency exit.	2	\$500				
6	DPW Office 450 Main Street	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided Q. Directional sign to accessible emergency exit not provided	Route to Southeast Egress	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible emergency exit.	1	\$250				
7	DPW Office 450 Main Street	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided	Main Egress	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. Provide the tactile sign on all three of the egress doors at this location.	3	\$750				
8	DPW Office 450 Main Street	B. Interior Access Route	B. Obstructed by protruding objects	Women's Single-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Relocate cabinet out of the circulation path or provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the finished floor under the cabinet.	1	\$398				
9	DPW Office 450 Main Street	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	Women's Single-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	If when this toilet room is renovated this push-side door has a latch and a closer but lacks the minimum required 12" maneuvering clearance at the door, provide an automatic door opener.	1	\$0				
10	DPW Office 450 Main Street	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	M. Door requires > 5 lbs. of force to open	Main Egress	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Adjust closers on the two interior doors so doors do not require more than 5 pounds of force to open.	2	\$0				
11	DPW Office 450 Main Street	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	F. Maneuvering clearance at door > 1:50 (2.00%)	Main Entrance	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Alter so that the slope in all directions is no greater than 1:50 (2.00%).	1	\$0				

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12	DPW Office 450 Main Street	D. Ramps	B. Running slope >1:12 (8.33%)	Route to Southeast Egress	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Further study will be needed to determine whether it is technically feasible to bring the ramp into full compliance with the ADA Standards.	1	\$0				
13	DPW Office 450 Main Street	K. Signage	A. Signage is not provided	Conference Room	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Locate compliant signage with raised characters and braille alongside the door on the latch side.	1	\$250				
14	DPW Office 450 Main Street	K. Signage	B. Raised characters not provided on sign D. Braille not provided on sign G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	Women's Single-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Provide text with raised characters duplicated in braille on the sign. Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side. Note: Recommend making this an accessible all-gender toilet room with an all-gender toilet room sign once the toilet room has been made accessible.	1	\$250				
15	DPW Office 450 Main Street	M. Operable Parts / Reach Range	A. Element not on an accessible route B. Clear floor space is not provided	Women's Single-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure paper towel dispenser is located on an accessible route. Provide a 30" min. by 48" min. clear floor space at the dispenser, and ensure the control for dispensing paper towels is 48" max. above the finished floor. When paper towel dispenser is relocated ensure it does not protrude more than 4" into the circulation path or proved a cane-detectable barrier under the dispenser.	1	\$500				
16	DPW Office 450 Main Street	A. Overall Access	E. Sign to accessible toilet not provided	Men's Single-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible toilet room. (Provide directional signs to the accessible all-gender toilet room at the three other inaccessible toilet rooms once the women's single user toilet room has been made accessible and designated as all-gender. The men's single user toilet room should also be designated as all-gender as well, but it does not need to be made accessible.	3	\$750				

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17	DPW Office 450 Main Street	B. Lavatory	B. Toe or knee clearances not provided D. Faucet is not compliant E. Plumbing underneath is exposed F. Mirror above lavatory w/reflective surface > 40"	Women's Single-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 1	Safety	Provide at least one lavatory with knee and toe clearance positioned for a forward approach. Provide a faucet that can be operable with one hand and not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the wrist for at least one lavatory. Insulate or otherwise configure pipes to prevent contact for at least one lavatory. Lower mirror so that the bottom surface is at 40" max. above the finished floor.	1	\$4,124				
18	DPW Office 450 Main Street	C. Single-User Toilet	A. Toilet seat < 17" or > 19" high B. Flush control not on open side C. Centerline < or > 18" (MAAB) D. Grab bar not provided J. Clearance at toilet < 60" clear width	Women's Single-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Install a toilet with a seat between 17"-19" high above the finished floor. Relocate the flush control to the open side. Relocate toilet so that the centerline is 18" from the side wall. Provide one grab bar on the side wall of the toilet and one on the rear wall. Relocate table to ensure that there is 60" wide min. clear floor space at the toilet	1	\$6,112				
19	DPW Office 450 Main Street	Egress Signage		Main Egress	1		Priority 4	Enhanced Usability	Recommend, at the final egress door that leads directly to the exterior of the building, providing an illuminated exit sign with an illuminated International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).	1	\$0				
20	DPW Office 450 Main Street	Service Window		Reception	1		Priority 4	Enhanced Usability		1	\$0				
21	DPW Office 450 Main Street	Transition at Curb At Main Entrance		Main Entrance	Ext.		Priority 4	Enhanced Usability		1	\$0				
1	New Fire Station	A. Exterior Access Route	H. Running slope > 1:20 (5.00%)	Walkway to Main Entrance	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Reduce running slope to be no steeper than 1:20 (5.00%) or 1:12 (8.33%) if treated as a compliant ramp with landings, railings, edge protection, etc.	1	\$0				
2	New Fire Station	C. Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage	A. Total # of parking C. Total # of designated van accessible spaces F. Running or cross slope at space > 1:50 (2.00%) O. Sign does not have the designation "Van Accessible" P. Sign bottom < 60" above finished grade	Accessible Parking	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Reduce running or cross slope to be no steeper than 1:50 (2.00%). Add the designation "Van Accessible" to the sign located at the van accessible space. Locate sign with the bottom of the sign 60" above the ground. Cost based on the provision of a sign with the designation, "Van Accessible".	1	\$500				

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3	New Fire Station	A. Means of Egress	P. Illuminated ISA symbol not provided (MAAB)	Main Egress	1		Priority 1	Safety	When the illuminated exit sign is repaired or replaced, provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).	1	\$260				
4	New Fire Station	K. Signage	B. Raised characters not provided on sign D. Braille not provided on sign G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	Chief's Office	1		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Provide text with raised characters duplicated in braille on the sign. Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side.	1	\$250				
5	New Fire Station	K. Signage	B. Raised characters not provided on sign D. Braille not provided on sign G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	Men's and Women's Single-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Provide text with raised characters duplicated in braille on the sign. Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side. Recommend designating both toilet rooms as all-gender and making just the women's toilet room fully accessible. At the men's toilet room, include a directional sign with the ISA directing visitors to the women's toilet room once it has been made fully accessible.	3	\$750				
6	New Fire Station	L. Service Counter	B. Counter > 36" high	Reception Area Service Counter	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a counter that is 36" max. above the ground or finished floor.	1	\$1,144				
7	New Fire Station	A. Overall Access		Men's and Women's Single-User Toilet Rooms	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Note: As there are two single-user toilet rooms for the public that each lack clear floor space at the toilet, the option exists to make just one of the toilet rooms fully accessible, designate both toilet rooms as all-gender, and then provide a directional sign at the inaccessible single-user all-gender toilet room directing visitors to the accessible single-user all-gender toilet room. See narrative for more information.	1	\$0				
8	New Fire Station	B. Lavatory	A. Clear floor space not provided at lavatory E. Plumbing underneath is exposed	Men's and Women's Single-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 1	Safety	Provide at least one lavatory with a 30" min. by 48" min. clear floor space positioned for a forward approach. Relocate paper towel dispenser out of the clear floor space at the lavatory, Insulate pipes. Note: Recommend an all-gender sign at this men's toilet with a directional sign including an ISA to the women's all-gender single-user once it has been made accessible.	2	\$0				

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9	New Fire Station	C. Single-User Toilet	B. Flush control not on open side C. Centerline < or > 18" (MAAB) E. Side grab bar < 54" from back wall F. Side or rear grab bar < 33" or > 36" high	Women's Single-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate the flush control to the open side. Relocate toilet so that the centerline is 18" from the side wall. Provide a side wall grab bar that is 42" long min. located 12" max. from the rear wall. Mount grab bars 33"- 36" above the finished floor. Note: Costs to renovate toilet room are included in ID #10.	1	\$0				
10	New Fire Station	C. Single-User Toilet	K. Clearance at toilet < 72" clear depth (MAAB)	Women's Single-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Renovate the toilet room to ensure that there is 72" deep min. clear floor space at the toilet.	1	\$31,985				
11	New Fire Station	C. Single-User Toilet	E. Side grab bar < 54" from back wall F. Side or rear grab bar < 33" or > 36" high J. Clearance at toilet < 60" clear width	Men's Single-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a side wall grab bar that is 42" long min. located 12" max. from the rear wall. Mount grab bars 33"- 36" above the finished floor. Renovate the toilet room to ensure that there is 60" wide min. clear floor space at the toilet. Recommend an all-gender sign at this men's toilet with a directional sign including an ISA to the women's all-gender single-user once it has been made accessible.	1	\$0				
12	New Fire Station	A. Drinking Fountains	J. No drinking fountain provided for seated users	Lobby	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide an additional drinking fountain for seated users or install a new Hi-Lo drinking fountain.	1	\$4,028				
13	New Fire Station	Exterior Access Route		Exterior of Fire Station	Ext.		Priority 4	Enhanced Usability	Recommend considering this location to provide an accessible route from the accessible parking to the main entry door that is 48" wide min. with a running slope of 1:20 (5.00%) and a max. cross slope of 1:50 (2.00%).	1	\$0				
14	New Fire Station	Sign		Exterior of Fire Station	Ext.		Priority 4	Enhanced Usability	Recommend providing external lighting at the Baby Safe Haven program sign to make it easier for visitors to locate the sign in low light.	1	\$0				
1	North Oxford Fire Station	A. Exterior Access Route	J. Level changes > 1/4"	Main Entrance Doorbell	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Alter change in level to be 1/4" high max.	1	0				

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2	North Oxford Fire Station	Parking		Parking at Little League Baseball Lot Adjacent to Fire Station Main Entry Doorbell	Ext.		Priority 4	Enhanced Usability	Recommend providing one compliant van accessible parking space with a marked access aisle and compliant signage at a location across the street from the Little League parking lot that is on the closest accessible route to the fire station main entry doorbell.	1	0				
1	Oxford Free Public Library	A. Exterior Access Route	N. Accessible route not provided	By Ramp	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure an accessible route is provided to the bike rack or relocate bike rack to an accessible location. Note: The slope at the bike rack should be no more than 1:50 (2.00%) in all directions.	1	\$0				
2	Oxford Free Public Library	A. Exterior Access Route	H. Running slope > 1:20 (5.00%)	Walkway to Main Entrance	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Reduce running slope to be no steeper than 1:20 (5.00%).	1	\$0				
3	Oxford Free Public Library	A. Exterior Access Route	E. Obstructed by protruding objects	By Main Entrance	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a cane-detectable barrier skirt similar to what would be provided at a standing height drinking fountain if it protruded into the accessible route.	1	\$398				
4	Oxford Free Public Library	A. Exterior Access Route	J. Level changes > 1/4"	By Main Entrance	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Alter change in level to be 1/4" high max.	1	\$0				
5	Oxford Free Public Library	A. Exterior Access Route	G. Cross slope > 1:50 (2.00%)	By Main Entrance	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Reduce cross slope to be no steeper than 1:50 (2.00%).	1	\$0				
6	Oxford Free Public Library	A. Exterior Access Route	M. Route not maintained in operable working condition	Sigourney Street	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure the accessible route is maintained in operable working	1	\$0				
7	Oxford Free Public Library	A. Exterior Access Route	H. Running slope > 1:20 (5.00%)	Main Street Entrance	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Reduce running slope to be no steeper than 1:20 (5.00%).	1	\$0				
8	Oxford Free Public Library	A. Exterior Access Route	H. Running slope > 1:20 (5.00%) N. Accessible route not provided	Main Street	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Reduce running slope to be no steeper than 1:20 (5.00%). Ensure an accessible route is provided to book exchange.	1	\$0				
9	Oxford Free Public Library	A. Exterior Access Route	M. Route not maintained in operable working condition	Main Street	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure the accessible route is maintained in operable working	1	\$0				
10	Oxford Free Public Library	C. Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage	A. Total # of parking B. Total # of designated car accessible parking spaces C. Total # of designated van accessible spaces K. Access aisle < 96" wide at van space O. Sign does not have the designation "Van Accessible" P. Sign bottom < 60" above finished grade	Parking	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a marked access aisle that is at least 96" wide. (Re-stripe access aisle.) Note: With angled parking spaces, the access aisle serving a van accessible parking space must be on the passenger side. Add the designation "Van Accessible" to the sign located at the van accessible space. Locate sign with the bottom of the sign 60" above the ground.	1	\$800				

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11	Oxford Free Public Library	E. Exterior Ramp	A. No lower handrail 18"-20" high provided C. Running slope > 1:12 (8.33%)	Main Entry Ramp	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a lower handrail between 18" to 20" high above the ground. Reduce running slope on ramp to be no steeper than 1:12 (8.33%).	1	\$0				
12	Oxford Free Public Library	G. Entrance	B. Entrance not on an accessible route C. Directional sign to accessible entrance not provided	Main Street Entrance	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible entrance.	1	\$450				
13	Oxford Free Public Library	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided Q. Directional sign to accessible emergency exit not provided	Main Street Egress	1	103	Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible emergency exit.	2	\$500				
14	Oxford Free Public Library	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided P. Illuminated ISA symbol not provided (MAAB)	Main Egress	1	213	Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. When the illuminated exit sign is repaired or replaced, provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).	1	\$450				
15	Oxford Free Public Library	B. Interior Access Route	A. Route < 36" wide	Reading Area	1	103	Priority 3	Additional Access	Ensure that a clear width of 36" min. is maintained at the accessible route.(Relocate furniture.)	1	\$0				
16	Oxford Free Public Library	B. Interior Access Route	A. Route < 36" wide	Stacks	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Ensure that a clear width of 36" min. is maintained at the accessible route. (Relocate furniture.)	1	\$0				
17	Oxford Free Public Library	B. Interior Access Route	A. Route < 36" wide	Reading Area	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Ensure that a clear width of 36" min. is maintained at the accessible route. (Reposition furniture.)	1	\$0				
18	Oxford Free Public Library	B. Interior Access Route	F. Surface not stable, firm, and slip-resistant	Meeting Room	B	B15	Priority 3	Additional Access	Repair surface. Secure loose carpet squares.	1	\$0				
19	Oxford Free Public Library	E. Stairways	B. Handrail height < 34" or > 38" D. Handrails do not extend 12" from stairs E. Handrails have noncompliant cross section F. Handrails not continuous where required	Third Staircase	1		Priority 1	Safety	Alter so the handrails are 34"- 38" high above the floor. Bottom: Ensure that the handrail extends at least 12" plus the width of one tread beyond the bottom riser or return properly. Provide handrails with 1 1/4" - 2" circular cross sections. Provide continuous handrails on both sides.	1	\$0				

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20	Oxford Free Public Library	E. Stairways	D. Handrails do not extend 12" from stairs	Main Street Entrance	Ext.		Priority 1	Safety	Top: Ensure handrails extend horizontally above the landing for 12" min. beginning above the first riser nosing. Bottom: Ensure that the handrail extends at least 12" plus the width of one tread beyond the bottom riser.	1	\$0				
21	Oxford Free Public Library	J. Elevator		Elevator	B				Note: On the day of the survey the elevator was in the process of being refurbished and serviced and was not surveyed because it was not available for	1	\$0				
22	Oxford Free Public Library	K. Signage	P. Signage lacks 18" by 18" clear floor space	Reading Area	1	103	Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Relocate stored items to provide a clear floor space of 18" min. by 18" min. at the sign.	1	\$0				
23	Oxford Free Public Library	K. Signage	G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door P. Signage lacks 18" by 18" clear floor space	By Main Street Egress	1		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side. Relocate the sign to provide a clear floor space of 18" min. by 18" min.	1	\$0				
24	Oxford Free Public Library	K. Signage	P. Signage lacks 18" by 18" clear floor space	By Director's Office	1		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Relocate fire extinguisher to provide a clear floor space of 18" min. by 18" min. below the sign.	1	\$0				
25	Oxford Free Public Library	K. Signage	B. Raised characters not provided on sign D. Braille not provided on sign	Children's Discovery Room	2		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Provide text with raised characters duplicated in braille on the sign. Provide braille on the sign.	1	\$250				
26	Oxford Free Public Library	K. Signage	B. Raised characters not provided on sign D. Braille not provided on sign G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	Story Time Room	2		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Provide text with raised characters duplicated in braille on the sign. Provide braille on the sign. Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side.	1	\$250				
27	Oxford Free Public Library	K. Signage	P. Signage lacks 18" by 18" clear floor space	Near Children's Librarian Office	2		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Relocate fire extinguisher to provide a clear floor space of 18" min. by 18" min. below the sign.	1	\$0				
28	Oxford Free Public Library	K. Signage	A. Signage is not provided	Walkway to Main Entrance	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Locate compliant signage with raised characters and braille alongside the entry door on the latch side. (Sign should duplicate the "Oxford Public Library" text written above the main entrance to the library.)	1	\$450				
29	Oxford Free Public Library	L. Service Counter	A. Counter not connected to an accessible route	Checkout Counter	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure the counter is connected to an accessible route. (Relocate cart stored in front of the accessible portion of the counter.)	1	\$0				

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30	Oxford Free Public Library	O. Dining or Work Surfaces	C. Knee or toe clearance not provided	Reading Area	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide at least one work surface with 27" min. high knee and toe clearance. For children, provide at least one dining or work surface with 24" min. high knee and toe clearance.	1	\$910				
31	Oxford Free Public Library	O. Dining or Work Surfaces	A. Not on a accessible route B. At least one or 5% accessible tables not provided G. Knee clearance less than 19" deep	Main Street	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure at least one surfaces are located on an accessible route. Ensure that at least one dining surface is accessible with knee clearance at least 27" high min. and 19" deep min. (Cost based on an accessible picnic table.)	1	\$1,400				
32	Oxford Free Public Library	P. Assembly Area	P. Assistive listening devices not provided	Meeting Room	B	B15	Priority 1	Program Access	If audible communication is integral to the use of the space, provide an assistive listening system.	1	\$1,578				
33	Oxford Free Public Library	B. Lavatory	A. Clear floor space not provided at lavatory E. Plumbing underneath is exposed	All-Gender Family Toilet Room	2		Priority 1	Safety	Provide at least one lavatory with a 30" min. by 48" min. clear floor space positioned for a forward approach. (Relocate stored item from under lavatory.) Insulate or otherwise configure pipes to prevent contact for at least one lavatory.	1	\$150				
34	Oxford Free Public Library	B. Lavatory	A. Clear floor space not provided at lavatory E. Plumbing underneath is exposed	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room	B	B 11	Priority 1	Safety	Provide at least one lavatory with a 30" min. by 48" min. clear floor space positioned for a forward approach. The paper towel dispenser interferes with the clear floor space at the sink. Wrap the exposed plumbing at one of the other lavatories to resolve this issue.	1	\$150				
35	Oxford Free Public Library	B. Lavatory	B. Toe or knee clearances not provided	Men's Single-User Toilet Room	B	B 12	Priority 1	Program Access	Provide at least one lavatory with knee and toe clearance positioned for a forward approach.	1	\$2,192				
36	Oxford Free Public Library	C. Single-User Toilet	A. Toilet seat < 17" or > 19" high K. Clearance at toilet < 72" clear depth (MAAB)	All-Gender Single-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Install a toilet with a seat between 17"-19" high above the finished floor. Provide a directional sign to an accessible toilet room./Renovate the toilet room to ensure that there is 72" deep min. clear floor space at the toilet. (Relocate trash container.)	1	\$2,816				
37	Oxford Free Public Library	C. Single-User Toilet	A. Toilet seat < 17" or > 19" high C. Centerline < or > 18" (MAAB) K. Clearance at toilet < 72" clear depth (MAAB)	All-Gender Family Toilet Room	2		Priority 3	Additional Access	Install a toilet with a seat between 17"-19" high above the finished floor. Relocate toilet so that the centerline is 18" from the side wall. Relocate trash receptacles to provide 72" clear depth at the toilet.	1	\$2,816				

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38	Oxford Free Public Library	D. Toilet Compartment	D. Door has malfunctioning self-closing hinge U. Door pull not provided	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room	B	B 11	Priority 1	Program Access	Repair hinge. Provide a door pull on each side of the door between 34" to 48" above the finished floor that does not require tight grasping, pinching or twisting of the	1	\$91				
39	Oxford Free Public Library	D. Toilet Compartment	J. Side or rear grab bar < 33" or >36" high	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room	B	B 11	Priority 3	Additional Access	Locate grab bars between 33"- 36" above the finished floor.	2	\$666				
40	Oxford Free Public Library	D. Toilet Compartment	F. Toilet seat <17" or >19" high J. Side or rear grab bar < 33" or >36" high P. Clearance at toilet < 60" clear width	Men's Single-User Toilet Room	B	B 12	Priority 3	Additional Access	Install a toilet with a seat height 17"- 19" above the finished floor. Locate grab bars between 33"- 36" above the finished floor. Provide a wheelchair accessible compartment that is 60" wide min. (Relocate stored items out of the clear floor space at the side of the toilet.)	1	\$3,482				
41	Oxford Free Public Library	F. Dispensers	A. Noncompliant operable part	All-Gender Single-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate paper towel dispenser so it is not located above the grab bar. Ensure that at the new location the dispenser control is 48" max. above the finished floor at that the dispenser is out of the circulation path or has a cane detectable barrier such as a trash receptacle below it positioned 27" max. above the finished floor	1	\$500				
42	Oxford Free Public Library	F. Dispensers	A. Noncompliant operable part	All-Gender Family Toilet Room	2		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate paper towel dispenser so it is not located above the grab bar. Ensure that at the new location the dispenser control is 48" max. above the finished floor at that the dispenser is out of the circulation path or has a cane detectable barrier such as a trash receptacle below it positioned 27" max. above the finished floor	1	\$500				
43	Oxford Free Public Library	F. Dispensers	B. Dispenser acts as a protruding object	Women's Multi-User Toilet Room	B	B 11	Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate tampon dispenser out of the circulation path or provide a cane detectable barrier under the dispenser that is 27" max. above the finished floor.	1	\$398				
44	Oxford Free Public Library	A. Drinking Fountains	K. Standing height fountain does not have cane protection	By Staff Toilet Rooms	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a cane-detectable barrier skirt under the high unit.	1	\$1,157				
45	Oxford Free Public Library	A. Drinking Fountains	K. Standing height fountain does not have cane protection	By All-Gender Family Toilet Room	2		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a cane-detectable barrier skirt under the high unit.	1	\$1,157				
46	Oxford Free Public Library	A. Drinking Fountains	H. No drinking fountain provided for standing users	Near B19	B		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide an additional drinking fountain for standing users or install a Hi-Lo drinking fountain.	1	\$4,028				

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47	Oxford Free Public Library	Bench		Main Entrance	Ext.		Priority 4	Enhanced Usability	Recommend providing a 36" by 48" min. stable, firm and slip-resistant area at the bench extending 8" beyond the back support of the bench so that a person using a wheelchair or other mobility device is able to sit alongside someone seated on the bench with their shoulders aligned.	1	\$0				
48	Oxford Free Public Library	Bench		Main Street	Ext.		Priority 4	Enhanced Usability	Recommend providing a 36" by 48" min. stable, firm and slip-resistant area at the bench extending 8" beyond the back support of the bench so that a person using a wheelchair or other mobility device is able to sit alongside someone seated on the bench with their shoulders aligned.	1	\$0				
49	Oxford Free Public Library	Contrasting Color on Stair Nosings		Stairwell	B		Priority 4	Enhanced Usability	Recommend providing a contrasting color on the nosings of all interior and exterior staircases at the library similar to what is shown here at one of the interior library egress stairs.	1	\$0				
50	Oxford Free Public Library	Contrasting Color on Stair Nosings		Second Stair	B		Priority 4	Enhanced Usability	Recommend providing a contrasting color on the nosings of all interior and exterior staircases at the library.	1	\$0				
51	Oxford Free Public Library	Podium		Meeting Room	B	B17				1	\$0				
52	Oxford Free Public Library	Signage		Children's Librarian Office	2	213	Priority 4	Enhanced Usability	Recommend moving the sign to the glass area closer to the latch side of the door.	1	\$0				
1	Oxford Police Station	A. Exterior Access Route	F. Surface openings > 1/2"	By Main Entrance	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Reduce surface openings in the accessible route to 1/2" max.	1	\$0				
2	Oxford Police Station	A. Exterior Access Route	E. Obstructed by protruding objects	Main Entrance			Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a cane-detectable barrier below the receptacle located 27" max. above the ground or relocate item out of the accessible route.	1	\$0				
3	Oxford Police Station	C. Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage	A. Total # of parking B. Total # of designated car accessible parking spaces C. Total # of designated van accessible spaces P. Sign bottom < 60" above finished grade	Parking	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Locate sign with the bottom of the sign 60" above the ground.	1	\$0				
4	Oxford Police Station	B. Interior Access Route	B. Obstructed by protruding objects	Administrative Assistant	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a cane-detectable barrier on the door 27" max. above the finished floor on the door below the shelf.	1	\$398				

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5	Oxford Police Station	B. Interior Access Route	B. Obstructed by protruding objects	Near Communications	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate defibrillator out of the accessible route or provide a cane-detectable barrier below the defibrillator located 27" max. above the finished	1	\$398				
6	Oxford Police Station	K. Signage	B. Raised characters not provided on sign D. Braille not provided on sign G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	Meeting/ Training Room	1		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Provide text with raised characters duplicated in braille on the sign. Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side. If both leaves of a double door are active, locate the sign on the right side of the door on the right.	1	\$250				
7	Oxford Police Station	K. Signage	P. Signage lacks 18" by 18" clear floor space	Administrative Assistant	1		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Relocate furniture to provide a clear floor space of 18" min. by 18" min. at the	1	\$0				
8	Oxford Police Station	M. Operable Parts / Reach Range	A. Element not on an accessible route B. Clear floor space is not provided	Main Entrance			Priority 1	Program Access	Relocate furniture to provide 30" min. by 48" min. clear floor space at the	1	\$0				
9	Oxford Police Station	M. Operable Parts / Reach Range	B. Clear floor space is not provided	Automatic Door Control Button by Administrative Assistant	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate furniture to provide a 30" min. by 48" min. clear floor space at the automatic door control button.	1	\$0				
10	Oxford Police Station	P. Assembly Area	P. Assistive listening devices not provided	Meeting/ Training Room	1		Priority 1	Program Access	If audible communication is integral to the use of the space, provide an assistive listening system. (Cost for a transmitter, receiver, ear speaker, neck loop and USB charger - Capacity: 50 or less.)	1	\$1,578				
11	Oxford Police Station	T. Detention Facilities	E. Mobility cell lacks access to accessible toilet/lavatory	Juvenile Cell	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a grab bar on the side wall that is at least 42 inches long and on the rear wall that is at least 36" long with both 33 to 36 inches above the floor. (Grab bars can be designed so they do not increase suicide risk. See DOJ document ADA/Section 504 Design Guide: Accessible Cells in Correctional Facilities at: <a href="https://archive.ada.gov/accessiblecells.h">https://archive.ada.gov/accessiblecells.h</a> )	2	\$0				
12	Oxford Police Station	C. Single-User Toilet	C. Centerline < or > 18" (MAAB) P. Item mounted over grab bar (MAAB)	Women's Single-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate toilet so that the centerline is 18" from the side wall. Relocate soap dispenser so that it is not mounted over the grab bar.	1	\$4,176				
13	Oxford Police Station	D. Toilet Compartment	C. Door has noncompliant hardware	Men's and Women's Single-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide hardware that can be operable with one hand and not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the wrist on both sides of the accessible compartment door.	2	\$182				

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14	Oxford Police Station	F. Dispensers	B. Dispenser acts as a protruding object	Women's Single-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate dispenser out of the circulation path or provide a cane-detectable barrier under the dispenser located 27" max. above the finished floor.	1	\$500				
15	Oxford Police Station	F. Dispensers	B. Dispenser acts as a protruding object	Men's Single-User Toilet Room	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate dispenser out of the circulation path or provide a cane-detectable barrier under the dispenser located 27" max. above the finished floor.	1	\$500				
16	Oxford Police Station	B. Sink	B. Toe and knee clearances not provided	Meeting/ Training Room	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure there is a 27" min. knee clearance positioned for a forward	1	\$2,192				
17	Oxford Police Station	Bench		By Main Entrance	Ext.		Priority 4	Enhanced Usability	Recommend moving bench forward to allow for shoulder alignment between a person in a wheelchair or similar mobility positioned at the end of the bench and someone seated on the	2	\$0				
18	Oxford Police Station	Parking Spaces		Parking	Ext.		Priority 4	Enhanced Usability	Recommend switching the location of the car and van accessible parking space so the curb ramp will be on the right side of most wheelchair vans if the driver parks with the front of the van facing the curb ramp and the police station.	1	\$0				
1	Town Hall	C. Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage	A. Total # of parking B. Total # of designated car accessible parking spaces C. Total # of designated van accessible spaces	Parking	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide at least one van accessible parking space with a marked access aisle each 96" wide min. Include an identification sign with the international Symbol of Accessibility (ISA) mounted 60" min. above the ground measured to the bottom of the sign. Add the designation "Van Accessible" to the sign located at the van accessible parking space. Recommend locating the van space near the accessible entrance.	1	\$1,850				
2	Town Hall	E. Exterior Ramp	B. Ramp < 48" wide C. Running slope > 1:12 (8.33%) E. Handrails < 34" or > 38" above ramp surface P. Edge protection < 4" high	Exterior Ramp on West Side of Building	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	When the ramp is renovated or replaced, widen ramp so that the clear width is 48" min./Further study will be needed to determine whether it is technically feasible to bring this ramp into full compliance. Reduce running slope to be no steeper than 1:12 (8.33%). (One portion of the ramp had a 9.00% running slope.) Alter so the handrails are 34"- 38" high above the ground.	1	\$0				
3	Town Hall	E. Exterior Ramp	S. Not maintained in operable working condition	Exterior Ramp on West Side of Building	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure the ramp is maintained in operable working condition. (Repair minor instances of deteriorated	1	\$0				

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4	Town Hall	G. Entrance	C. Directional sign to accessible entrance not provided	South Side Entrance	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible	1	\$450				
5	Town Hall	G. Entrance	C. Directional sign to accessible entrance not provided	Main Street East Side Entrance	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible	1	\$450				
6	Town Hall	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided Q. Directional sign to accessible emergency exit not provided	Main Street East Side Egress	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible emergency exit.	2	\$500				
7	Town Hall	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided	To South Egress	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door.	1	\$250				
8	Town Hall	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided Q. Directional sign to accessible emergency exit not provided	To South Egress	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. Provide a directional sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible emergency exit.	2	\$500				
9	Town Hall	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided P. Illuminated ISA symbol not provided (MAAB)	West Exit To Ramp	1		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door. When the illuminated exit sign is repaired or replaced, provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility (ISA).	1	\$450				
10	Town Hall	A. Means of Egress	B. Tactile exit sign not provided	East Egress	2		Priority 1	Safety	Ensure that a tactile exit sign with raised characters and braille is provided at the exit door. Mount the sign between 48"-60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door.	1	\$250				
11	Town Hall	B. Interior Access Route	B. Obstructed by protruding objects	Treasurer Collector	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Provide a cane-detectable barrier 27" max. above the finished floor under the ends of the counter. (Issue applies to 3 service counters on this floor.)	3	\$1,194				

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12	Town Hall	B. Interior Access Route	B. Obstructed by protruding objects	By Town Manager Clerk	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate defibrillator out of the circulation path or provide a cane-detectable barrier under the defibrillator mounted 27" max. above the finished	1	\$398				
13	Town Hall	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	K. Threshold > 1/2" high	South Side Entrance	Ext.		Priority 3	Additional Access	Alter the threshold to be 1/2" high max.	1	\$1,000				
14	Town Hall	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided	Women's and Men's Single-User Toilet Rooms	2		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide an automatic door opener.	2	\$12,000				
15	Town Hall	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	C. Maneuvering clearance(s) not provided L. Hardware not compliant	Finance Director	2		Priority 1	Program Access	Relocate the cabinet to provide 18" min. pull side maneuvering clearance at the door or provide an automatic door opener. Provide hardware that can be operable with one hand and not require tight	1	\$750				
16	Town Hall	C. Doors, Doorways, & Gates	B. If double-leaf door, neither compliant M. Door requires > 5 lbs. of force to open	East Egress	2		Priority 3	Additional Access	Ensure that at least one of the active leaves is at least 32" min. wide or provide an automatic door opener that will open both doors when activated. Adjust closers so doors do not require more than 5 pounds of force to open.	1	\$6,000				
17	Town Hall	D. Ramps	E. Handrails do not extend 12" past top & bottom	Exterior Ramp on West Side of Building	Ext.		Priority 1	Safety	Alter handrails to extend horizontally above the flat portion of the ramp landing for 12" min. beyond the top and bottom of ramp runs. (While this handrail has rail extensions, part of the rail extension is over the part of the	1	\$0				
18	Town Hall	D. Ramps	E. Handrails do not extend 12" past top & bottom	Meeting Room	2		Priority 1	Safety	Alter handrails to extend horizontally above the landing for 12" min. beyond the top and bottom of ramp runs. Extensions shall return to a wall, guard, or the landing surface, or shall be continuous to the handrail of an adjacent	1	\$0				
19	Town Hall	E. Stairways	D. Handrails do not extend 12" from stairs F. Handrails not continuous where required S. Handrails extensions not compliant	South Side Entrance	Ext.		Priority 1	Safety	Bottom: Ensure that the handrail extends at least 12" plus the width of one tread beyond the bottom riser. Provide continuous handrails.	1	\$0				
20	Town Hall	E. Stairways	D. Handrails do not extend 12" from stairs	Main Street East Side Entrance	Ext.		Priority 1	Safety	Top: Ensure handrails extend horizontally above the landing for 12" min. beginning above the first riser nosing. Bottom: Ensure that the handrail extends at least 12" plus the width of one tread beyond the bottom riser.	1	\$0				

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21	Town Hall	E. Stairways	D. Handrails do not extend 12" from stairs E. Handrails have noncompliant cross section F. Handrails not continuous where required	Main Staircase	1		Priority 1	Safety	Top: Ensure handrails extend horizontally above the landing for 12" min. beginning above the first riser nosing. Bottom: Ensure that the handrail extends at least 12" plus the width of one tread beyond the bottom riser. Provide handrails with 1 1/4" - 2" circular cross sections. Provide	1	\$0				
22	Town Hall	K. Signage	B. Raised characters not provided on sign D. Braille not provided on sign G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	Treasurer Collector	1		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Provide text with raised characters duplicated in braille on the sign. Provide braille on the sign. Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side. (Issue applies to blade signs in seven locations.)	7	\$1,750				
23	Town Hall	K. Signage	G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door L. Directional sign to access. toilet not provided	Employee Only Toilet Room on First Floor	1		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side. Install a sign indicating the location of the nearest accessible toilet room.	1	\$250				
24	Town Hall	K. Signage	G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	Women's and Men's Single-User Toilet Rooms	2		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side.	2	\$0				
25	Town Hall	K. Signage	B. Raised characters not provided on sign D. Braille not provided on sign O. Signage not located on an accessible route	Meeting Room	2		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Provide text with raised characters duplicated in braille on the sign. Relocate sign to an accessible route./Provide an accessible route to the sign.  Note: This recommendation is in reference to the designation sign presently above the entryway that reads, "Meeting Room".	1	\$250				
26	Town Hall	K. Signage	B. Raised characters not provided on sign D. Braille not provided on sign G. Sign not located on the latch side of the door	Board of Health	2		Priority 2	Navigational Issue	Provide text with raised characters duplicated in braille on the sign. Provide braille on the sign. Locate the sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side. When an accessible designation sign is installed, ensure there is 18" x 18" clear floor space at the sign. In this case, the furniture on the latch side of the door would need to be repositioned.	4	\$1,000				

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27	Town Hall	L. Service Counter	B. Counter > 36" high	Treasurer Collector	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a counter that is 36" max. above the ground or finished floor. Note: Issue applies to three service counters not including the service counter in the town manager's office.	3	\$3,432				
28	Town Hall	L. Service Counter	B. Counter > 36" high	Town Manager	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a counter that is 36" max. above the ground or finished floor.	1	\$1,144				
29	Town Hall	M. Operable Parts / Reach Range	A. Element not on an accessible route C. Reach < 15" or > 48"(forward/side approach)	Main Street East Side Entrance	Ext.		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure drop-off box is located on an accessible route. Relocate drop-off box to an accessible location and locate it so that controls are between 15"- 48" above the finished floor or ground.	1	\$0				
30	Town Hall	M. Operable Parts / Reach Range	D. Side reach > 54"	Treasurer Collector Bell	1		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate bell so that controls are between 15" - 48" above the finished floor.	1	\$0				
31	Town Hall	O. Dining or Work Surfaces	B. At least one or 5% accessible tables not provided C. Knee or toe clearance not provided	By Selectmen's Office	1		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure that at least one dining or work surface is accessible. Provide at least one dining or work surface with 27" min. high knee and toe clearance. For children, provide at least one dining or work surface with 24" min. high knee and toe clearance.	1	\$455				
32	Town Hall	O. Dining or Work Surfaces	B. At least one or 5% accessible tables not provided C. Knee or toe clearance not provided	Finance Director	2		Priority 1	Program Access	Ensure that at least one work surface is accessible. Provide at least one work surface with 27" min. high knee and toe clearance. For children, provide at least one dining or work surface with 24" min. high knee and toe clearance.	1	\$455				
33	Town Hall	P. Assembly Area	P. Assistive listening devices not provided	Meeting Room	2		Priority 1	Program Access	If audible communication is integral to the use of the space, provide an assistive listening system.	1	\$1,578				
34	Town Hall	C. Single-User Toilet	P. Item mounted over grab bar (MAAB)	Women's and Men's Single-User Toilet Room	2		Priority 3	Additional Access	Relocate cabinet so that it is not mounted over the grab bar. Ensure that when the cabinet is relocated that it does not interfere with the required clear floor space at the toilet. Note: There may not be sufficient space for the cabinet to remain in the toilet room.	2	\$1,000				
35	Town Hall	C. Single-User Toilet	E. Side grab bar < 54" from back wall F. Side or rear grab bar < 33" or > 36" high	Women's and Men's Single-User Toilet Room	2		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a side wall grab bar that is 42" long min. located 12" max. from the rear wall (54" from the back wall total). Mount grab bars 33"- 36" above the finished floor.	2	\$1,500				

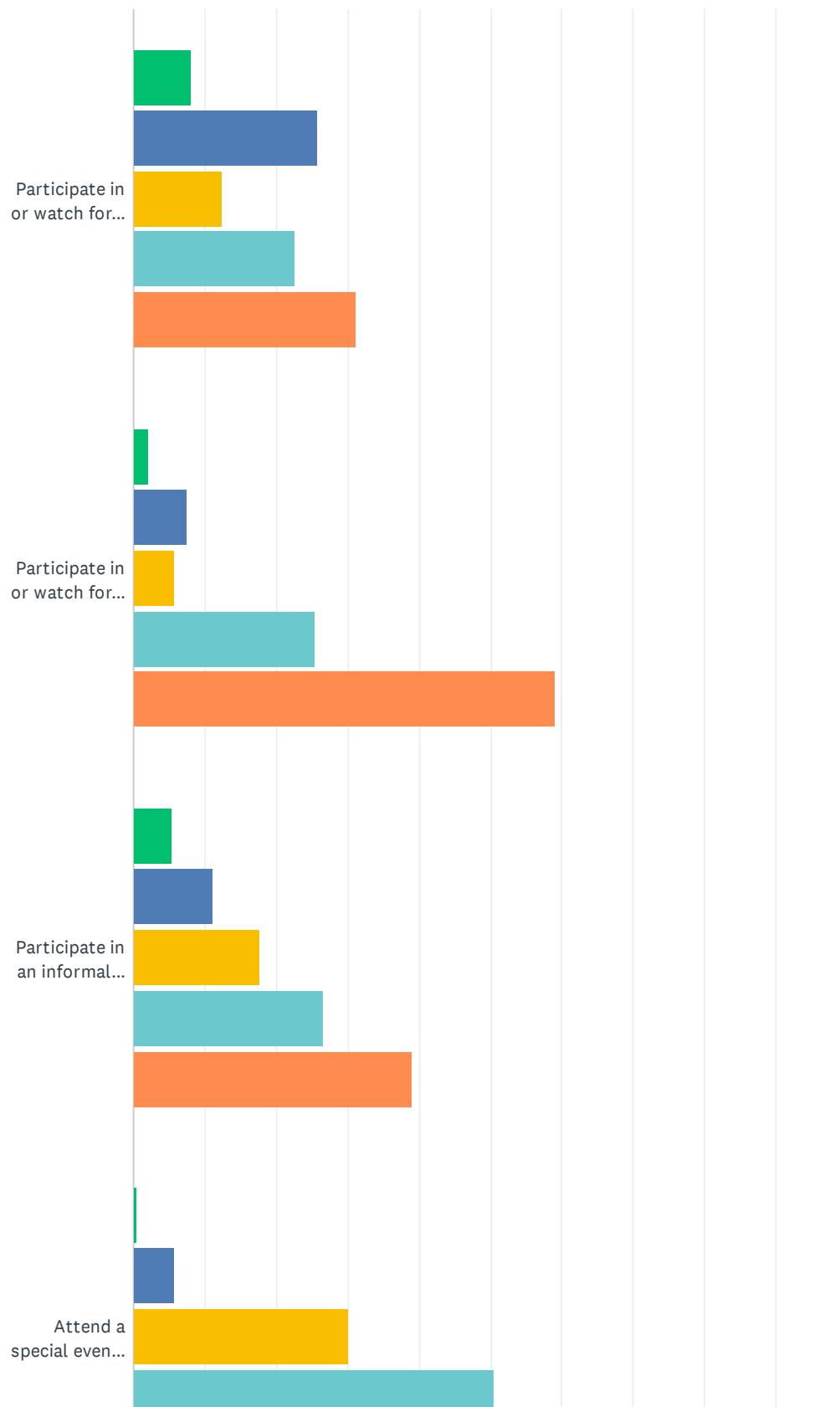
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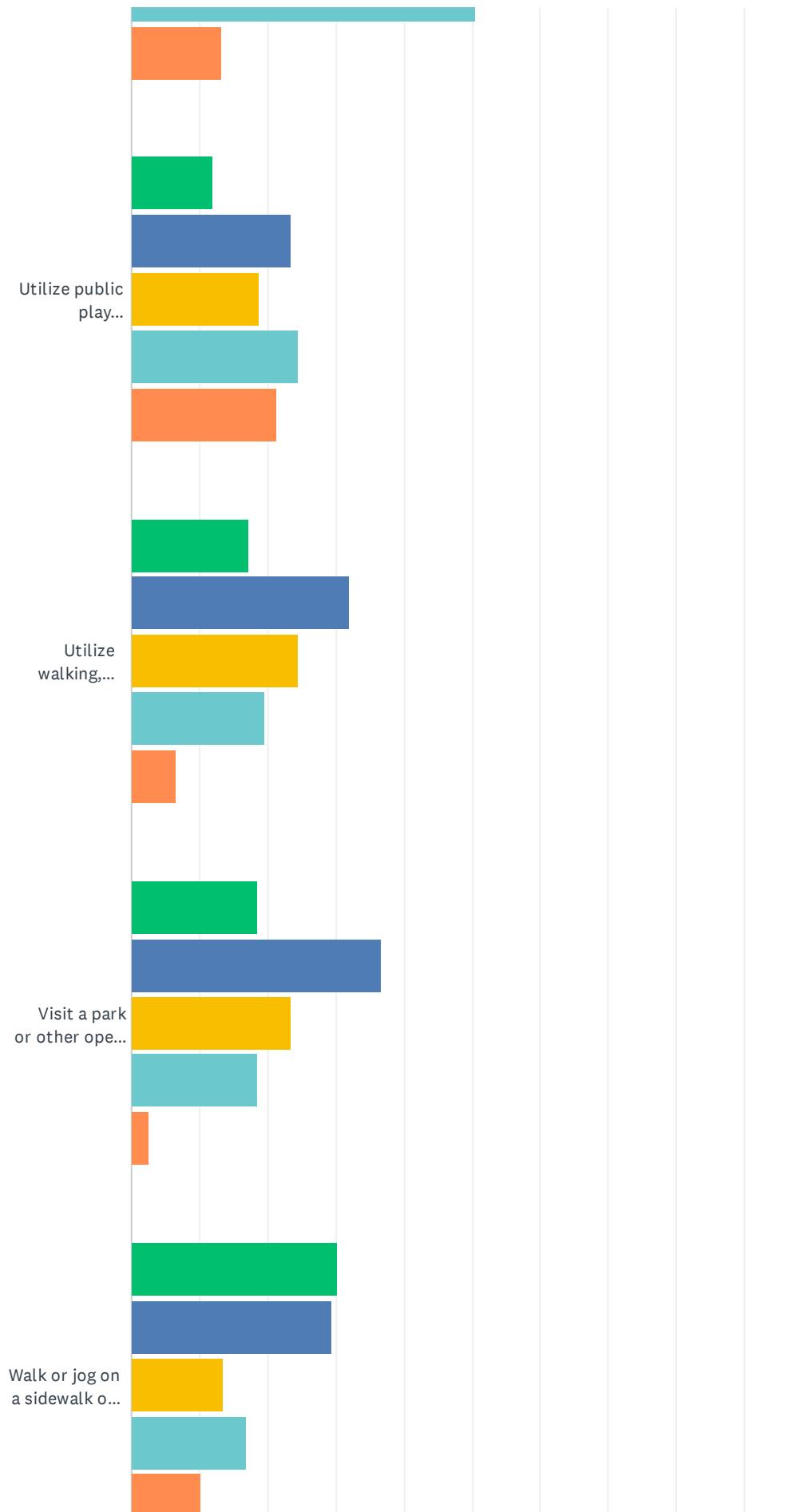
ID	Facility Name	Element	Issue/Physical Barrier	Location	Fl.	Rm.	Town Priority	Priority for Barrier Removal	Remedies	Quantity	Estimated Cost of Barrier Removal		Project Start Date	Project Completion Date	Responsible for Barrier Removal
											Cost of Barrier Removal	Cost of Barrier Removal			
36	Town Hall	F. Dispensers	A. Noncompliant operable part	Women's and Men's Single-User Toilet Room	2		Priority 3	Additional Access	Provide a toilet seat cover dispenser that can be operable with one hand and not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the wrist.	2	\$1,000				
37	Town Hall	Sign		Employee Only Toilet Room on First Floor	1		Priority 4	Enhanced Usability	Recommend adding the words, "Employee Only" to the accessible sign at this toilet room, so a low vision or blind visitor won't be waiting at a locked door for a toilet room they won't have	1	\$0				

## Q1 How often do you go to a park or other open space in Oxford to...

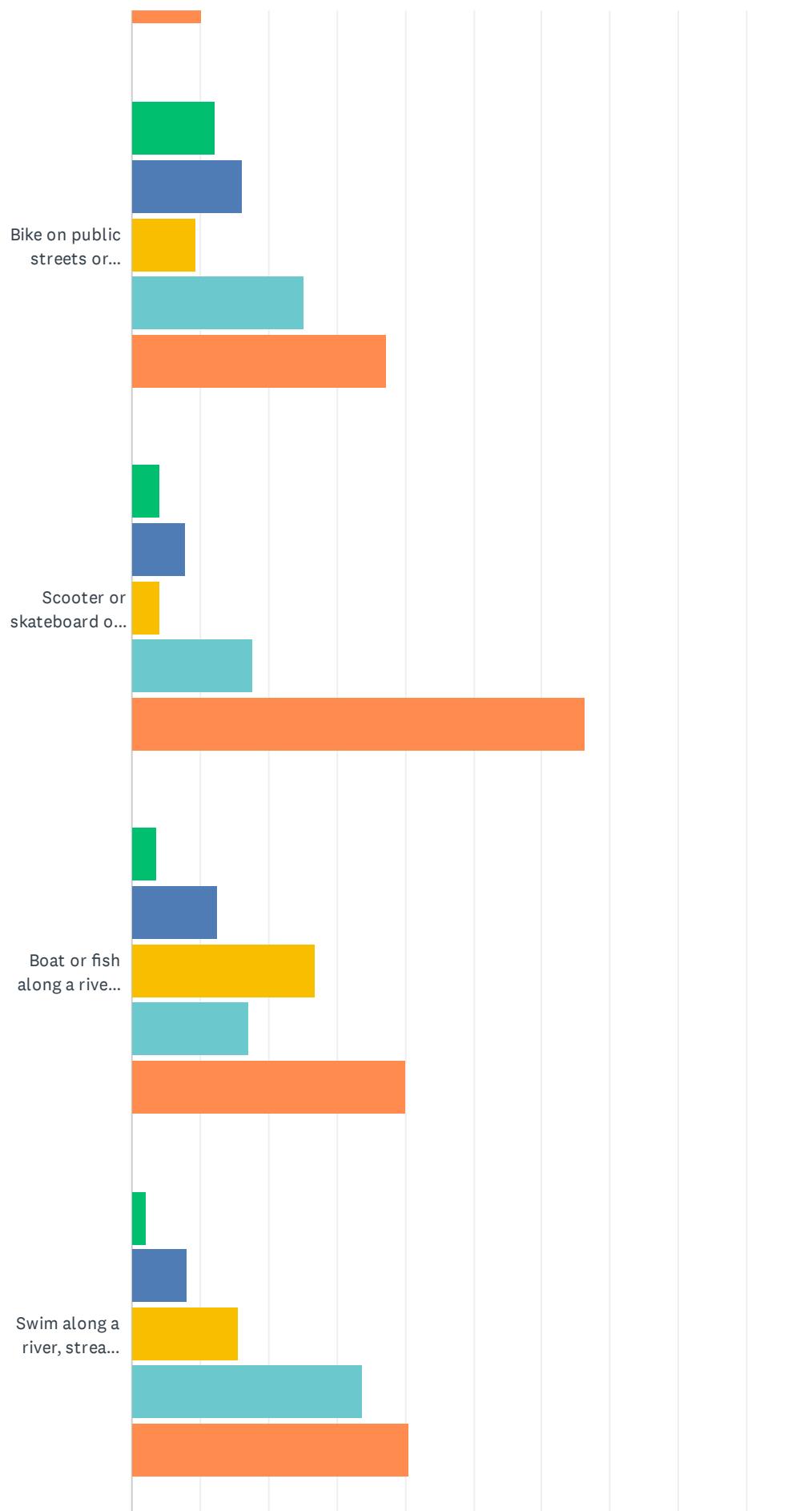
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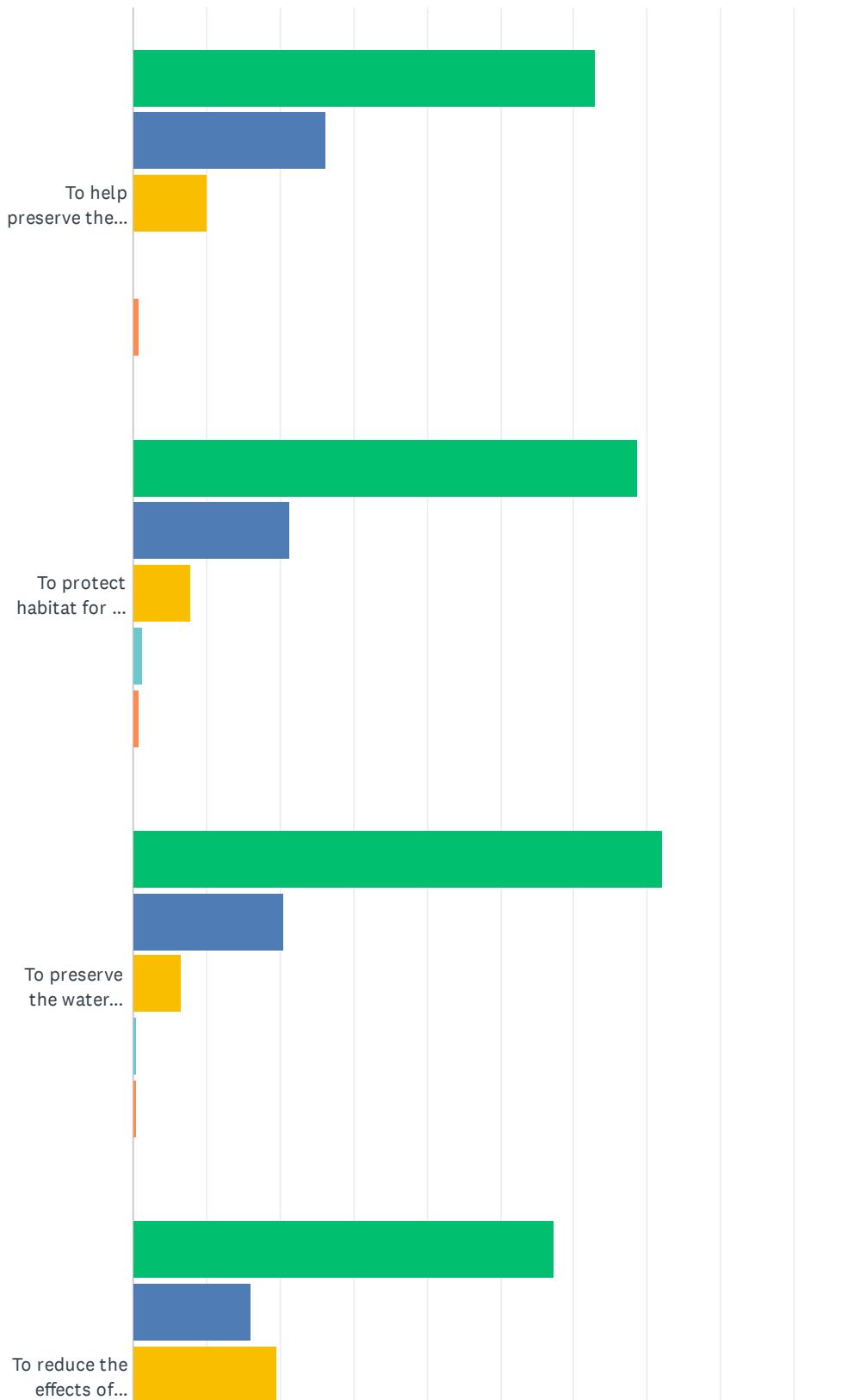
0% 10% 20% 30% 40% 50% 60% 70% 80% 90% 100%

█ Daily      █ Weekly      █ Monthly      █ Rarely  
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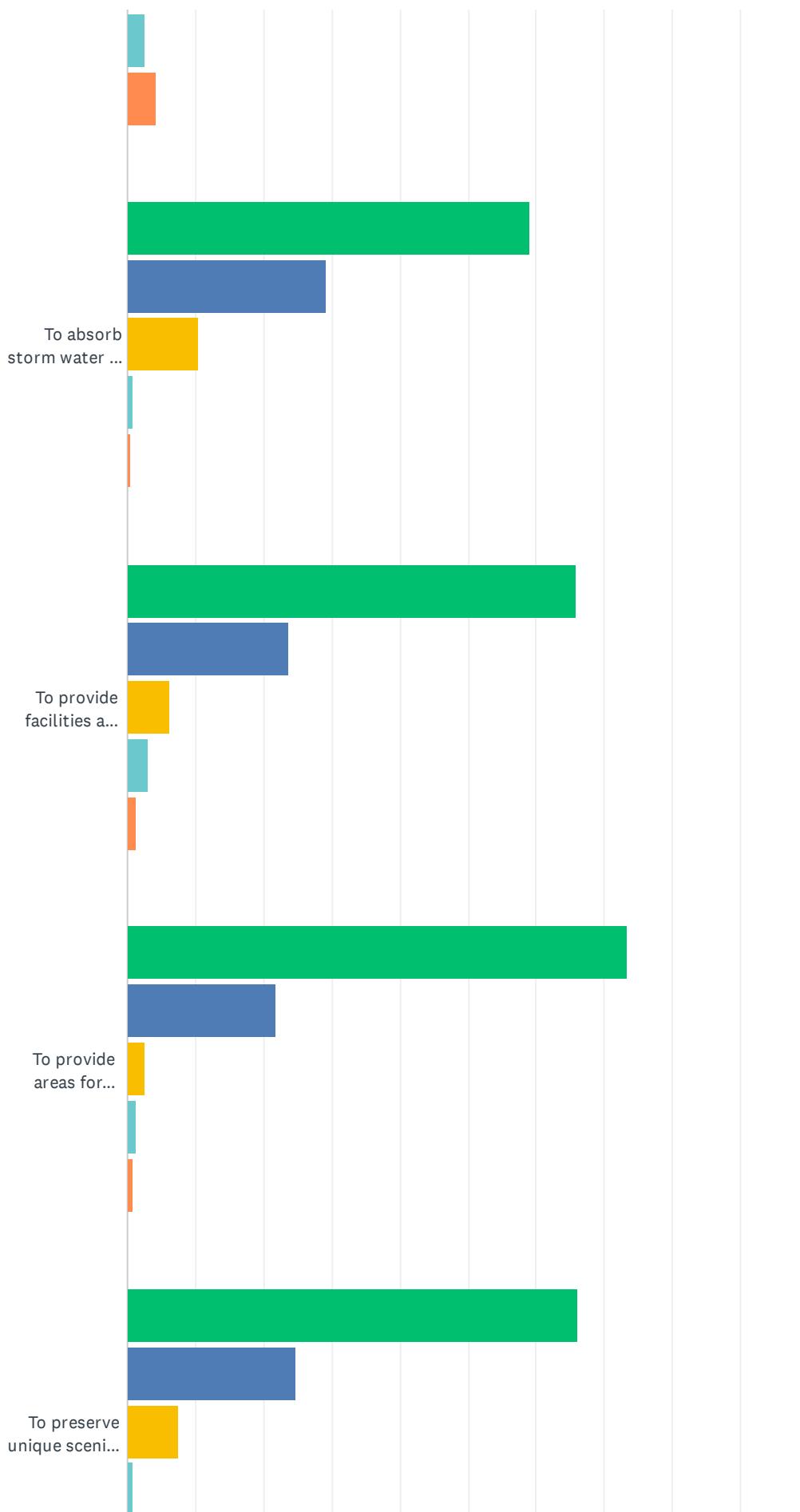
	<b>DAILY</b>	<b>WEEKLY</b>	<b>MONTHLY</b>	<b>RARELY</b>	<b>NEVER</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
Participate in or watch formal youth sports leagues?	8.00% 18	25.78% 58	12.44% 28	22.67% 51	31.11% 70	225
Participate in or watch formal adult sports leagues?	2.22% 5	7.56% 17	5.78% 13	25.33% 57	59.11% 133	225
Participate in an informal playgroup or pick up game?	5.33% 12	11.11% 25	17.78% 40	26.67% 60	39.11% 88	225
Attend a special event at a park?	0.44% 1	5.75% 13	30.09% 68	50.44% 114	13.27% 30	226
Utilize public play area/playground?	12.00% 27	23.56% 53	18.67% 42	24.44% 55	21.33% 48	225
Utilize walking, hiking, biking, horse-back riding, or cross country ski trails?	17.33% 39	32.00% 72	24.44% 55	19.56% 44	6.67% 15	225
Visit a park or other open space?	18.58% 42	36.73% 83	23.45% 53	18.58% 42	2.65% 6	226
Walk or jog on a sidewalk or public way?	30.22% 68	29.33% 66	13.33% 30	16.89% 38	10.22% 23	225
Bike on public streets or roadways?	12.11% 27	16.14% 36	9.42% 21	25.11% 56	37.22% 83	223
Scooter or skateboard on public streets or roadways?	3.98% 9	7.96% 18	3.98% 9	17.70% 40	66.37% 150	226
Boat or fish along a river, stream, pond, or other water resource area?	3.57% 8	12.50% 28	26.79% 60	16.96% 38	40.18% 90	224
Swim along a river, stream, pond, or other water resource area?	2.22% 5	8.00% 18	15.56% 35	33.78% 76	40.44% 91	225

**Q2 To what extent do you agree with Oxford protecting, acquiring, and/or improving Town-owned land and water resources for the following reasons:**

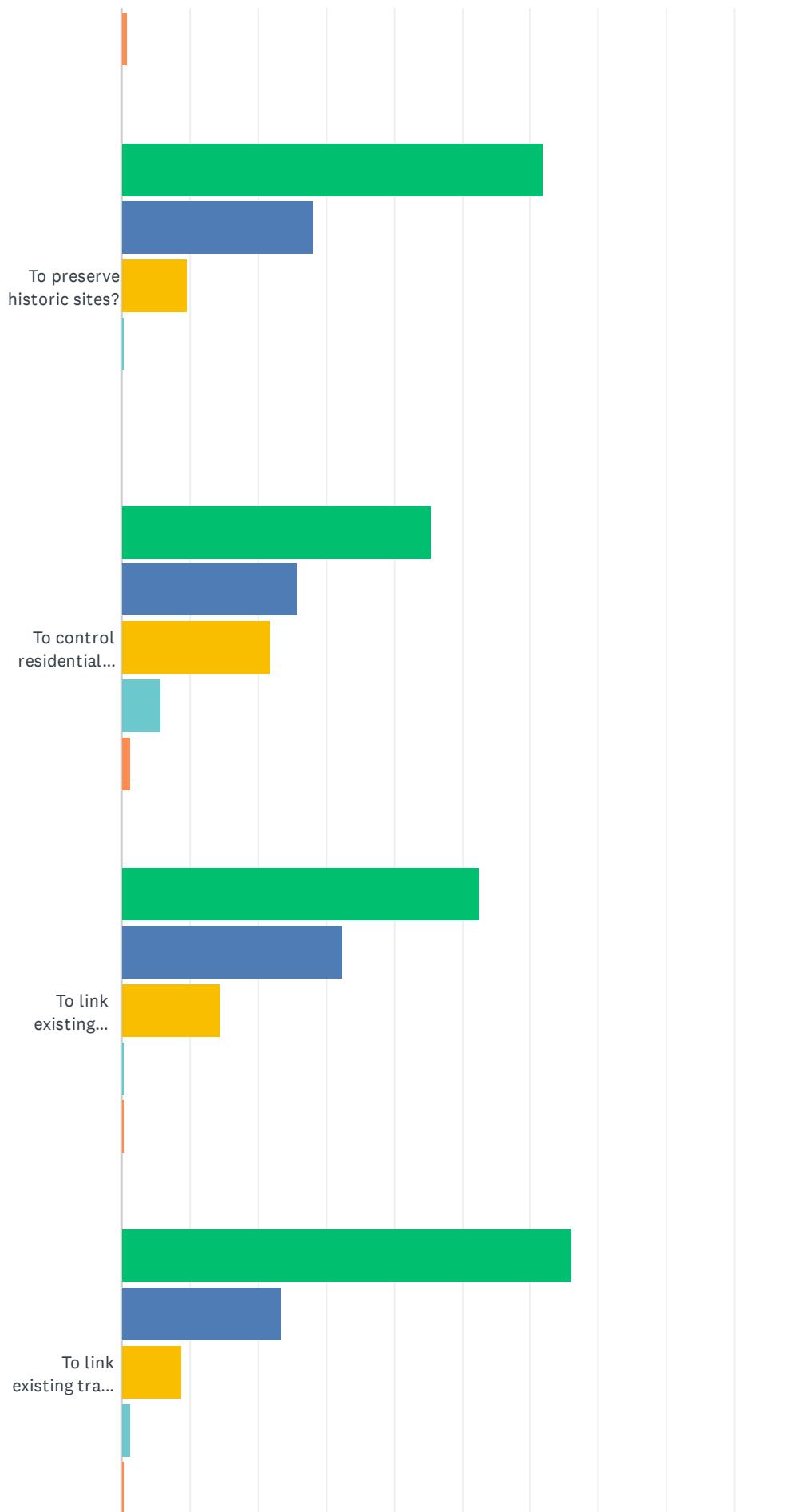
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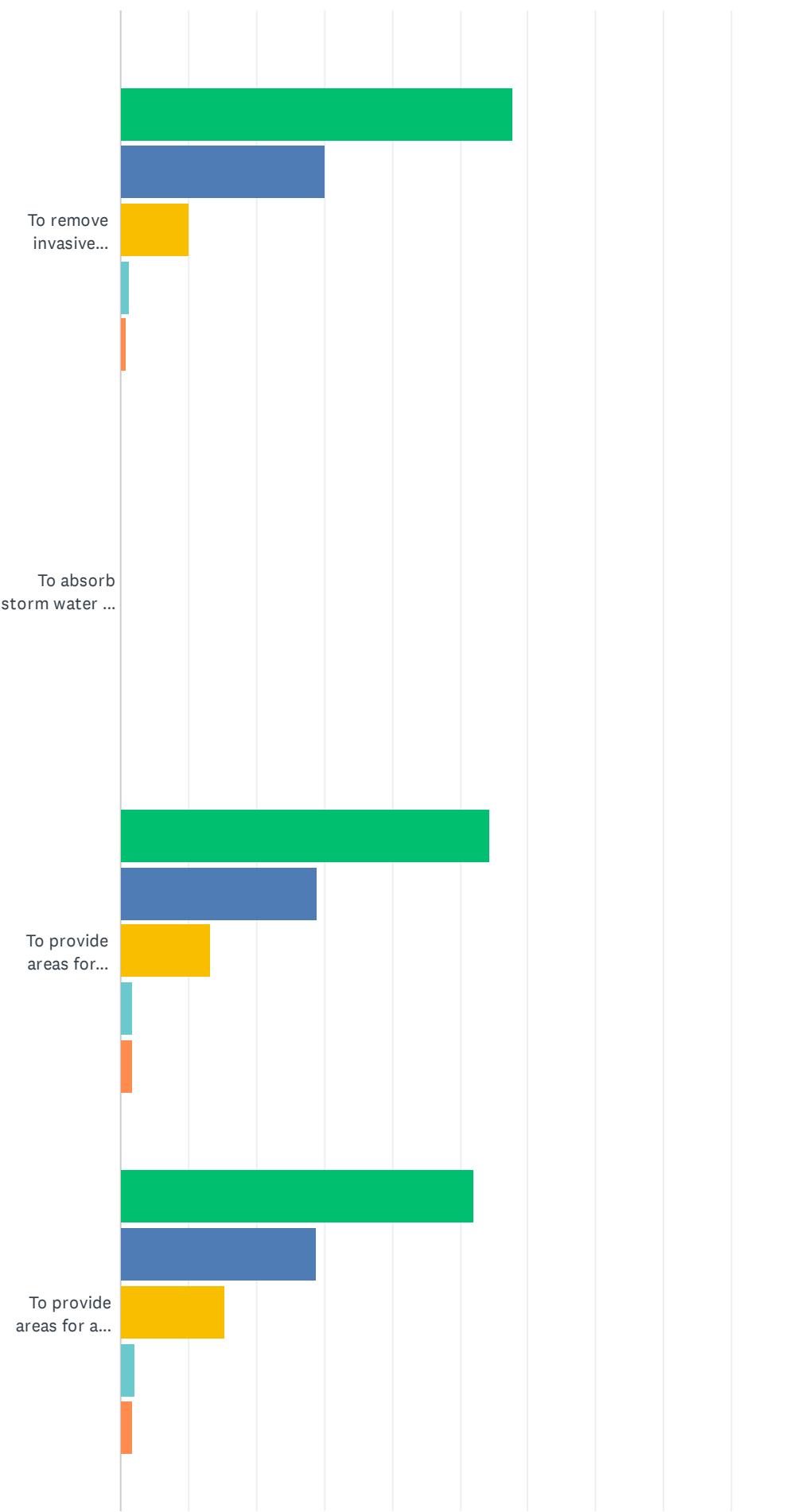
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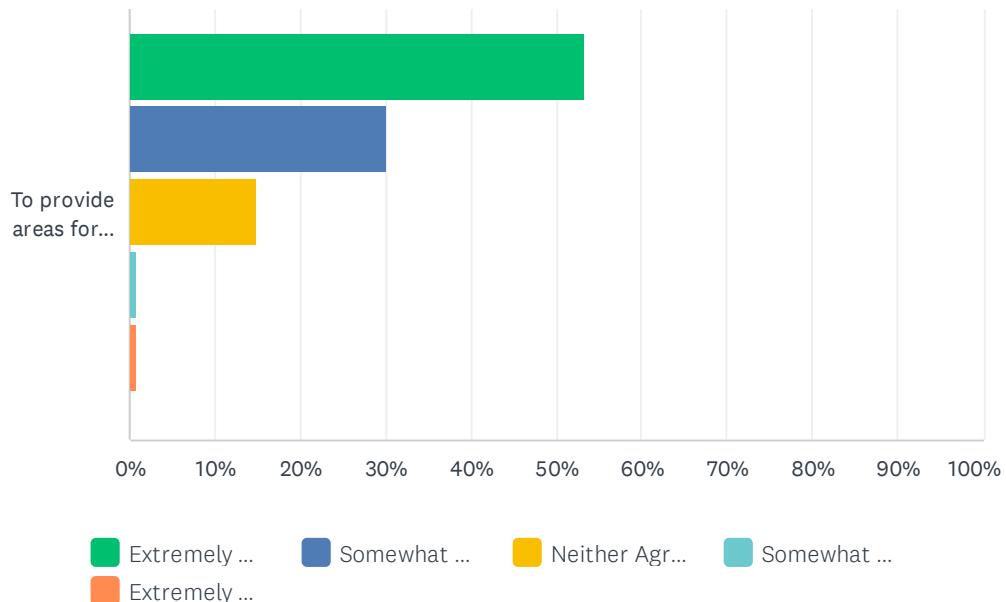
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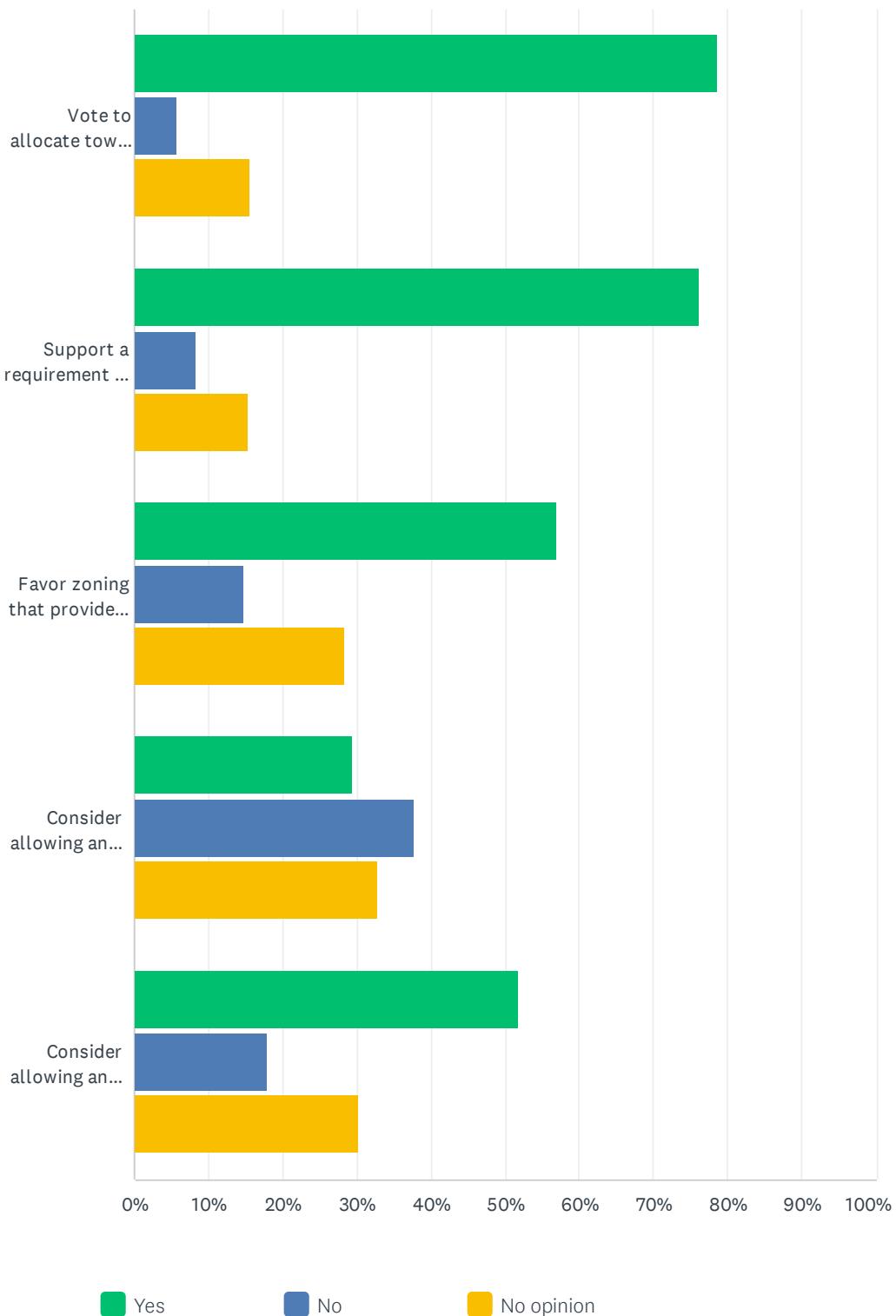


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	EXTREMELY AGREE	SOMEWHAT AGREE	NEITHER AGREE NOR DISAGREE	SOMEWHAT DISAGREE	EXTREMELY DISAGREE	TOTAL
To help preserve the Town's character and sense of place?	62.88% 144	26.20% 60	10.04% 23	0.00% 0	0.87% 2	229
To protect habitat for the Town's wide diversity of flora and fauna (mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians)?	68.70% 158	21.30% 49	7.83% 18	1.30% 3	0.87% 2	230
To preserve the water resources in Town (groundwater, wetlands, surface waters)?	72.17% 166	20.43% 47	6.52% 15	0.43% 1	0.43% 1	230
To reduce the effects of climate change?	57.39% 132	16.09% 37	19.57% 45	2.61% 6	4.35% 10	230
To absorb storm water and reduce the effects of flooding from extreme weather?	59.13% 136	29.13% 67	10.43% 24	0.87% 2	0.43% 1	230
To provide facilities and programs for active recreation (sports, fields, courts, hunting and fishing programs, etc.)?	65.94% 151	23.58% 54	6.11% 14	3.06% 7	1.31% 3	229
To provide areas for passive recreation (bird watching, walking, hiking, biking, etc.)?	73.36% 168	21.83% 50	2.62% 6	1.31% 3	0.87% 2	229
To preserve unique scenic areas and vistas?	66.09% 152	24.78% 57	7.39% 17	0.87% 2	0.87% 2	230
To preserve historic sites?	61.84% 141	28.07% 64	9.65% 22	0.44% 1	0.00% 0	228
To control residential growth?	45.41% 104	25.76% 59	21.83% 50	5.68% 13	1.31% 3	229
To link existing conservation land together to increase landscape connectivity, habitat space, and the ecological value of our open space?	52.40% 120	32.31% 74	14.41% 33	0.44% 1	0.44% 1	229
To link existing trails together to increase and improve the walkability of the Town?	66.09% 152	23.48% 54	8.70% 20	1.30% 3	0.43% 1	230
To remove invasive species to improve the water quality and habitat?	57.83% 133	30.00% 69	10.00% 23	1.30% 3	0.87% 2	230
To absorb storm water and reduce the effects of flooding from extreme weather?	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0
To provide areas for non-motorized boating (kayaking, canoeing, etc.)?	54.39% 124	28.95% 66	13.16% 30	1.75% 4	1.75% 4	228
To provide areas for a public beach and/or swimming	51.97% 119	28.82% 66	15.28% 35	2.18% 5	1.75% 4	229
To provide areas for fishing and/or wildlife viewing	53.28% 122	30.13% 69	14.85% 34	0.87% 2	0.87% 2	229

## Q3 In order to preserve open spaces in Oxford, would you be willing to:

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█ Yes█ No█ No opinion

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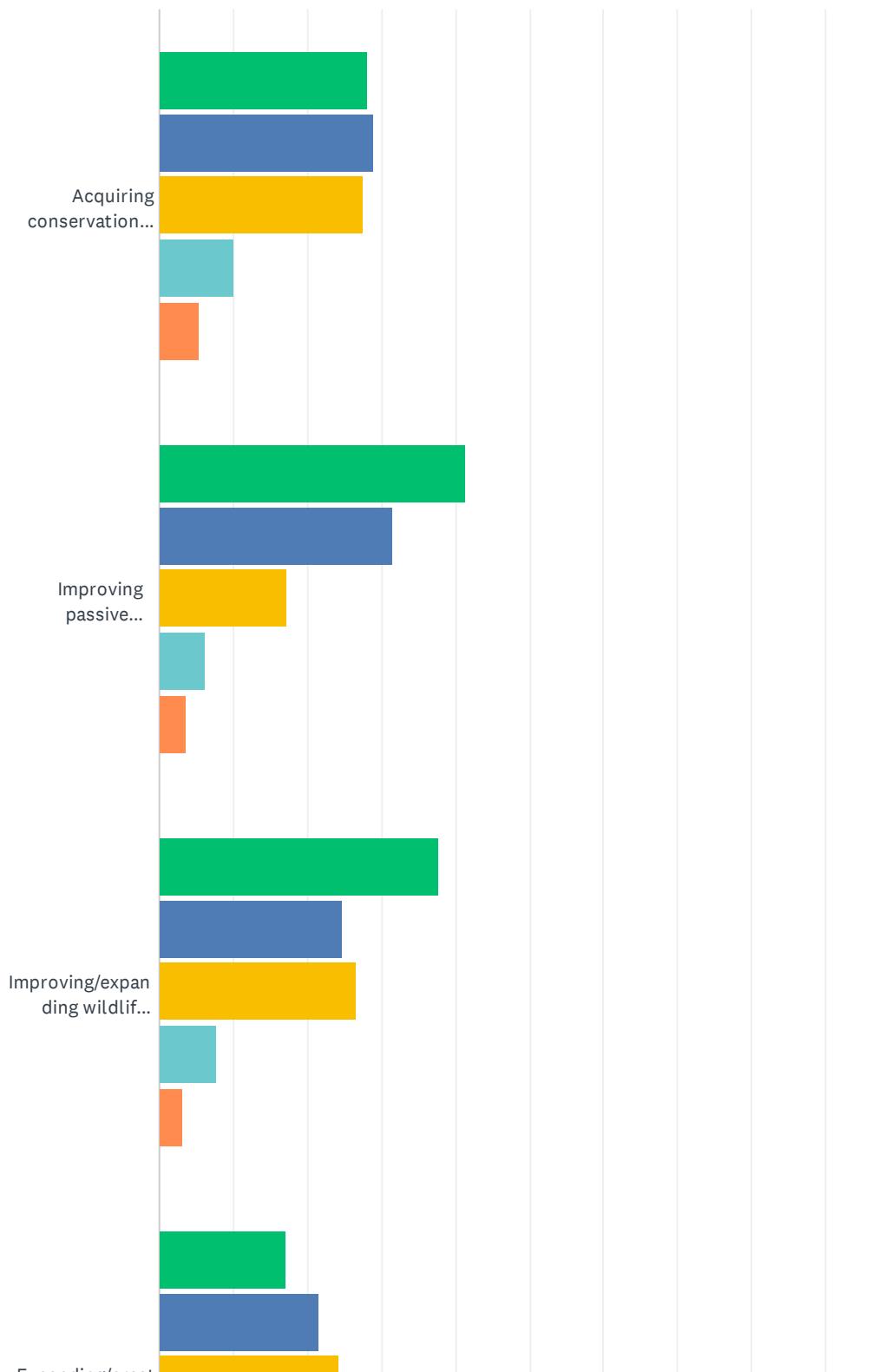
	YES	NO	NO OPINION	TOTAL
Vote to allocate town funds to acquire or otherwise conserve open space?	78.76% 178	5.75% 13	15.49% 35	226
Support a requirement for all new developments to include conservation/open space areas?	76.21% 173	8.37% 19	15.42% 35	227
Favor zoning that provides for increases in density in existing developed areas in exchange for open space in less developed or environmentally sensitive areas?	56.89% 128	14.67% 33	28.44% 64	225
Consider allowing an easement (i.e. public access or development restriction) on a portion of your property in order to add to existing open spaces or connect to open spaces (e.g. to access a hiking trail or extend a bike path)?	29.39% 67	37.72% 86	32.89% 75	228
Consider allowing an easement (i.e. public access or development restriction on a portion of designated forestlands, agriculture land, and recreational land	51.75% 118	17.98% 41	30.26% 69	228

**Q4 If you are interested in allowing an easement on a portion of your property, please leave your email below. Thank you!**

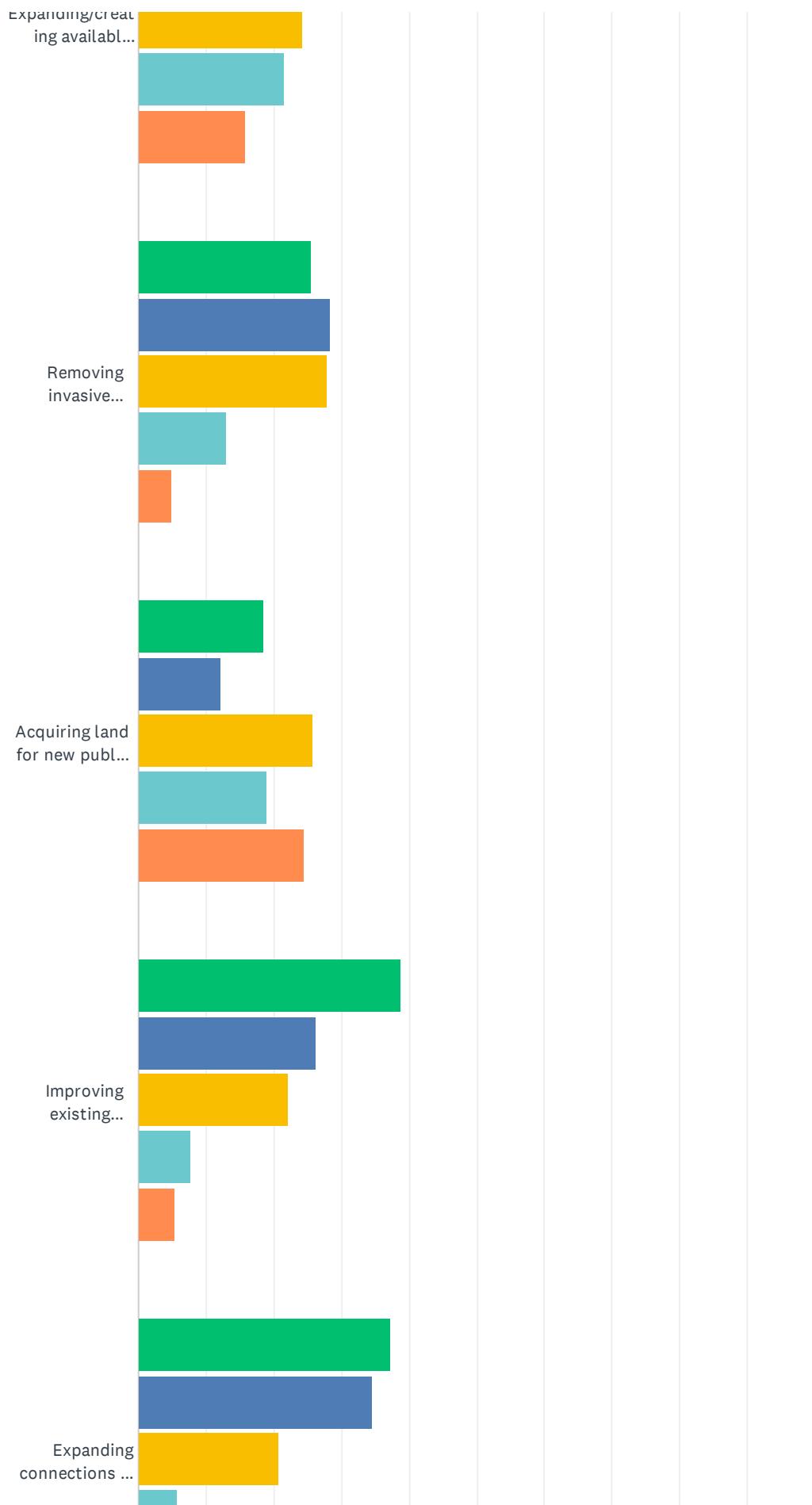
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Q5 What should Oxford's priorities be for open space and recreation expenditures? Please rank how important each of the following are from most important (5) to least important (1).

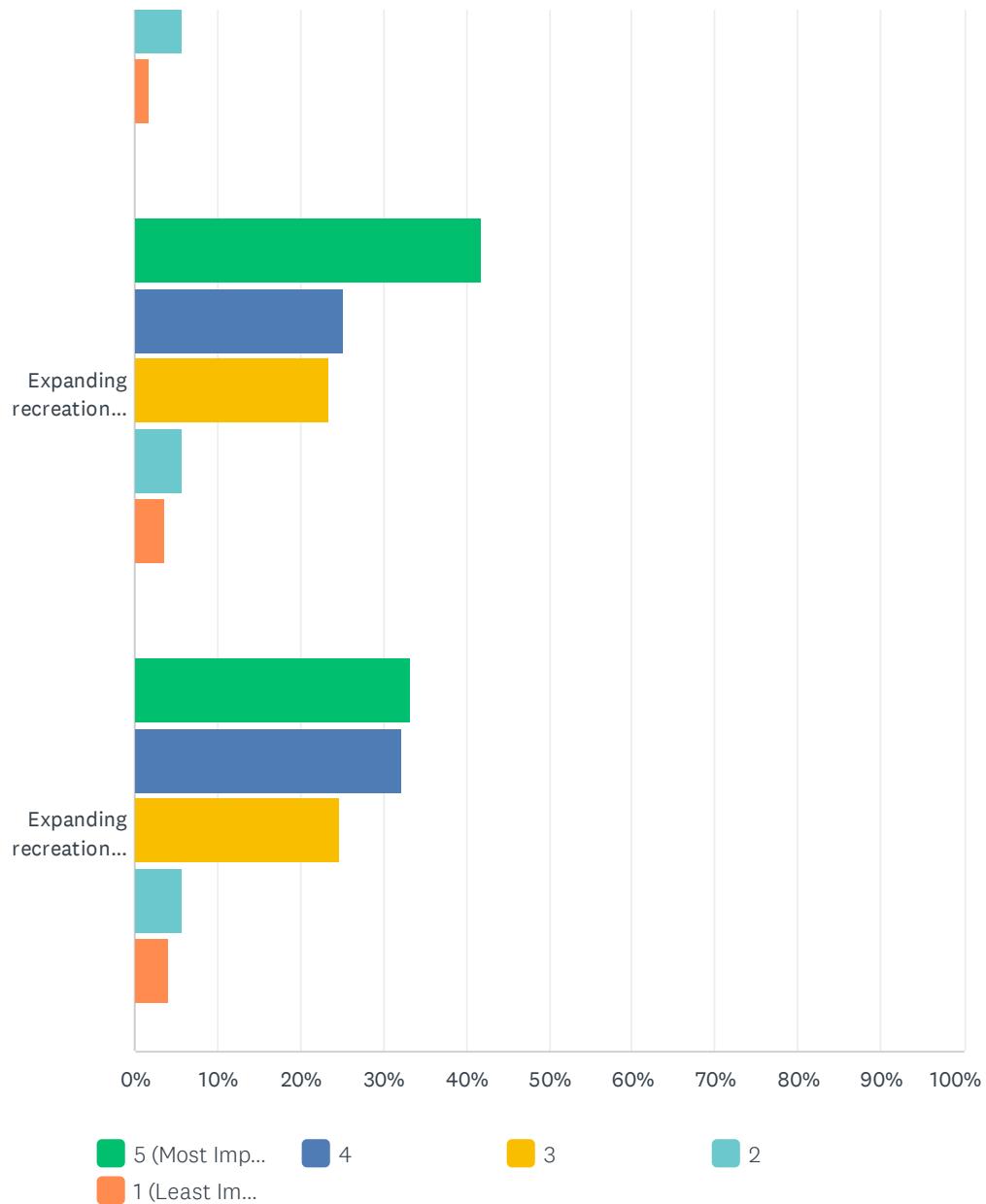
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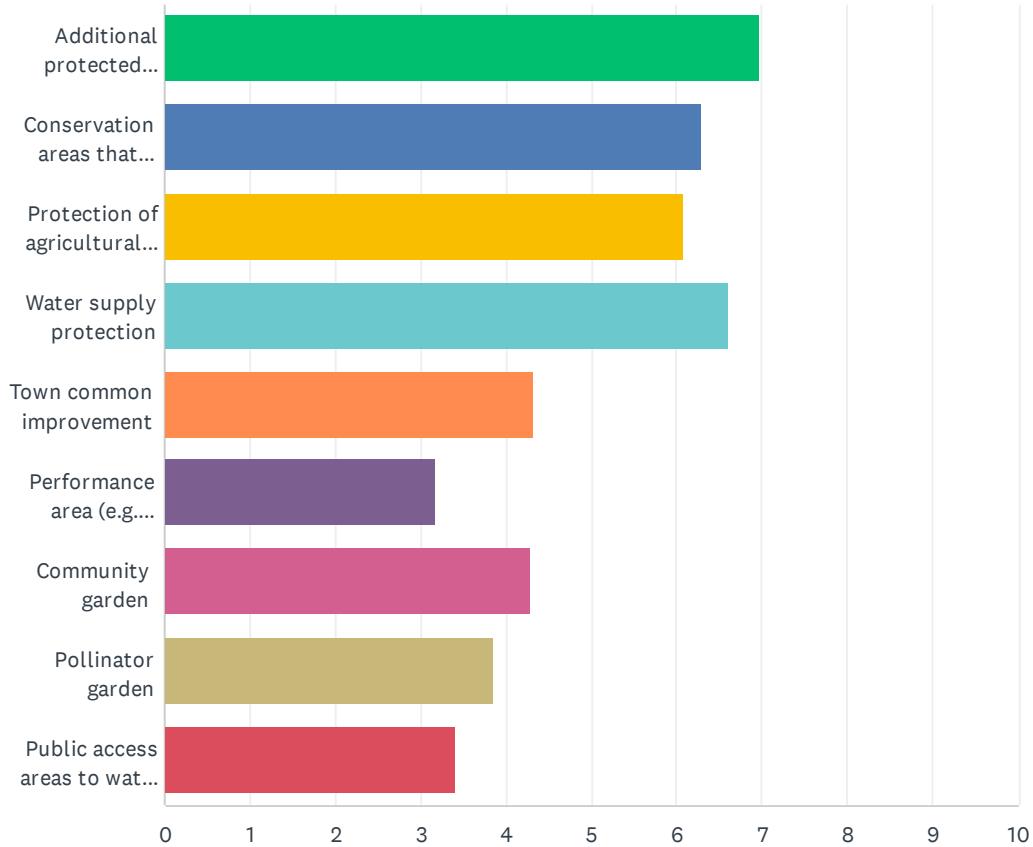


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	5 (MOST IMPORTANT)	4	3	2	1 (LEAST IMPORTANT)	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Acquiring conservation lands for new passive recreation use (e.g. trails).	28.05% 62	28.96% 64	27.60% 61	9.95% 22	5.43% 12	221	2.36
Improving passive recreation opportunities (e.g. trails) on existing conservation land.	41.33% 93	31.56% 71	17.33% 39	6.22% 14	3.56% 8	225	1.99
Improving/expanding wildlife habitat and corridors.	37.84% 84	24.77% 55	26.58% 59	7.66% 17	3.15% 7	222	2.14
Expanding/creating available parking at open space and recreational destinations.	17.04% 38	21.52% 48	24.22% 54	21.52% 48	15.70% 35	223	2.97
Removing invasive species from existing conservation lands and water bodies.	25.68% 57	28.38% 63	27.93% 62	13.06% 29	4.95% 11	222	2.43
Acquiring land for new public athletic fields.	18.55% 41	12.22% 27	25.79% 57	19.00% 42	24.43% 54	221	3.19
Improving existing athletic fields.	38.74% 86	26.13% 58	22.07% 49	7.66% 17	5.41% 12	222	2.15
Expanding connections for walking, biking, and hiking (e.g. sidewalks, connecting trails).	37.22% 83	34.53% 77	20.63% 46	5.83% 13	1.79% 4	223	2.00
Expanding recreation opportunities for residents under the age of 18.	41.89% 93	25.23% 56	23.42% 52	5.86% 13	3.60% 8	222	2.04
Expanding recreation opportunities for aging residents.	33.18% 74	32.29% 72	24.66% 55	5.83% 13	4.04% 9	223	2.15

**Q6 What do you consider to be the biggest unmet open space needs (spaces that support passive recreation activities such as a park or a grassy area) in Oxford? Please rank the following from most needed (1) to least needed (9):**

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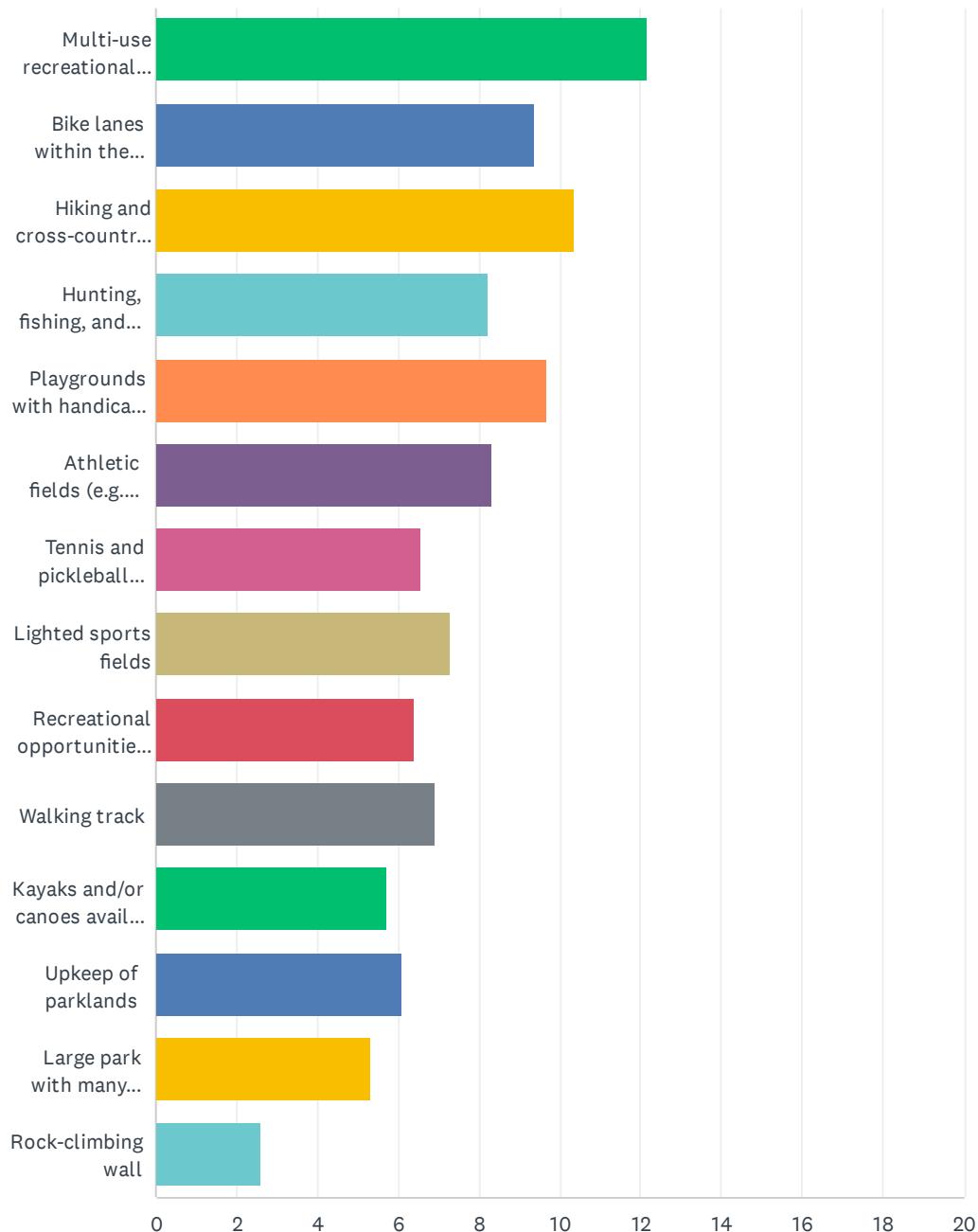
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	TOTAL	SCORE
Additional protected woodlands, meadows, or stream corridors to protect the diversity of flora and fauna	34.09% 75	19.09% 42	15.91% 35	8.18% 18	5.91% 13	5.45% 12	5.45% 12	3.64% 8	2.27% 5	220	6.97
Conservation areas that serve as educational and research areas	12.27% 27	22.73% 50	17.73% 39	16.82% 37	9.09% 20	9.09% 20	6.36% 14	3.64% 8	2.27% 5	220	6.28
Protection of agricultural land	5.91% 13	18.64% 41	24.09% 53	16.36% 36	15.00% 33	10.00% 22	4.55% 10	3.64% 8	1.82% 4	220	6.07
Water supply protection	22.73% 50	11.82% 26	18.64% 41	24.09% 53	10.45% 23	5.00% 11	2.27% 5	3.18% 7	1.82% 4	220	6.61
Town common improvement	5.00% 11	8.18% 18	3.18% 7	8.18% 18	25.00% 55	10.45% 23	14.55% 32	15.45% 34	10.00% 22	220	4.33
Performance area (e.g. stage in open space)	2.73% 6	4.55% 10	3.18% 7	2.73% 6	4.55% 10	24.09% 53	12.73% 28	15.91% 35	29.55% 65	220	3.18
Community garden	9.09% 20	2.27% 5	6.36% 14	8.18% 18	9.09% 20	15.91% 35	31.36% 69	13.18% 29	4.55% 10	220	4.28
Pollinator garden	2.73% 6	7.27% 16	6.36% 14	9.55% 21	11.36% 25	10.91% 24	11.36% 25	26.36% 58	14.09% 31	220	3.86
Public access areas to water bodies	5.45% 12	5.45% 12	4.55% 10	5.91% 13	9.55% 21	9.09% 20	11.36% 25	15.00% 33	33.64% 74	220	3.42

## Q7 Are there any other unmet open space needs in Oxford that were not mentioned?

Answered: 34    Skipped: 199

**Q8 What do you consider to be the biggest unmet outdoor recreation needs in Oxford? Please rank the following from most needed (1) to least needed (14):**

Answered: 205    Skipped: 28



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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Multi-use recreational trails	41.46% 85	19.02% 39	10.73% 22	6.83% 14	5.85% 12	8.29% 17	3.41% 7	1.46% 3	0.98% 2	0.98% 2	0.49% 1
Bike lanes within the roadway	7.32% 15	24.88% 51	10.73% 22	8.29% 17	6.34% 13	5.37% 11	5.37% 11	6.34% 13	6.34% 13	4.39% 9	3.41% 7
Hiking and cross-country skiing trails	3.41% 7	14.63% 30	25.37% 52	15.61% 32	9.27% 19	11.22% 23	4.39% 9	5.85% 12	4.88% 10	2.93% 6	1.95% 4
Hunting, fishing, and boating opportunities	3.90% 8	5.37% 11	8.29% 17	17.07% 35	9.76% 20	6.83% 14	9.76% 20	7.80% 16	6.83% 14	7.32% 15	4.88% 10
Playgrounds with handicap accessible equipment	8.29% 17	5.37% 11	10.24% 21	15.12% 31	19.51% 40	15.12% 31	8.29% 17	5.85% 12	3.90% 8	2.44% 5	3.41% 7
Athletic fields (e.g. soccer, baseball, football)	10.24% 21	6.34% 13	3.41% 7	4.39% 9	6.83% 14	18.05% 37	8.78% 18	10.73% 22	12.20% 25	5.37% 11	5.85% 12
Tennis and pickleball courts	2.93% 6	3.90% 8	3.41% 7	1.95% 4	1.95% 4	3.41% 7	20.49% 42	12.68% 26	9.27% 19	15.61% 32	5.37% 11
Lighted sports fields	4.39% 9	5.85% 12	4.88% 10	4.39% 9	4.39% 9	5.85% 12	10.73% 22	18.05% 37	9.76% 20	9.76% 20	9.27% 19
Recreational opportunities for disabled persons	0.98% 2	2.44% 5	2.44% 5	4.88% 10	6.83% 14	5.37% 11	7.80% 16	8.29% 17	20.98% 43	13.66% 28	10.73% 22
Walking track	3.41% 7	5.37% 11	6.34% 13	5.37% 11	6.83% 14	6.83% 14	3.90% 8	6.34% 13	7.32% 15	17.56% 36	17.07% 35
Kayaks and/or canoes available for use	3.90% 8	1.46% 3	1.46% 3	4.88% 10	6.83% 14	5.85% 12	7.32% 15	2.44% 5	4.88% 10	7.32% 15	21.46% 44
Upkeep of parklands	6.34% 13	1.95% 4	4.39% 9	4.39% 9	8.78% 18	3.41% 7	4.39% 9	4.88% 10	6.83% 14	6.34% 13	8.29% 17
Large park with many facilities	2.44% 5	3.41% 7	7.32% 15	5.85% 12	5.37% 11	2.93% 6	1.46% 3	7.32% 15	3.41% 7	3.90% 8	3.90% 8
Rock-climbing wall	0.98% 2	0.00% 0	0.98% 2	0.98% 2	1.46% 3	1.46% 3	3.90% 8	1.95% 4	2.44% 5	2.44% 5	3.90% 8

**Q9 Are there any other unmet outdoor recreation needs in Oxford that were not mentioned?**

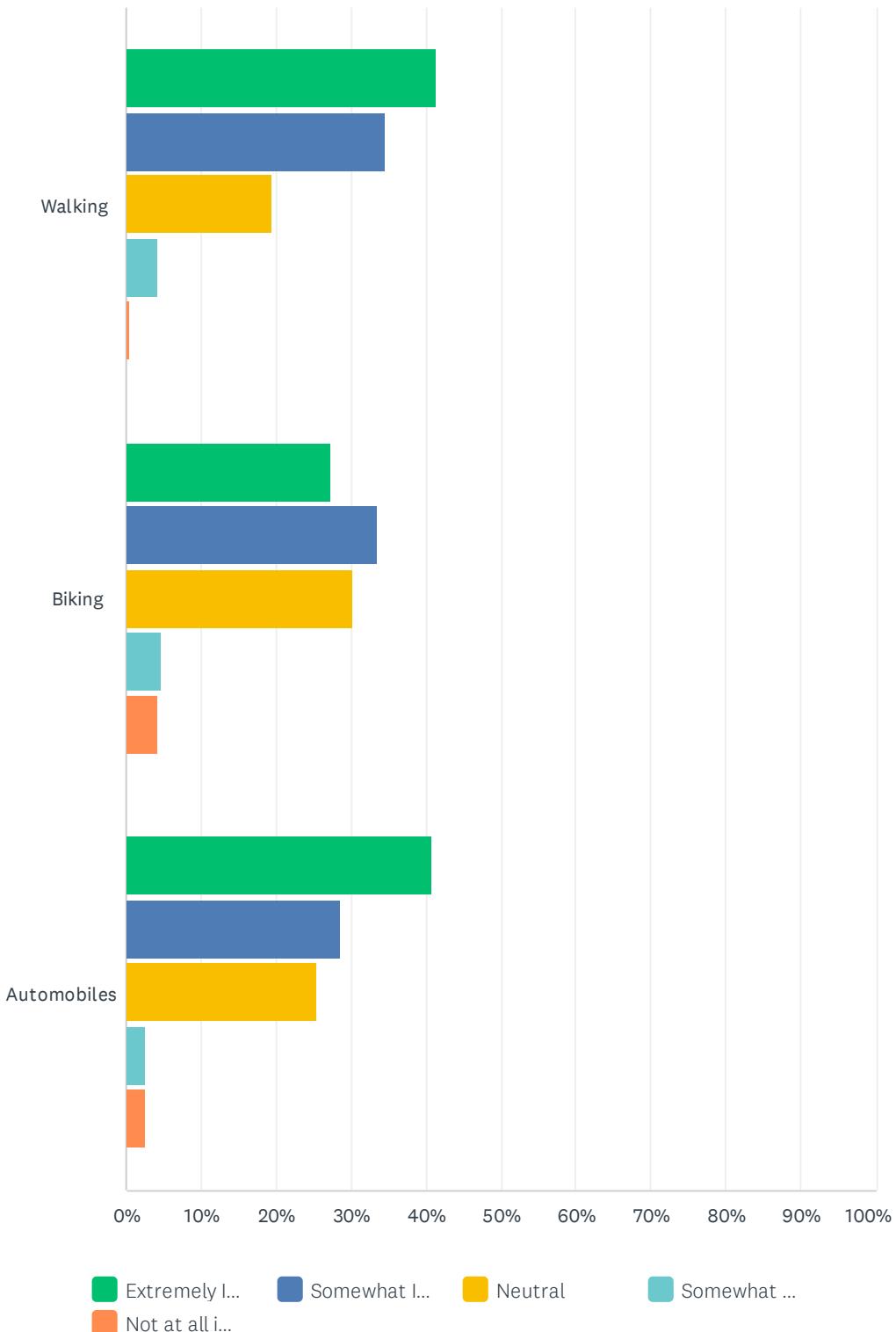
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**Q10 What are your favorite open spaces or recreational facilities in Oxford? Do you have any suggestions for how these open spaces or recreational facilities can be improved?**

Answered: 119      Skipped: 114

## Q11 How important is it to be able to travel to open space and recreational destinations in Oxford by:

Answered: 191    Skipped: 42



Extremely important    Somewhat important    Neutral    Somewhat unimportant    Not at all important

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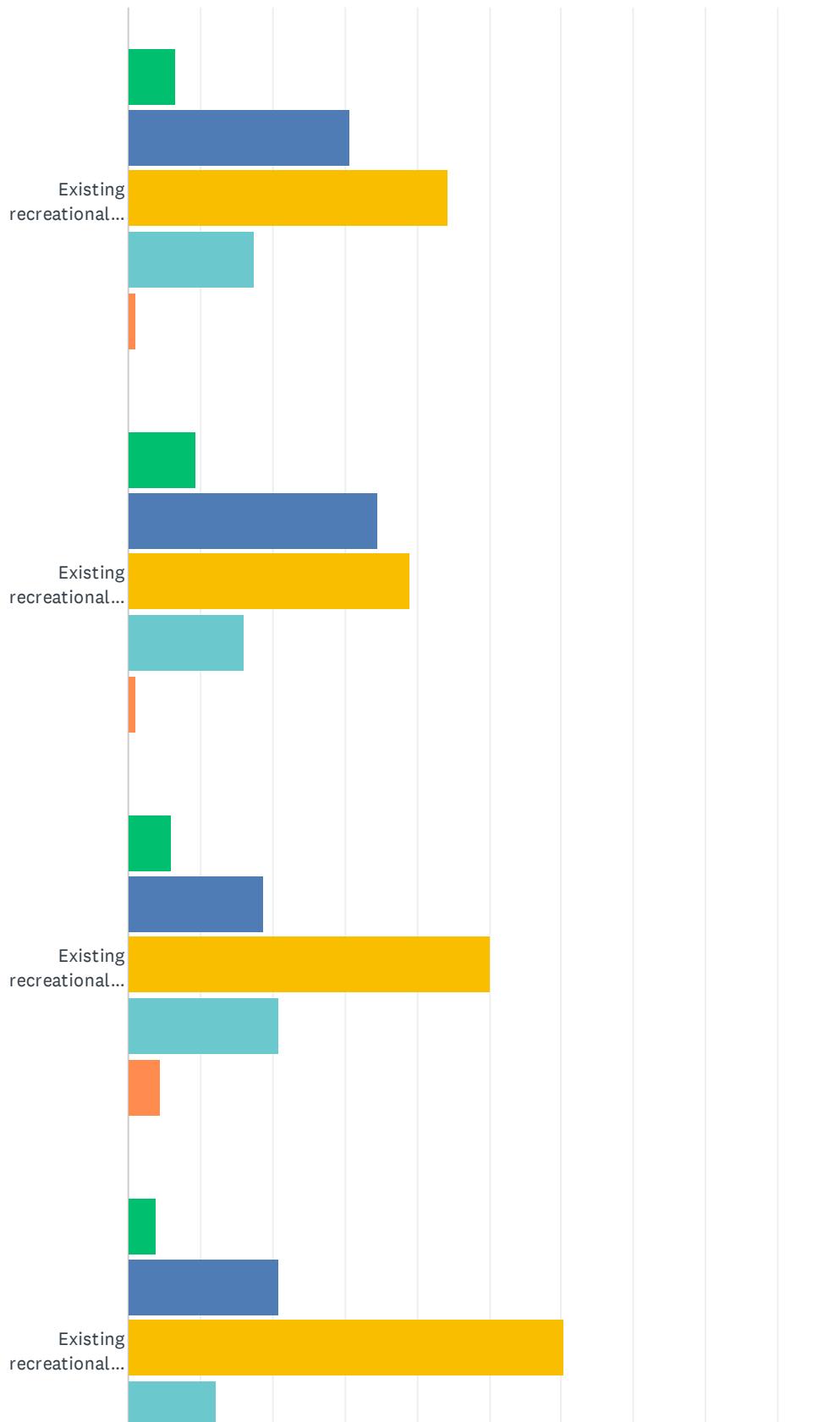
	EXTREMELY IMPORTANT	SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT	NEUTRAL	SOMEWHAT UNIMPORTANT	NOT AT ALL IMPORTANT	TOTAL
Walking	41.36% 79	34.55% 66	19.37% 37	4.19% 8	0.52% 1	191
Biking	27.23% 52	33.51% 64	30.37% 58	4.71% 9	4.19% 8	191
Automobiles	40.74% 77	28.57% 54	25.40% 48	2.65% 5	2.65% 5	189

**Q12 Please tell us about any town facilities or spaces that have accessibility concerns.**

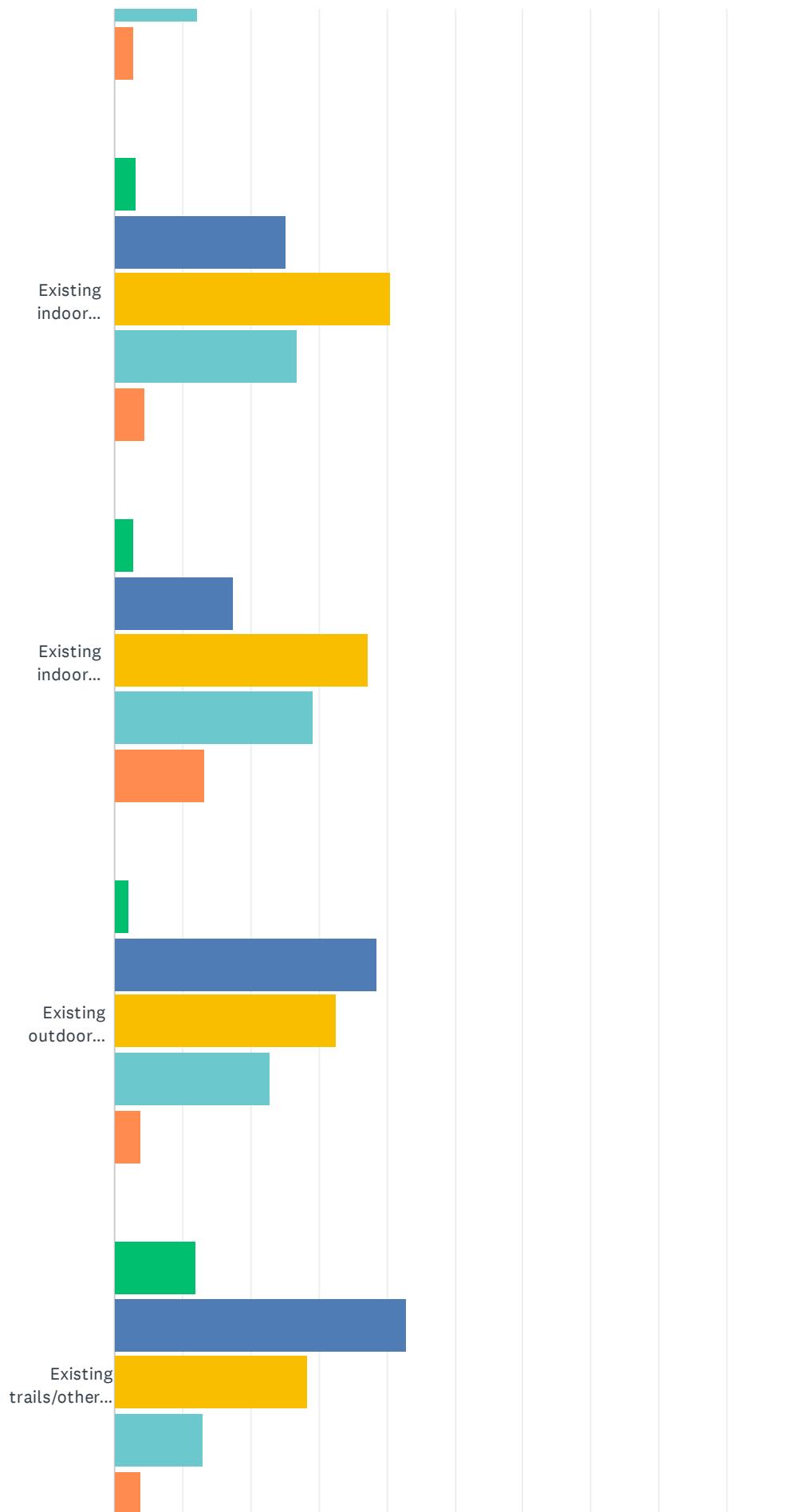
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## Q13 How satisfied are you with the condition of:

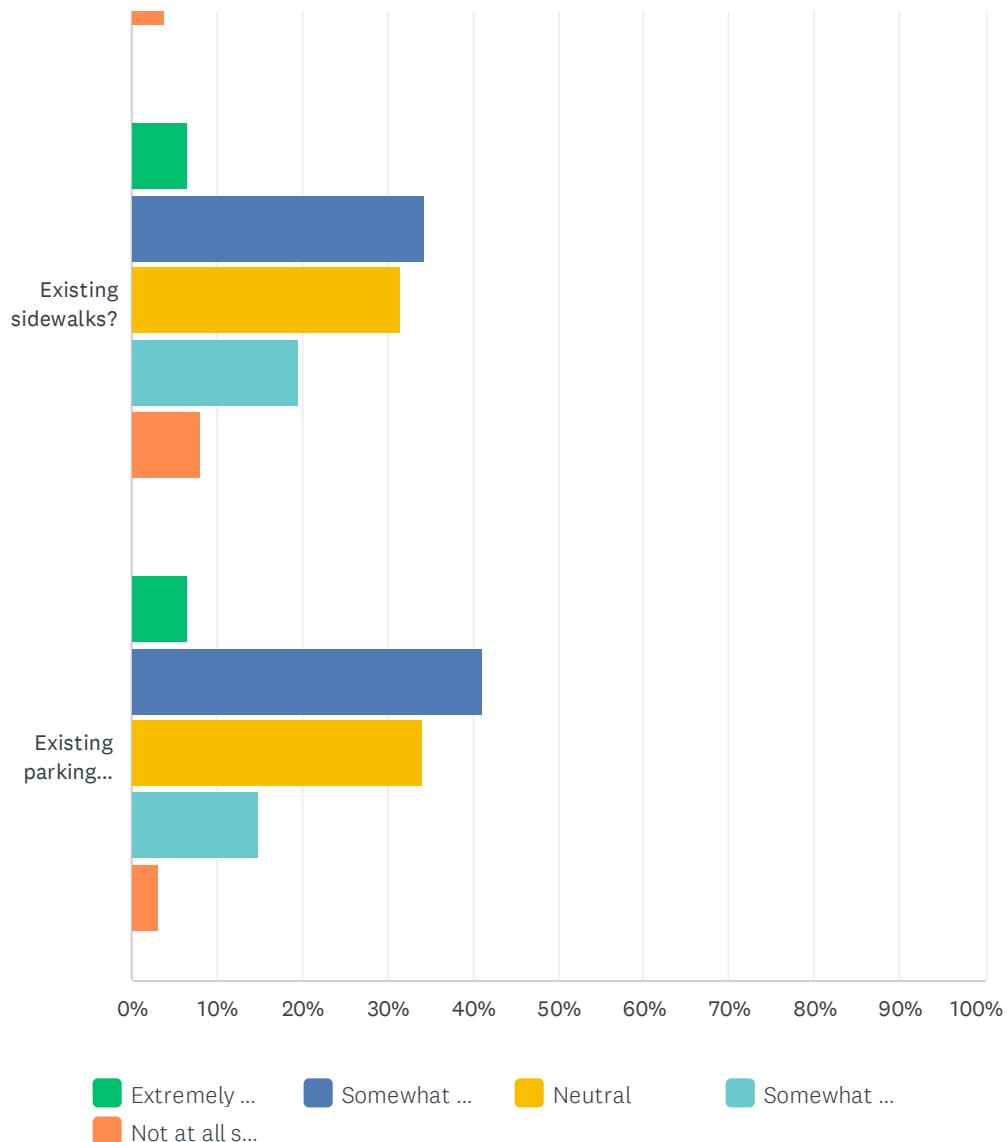
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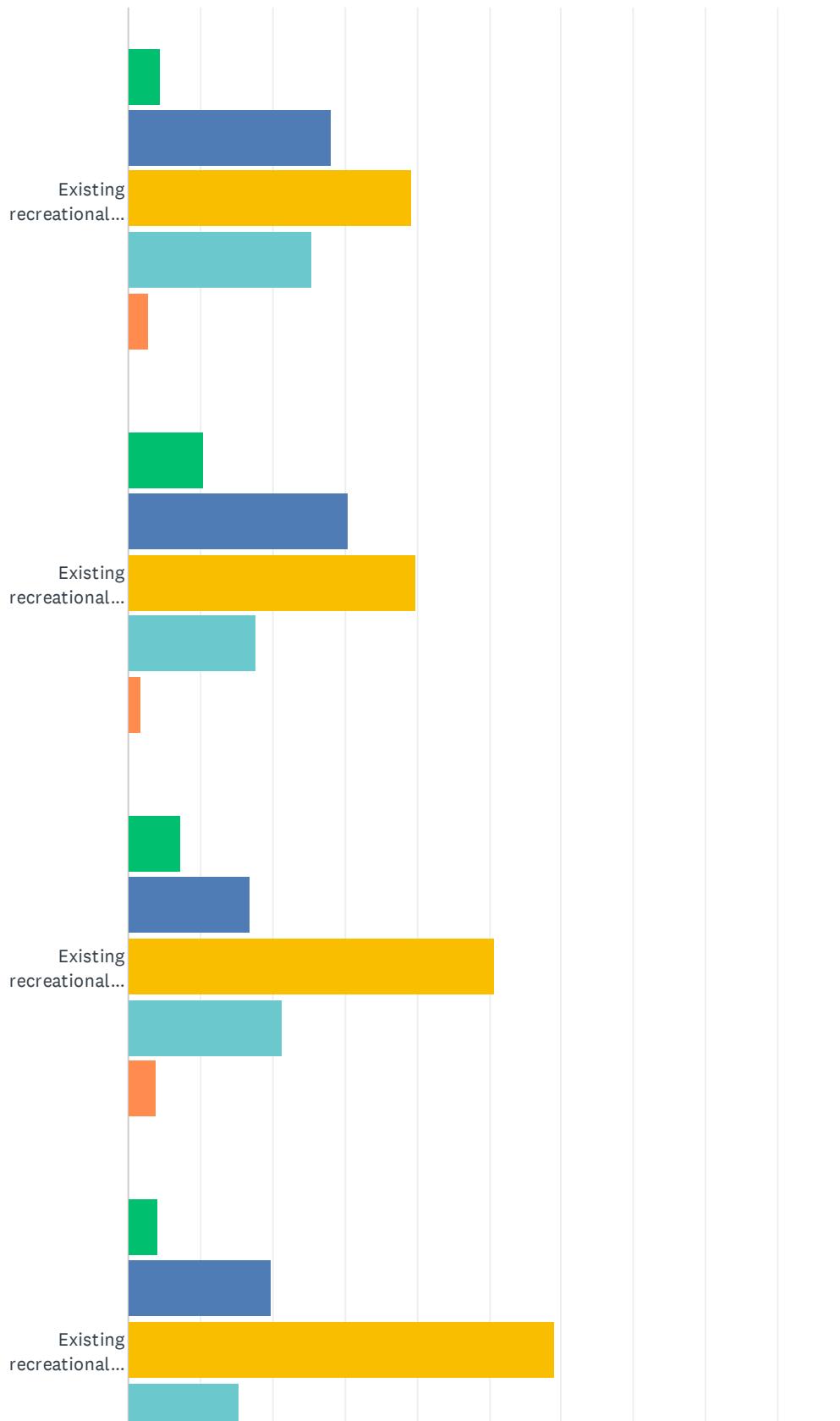


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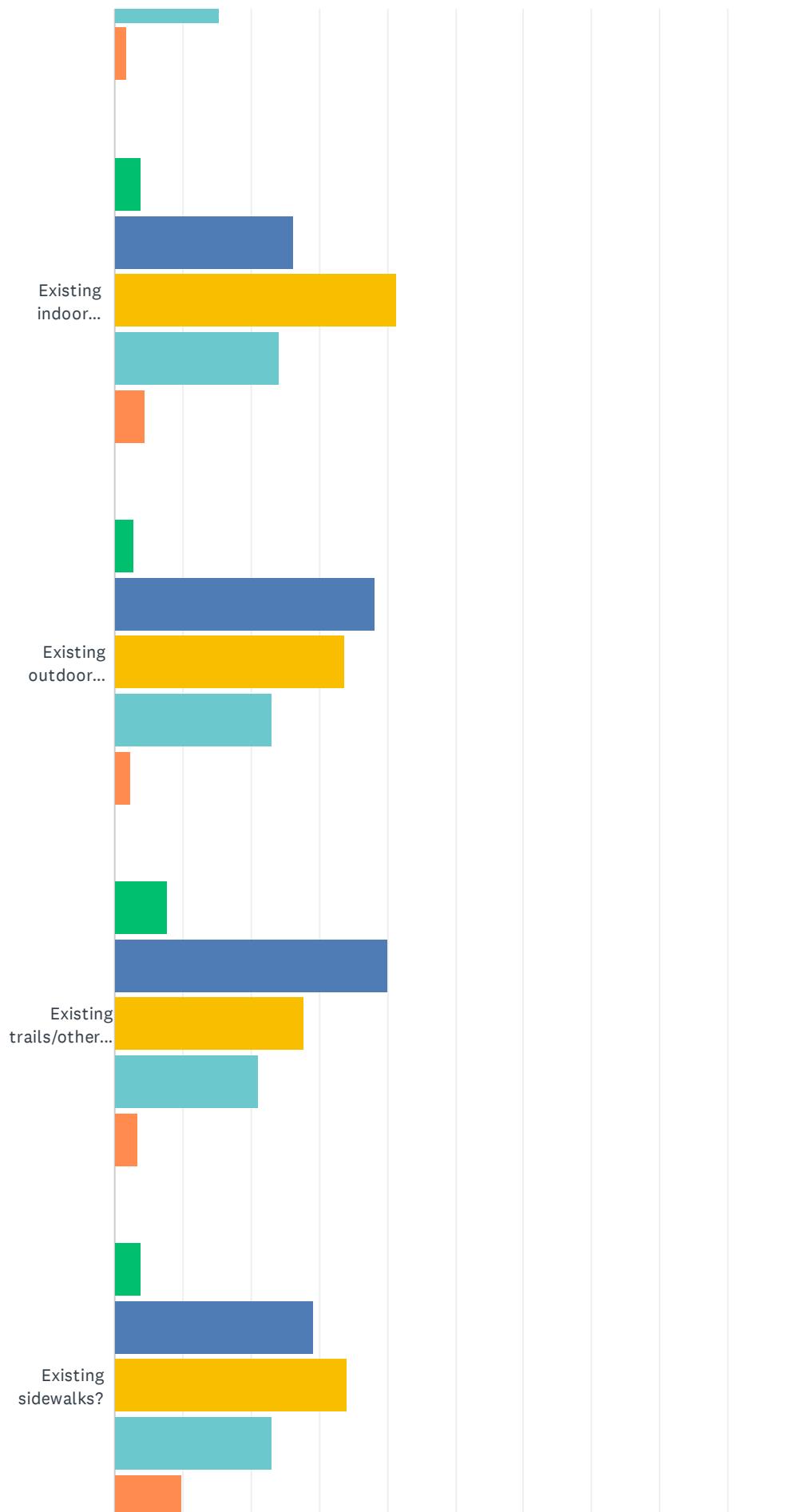
	EXTREMELY SATISFIED	SOMEWHAT SATISFIED	NEUTRAL	SOMEWHAT UNSATISFIED	NOT AT ALL SATISFIED	TOTAL
Existing recreational programs/opportunities for adults?	6.56% 12	30.60% 56	44.26% 81	17.49% 32	1.09% 2	183
Existing recreational programs/opportunities for children?	9.34% 17	34.62% 63	39.01% 71	15.93% 29	1.10% 2	182
Existing recreational programs/opportunities for teens?	6.04% 11	18.68% 34	50.00% 91	20.88% 38	4.40% 8	182
Existing recreational programs/opportunities for the aging adults?	3.85% 7	20.88% 38	60.44% 110	12.09% 22	2.75% 5	182
Existing indoor recreational programs?	3.28% 6	25.14% 46	40.44% 74	26.78% 49	4.37% 8	183
Existing indoor recreation facilities	2.75% 5	17.58% 32	37.36% 68	29.12% 53	13.19% 24	182
Existing outdoor recreational facilities?	2.17% 4	38.59% 71	32.61% 60	22.83% 42	3.80% 7	184
Existing trails/other passive recreation opportunities?	11.96% 22	42.93% 79	28.26% 52	13.04% 24	3.80% 7	184
Existing sidewalks?	6.52% 12	34.24% 63	31.52% 58	19.57% 36	8.15% 15	184
Existing parking facilities at Oxford's open spaces?	6.59% 12	41.21% 75	34.07% 62	14.84% 27	3.30% 6	182

## Q14 How satisfied are you with the amount of:

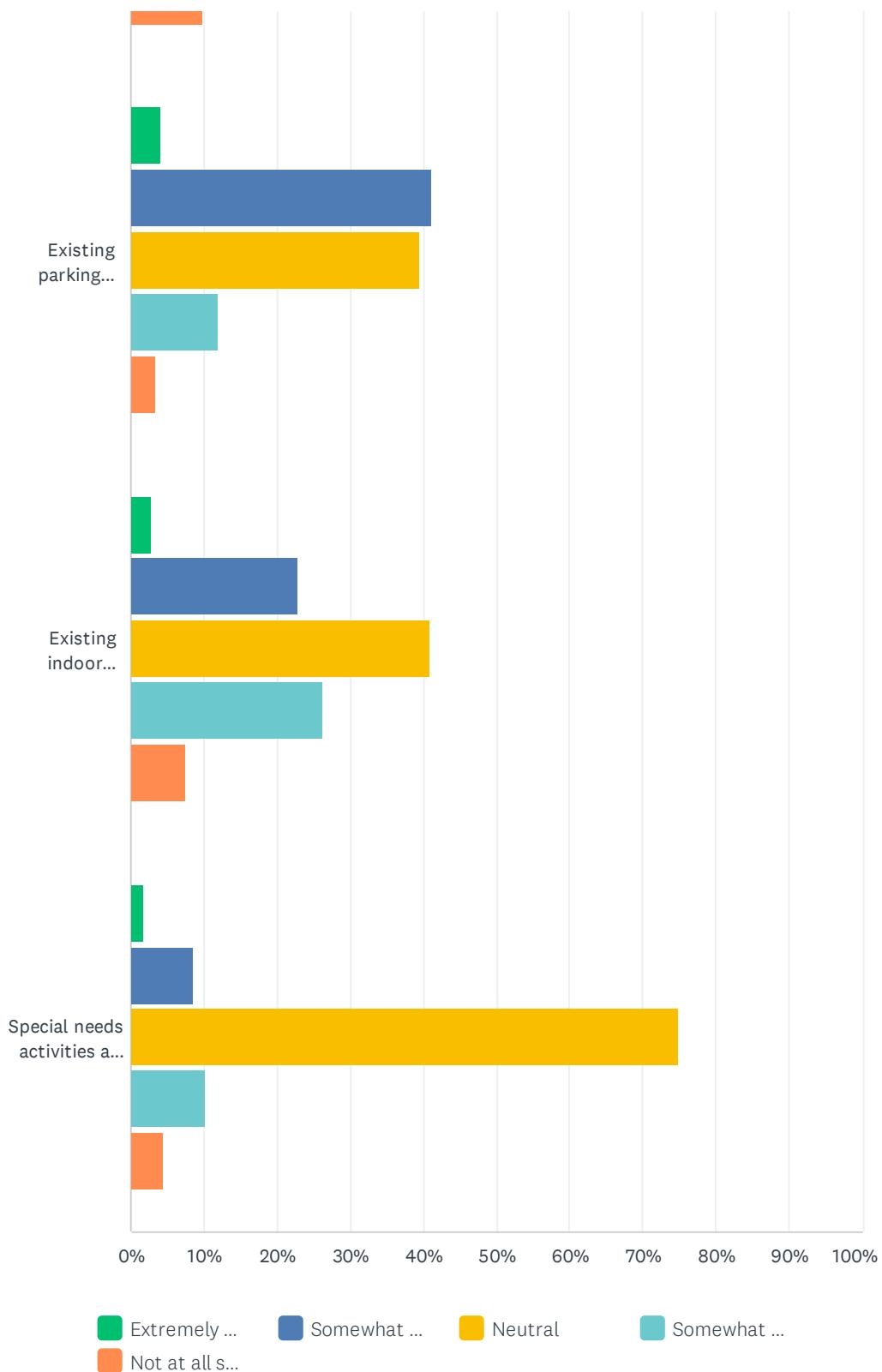
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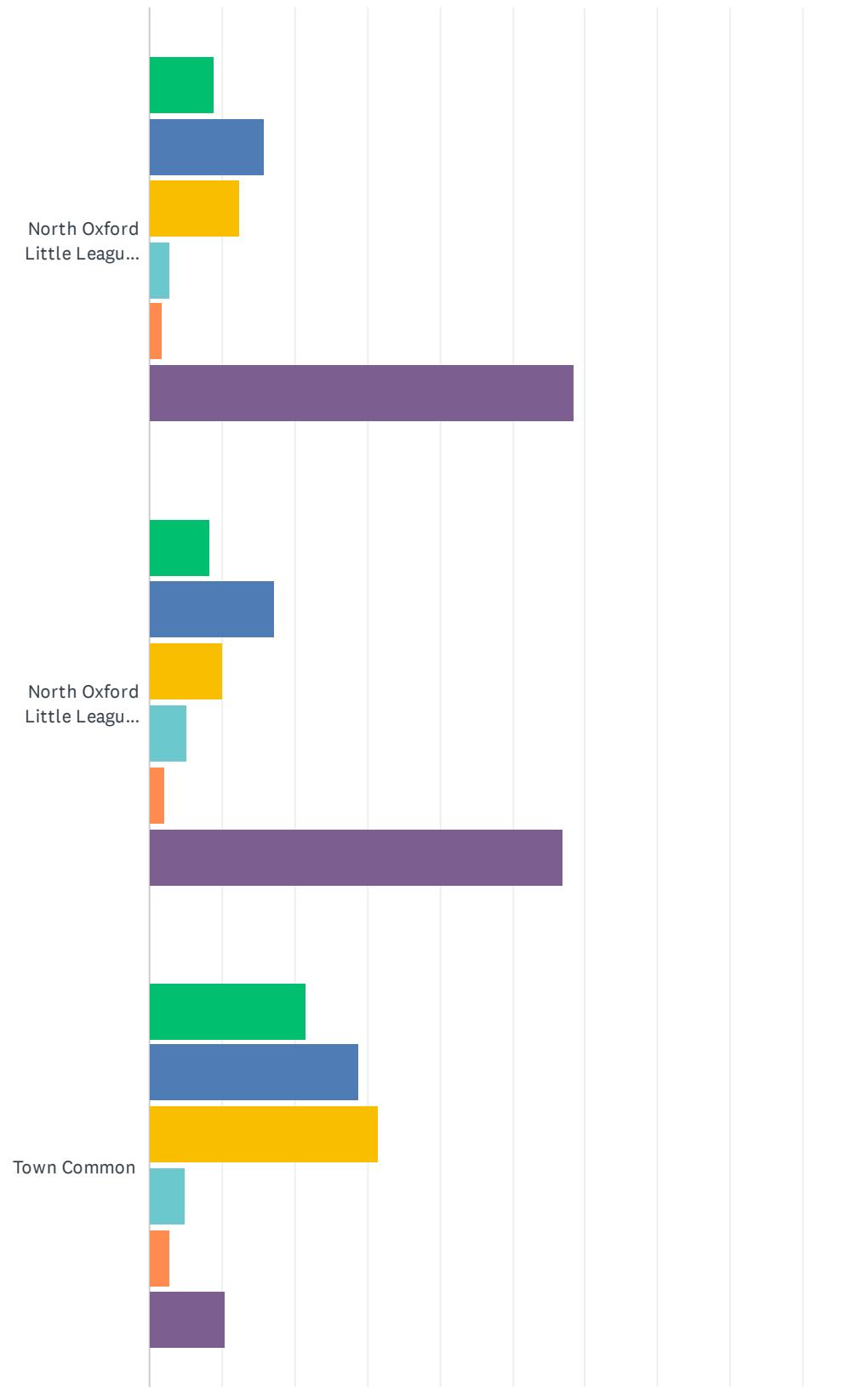


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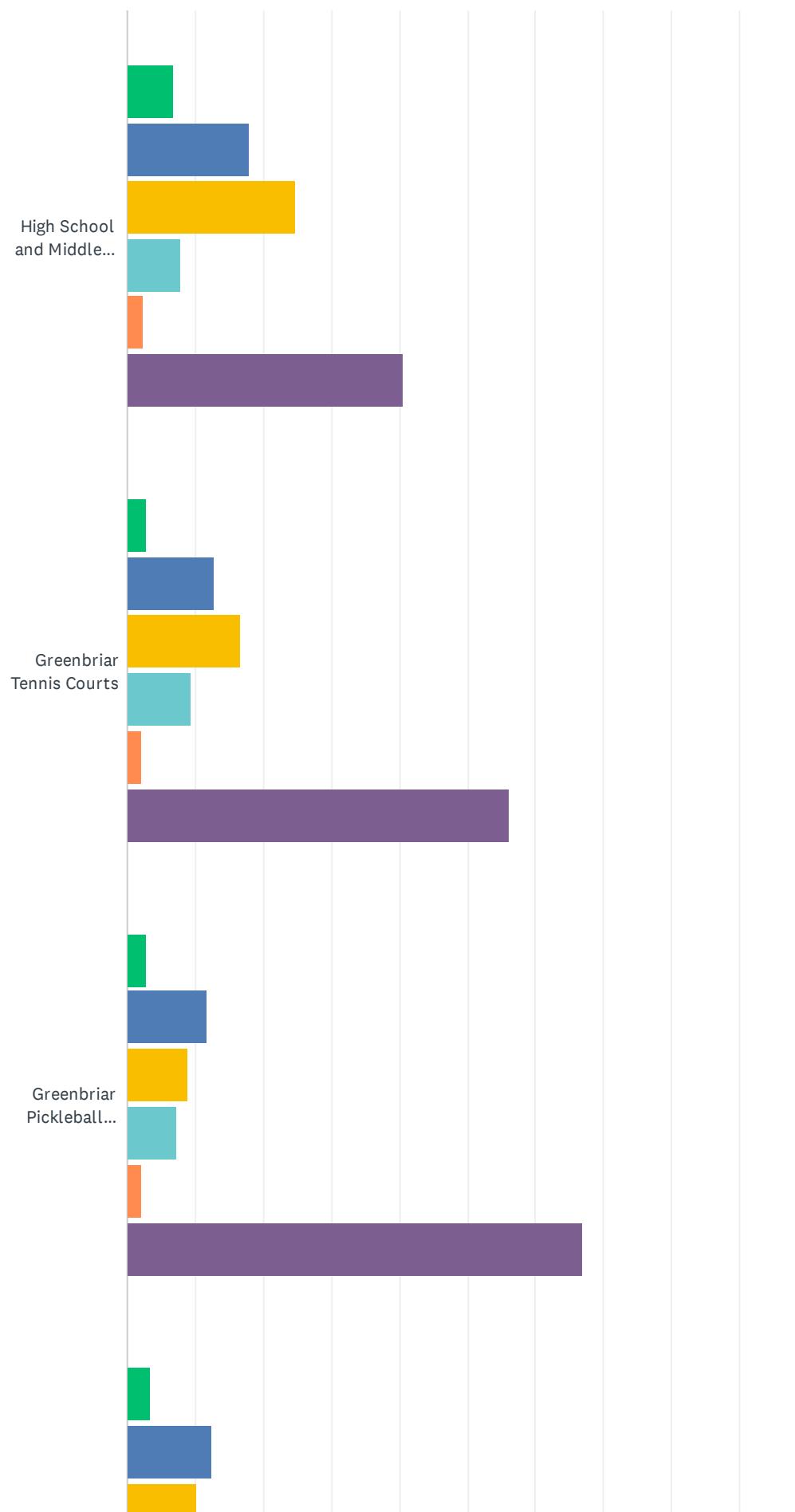
	EXTREMELY SATISFIED	SOMEWHAT SATISFIED	NEUTRAL	SOMEWHAT UNSATISFIED	NOT AT ALL SATISFIED	TOTAL
Existing recreational programs/opportunities for adults?	4.42% 8	28.18% 51	39.23% 71	25.41% 46	2.76% 5	181
Existing recreational programs/opportunities for children?	10.50% 19	30.39% 55	39.78% 72	17.68% 32	1.66% 3	181
Existing recreational programs/opportunities for teens?	7.26% 13	16.76% 30	50.84% 91	21.23% 38	3.91% 7	179
Existing recreational programs/opportunities for the aging adults?	3.98% 7	19.89% 35	59.09% 104	15.34% 27	1.70% 3	176
Existing indoor recreational programs?	3.91% 7	26.26% 47	41.34% 74	24.02% 43	4.47% 8	179
Existing outdoor recreational facilities?	2.81% 5	38.20% 68	33.71% 60	23.03% 41	2.25% 4	178
Existing trails/other passive recreation opportunities?	7.78% 14	40.00% 72	27.78% 50	21.11% 38	3.33% 6	180
Existing sidewalks?	3.85% 7	29.12% 53	34.07% 62	23.08% 42	9.89% 18	182
Existing parking facilities at Oxford's open spaces?	3.95% 7	41.24% 73	39.55% 70	11.86% 21	3.39% 6	177
Existing indoor recreation facilities	2.84% 5	22.73% 40	40.91% 72	26.14% 46	7.39% 13	176
Special needs activities and programs	1.71% 3	8.57% 15	74.86% 131	10.29% 18	4.57% 8	175

**Q15 Please choose your level of satisfaction with the conditions of the below list of Oxford open spaces and recreation facilities**

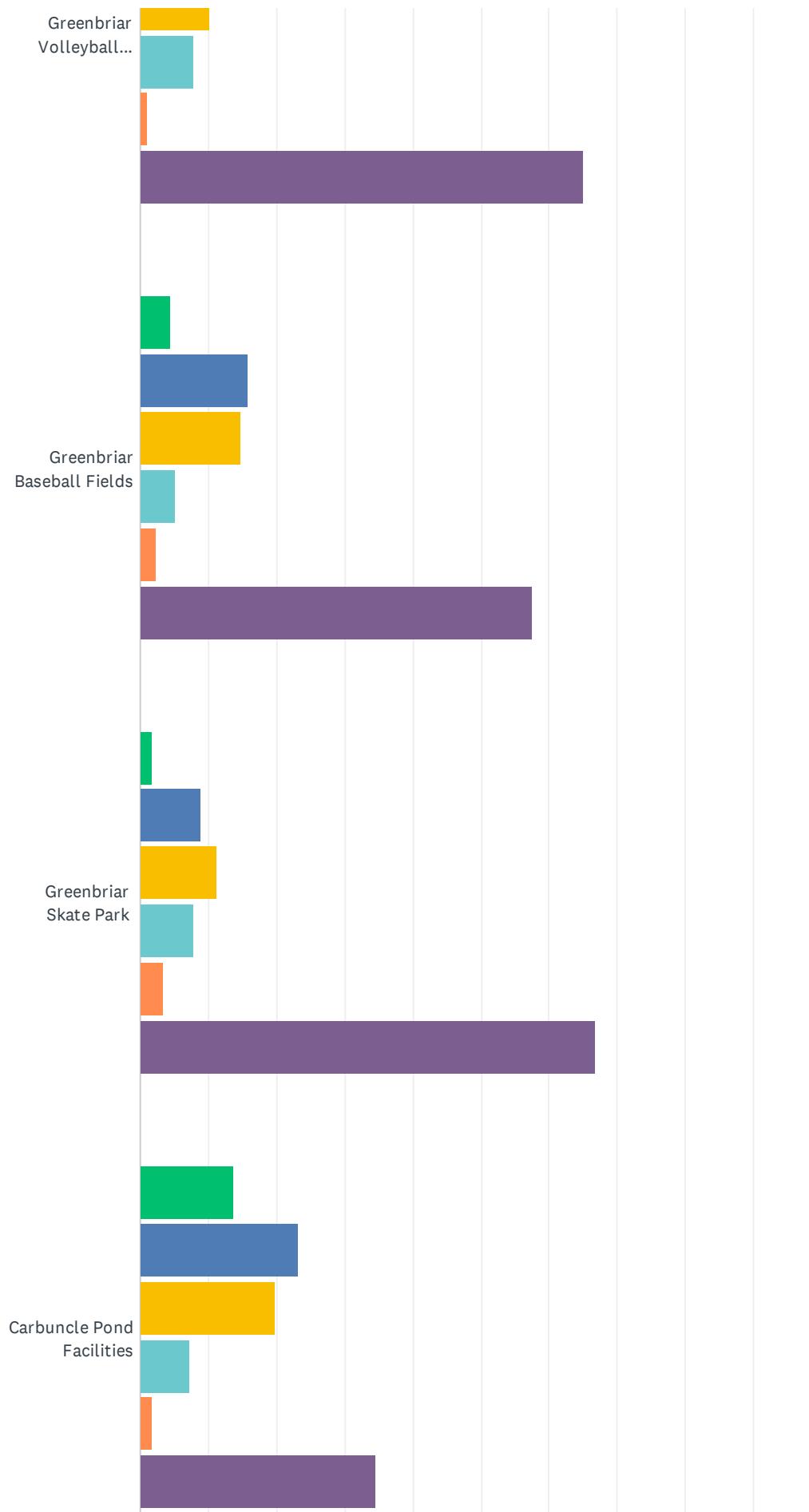
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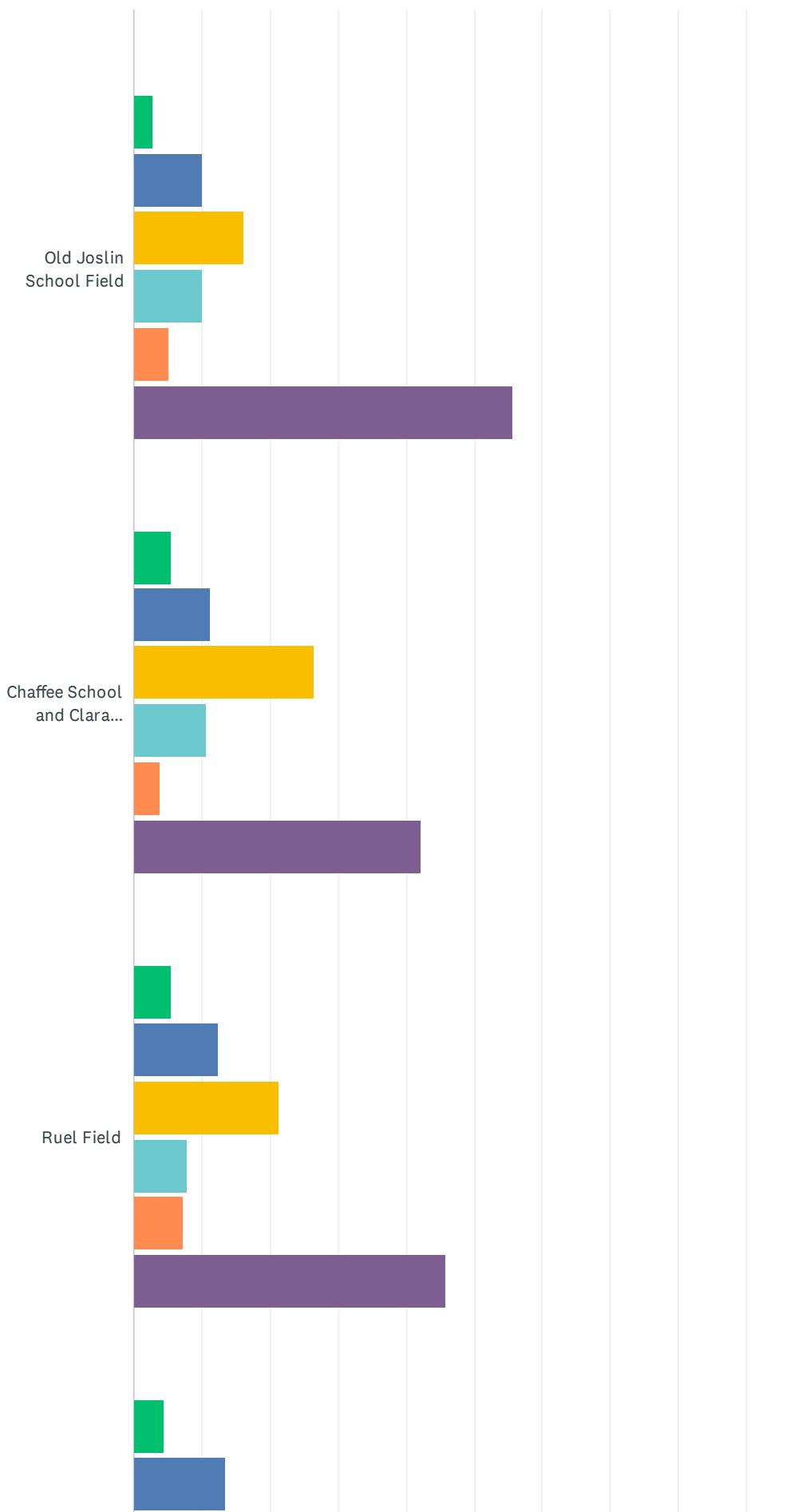


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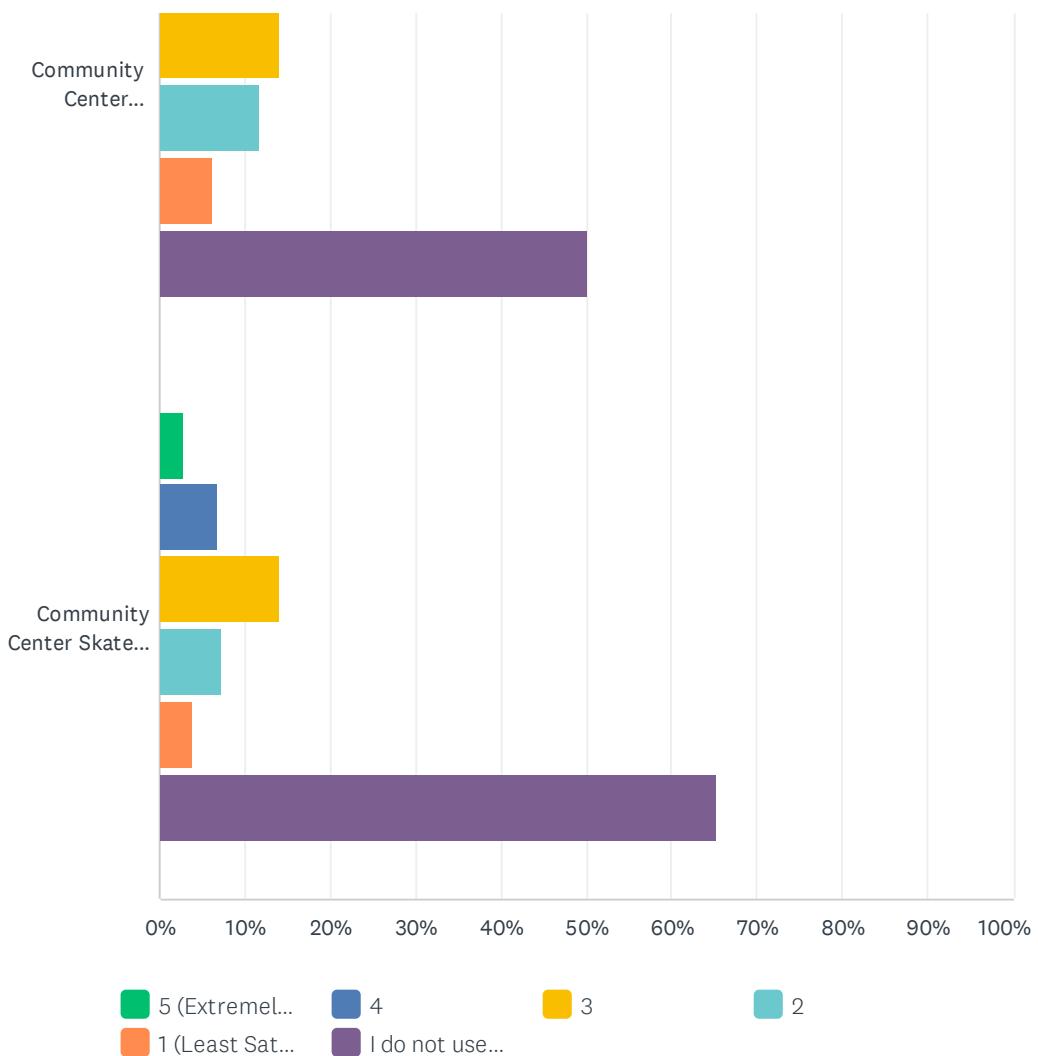


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	5 (EXTREMELY SATISFIED)	4	3	2	1 (LEAST SATISFIED)	I DO NOT USE IT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
North Oxford Little League Field Basketball Court	8.99% 16	15.73% 28	12.36% 22	2.81% 5	1.69% 3	58.43% 104	178	4.48
North Oxford Little League Field Dog Park	8.38% 15	17.32% 31	10.06% 18	5.03% 9	2.23% 4	56.98% 102	179	4.46
Town Common	21.55% 39	28.73% 52	31.49% 57	4.97% 9	2.76% 5	10.50% 19	181	2.70
High School and Middle School Athletic Fields	6.74% 12	17.98% 32	24.72% 44	7.87% 14	2.25% 4	40.45% 72	178	4.02
Greenbriar Tennis Courts	2.78% 5	12.78% 23	16.67% 30	9.44% 17	2.22% 4	56.11% 101	180	4.64
Greenbriar Pickleball Court	2.79% 5	11.73% 21	8.94% 16	7.26% 13	2.23% 4	67.04% 120	179	4.96
Greenbriar Volleyball Courts	3.39% 6	12.43% 22	10.17% 18	7.91% 14	1.13% 2	64.97% 115	177	4.86
Greenbriar Baseball Fields	4.52% 8	15.82% 28	14.69% 26	5.08% 9	2.26% 4	57.63% 102	177	4.58
Greenbriar Skate Park	1.69% 3	9.04% 16	11.30% 20	7.91% 14	3.39% 6	66.67% 118	177	5.02
Carbuncle Pond Facilities	13.56% 24	23.16% 41	19.77% 35	7.34% 13	1.69% 3	34.46% 61	177	3.64
Old Joslin School Field	2.81% 5	10.11% 18	16.29% 29	10.11% 18	5.06% 9	55.62% 99	178	4.71
Chaffee School and Clara Barton School	5.62% 10	11.24% 20	26.40% 47	10.67% 19	3.93% 7	42.13% 75	178	4.22
Ruel Field	5.59% 10	12.29% 22	21.23% 38	7.82% 14	7.26% 13	45.81% 82	179	4.36
Community Center Basketball Courts	4.49% 8	13.48% 24	14.04% 25	11.80% 21	6.18% 11	50.00% 89	178	4.52
Community Center Skate Park	2.81% 5	6.74% 12	14.04% 25	7.30% 13	3.93% 7	65.17% 116	178	4.98

**Q16 Do you regularly travel to any nearby communities for open space and/or recreational opportunities? Please list community and the activity for which you travel there for.**

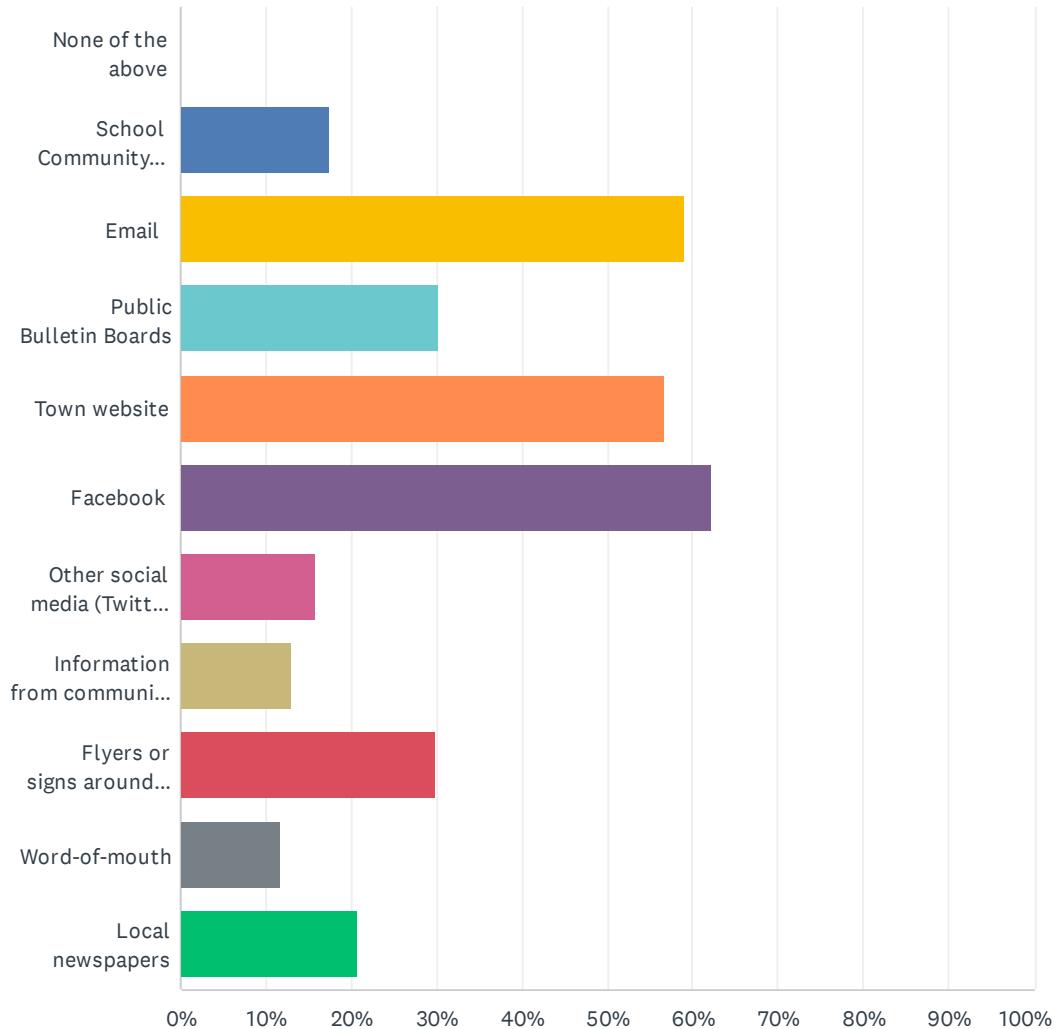
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**Q17 Are there any additional comments, suggestions, or questions that you would like to provide?**

Answered: 46      Skipped: 187

## Q18 How would you prefer to get information about open spaces and/or recreational opportunities and events in Oxford?

Answered: 178 Skipped: 55



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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
None of the above	0.00%	0
School Community Bulletin or Listserve	17.42%	31
Email	58.99%	105
Public Bulletin Boards	30.34%	54
Town website	56.74%	101
Facebook	62.36%	111
Other social media (Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	15.73%	28
Information from community groups or athletic leagues	12.92%	23
Flyers or signs around Town	29.78%	53
Word-of-mouth	11.80%	21
Local newspapers	20.79%	37
Total Respondents: 178		

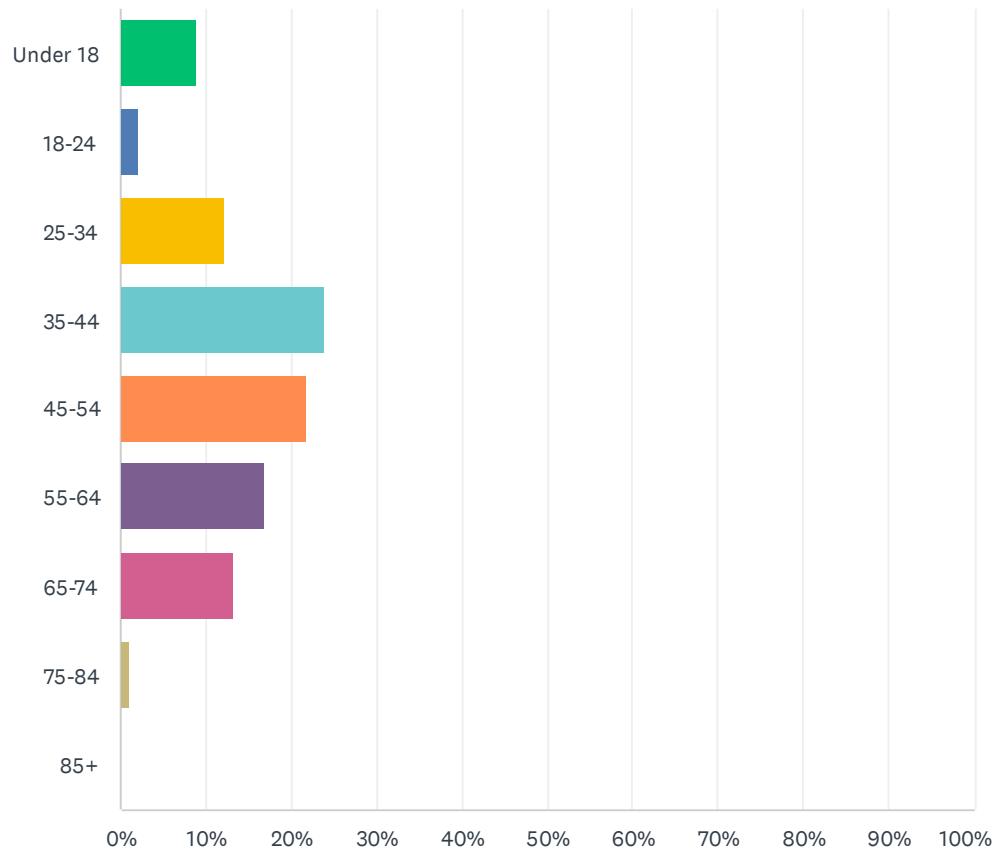
**Q19 Would you like to be added to an Open Space and Recreation Plan email list? If yes, please provide your name and email address.**

Answered: 72 Skipped: 161

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Name	97.22%	70
Email	98.61%	71

## Q20 What is your age?

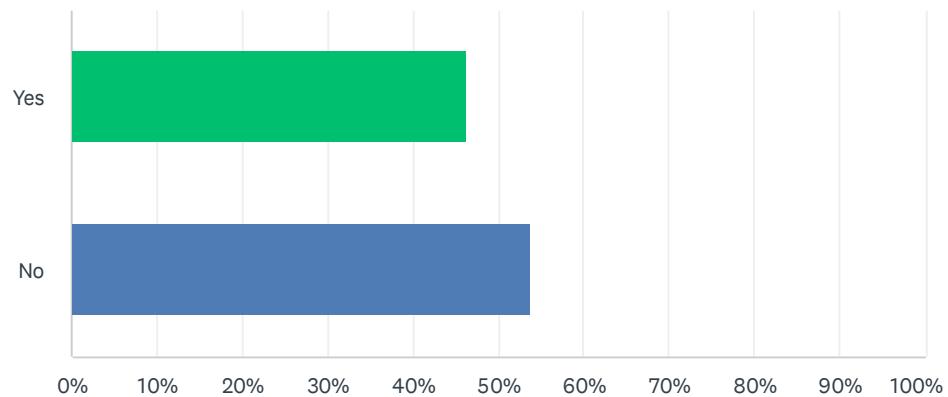
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Under 18	8.99%	17
18-24	2.12%	4
25-34	12.17%	23
35-44	23.81%	45
45-54	21.69%	41
55-64	16.93%	32
65-74	13.23%	25
75-84	1.06%	2
85+	0.00%	0
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>189</b>

## Q21 Do you have children under the age of 18 living with you?

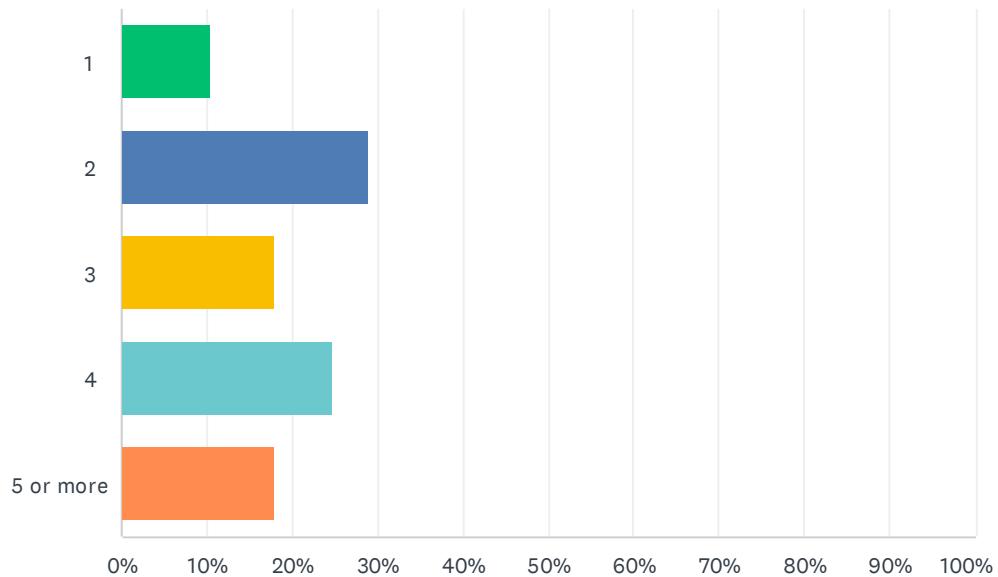
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	46.35%	89
No	53.65%	103
TOTAL		192

## Q22 What is your household size?

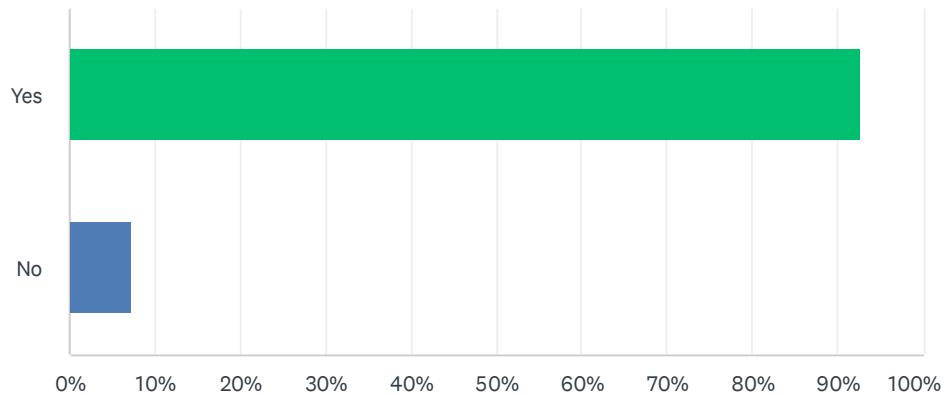
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
1	10.53%	20
2	28.95%	55
3	17.89%	34
4	24.74%	47
5 or more	17.89%	34
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>190</b>

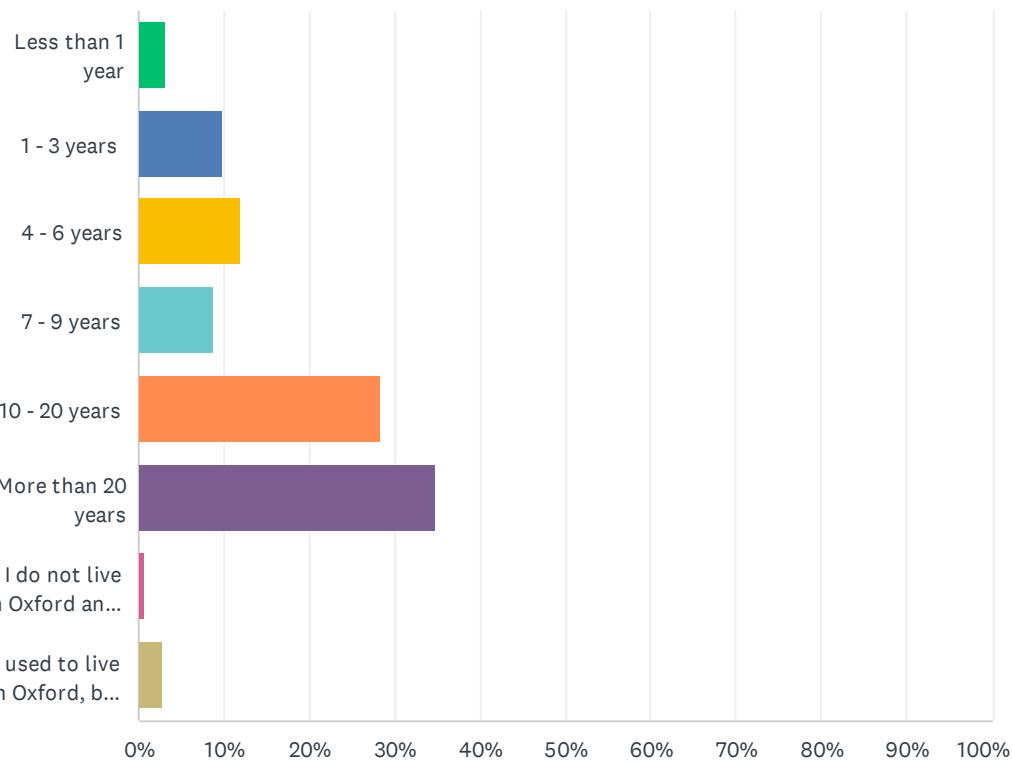
## Q23 Do you currently reside in Oxford?

Answered: 191    Skipped: 42



## Q24 If you currently live in Oxford, how long have you lived here?

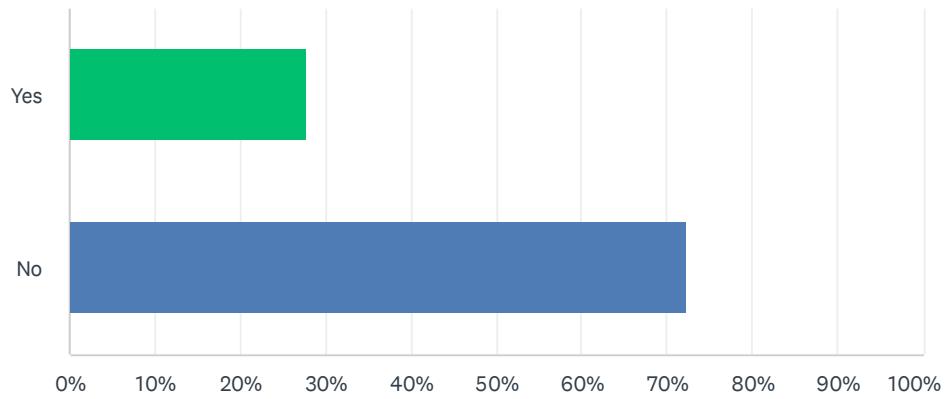
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than 1 year	3.26%	6
1 - 3 years	9.78%	18
4 - 6 years	11.96%	22
7 - 9 years	8.70%	16
10 - 20 years	28.26%	52
More than 20 years	34.78%	64
I do not live in Oxford and I have never lived there	0.54%	1
I used to live in Oxford, but I no longer live there	2.72%	5
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>184</b>

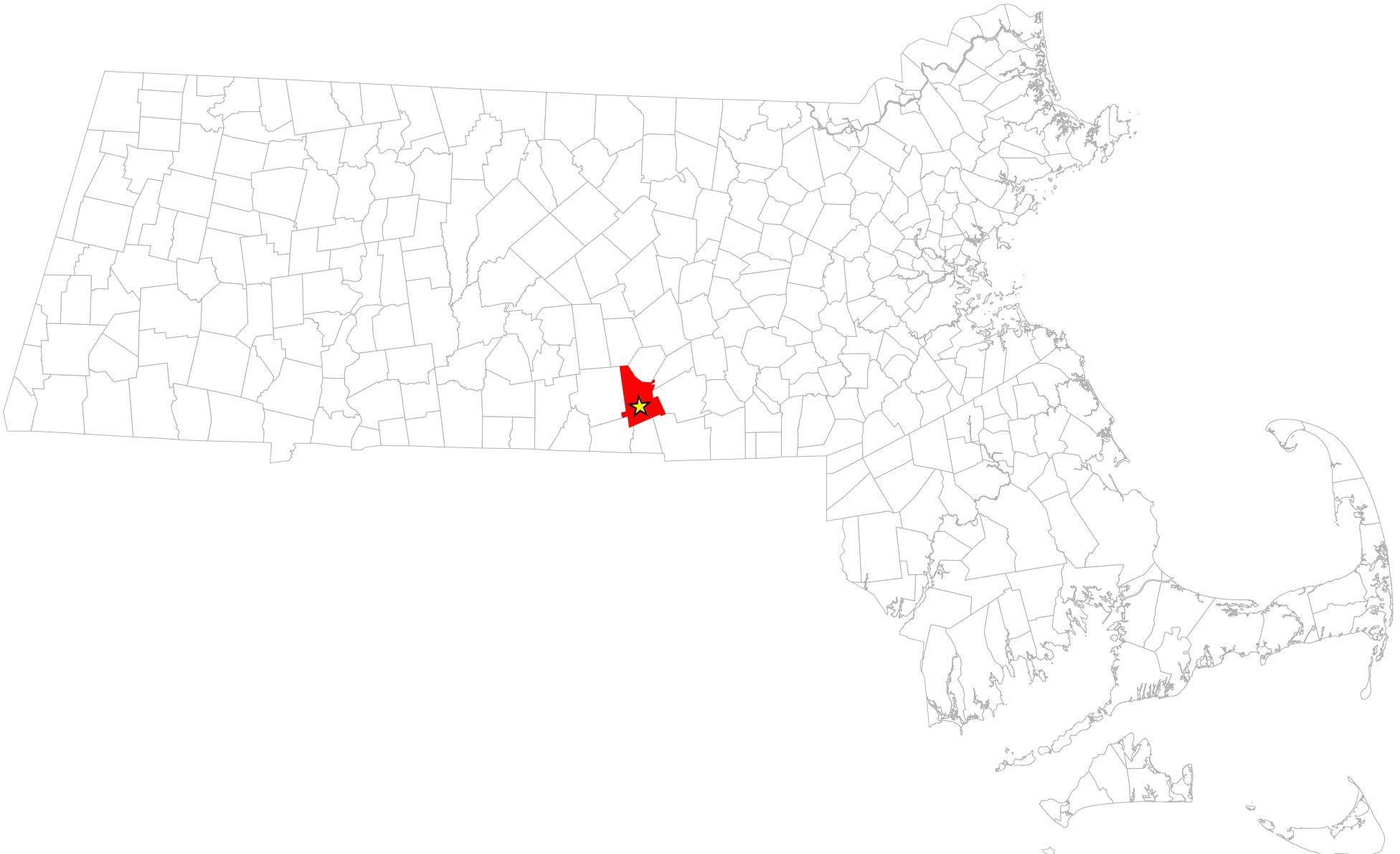
**Q25 Do you have any interest in volunteering to participate on a Town Board or assist a Town project that promotes the preservation of open space and/or recreation?**

Answered: 177    Skipped: 56



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	27.68%	49
No	72.32%	128
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>177</b>

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## Legend

- Oxford
- Massachusetts Towns

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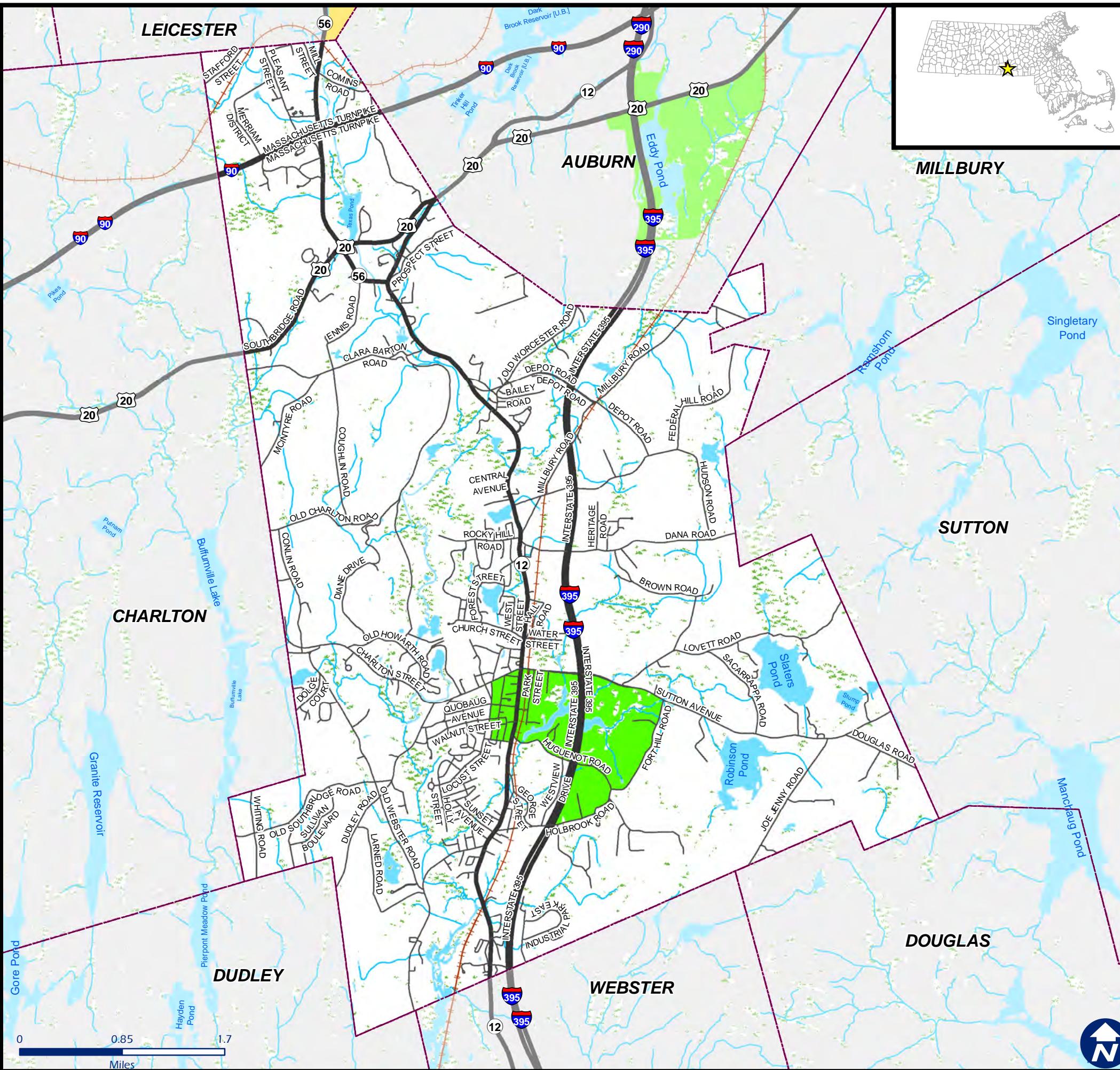


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# MAP 2

# ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE

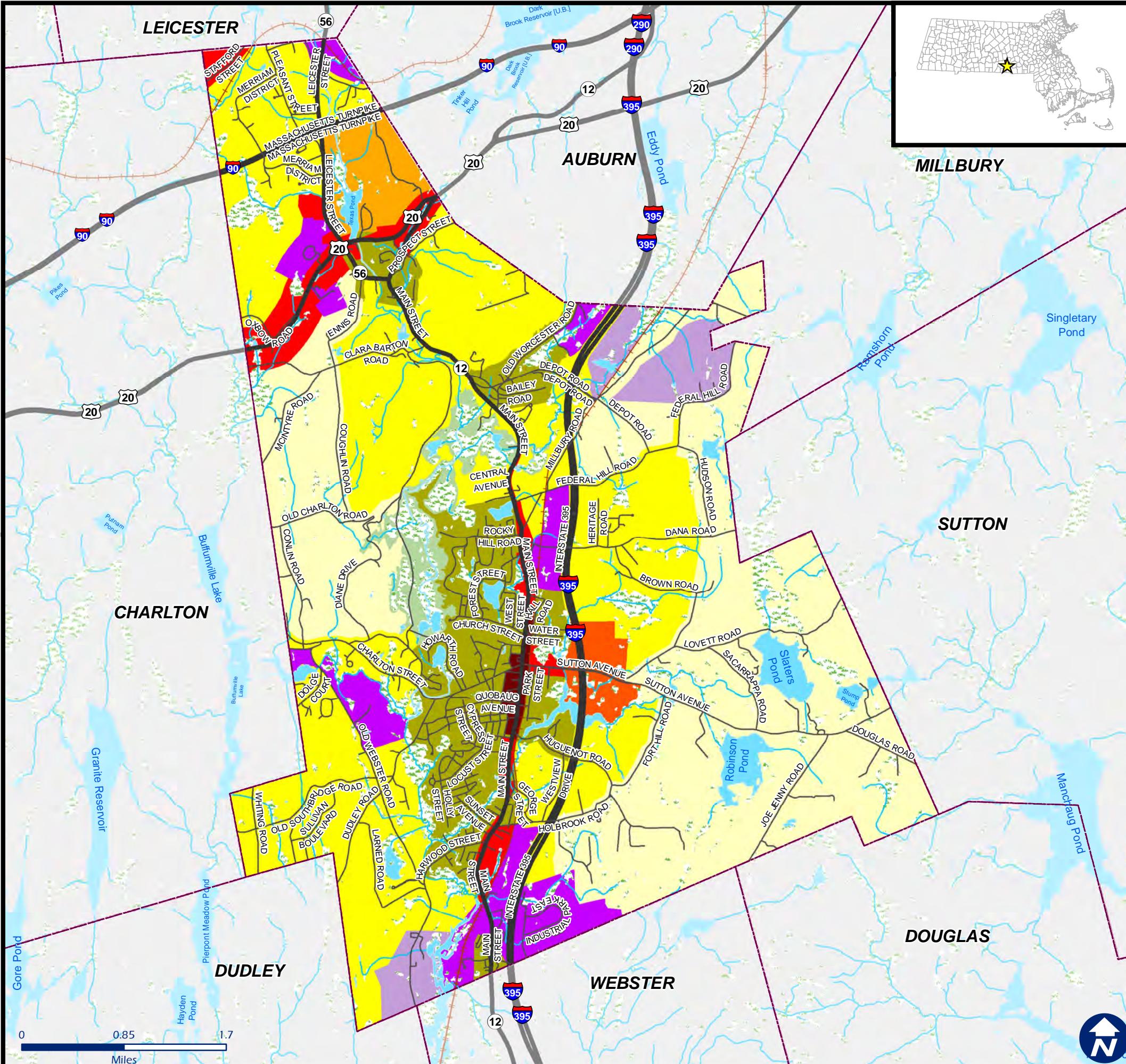


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# MAP 3

# ZONING DISTRICTS

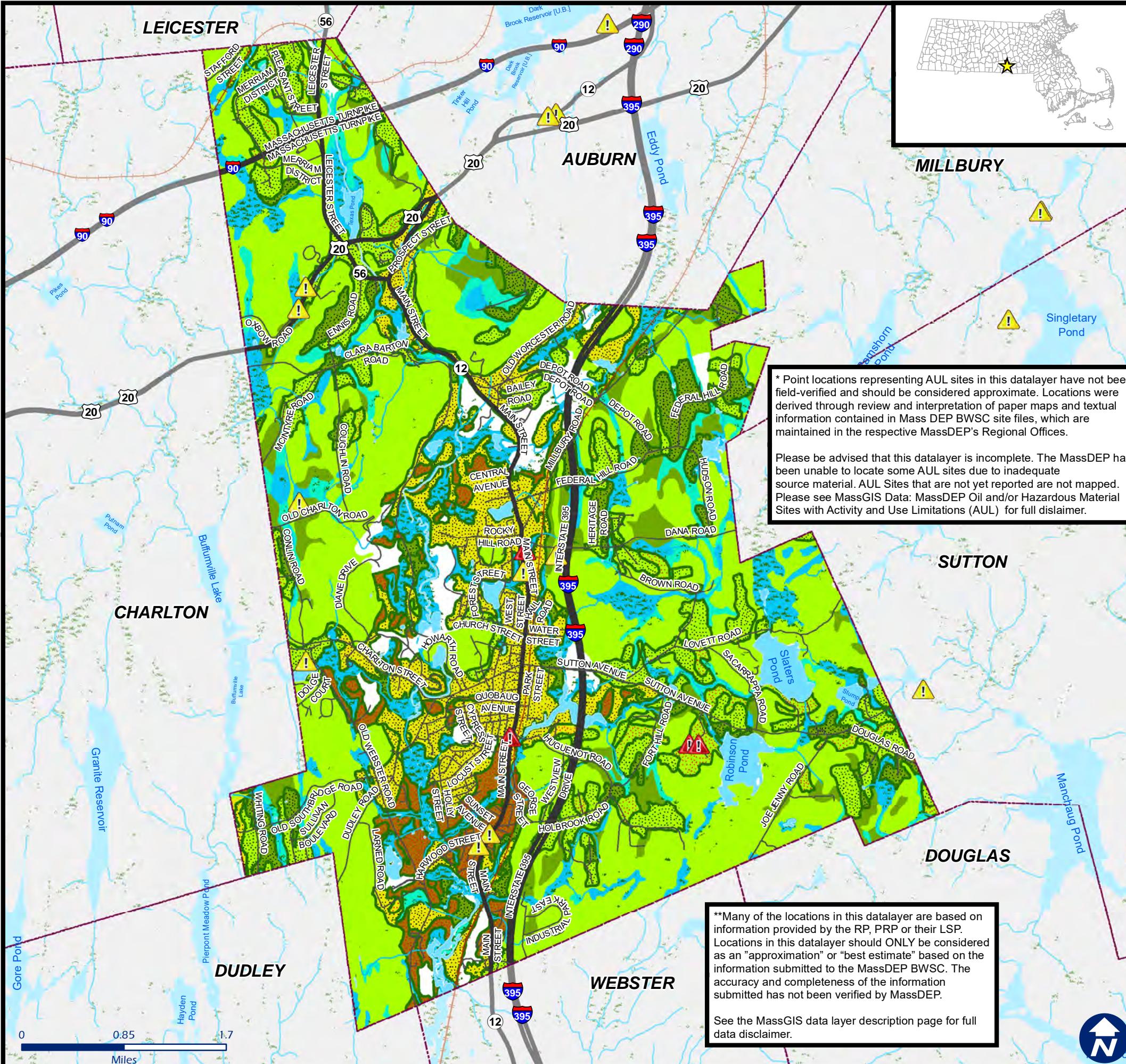
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# MAP 4

# SOILS & GEOLOGIC FEATURES

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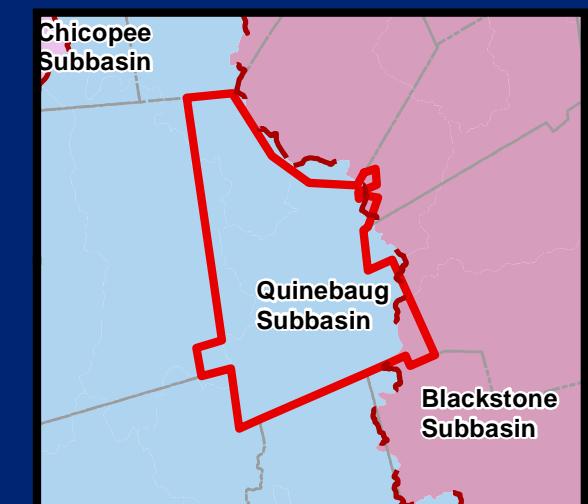
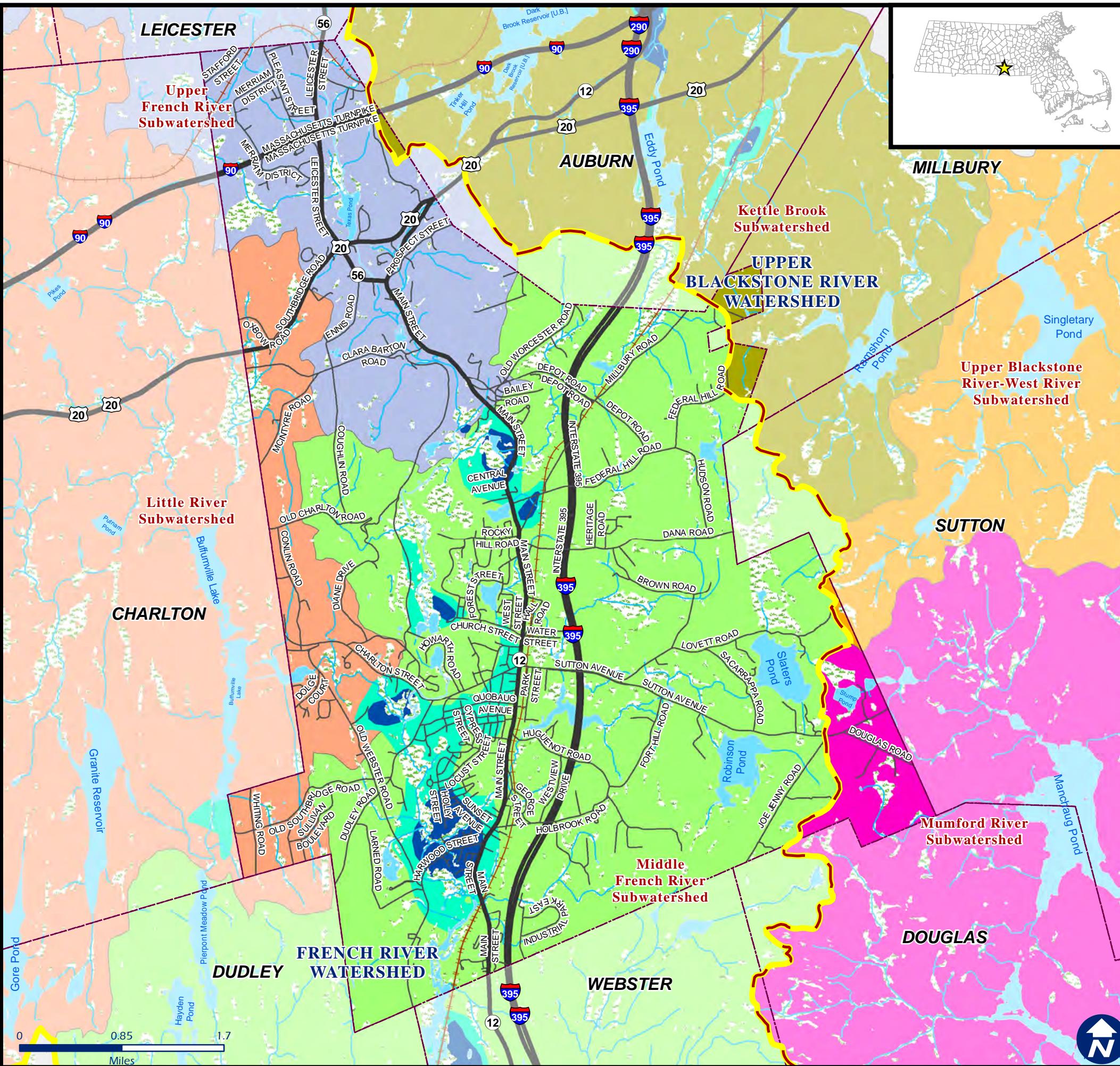


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## MAP 5

# WATER RESOURCES MAP 1

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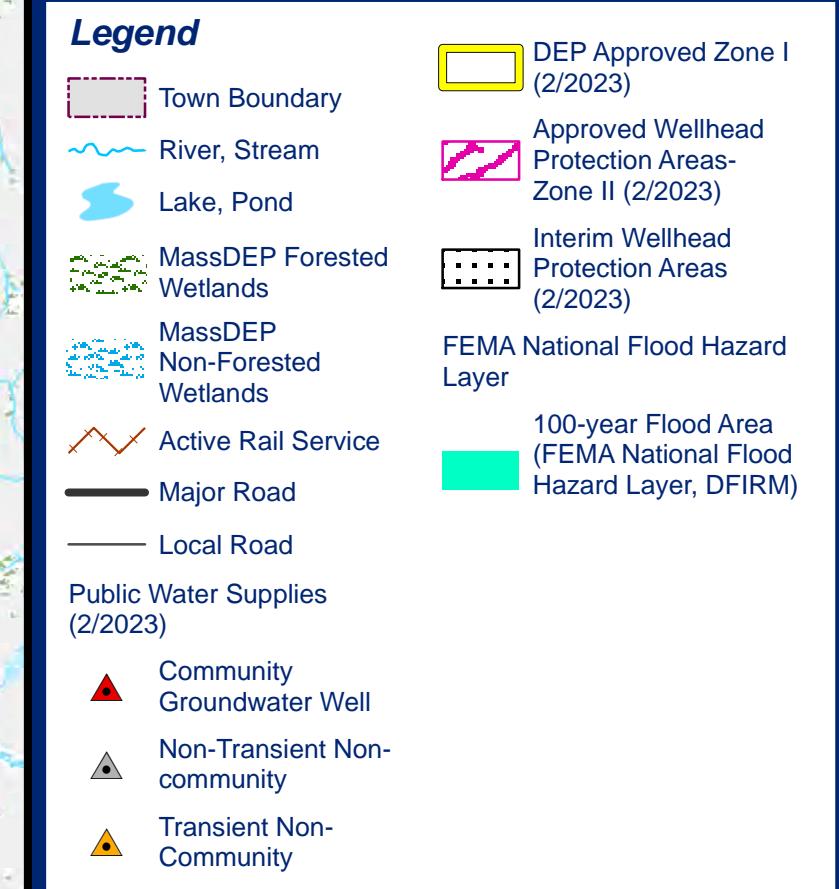
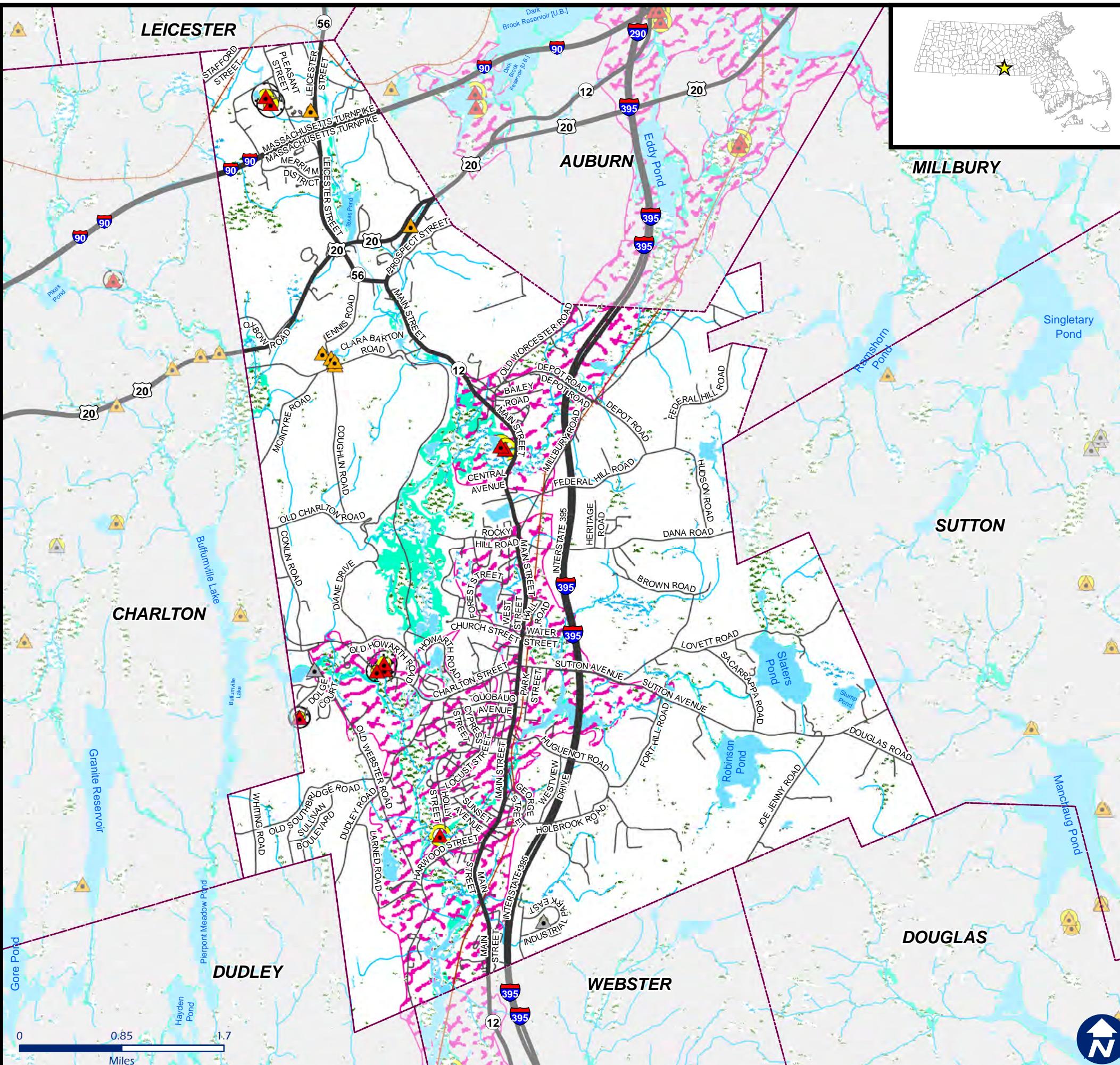


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# MAP 6

# WATER RESOURCES MAP 2

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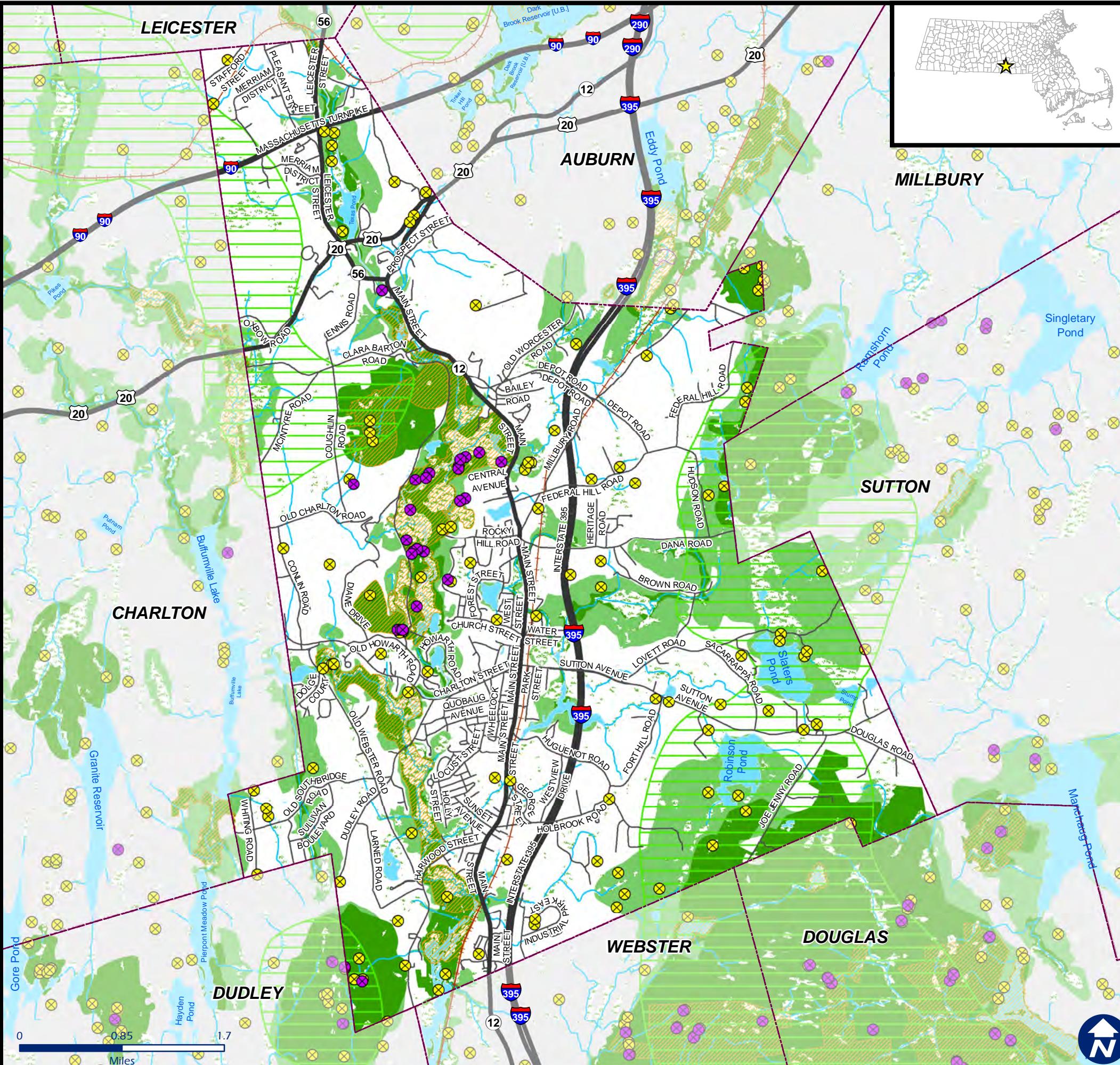
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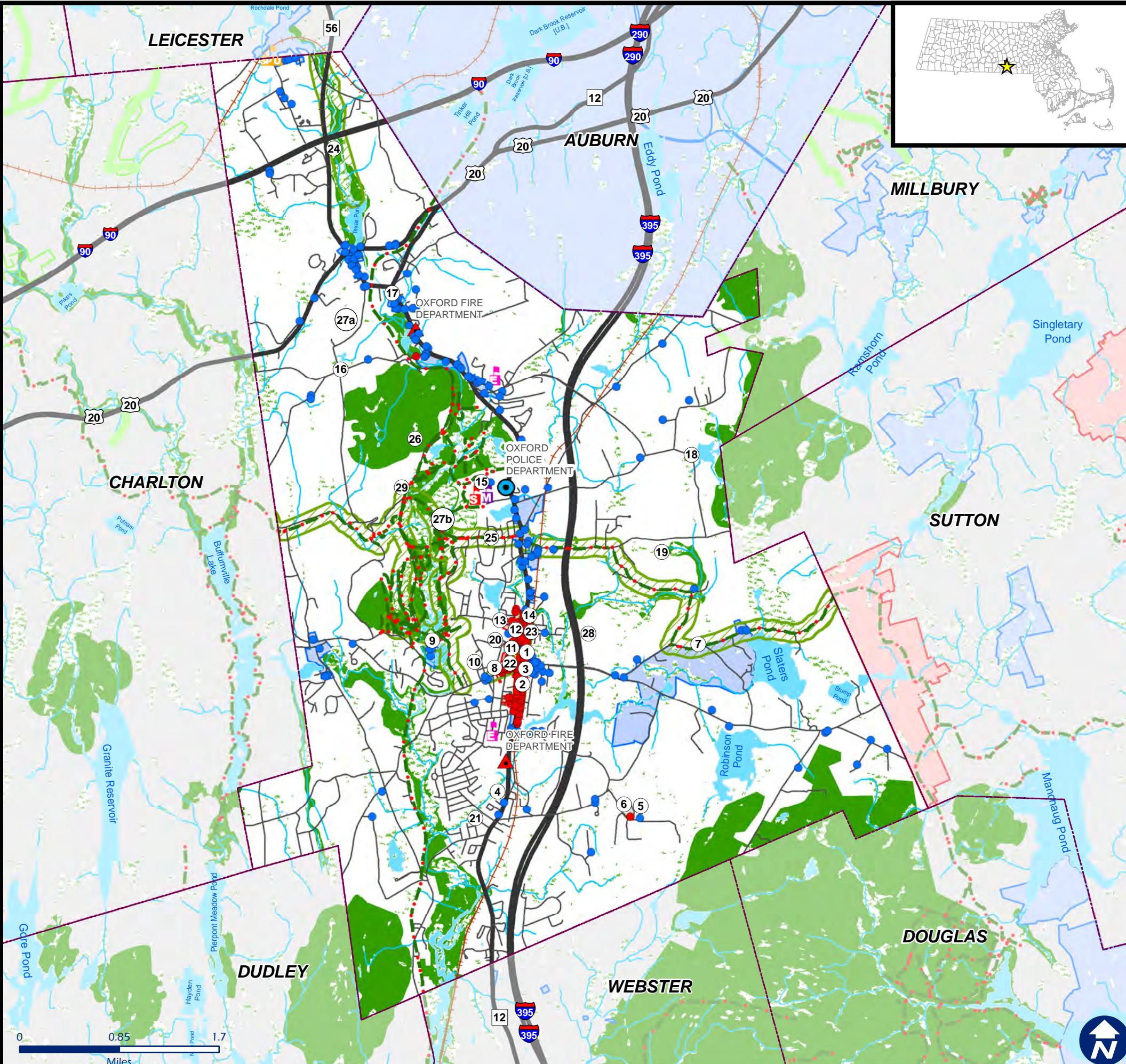
## HABITAT FEATURES



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# MAP 8 SCENIC RESOURCES & UNIQUE ENVIRONMENTS

## Town of Oxford 2023 Open Space & Recreation Plan



Town Boundary	Schools (PK-12)(05/2022)
River, Stream	Public Elementary
Lake, Pond	Public Middle
MassDEP Wetlands	Public Secondary
Active Rail Service	Special Education (Unapproved)
Major Road	
Local Road	
Trails	
Scenic Roads	
Priority Preservation Area	
Town Hall (07/2017)	
Police	
Fire Dept. (9/2022)	
Locally Identified Points of Interest (including Priority Preservation Areas and Unusual Geologic Features)	
Nat'l Register of Historic Places	
Preservation Restriction	
Inventoried Property	
Nat'l Register of Historic Places	
Preservation Restriction	
Local Historic District	
Inventoried Area	
NHESP/TNC BioMap - Core Habitat	

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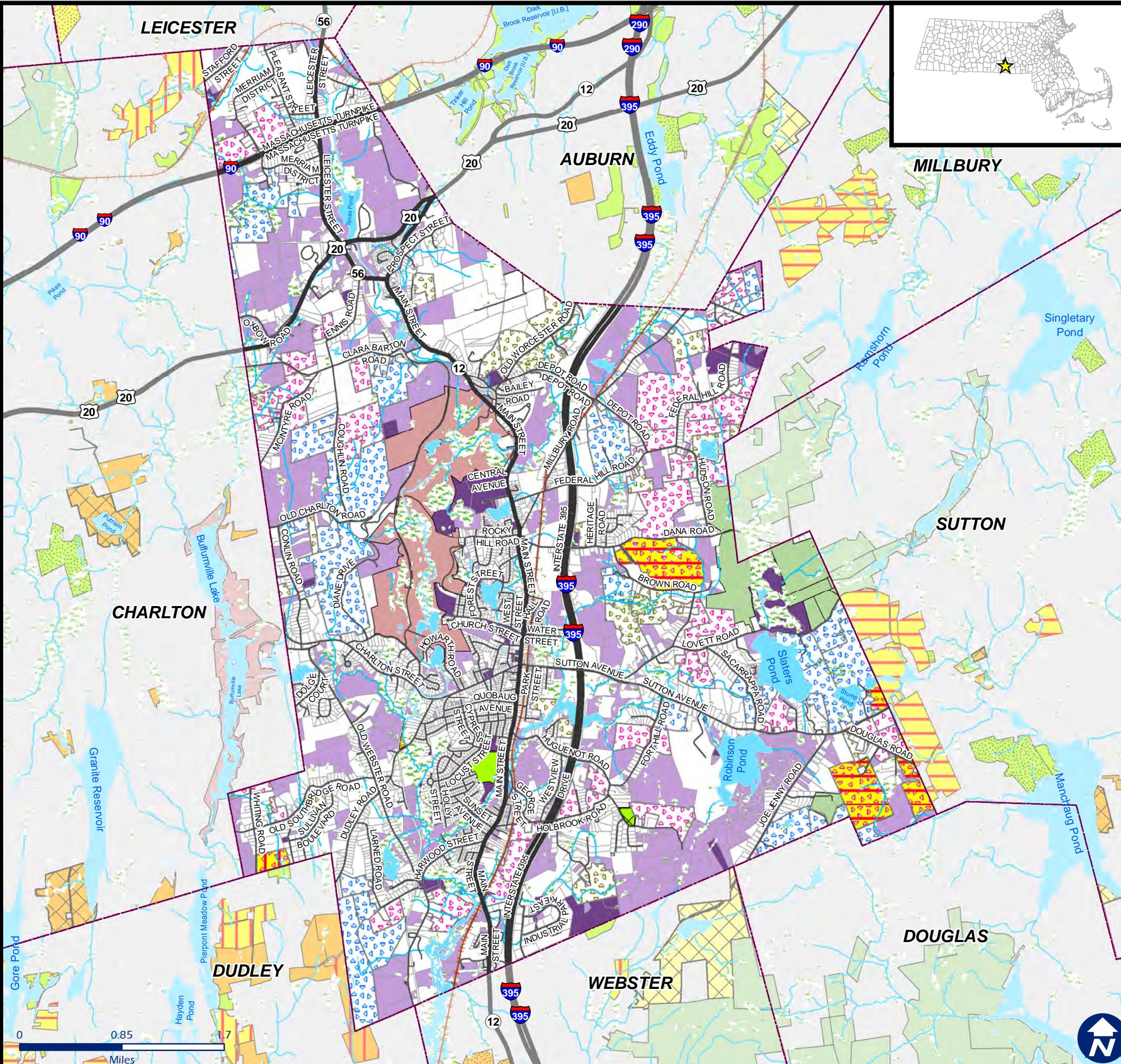
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## Legend

- Town Boundary
- River, Stream
- Lake, Pond
- MassDEP Wetlands
- Active Rail Service
- Major Road
- Local Road
- Town Owned Land (FY2023)
- Undeveloped Land (FY2023)

## Open Space Ownership (01/2023)

- Federal
- State
- Municipal - Conservation
- Municipal - Recreation
- Municipal - Water Supply Protection
- Municipal
- Private
- Non-Profit

## Level of Protection (01/2023)

- Perpetuity\*
- Limited
- None

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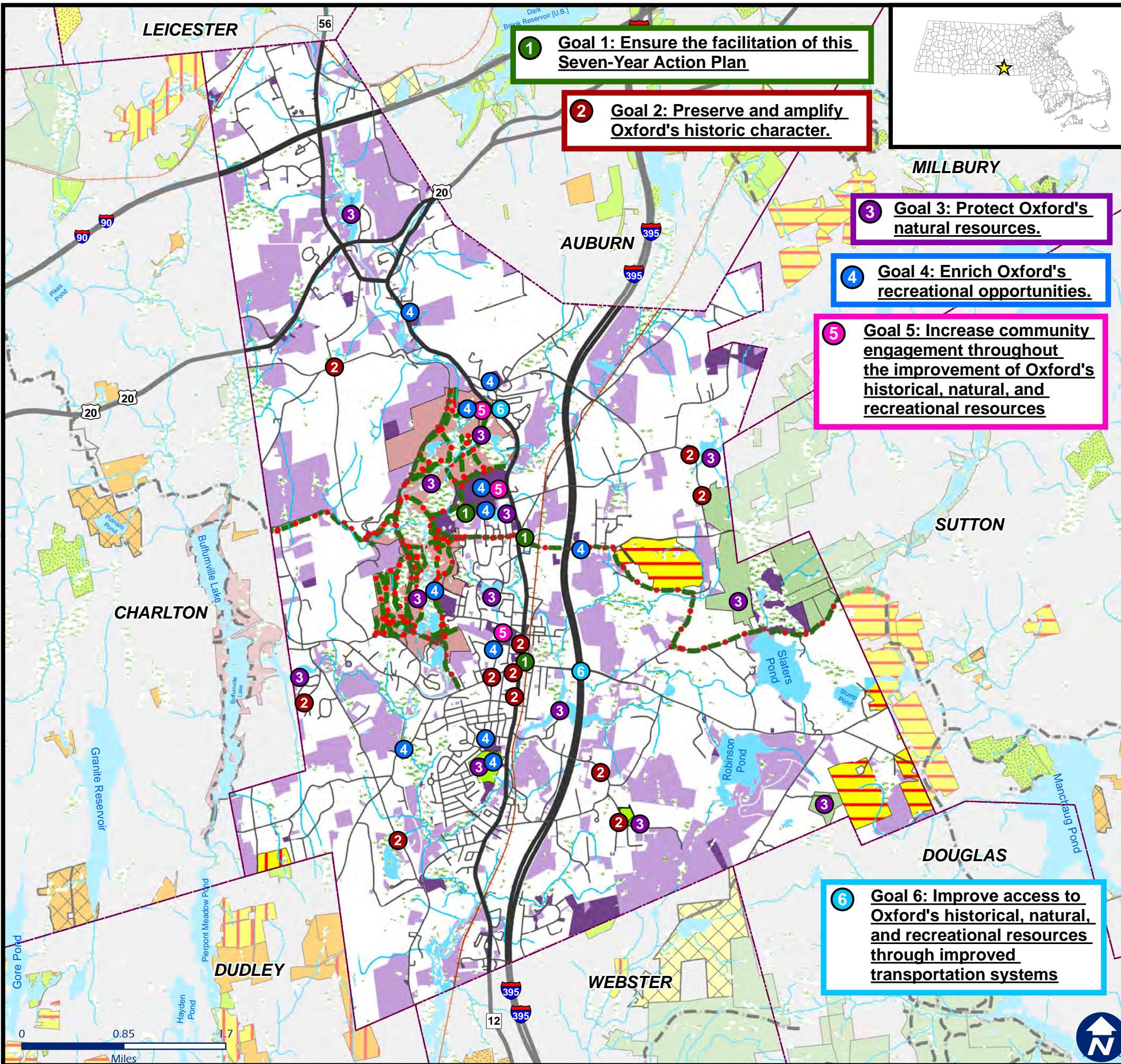


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# MAP 10

# ACTION PLAN MAP

## Town of Oxford 2023 Open Space & Recreation Plan



### Legend

Town Boundary	III Conservation Restriction (01/2023)
River, Stream	Agricultural Preservation Restriction (01/2023)
Lake, Pond	
MassDEP Wetlands	
Active Rail Service	
Major Road	
Local Road	
Town Owned Land (FY2021)	
Undeveloped Land (FY2021)	

### Open Space Ownership (01/2023)

Federal	Municipal - Water Supply Protection
State	Municipal
Municipal - Conservation	Private
Municipal - Recreation	Non-Profit

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Limited	Perpetuity*
None	

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