



Notice of Comments Received on Review of Eligible Area Maps for USDA Rural Housing Programs in Kansas

USDA Rural Development has received and reviewed comments on areas being reviewed for continued eligibility under the USDA Rural Housing programs. During the review, all comments were considered.

Below is a summary of the comments received for the Kansas rural area review:

1. Dodge City: Received 3 comments, all in support of retaining eligibility.
2. Garden City: Received 1 comment in support of retaining eligibility.
3. Gardner: Received 3 comments, all in support of retaining eligibility.
4. Hays: Received 2 comments, both in support of retaining eligibility.
5. Liberal: Received 2 comments, both in support of retaining eligibility.

Based on the review of the areas within the state of Kansas using the 2015 American Community Survey data, comments received, and rural area guidance located in Handbook HB-1-3550, Chapter 5, we have determined that Andover, Dodge City, Garden City, Gardner, Hays, Junction City, Lansing, Liberal and Pittsburg will remain eligible until the next review of rural areas.

The following ineligible areas will expand due to annexation:

1. Emporia: Two small areas in western Emporia.
2. Newton: One small area along the southern ineligible boundary line.
3. Olathe/Overland Park: Three small areas near the southern ineligible area boundary line.
4. Salina: One small area in southeast Salina.
5. Wichita: Four small areas in eastern Wichita. In addition, minor corrections are made along the ineligible area boundary line in order to match city limits.

Areas that will now be considered as no longer being rural or rural in character can be viewed at: <https://eligibility.sc.egov.usda.gov/eligibility/welcomeAction.do> by clicking on either "Single Family Housing Guaranteed", "Single Family Housing Direct" or "Multi-Family Housing" and then by selecting "Proposed Ineligible Areas" tab. Below is a link to a document that contains maps of all the areas that will no longer be eligible for USDA's Housing Programs.

The proposed changes will become effective on June 4, 2018. For details or questions about specific changes, please contact the Rural Development Housing Program staff in Kansas at: (785) 271-2722.

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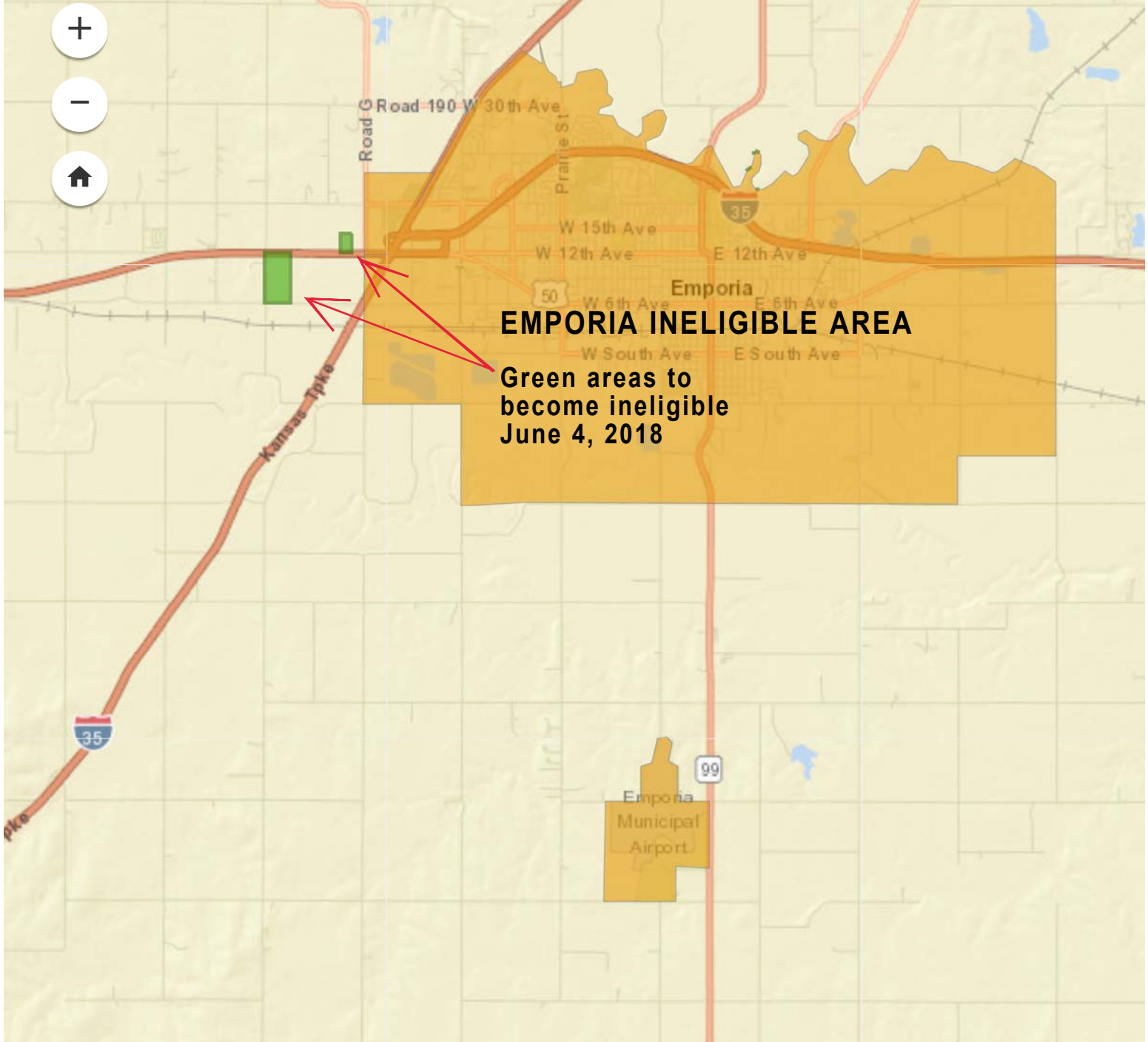
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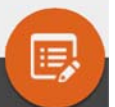
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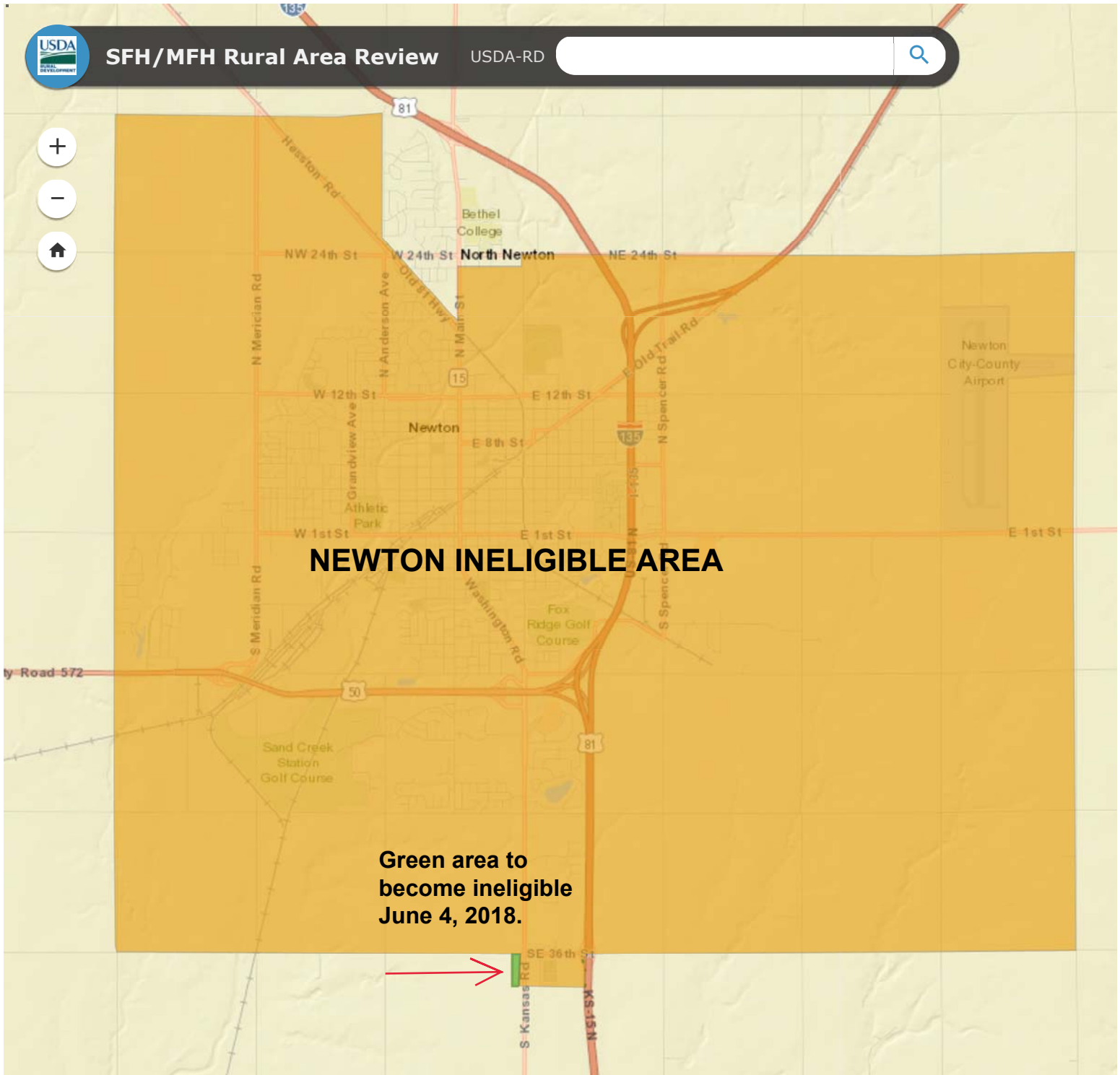
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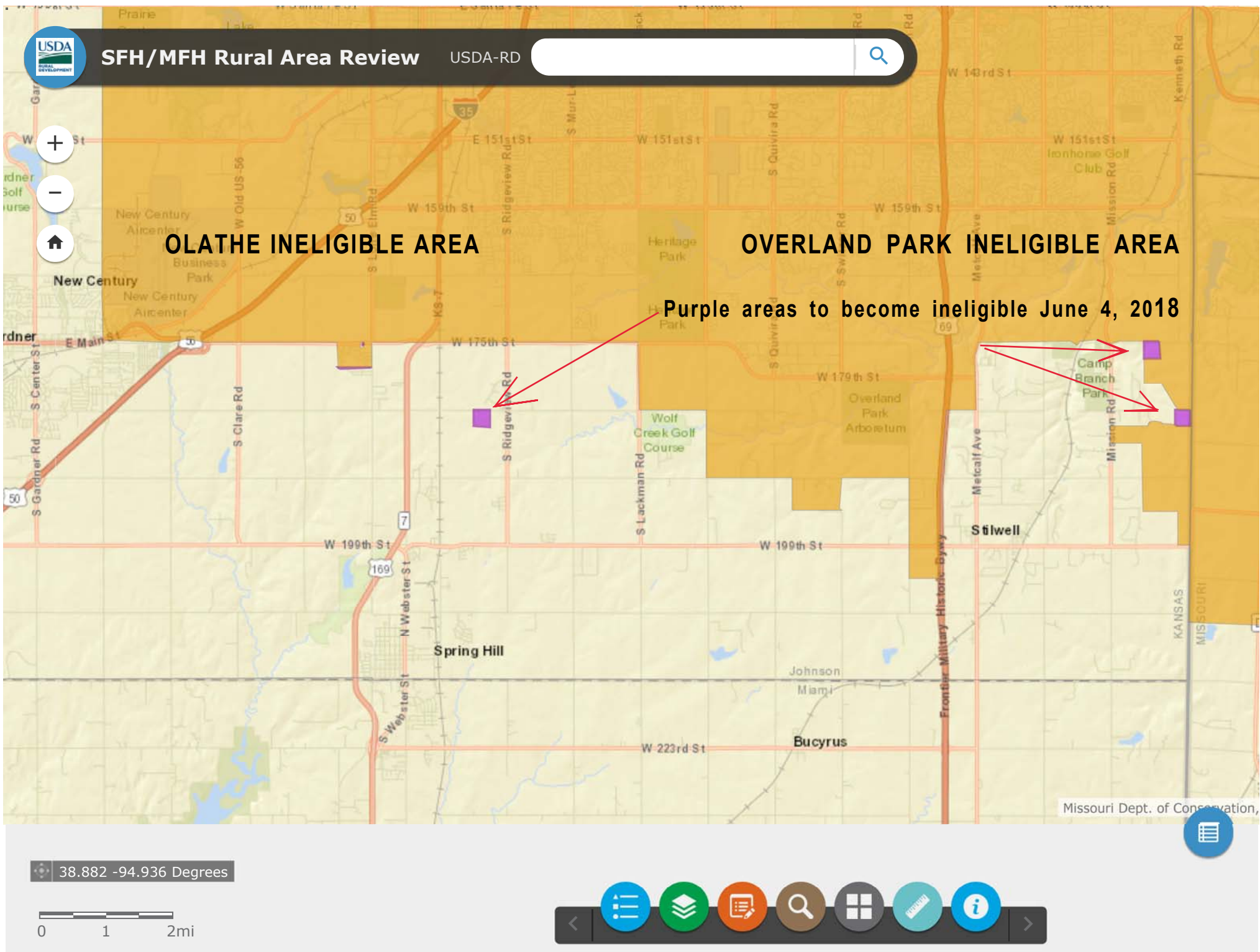
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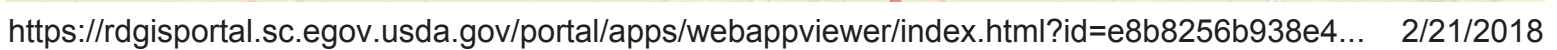




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