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Township of Boonton Petition for Plan Conformance



Kincaid Woods Area

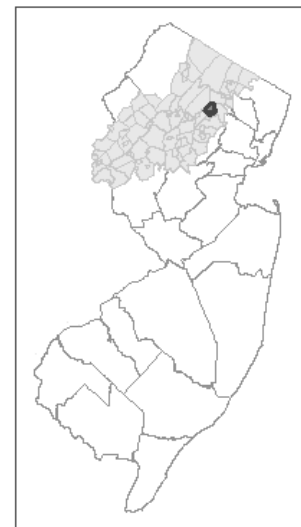
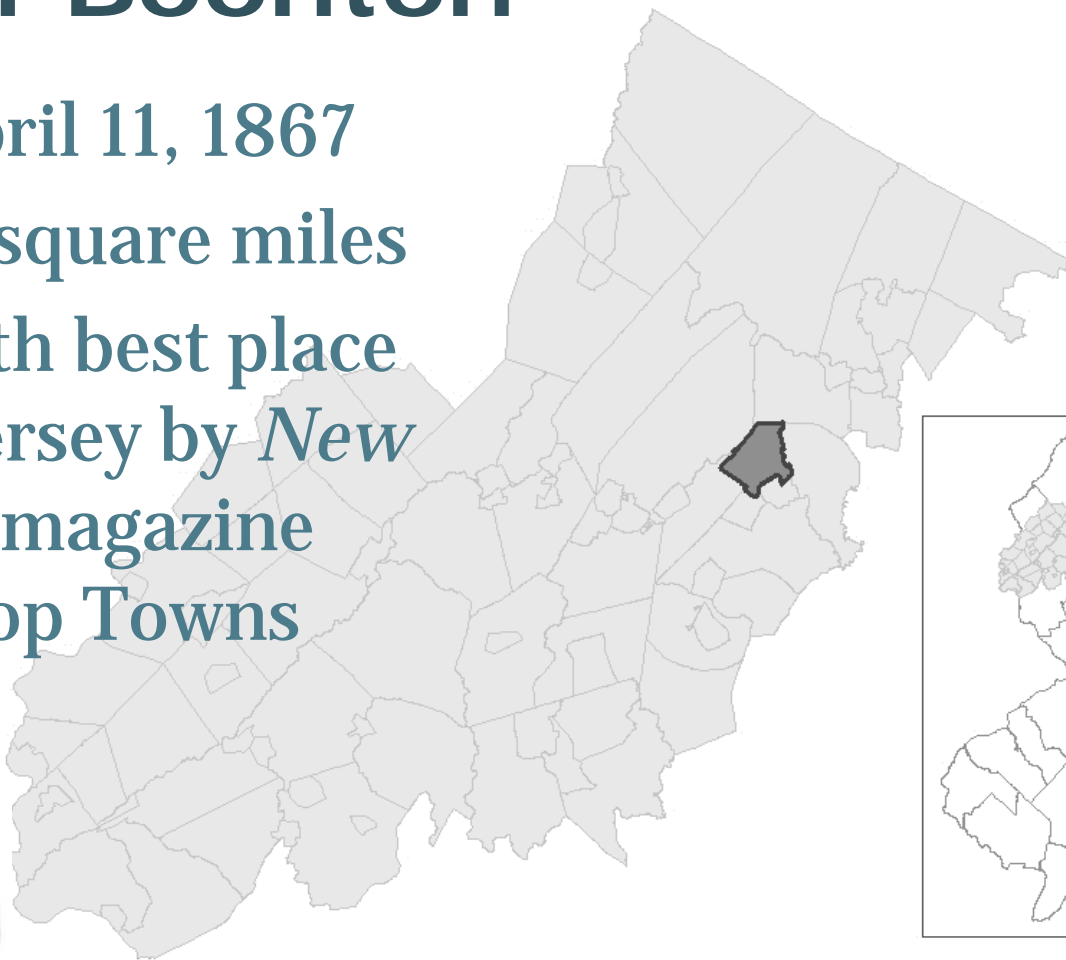


View of Deer Lake from Kincaid Woods



Township of Boonton

- Incorporated April 11, 1867
- 5,437 acres/8.6 square miles
- Ranked as the 4th best place to live in New Jersey by *New Jersey Monthly* magazine "New Jersey's Top Towns 2011-2012"

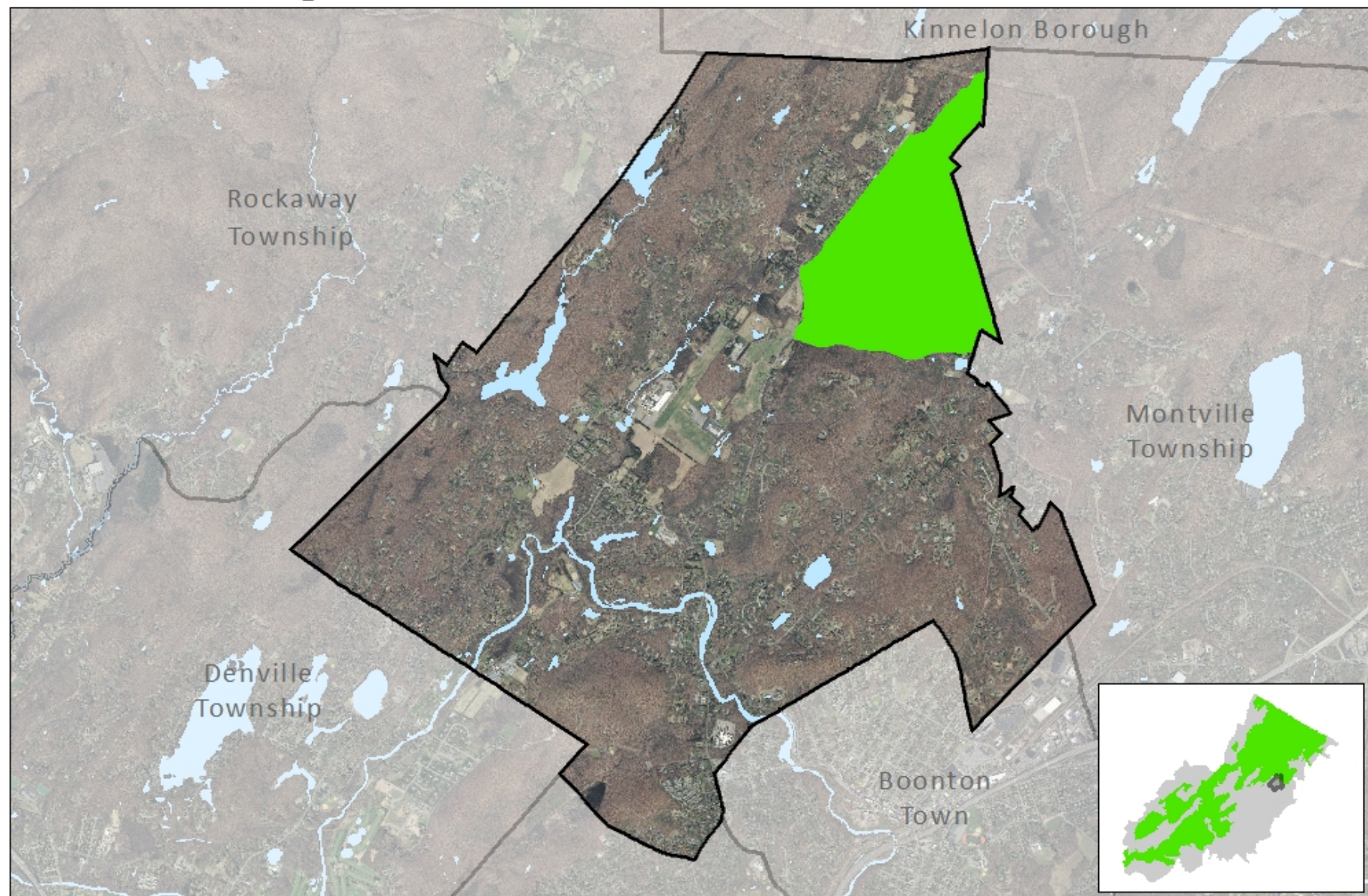







Petition

- Petition for Preservation Area lands only: 493 acres (9% of municipality)
 - Single family dwellings, preserved lands (75 acres), and a private lake club occupying 187 acres (or 38% of the Preservation Area)
 - Not served by public water or sewer infrastructure
 - Subject to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) Highlands Water Protection and Planning Act Rules (N.J.A.C. 7:38)
 - Very limited development potential; Highlands build-out revealed no developable lots within the Preservation Area
- Previously approved for Checklist Approach (1/2014)

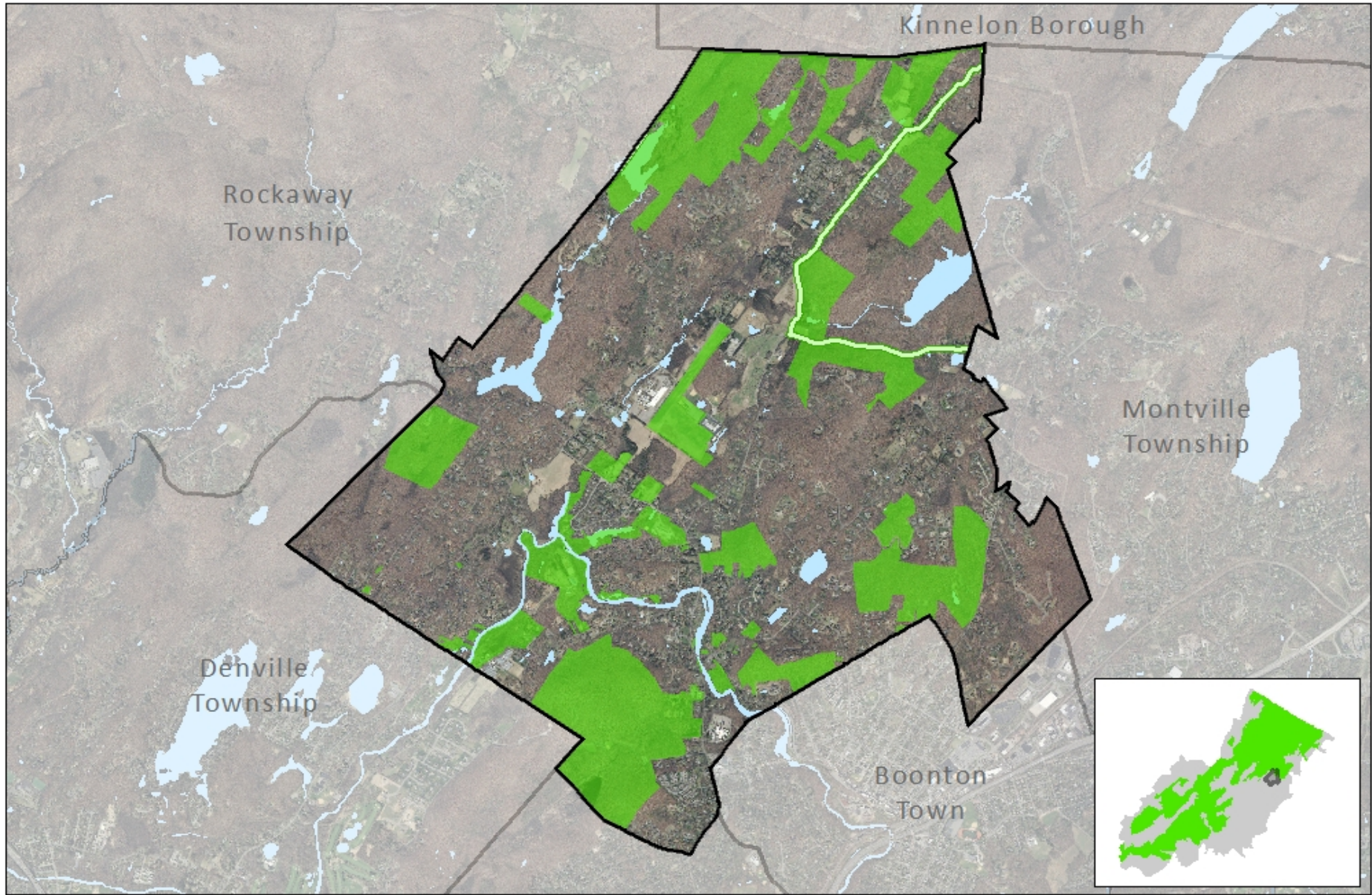
Boonton Township - Preservation Area



Legend

-  Municipal Boundaries
-  Open Water
-  Preservation Area

Boonton Township - Preserved Lands



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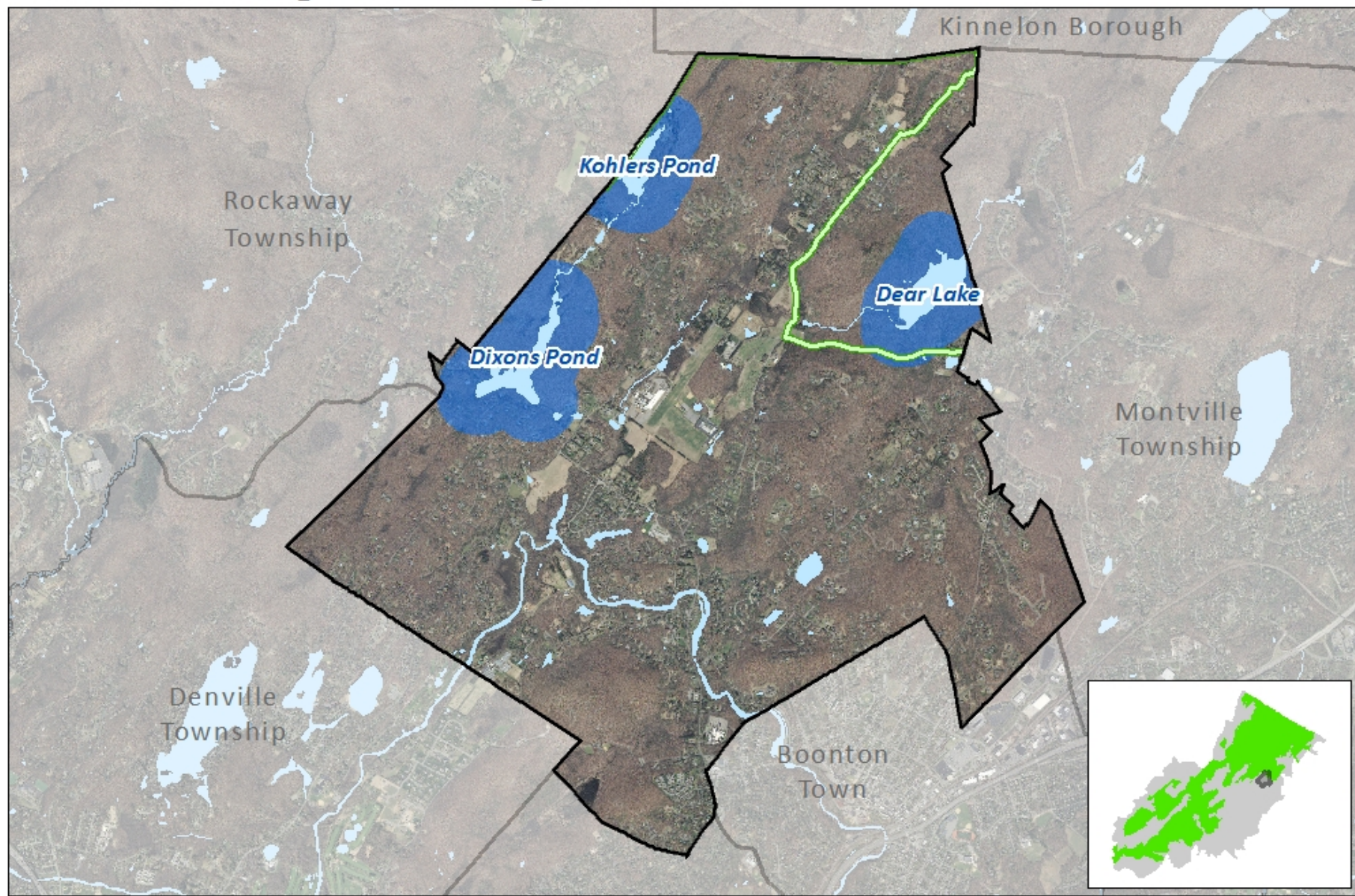
 Municipal Boundaries	 Preserved Lands
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Boonton Township - Lake Management Areas



Legend

- Municipal Boundaries
- Open Water
- Preservation Area
- Lake Management Areas



Public Comment Summary

- Public Comment Period:
March 15-31, 2015
- No comments received
- Revised Final documents posted to the
Highlands Council website: April 10, 2015



Implementation Funding

- Implementation Plan & Schedule includes funding to address:
 - Water Use and Conservation Management Plan
 - Habitat Conservation Plan
 - Stream Corridor Protection/Restoration Plan
 - Sustainable Economic Development Plan
 - Stormwater Management Plan
 - Lake Restoration Management Plan



Staff Recommendation:

Approve w/conditions

- Adoption of approved:
 - Highlands ERI
 - Master Plan Highlands Element
 - Checklist Ordinance
 - Highlands Exemption Ordinance
 - Housing Element and Fair Share Plan
 - Wastewater Management Plan
- Adherence to Implementation Plan & Schedule



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