



City of North Augusta Hurricane Helene Recovery Update (Day 25)

21 October 2024



City Lines of Effort (LOEs)



LOE 1 Critical Infrastructure / Basic Human Needs - Completed

LOE 2 Open road networks / route clearance

- Improve road access to two – four lanes as able

LOE 3 Public Safety / Maintain Law & Order

- Assist power crews & tree crews with lane closures

LOE 4 Communicate

- Demand signal to County, State, Federal, Utilities, and Non-Governmental Organizations
- Establish communications with critical command nodes across government
- Conduct Key Leader engagements (KLEs) – with strategic intent and specific asks
- Establish communications channel with Citizens (City of North Augusta – Public Information Page)

LOE 5 Debris Removal – Main Effort



LOE 5 Debris Removal



- **State Roads – SCDOT Contract**
- **County Roads – Aiken County Contract**
- **City Roads – Aiken County Contract option**
 - Signed Cooperative Purchasing Agreement & Notice to Proceed with Tetrattech (monitoring)
 - Working contract documents with SDR – **will start with three crews and build from there**
 - SC Department of Environmental Services has approved multiple sites for debris removal storage
- **City Roads – City crews**
 - First pass; contract crews will likely have to come behind our initial work
- **City Property/Parks – City crews & Contract crews**
 - City Parks – mixture of City crews & contracted crews
 - Greenway – no volunteers allowed for cleanup based on liability
 - Greenway – plan is for contracted option to cut trees & remove debris
- **Resident debris self-removal options**
 - C&D Landfill
- **City trees overhanging/fallen on private property**

Capabilities

City Yard Debris Truck



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Contracted Debris Truck





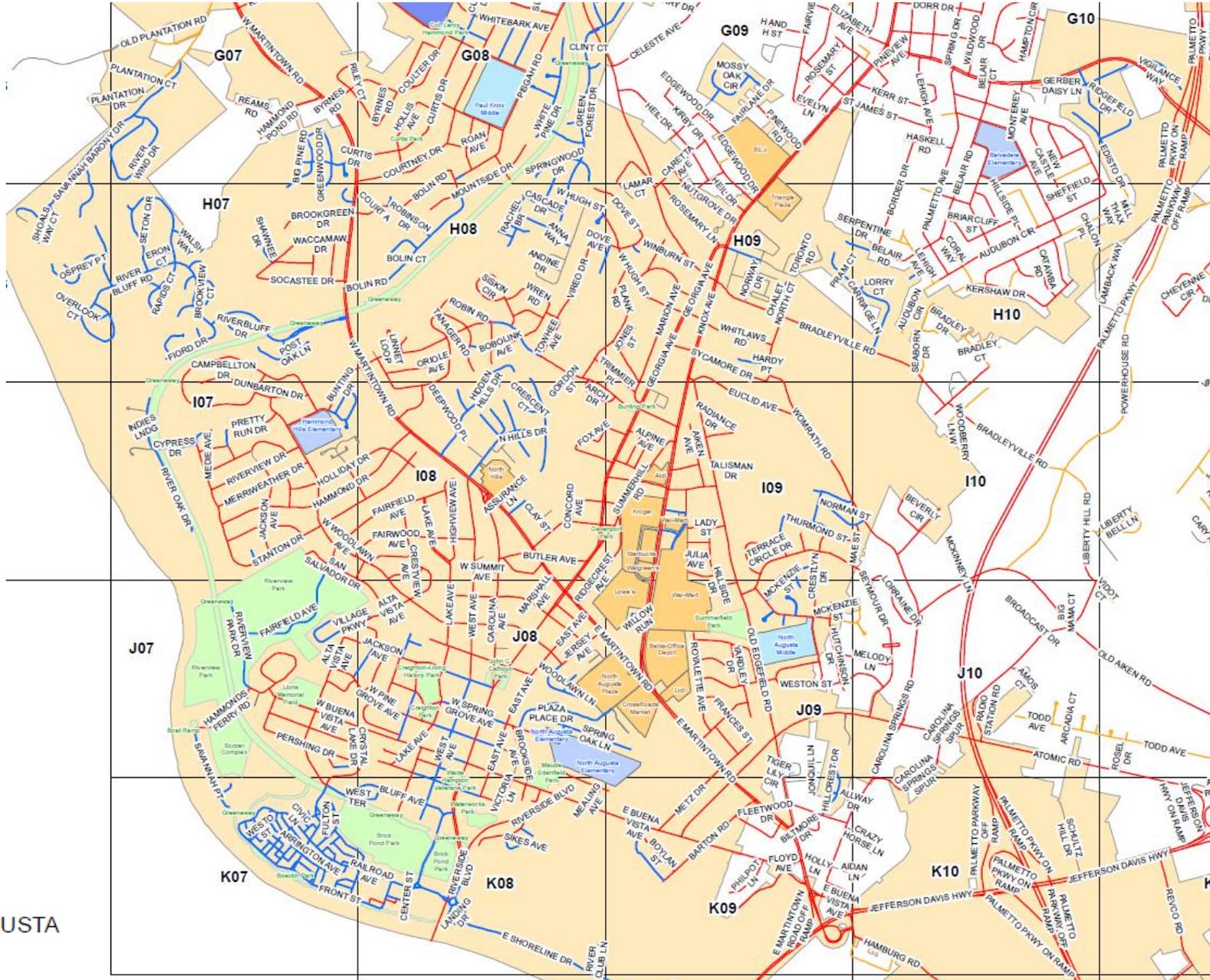
Staff Guidance



- City Limits only (Belvedere covered by Aiken County)
- Suspend normal yard debris routes for at least 90 days
- Dedicate two full crews to debris removal mission on City streets
- Voluntary overtime for city debris crews
- Err on side of caution for use of City trucks- don't risk vehicle breakdowns in an attempt to pick up large/heavy debris
- Roads are a priority over the Greenway
- We will only pull trucks off assigned missions for Life/Health/Safety
- **Goal is to achieve as close to 100% FEMA reimbursement as possible**



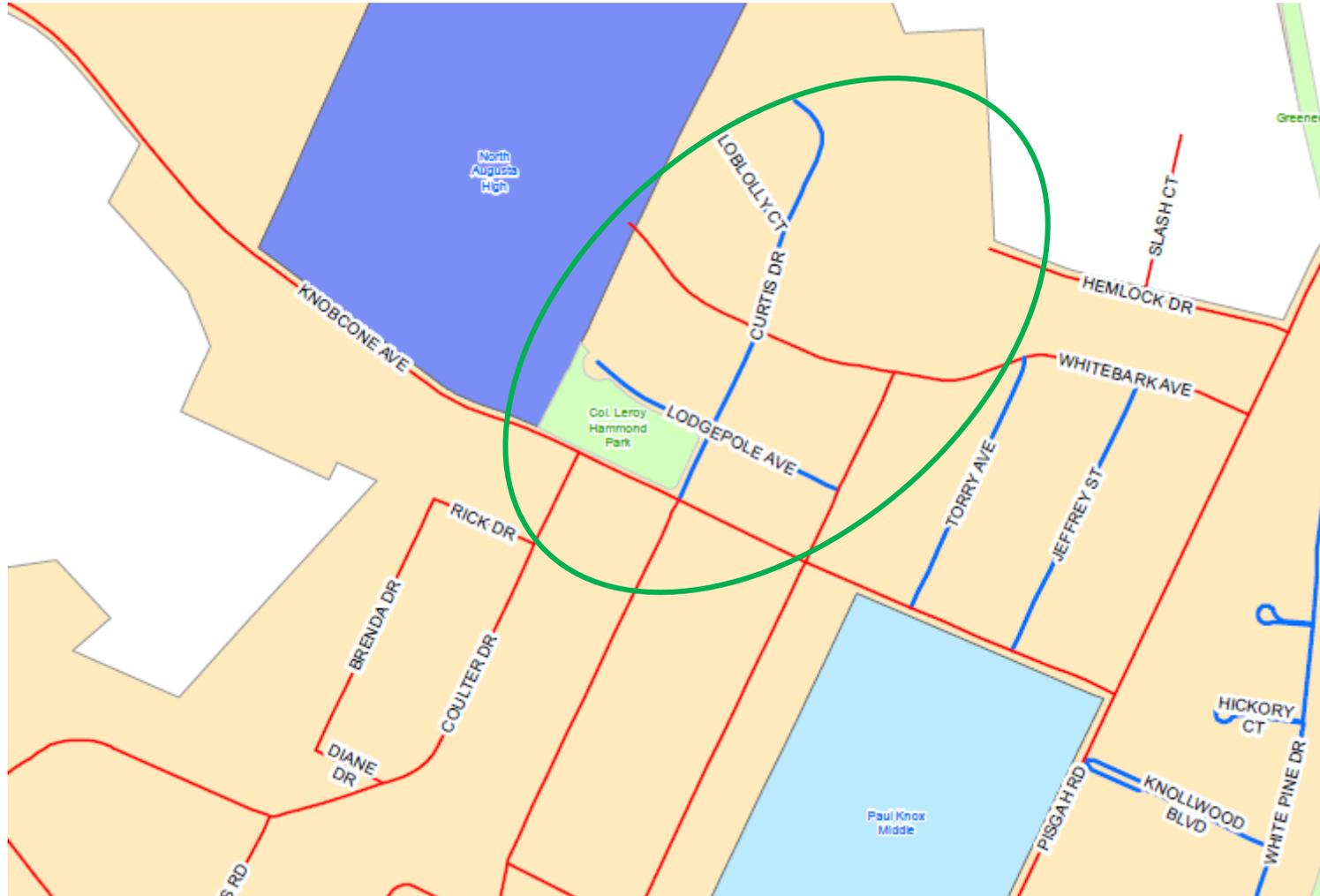
Multiple Road Owners



- Owner**
- SCDOT
 - PRIVATE
 - CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA
 - AIKEN COUNTY

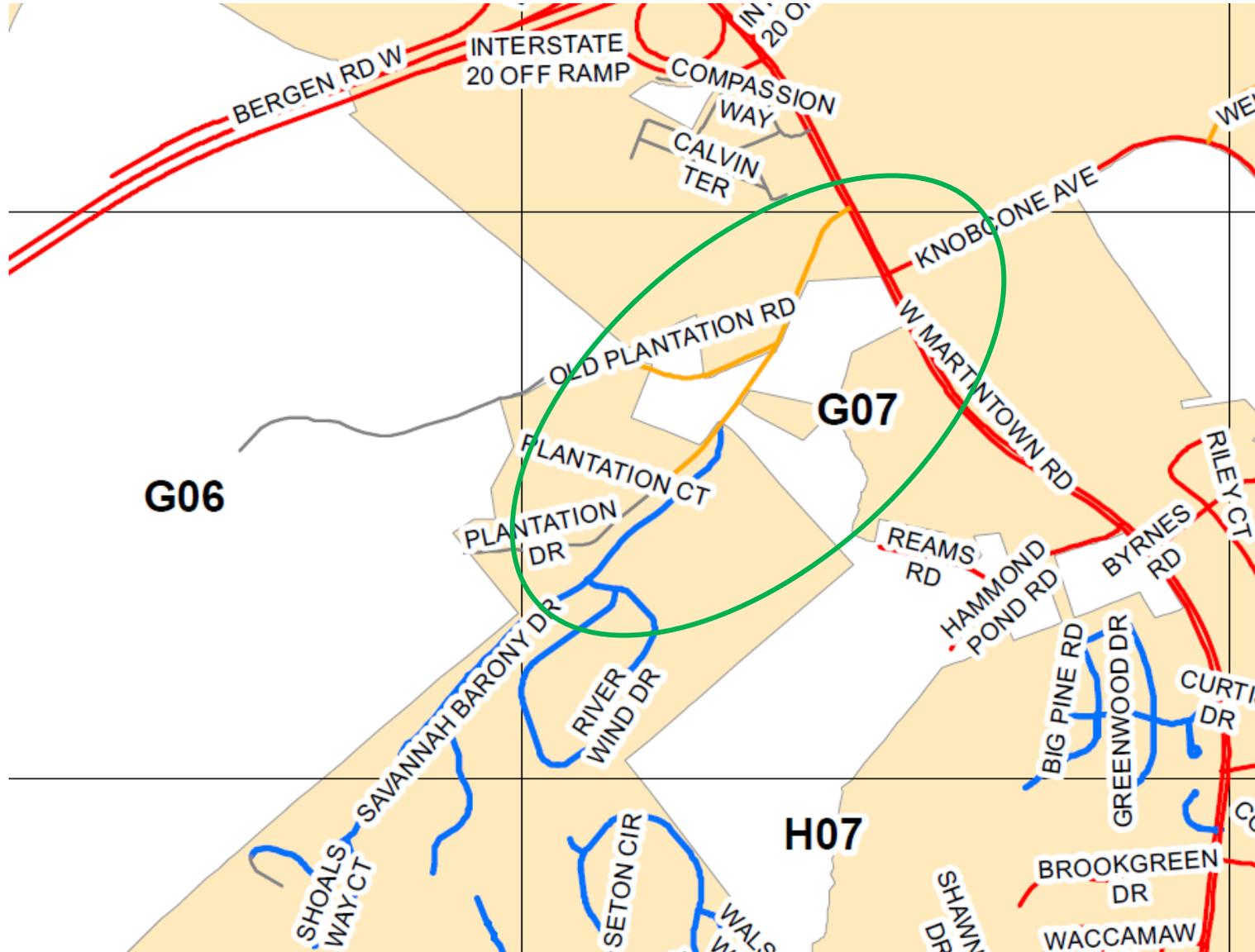


City Road & SCDOT Road example



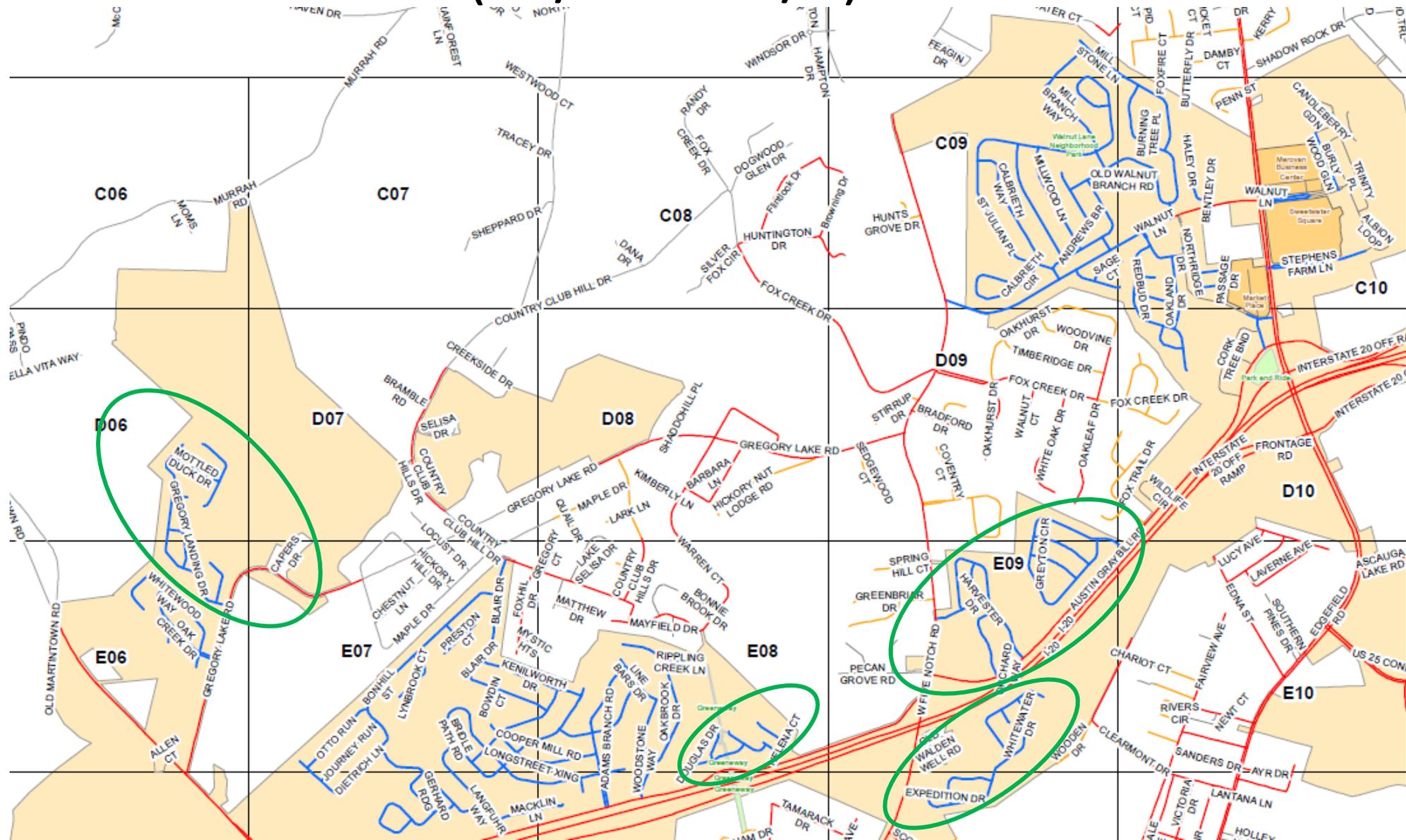


City & County Road Example



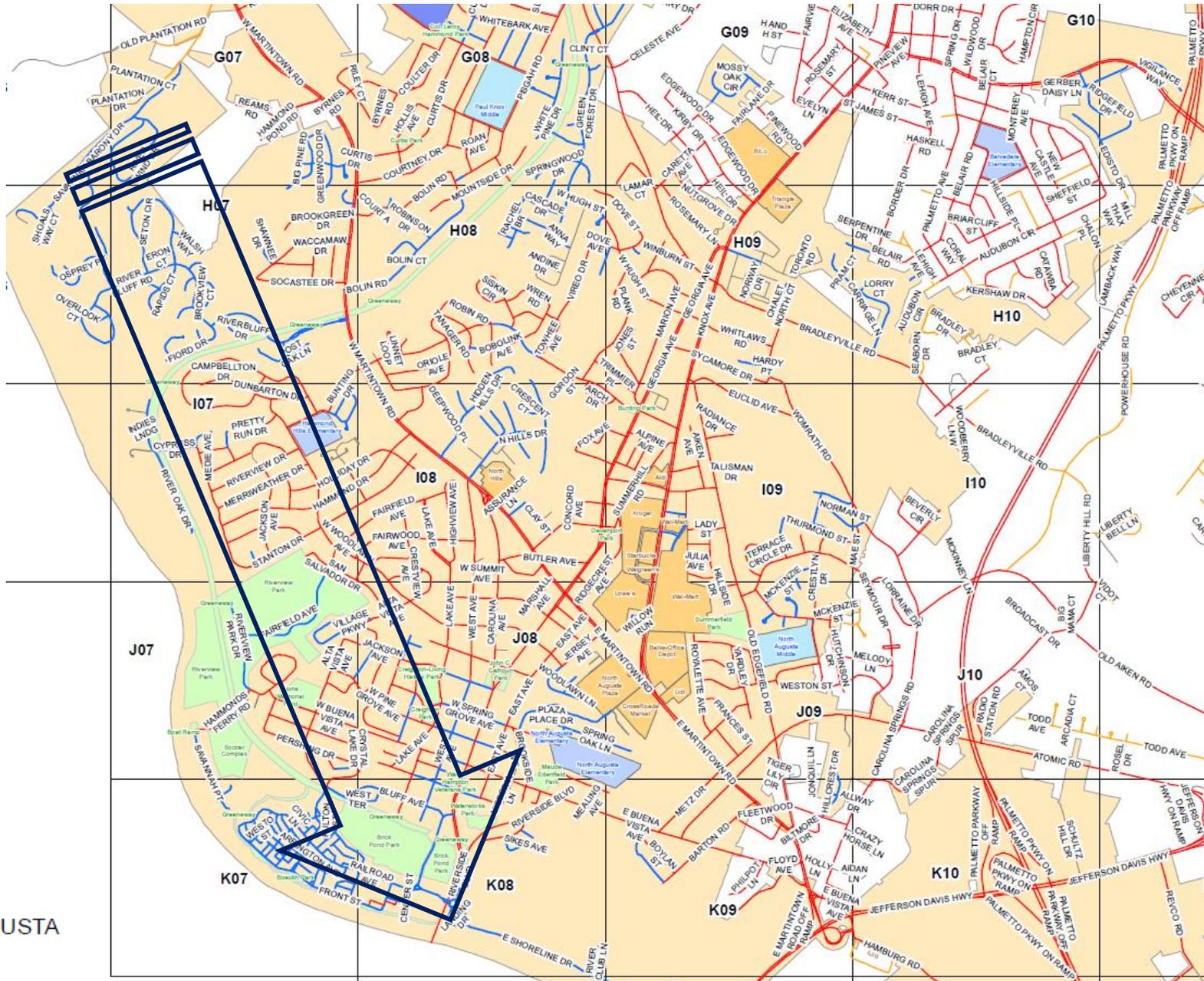


City Crew Neighborhood Focus (10/28 – 11/1)





Contracted Plan for City Roads



Owner

- SCDOT
- PRIVATE
- CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA
- AIKEN COUNTY



City Crews Report



Report from Public Services

West Ave. (Jackson Ave. to Bluff Ave) - We will have this completed tomorrow as there is one large pile that will take us until the rest of today and tomorrow morning.



Curtis Dr. – We have cleared Curtis Dr. between Knobcone and White Bark but are still working the 1900 – 2200 block as the piles are substantial and contractor will need to assist on the larger trees this includes Loblolly Court.

Lobgepole Ave. – We have completed Lobgepole and is clear of ALL debris.





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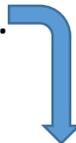
Broken Tree Hangers have been removed from trees on the following streets downtown:

Georgia Ave.: South of Calhoun Park

Spring Grove Ave.: From Georgia Ave. to West Ave.

Pine Grove Ave.: From Georgia Ave. to West Ave.

Buena Vista Ave.: from Georgia Ave. to West Ave.





Parks & Rec Report



Report from Parks & Rec

Parks & Recreation maintenance team cleared the following parks over the last 2 weeks allowing us to open up these facilities:

Boeckh Park- cut and remove trees, limbs, and branches.

Bunting Park- reattach playground borders.

Greenway trail from Riverside Blvd. Roundabout to Soccer Complex and Riverfront Loop section. Cut and remove trees, limbs, and branches.

Hammonds Ferry Soccer Complex- Clear off trees, limbs, and branches from sidewalks.

Lions Field- Had to cut and remove 2 trees in the islands near the bleachers.

Maude Edenfield Park basketball courts, playground, & parking lot. Cut and remove trees, limbs and branches.

Riverview Park- Cut and remove trees, limbs, and branches from within the park.

Walnut Lane Park & Playground- Cut and remove tree from off the playground area. (See attached picture of tree on playground equipment.)

Parks & Recreation maintenance team is focused on Riverview Park athletic fields and preparation for the Jack-O-Lantern Jubilee this week. Next week the team will turn our attention to debris removal from the parks that are currently closed.



Parks & Rec Damage Report





SCDOT Start Point



Courtney & Lodgepole

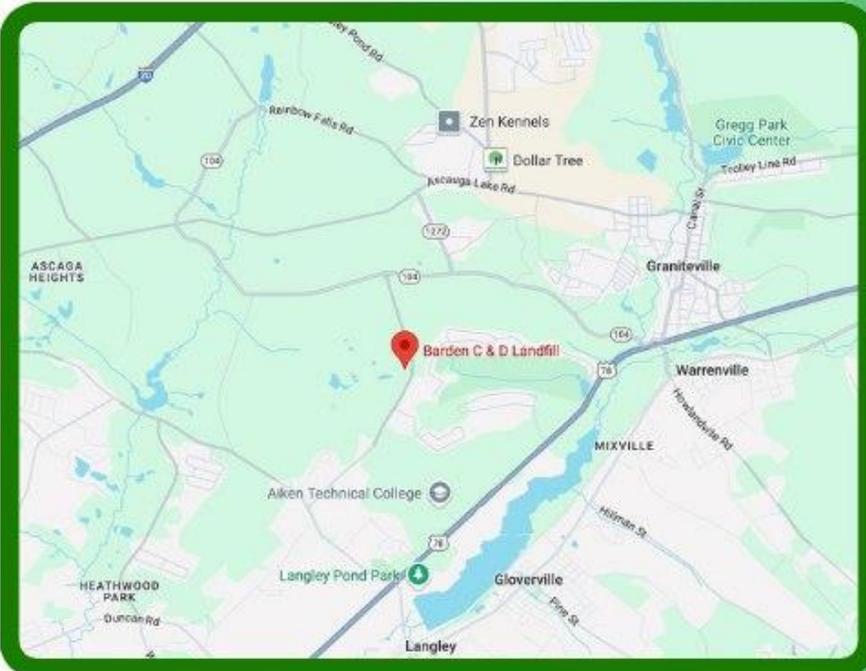


Whitebark Avenue





DEBRIS DROP-OFF SITE



 **Barden C & D Landfill**
411 Connector Road
Graniteville, SC 29829

 **Monday - Saturday**
7AM - 5PM

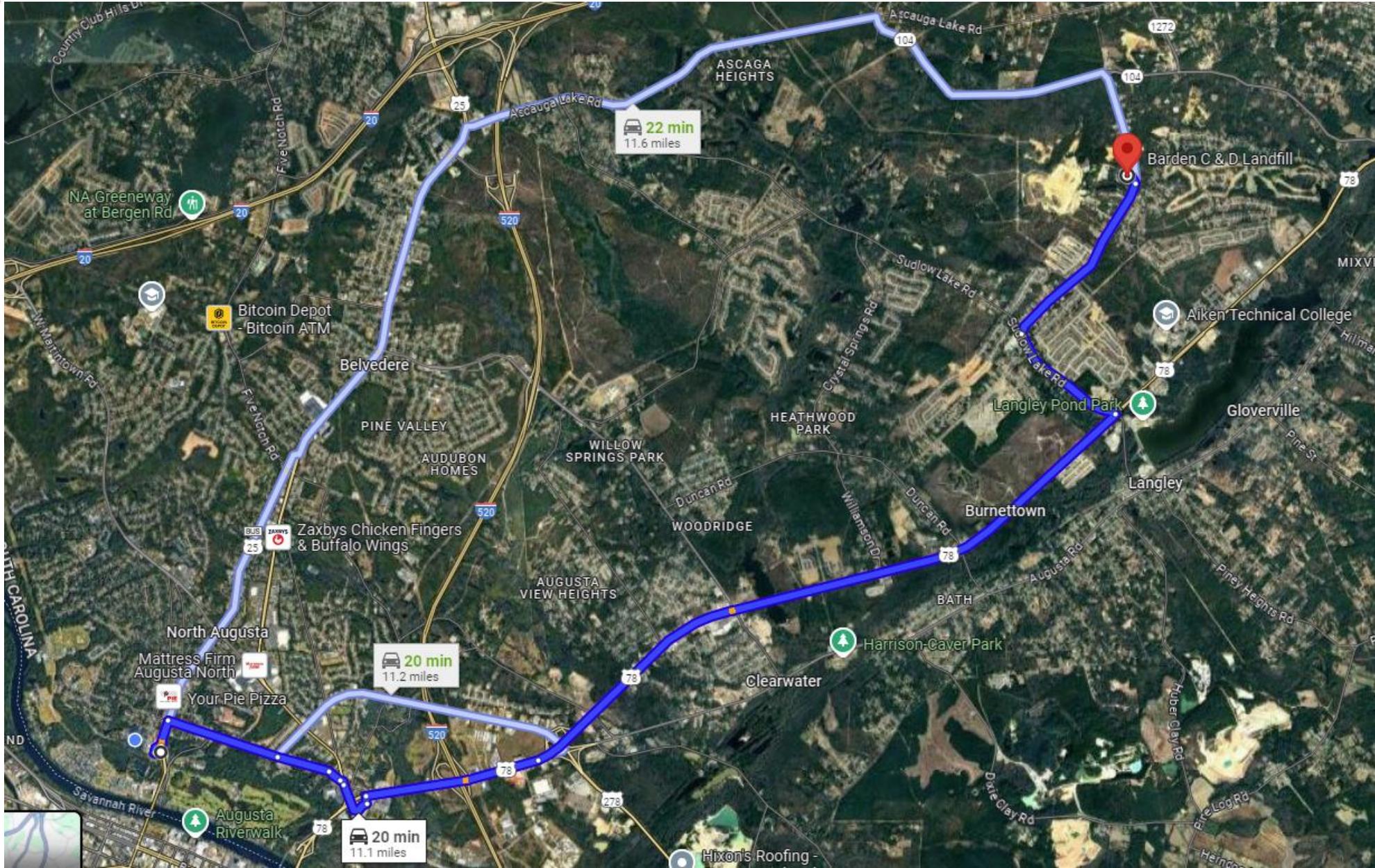
For more information

 803.642.1533

The landfills are restricted to dispose of waste from within Aiken County only. Residents may only bring waste generated from their primary residence. Residents must provide proof of residency. Commercial and local businesses must purchase a permit to dispose of waste.



Resident Debris Self-Removal





Tree Liability “Act of God”



- **City Tree damages your personal property**
 - Homeowners Insurance claim
 - City will not be removing tree(s)
- **City Tree lands in your yard, but no damage**
 - City will not be removing tree(s)
- **City tree is leaning over your property**
 - Report leaning tree to City Clerk: **803-441-4202**
 - City Arborist will evaluate the tree
 - City will make a determination about removal
- **Your tree falls onto City property**
 - City will remove tree from the City property only
- **City tree falls in your yard, damaging City property**
 - City will remove tree from City property and repair City property



Operation End State:



- **Enable power restoration to 100% of our citizens**
- Road hazards fully identified and removed
- Road debris cleared, all roads to pre-Hurricane status
- Recreational Facilities & City Parks opened to the extent possible
 - Riverview Park Activities Center fully opened 10/14/2024
- Plan to repair city facilities presented to Council
- Greenway passable from end to end



Questions?