



Year-Round Calendar Application School Expansion

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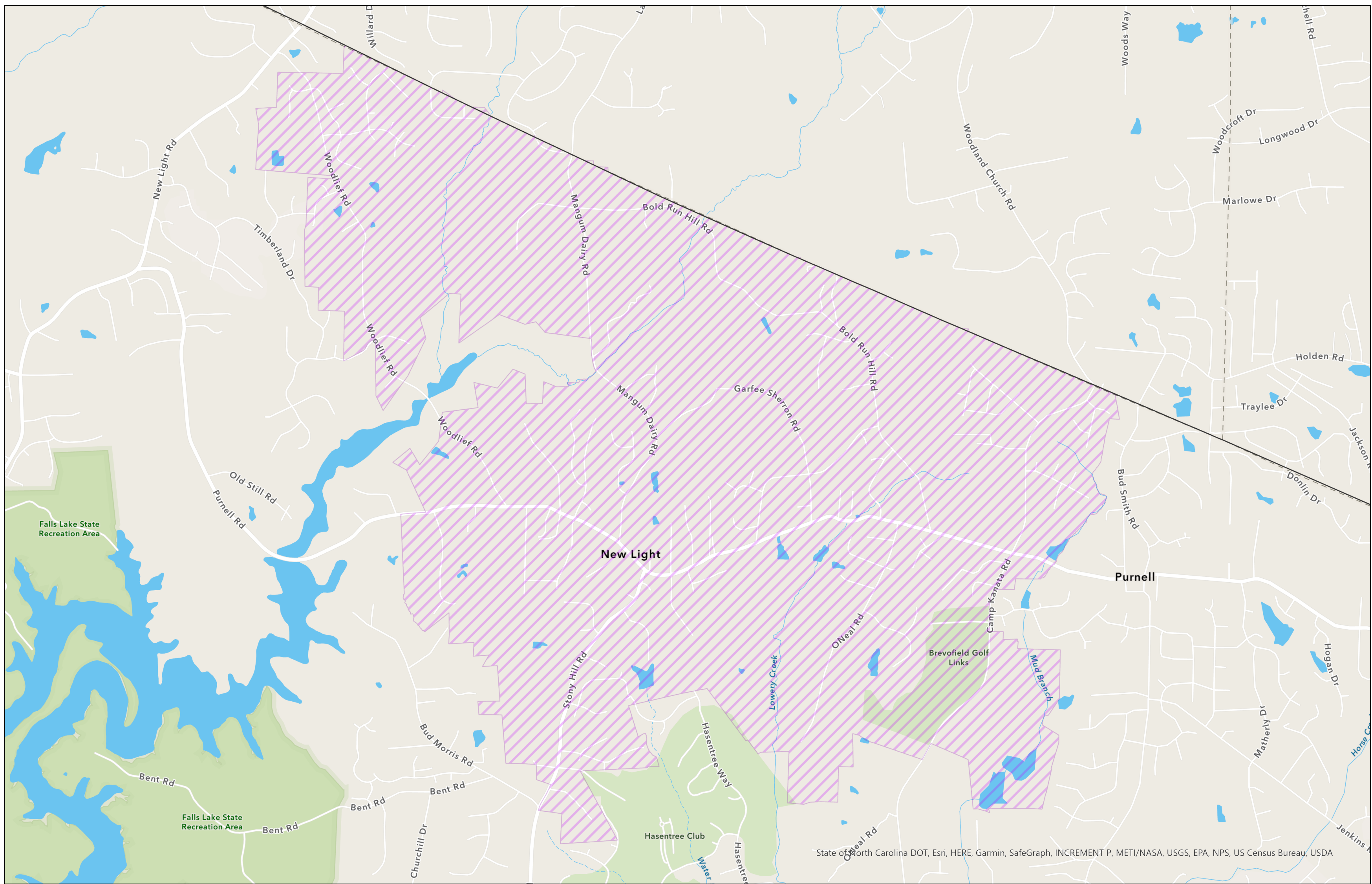
Rationale

- During the 2020-2021 Enrollment Plan, parent and staff discussions involved a portion of the Wakefield Middle School base that was also assigned to North Forest Pines Elementary School.
- Concerns from parents centered around a cohort of students in this particular area that attend Heritage Middle School as a Calendar Application student.

Rationale

- The overwhelming majority of students that attend Heritage Middle School eventually attend either Heritage High School or Wake Forest High School.
- Students domiciled in this particular area are now assigned to Wakefield High School.
- Staff is recommending to include an additional year-round middle school choice for these families, so that these students may be a part of a larger cohort that will attend Wakefield High School.

Area View



Staff Recommendation

- Include Durant Road Middle School as an additional Calendar Application choice for families living in this particular area.
- Staff will make a recommendation to the Board to remove Heritage Middle School as a year-round choice for these families during the 2022-2023 Enrollment Plan.
- If families do not want their child to possibly be reassigned during middle school, then they can choose Durant Road Middle School for the 2021-2022 school year as their Calendar Application choice.

Staff Recommendation

- Students will continue to receive district transportation to Heritage Middle School and Durant Road Middle School for 2021-2022.
- In 2022-2023, students living in this particular area that attend Heritage Middle School may be subject to reassignment in 2022-2023. (This will be the staff recommendation)
- Some students may be permitted to remain at Heritage Middle School, without district transportation in 2022-2023 based on the rules for stability set forth in the Enrollment Plan.

Next Steps

- Staff will include Durant Road Middle School as an additional Calendar Application choice for this area.
- Staff will contact all families in this area that are eligible to apply for Durant Road Middle School to share this presentation.
- The Office of Student Assignment staff will continue to be available to assist families with navigating the application process.