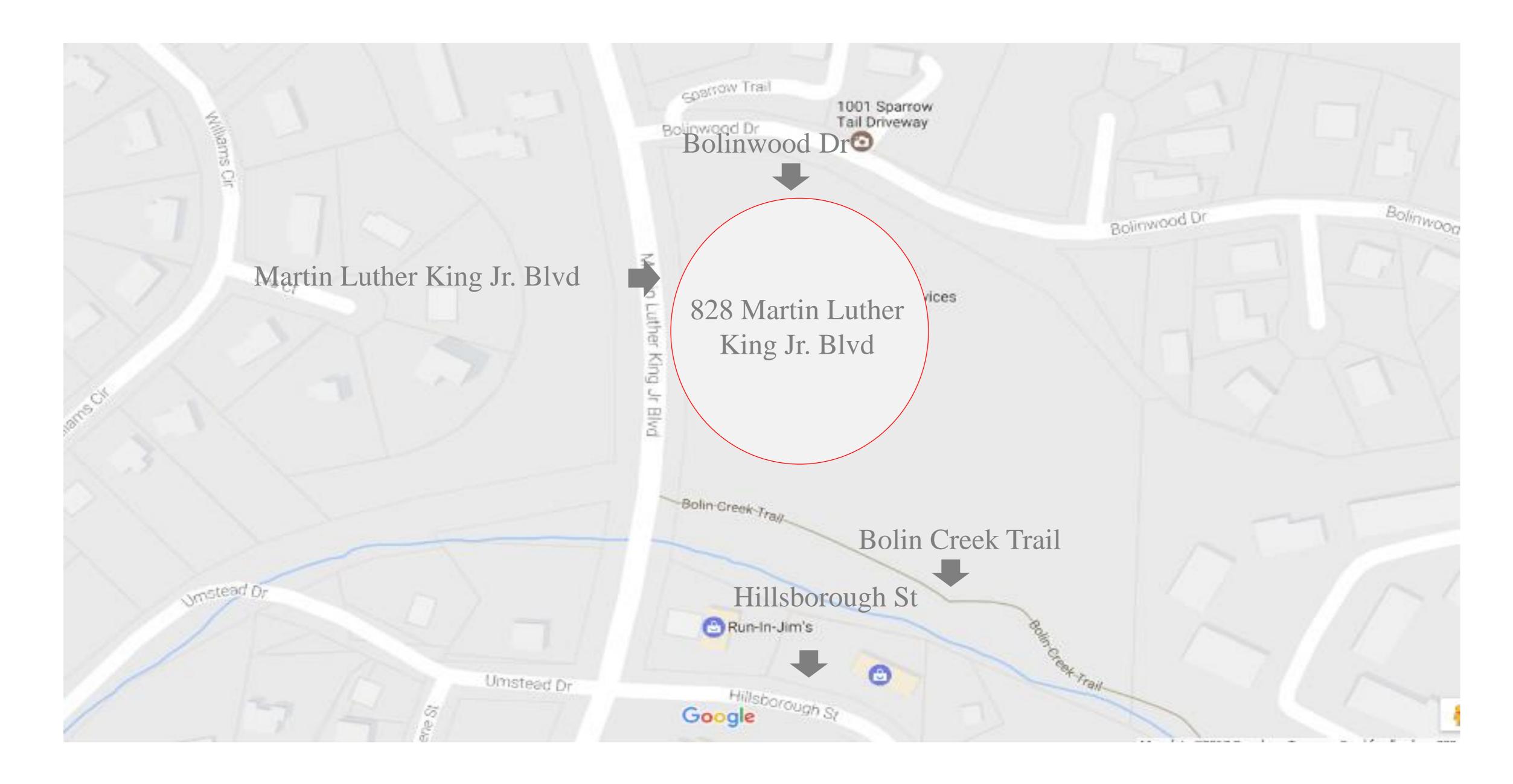


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### SITE LOCATION



### **DECISION POINTS**

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3 Additional Public Meetings

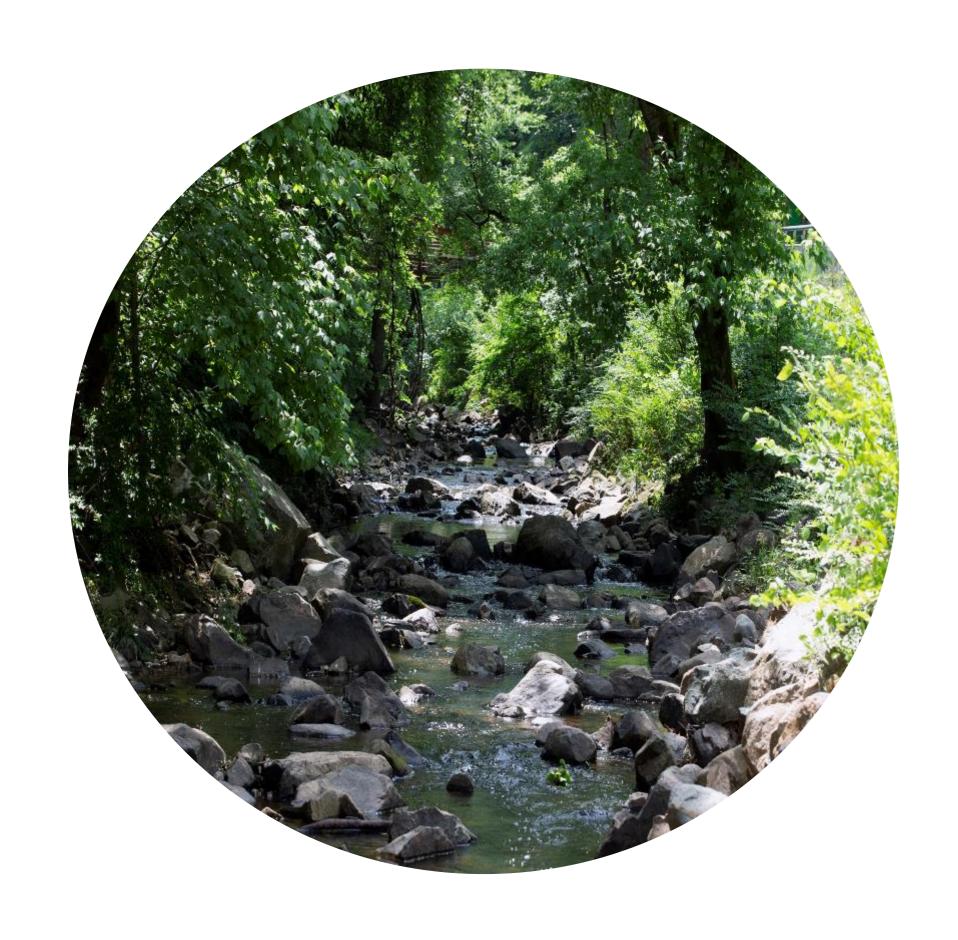
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## REGULATORY TRACKS:

## **Voluntary Cleanup**

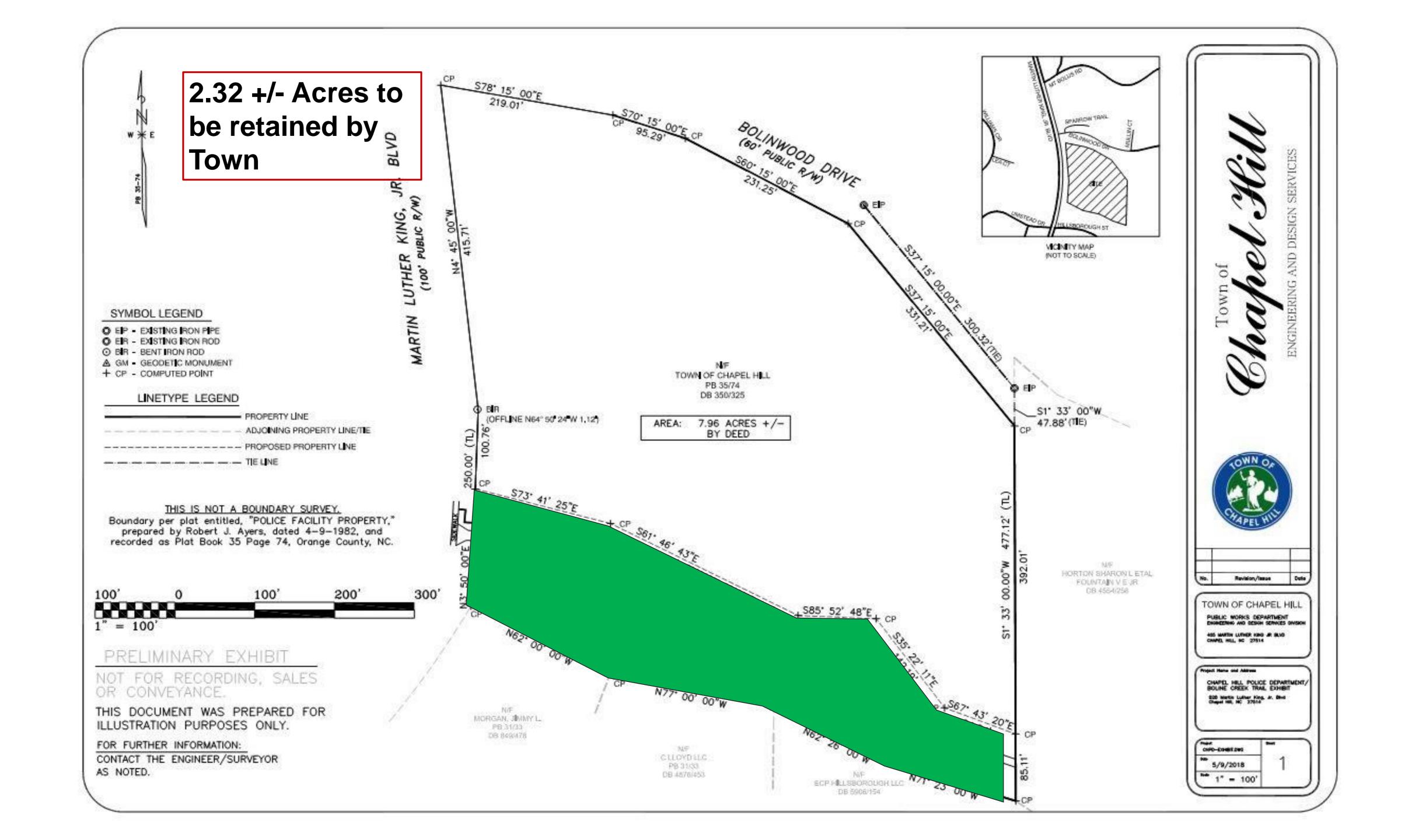
The "Voluntary Cleanup Program" is the shorter name for the North Carolina Inactive Hazardous Sites Program.

# **Brownfield Cleanup**

Only available to parties who did not cause or contribute to the contamination at the site and who may desire to redevelop the property.

### LEVEL PLAYING FIELD:

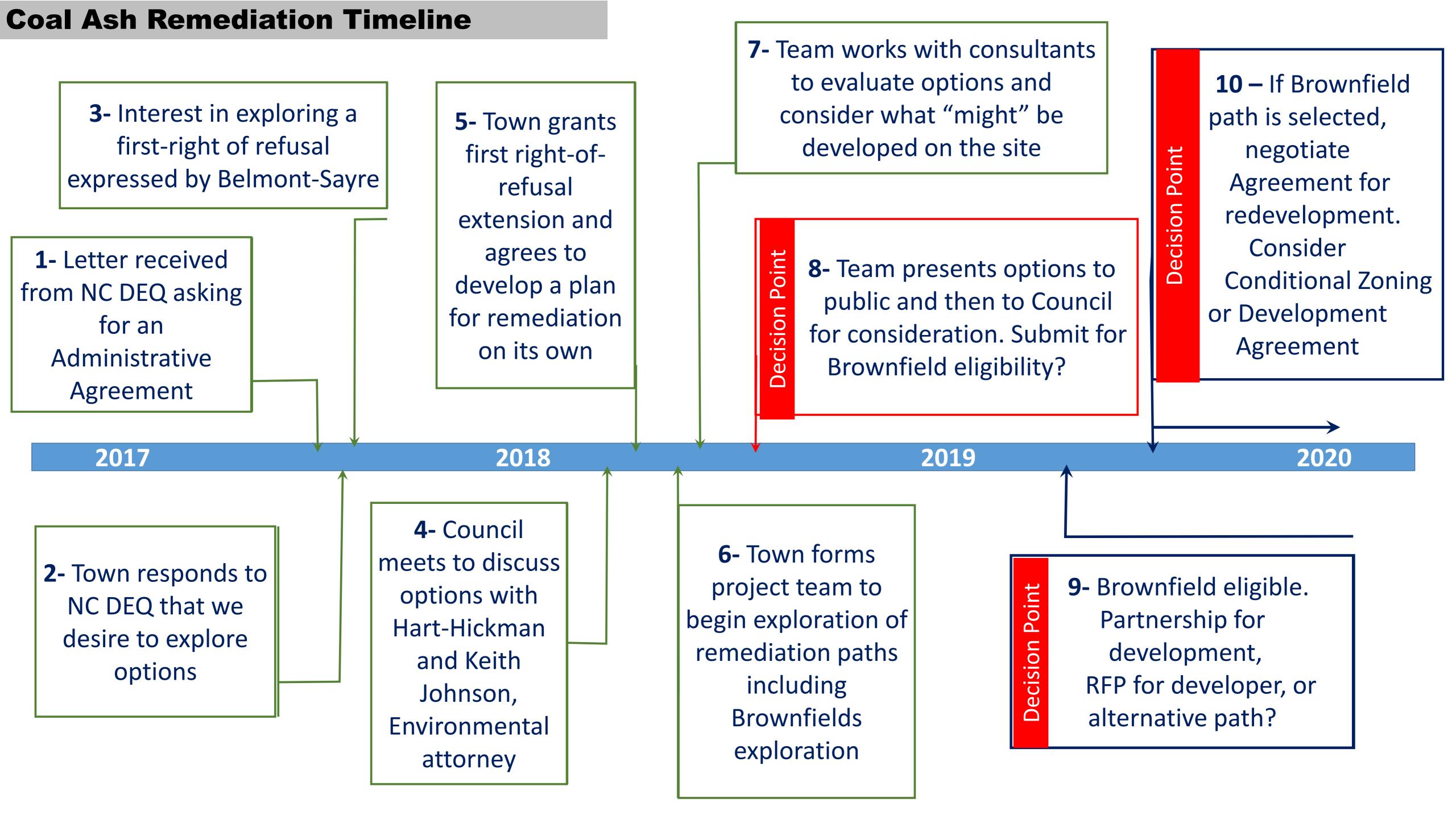
- 1- Explore sub-dividing the property (Development and Trail).
- 2- Create a vision for the future use of the property
- 3- Allow the vision to guide the remediation plan
- 4- Submit a Brownfields application for approval
- 5- Finalize plan
- **6-** Set a path for further steps by either agreeing to negotiate with Belmont Sayre or instruct staff to issue a Request For Proposals

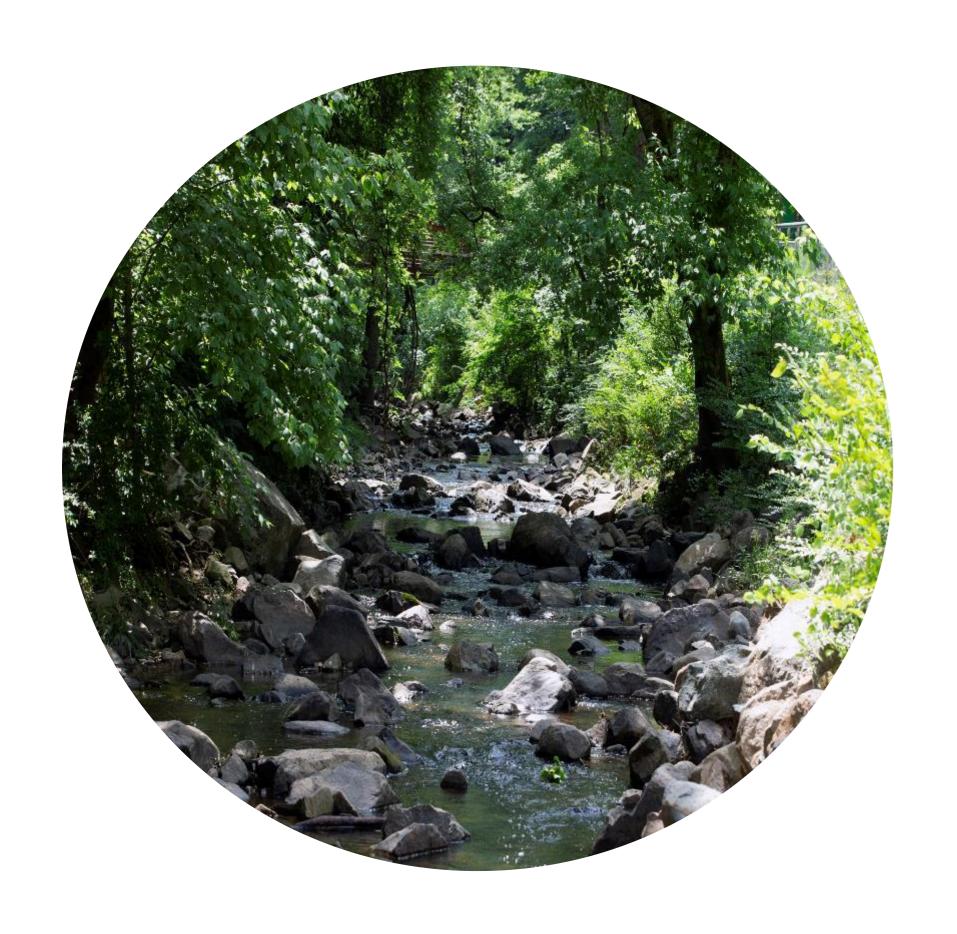


### WHY EXPLORE THE BROWNFIELDS PROGRAM?

#### Potential for:

- Reduced liability to Town and possible developer/end user
- Reduced cost of remediation through brownfields incentives from state
- Property safe for reuse
- Future tax base





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# WHAT IS THE ENVIRONMENTAL STATUS OF THE SITE?

#### Documented Environmental Conditions Consist of:

- Historical placement of coal combustion products (CCPs) for structural fill, soil that is mixed with CCPs, and limited metalimpacted groundwater resulting from CCP placement.
- No impacts to Bolin Creek have been identified above naturally occurring background conditions or regulatory screening levels.

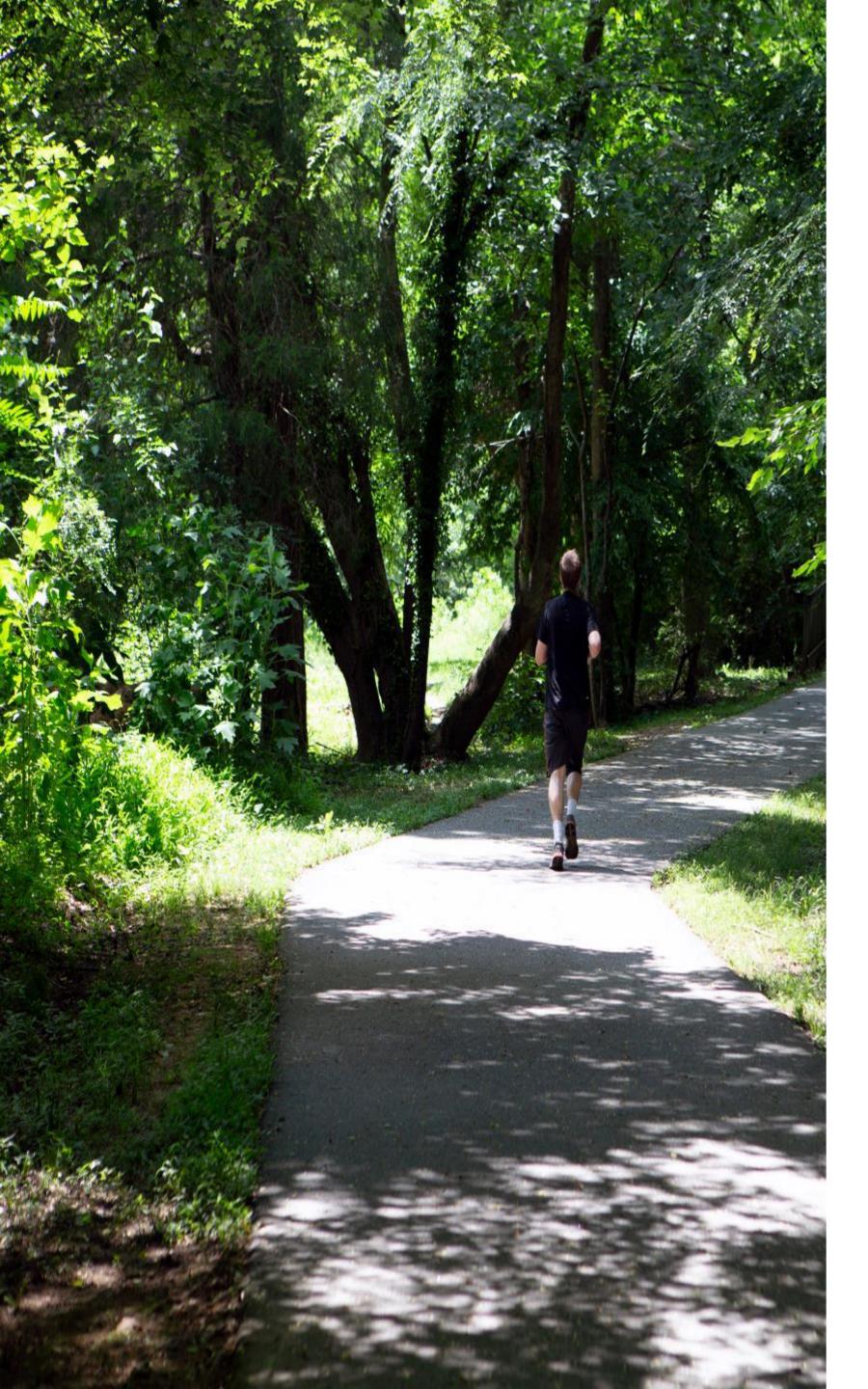
#### REMEDIATION OPTIONS

# Remove CCP & Contaminated Soil

- ◆ Town removes CCP and soil impacts and disposes of the material in state-approved landfill.
- Town identifies source for clean fill and backfills the Site
- ◆ Town monitors water quality after remediation.
- Property safe for reuse.

# Combination Capping, Retaining Wall & Removal

- ◆ Town removes CCP along Bolin Creek Trail
- Constructs a retaining wall to preclude
   CCP erosion and
- Clean fill covers CCP in upland portion of the Site.
- ◆ Town monitors water quality after remediation.
- Property safe for reuse.



#### **REGULATORY OPTIONS**

Brownfield
DEQ Brownfield
Program

Liability protection available for parties not creating/contributing to contamination.

Liability protection will extend to the Town, tenants, and lenders.

Voluntary Clean Up DEQ Inactive Hazardous Sites Branch

No liability protection available from DEQ.

#### REGULATORY OPTION STEPS- BROWNFIELD

- 1. Submit application
  - Phase 1&2 Reports
  - Site Vision/Potential Reuse
- 2. Obtain letter of eligibility
  - Payment of \$7,500 due if eligibility is confirmed and Council wishes to move forward with the Brownfields Ready for Reuse option.
- 3. Negotiate Brownfields Agreement
  - Ready for Reuse fee = additional \$7,500
  - Redevelopment Now Option fee = up to \$30,000 allowing for faster review times
  - **DEQ Guided Public Comment Session**
- 4. DEQ provides Notice of Brownfields Property
- 5. Plat Map for Brownfields Agreement
- 6. Town sells upland portion of site to Developer and retains Creekside portion of the Site
- 7. Developer provides development plans & Remedial Action Plan to NCDEQ
- 8. Developer implements remedial action provisions consistent with the Brownfields agreement to ensure safe reuse of Site

#### REGULATORY OPTION STEPS

Voluntary Clean Up
DEQ Inactive Hazardous
Sites Branch

- 1. Execute Administrative Agreement with DEQ
- 2. Prepare Remedial Action Plan
- 3. Implement selected Remedial Action
- 4. Continue with any monitoring or reporting after implementation, as required by DEQ
- 5. Sell property for reuse or retain



#### PRELIMINARY REMEDIATION COSTS

# Remove CCP & Contaminated Soil

Remedial Alternative 1 – Removal

\$13,400,000 to \$15,900,000\*

# **Combination Capping, Retaining Wall & Removal**

Remedial Alternative 2 – Combined Approach

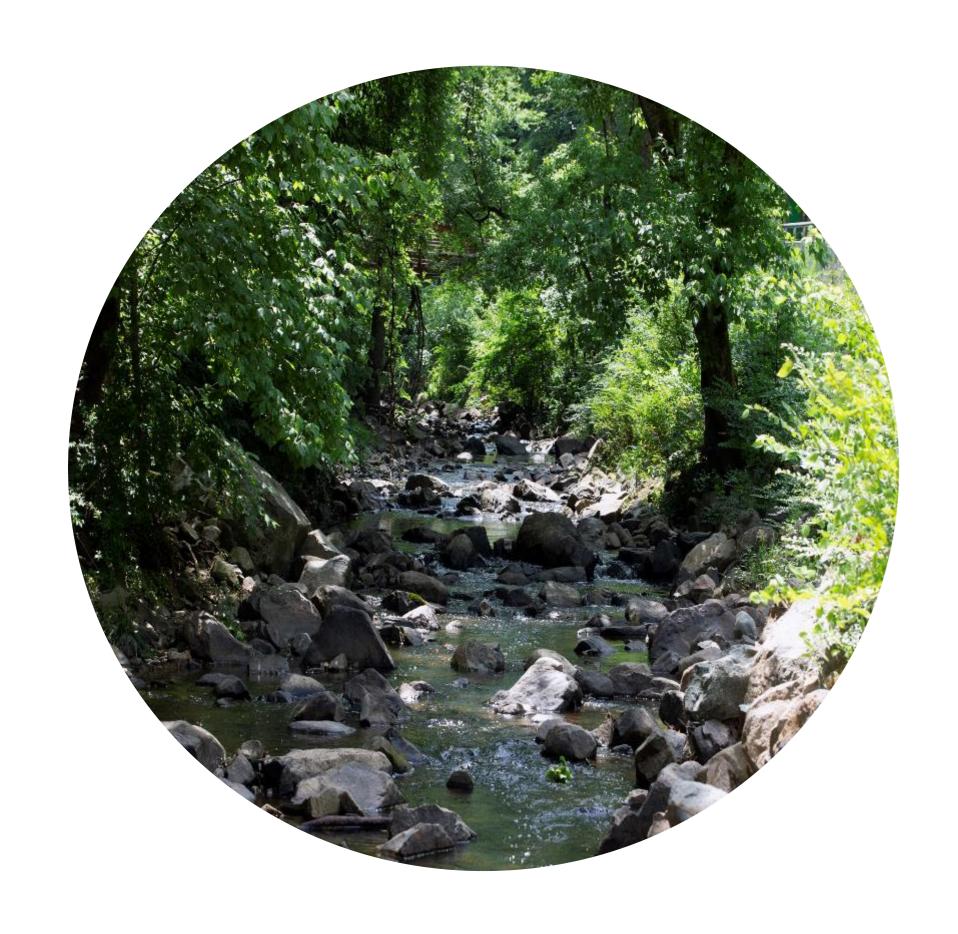
\$1,600,000 to \$3,500,000\*

\*Costs are subject to change based on regulatory approvals, developer plans, and construction approach.

\*Actual costs may be higher than preliminary estimates.

\*Variation in costs for Remedial Alternative 2, Combined Approach, is due to the type of retention wall selected.





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# Brownfields Agreement Details

- Reuse scenario is not binding, but would inform a remedial action plan
- The Town or a developer can adjust the reuse scenario during the Brownfields Agreement process
- Any redevelopment on this site would still be subject to the Town's standard development process, including additional public comment
- The Brownfields Agreement is transferrable to other parties
- The Brownfields Agreement allows for public/private partnerships

#### RECOMMENDATION

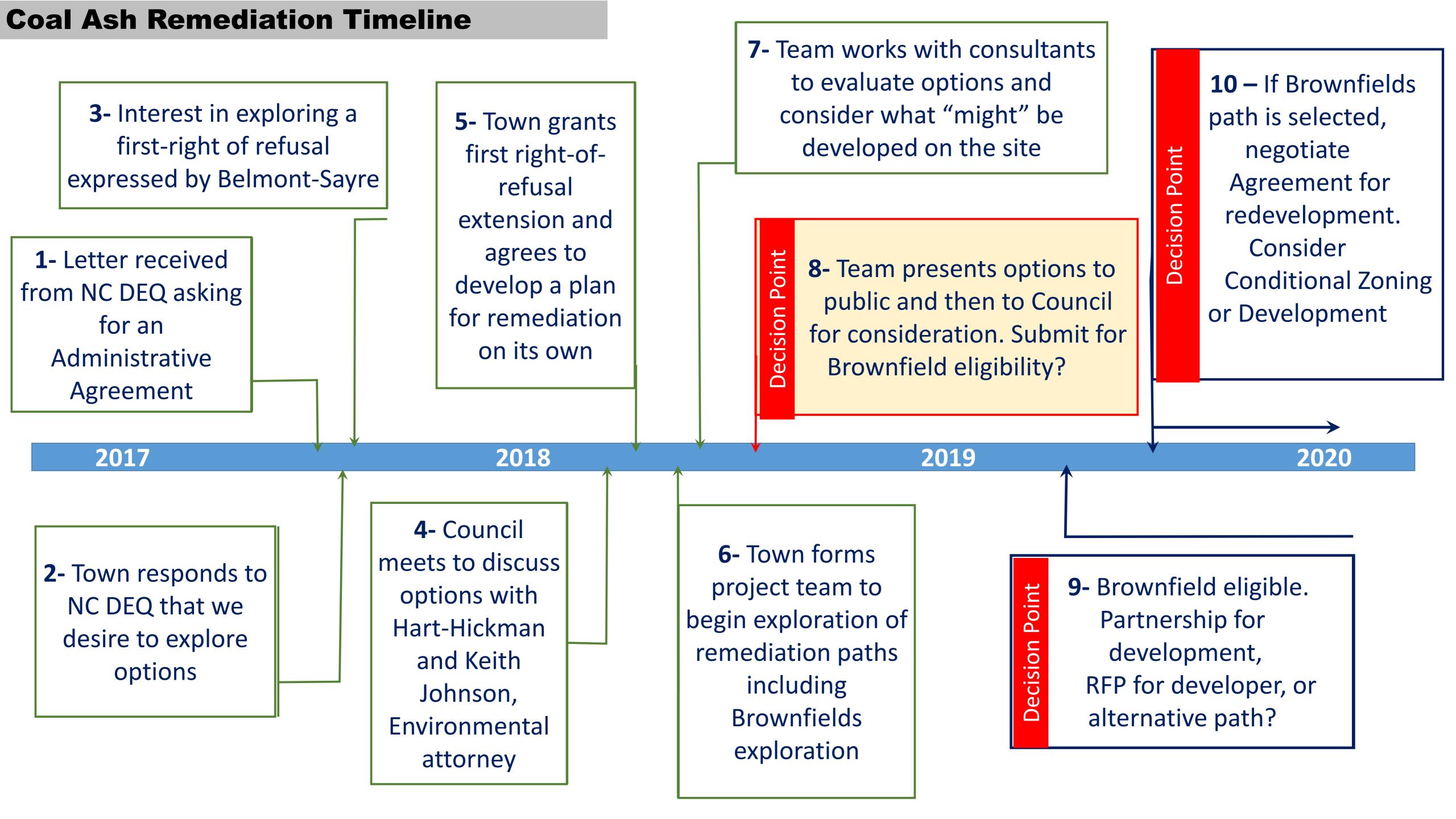
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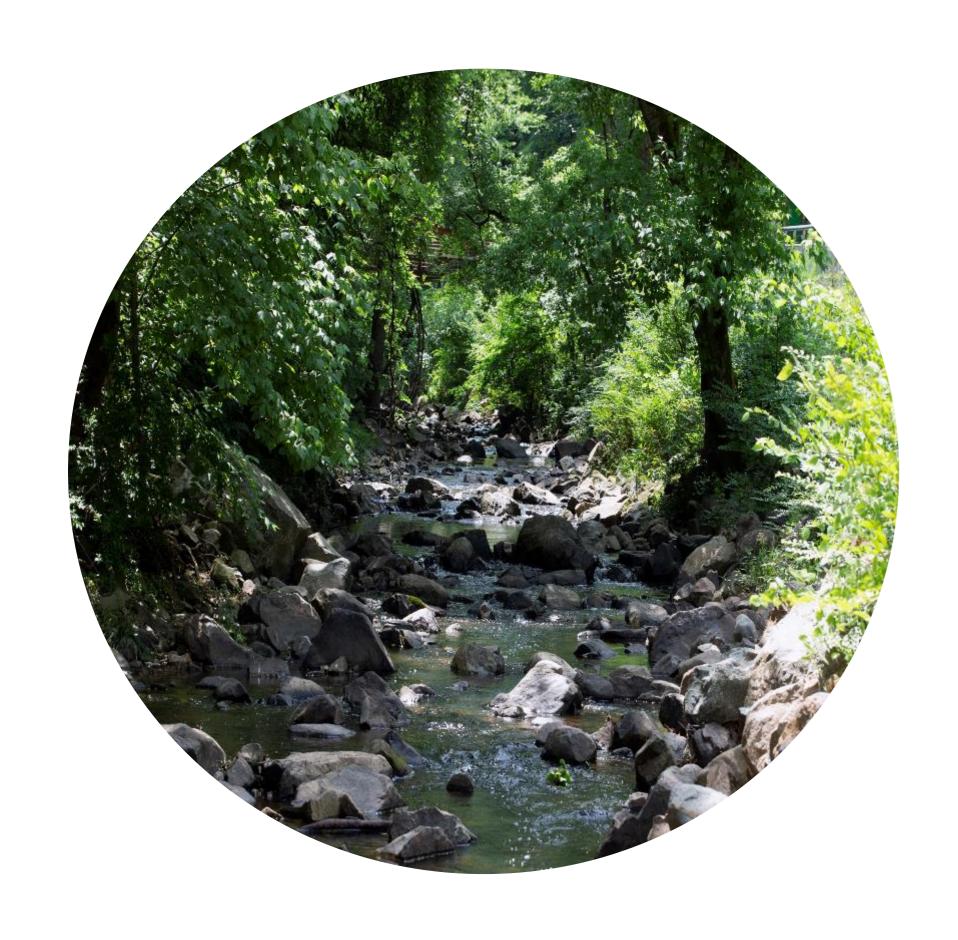
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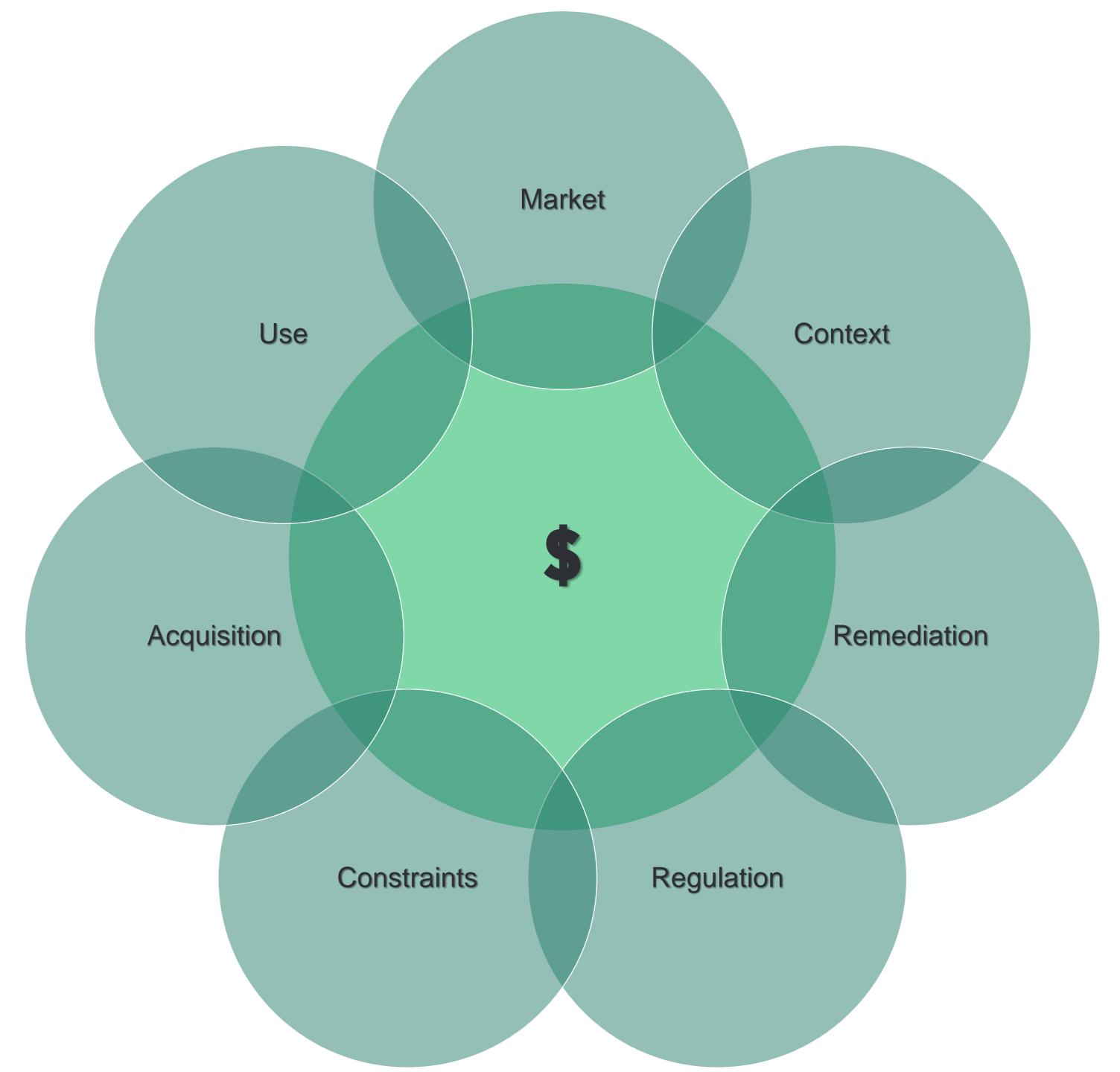
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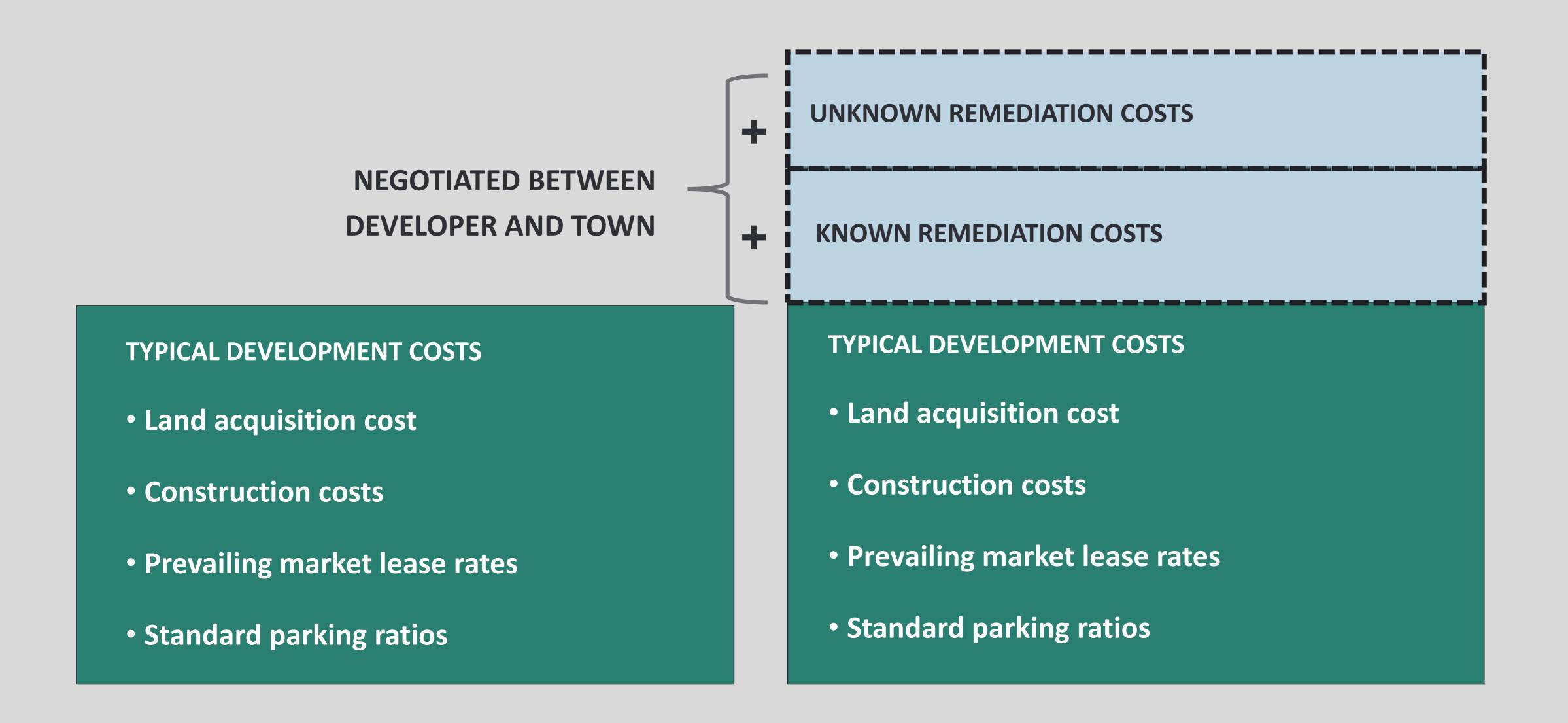
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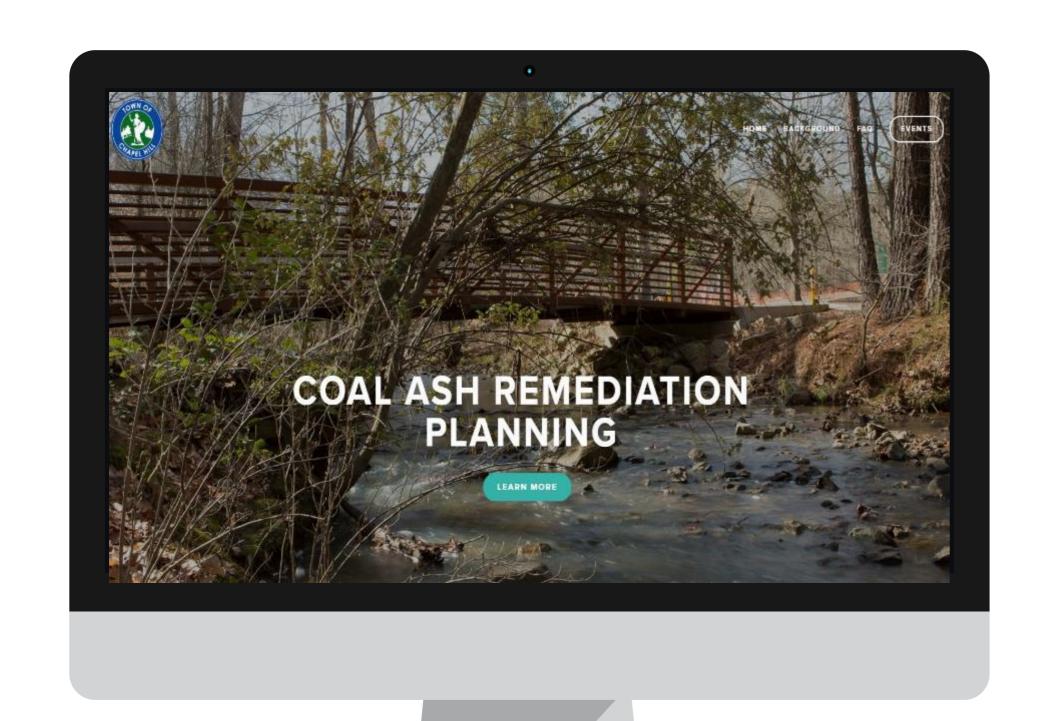
REDEVELOPMENT CONSIDERATIONS



#### BROWNFIELD DEVELOPMENT COST SCENARIO



# ENGAGEMENT



- ✓ 2 Public Information Meetings,
   6/26/18 & 8/27/18
- ✓ 1 Neighbor Meeting, 6/25/18
- ✓ 1 Joint Boards Presentation, 6/25/18
- ✓ Technical Review Team, 7/24
- ✓ Online Feedback, Futureof828.org, ongoing

#### **SCENARIO COMMENTS**

from Meetings & Email/Website

- Create Greenspace / Open Space
- Access and Parking to Bolin Creek Trail
- Tree Preservation / Tree Buffer
- Pedestrian Connectivity
- Preference for Mixed Use
- Increase Density along MLK Jr Blvd.
- Decrease Height of Structures



#### **TEST FIT - REVISED SCENARIO**

(August 2018)

- 98,000 sq. ft. office
  - -Increased density on MLK Jr Blvd.
  - −6 story
- 6 story residential, 150 Units
  - Reduction in height may not be feasible
- 6,000 sq. ft. retail
- 560 space parking structure
  - -6 story
- Access to Bolinwood Dr.
  - Fire Code (current design non-compliant)
  - NCDOT requirements



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