



Town of Southeast Comprehensive Plan Update



December 5, 2013

What is a Comprehensive Plan?

New York State Town Law §272-a.2(a):

“the materials, written and/or graphic, including but not limited to maps, charts, studies, resolutions, reports and other descriptive material that identify the goals, objectives, principles, guidelines, policies, standards, devices and instruments for the immediate and long-range protection, enhancement, growth and development of the town located outside the limits of any incorporated village or city.”



Purpose of the Comprehensive Plan Update

- ▶ Update relevant demographic and mapping information.
- ▶ Review vision and goals and update as necessary.
- ▶ Review accomplishments thus far, and identify new priority items.



Accomplishments Since 2002

- ▶ Adopted Town wetland code
- ▶ Adopted Historic Sites Law
- ▶ Adopted Ridgeline protection ordinance
- ▶ Adopted stonewall protection ordinance
- ▶ Re-zoned residential areas to minimize development potential in sensitive areas.
- ▶ Created new commercial zoning districts and design guidelines to encourage quality development.
- ▶ Water quality improvement measures to Tonetta and Peach Lakes



Process thus far:

- ▶ Public information meeting: March 16, 2013.
- ▶ Public visioning sessions: March 28, 2013, April 11, 2013, and April 13, 2013.
- ▶ Draft sections presented between May and June, 2013.
- ▶ Full draft presented June 27, 2013.
- ▶ Public Hearing held October 3, 2013 in accordance with New York State Town Law §272-a(6).
- ▶ Revisions presented October 18, 2013.
- ▶ Comprehensive Plan Update referred to the Town Board on October 24, 2013.



Public Feedback: Southeast's Strengths



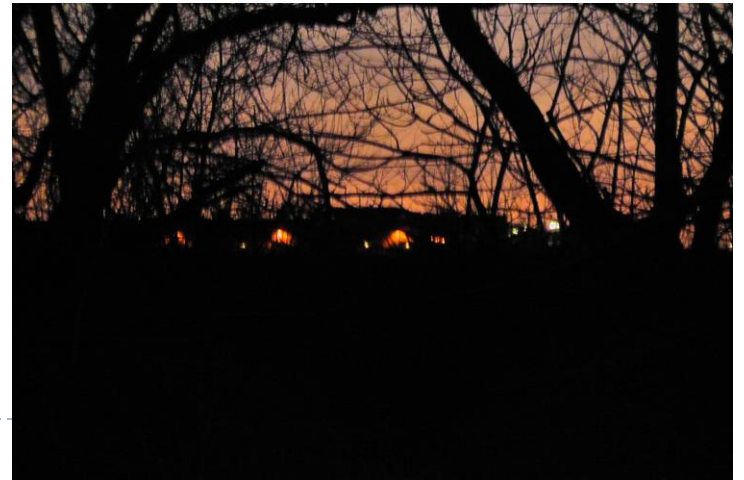
Public Feedback: Southeast's Strengths



Public Feedback: Concerns



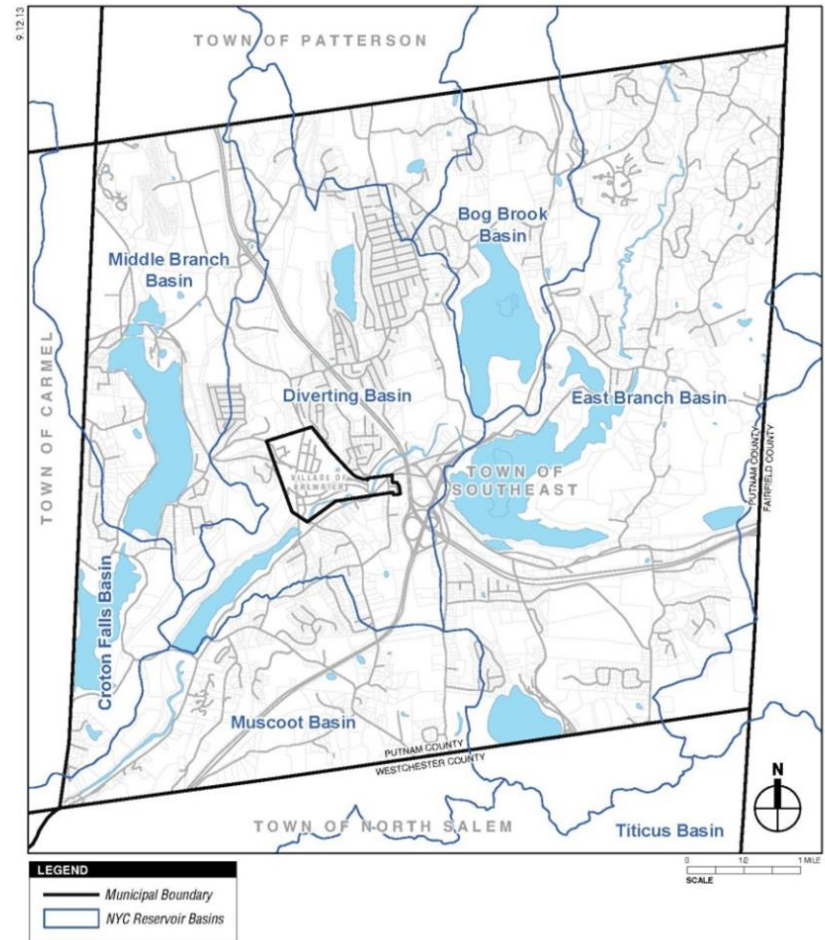
Public Feedback: Concerns



Summary of CPU Changes

Chapter 1: Introduction

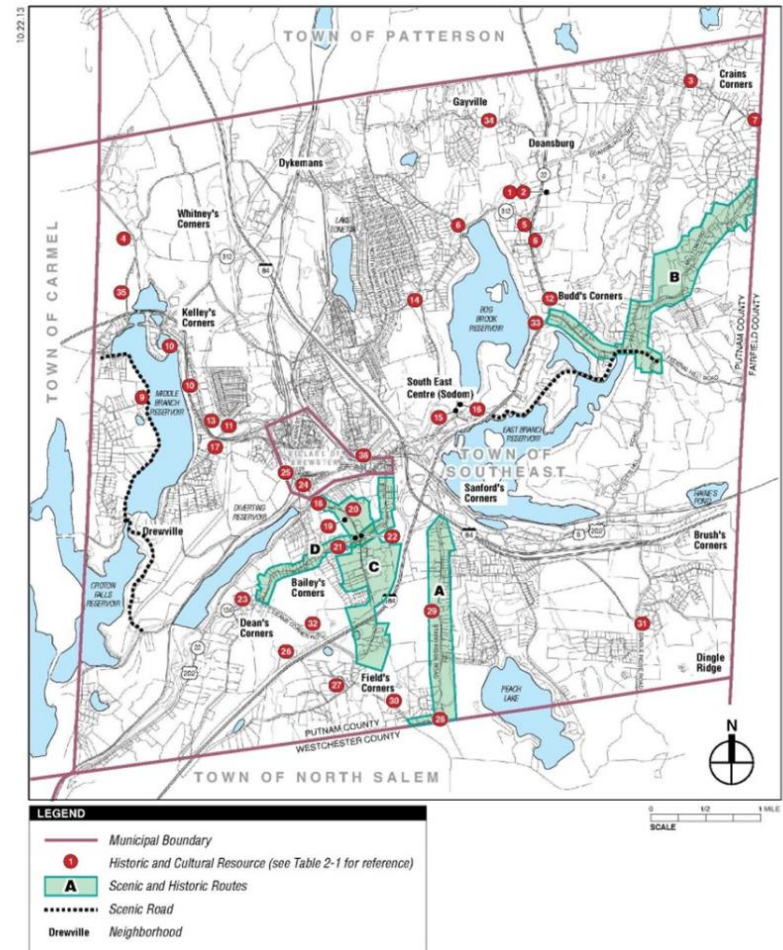
- ▶ Updated the history and context for the Comprehensive Planning Process.
- ▶ Expanded the Town's vision statements based on public feedback.



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Chapter 2: History

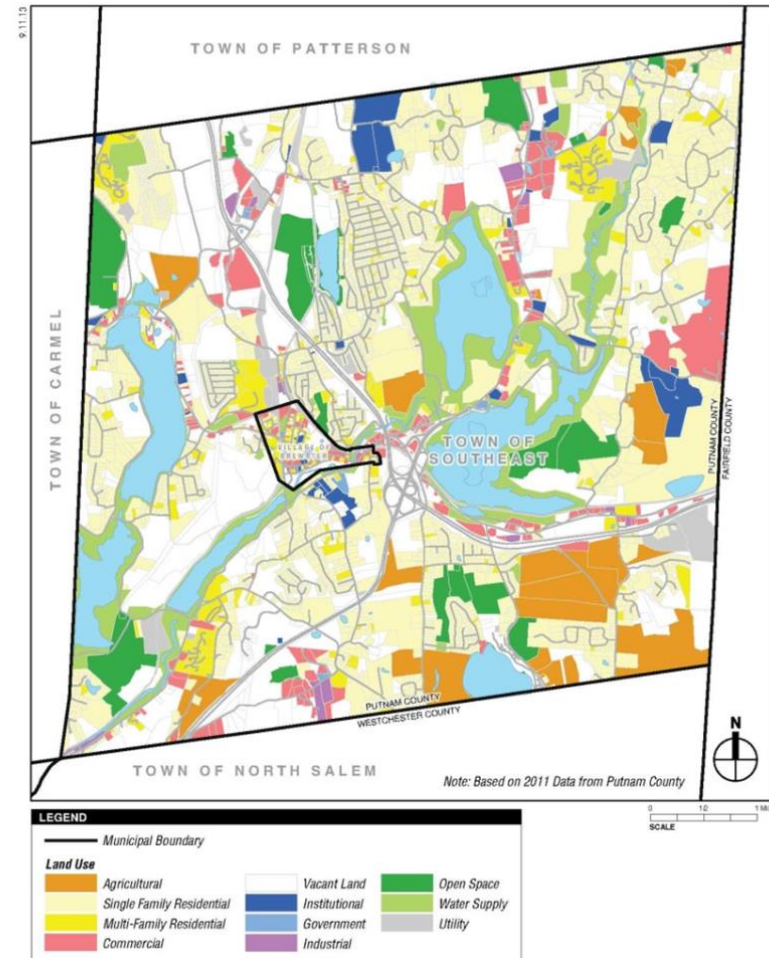
- ▶ Historic Sites Commission provided updated History of Southeast
- ▶ Updated recommendations to reflect recent changes to Chapter 85 of the Code



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Chapter 3: Trends

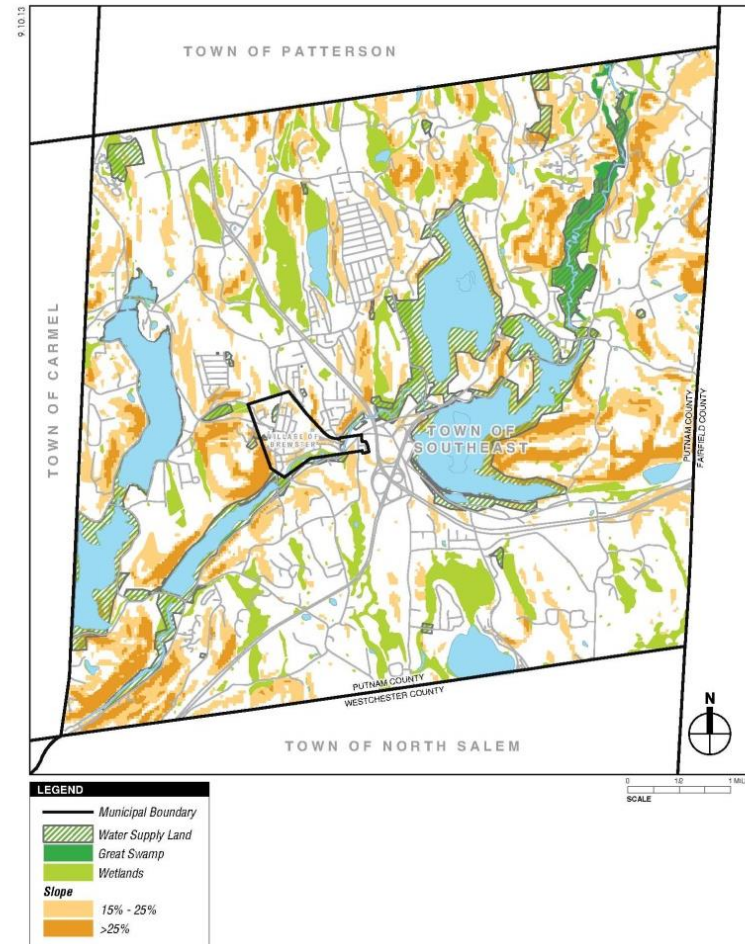
- Updated demographic and land use information based on 2007-2011 American Community Survey, 2010 Census, and current Tax Parcel Data.



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Chapter 4: Natural Resources

- Updated the chapter to reflect changes to Town Code since 2002.



Chapter 5: Land Use

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Land Use in Southeast 1993, 2000, and 2013

Type	1993		2000		2013	
	Acres	%	Acres	%	Acres	Percentage
Agriculture	693	3%	283	1%	1,343	7%
Residential	3,513	16%	6,277	28%	7,467	36%
Commercial / Industrial	1,027	5%	702	3%	1,022	5%
Industrial	299	1%	NA	NA	103	1%
Government / Institutional	500	2%	1,077	5%	472	2%
Vacant	11,729	52%	6,379	28%	5,041	25%
Open Space	1,205	5%	1,237	6%	1,320	6%
Water Supply Land	NA	NA	2,950	13%	3,271	16%
Utility	NA	NA	NA	NA	520	3%
Unidentified	3,200	14%	3,261	15%	1,607	7%
Village of Brewster	284	1%	284	1%	284	1%
TOTAL¹	22,450	100%	22,450	100%	22,450	100%

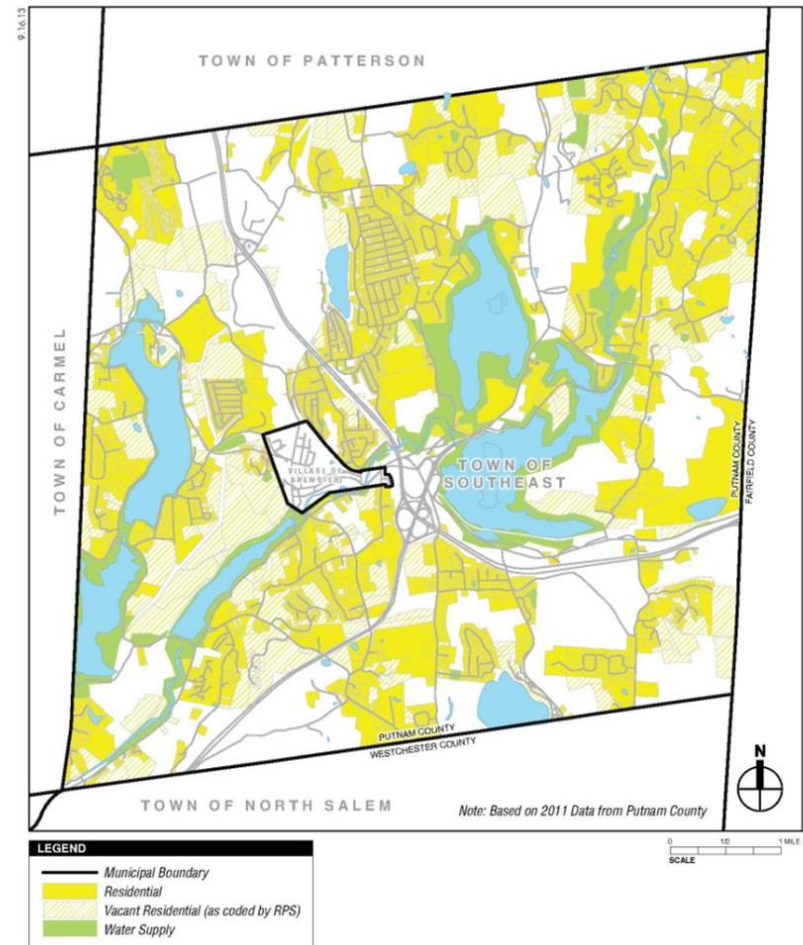
Notes: ¹The 1993 and 2000 data was adjusted to capture the full land area of the Town. Acreage for which no land use is known, is indicated as “unidentified.”

Sources: 1993: Putnam County, Comprehensive Croton System Water Quality Protection Plan: Phase I Planning Analysis. October 1998, Revised November, 2000.
2000 and 2013: Town of Southeast Tax Assessor.

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Chapter 6: Housing

- ▶ Updated demographic and land use information based on 2007-2011 American Community Survey and 2010 Census.
- ▶ Updated to reflect residential zoning designation changes since 2002.



Chapter 7: Economic

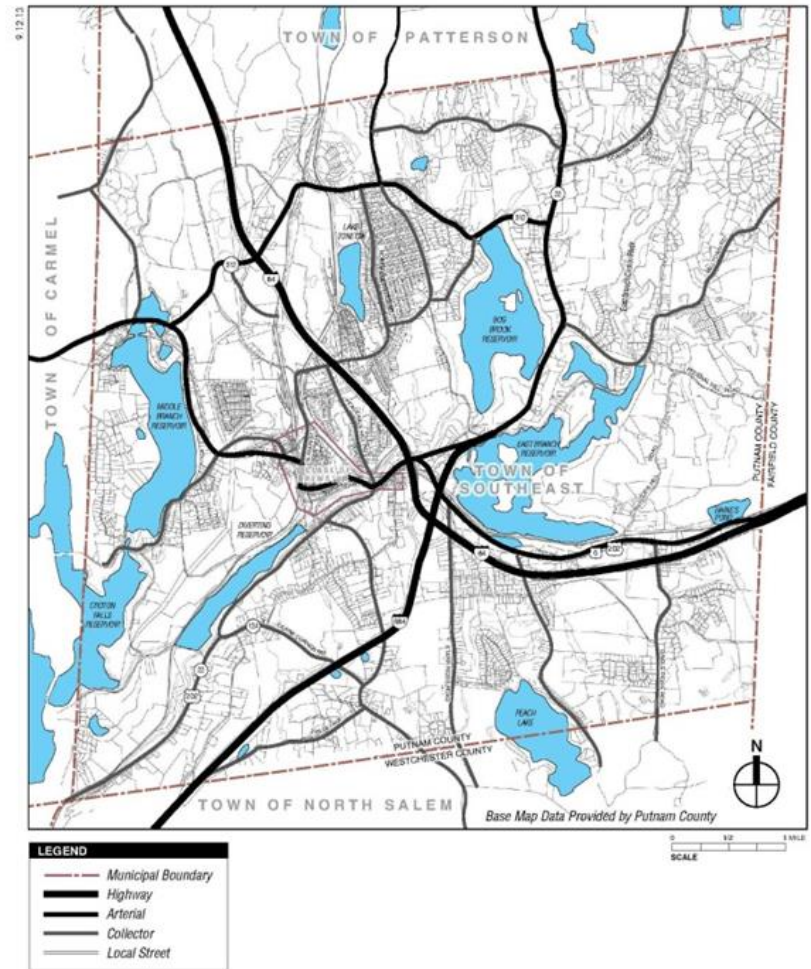
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- TOWN OF PATTERSON
- TOWN OF CARMEL
- VILLAGE OF BREWSTER
- TOWN OF SOUTHEAST
- PUTNAM COUNTY
- FAIRFIELD COUNTY
- PUTNAM COUNTY
- WESTCHESTER COUNTY
- TOWN OF NORTH SALEM
- Note: Based on 2011 Data from Putnam County
- LEGEND**
- Municipal Boundary
 - Commercial
 - Vacant Commercial (as coded by RPS)
 - Water Supply
- 0 10 1 MILE
- SCALE
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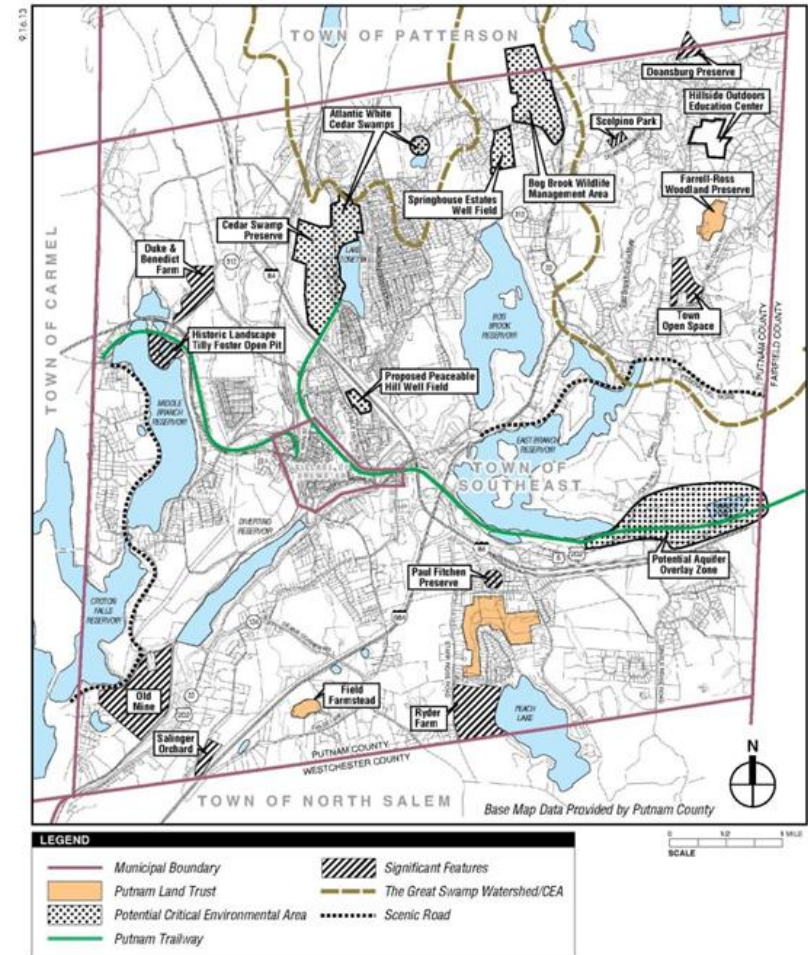
Chapter 8: Traffic

- ▶ Updated to reflect recent NYSDOT projects.
- ▶ Revised TID discussion



Chapter 9: Community Facilities

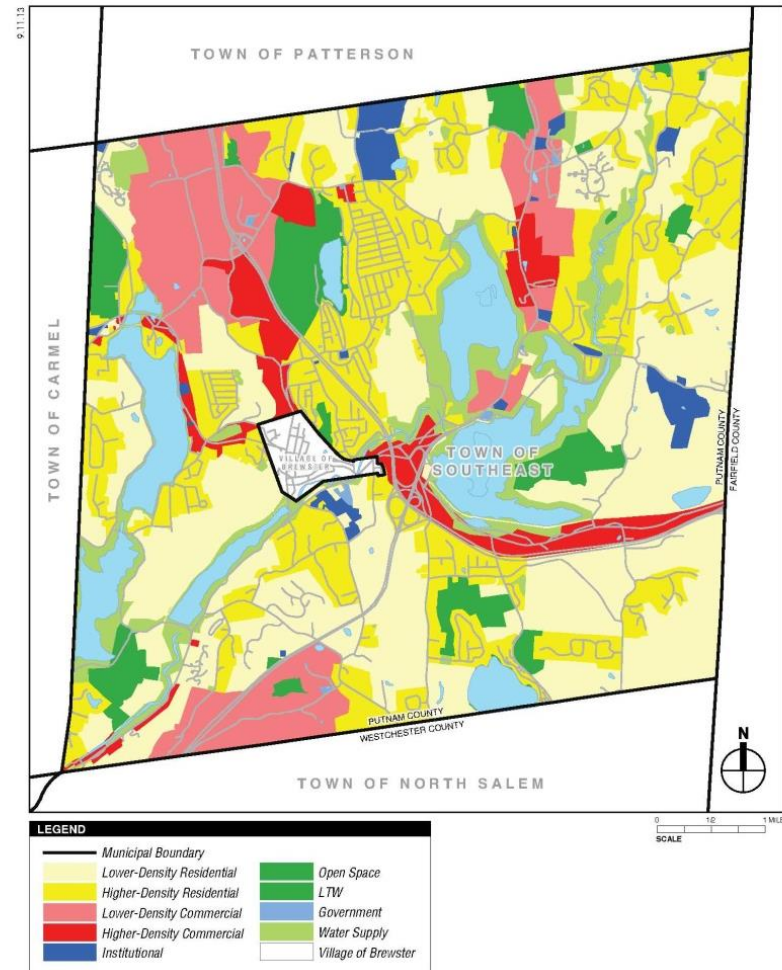
- ▶ Added MS4 discussion.
- ▶ Updated community facilities descriptions with current information.



CPU Implementation

Chapter 10: Implementation

- ▶ Prioritize action items (e.g. Zoning Amendments)
- ▶ Outline schedule for implementation



Town Board's next steps:

- ▶ Review the Comprehensive Plan (CPU) Update and recommend any changes.
- ▶ Initiate SEQRA process.
- ▶ Refer the CPU to the Planning Board and County Planning for a recommendation.
- ▶ Hold a Public Hearing.
- ▶ Consider public comments and revise CPU as necessary.
- ▶ Conclude SEQRA process.
- ▶ Consider adoption of CPU.

