

# ***Delaware Department of Agriculture Forest Service***



## ***Location Maps and Regulations***

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# Delaware State Forest Rules and Regulations

Delaware State Forests are open for all legal forms of recreation and enjoyment. In order that these publicly owned lands be conserved, protected, and maintained for the benefit of all, the following RULES AND REGULATIONS will be observed.

## General Rules and Regulations

1. No living trees, shrubs, or other vegetation may be cut, felled, uprooted, removed, or otherwise injured or destroyed, unless written permission has first been obtained from the forest officer in charge.
2. Fires are prohibited for any purpose on State Forest lands other than in designated areas. Written permission must be obtained in advance for fires on State Forest lands outside of designated areas. Any such authorized fire must, at all times, be under the direct supervision and care of a competent adult, and must be thoroughly extinguished before the fire site is abandoned.
3. The dumping or depositing of rubbish, trash, household items, or other debris, and the placing of advertisement signs within State Forests are prohibited.
4. For the sake of sanitation and attractiveness, persons using public camp and picnic sites are required to deposit all waste paper, tin cans and other refuse in the containers, if provided. Where containers are not provided, users must properly dispose of all refuse off State Forest lands.
5. Writing upon, mutilating, carving, and otherwise defacing trees, buildings, structures, signs, and official notices is prohibited.
6. All State Forest boundaries are well-marked with metal signs, yellow paint on boundary line trees, brushed-out paths or with a combination of all three features. Therefore, boundary lines should be easy to identify. State Forest visitors should avoid trespass or encroachment upon adjoining private lands by staying within boundaries of State Forest lands.
7. Many roads have been closed to vehicular travel to improve the quality of recreation and to reduce littering. These roads and trails are open to pedestrian and non-vehicular travel only. Furthermore, no off-highway vehicles or all-terrain vehicles, either registered or non-registered, are permitted. The only exception to this rule applies to those off-highway vehicles owned, operated, and/or authorized by the Delaware Department of Agriculture Forest Service. Violators will be prosecuted for trespassing.
8. With the exception of animals permitted under lawful hunting regulations, all animals must be under the continuous control of the owner(s) unless otherwise authorized in writing by the Forestry Administrator. All dogs must be leashed, unless covered by the exception above. State Forest visitors are responsible for the conduct and any damages, either personal or property, caused by their animals.
9. Entry to State Forest lands is prohibited from sunset to sunrise, except for lawful hunting, permitted camping, or as otherwise permitted in writing by the Delaware Department of Agriculture Forest Service.
10. Fishing on state forest lands is limited to catch and release only.
11. Obey the Posted Speed Limits.
12. All State Forest Rules and Regulations to be followed:
  - a. [402 State Forest Regulations \(delaware.gov\)](https://delaware.gov/402-state-forest-regulations)
  - b. Title 3 Agriculture 400 Forest Service 402 State Forest Regulations.

# Redden State Forest - Hunting Regulations

*The following regulations apply to **all** Redden State Forest tracts:*

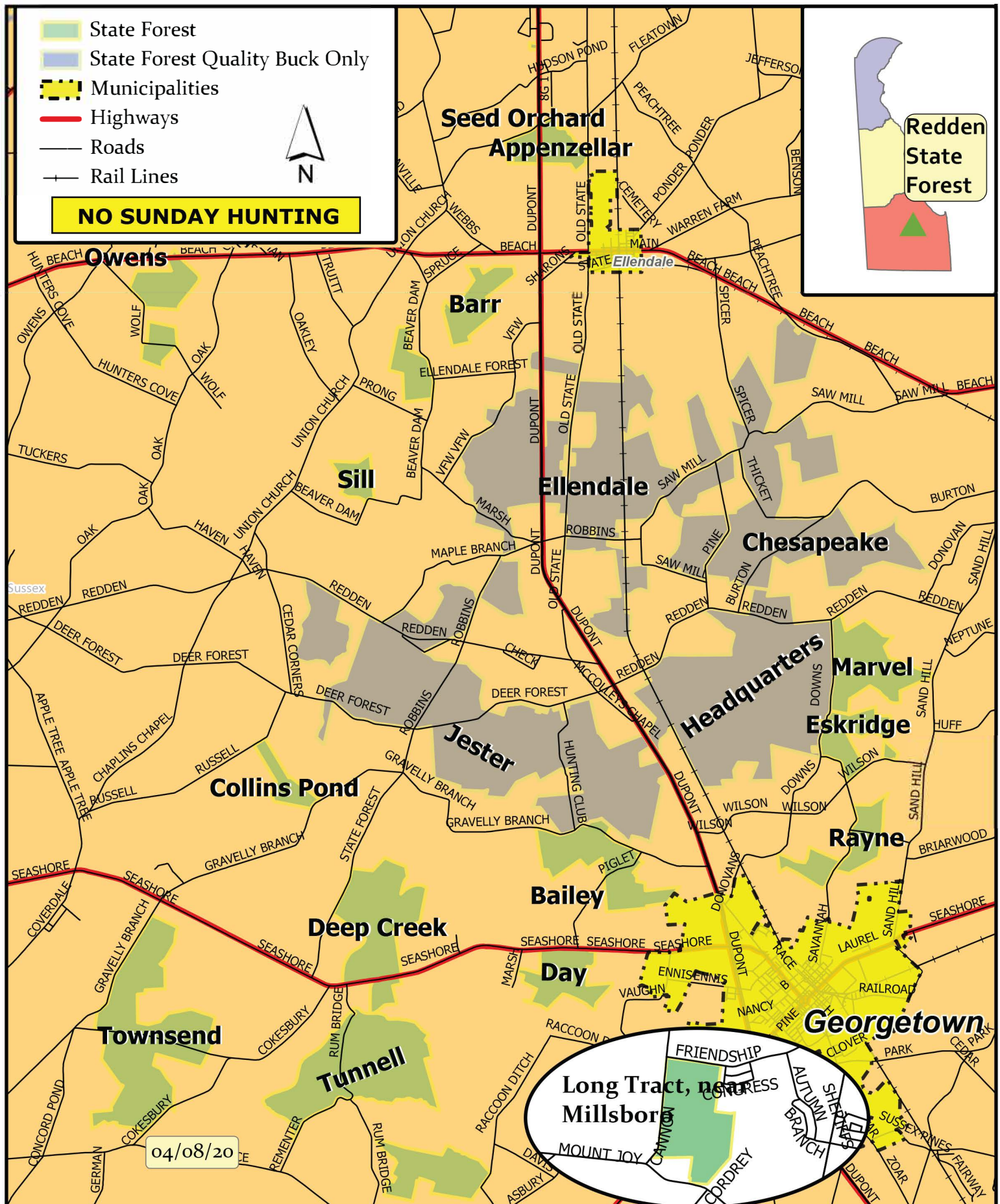
There is **NO Sunday hunting on ANY tract of Redden State Forest.**

1. **Headquarters, Jester, Ellendale, and Chesapeake Tracts are Quality Buck only.** (Doe/antlerless harvest is permitted on these tracts.)
2. State Forests are year-round multiple-use areas. Hunters share the use of State Forest Lands with other public users such as hikers. Campers, horseback riders, firewood cutters, and loggers.
3. No special permits are required to hunt on State Forest lands, except as specified in the DNREC, Division of Fish and Wildlife annual [Delaware Hunting and Trapping Guide](#). Properly licensed hunters may hunt during any open season except in areas designated, such as those marked with Wildlife Sanctuary, NO HUNTING, or Safety Zone signs.
4. Hunting is only permitted as specified on State Forest maps, which are available free of charge from State Forest offices and online at <http://de.gov/forestmaps>.
5. No permanent deer stands, platforms, ladders, or blinds may be constructed. No screw-in steps, tree spikes, screws, or nails are allowed. All parts of temporary (portable) deer stands must be removed on the final day of the January muzzleloader season; any stands remaining after this date will be removed and become the property of the Delaware Forest Service.
6. Stands may be placed after August 1, before the start of the new year's hunting season. Owners of deer stands left on State Forest property during the designated time period are required to tag/clearly identify their stand with the owner's name and phone number. Failure to do so will result in the removal of the stand by Delaware Forest Service officials.
7. Deer drives by any person or persons are not permitted on any State Forest land at any time.
8. Portions of some State Forest tracts are only open to archery hunting for deer. Please contact your local State Forest office for more information.
9. Small game hunting is closed on State Forest lands during firearm deer season.
10. The Delaware Forest Service reserves the right to close to hunting specific State Forest tracts during specific hunting seasons. Therefore, it is important to consult the current hunting guide for a listing of these closures.
11. Trapping rights may be leased for State Forest lands. No other trapping is permitted on State Forest lands.
12. Target shooting is prohibited. Firearms are allowed for legal hunting and are otherwise prohibited within designated safe areas on State Forest lands, except as set forth below:
  - a. Designated areas shall include State Forest offices and education centers and shall be identified by appropriate signage.
  - b. Active duty and qualified retired law enforcement officers may possess firearms within areas administered by the Department, including designated areas.
  - c. Delaware residents holding an active current permit to carry a concealed deadly weapon may carry a firearm within areas administered by the Department, including designated areas.
  - d. Firearms may be carried within areas administered by the Department, outside of designated areas, by any person not prohibited by 11 Del. C. § 1448.
  - e. Law enforcement officers may limit the discharge of firearms and the use of other weapons within areas administered by the Department to protect public safety and preserve the peace.
13. No dumping or littering.
14. Placing paint, ribbon, flagging, reflectors, etc., is prohibited.
15. No living trees, shrubs, or other vegetation may be cut, felled, uprooted, removed, or otherwise injured or destroyed.
16. No off-road vehicles registered or unregistered.
17. Camping is available by permit in designated areas only.
18. It is unlawful to use bait for hunting purposes on all State lands.
19. No parking in front of access gates to State Forest lands.
20. Waterfowl hunting is permitted in designated areas only, please refer to state forest waterfowl maps.
21. All State Forest Rules and Regulations to be followed:
  - a. [402 State Forest Regulations \(delaware.gov\)](#)
  - b. Title 3 Agriculture 400 Forest Service 402 State Forest Regulations.

For more information, call the Redden State Forest office at **(302) 856-2893**.



# Redden State Forest (13,952 acres)

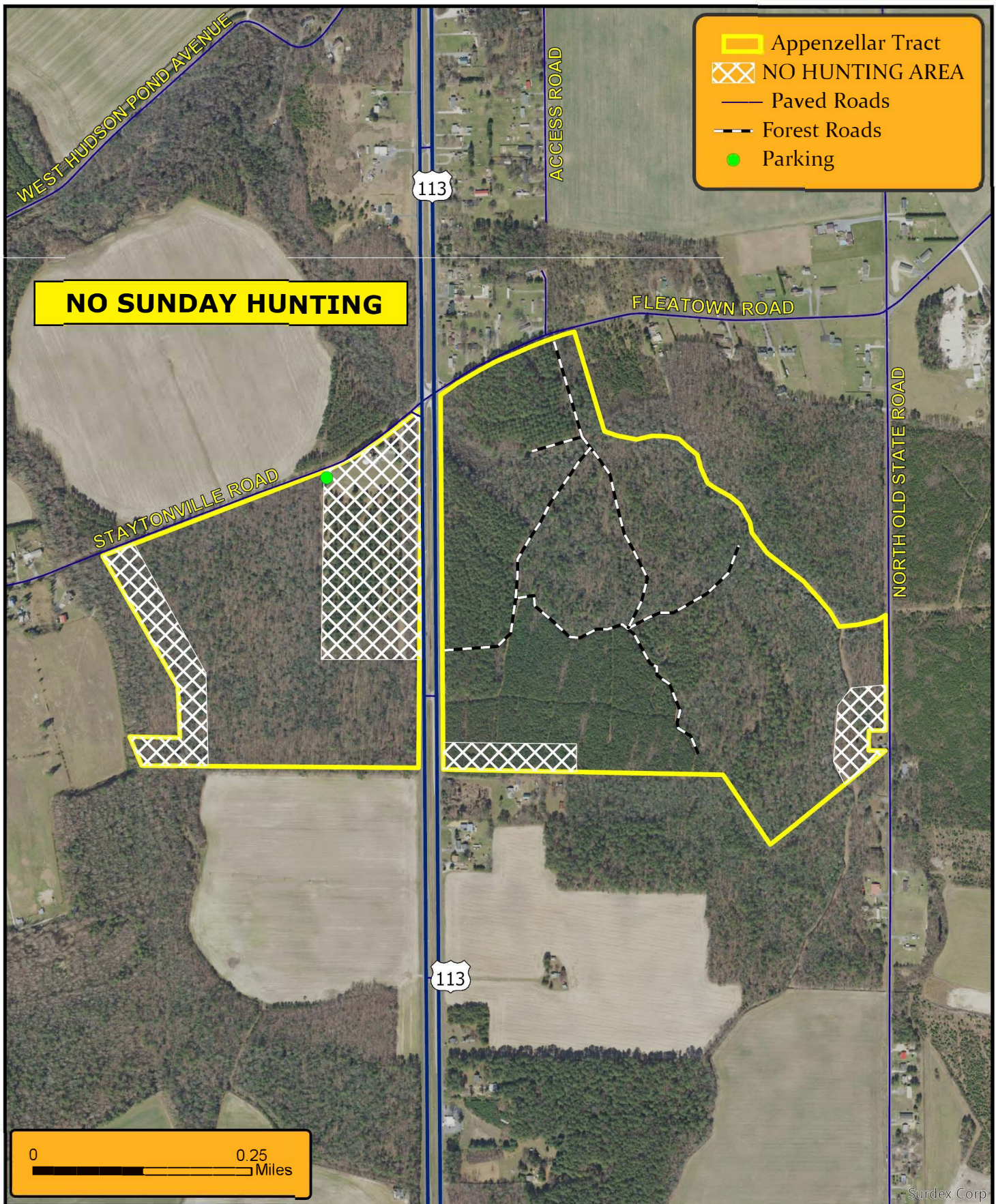




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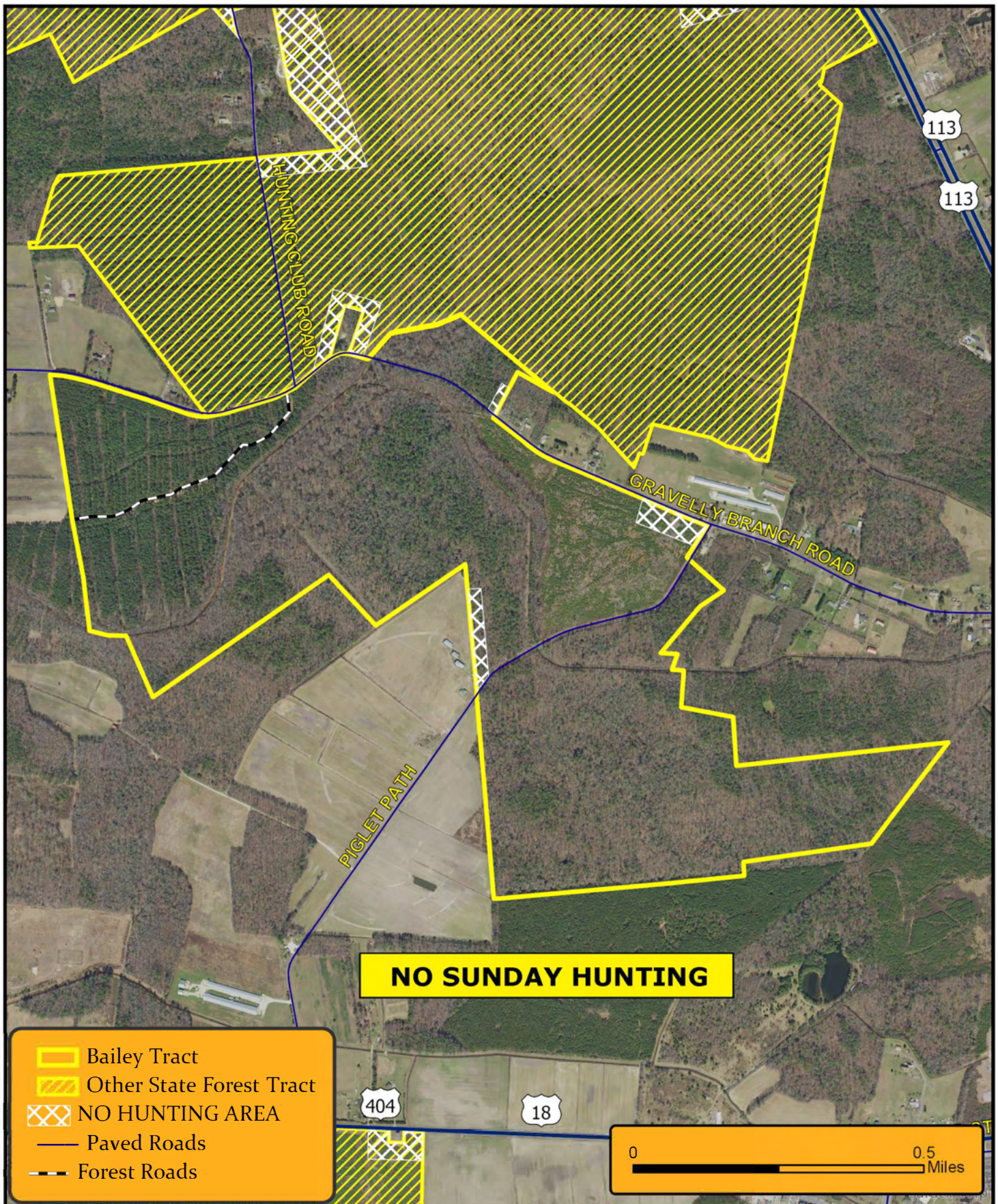




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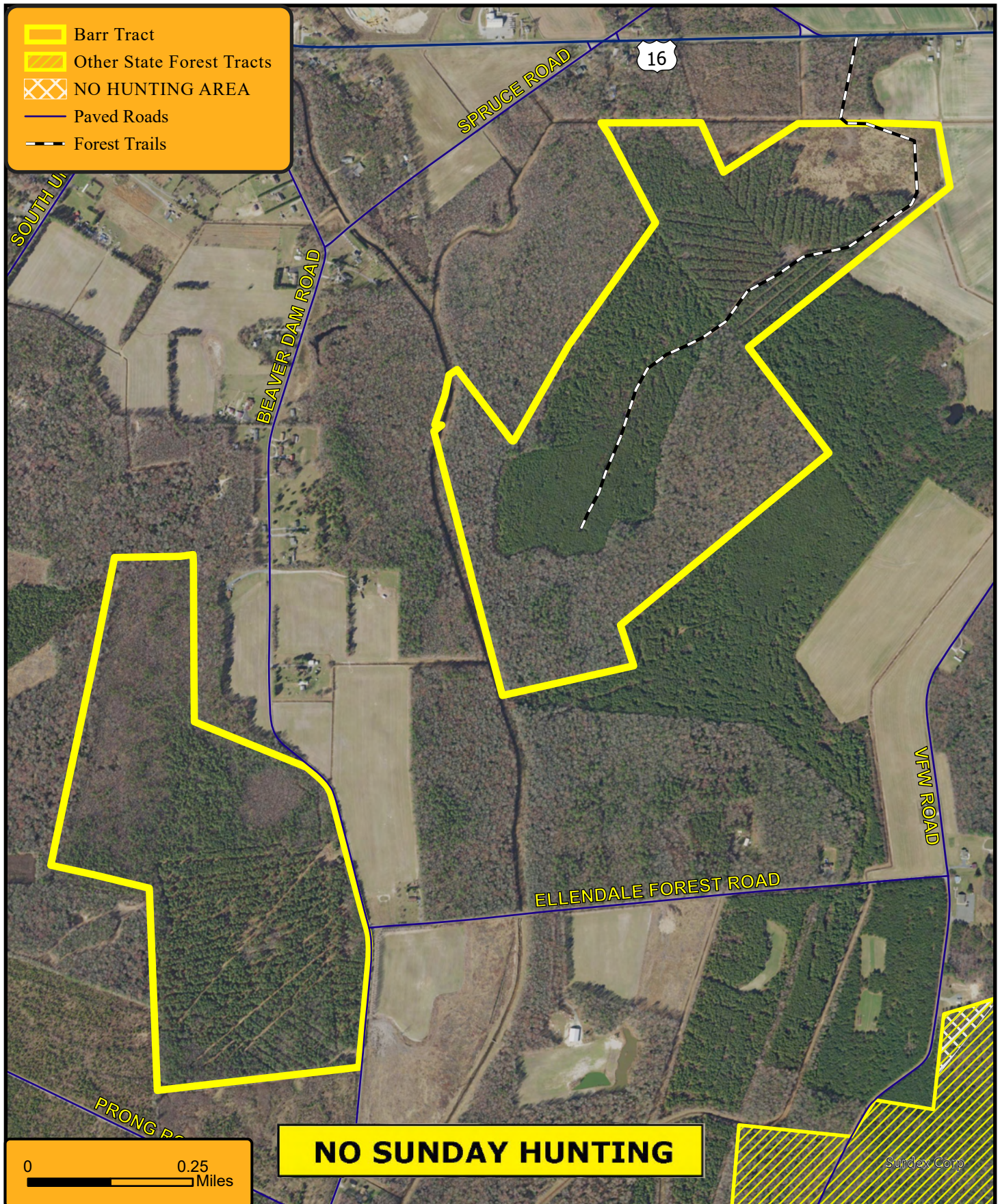




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No Sunday Hunting

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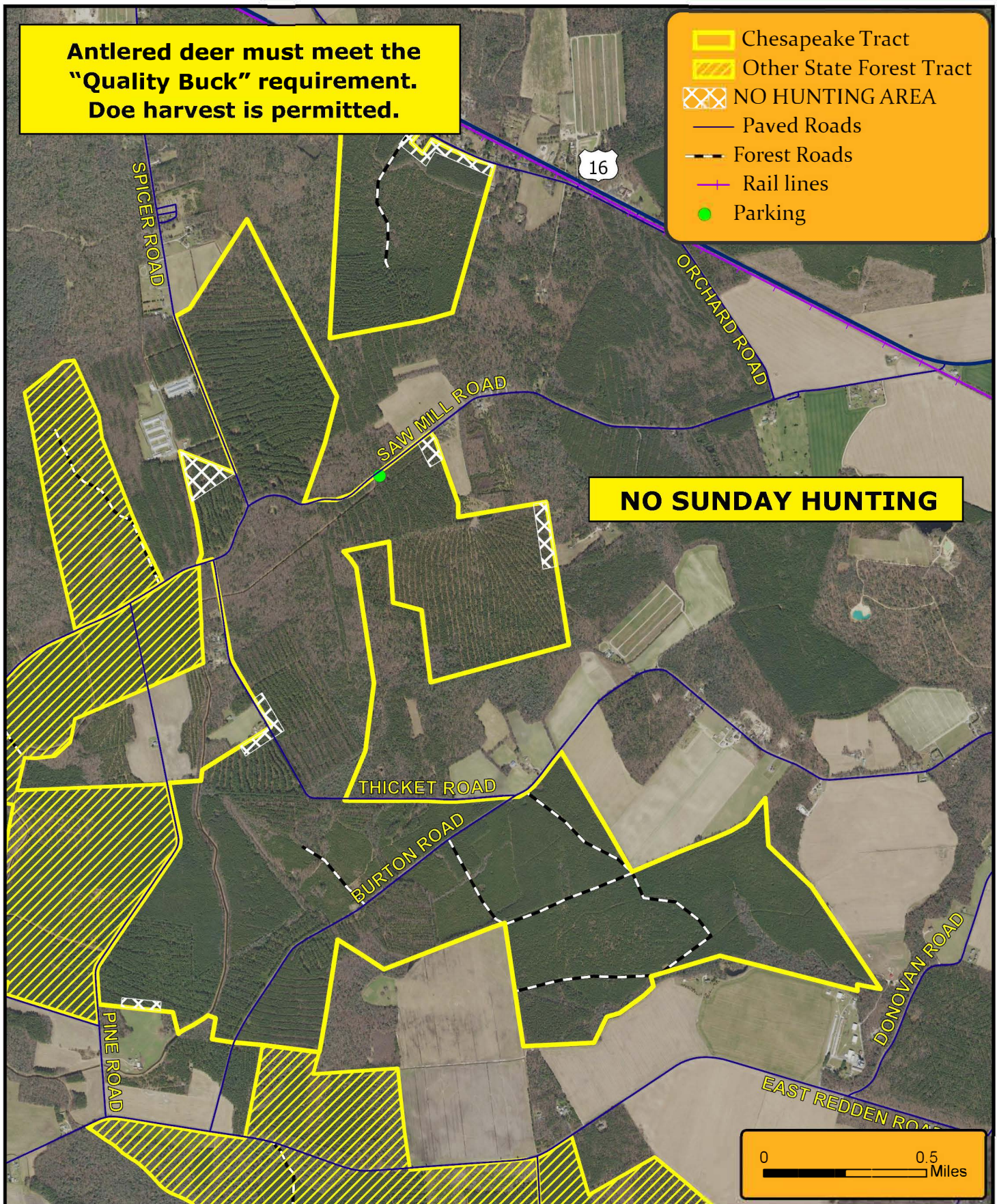




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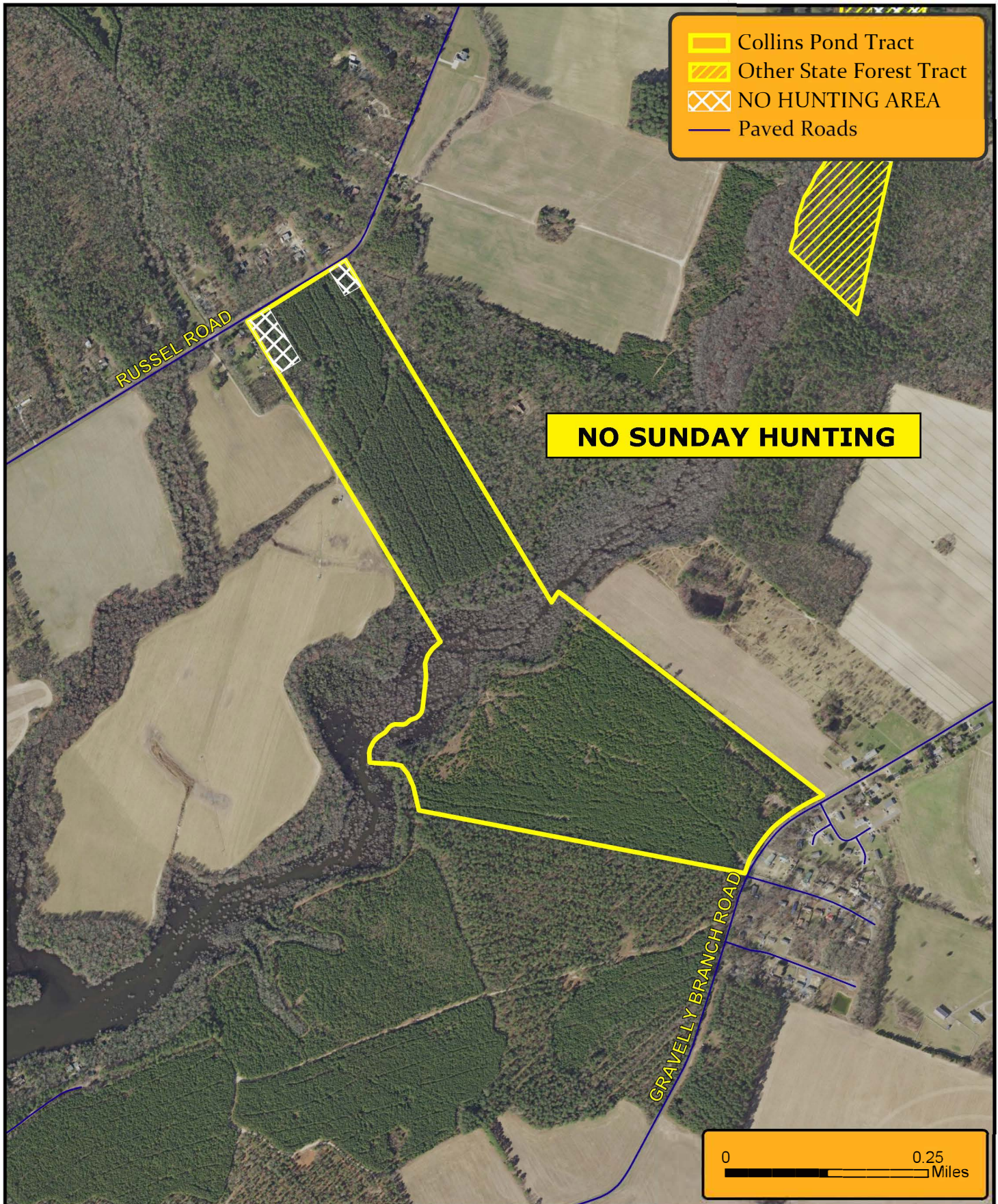




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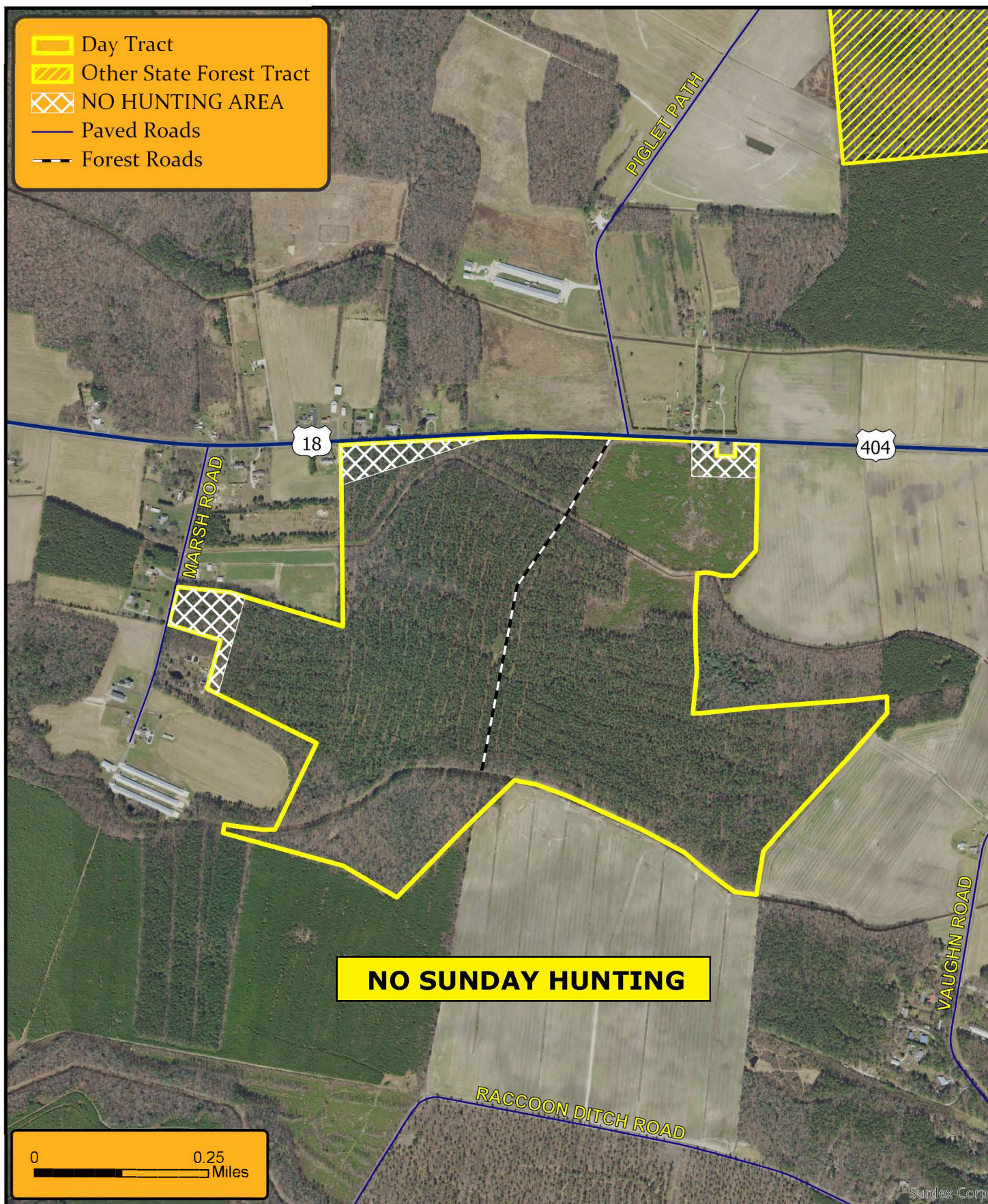




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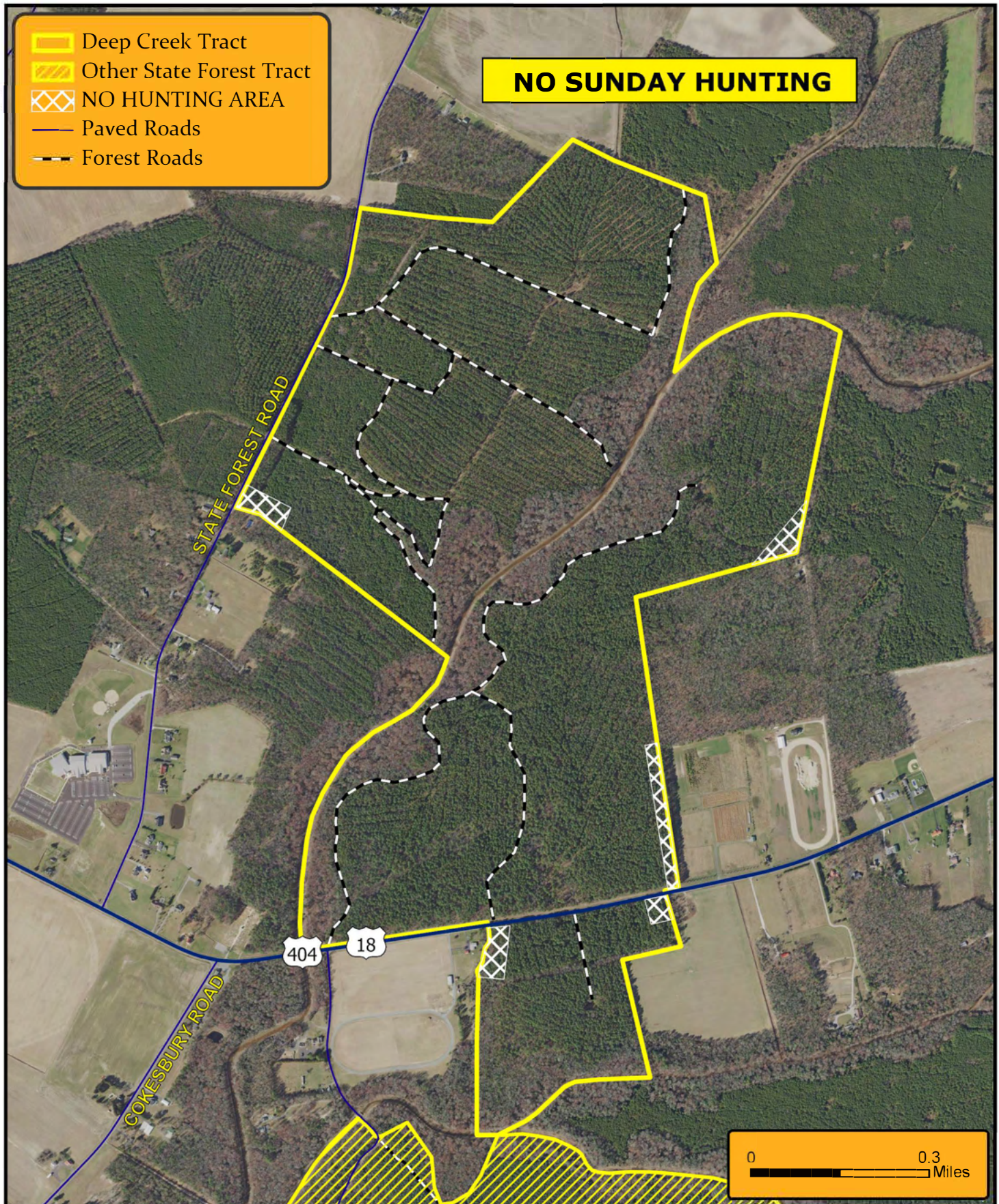




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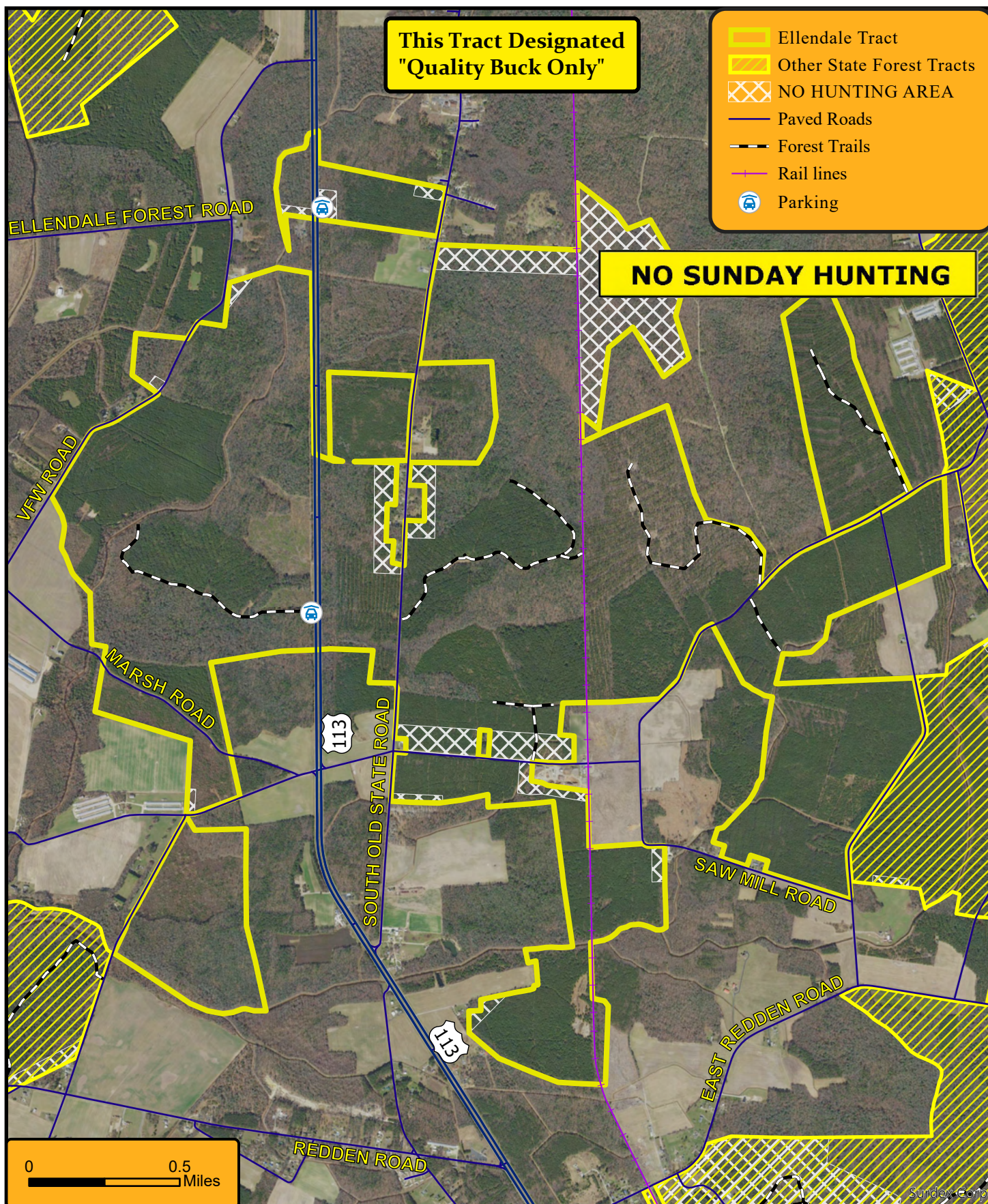


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# Ellendale Tract (2,551 Acres)



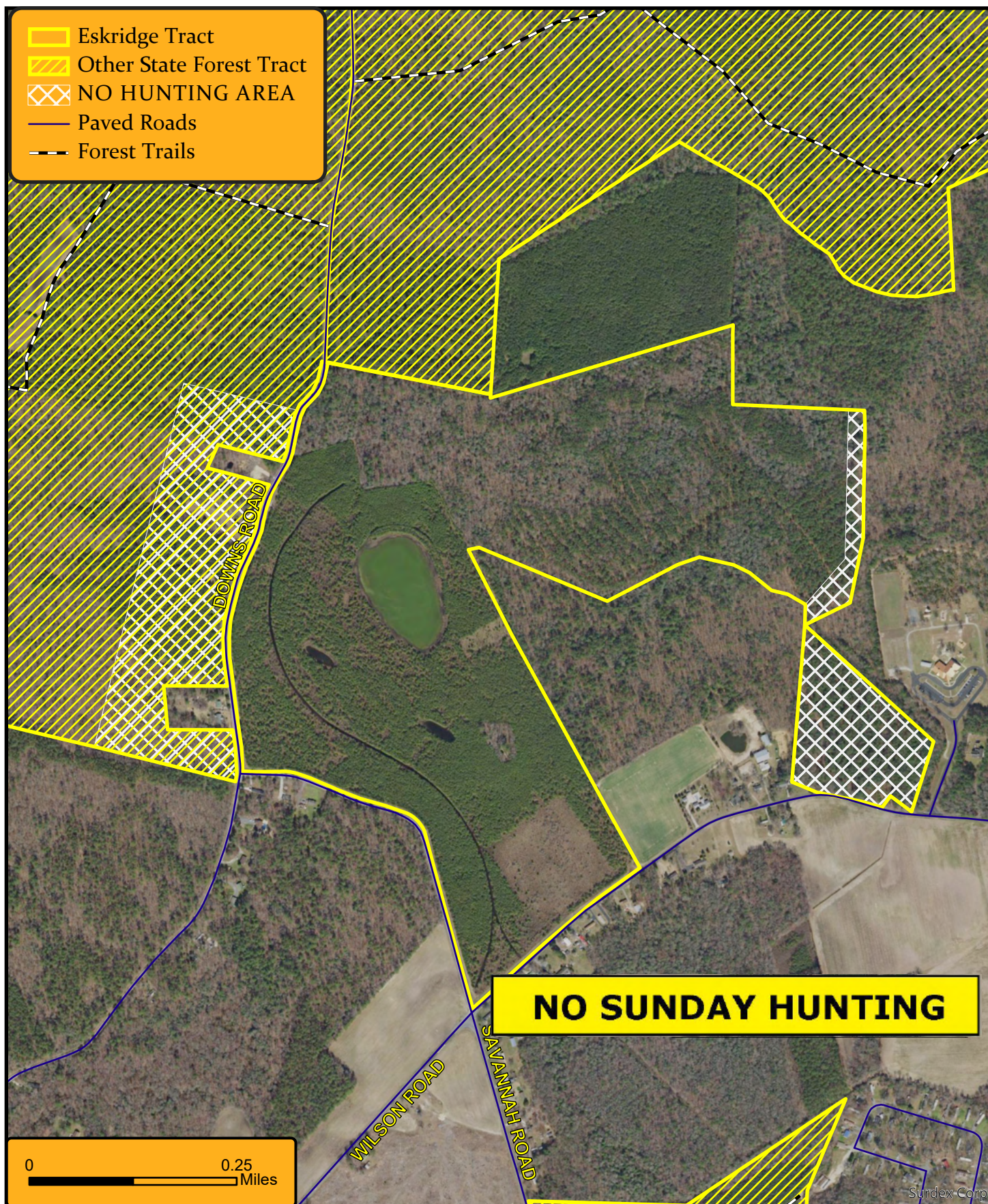
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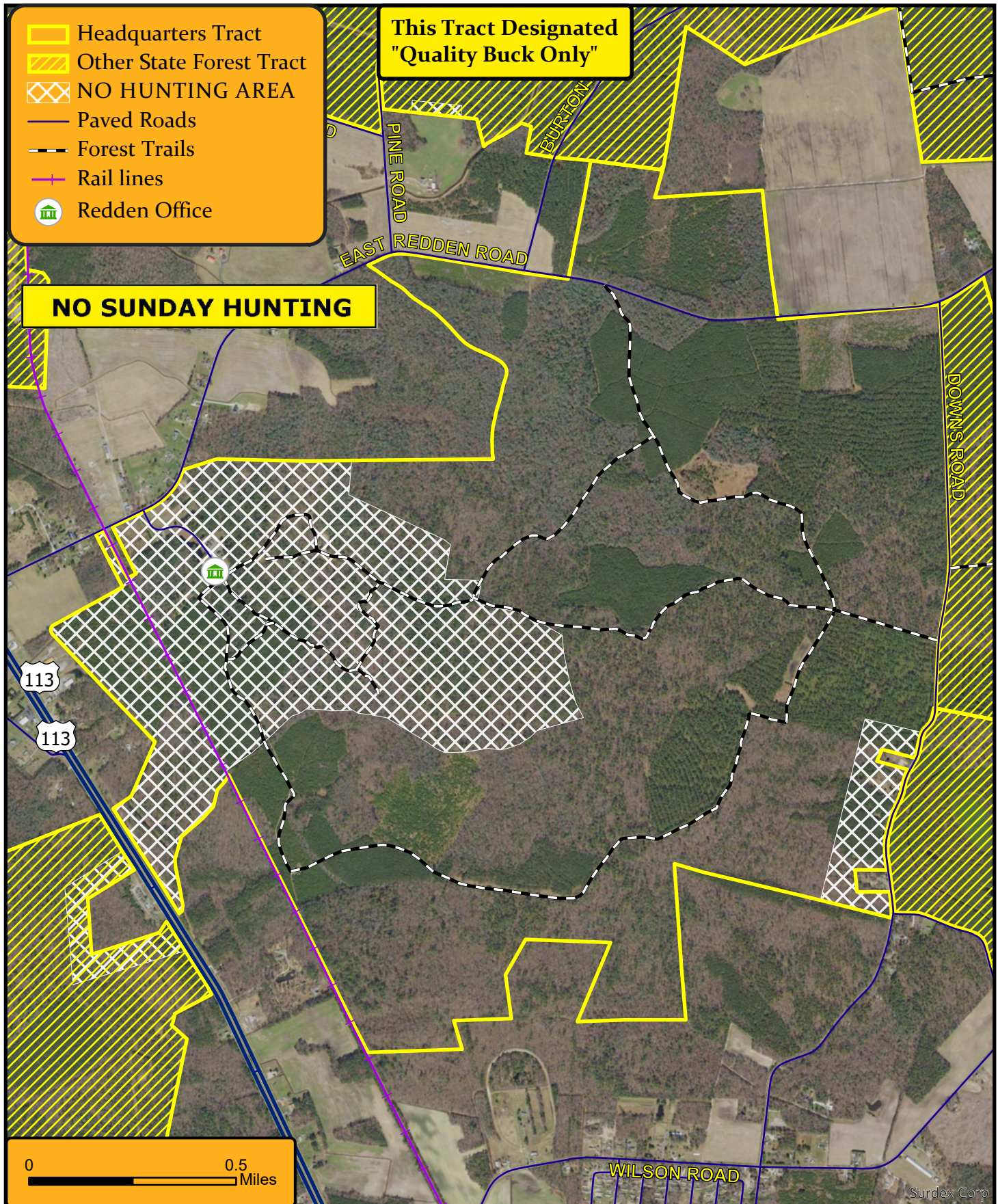


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# Headquarters Tract (1,795 Acres)



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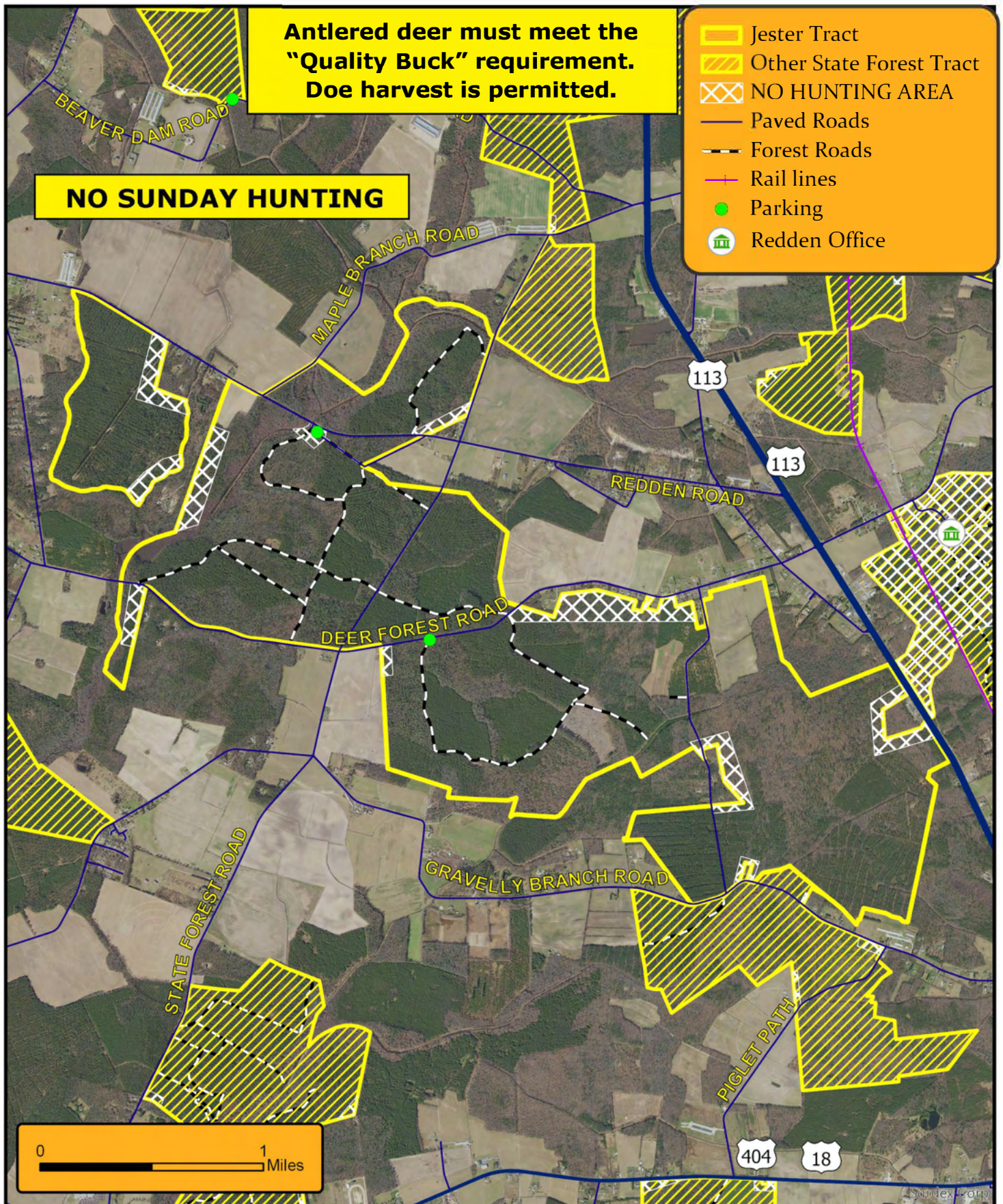




# Jester Tract (2,707 Acres) Redden State Forest



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**Antlered deer must meet the  
"Quality Buck" requirement.  
Doe harvest is permitted.**

**NO SUNDAY HUNTING**

- Jester Tract
- Other State Forest Tract
- NO HUNTING AREA
- Paved Roads
- Forest Roads
- Rail lines
- Parking
- Redden Office

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# Long Tract (242 Acres) Redden State Forest

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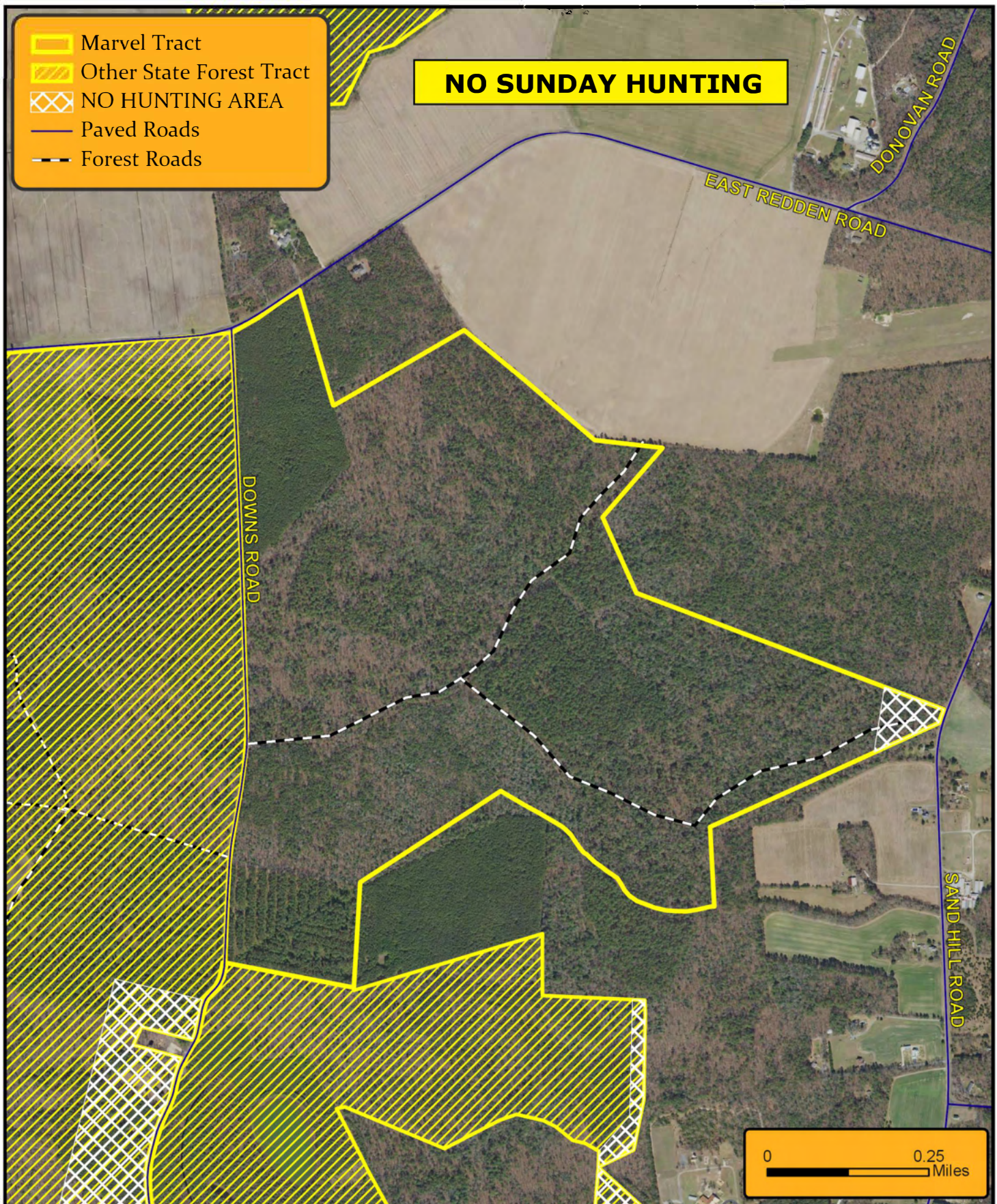




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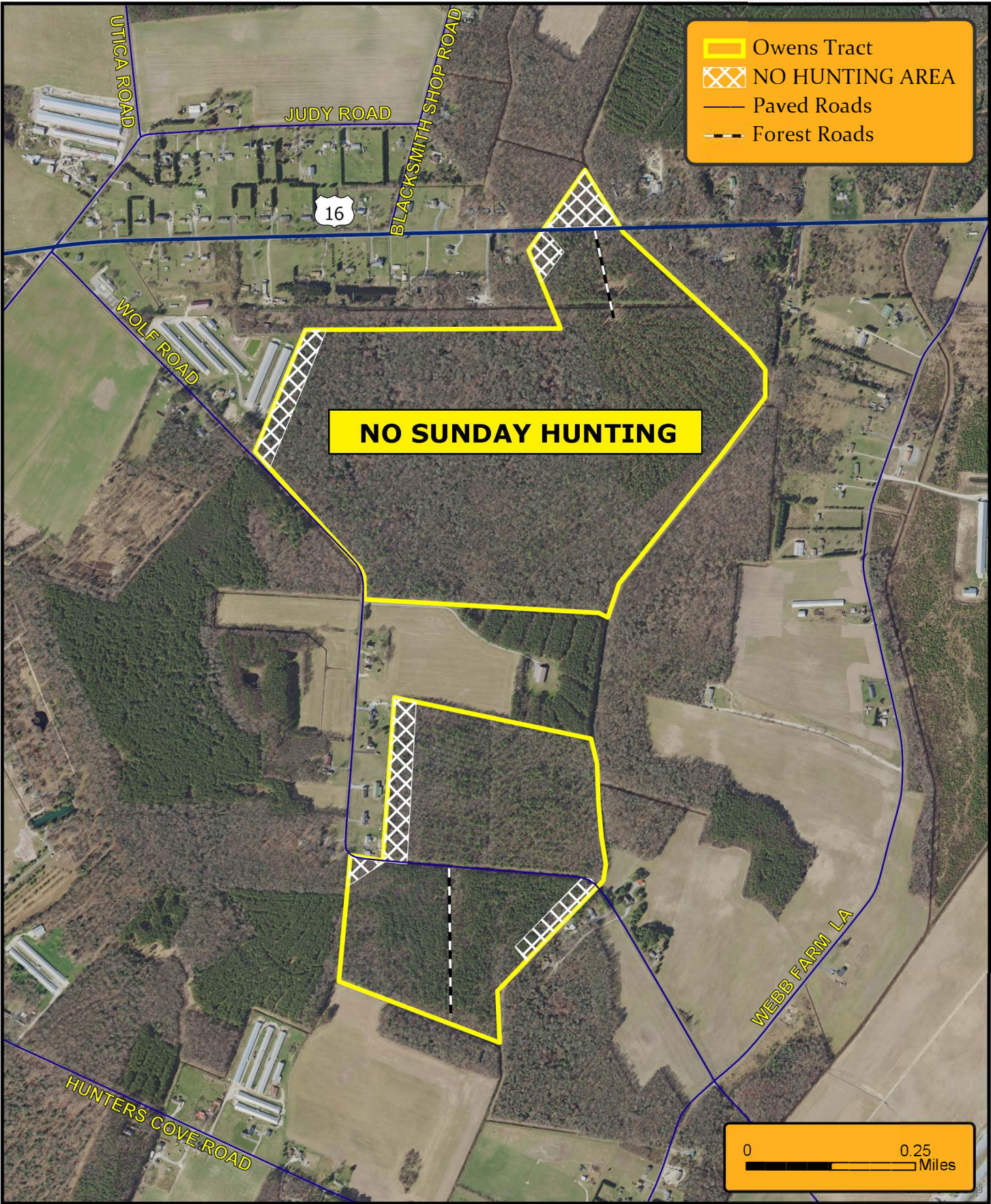




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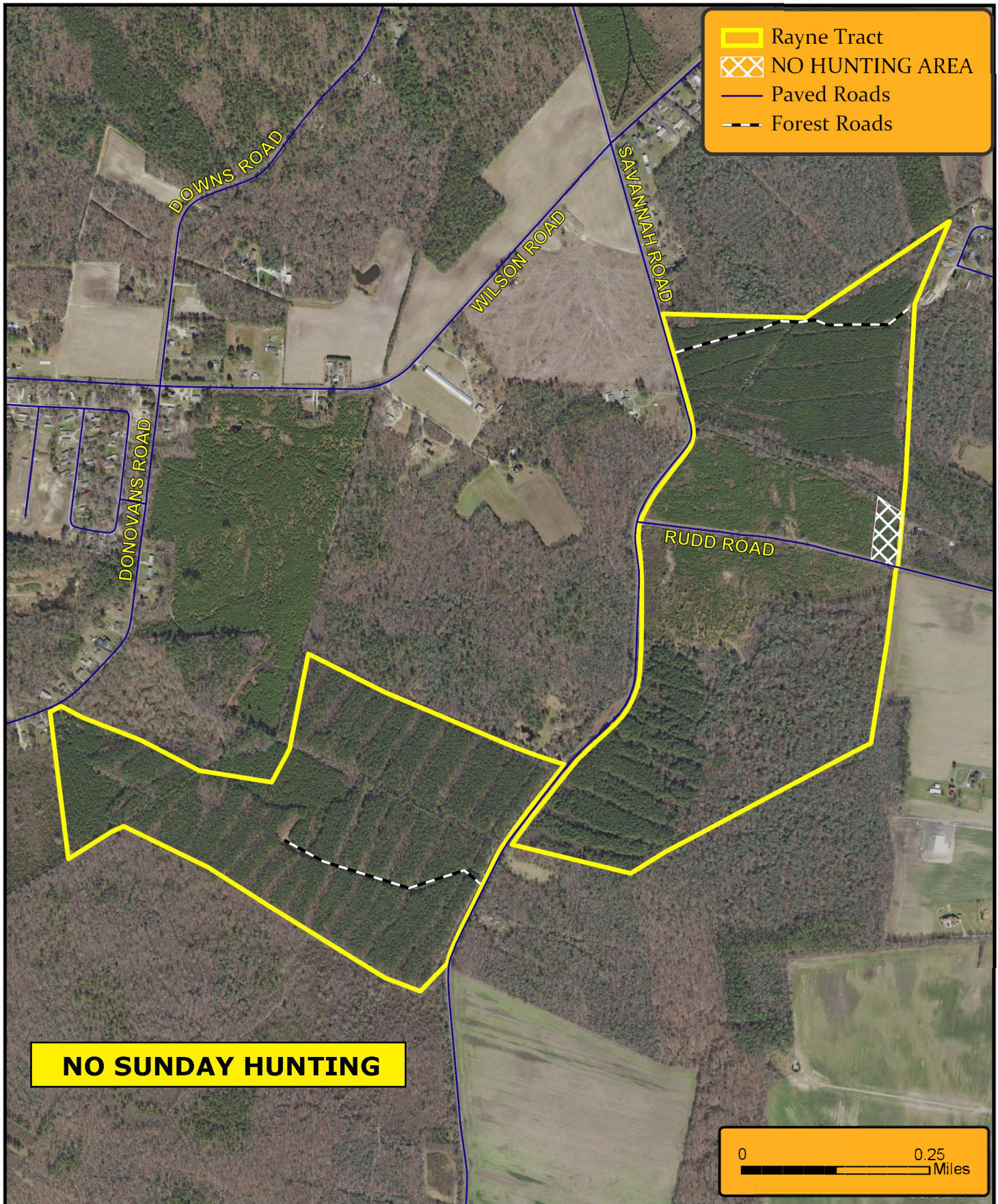




# Rayne Tract (244 Acres) Redden State Forest



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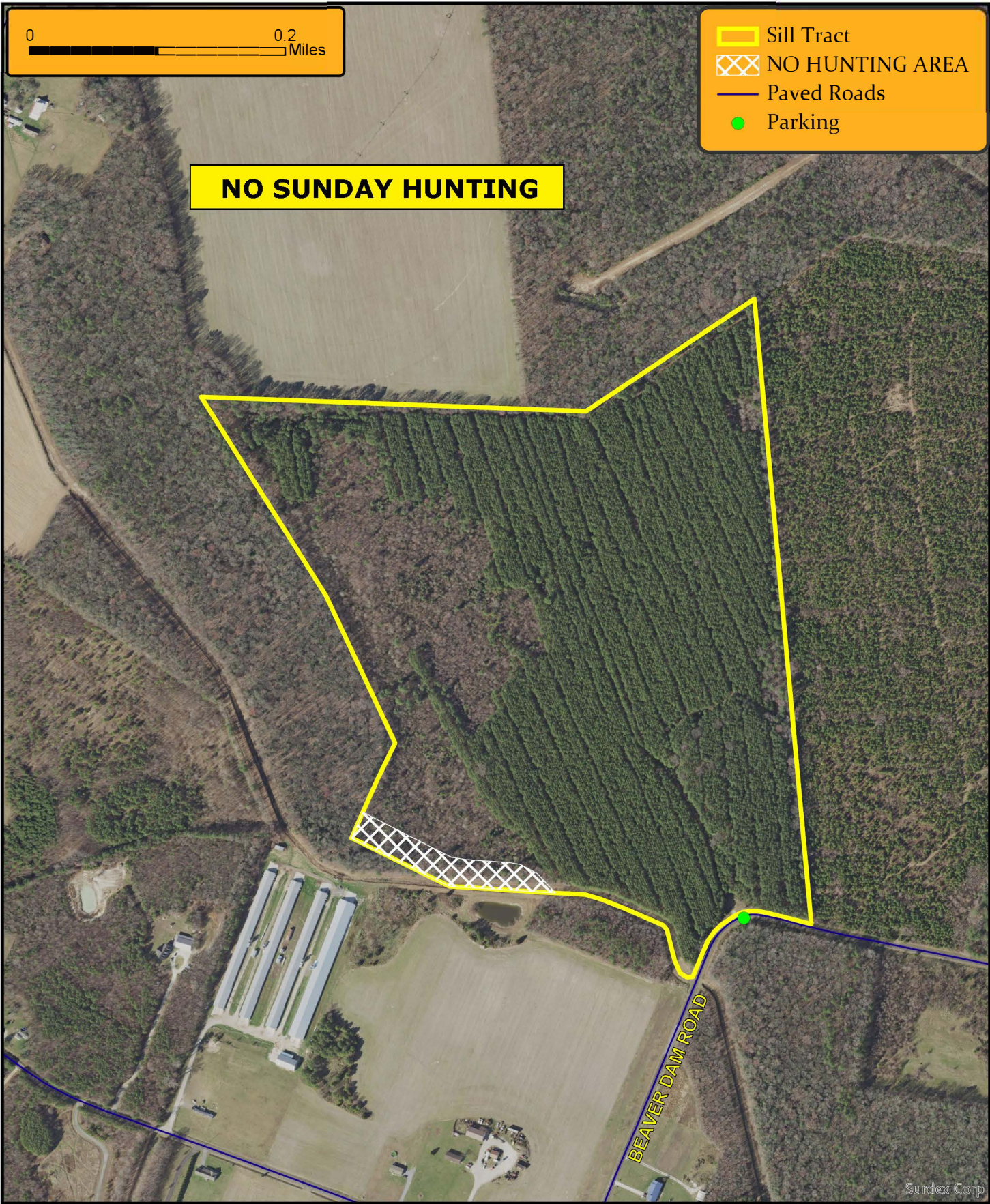






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# Sill Tract (93 Acres) Redden State Forest

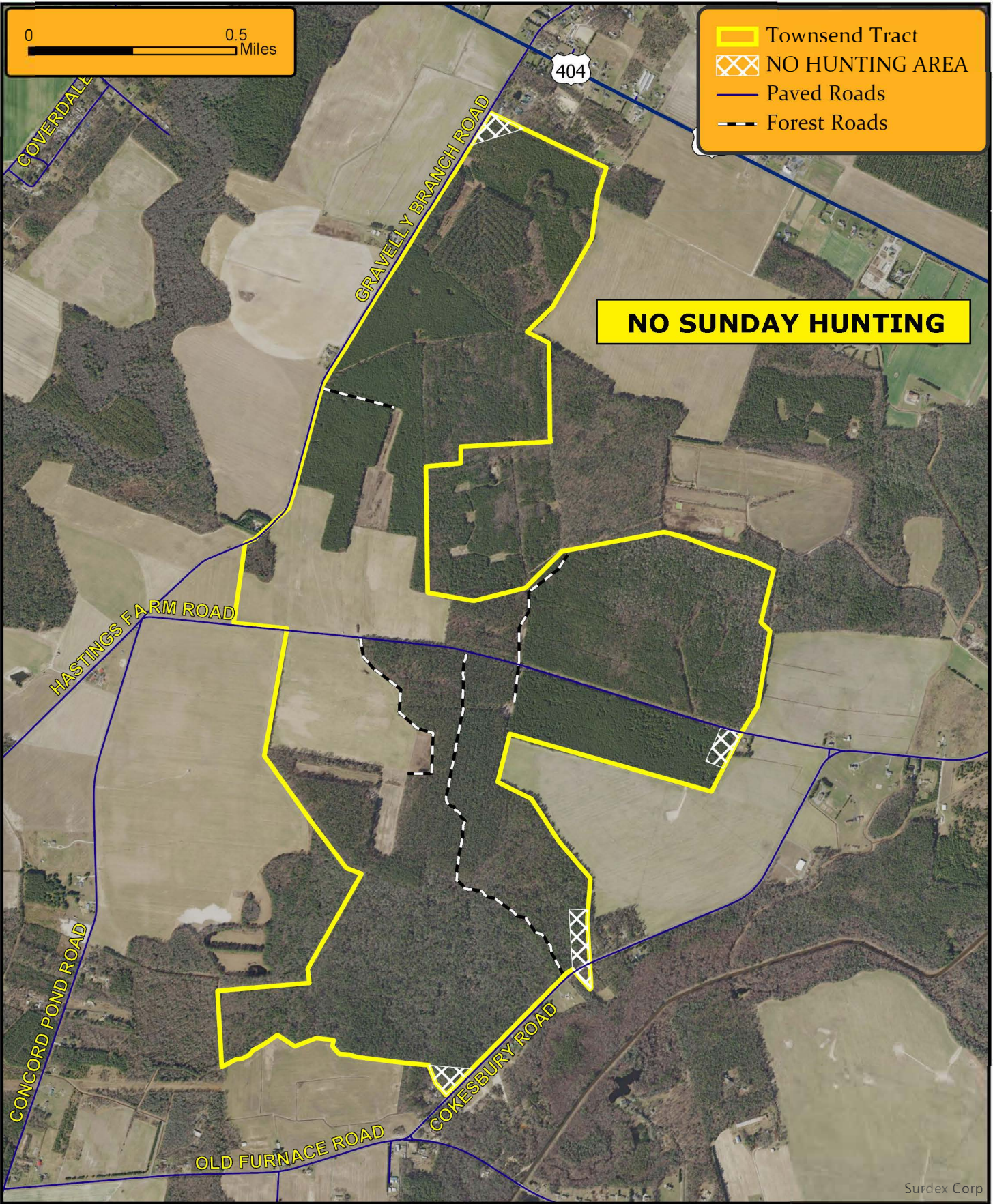




# Townsend Tract (930 Acres) Redden State Forest



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# Tunnell Tract (1,140 Acres)

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