



COUNTY OF LINCOLN, NORTH CAROLINA

302 NORTH ACADEMY STREET, SUITE A, LINCOLNTON, NORTH CAROLINA 28092

PLANNING AND INSPECTIONS DEPARTMENT
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To: Alex Patton, Board of Commissioners Chairman
George Wood, County Manager
Jeff Frushtick, Planning Board Chairman

From: Randy Hawkins, Zoning Administrator

Date: March 16, 2012

Re: CUP #308
Rose Gibson, applicant
Parcel ID# 12102, 12103, 74420 and 74421

The following information is for use by the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners and Planning Board at their joint meeting/public hearing on April 2, 2012.

REQUEST

The applicant is requesting a conditional use permit to provide equine-assisted therapy in the R-R (Rural Residential) district. In equine-assisted therapy, individuals interact with horses in a variety of activities, including grooming, feeding and walking, with the aim of improving psychological health. In regard to zoning, the proposed use has been classified as recreational. Under the Civic Uses section of the Unified Development Ordinance's Use Table, the operation of private recreational facilities is a conditional use in the R-R district.

SITE AREA AND DESCRIPTION

The proposed 53-acre site is located at 3525 Horseshoe Bend Trail, at the end of Horseshoe Bend Trail about a half mile south of Hwy. 182, in North Brook Township. The applicant resides on this property, which includes an existing horse farm. Horseshoe Bend Trail is a private road.

This property is adjoined by property zoned R-R and R-SF (Residential Single-Family). Land uses in this area are primarily residential and agricultural. The Lincoln County Land Use Plan designates this area as Rural Preservation, suitable for low-density residential uses and limited small-scale commercial uses that are suited for and blend in well with rural environments.

LINCOLN COUNTY PLANNING BOARD'S
RECOMMENDATIONS ON FINDINGS OF
FACT FOR A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT

Application # CUP #308 Date April 2, 2012

Applicant Name Rose Gibson

Applicant 3525 Horseshoe Bend Trail, Cherryville, NC 28021

Property Location 3525 Horseshoe Bend Trail Zoning District R-R

Proposed Conditional Use equine-assisted therapy (private recreational facilities)

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The use will not materially endanger the public health or safety if located where proposed and developed according to plan. YES _____ NO _____
FACTUAL REASON CITED: _____

2. The use meets all required conditions and specifications. YES _____ NO _____
FACTUAL REASON CITED: _____

3. The use will not substantially injure the value of adjoining or abutting property unless the use is a public necessity
YES _____ NO _____
FACTUAL REASON CITED: _____

4. The location and character of use, if developed according to the plan as submitted and approved, will be in harmony with the area in which it is to be located and will be in general conformity with the Land Use Plan for the area in question.
YES _____ NO _____
FACTUAL REASON CITED: _____

After having held a Public Hearing on _____ and in light of the Findings of Facts listed herein, the following action was taken by the Lincoln County Planning Board:

In recommending such Conditional Use Permit, the following conditions were recommended by the Lincoln County Planning Board:



Conditional Use Permit Application

Lincoln County Planning and Inspections Department
Zoning Administrator
302 N. Academy St., Suite A, Lincolnton, NC 28092
Phone: (704)736-8440 FAX: (704)732-9010

PART I

Applicant Name Rose Gibson

Applicant Address 3525 Horseshoe Bend Trail; Cherryville, N.C. 28021

Applicant Phone Number 704-435-1255

Property Owner Name Terry B. Gibson, Rose A. Gibson

Property Owner Address 3525 Horseshoe Bend Trail; Cherryville, N.C. 28021

Property Owner Phone Number 704-435-1255

PART II

Property Location 3525 Horseshoe Bend Trail; Off Hwy 182

Property ID (10 digits) see attachment Property size 52 acres

Parcel # (5 digits) _____ Deed Book(s) _____ Page(s) _____

PART III

Existing Zoning District R-R

Briefly describe how the property is being used and any existing structures.

Property is currently residential - 52 acres; 2 homes, barn; run in shed; Shop-garage;

Briefly explain the proposed use and/or structure which would require a Conditional Use Permit.

Property would be used to provide Christian and Secular equine assisted therapy to youth, and their families.

\$750 APPLICATION FEE MUST BE RECEIVED BEFORE PROCESSING.

I hereby certify that all knowledge of the information provided for this application and attachments is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Rose A. Gibson
Applicant's Signature

Feb 16, 2012
Date

PART II

Property ID#	Parcel #	Deed Book, Page	Property Size
2671-88-9987	12102	770-443	24.37 acres
2671-87-7608	12103	2087-175	24.24
2671-98-5604	74421	1730-856	2.38
2671-88-5265	74420	1067-399	<u>2.4</u>
			53.39 acres

Second Chance Ranch would be a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization which would provide Christian and secular equine-assisted therapy, skill building and life-changing insights. This would provide a safe environment where neglected and hurting children and horses would interact with each other, receiving hope, unconditional love, trust and self-discovery.

I have had over five years' experience as an equine specialist, certified through EAGALA (Equine Assisted Growth and Learning Association), working for Shepherd Equine Assisted Therapy and Youth Ranch, which was located in Lincoln County, and worked closely with Juvenile Crime Prevention Council, DSS, and Lincoln County Schools.

Activities would be conducted approximately 500 feet from closest residence, 3 to 5 days per week, and approximately 3 to 4 hours per day. Sessions would last one hour per individual, family, or group of 10 or less.

The facility would be located approximately ½ mile down Horseshoe Bend Trail, off Hwy. 182. There are 5 homes, one of which is unoccupied, on Horseshoe Bend Trail, before reaching my property, no other homes behind us.

The existing road would be maintained by my husband, Terry Gibson, with our own equipment.

Rose Gibson

APPLICANT'S PROPOSED FINDINGS OF FACT

Application No. **CUP #308**

Applicant **Rose Gibson**

Applicant's Address **3525 Horseshoe Bend Trail, Cherryville, NC 28021**

Property Location **3525 Horseshoe Bend Trail** Zoning District **R-R**

Proposed Conditional Use **equine-assisted therapy (private recreational facilities)**

PROPOSED FINDINGS

1. The use will not materially endanger the public health or safety if located where proposed and developed according to plan.

This involves an existing horse farm on 52 acres with well-maintained fencing.

2. The use meets all required conditions and specifications.

A private recreational facility is a conditional use in the R-R district. This is an existing horse farm.

3. The use will not substantially injure the value of adjoining or abutting property unless the use is a public necessity.

Activities would be conducted approximately 500 feet from the nearest home on another property. The applicant's home is located on this property.

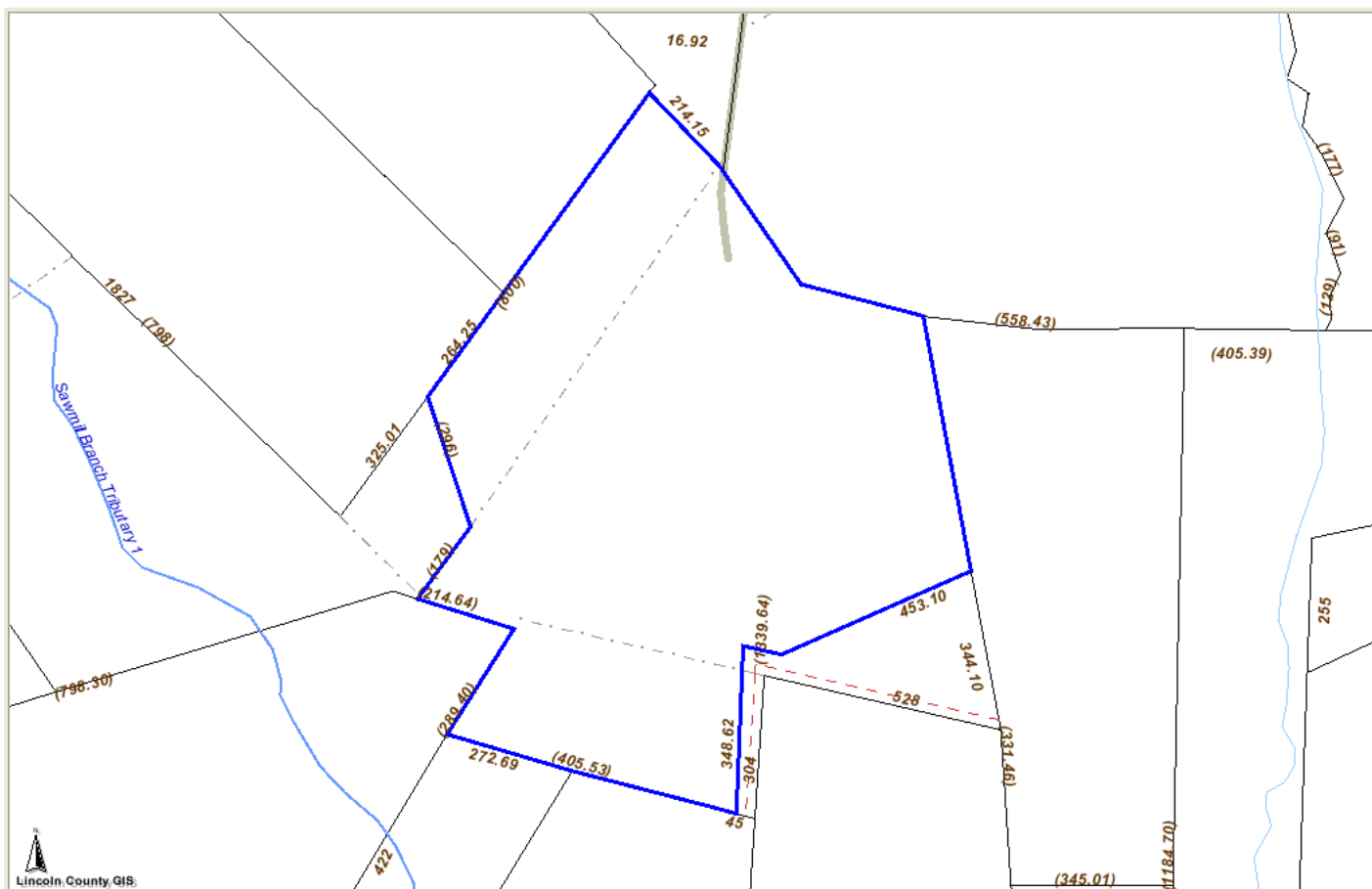
4. The location and character of use, if developed according to the plan as submitted and approved, will be in harmony with the area in which it is to be located and will be in general conformity with the Land Use Plan for the area in question.

This is a rural area with farmland and timber land. The proposed use is suited for and will blend in well with the rural environment.



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PHOTOS



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PARCEL INFORMATION FOR 2671-88-9987

Parcel ID	12102	Owner	GIBSON ROSE A GIBSON TERRY B
Map	2671-00	Mailing Address	3525 HORSESHOE BEND TRL CHERRYVILLE NC 28021
Account	0061879	Address	
Deed	770-443	Recorded	
Land Value	\$100,089	Total Value	\$224,770
----- All values are for tax year 2012. -----			
Description	HOMESITE OFF HWY 182		Sale Price
Address	3525 HORSESHOE BEND TR		Previous Parcel
Township	NORTH BROOK		
Main Improvement	MANUFACTURED HOME		Deed Acres
Main Sq Feet	1782	Stories	Tax Acres
		1 Year Built	
			Value
			\$80,162
Zoning	Calculated	Voting Precinct	Calculated Acres
District	Acres		
R-SF	24.37	NORTH BROOK (NB01)	24.37
Watershed Class		Sewer District	
WS-IIP	24.37	Not in the sewer district	24.37
2000 Census County		Tract	Block
37109		070500	3040
Flood	Zone Description	Panel	
X	NO FLOOD HAZARD	3710266000	24.37



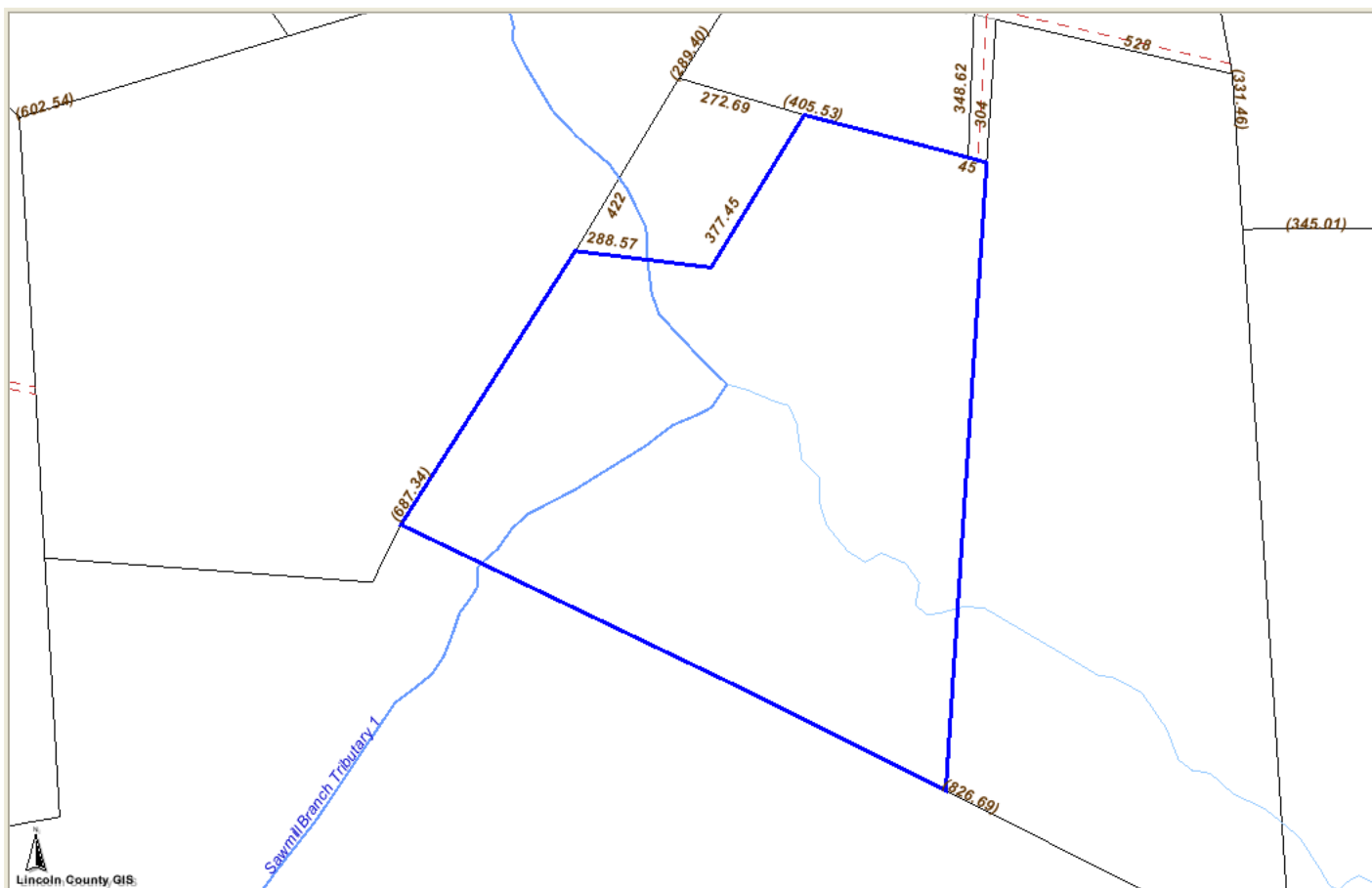


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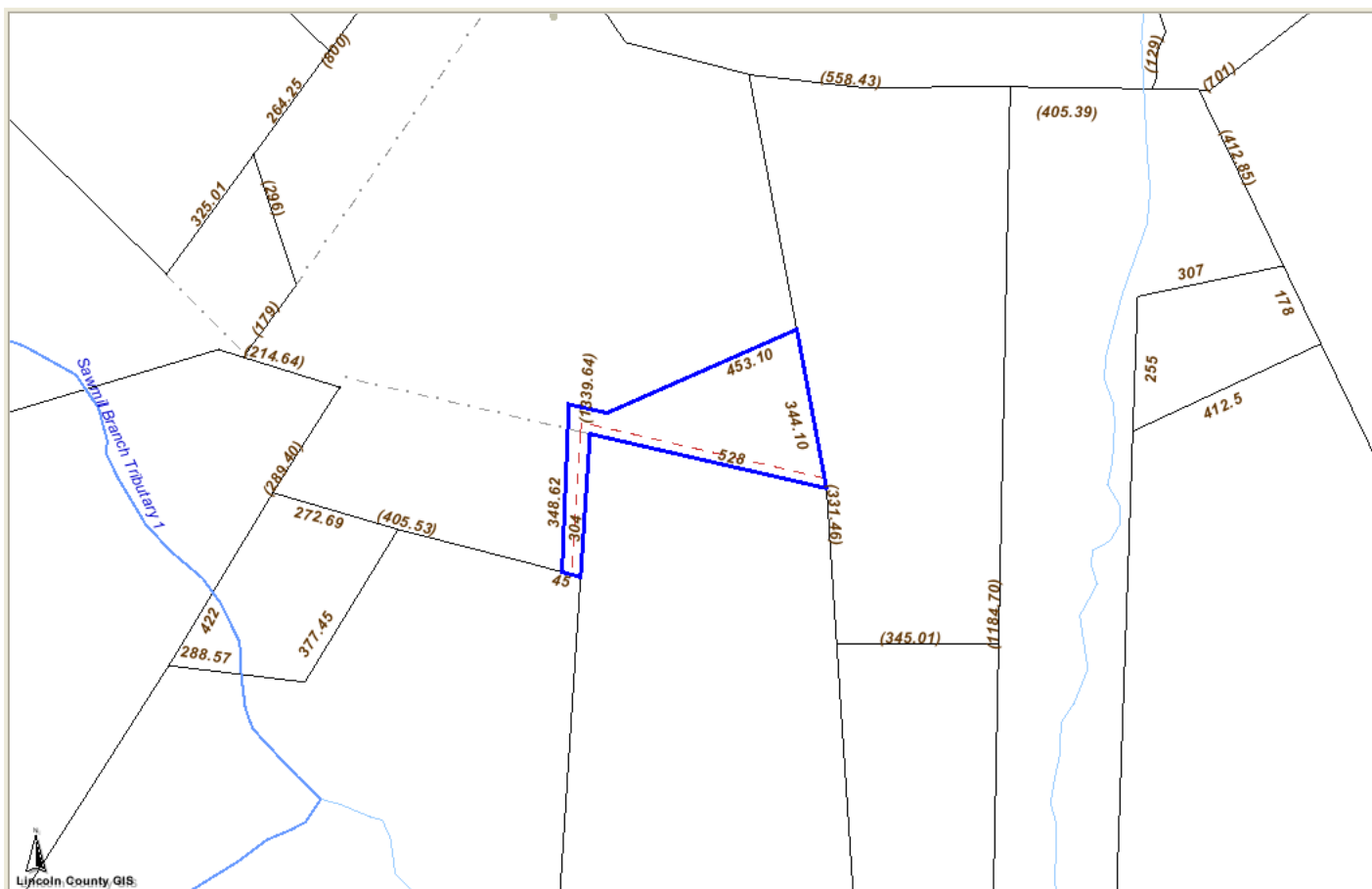
PARCEL INFORMATION FOR 2671-87-7608

Parcel ID	12103	Owner	GIBSON TERRY BOYD
Map	2671-00	Mailing	3525 HORSESHOE BND TRL
Account	0072465	Address	CHERRYVILLE NC 28021-9514
Deed	2087-175	Recorded	1/14/2009
Land Value	\$84,540	Total Value	\$84,540
----- All values are for tax year 2012. -----			
Description	JL FISHER LD RD 1157	Deed Acres	0
Address	HORSESHOE BEND TR	Tax Acres	24.24
Township	NORTH BROOK	Tax/Fire District	NORTH BROOK
Improvement	No Improvements		
Zoning	Calculated	Voting Precinct	Calculated Acres
District	Acres	NORTH BROOK (NB01)	24.1
R-R	14.16		
R-SF	9.94		
Watershed Class		Sewer District	
WS-IIP	24.1	Not in the sewer district	24.1
2000 Census County		Tract	Block
37109		070500	3040
Flood	Zone Description	Panel	
X	NO FLOOD HAZARD	3710266000	24.1



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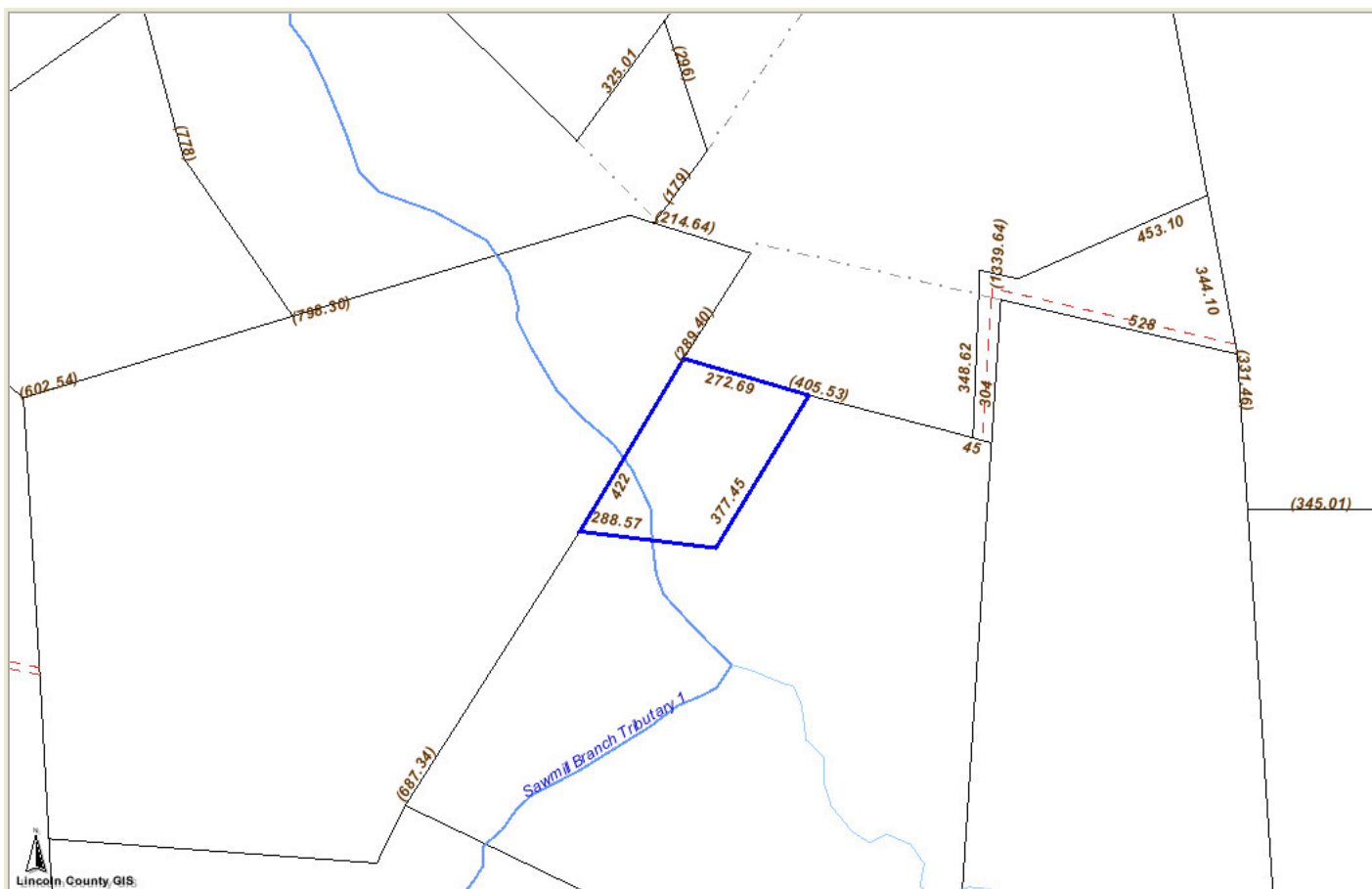
PARCEL INFORMATION FOR 2671-98-5604

Parcel ID	74421	Owner	BOYD GIBSON FAMILY TRUST		
Map	2671-00	Mailing	3527 HORSESHOE BEND TRAIL		
Account	0186803	Address	CHERRYVILLE NC 28021		
Deed	1730-856	Recorded	8/17/2005	Sale Price	0
Land Value	\$22,708	Total Value	\$122,642	Previous Parcel	12102
----- All values are for tax year 2012. -----					
Description	VACANT LAND OFF HWY 182			Deed Acres	2.4
Address	3527 HORSESHOE BEND TR			Tax Acres	2.38
Township	NORTH BROOK			Tax/Fire District	NORTH BROOK
Main Improvement	MANUFACTURED HOME			Value	\$83,538
Main Sq Feet	1950	Stories	1	Year Built	1992
Zoning District	Calculated Acres	Voting Precinct	Calculated Acres		
R-SF	2.39	NORTH BROOK (NB01)	2.39		
Watershed Class	Calculated Acres	Sewer District	Calculated Acres		
WS-IIP	2.39	Not in the sewer district	2.39		
2000 Census County	Tract	Block	Calculated Acres		
37109	070500	3040	2.39		
Flood	Zone Description	Panel	Calculated Acres		
X	NO FLOOD HAZARD	3710266000	2.39		



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PARCEL INFORMATION FOR 2671-88-5265

Parcel ID	74420	Owner	GIBSON ROSE A GIBSON TERRY B		
Map	2671-00	Mailing	3525 HORSESHOE BEND TRL		
Account	0061879	Address	CHERRYVILLE NC 28021		
Deed	1067-399	Recorded	9/10/1998	Sale Price	0
Land Value	\$9,007	Total Value	\$9,007	Previous Parcel	12103
----- All values are for tax year 2012. -----					
Description	VACANT LAND OFF RD 1157			Deed Acres	2.39
Address	HORSESHOE BEND TR			Tax Acres	2.4
Township	NORTH BROOK		Tax/Fire District	NORTH BROOK	
Improvement	No Improvements				
Zoning	Calculated	Voting Precinct	Calculated Acres		
District	Acres	NORTH BROOK (NB01)			2.48
R-SF	2.14				
R-R	0.34				
Watershed Class		Sewer District			
WS-IIP	2.48	Not in the sewer district			2.48
2000 Census County		Tract	Block		
37109		070500	3040	2.48	
Flood	Zone Description	Panel			
X	NO FLOOD HAZARD	3710266000	2.48		

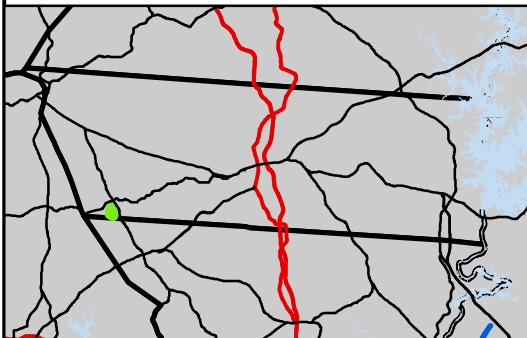
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Vicinity Map



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Date: February 21, 2012

