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## **SYLVAN FALLS**

**A classic Adirondack multiple-use property, featuring over two miles of St. Regis River frontage, the beautiful Sylvan Falls, a spectacular waterfall near a town road for home building, with a large rolling landscape for recreational pursuits.**



***1,459 Tax Acres***  
***Hopkinton, St. Lawrence County, New York***

**Price: \$975,000**

## PROPERTY OVERVIEW

The property is well suited to those seeking a large, forested landscape with river frontage and a fantastic waterfall, supported by asset appreciation from a well-stocked, long-term timber resource.

Property highlights include:

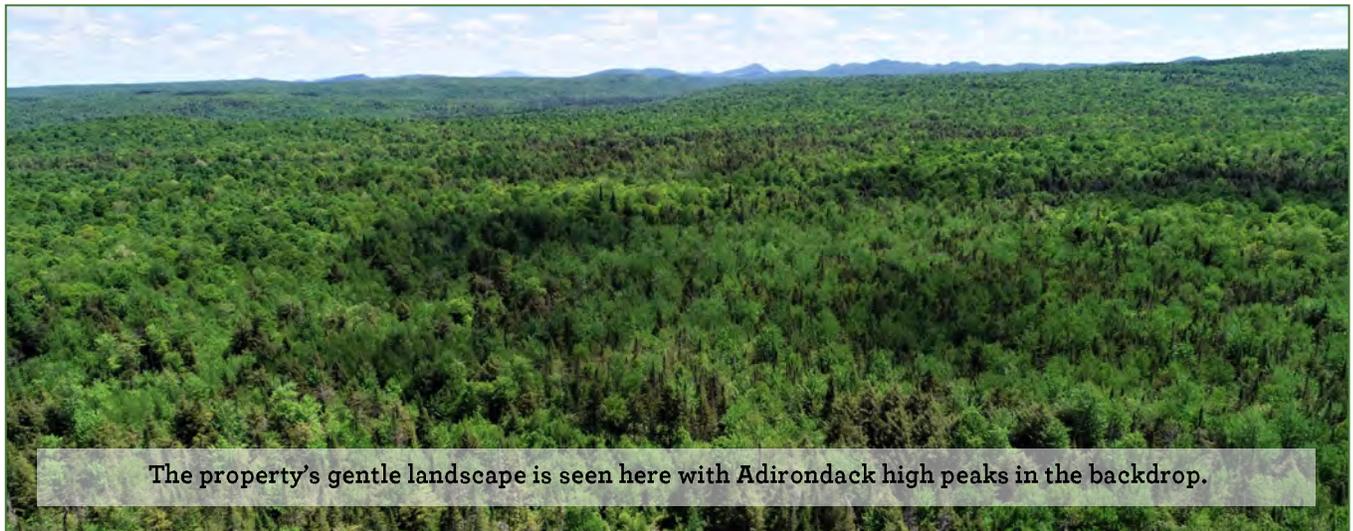
- Attractive location in the northern Adirondack foothills, situated at the edge of a transitional zone between expansive forestland tracts and the St. Lawrence River valley;
- Two plus miles of river frontage on the West Branch of the St. Regis River and sole ownership of Sylvan Falls;
- Easily accessible along town maintained roads;
- Home or cottage site(s) possible near Sylvan Falls and the West Branch of the St. Regis River;
- Well-stocked timber resource with high-quality stems perfectly positioned for future growth and appreciation.



Aerial view of Sylvan Falls which is entirely located on the property, nearby to a town maintained road providing easy access for a potential homesite within walking distance of the falls.

## LOCATION

The property is in the town of Hopkinton (population 1,077), a rural, primarily forested area of the northwestern Adirondacks, historically called the "south woods." This area is quite rural, with scattered homes and camps along the town roads. To the south are large forestland tracts. The closest community is Parishville, located 6 miles to the north. The larger community of Potsdam is 14 miles northwest. Potsdam is home to SUNY Potsdam and Clarkson University. Potsdam is considered the cultural and educational center of the region. Potsdam is also home to Damon Field, a municipal airport that is open to the public. Burlington, Vermont is a two-and-a-half-hour drive to the east, and Montreal, Quebec is a two-hour drive to the northeast.



The property's gentle landscape is seen here with Adirondack high peaks in the backdrop.

## ACCESS

The property has two access points. West of the river, access to the large portion of timberland is from the town maintained White Hill Road, where a gated woods road originates. Once on the land, the road runs 2 miles east towards the river. A secondary road, 1.75 miles in length, heads north along the river, providing more than adequate access to the river and future forest management needs. Numerous logging trails run throughout the land, most well suited to hiking, skiing, and ATV use. From the east, access is along the town maintained Sylvan Falls Road. The road runs parallel to the river, and a short trail to the river ends at a flat section of ledge rock ideal for picnics and viewing the river.



Sylvan Falls Road, just beyond the waterfall. The river runs along the road in this location with one of the lease camps in this area.

## PROPERTY TAXES & TITLE

Property taxes in 2020 are \$14,192.18. The property **IS NOT** enrolled in New York State's Real Property Tax Law, 480-a, which significantly reduces the annual tax burden. The property is wholly within the Adirondack Park and is classified as "Rural Use" by the Adirondack Park Agency. This classification allows for an average lot size of 8.5 acres per principle structure.

The property is referenced on the Town of Hopkinton tax maps 93.001-2-7 (26.0 acres), 93.001-2-8 (55.7 acres), 93.002-1-23 (1.9 acres), 93.003-1-11 (77.0 acres), 93.003-1-12 (116.9 acres), 93.003-1-13 (138.1 acres), 93.004-1-2 (429.7 acres), and 93.004-1-6 (614.0 acres). The Warranty Deed is recorded in Book 940 Page 1099 in the St. Lawrence County Clerk's office.



Beaver meadow centrally located on the property.

## SITE DESCRIPTION

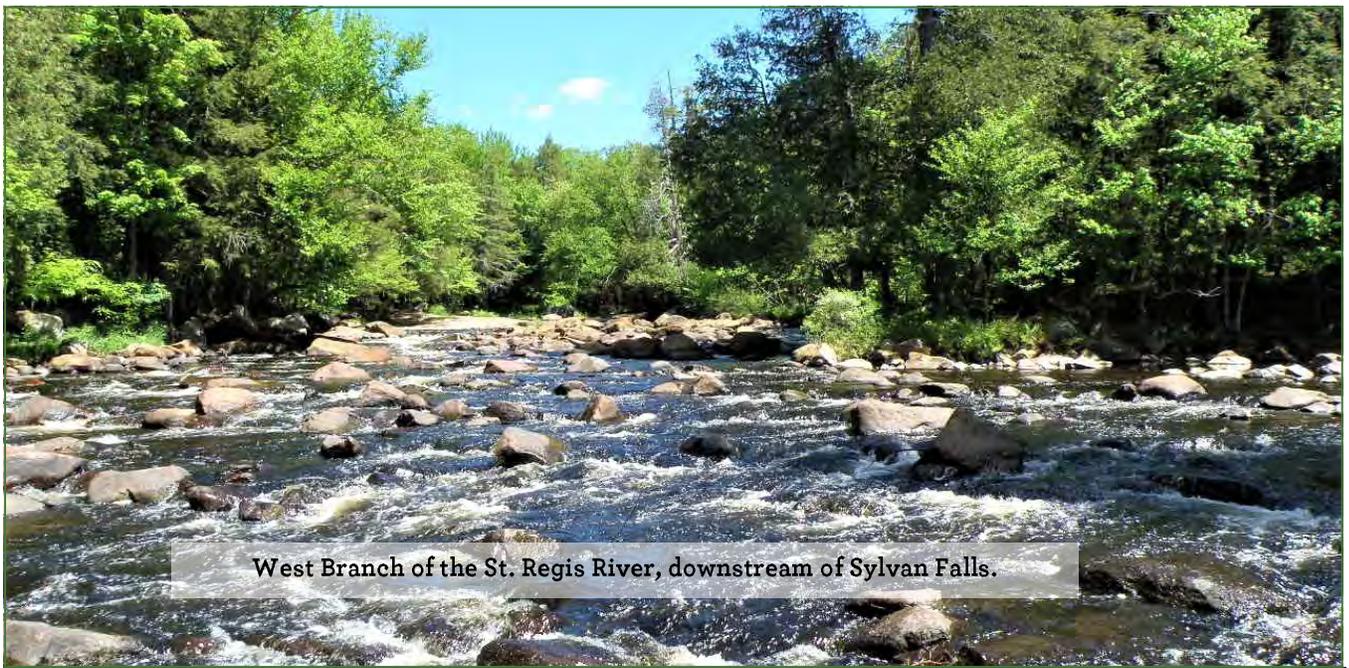
The property's most defining attribute is Sylvan Falls and its  $\pm 2.25$  miles of frontage along the West Branch of the St. Regis River. The West Branch of the St. Regis River originates in the Saranac Lake Region of the Adirondacks, running nearly 75 miles before emptying into the St. Lawrence River. The southern 0.75 miles of river frontage occurs on both sides of the river. Above Sylvan Falls, the river is flat water great for paddling and fishing. Below Sylvan Falls, the river is a beautiful, fast-moving stream. The elevation change at the falls is approximately 25 feet making for a spectacular scenic attribute. A small island splits the river at the falls. A series of small bridges allow walking access to the island and the river's western side just above the falls. Nearby is Sylvan Falls Road, the perfect location to build a home or seasonal cottage, in view and close enough to hear the rivers rushing waters. The West Branch of the St. Regis River is classified as a "recreational river" by the Adirondack Park Agency in this area.



Upper section of Sylvan Falls to the west of the island which is accessible from the western or eastern access roads.

The property's terrain is generally quite gentle, with rolling terrain. A few small hills represent the highest points within the property at approximately 1,310' ASL. The low end of the property is where the river exits the property at an elevation of 985'. This rolling terrain is typical of the Adirondack foothills region.

The entire property is forested except for a few small clearings along the internal access roads and a few wetland areas with semi-open water created by beavers. Soils are primarily well-drained and productive, as evidenced by species indicators such as trillium, basswood, and sugar maple.



West Branch of the St. Regis River, downstream of Sylvan Falls.

## TIMBER RESOURCE

Timber harvesting has taken place on the tract for many years. The majority of the forest is a northern hardwood type with mixed softwoods along the river and in lowland areas.

A young, well-stocked timber resource offers a mix of early successional forest and mid rotational poles and sawtimber benefitting from favorable species composition and high stem quality—desirable attributes for a long-term, multiple-use forestry perspective.

Species composition includes a mix of quality northern hardwoods dominated by maple, birch and cherry with common softwood associates of hemlock, spruce and fir. Regeneration within the hardwood is most notably yellow birch, a desirable hardwood species, making up much of the younger age class.



Young stand of well established high quality birch and maple stems.

No timber inventory is available at this time.



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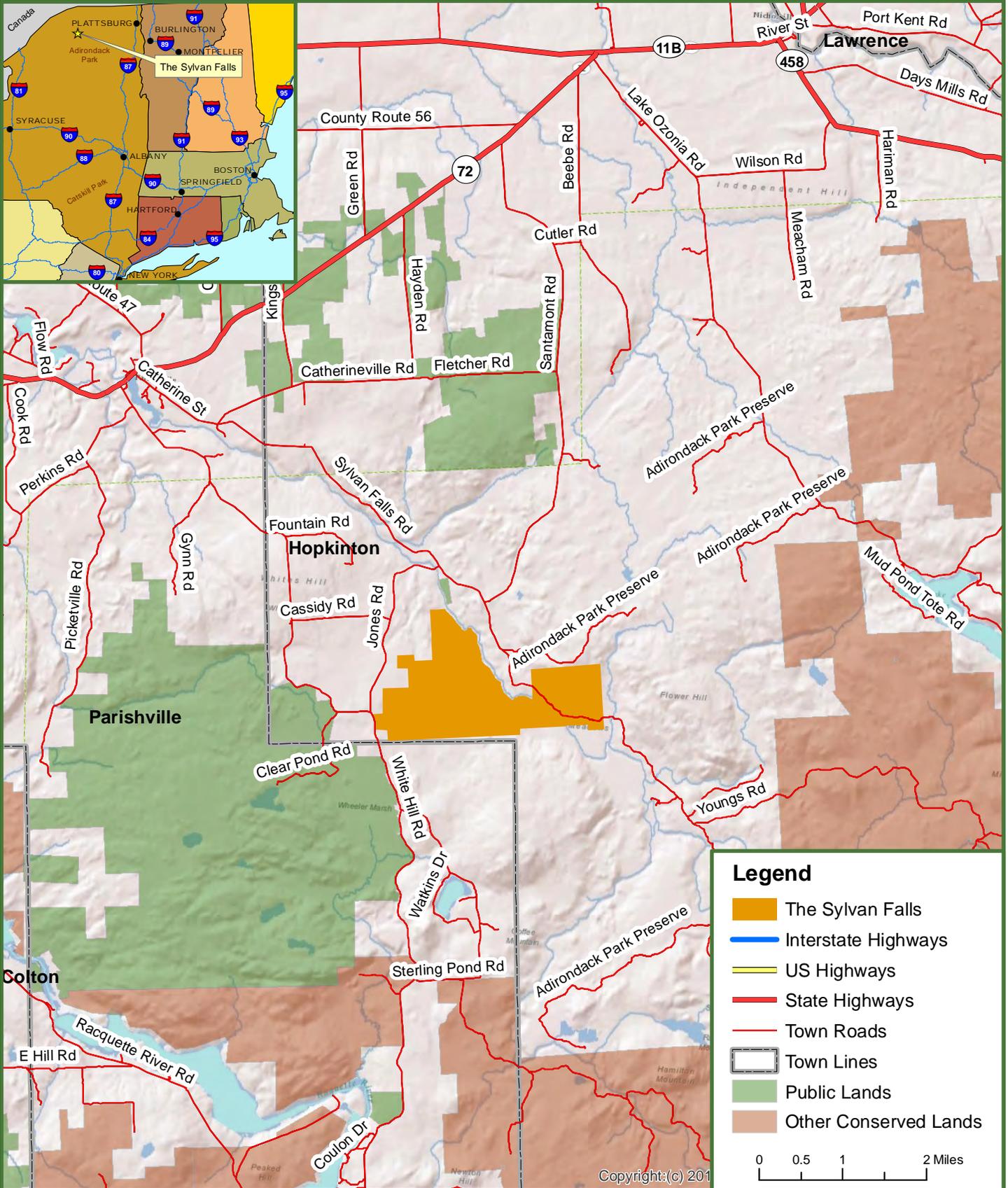
# Locus Map The Sylvan Falls

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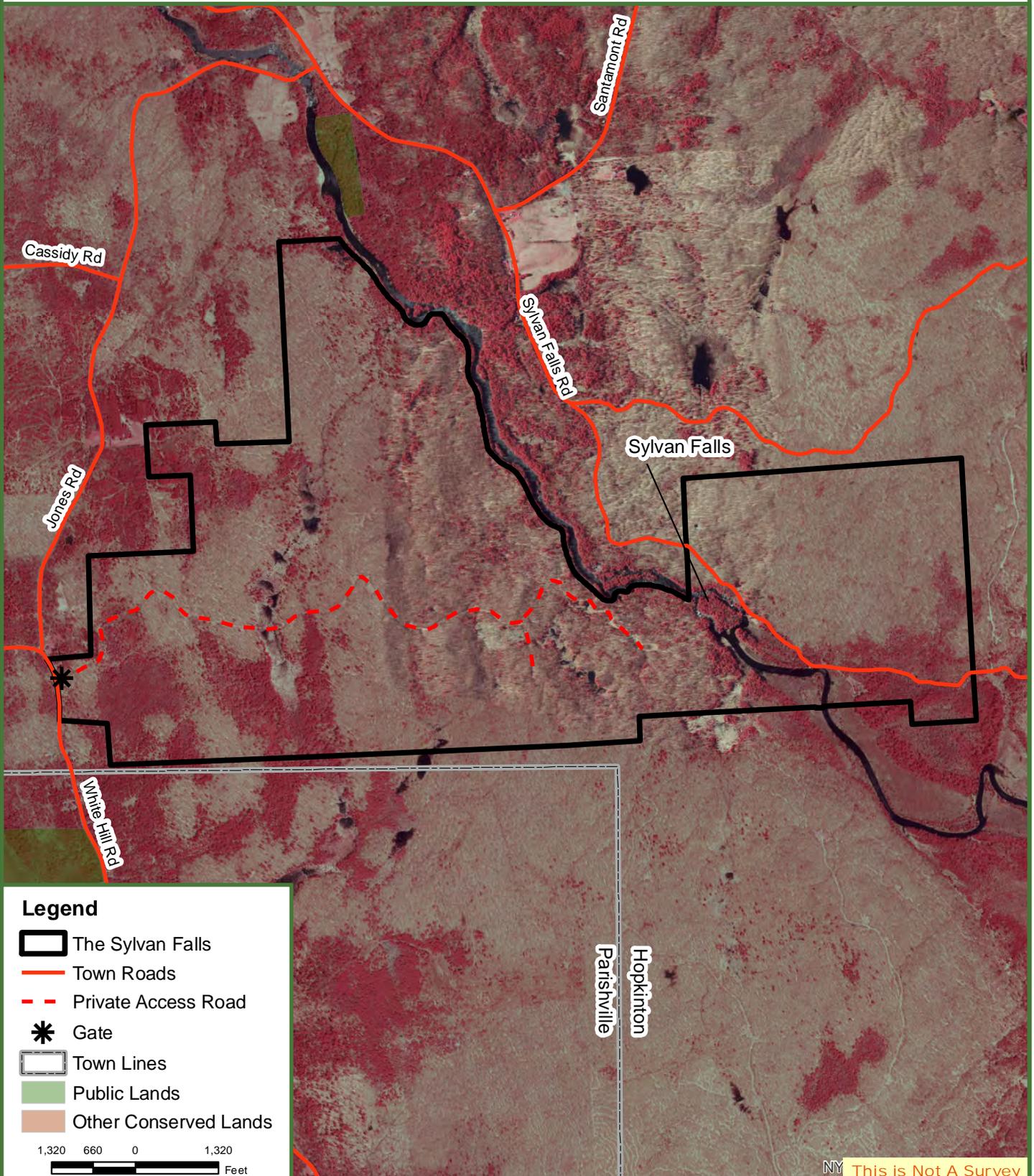
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*If you need legal, tax or other advice, consult with a professional in that field.*

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#### **Seller's Agent**

A seller's agent is an agent who is engaged by a seller to represent the seller's interest. The seller's agent does this by securing a buyer for the seller's home at a price and on terms acceptable to the seller. A seller's agent has, without limitation, the following fiduciary duties to the seller: reasonable care, undivided loyalty, confidentiality, full disclosure, obedience and duty to account. A seller's agent does not represent the interests of the buyer. The obligations of a seller's agent are also subject to any specific provisions set forth in an agreement between the agent and the seller. In dealings with the buyer, a seller's agent should (a) exercise reasonable skill and care in performance of the agent's duties; (b) deal honestly, fairly and in good faith; and (c) disclose all facts known to the agent materially affecting the value or desirability of property, except as otherwise provided by law.

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#### **Dual Agent**

A real estate broker may represent both the buyer and seller if both the buyer and seller give their informed consent in writing. In such a dual agency situation, the agent will not be able to provide the full range of fiduciary duties to the buyer and seller. The obligations of an agent are also subject to any specific provisions set forth in an agreement between

the agent, and the buyer and seller. An agent acting as a dual agent must explain carefully to both the buyer and seller that the agent is acting for the other party as well. The agent should also explain the possible effects of dual representation, including that by consenting to the dual agency relationship the buyer and seller are giving up their right to undivided loyalty. A buyer or seller should carefully consider the possible consequences of a dual agency relationship before agreeing to such representation.

### Dual Agent with Designated Sales Agents

If the buyer and seller provide their informed consent in writing, the principals and the real estate broker who represents both parties as a dual agent may designate a sales agent to represent the buyer and another sales agent to represent the seller to negotiate the purchase and sale of real

estate. A sales agent works under the supervision of the real estate broker. With the informed consent of the buyer and the seller in writing, the designated sales agent for the buyer will function as the buyer's agent representing the interests of and advocating on behalf of the buyer and the designated sales agent for the seller will function as the seller's agent representing the interests of and advocating on behalf of the seller in the negotiations between the buyer and seller. A designated sales agent cannot provide the full range of fiduciary duties to the buyer or seller. The designated sales agent must explain that like the dual agent under whose supervision they function, they cannot provide undivided loyalty. A buyer or seller should carefully consider the possible consequences of a dual agency relationship with designated sales agents before agreeing to such representation.

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