



**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**  
**Office of Construction & Facilities Management**  
**Washington DC 20420**

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*Sent via email*

**SUBJECT: Scoping Notice for the Proposed Great Lakes National Cemetery Phase 3 Gravesite Development Project located in Oakland County, Michigan  
[VA ID# EAXX-029-40-NCA-1725450941]**

Dear Valued Stakeholder:

The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is proposing to implement an approximately 30-acre expansion of the Great Lakes National Cemetery located about 50 miles northwest of downtown Detroit, in Oakland County at 4200 Belford Road, Holly, Michigan (Figures 1 and 2). The purpose of the proposed action is to provide fifteen years of additional interment capacity to serve the projected burial needs of Veterans in the Great Lakes region.

VA is preparing an environmental assessment (EA) to analyze the potential environmental impacts of the proposed action. VA is seeking input from stakeholders as part of the scoping process in the development of this document. VA is preparing the EA in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) (42 U.S. Code [USC] § 4321- 4370), as implemented by the Council on Environmental Quality (40 Code of Federal Regulations [CFR] Parts 1500-1508), and VA's NEPA regulations (38 CFR Part 26).

Through this notice, VA is also providing the public with information about the undertaking and seeking public comment and input about the undertaking's effects on historic properties pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) of 1966, as amended, (54 USC § 306108), and its implementing regulations (36 CFR Part 800 – Protection of Historic Properties). VA is using its procedures for public involvement under NEPA in lieu of public involvement requirements in Subpart B of the Section 106 regulations per 36 CFR Part 800.2(d)(3). This notice does not serve as an invitation to consult under Section 106, it is solely to seek and consider the views of the public. VA conducted its Section 106 review and consultation separately.

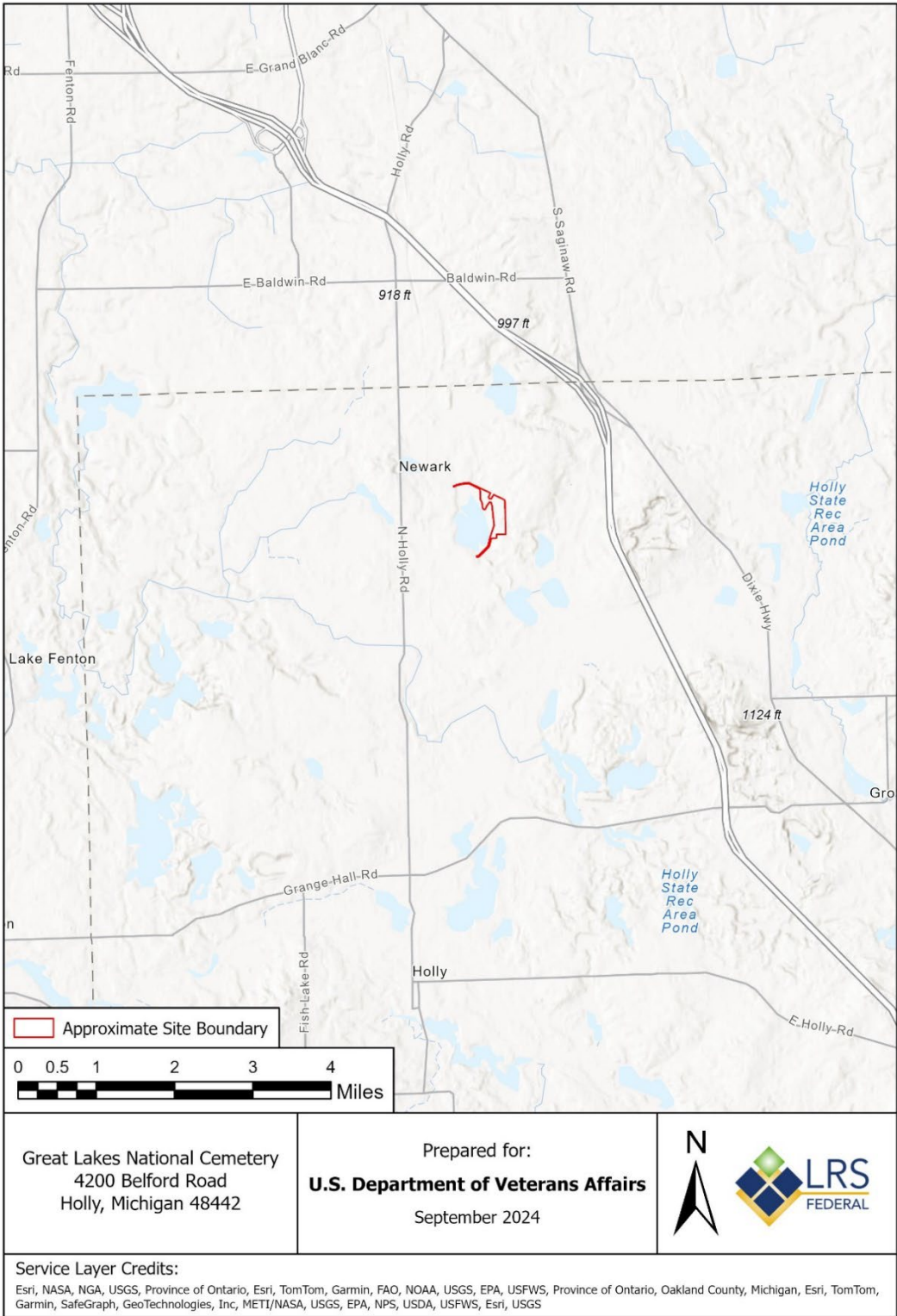
If you have comments on the scope of the EA, the range of alternatives, and environmental issues for in-depth analysis, please email your comments to [vacoenvironment@va.gov](mailto:vacoenvironment@va.gov) with the subject line "Great Lakes National Cemetery Phase 3 Expansion".

VA will publish the Draft EA for a 30-day public review and comment period. VA will notify stakeholders, publish a notice of availability of the Draft EA in the *Tri-County Times Newspaper*, and invite comments on the Draft EA at that time.

Respectfully,

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**Figure 1. Site Vicinity Map**



**Figure 2. Site Location Map**

