South Central Ozarks Community Storm Siren Survey

Compiled by the South Central Ozark Council of Governments

A comprehensive look at the location, condition, and coverages of all the community storm sirens in the South Central region.



In 2011, the South Central Ozark Council of Governments was awarded a CDBG planning grant to engage in Strategic Hazard Mitigation Planning throughout our region, and as part of this program we have surveyed and mapped all community storm sirens in the South Central Ozarks region.

The implementation of this project was based on the notion that it is important to gauge the existing coverage of sirens in the region in relation to settlement patterns, community institutions and population density. The outcome of this project will be professional geographic analysis that can be used as a highly effective planning tool, as well as the creation of data that will assist when pursuing funding for new storm sirens.

The dispersed population of the Missouri Ozarks makes it difficult, if not impossible, to achieve blanket coverage of siren warning systems. However, a project like this gives us the opportunity to strategically locate future storm sirens and target investment where vulnerability is the greatest.

In disaster planning, it is important to understand vulnerability and risk.

Risk, essentially, is the probability that injury to life or damage to property will occur. Unfortunately, we live in what is known as tornado alley. The Central United States suffers more tornadoes annually, on average, than any other region on earth.

Vulnerability refers to the susceptibility of a community to the hazard and the prevailing condition, including physical, socio-economic and political factors that adversely affect its ability to respond to hazards or disaster events. Even in the face of great risk, a community's vulnerability to a natural disaster, such as tornadoes, can be greatly reduced by strategic disaster planning and hazard mitigation investment.

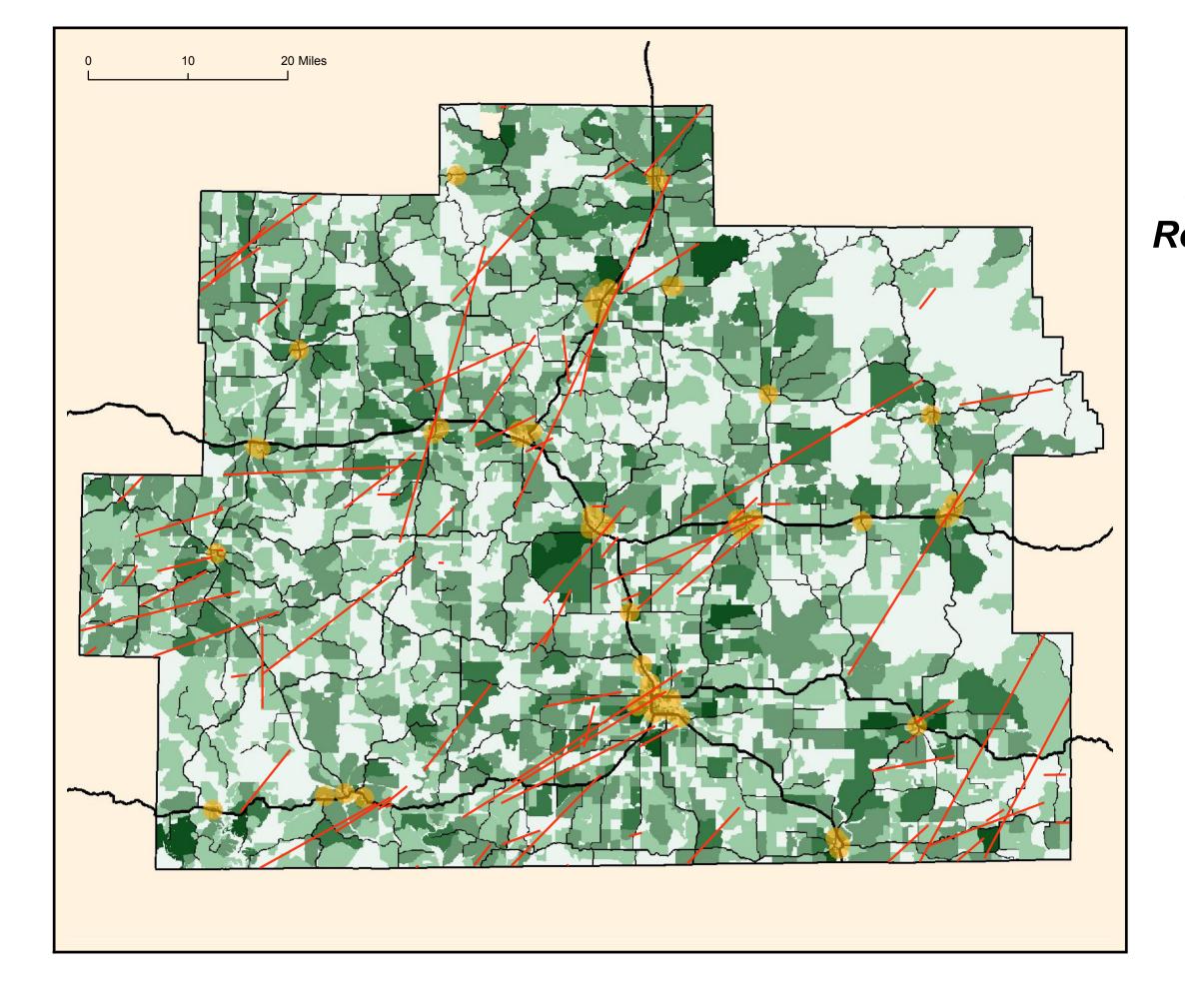
Project Implementation - Through this planning process, we have identified a new funding mechanism to offer communities a manageable way to install new community storm sirens. Through USDA's community loan program SCOCOG has secured funding that is to be loaned to communities within our region to purchase sirens. The loans are amortized over a 10-year period to provide a more manageable low annual payment rather than a large upfront capital investment that many of our communities just cannot afford. Currently, there are 6 communities in 4 counties committed to purchase new storm sirens as part of the program.



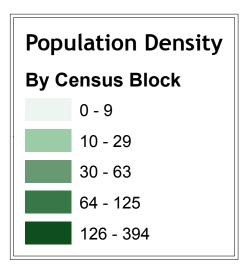
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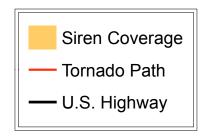
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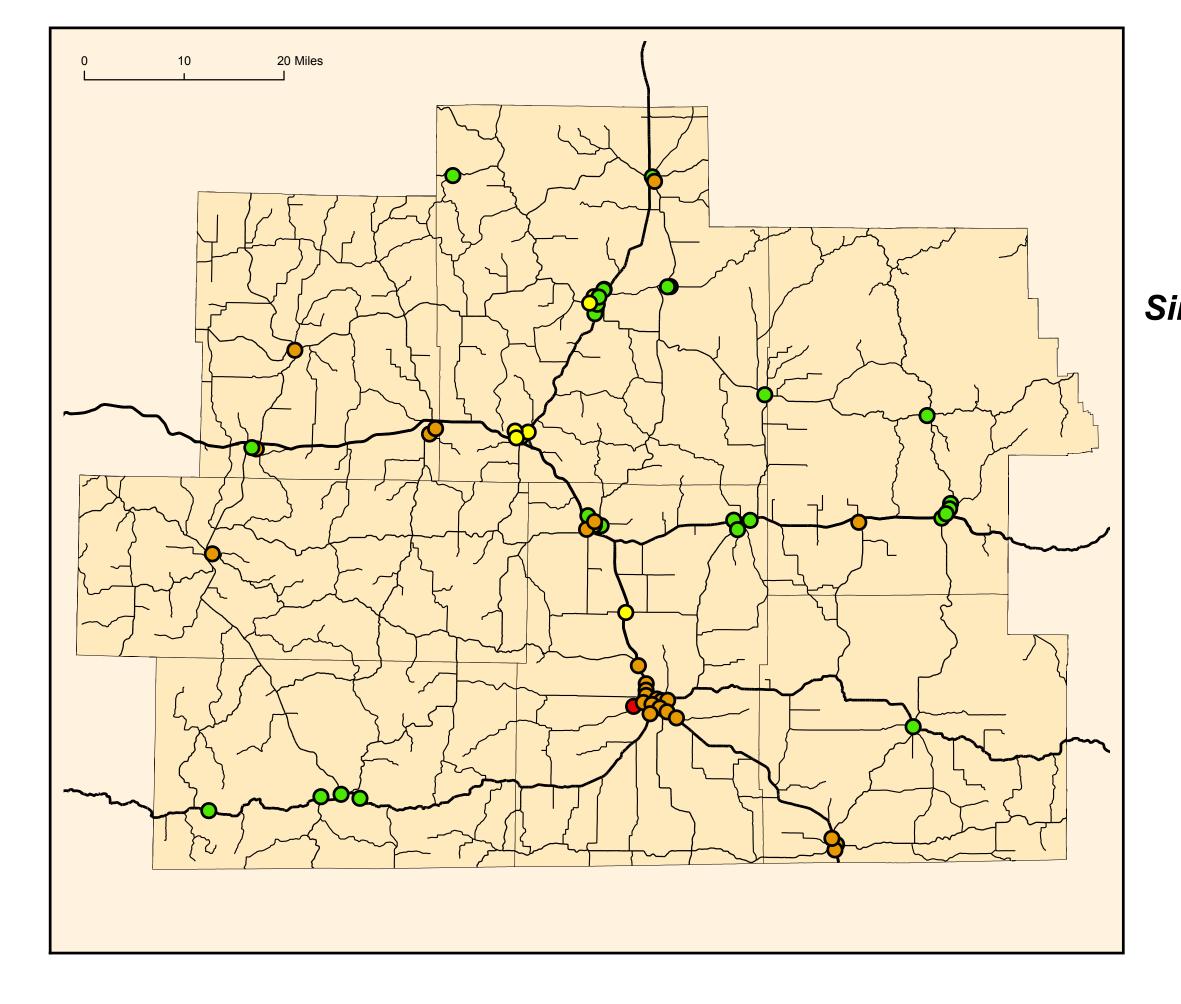




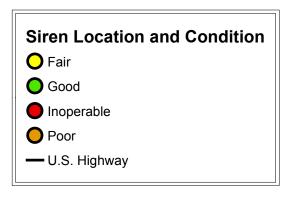
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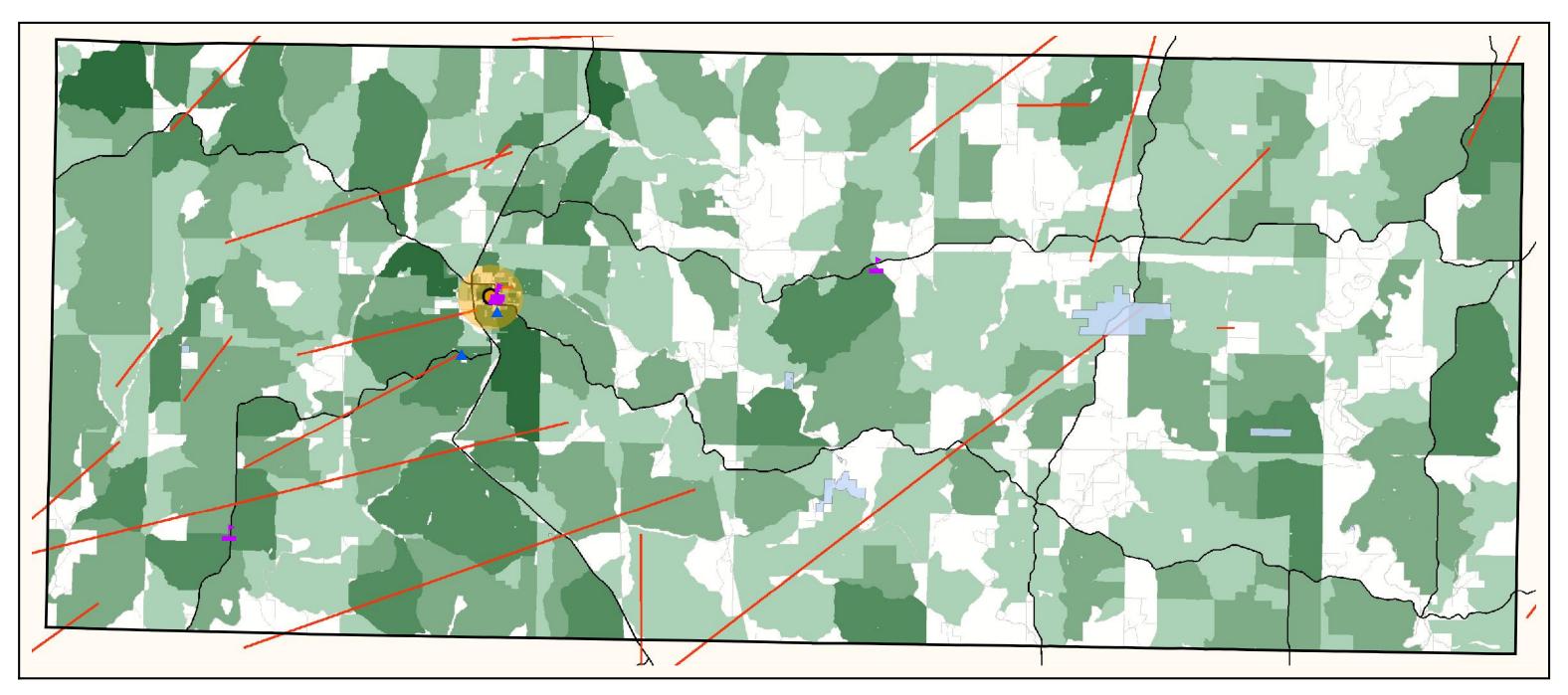




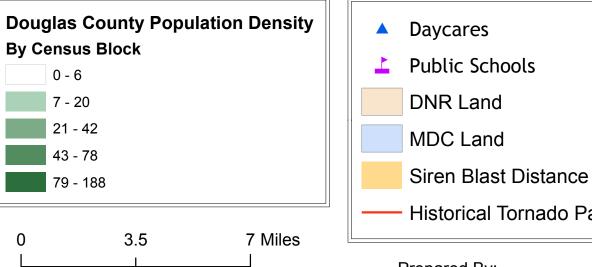


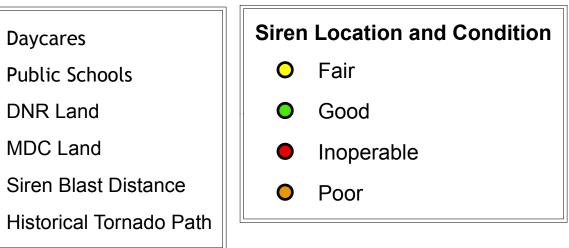
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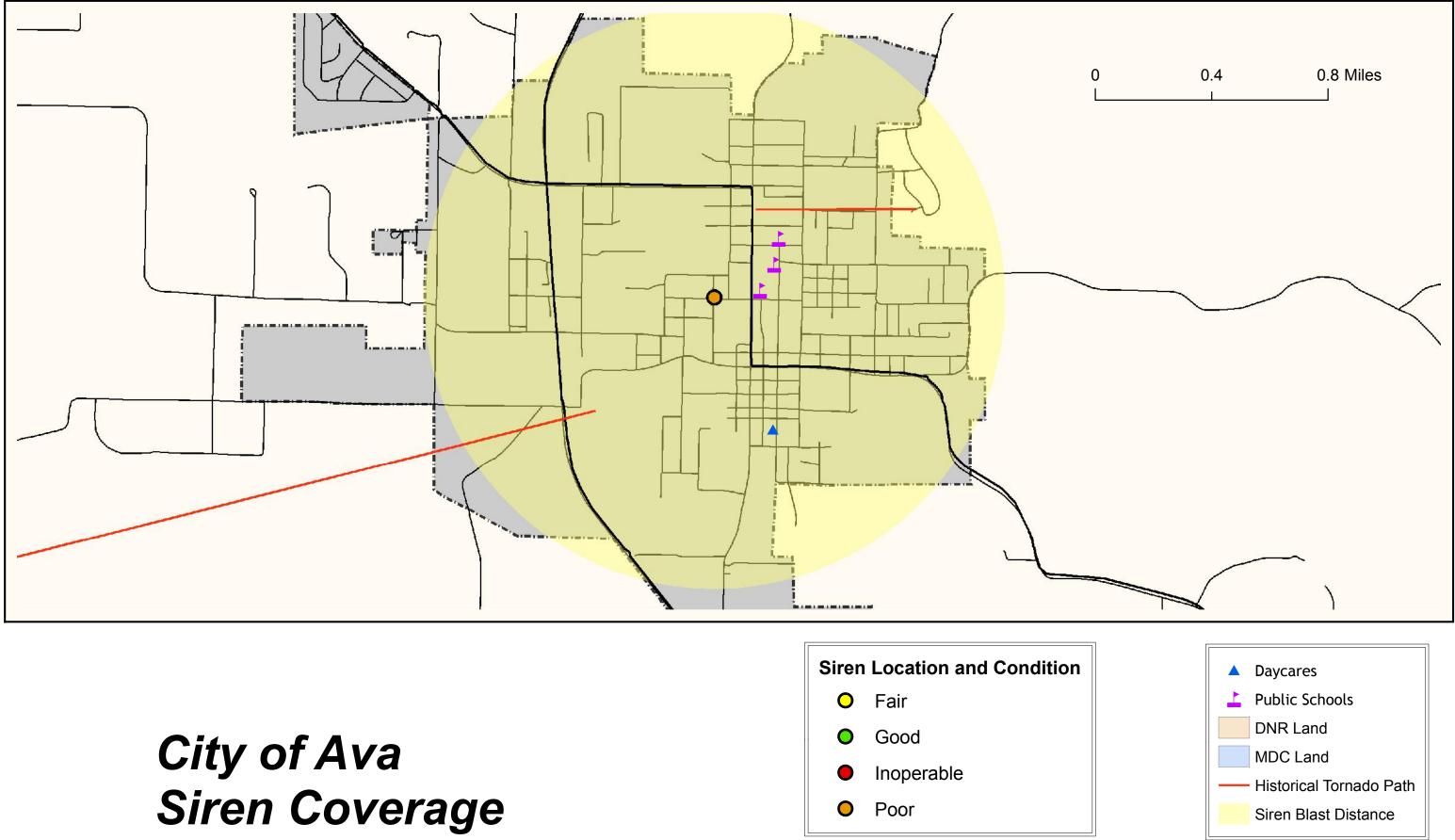




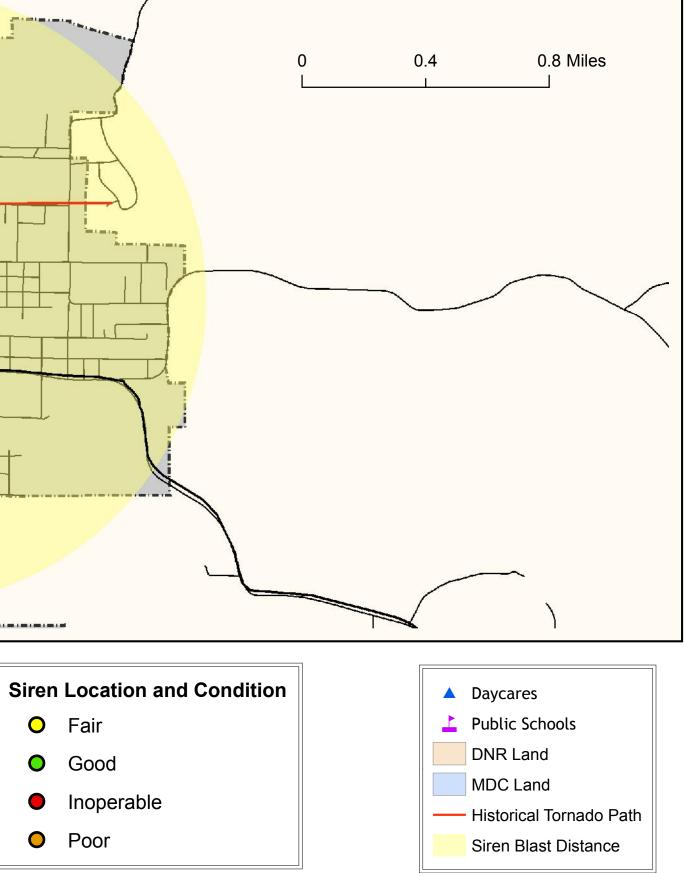
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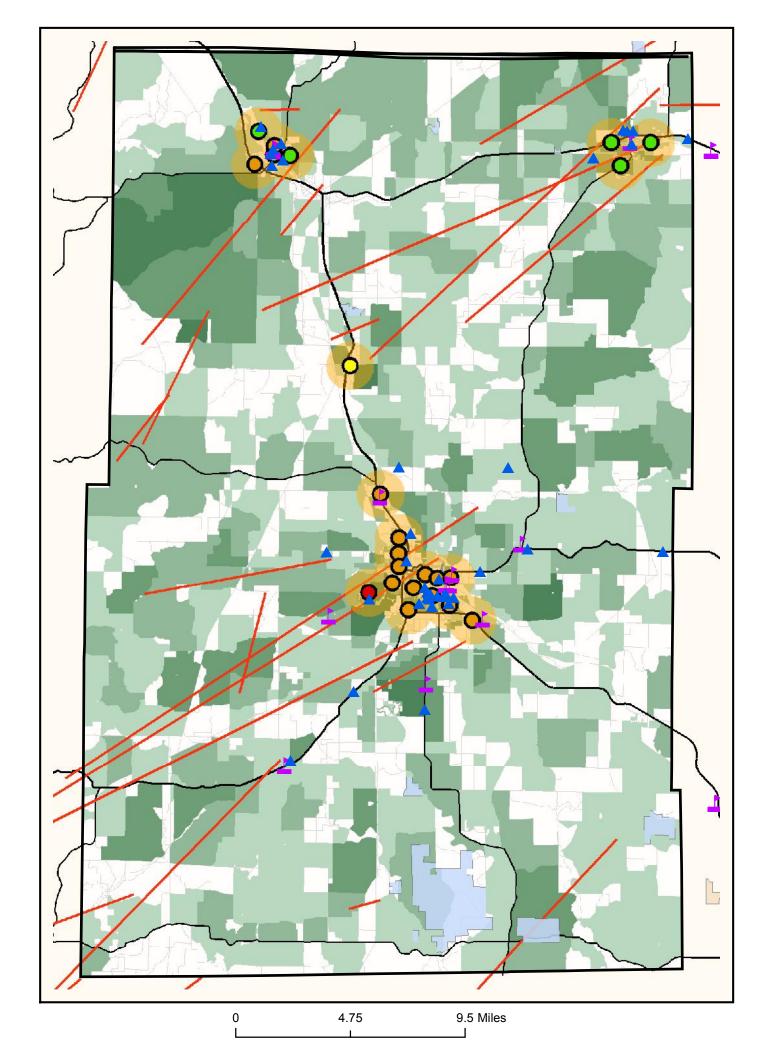


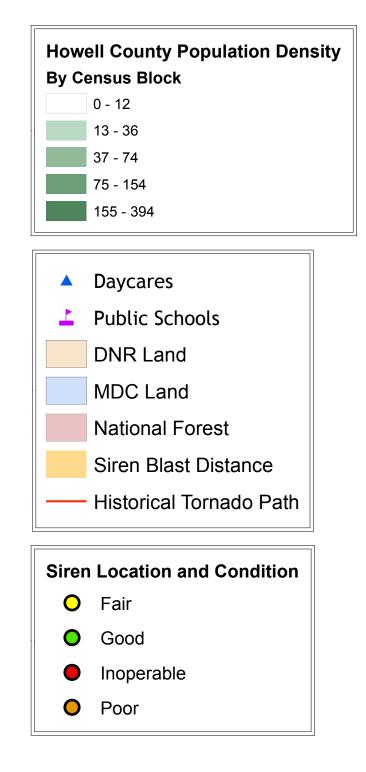




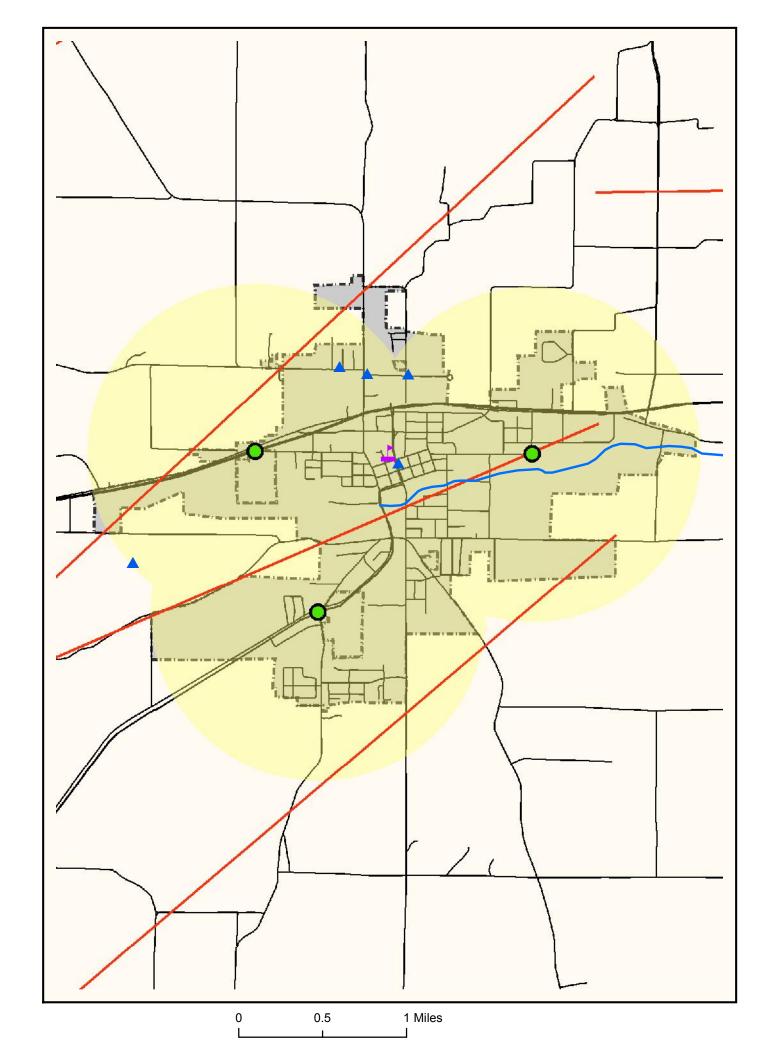


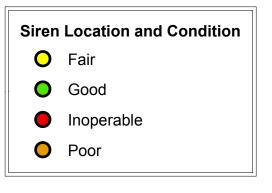


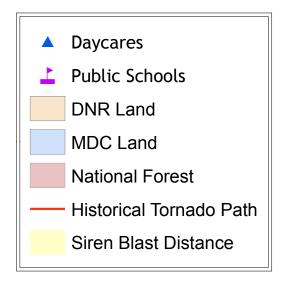




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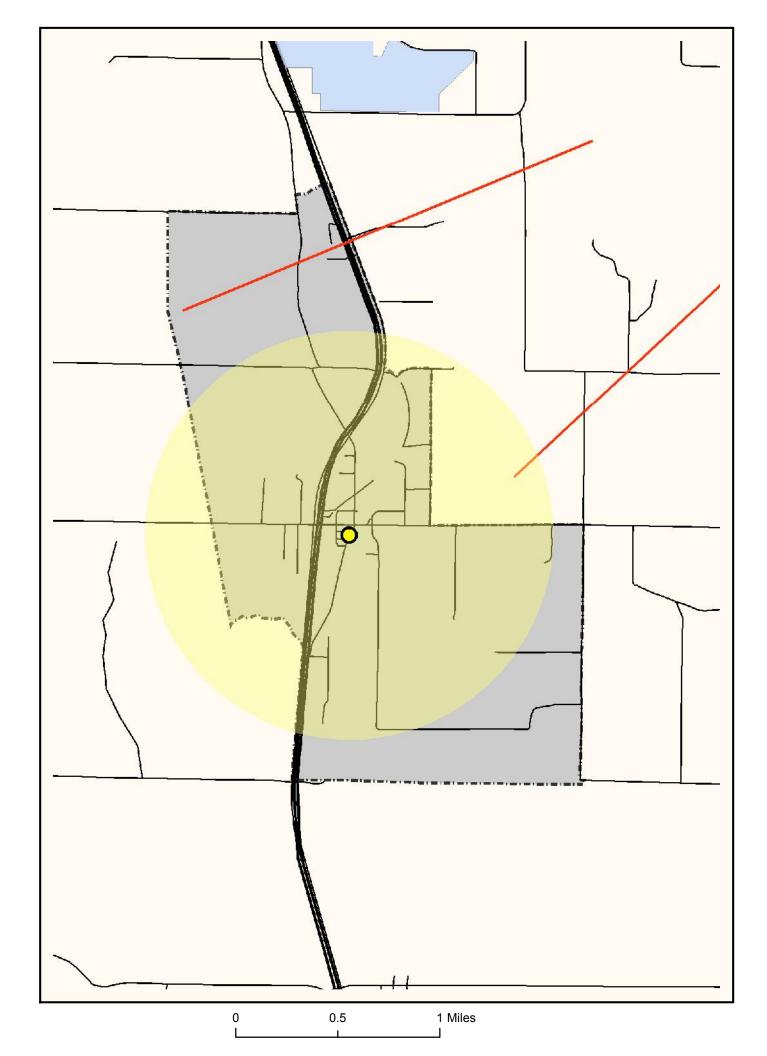


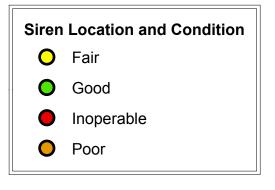


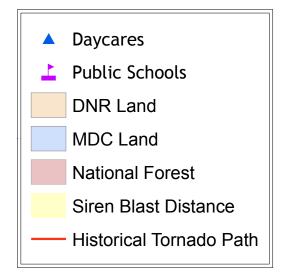


City of Mountain View Siren Coverage

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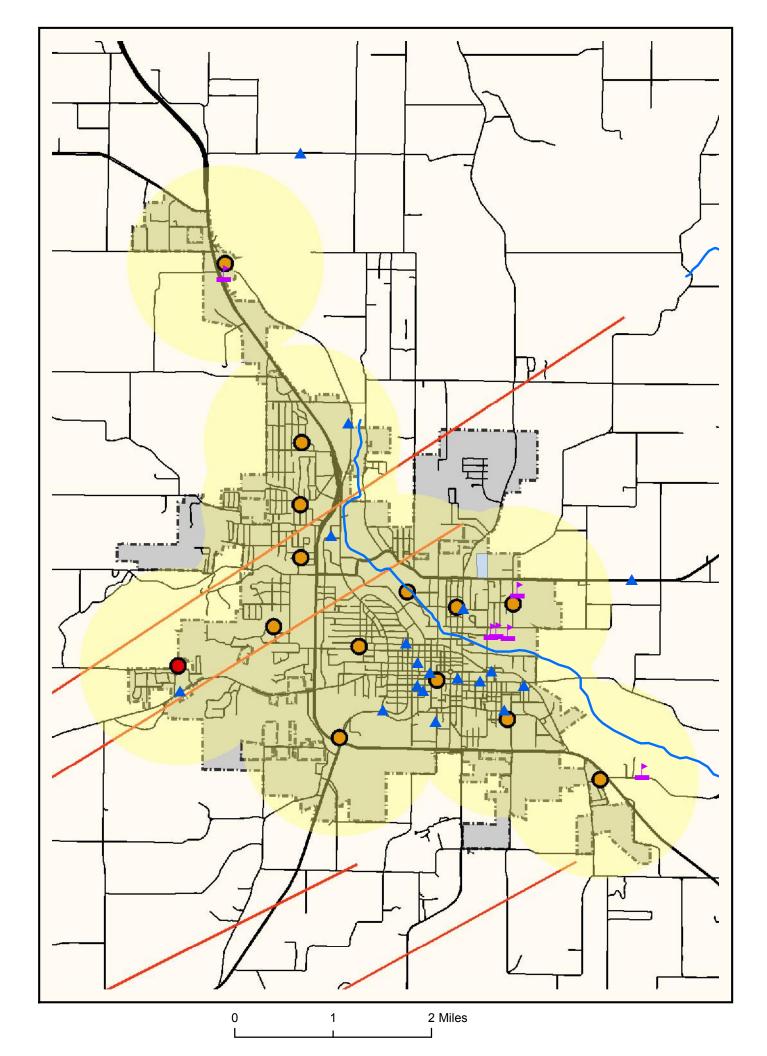


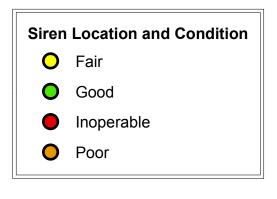


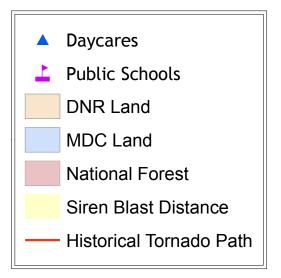
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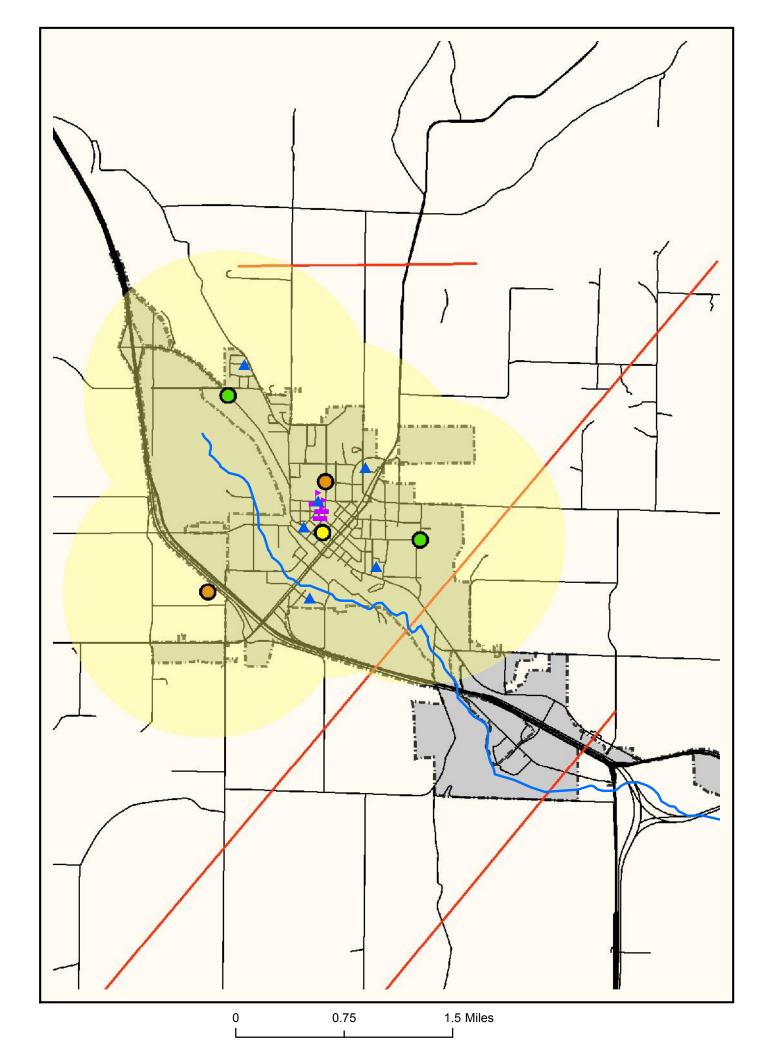


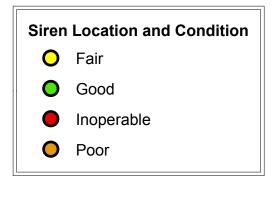


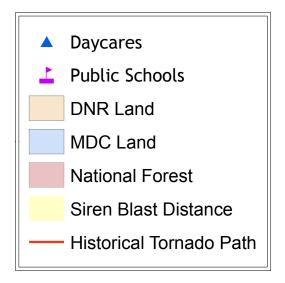


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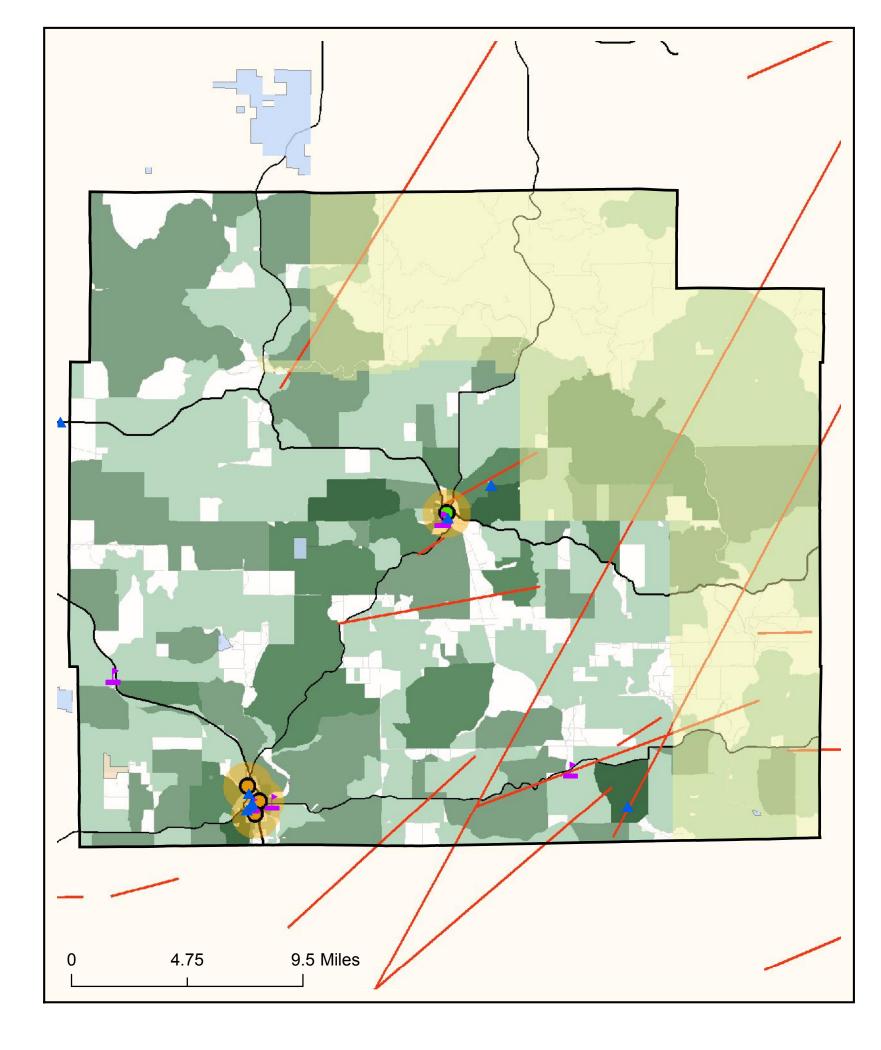






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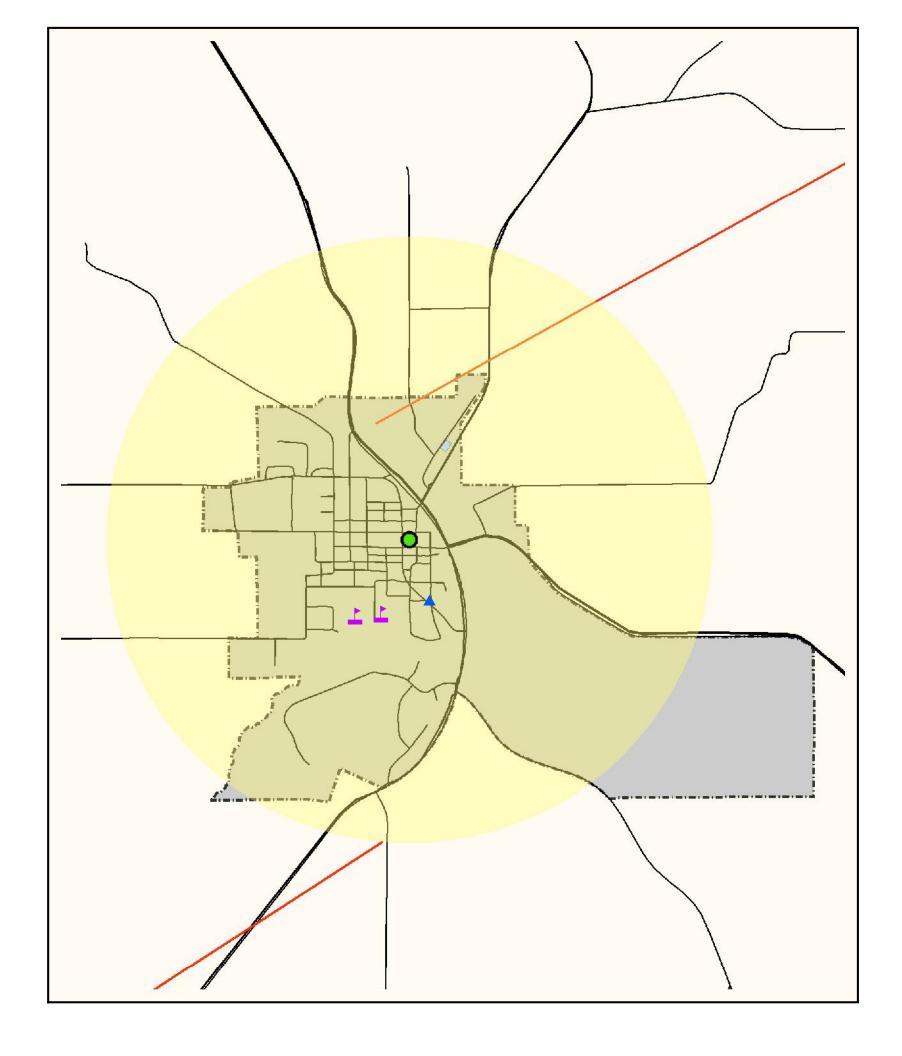
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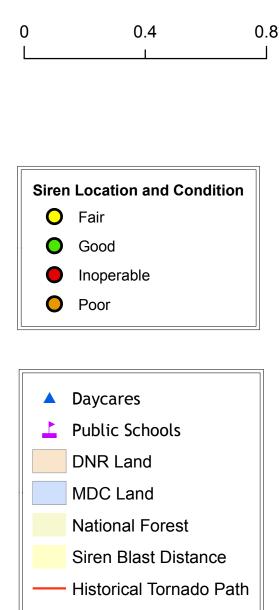




Oregon County Siren Coverage

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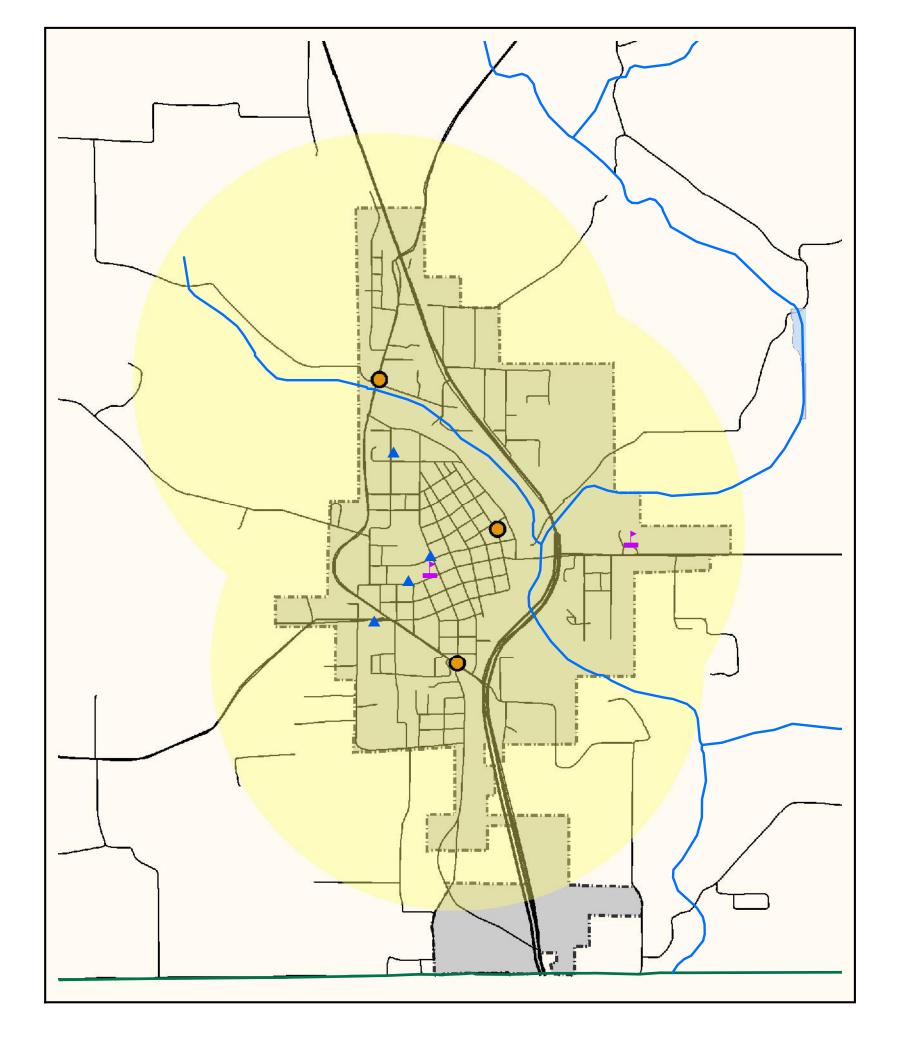


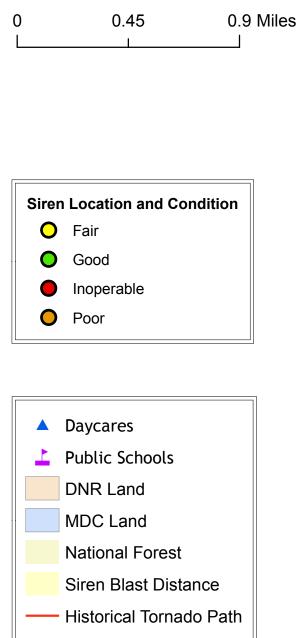


City of Alton Siren Coverage

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0.8 Miles

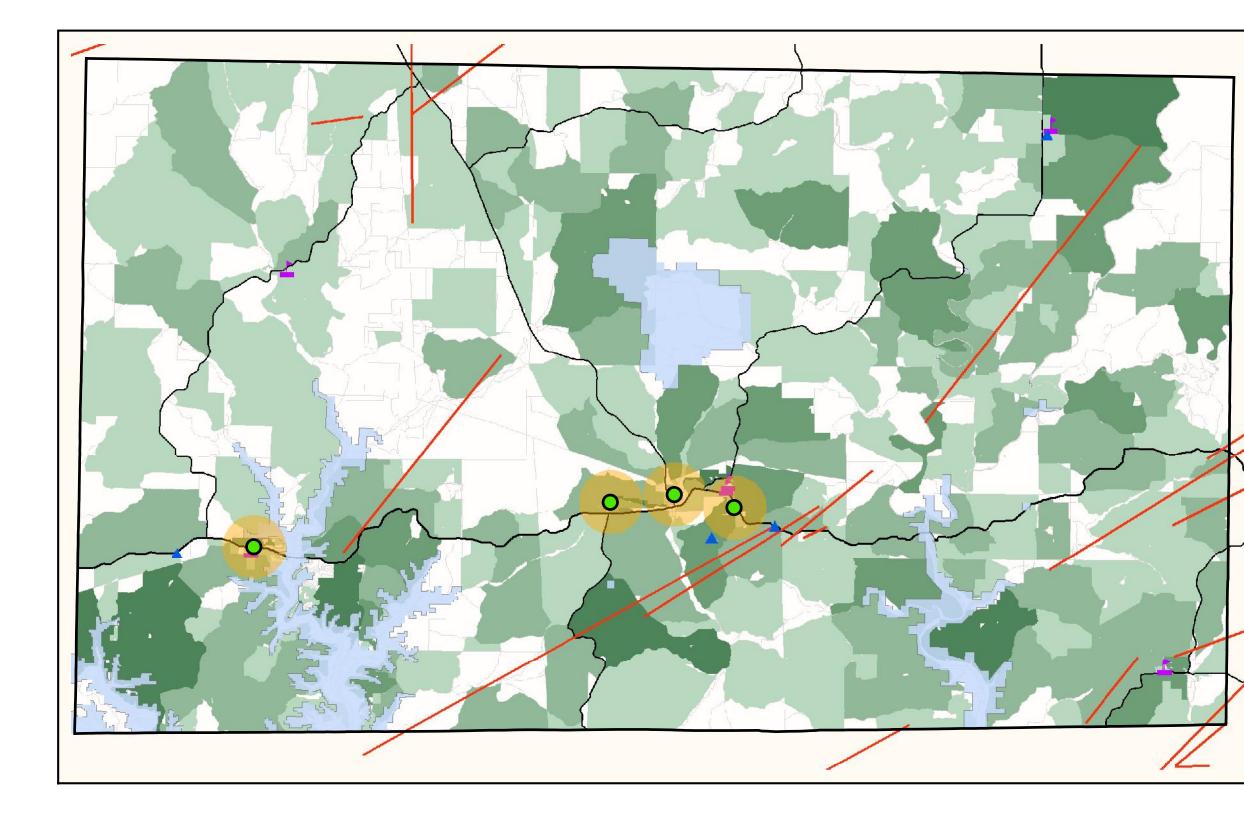




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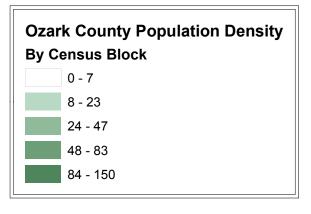
Ozark County Siren Coverages

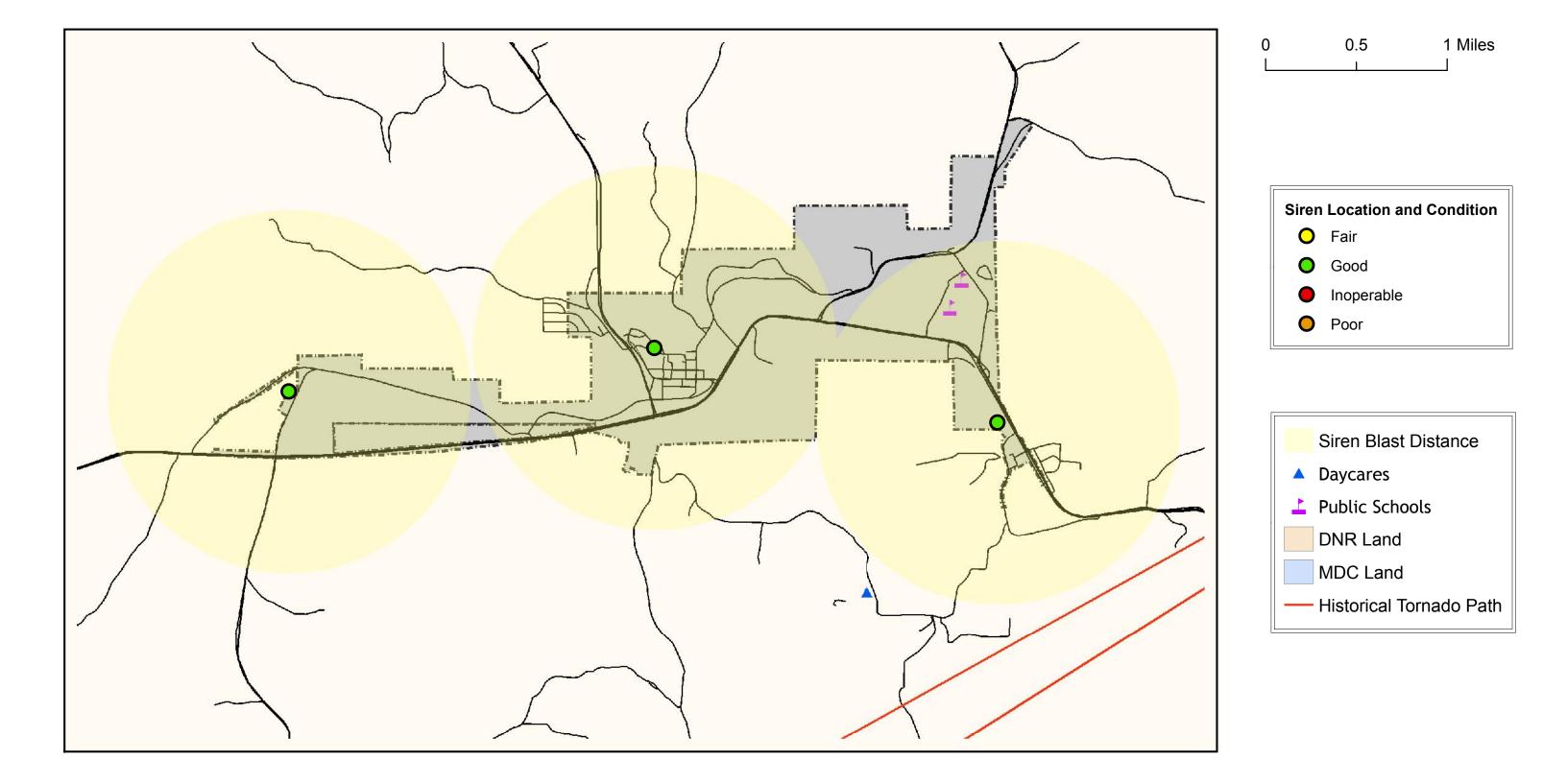
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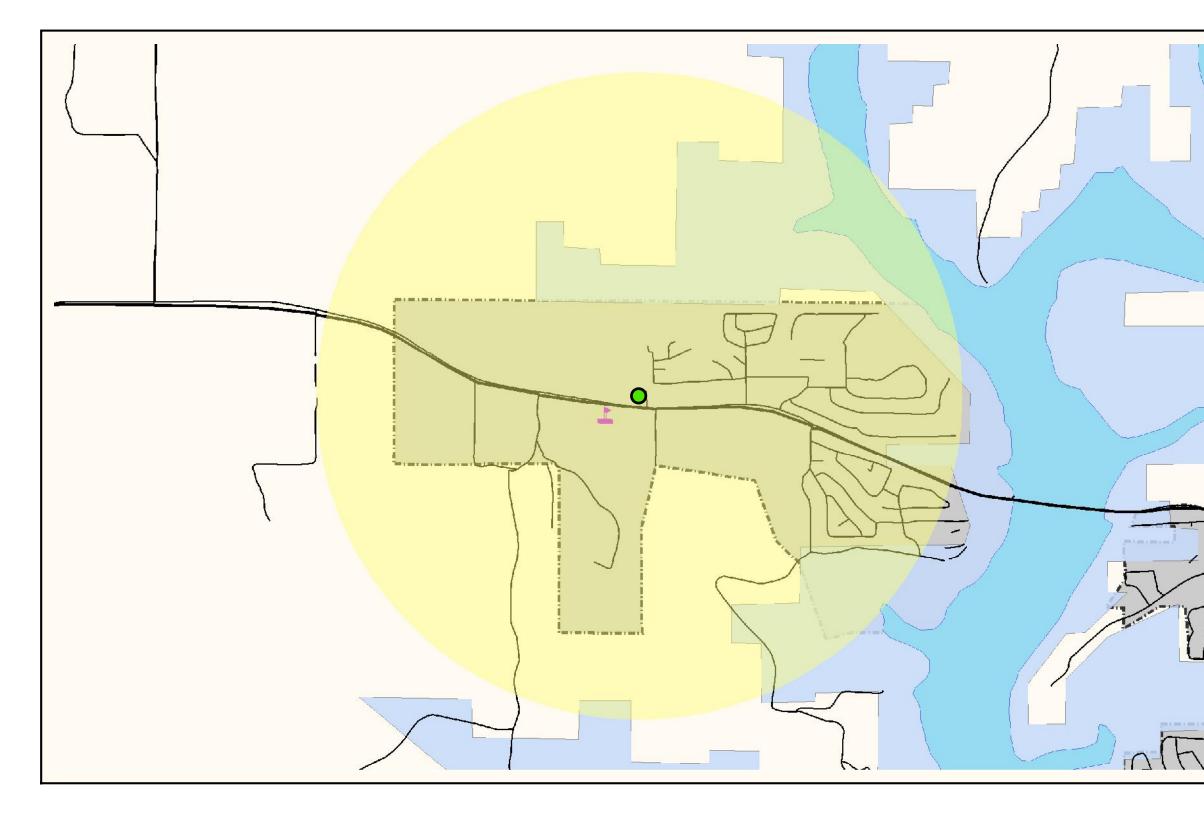
	Siren Blast Distance
	Daycares
1	Public Schools
	DNR Land
	MDC Land
	Historical Tornado Path

Siren Location and Condition		
0	Fair	
0	Good	
•	Inoperable	
0	Poor	

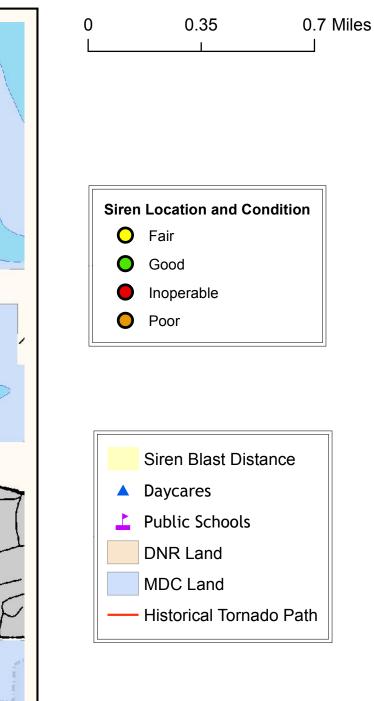


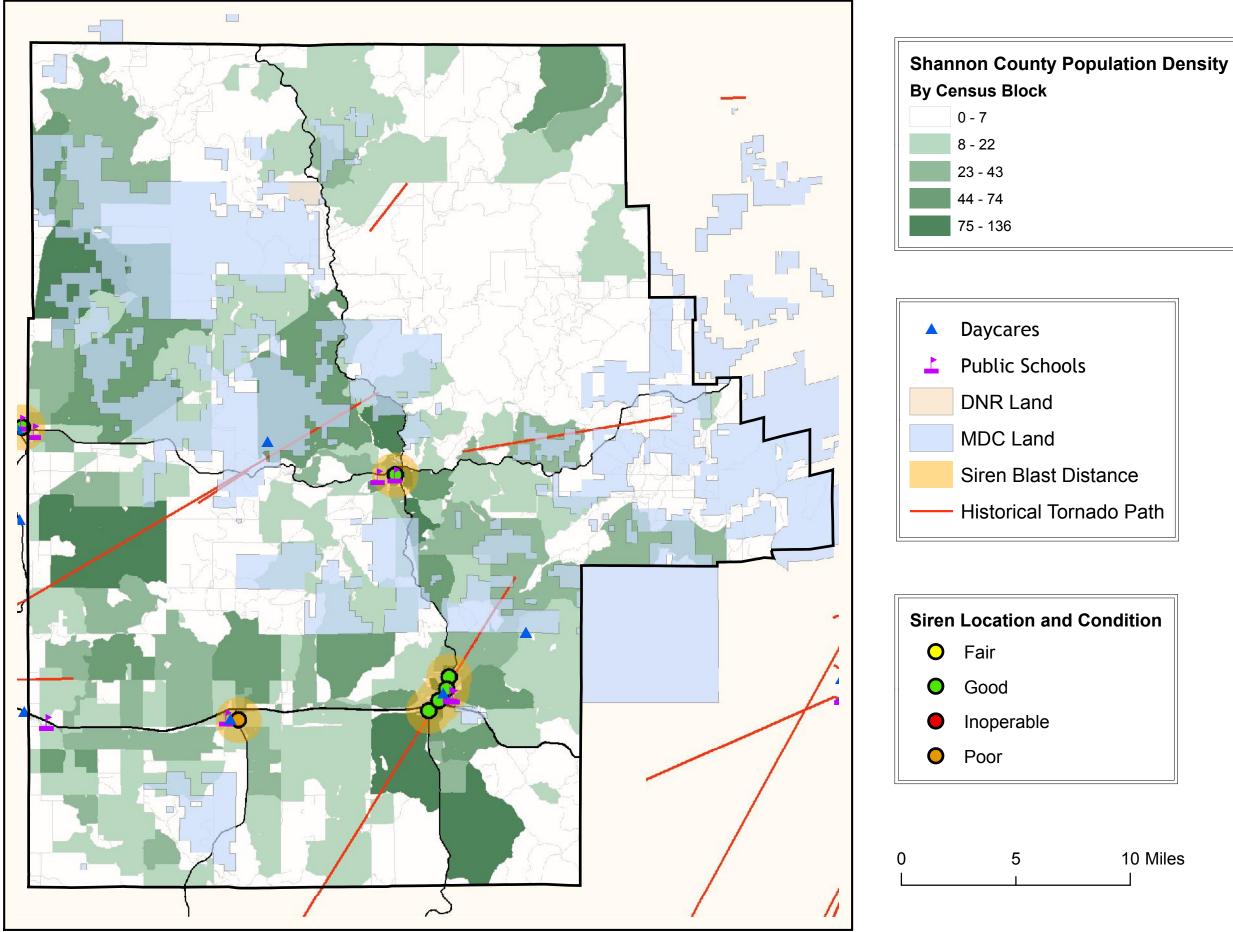


City of Gainesville Siren Coverages



Village of Theodosia Siren Coverages

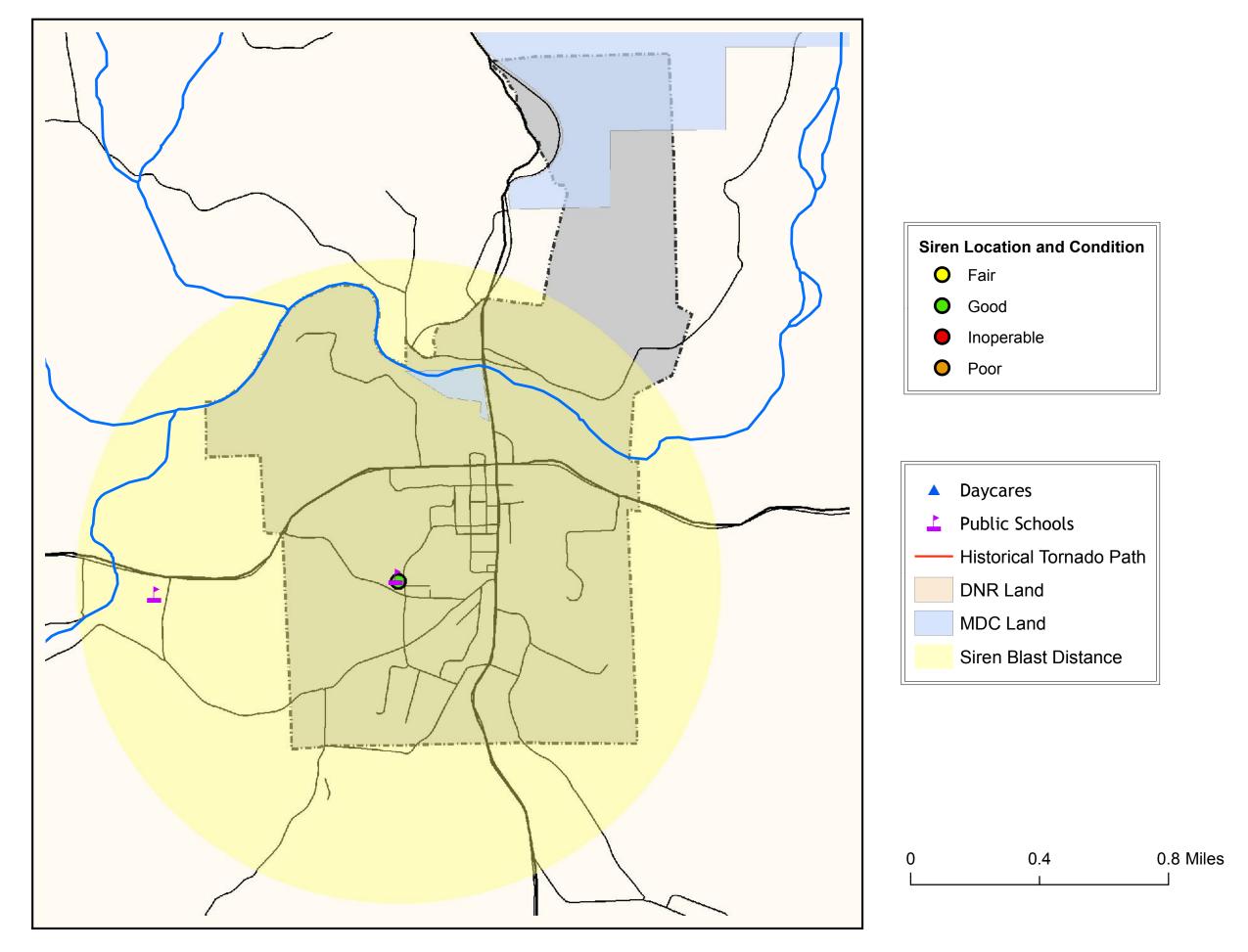




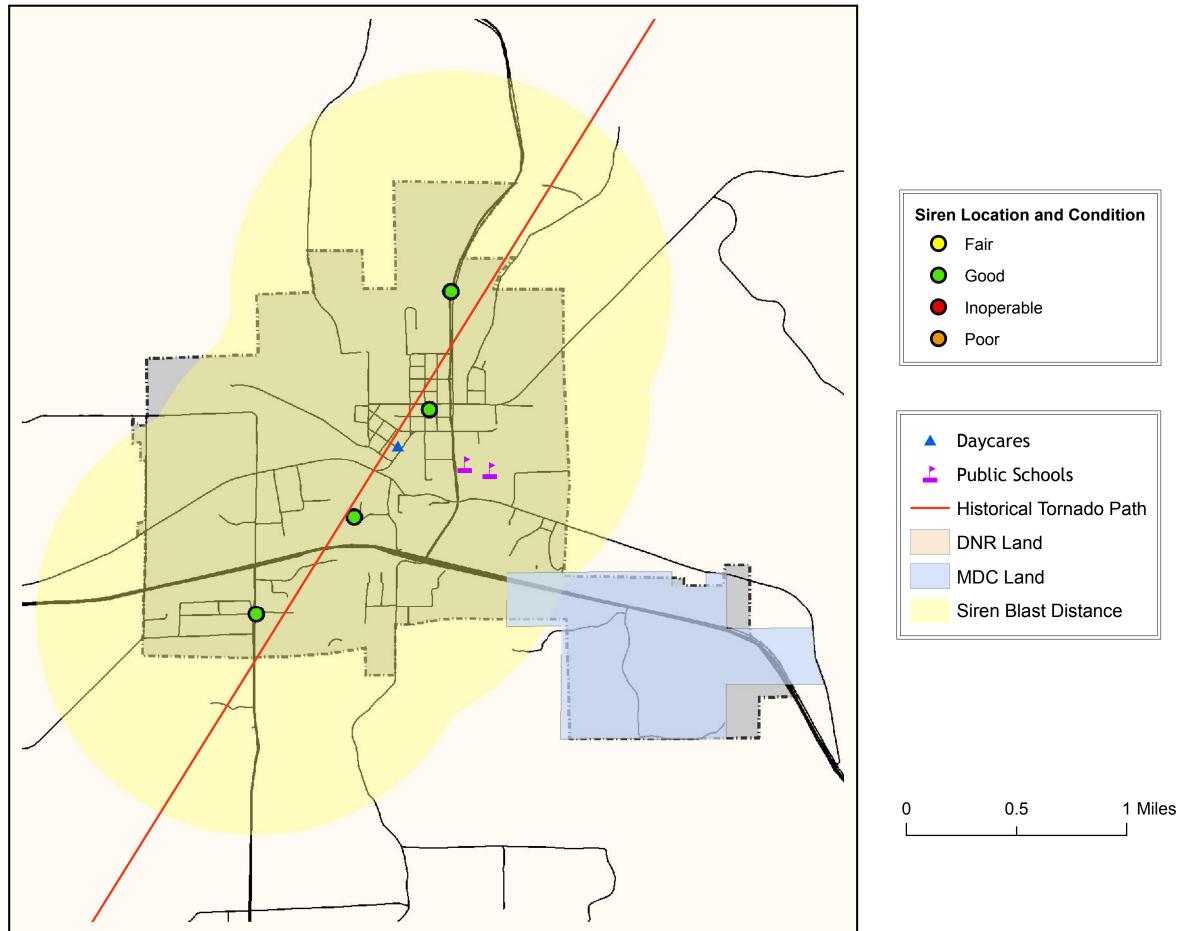
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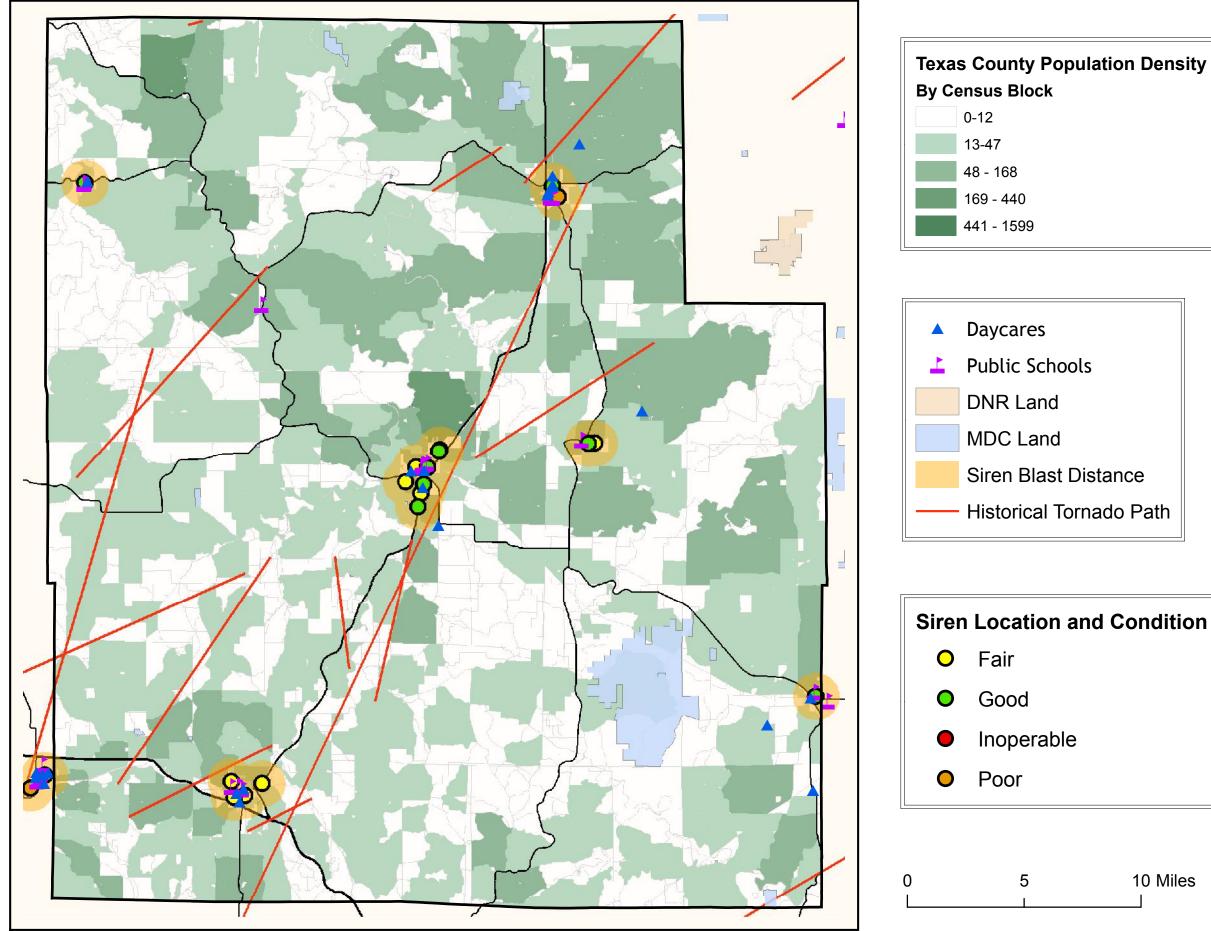
City of Birch Tree Siren Coverage



City of Eminence Siren Coverage

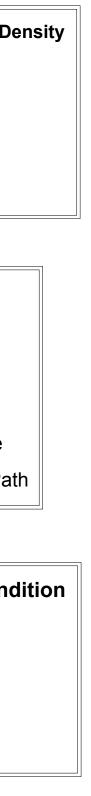


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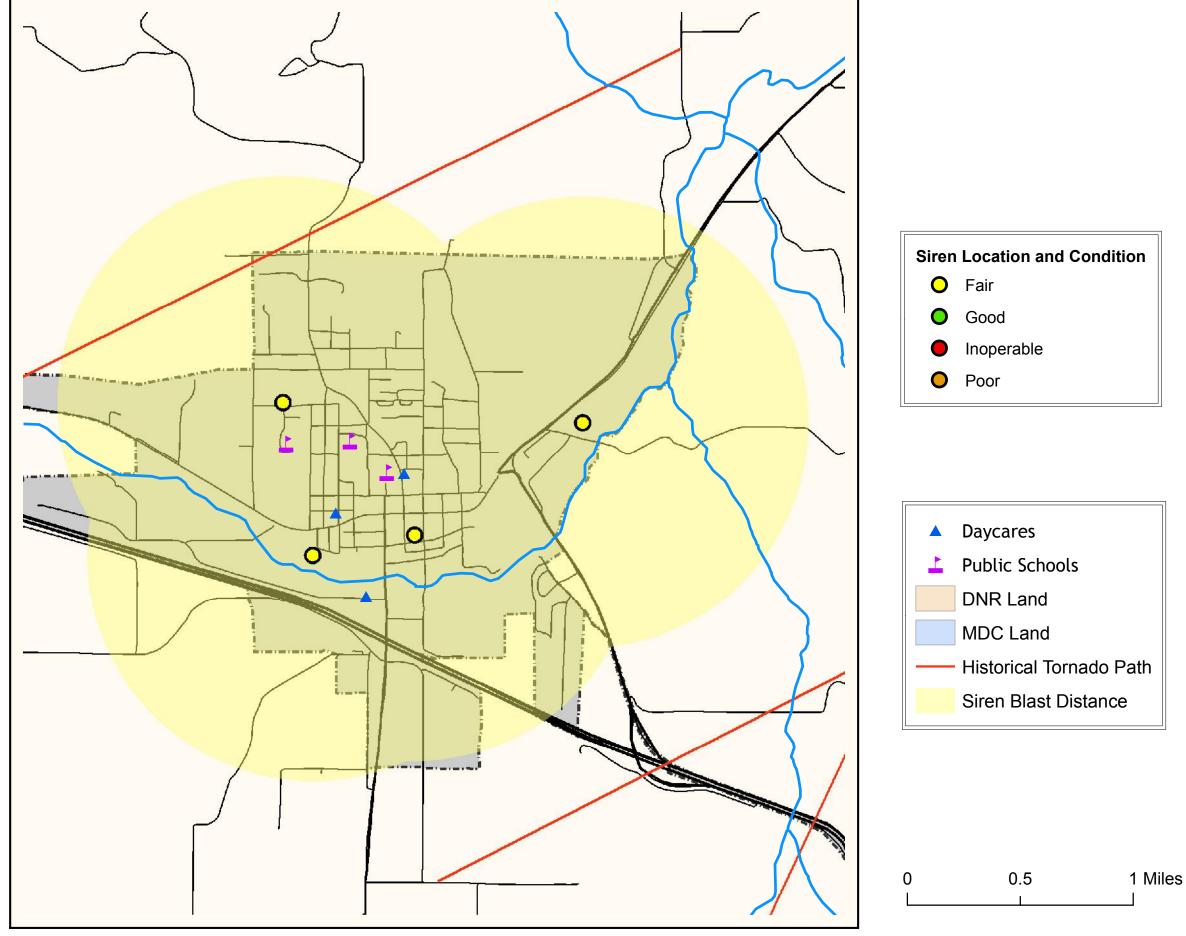


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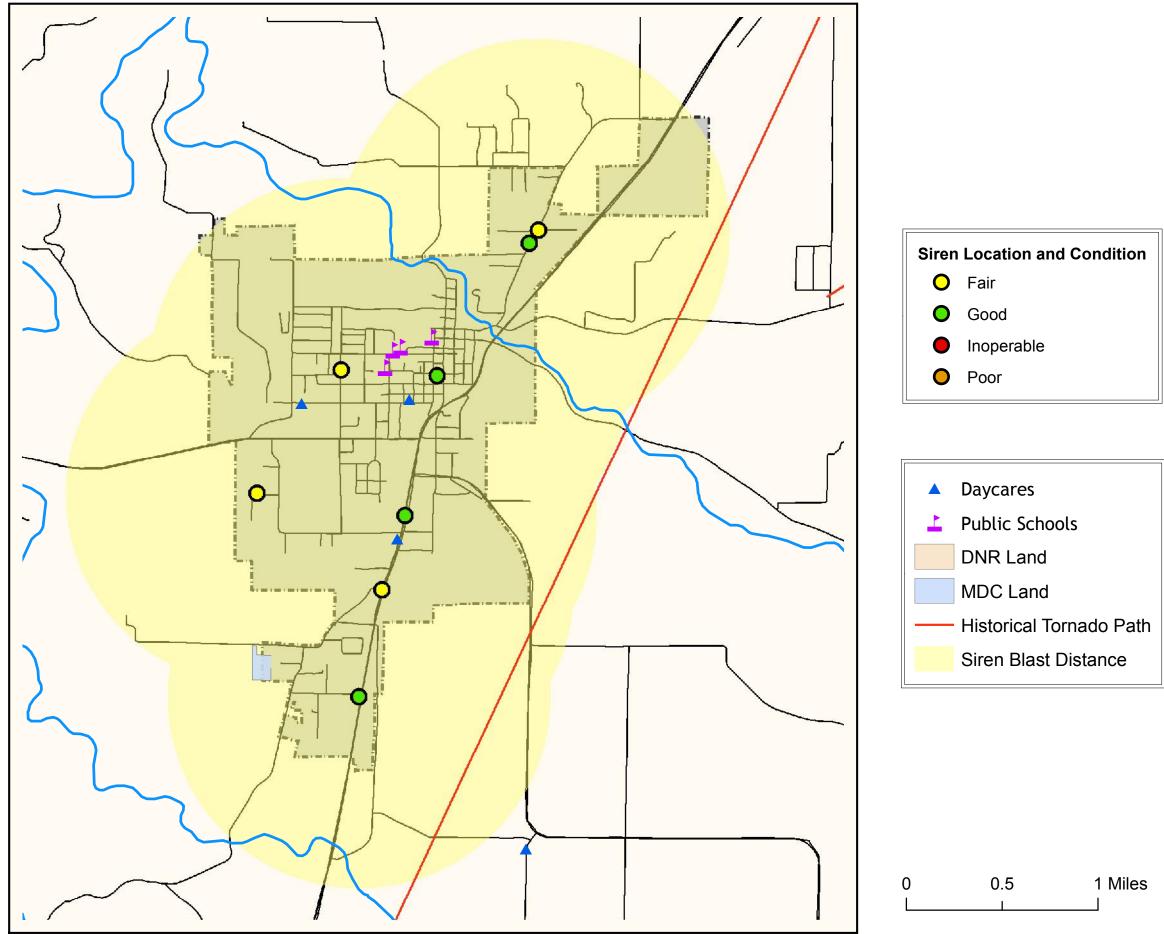
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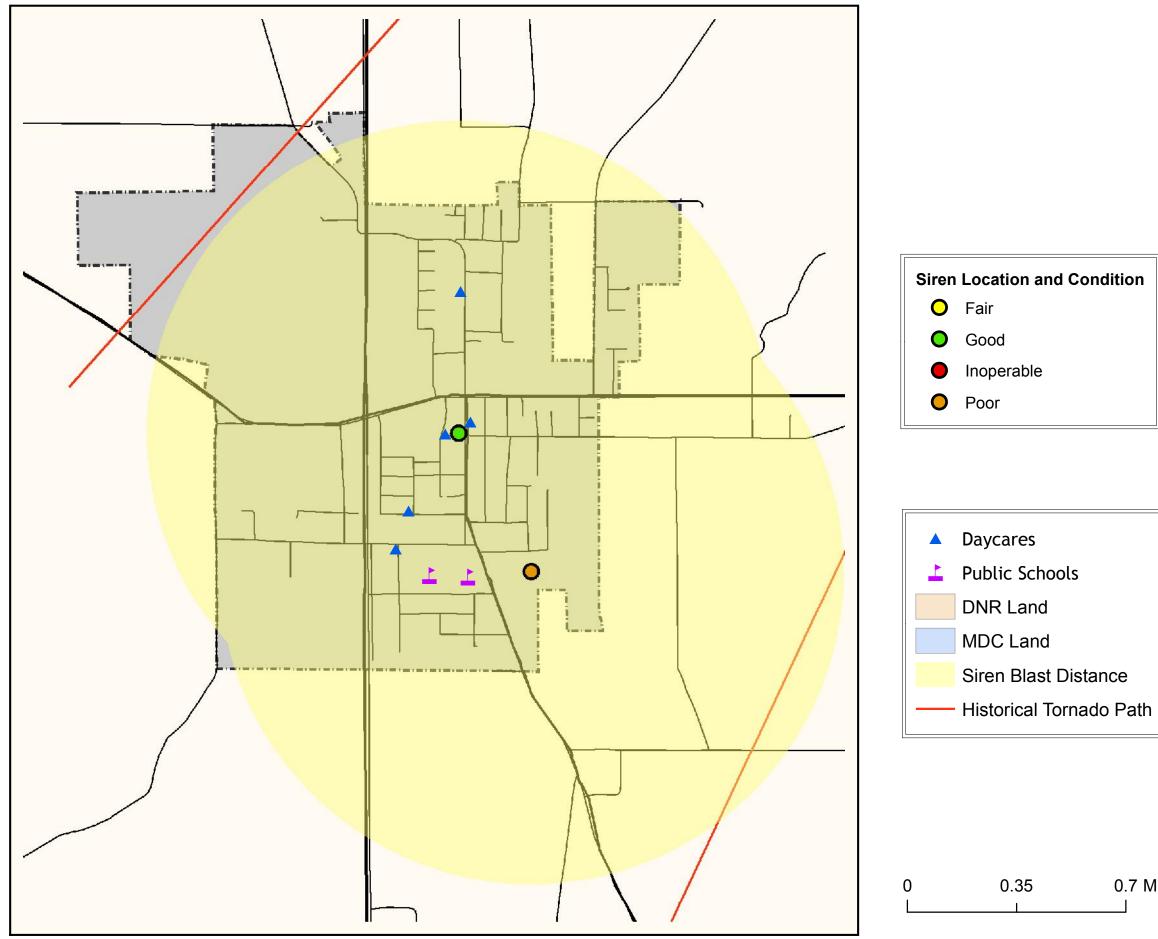
10 Miles



City of Cabool Siren Coverage



City of Houston Siren Coverage



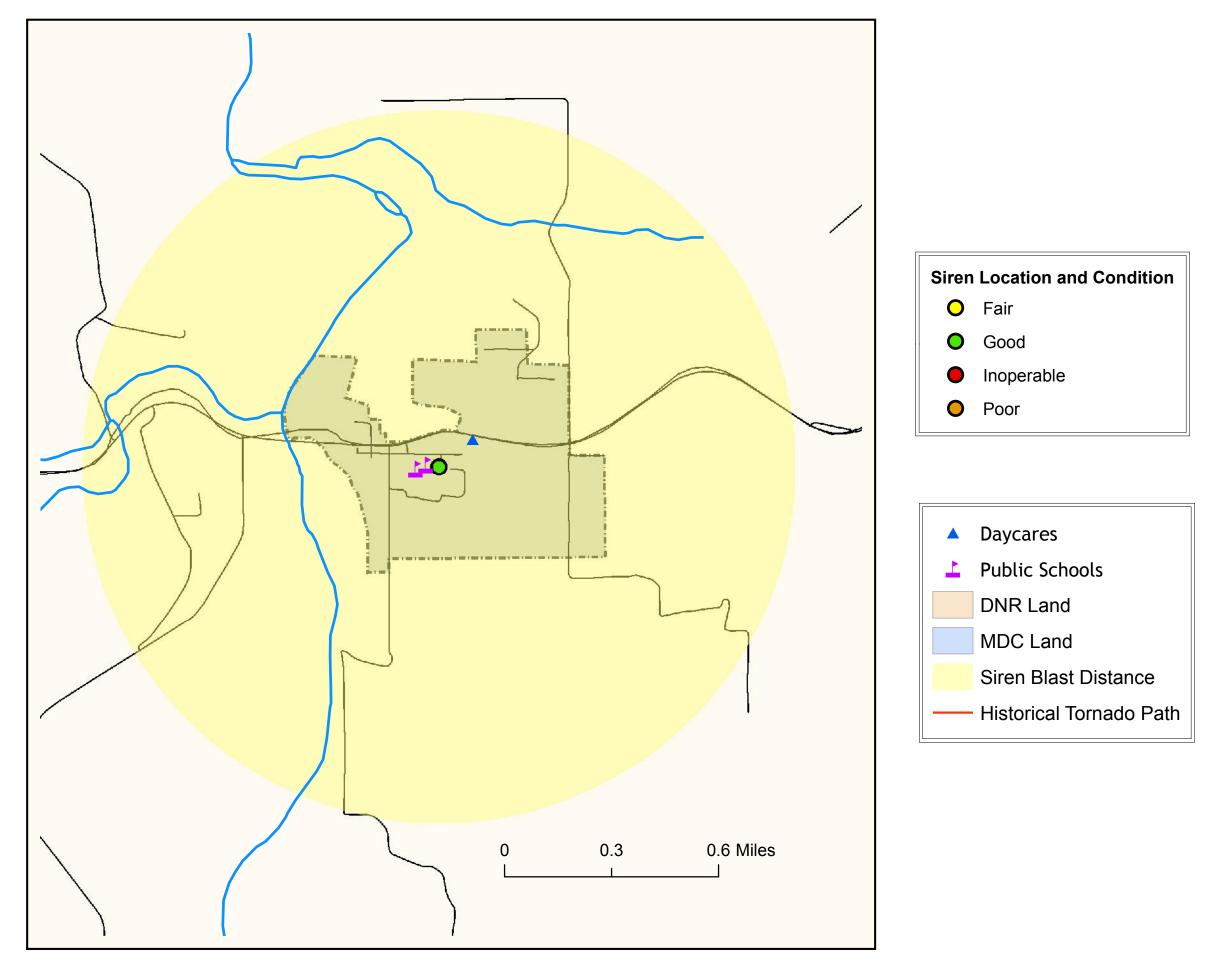
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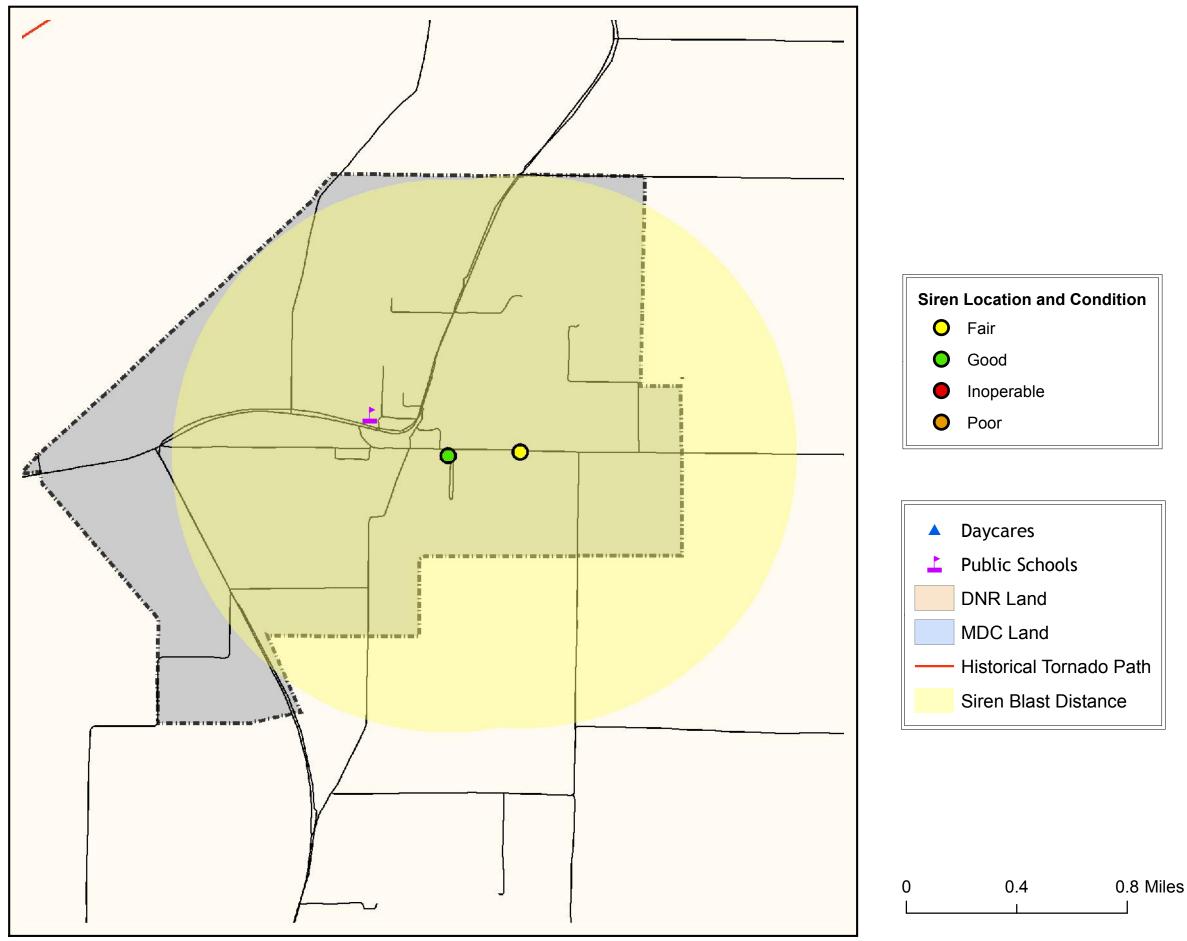




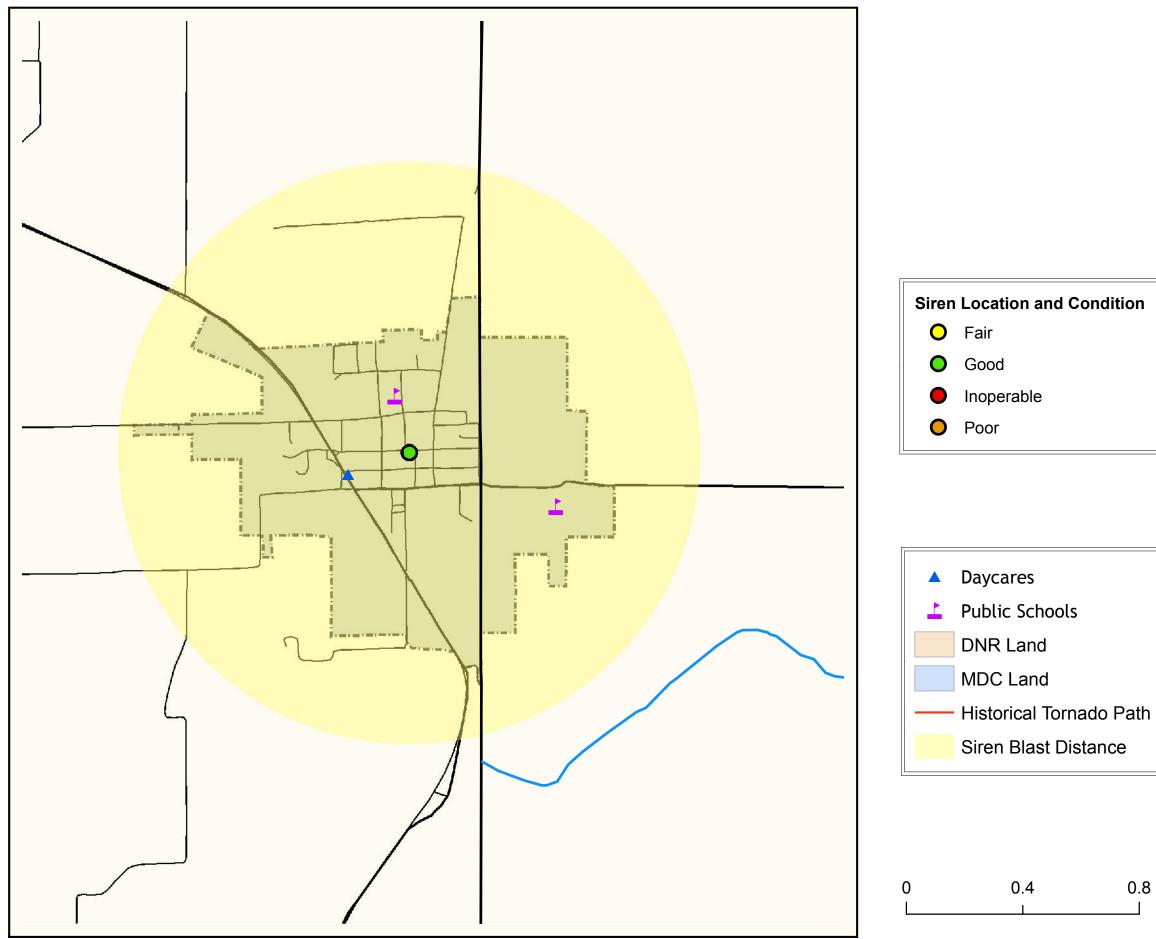
0.7 Miles



Village of Plato Siren Coverage



City of Raymondville Siren Coverage



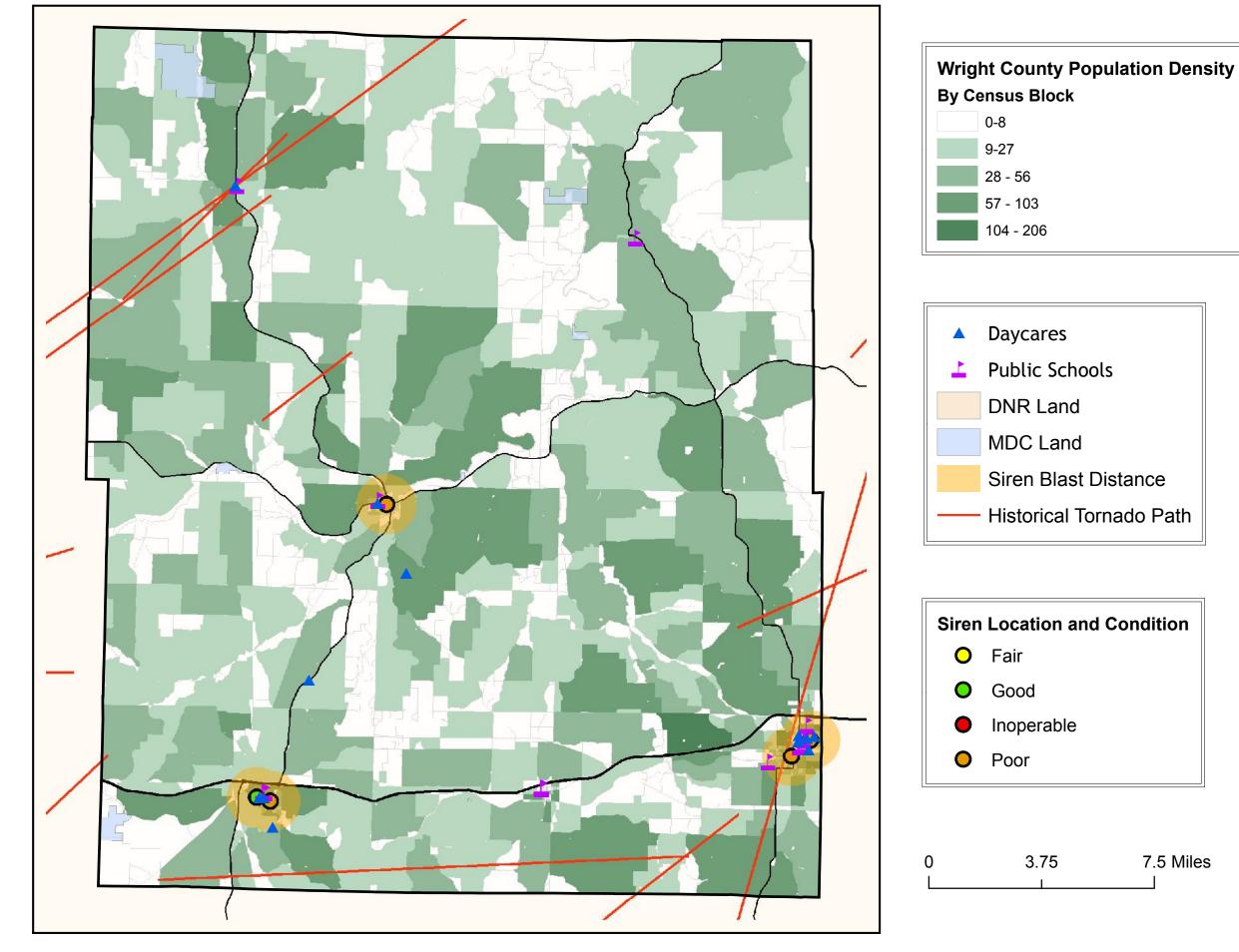
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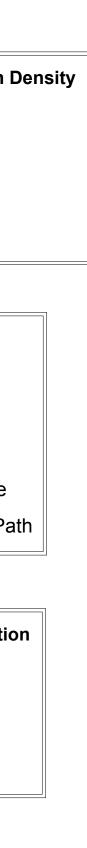


0.8 Miles

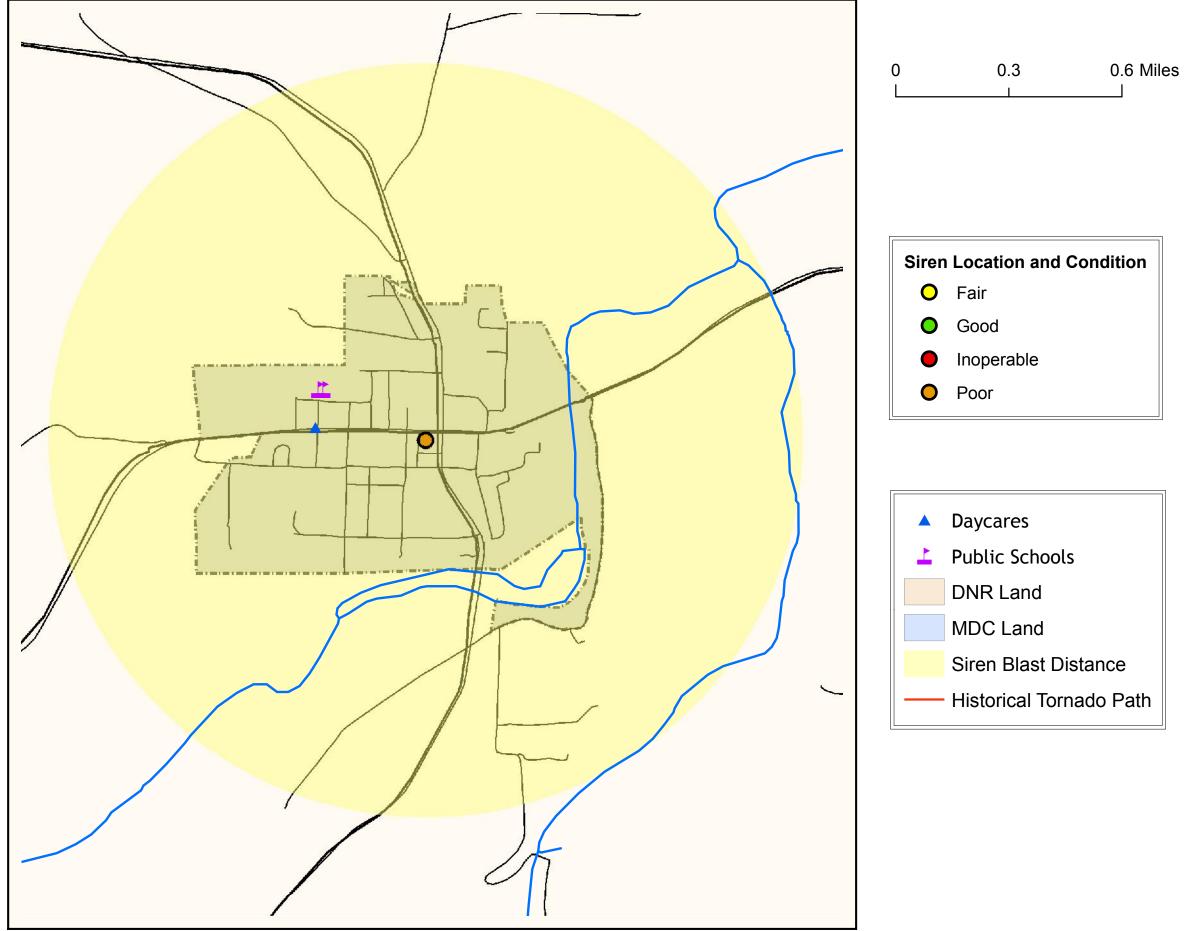


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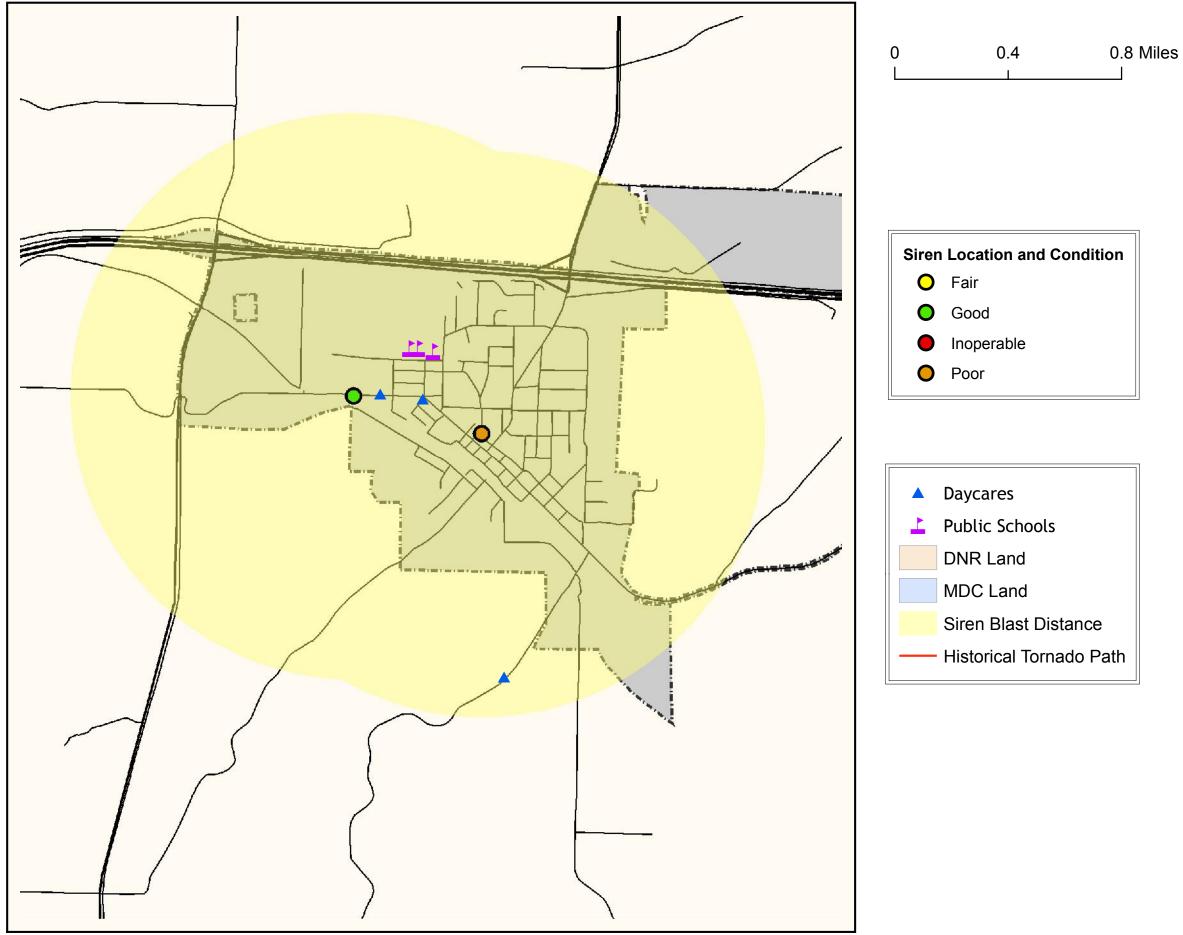
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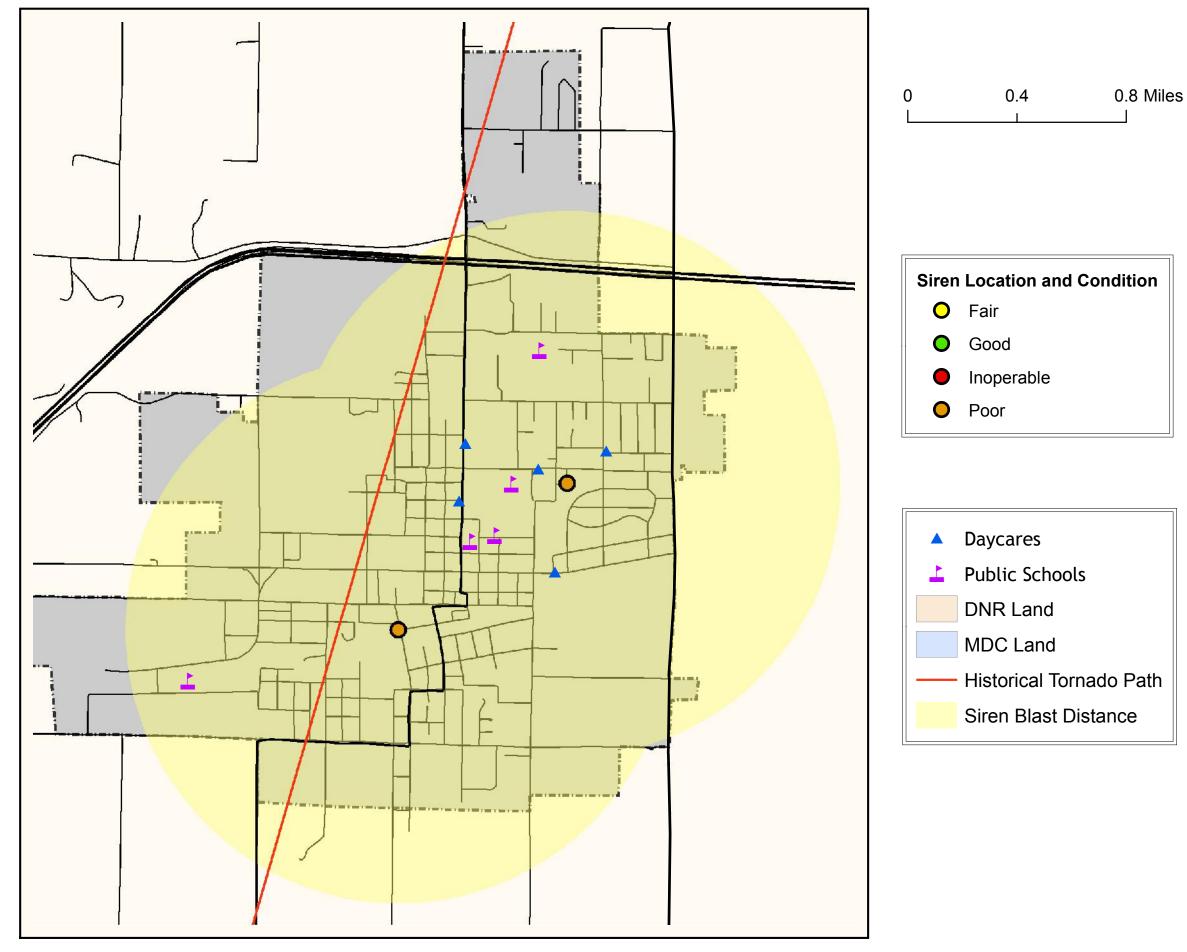
7.5 Miles



Hartville Siren Coverage



Mansfield Siren Coverage



Mountain Grove Siren Coverage





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