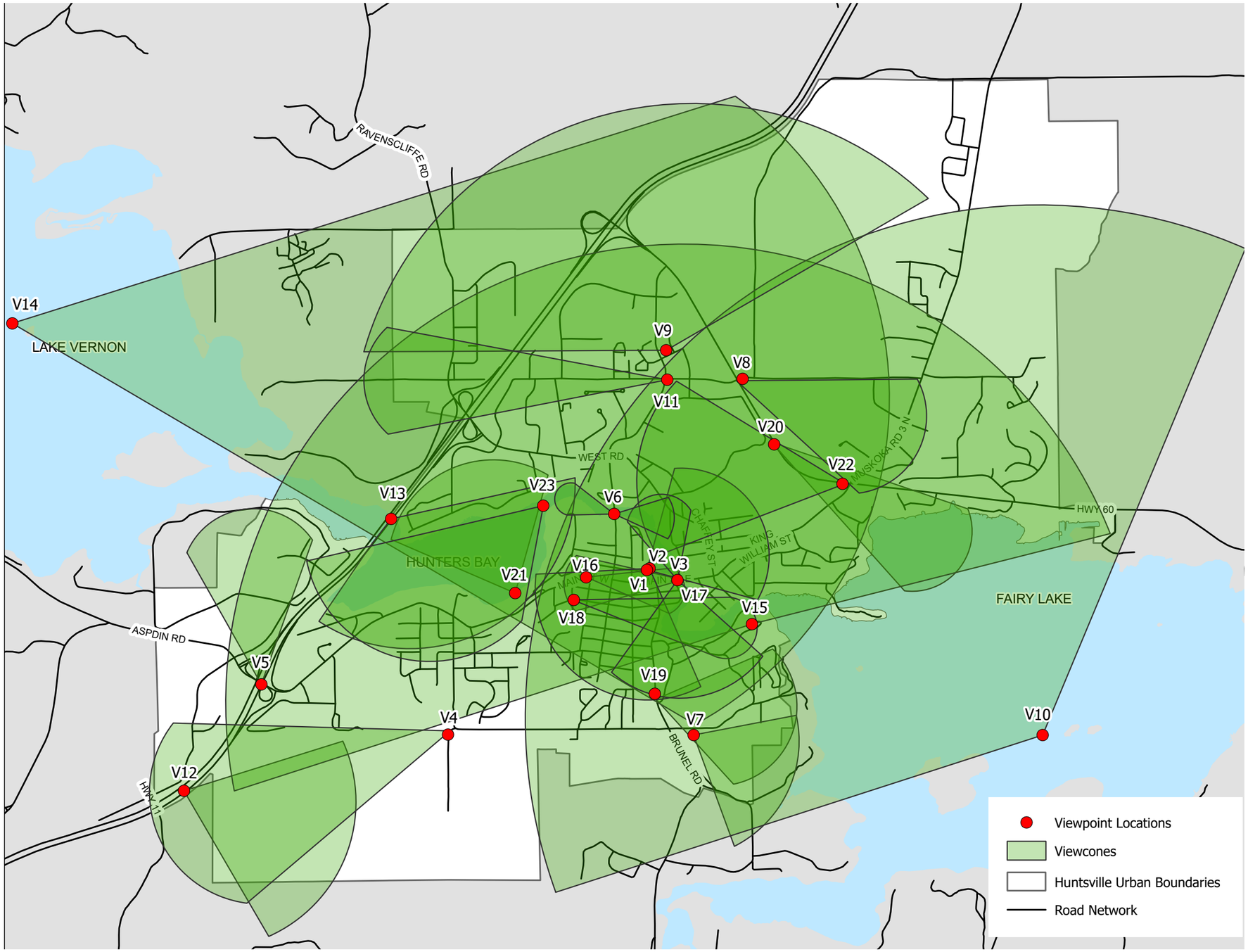
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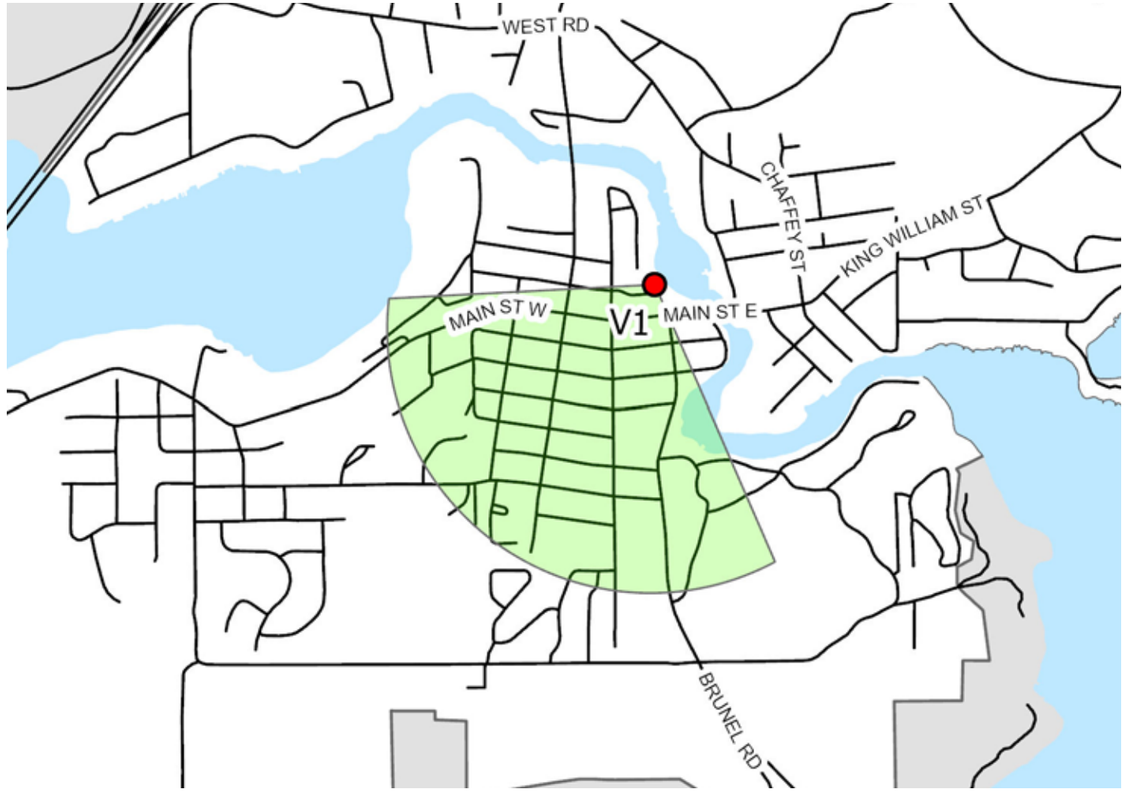


As part of the draft policy development, a Suitability Map was created using resident feedback, resulting in the identification of twenty-three Significant Views.

These views were incorporated into a suitability analysis to help understand how future development might affect key views valued by the community. The identification of these views serves as a tool to shape building orientation, scale, and setbacks, ensuring that development decisions respond appropriately to the visual landscape.

This document outlines each significant view for reference.

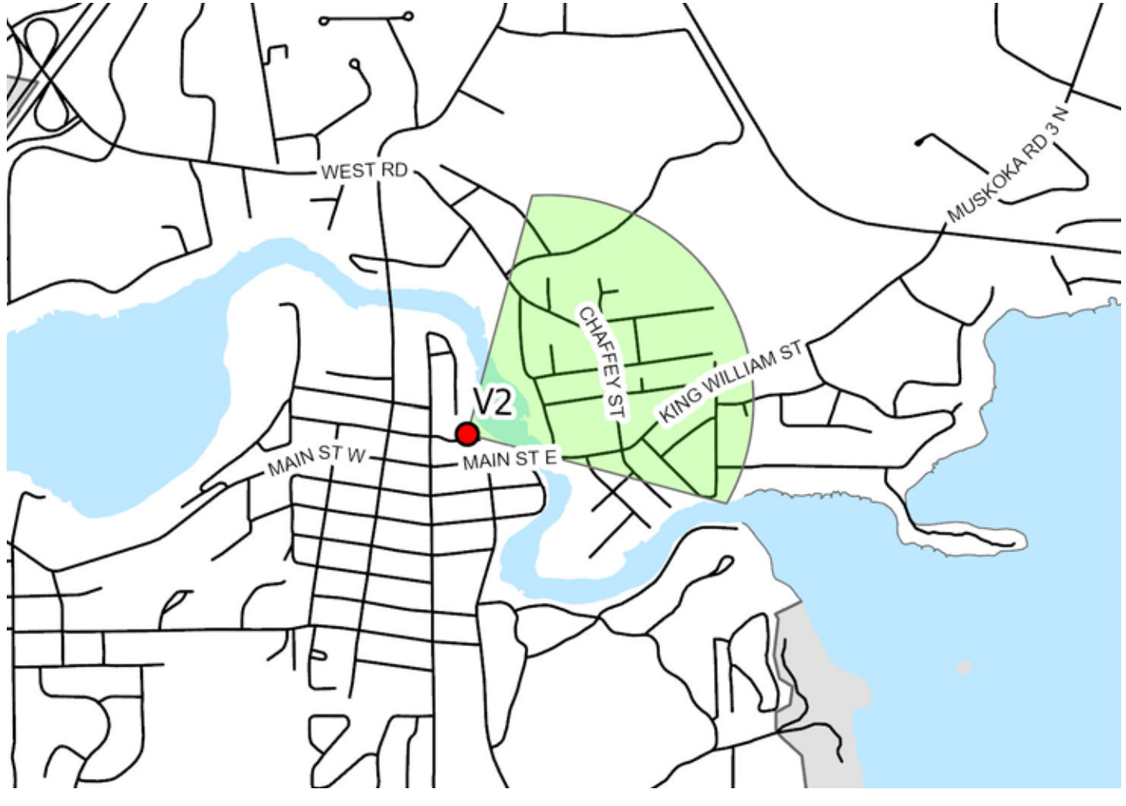




V01 | The South-facing Historic Main St. View

Southwest-facing view from River Mill Park toward Main Street East and Florence Street. The view includes Huntsville's historic downtown area in the foreground and the Florence Street hillside with mature vegetation in the background

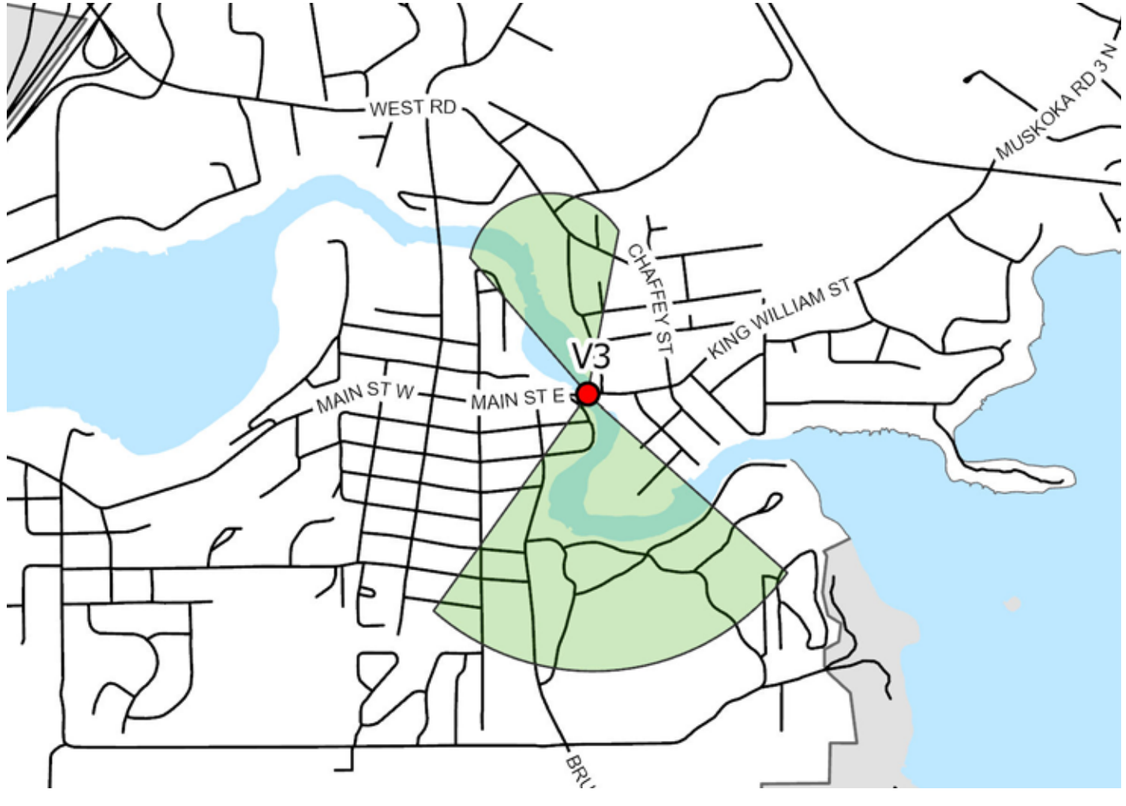




V02 | The River Mill Park View

East-facing view from River Mill Park across the Muskoka River toward John Street and Brendale Square. The view includes the Muskoka River, shoreline development and mature vegetation.

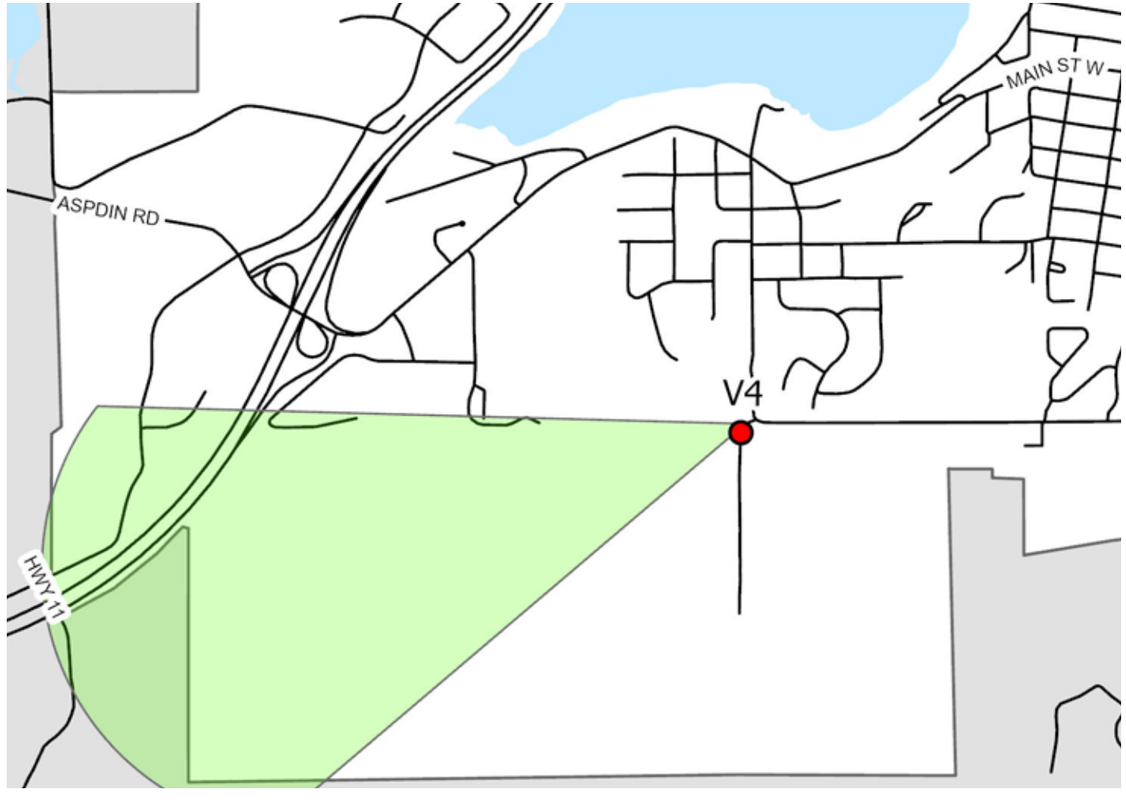




V03 | The Huntsville Swing Bridge View

North and south-facing view from the Huntsville Swing Bridge. The view includes the Muskoka River, River Mill Park and shoreline vegetation and development.

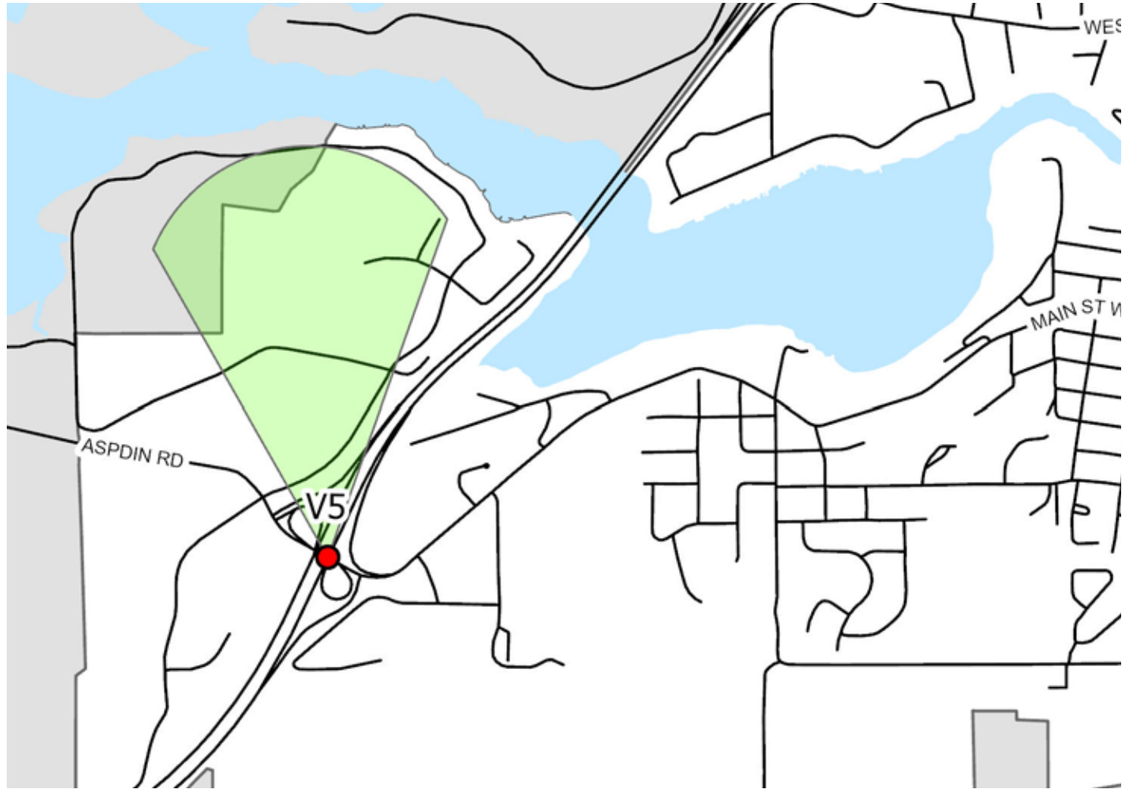




V04 | The Algonquin Highlands View

Southwest-facing view from Yonge Street. The view includes mature vegetation.





V05 | The Bayshore Ridgeline View

North-facing view from Highway 11 and Muskoka Road 2 interchange. The view of the Bayshore Boulevard ridgeline, mature vegetation and urban development.



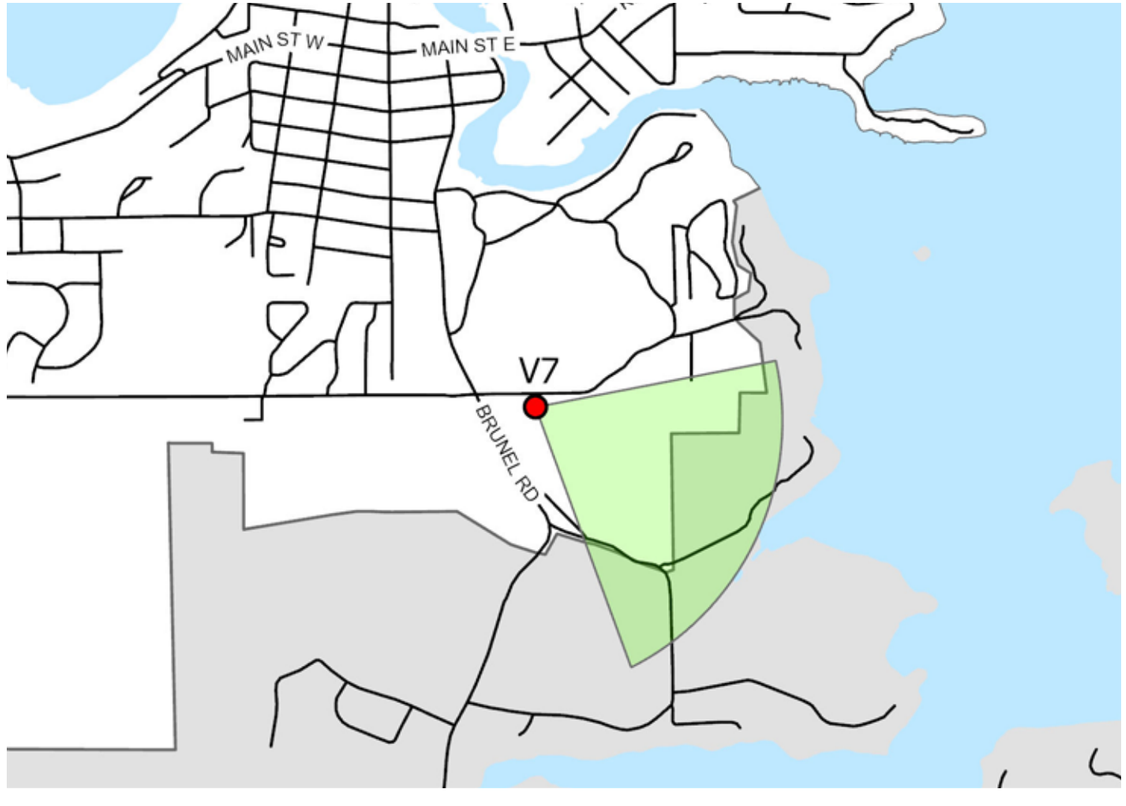




V06 | The Centre Street Bridge

East and west-facing view from the Centre Street Bridge. The view includes the Muskoka River, historic railway bridge and shoreline vegetation and development.





V07 | The Conroy Park View

Southeast-facing view from Conroy Park. The view includes Conroy Park in the foreground and a hillside with mature vegetation in the background.

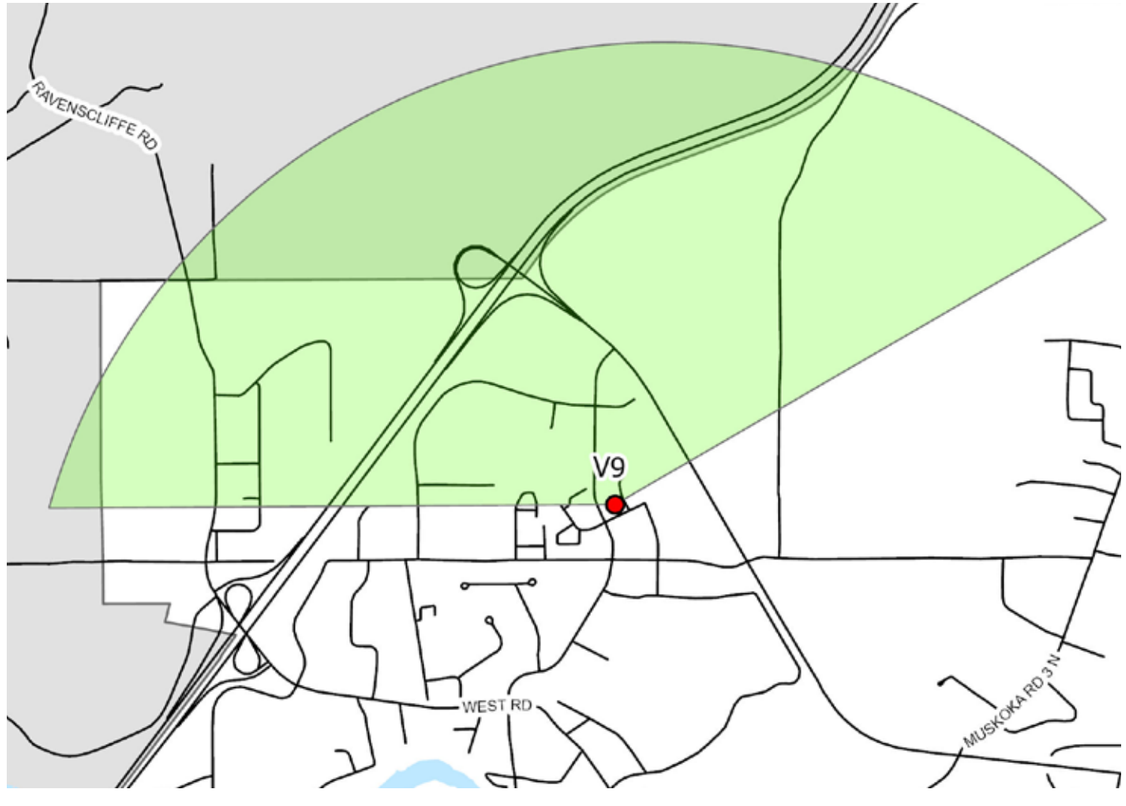




V08 | The Earls Road Hillside View

Southeast-facing view from Highway 60 and Earls Road toward Huntsville District Memorial Hospital. The view includes the hillside behind the hospital and the mature vegetation.

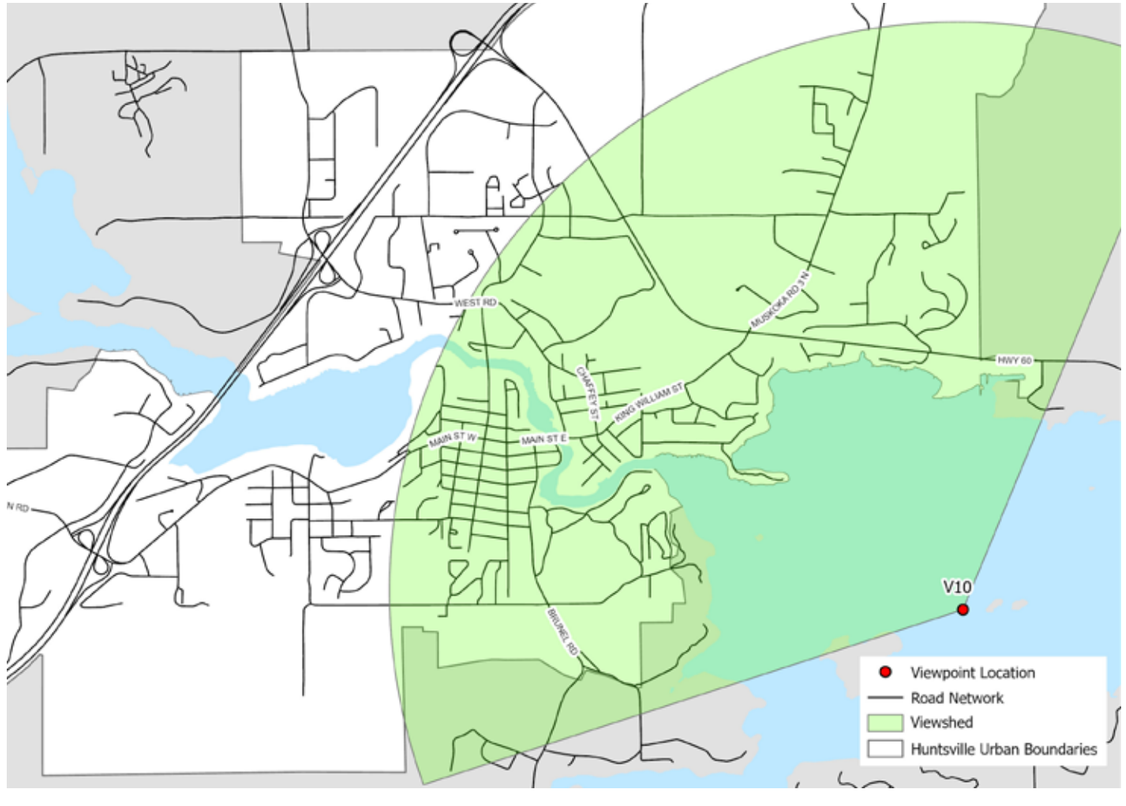




V09 | The Silverwood Ridgeline View

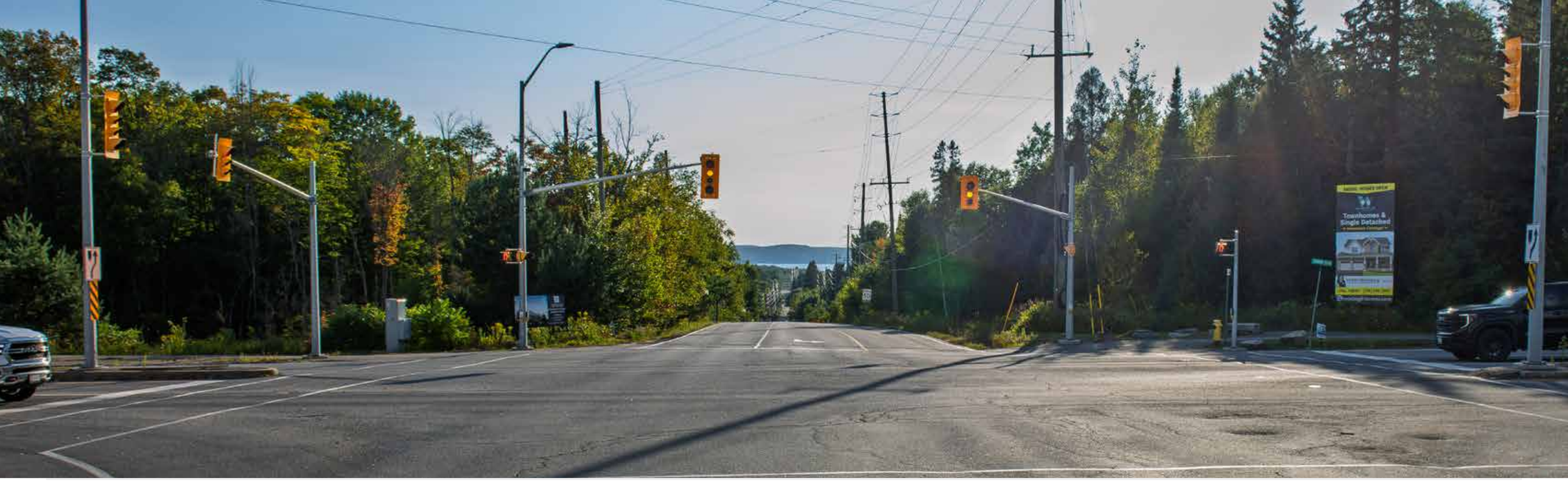
North-facing view from Small Street and Capstone Lane toward Howland Drive and Highway 60. The view includes urban development in the foreground and a ridgeline with mature vegetation in the background.

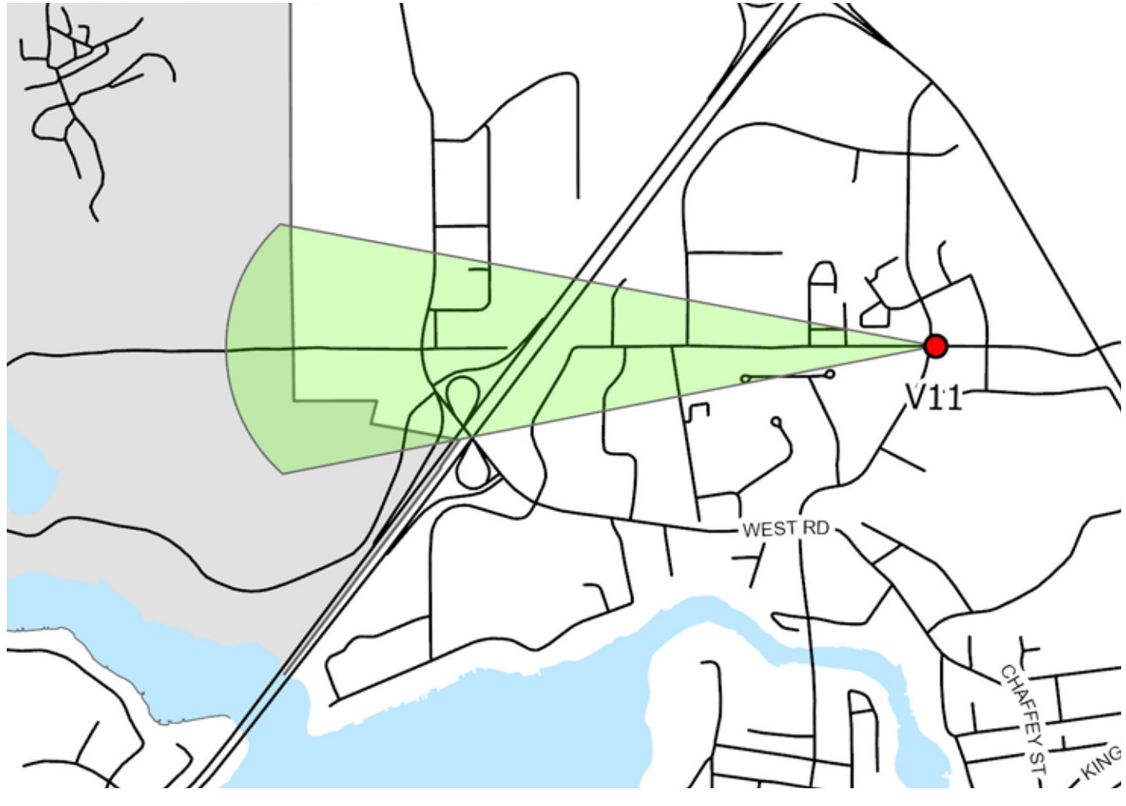




V10 | The Fairy Lake View

Northwest-facing view from Fairy Lake toward Huntsville's Urban Settlement Area. The view includes Fairy Lake, shoreline and urban development, Lion's lookout, hillsides and ridgelines and mature vegetation.





V11 | The Lake Vernon Gateway View

West-facing view from Hanes Road and Centre Street toward Lake Vernon. The view includes Lake Vernon, urban development and mature vegetation.

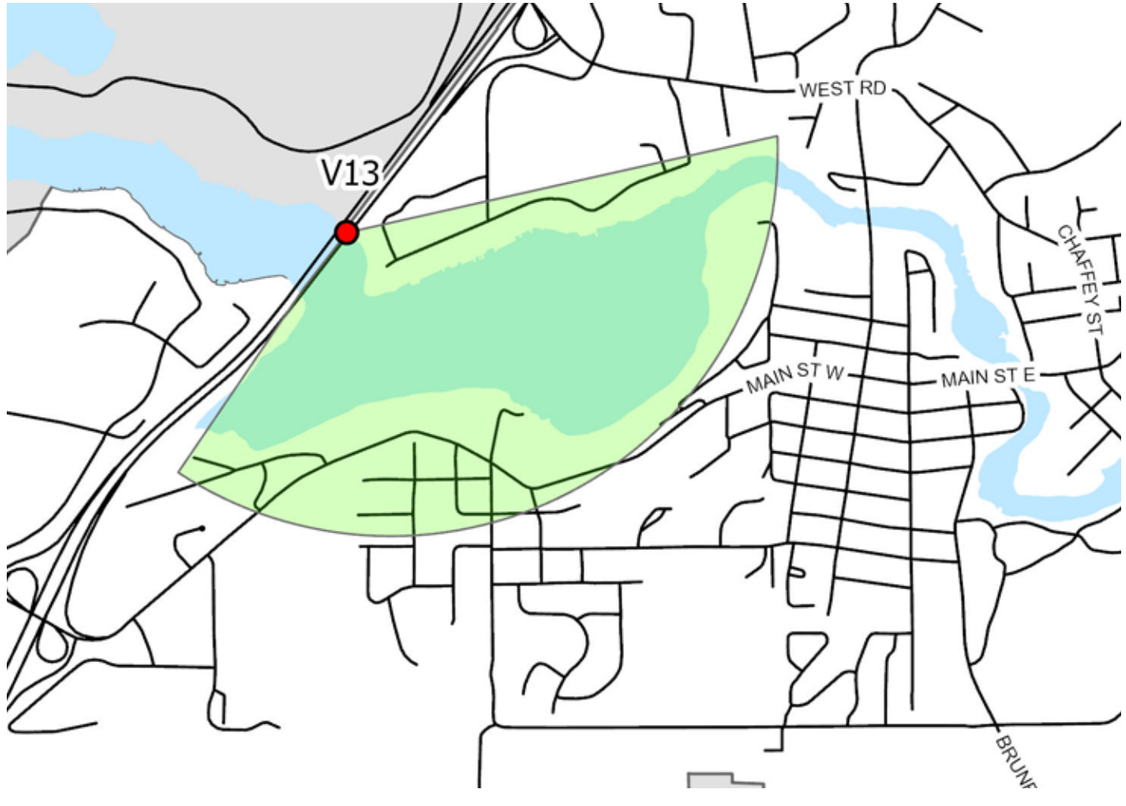




V12 | The Hwy 11 Gateway View

East-facing view from Highway 11 north bound. The view includes a cliff face and mature vegetation.

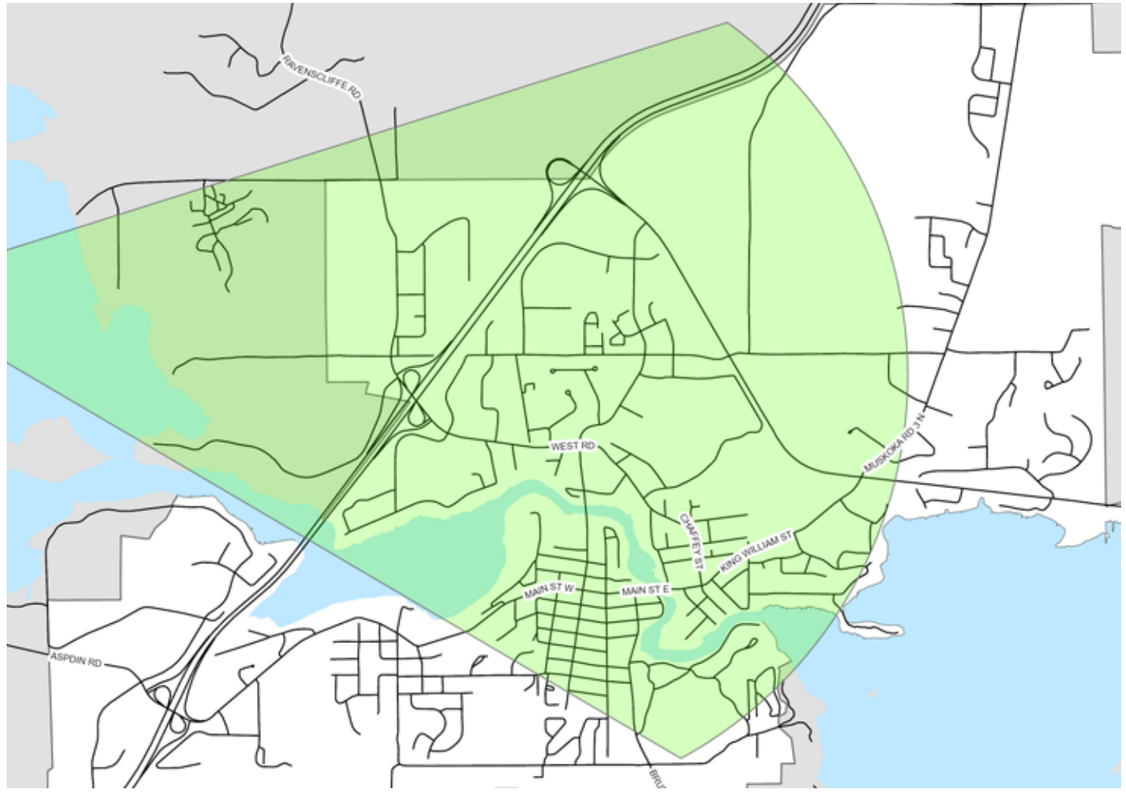




V13 | The Hunters Bay Overpass View

Southeast-facing view from the Highway 11 bridge over Lake Vernon towards Hunters Bay. The view includes Hunters Bay, the Florence Street hillside, shoreline and urban development, the Hunters Bay Trail, Avery Beach and mature vegetation.

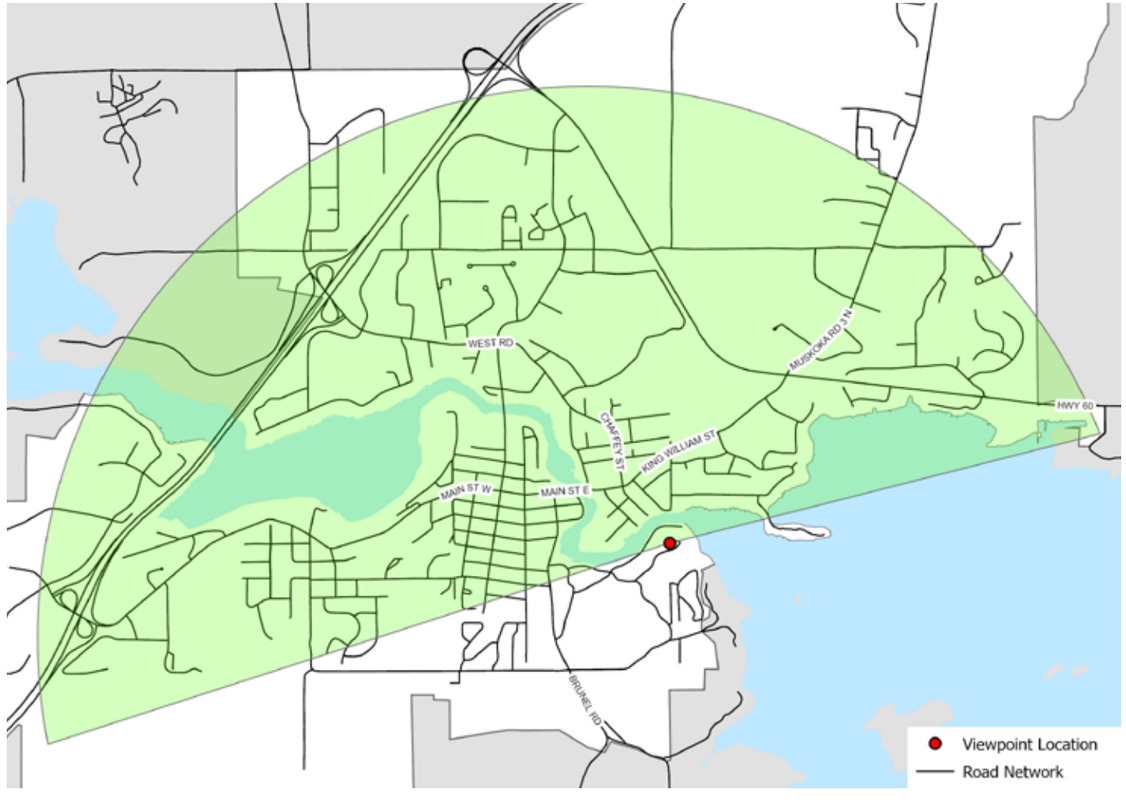




V14 | The Lake Vernon View

East-facing view from Lake Vernon toward Huntsville's Urban Settlement Area. The view includes Lake Vernon, shoreline and urban development, hillsides and ridgelines and mature vegetation.





V15 | The Lookout View

North-facing view from Lion’s Lookout toward Huntsville’s Urban Settlement Area. The view includes the Muskoka River, Fairy Lake, shoreline and urban development, ridgeline and hillsides and mature vegetation.





V16 | The East-facing Historic Main St. View

East-facing view from Main Street West and Lorne Street. The view includes Huntsville's historic downtown area, Town Hall, Lion's Lookout and mature vegetation.





V17 | The West-facing Historic Main St. View

West-facing view from Main Street East and Brunel Road. The view includes Huntsville's historic downtown area and Town Hall.





V18 | The Lookout Cliff Face View

East-facing view from Mary Street and Lorne Street South. The view includes Lion’s Lookout cliff face and mature vegetation.

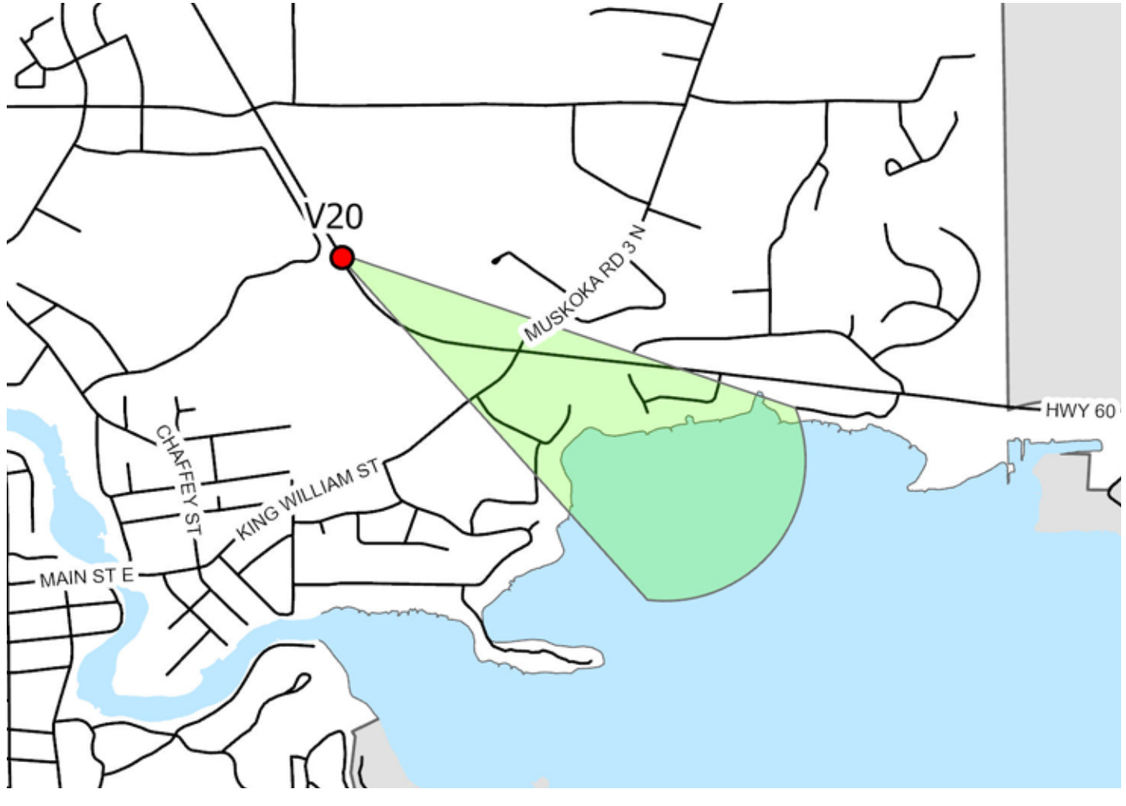




V19 | The Forbes Hillside View

East-facing view from Forbes Hill Drive toward the Forbes Hillside. The view includes the Cann Lake, hillside and mature vegetation.

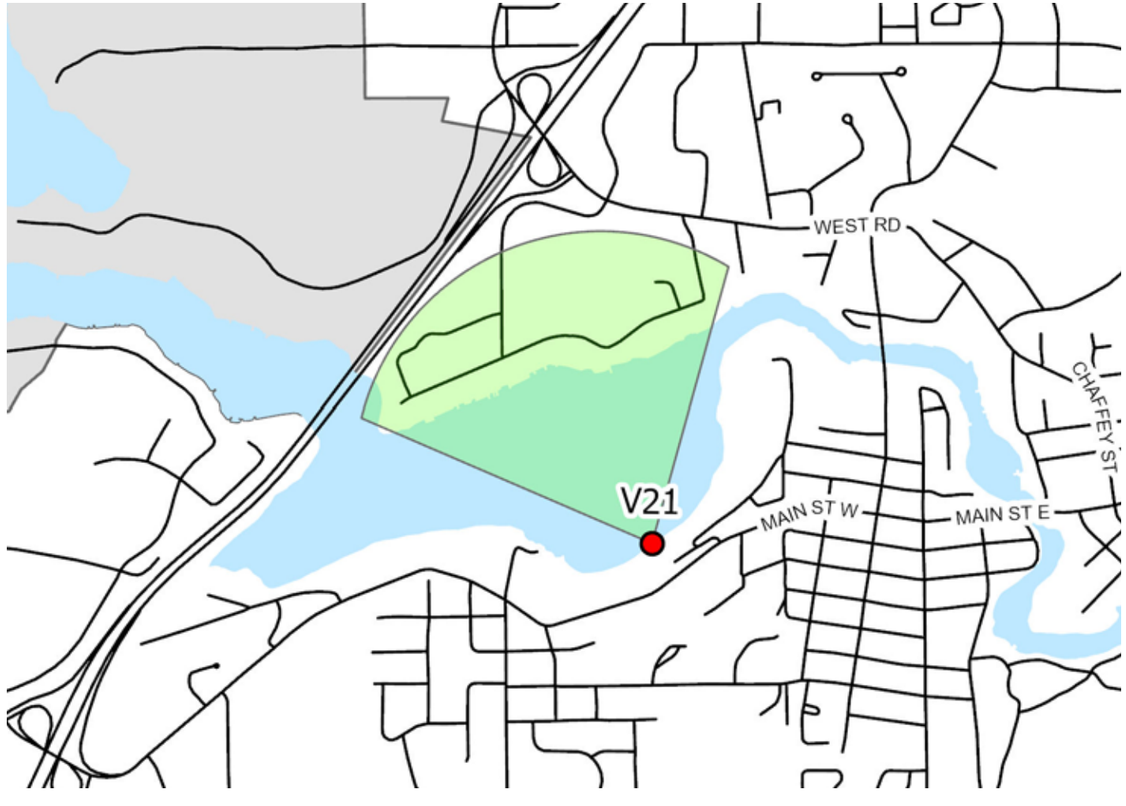




V20 | The Hwy 60 Gateway View

Southeast-facing view from Highway 60 east bound lane toward Fairy Lake. The view includes Fairy Lake, urban and shoreline development and mature vegetation.





V21 | The North Shore Hunters Bay View

North-facing view from the Hunters Bay Trail toward the north shore of Hunters Bay. The view includes Hunters Bay, shoreline development and mature vegetation.

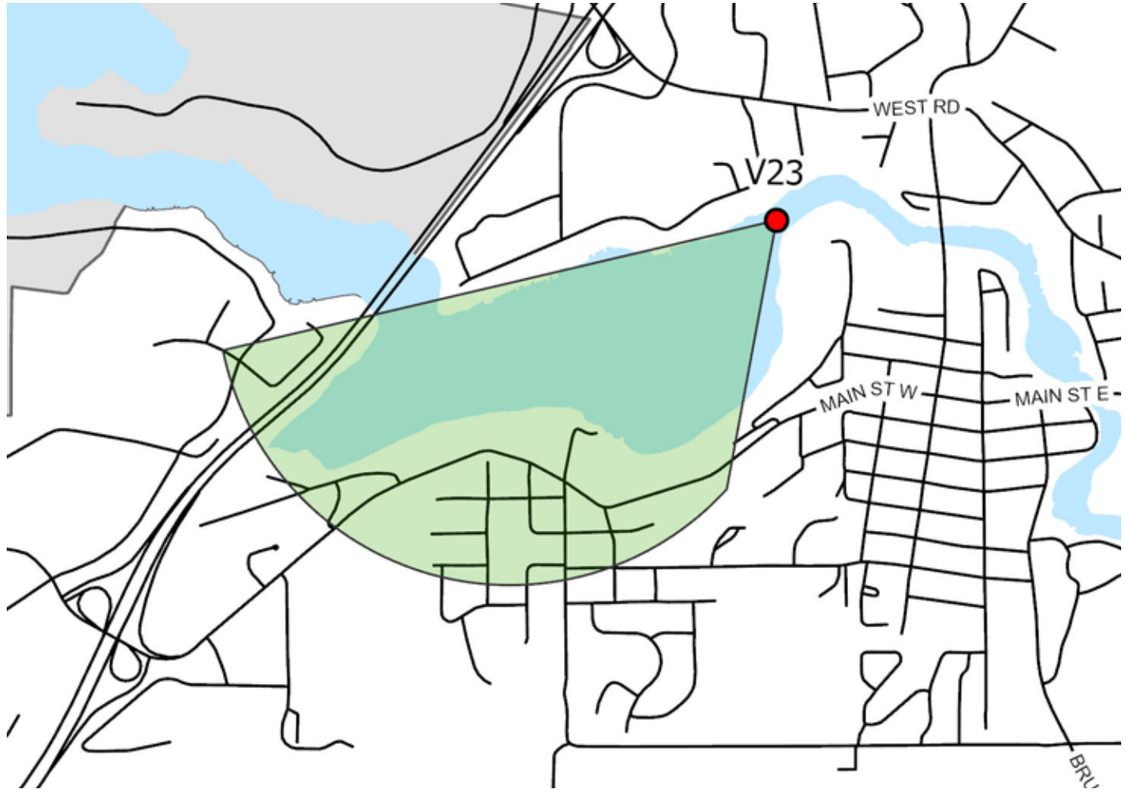




V22 | The Shay Hillside View

Northwest-facing view from Highway 60 west bound toward Shay Road. The view includes the hillside and mature vegetation.





V23 | The Entrance to Hunters Bay View

Southwest-facing view from the mouth of the Muskoka River towards Hunters Bay. The view includes Hunters Bay, the Florence Street hillside, shoreline and urban development, the Hunters Bay Trail, Avery Beach, and mature vegetation.