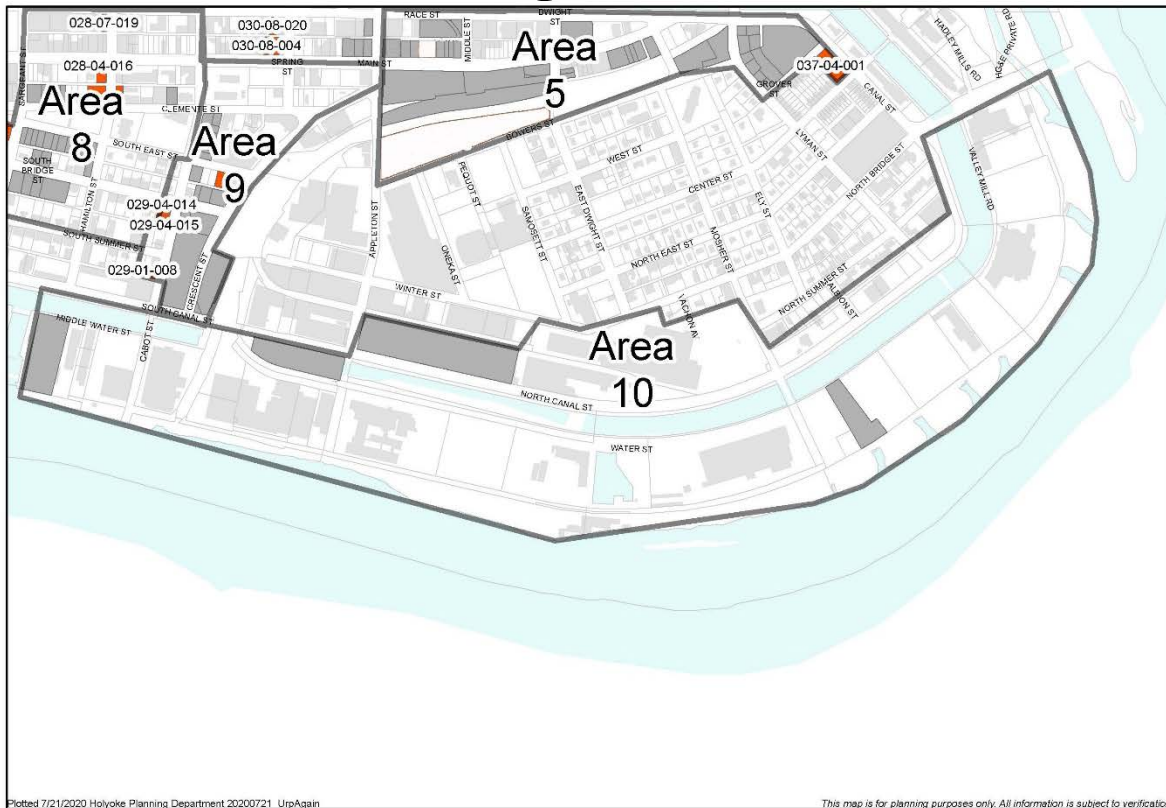


Area 10

Riverfront Area along 2nd and 3rd Level Canal



Holyoke, MA

Existing Property
Proposed Addition



This area includes parcels along the Second & Third Level Canal and Connecticut River from the Route 116 Bridge past Cabot Street. Actions in this area are intended to stimulate the private redevelopment of many of the vacant buildings and parcels in this area. One acquisition and two demolitions are proposed for buildings in poor condition and with contamination issues. Primary reuse recommendations include light industrial, however, the HRA will support residential uses in the northern area close to Route 116 if possible.

A new public parking facility is proposed to support private redevelopment on North Canal Street by Appleton Street. Other infrastructure improvements include streetscape improvements with the extension of the Canal walk system along the Second & Third Level Canal, dedicated bike lanes, conversion of the private Water Street to a public street, extension of water service improvement into the area, and rehabilitation of the old bridges that cross the canal. These actions are intended to support the redevelopment of many of the vacant lots and one existing industrial building in this area.

At a minimum, industrial use regulations, including those limiting noise levels and hours of operation, must be fully enforced to protect the quality of life of abutters and area residents.