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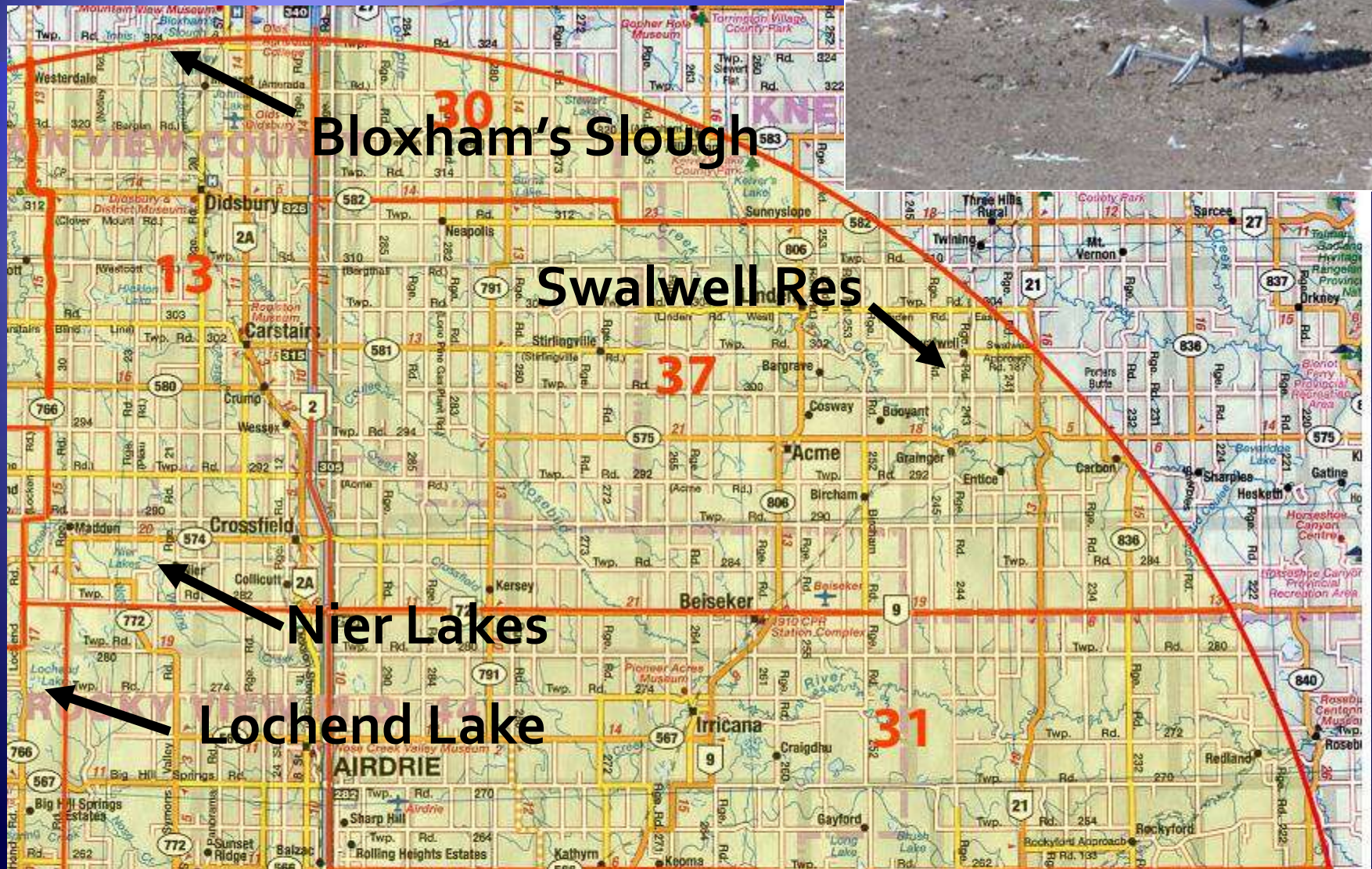
# **BIRDING OFF THE BEATEN TRACK – NORTHEAST FROM CALGARY**

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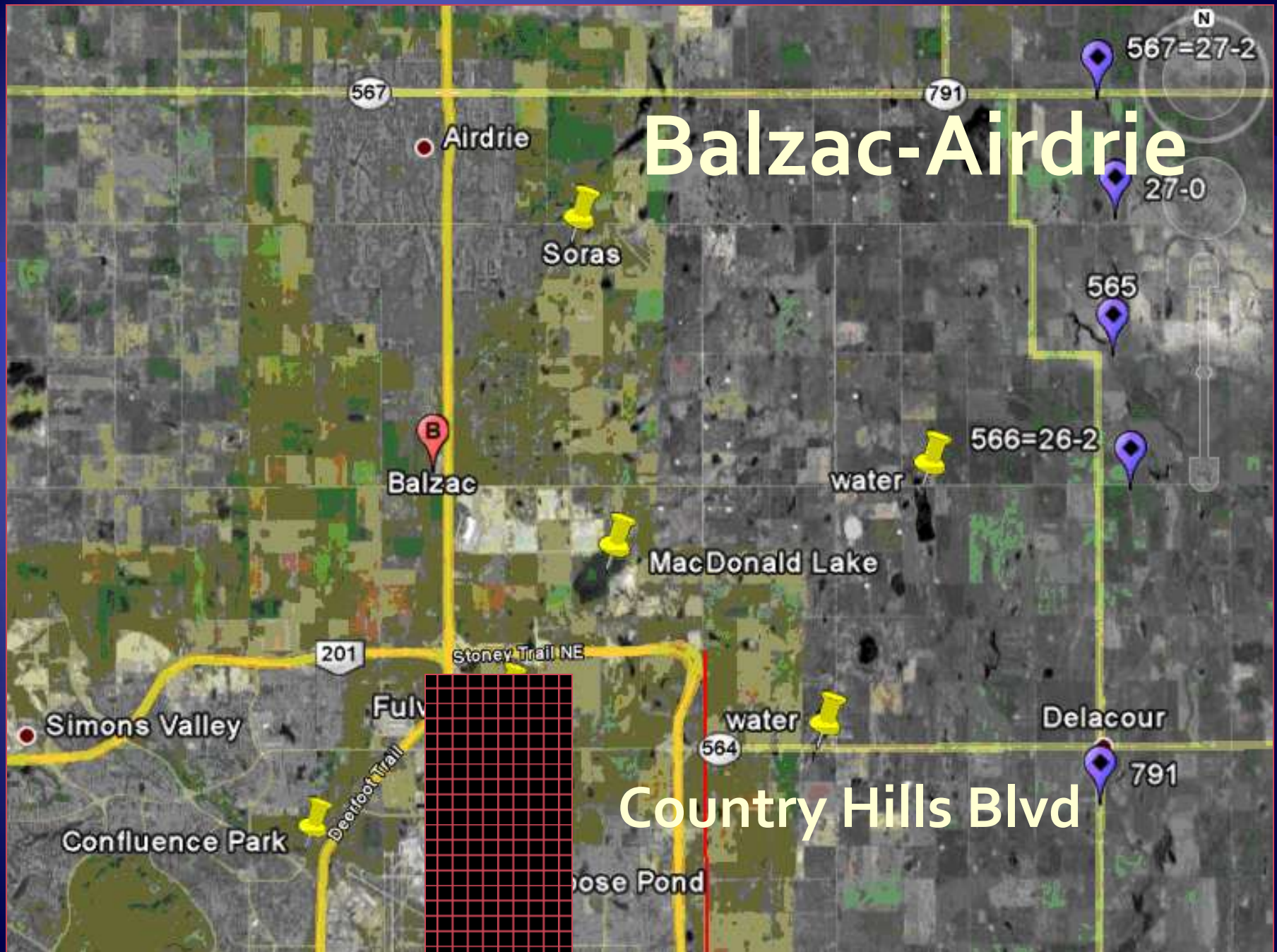
# Northeast

Mostly common birds but close-up viewing





# Balzac-Airdrie













# McDonald Lake (new access)











# Marshes N of Didsbury

Hwy27

46 St

Olds

27

46 Ave

Olds



RR 20

Bloxham's Slough

TWP 32-4

Range Road 20

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Minaret

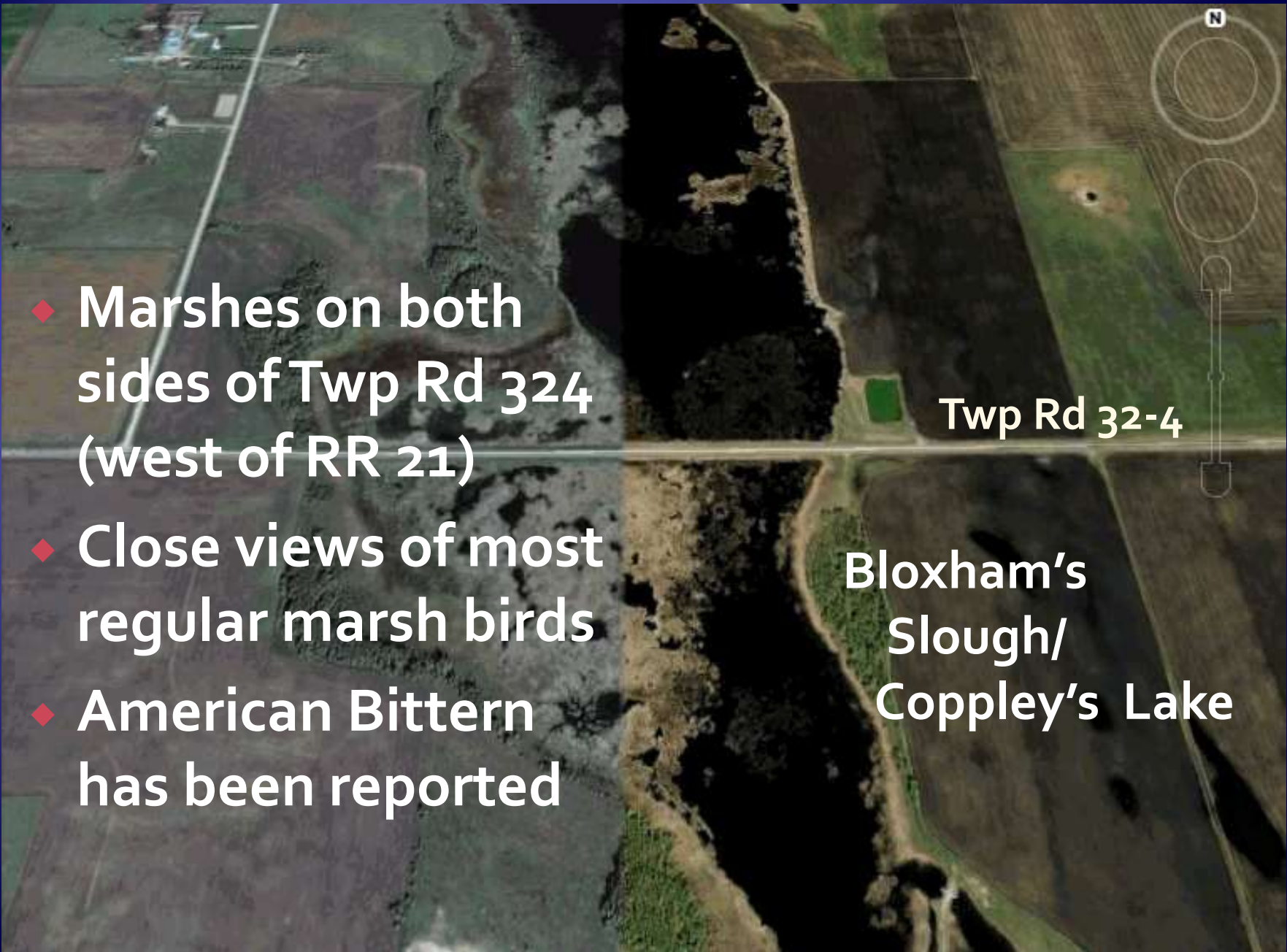
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- An aerial photograph showing a landscape with a road and a railroad. The road, labeled 'Twp Rd 32-4', runs horizontally across the middle. To the left of the road, there is a large, dark, irregularly shaped area that appears to be a marsh or slough. To the right of the road, there is a smaller, more defined body of water labeled 'Bloxham's Slough/Coppley's Lake'. A railroad line, labeled 'RR 21', runs vertically from the top to the bottom of the image, intersecting the road. The surrounding land is a mix of green fields and brown, possibly tilled or dry, areas. In the top right corner, there is a compass rose with an 'N' and a scale bar.
- ♦ Marshes on both sides of Twp Rd 324 (west of RR 21)
  - ♦ Close views of most regular marsh birds
  - ♦ American Bittern has been reported

Twp Rd 32-4

Bloxham's  
Slough/  
Coppley's Lake











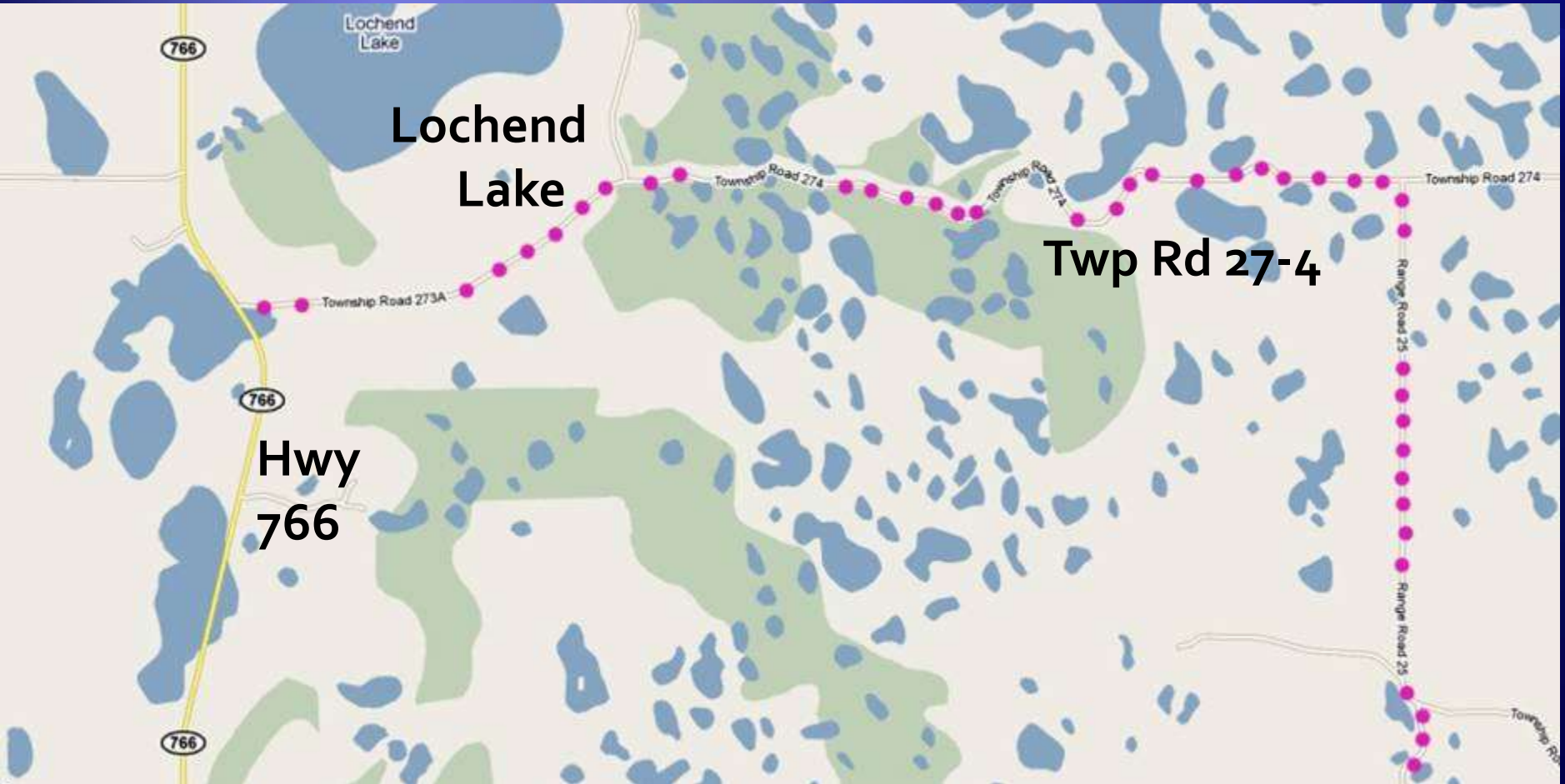
# Small lakes north of Calgary

- ◆ Series of small lakes right beside road
- ◆ Good selection of nesting waterfowl





# Small lakes north of Calgary



- ◆ Access from Lochend Rd (Hwy 766) – east on Twp Rd 274A OR from Hwy 567 – head north on RR 25A











# Nier Lakes, East of Madden

Madden

574

Nier  
Nier Lakes

TWP 282

Symons Valley Rd

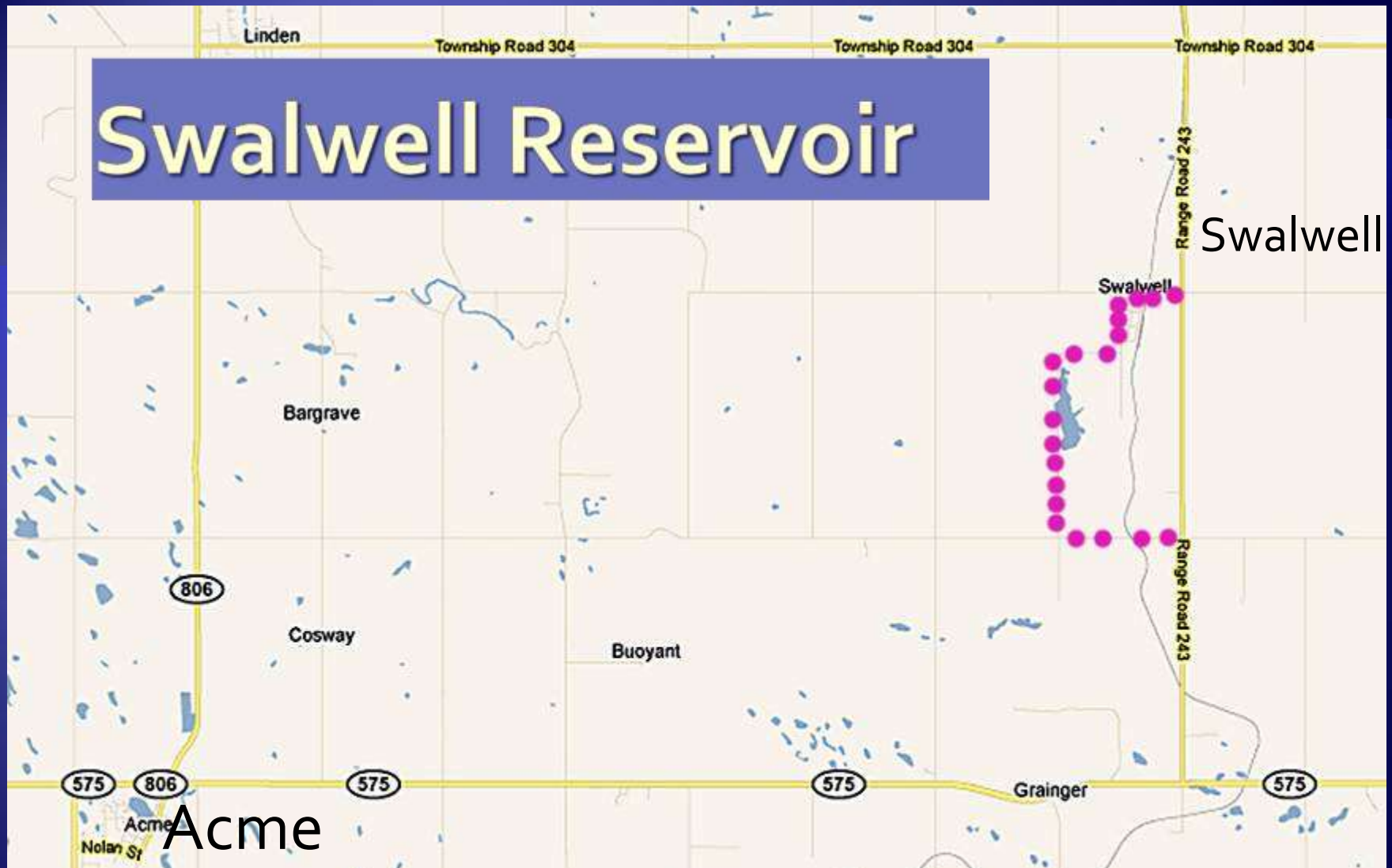
Symons  
Valley  
Road

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- ◆ NE of Acme (which itself could attract migrants)
- ◆ Access from Twp Rd 300 or just west of Swalwell



# Swalwell Reservoir

