

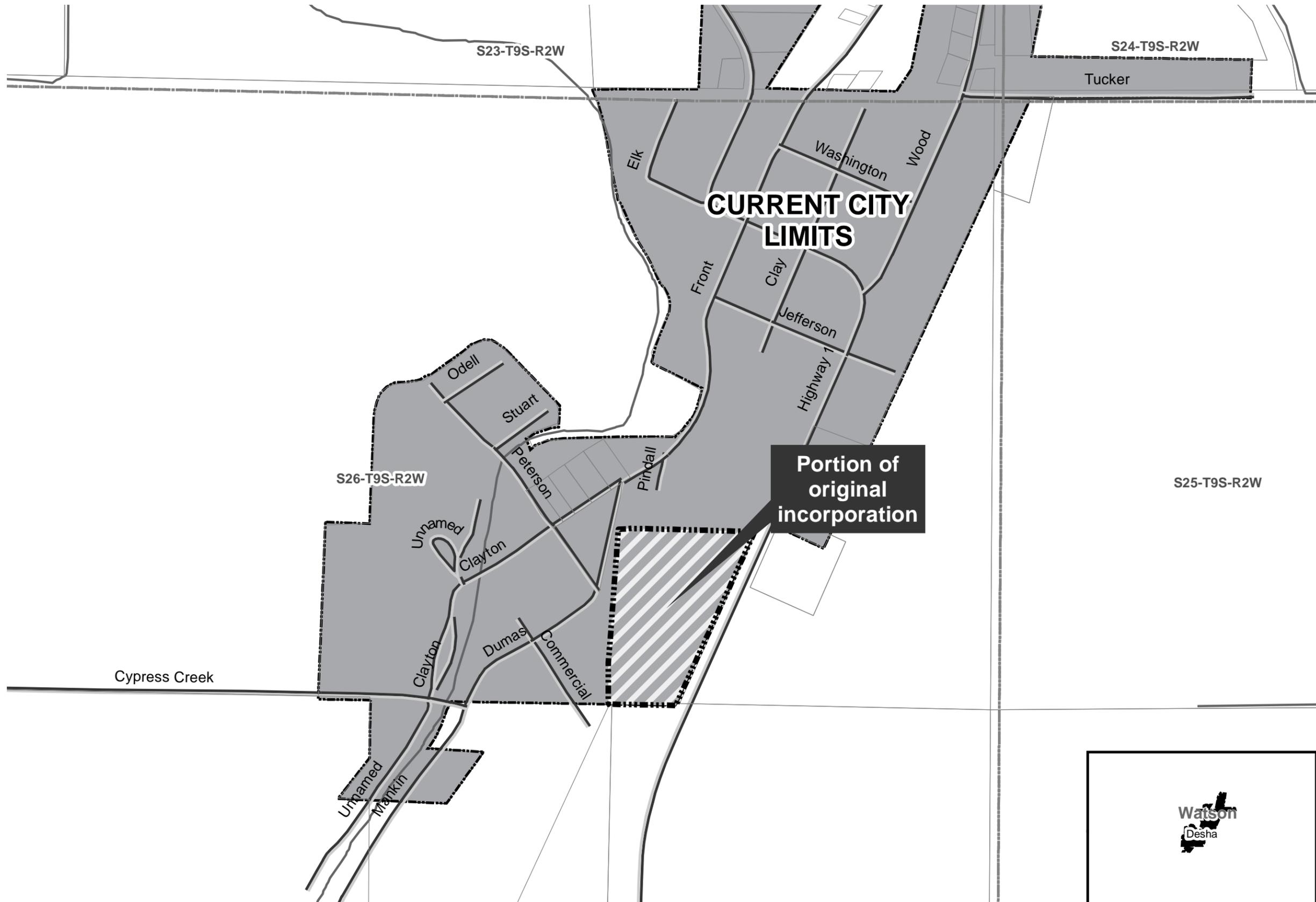
**BAS Reject - Incorporation: City of Watson
*for Census only - was already in state map**

City: Watson
Mayor: Harold Douthit

Arkansas Code 14-40-101.

Before an entity undertakes an annexation, consolidation, or detachment proceeding under this chapter, the entity shall coordinate with the Arkansas Geographic Information Systems Office for preparation of legal descriptions and digital mapping for the relevant annexation, consolidation, and detachment areas.

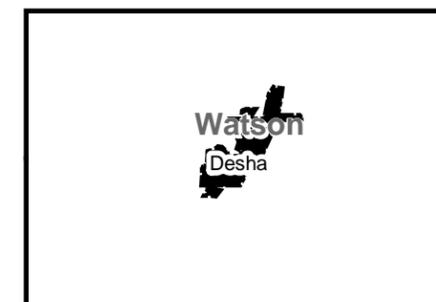
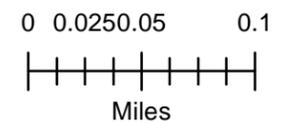
The map contained herein, is evidence, the entity has met requirements of Act 914 of 2015



- Incorporation - portion
- Sections
- Parcels
- Minor Road
- River Flowline
- Existing City
- Neighboring City

Portion of original incorporation

CURRENT CITY LIMITS



October Term Oct 7th 1907

Be it remembered that at a term of the Desha County Court Begun and holden within and for Desha County at the Court House in Arkansas City on Monday October 7th 1907 term thereof present and presiding W. F. Russell County Judge W. E. Meeks Clerk and W. D. Preston Sheriff. of said County being also present Court was proclaimed in due form of law and the following proceedings were had to-wit:-

In the Matter of the
Incorporation of the town
of Watson Arkansas.

Now on this day the 16th day of October 1907 is presented to the Court the petition of J. L. Watson, J. W. Nutter, L. H. Sullivan, Ben Rayder and sixteen other inhabitants of the County of Desha and State of Arkansas residing within the limits of the territory described in said petition professed to be incorporated into the town of Watson and it appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that all of said petitioners being not less than twenty qualified voters of said County residing in the territory aforesaid. And it further appearing that there is annexed to the said petition an accurate Map or Plot of the said territory and it further appearing that said territory is requested to be incorporated into a town to be called Watson and that J. S. Ross attorney at law is requested and authorized to act in behalf of the petitioners for the presentation of said petition.

Now therefore it is ordered that whereas said petition is in all things regular and in conformity with the provisions of the Act in that behalf provided that the same be and is hereby filed in the Clerk's office of the Court subject to the inspection of any person or persons interested therein and that the hearing of said petition be and is hereby fixed for the 18th day of November 1897 at 9 O'clock A. M. or as soon thereafter as can be heard at my office in the Court House in the town of

Arkansas City County and State aforesaid, and that notice of the ~~hearing~~ hearing be at once published as provided by law in such cases.

Monday Morning 9 O'clock

A. M. November 18th 1907

~~On this day Court met pursuant to adjournment~~
present and presiding as of Oct. 16th 1907 when Court was proclaimed in due form of law, and the following proceedings were had to-wit:-

In the Matter of the
Incorporation of the town of Watson

Now on this day comes on for hearing the petition of the inhabitants and qualified voters of the territory hereafter described for the incorporation of said territory into a town to be known as Watson and comes J. D. Ross attorney at law, who is duly authorized act in behalf of the petitioners in prosecuting ^{this} said petition and whereas said petition in writing signed by twenty or more inhabitants and qualified voters of said territory describing the territory proposed to be embraced in such incorporated town annexed thereto all maps and plats thereof and stating the name proposed for such incorporated town was duly presented to this Court on the 16th day of October 1897 and on said date caused to be filed in the office of the County Court Clerk where it has since been kept subject to the inspection of any person or persons interested. And whereas pursuant to the prayer of said petition this Court did on said date fix and appoint this 18th day of November 1907 at the Court House in Arkansas City Arkansas as the time and place for the hearing of this petition and whereas said petitioners their agent and attorney did cause notice to be published in the New Enterprise a weekly news paper and having a bona fide general circulation in this County not less than three consecutive weeks the first insertion being had on the 31st day of October 1907 which notice contained the substance of said petition as shown by the proof of publication.

of said notice duly filed

And it appearing to the satisfaction of the Court from the said original petition, the exhibits thereto the records of the Court the proof of publication and affidavits filed and proof taken this day in open Court That the territory described in said petition embraced within the limits of any City or incorporated town that at least twenty qualified voters reside within the limits described by said petition and that said petition has been signed by them that said limits are accurately described and an accurate Map or plot has been made and is now on file with said petition That the name proposed for said town ~~Village~~ ^{is} proper and sufficient to distinguish it from others of a like kind in the State and it being deemed right and proper that said petition be granted. It is therefore ordered that the territory described in said petition lying and being situated in ~~Dashed~~ ^{Dashed} ~~Warranty~~ ^{Warranty} ~~to wit~~ ^{to wit} commencing at a point where ~~at~~ ^{at} ~~the~~ ^{the} East bank of Red Fork Bayou intersects the North Boundary line of the North East Quarter of Section twenty six in Township Nine South of Range two West thence in a South Easterly direction down the line of the East Bank of said Red Fork Bayou to a point opposite the South West corner of lot Eighteen in Block seven thence South Easterly to said South West corner of said lot Eighteen in said Block seven thence South Easterly along the South line of lot Eighteen in Block seven lot twenty and twenty four in Block eleven and lots twelve and twenty four in block fourteen the South East corner of lot twenty four in block fourteen thence North Easterly along the East line of Block thirteen and fourteen to the North East corner of lot thirteen in block thirteen thence Westerly along the North line of lot ~~thirteen~~ ^{thirteen} ~~in block thirteen~~ ^{in block thirteen} to the West line of the Alley in block thirteen ~~thence North Easterly to the North East corner~~ ^{thence North Easterly to the North East corner} of lot one in block twelve thence Westerly along the North line of lot one in block twelve to the North East corner of seven in block nine thence North Easterly to the North East corner of lot sixteen in block eight thence West along the North boundary line of North East quarter

said section twenty six to the place of beginning including in
above discription a strip of land, One hundred feet wide
the East line of said Red Fort begun along and parallel with
the South line of block seven Eleven and fourteen to be known as
Jefferson Street also a strip of land sixty feet wide extending from
South line of the street known as Jefferson Street and extending North east
erly and parallel with the East line of thirteen and fourteen and to be known
as Wood Street - And a strip of land sixty feet wide extending along the
North line of lot thirteen in block thirteen same being an extension
of Main Street - Also a strip of land sixty feet wide extending along
the North line of lot one in block twelve same being an extension
of Washington Street; Also a strip of land sixty feet wide extending
along the East line of block eight same being an extension of Wood
Street - All of said land lying and being in the North East quarter of
Section Twenty-six in Township nine South of Range two West in Decker
County Arkansas as shown by an accurate Map or plot of said proposed
town which is hereto attached and made part of this petition that the
same may be read is hereby organized into and designated as the incor-
porated town of Watson Arkansas upon compliance with the laws in such
cases made and provide.

Clerk's Certificate of Transcript

STATE OF ARKANSAS

County of Desha

1, W. B. Melvin

Clerk of the Desha Circuit Court Court, within and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify

that the annexed and foregoing pages contain a true and complete transcript of the _____

County Court Order

as therein set forth, and as the same appears of record, on pages 315, 337, 338, & 339 Record,

Volume 1902 B. B. Reed Book County, Arkansas.

Witness my hand and official seal this 30th day of November 1907

Town of 366
Watson

Dasha Co

Filed 12/2/07.

O.C. Ludwig
see state

Incorporated

Watson 366

DESHA COUNTY

12-2-07

Incorporation

Jennifer Wheeler

From: Jennifer Wheeler
Sent: Monday, December 02, 2019 9:23 AM
To: Candice Moore
Subject: RE: Census Missing Area - City of Watson

Thank you. I'll check with the Secretary of State office to see if they have it.

From: Candice Moore <cityofwatson@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 27, 2019 8:45 AM
To: Jennifer Wheeler <Jennifer.Wheeler@arkansas.gov>
Subject: Re: Census Missing Area - City of Watson

Good Morning,

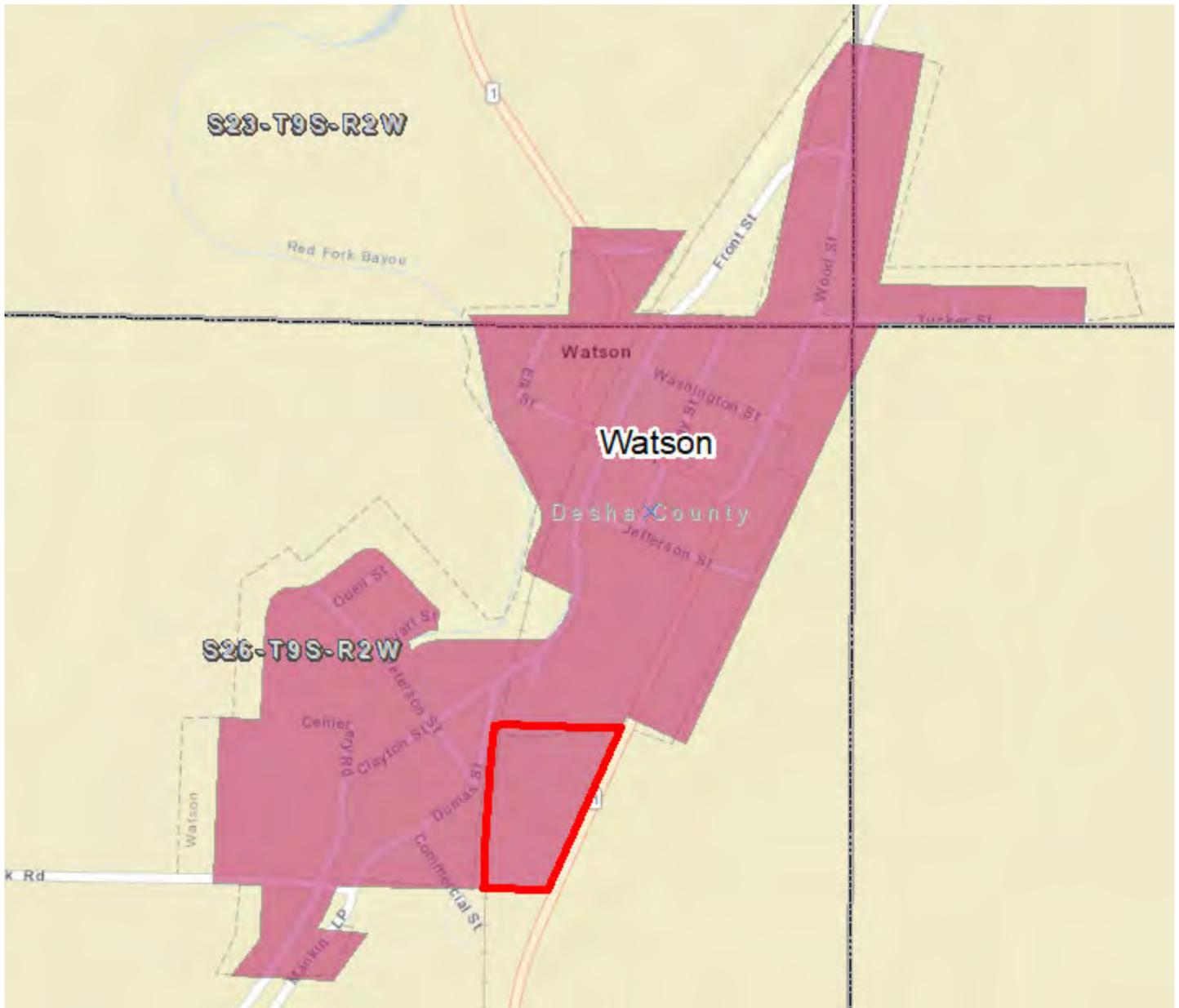
The highlighted area is inside the city limits. We do not have record of it because it has been inside the city limits prior to 1943. All of our records (ordinances, resolutions, etc) start in 1943 and the addition predates that. If you have any further questions please let us know.

Thanks
Candice Moore
Jaymes Moreland
Harold Douthit

On Monday, November 25, 2019, 11:51:24 AM CST, Jennifer Wheeler <jennifer.wheeler@arkansas.gov> wrote:

Our office is responsible for mapping annexation for the state and reporting those to the US Census Bureau. While working to ensure that Census' city boundaries are correct running up to the 2020 Census, we found an area in Watson that is missing from their maps when compared to our maps. Please see the image below. In order for them to correct it, they either need the ordinance or court order that brought it in. Do you happen to have access to the document that brought this area in?

Census is missing area outlined in red



Jennifer Wheeler – GIS Analyst

Department of Transformation & Shared Services
Arkansas GIS Office
1 Capitol Mall Ste 6D
Little Rock, AR 72201
501.682.2929 Office

501.454.9524 Mobile
jennifer.wheeler@arkansas.gov Email
<https://www.gis.arkansas.gov> Web