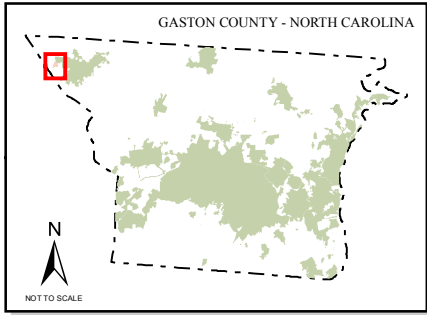


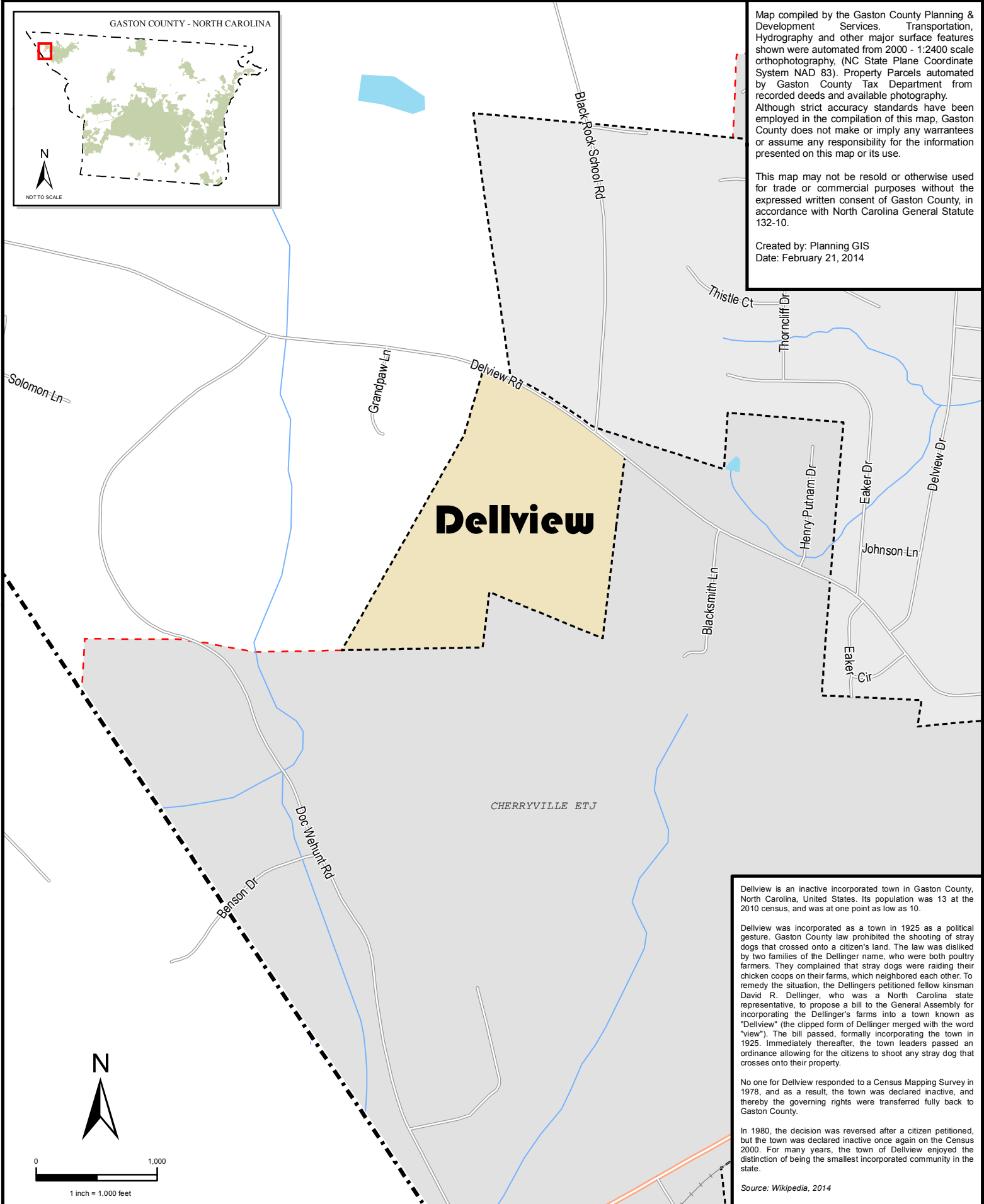
TOWN OF DELLVIEW, N.C.



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Delview

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Delview is an inactive incorporated town in Gaston County, North Carolina, United States. Its population was 13 at the 2010 census, and was at one point as low as 10.

Delview was incorporated as a town in 1925 as a political gesture. Gaston County law prohibited the shooting of stray dogs that crossed onto a citizen's land. The law was disliked by two families of the Dellinger name, who were both poultry farmers. They complained that stray dogs were raiding their chicken coops on their farms, which neighbored each other. To remedy the situation, the Dellingers petitioned fellow kinsman David R. Dellinger, who was a North Carolina state representative, to propose a bill to the General Assembly for incorporating the Dellinger's farms into a town known as "Dellview" (the clipped form of Dellinger merged with the word "view"). The bill passed, formally incorporating the town in 1925. Immediately thereafter, the town leaders passed an ordinance allowing for the citizens to shoot any stray dog that crosses onto their property.

No one for Delview responded to a Census Mapping Survey in 1978, and as a result, the town was declared inactive, and thereby the governing rights were transferred fully back to Gaston County.

In 1980, the decision was reversed after a citizen petitioned, but the town was declared inactive once again on the Census 2000. For many years, the town of Delview enjoyed the distinction of being the smallest incorporated community in the state.

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