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Together, creating healthy communities.

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THE CHALLENGES

- Act 185 is underfunded
- Doesn't promote change
- Predisposed to new detention/correctional structures



THE SOLUTIONS

- Changes to DOC 347 & Chapter 938
- Paradigm and cultural change
- Close youth prisons in favor of treatment facilities
- De-stigmatize youth

40
NEW
BEDS

\$41.4M

to build

\$14M

yearly operating cost

22
RENO'D
BEDS





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NEW BEGINNINGS

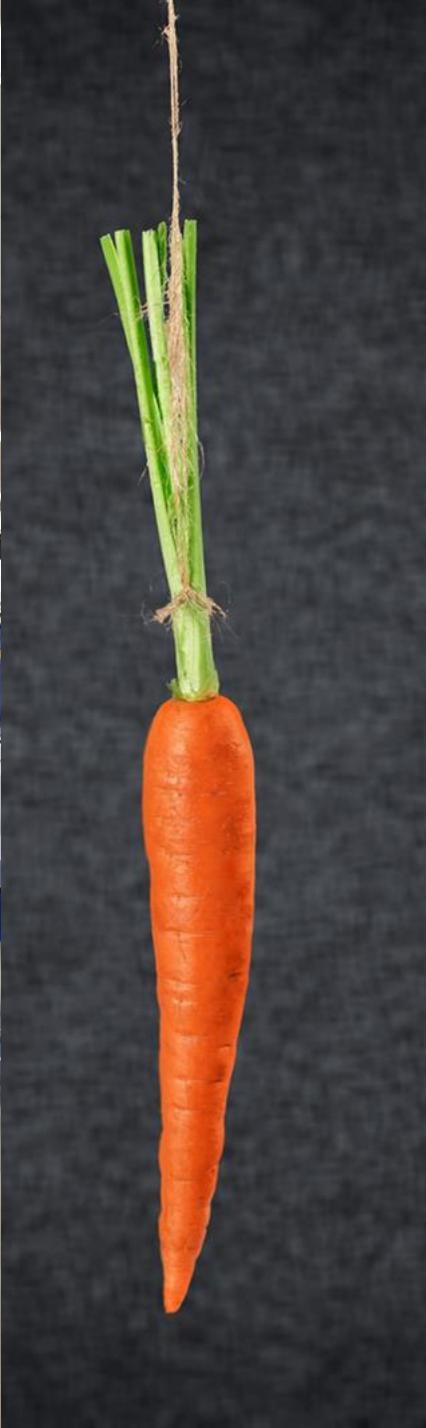
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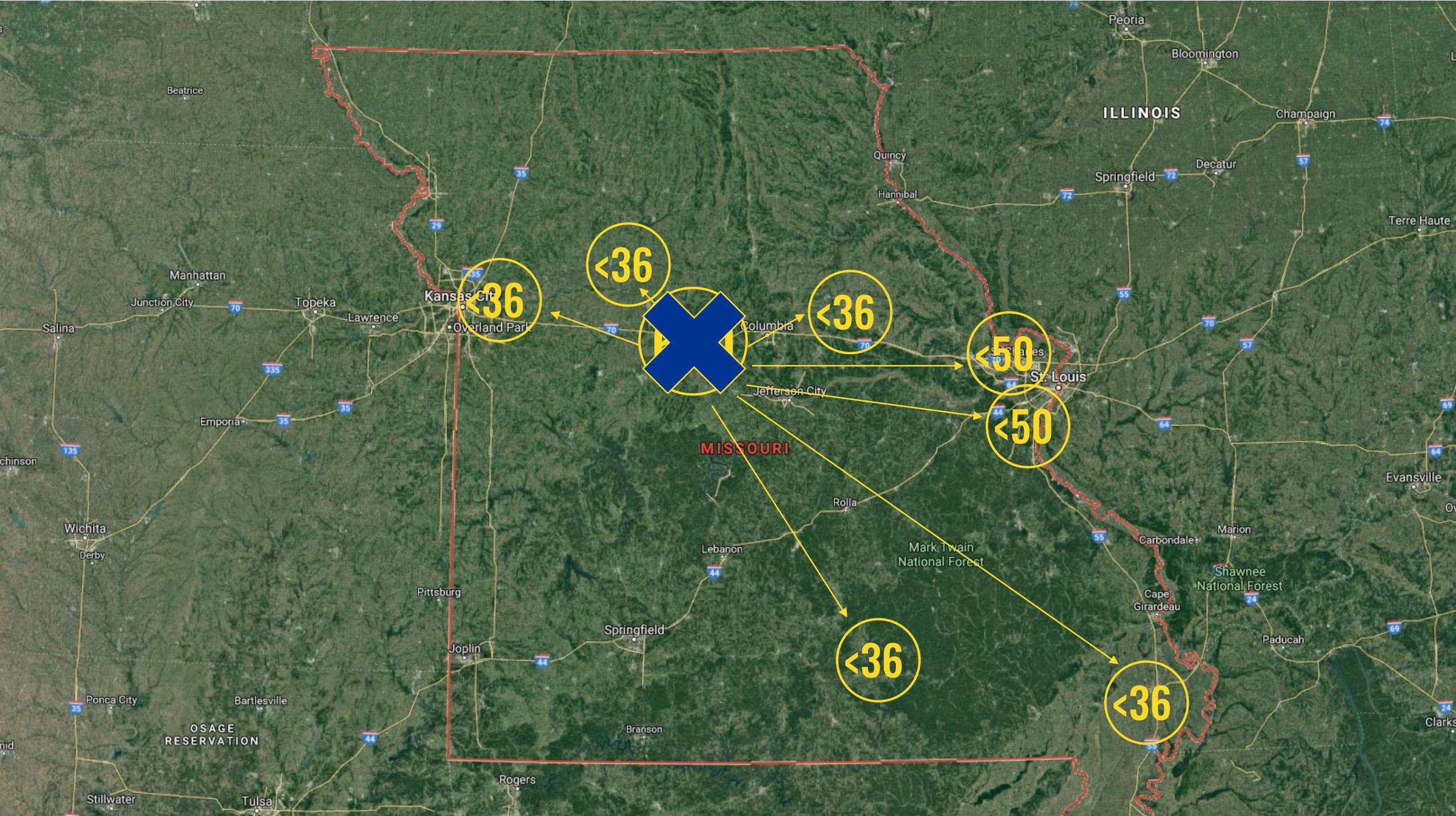
60 BEDS

constructed capacity

7 YOUTH

current use





<36

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MISSOURI

ILLINOIS

Kansas City

St. Louis

Springfield

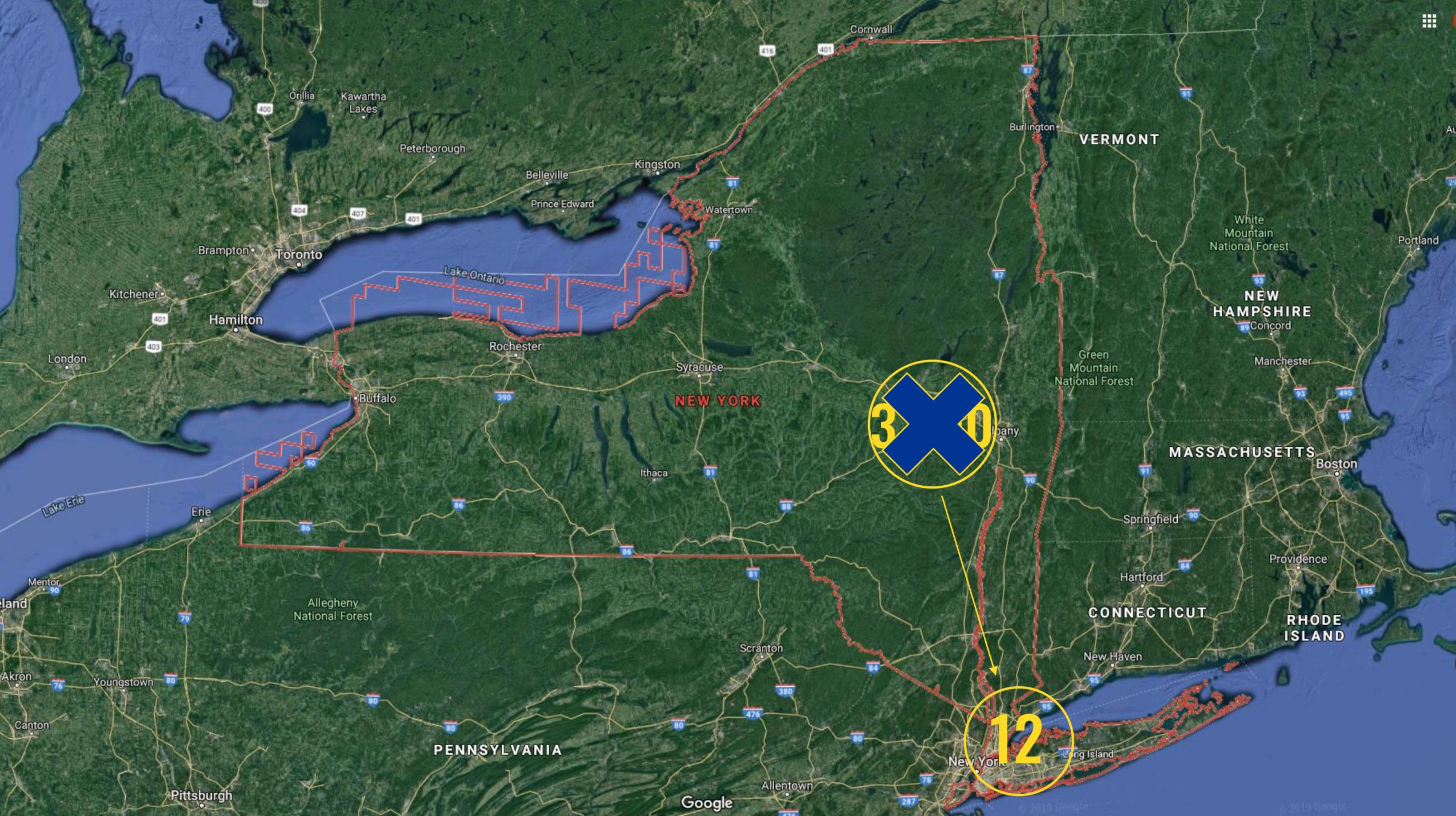
OSAGE RESERVATION

Mark Twain National Forest

Shawnee National Forest

SERVICE CONTINUUM





3 X 0

12

VERMONT

NEW YORK

NEW HAMPSHIRE

MASSACHUSETTS

CONNECTICUT

RHODE ISLAND

PENNSYLVANIA

Toronto

Buffalo

Syracuse

Albany

New York

Long Island

White Mountain National Forest

Green Mountain National Forest

Allegheny National Forest





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PREVENTION

DIVERSION

COMMUNITY SERVICES

SECURE

SRCCCY

County order
County-run
Correctional
Findings
DoC regulated

TYPE 1

State order
SJO/Adult
DoC-run

MJTC

DHS-run

Youth who need to start the process in a setting with robust, institutional security

Youth who can be treated in a more "home like" setting



ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES

Revise DoC 347 regulations to..

- Not require sallyports
- Not require reinforced (8-inch concrete) walls
- Consider using NYC regulations for “limited secure” facilities as a model

LEGISLATIVE CHANGES



Revise Wis. Stats. 938 to...

- Eliminate "Type 1" designation
 - Direct DoC to develop regional SRCCCYs instead
- Eliminate "Serious Juvenile Offender" designation
 - Return to "Extended Supervision"
- Rewrite grant funding language to allow funding of programming to keep youth out of correctional placements



THE WISCONSIN MODEL:
OUR DESIRED
FUTURE STATE



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THANK YOU