

The **“H”** on the following maps indicates one or several short and/or long term radon tests with readings at or above the EPA 4.0 pCi/l action level. Over 2,100 radon tests were reviewed. On average, approximately 30% of the PHI tests were 4.0 pCi/l or higher. Jim Steinhoff of the La Crosse County Health Department commented that on average 30% of the tests performed by the county are high. The following maps indicate that radon is not particular to any one specific area. The maps are based on PHI experience only and are not a scientific study.

Jim Steinhoff of the La Crosse County Health Department states:

“It’s extremely important to hire a radon measurement professional or radon mitigator who is certified by the NEHA National Radon Proficiency Program when looking for radon services.”

Areas not listed but with high radon levels include:

(Wisconsin) Buffalo City, Tomah, Galesville, Fountain City, Mindoro, Melrose, Stoddard, Coon Valley, Bangor, Westby, Viroqua, Ettrick, Trempealeau, Sparta, & Genoa.

(Minnesota) Dresbach, Houston

For more information on the negative health effects or ways to reduce radon levels in your home, review our past newsletters entitled:

“What is Radon Gas” 12-05 / “Lowering Radon Gas” 3-06 / “Radon Resistant New Construction” 6-07.

Professional Home Inspection Company provides certified radon measurement based on the National Environmental Health Association (NEHA) and Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) standards and protocols:

The following italicized testing & renovation protocols are copied from the EPA’s “Home Buyer’s and Seller’s Guide to Radon”:

Radon Test Device Placement

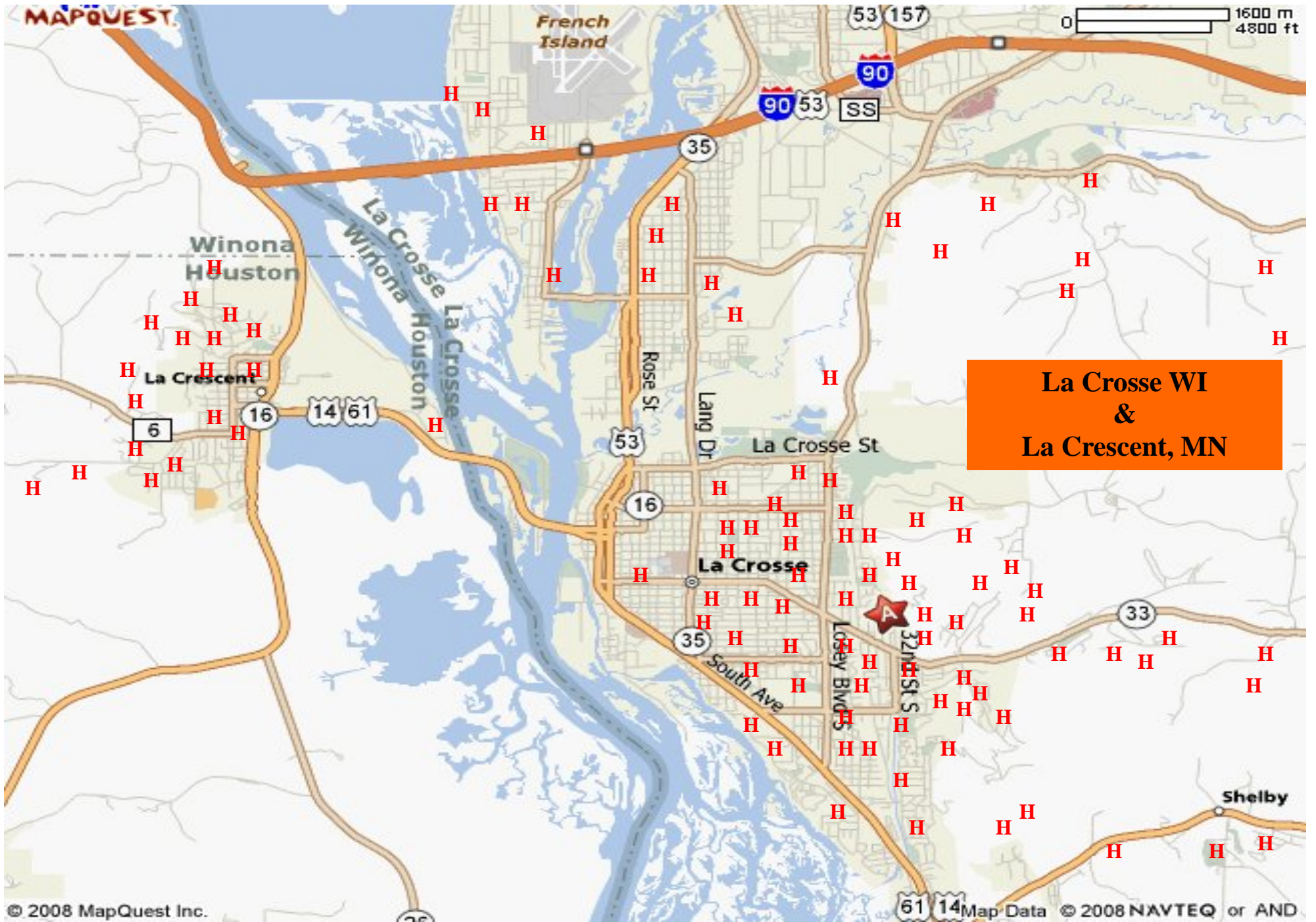
*EPA recommends that testing device(s) be placed in the lowest level of the home that could be used regularly, **whether it is finished or unfinished.** Conduct the test in any space that could be used by the buyer as a bedroom, play area, family room, den, exercise room, or workshop. Based on their client's intended use of the space, the qualified testing professional should identify the appropriate test location and inform their client (buyer). Do not test in a closet, stairway, hallway, crawl space or in an enclosed area of high humidity or high air velocity. An enclosed area may include a kitchen, bathroom, laundry room or furnace room.*

Radon and home renovations

If you are planning any major renovations, such as converting an unfinished basement area into living space, it is especially important to test the area for radon before you begin.

If your test results indicate an elevated radon level, radon-resistant techniques can be inexpensively included as part of the renovation. Major renovations can change the level of radon in any home. Test again after the work is completed.

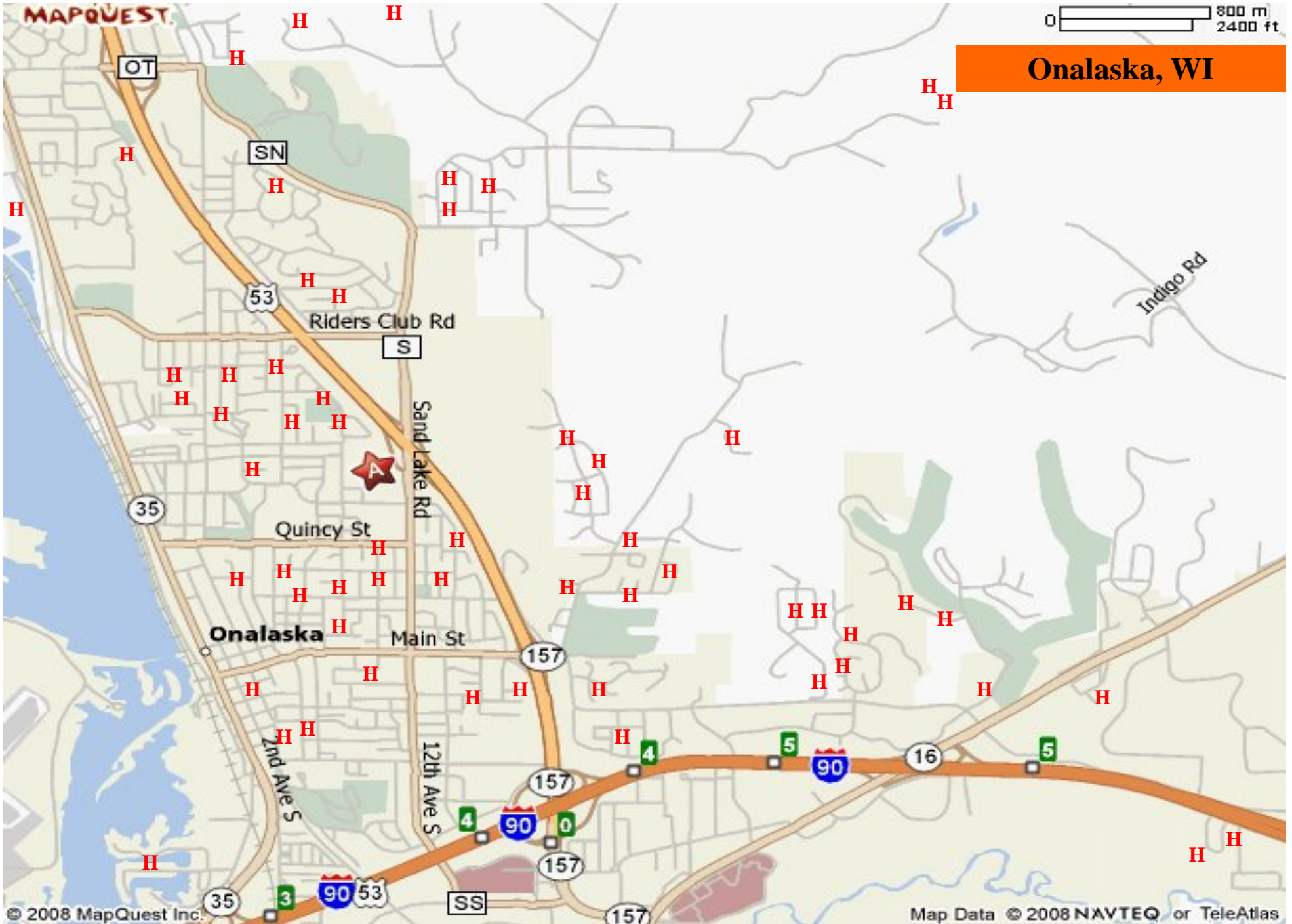
For more information on radon levels visit www.epa.gov/radon/zonemap.html enter the state of your choice.



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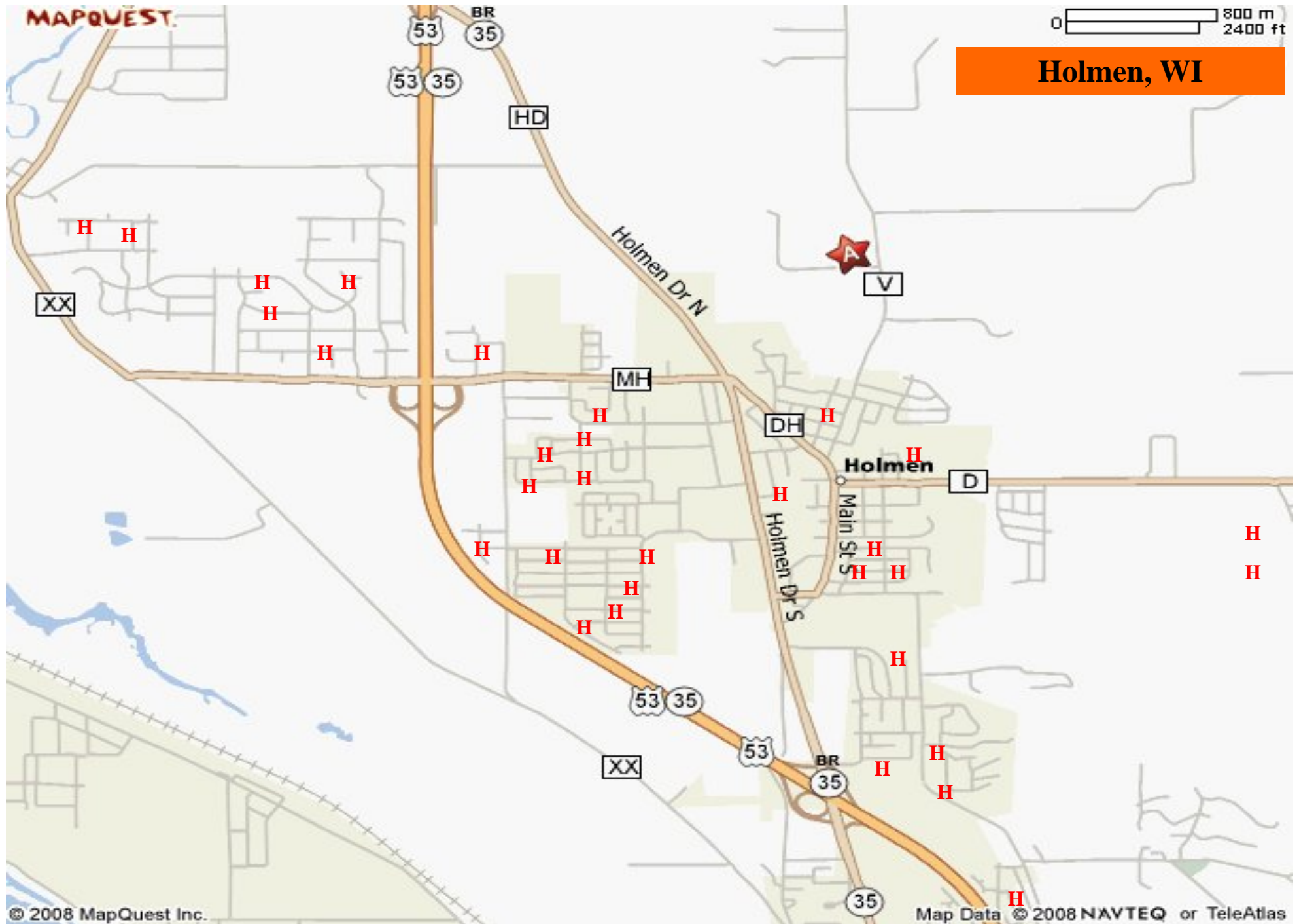
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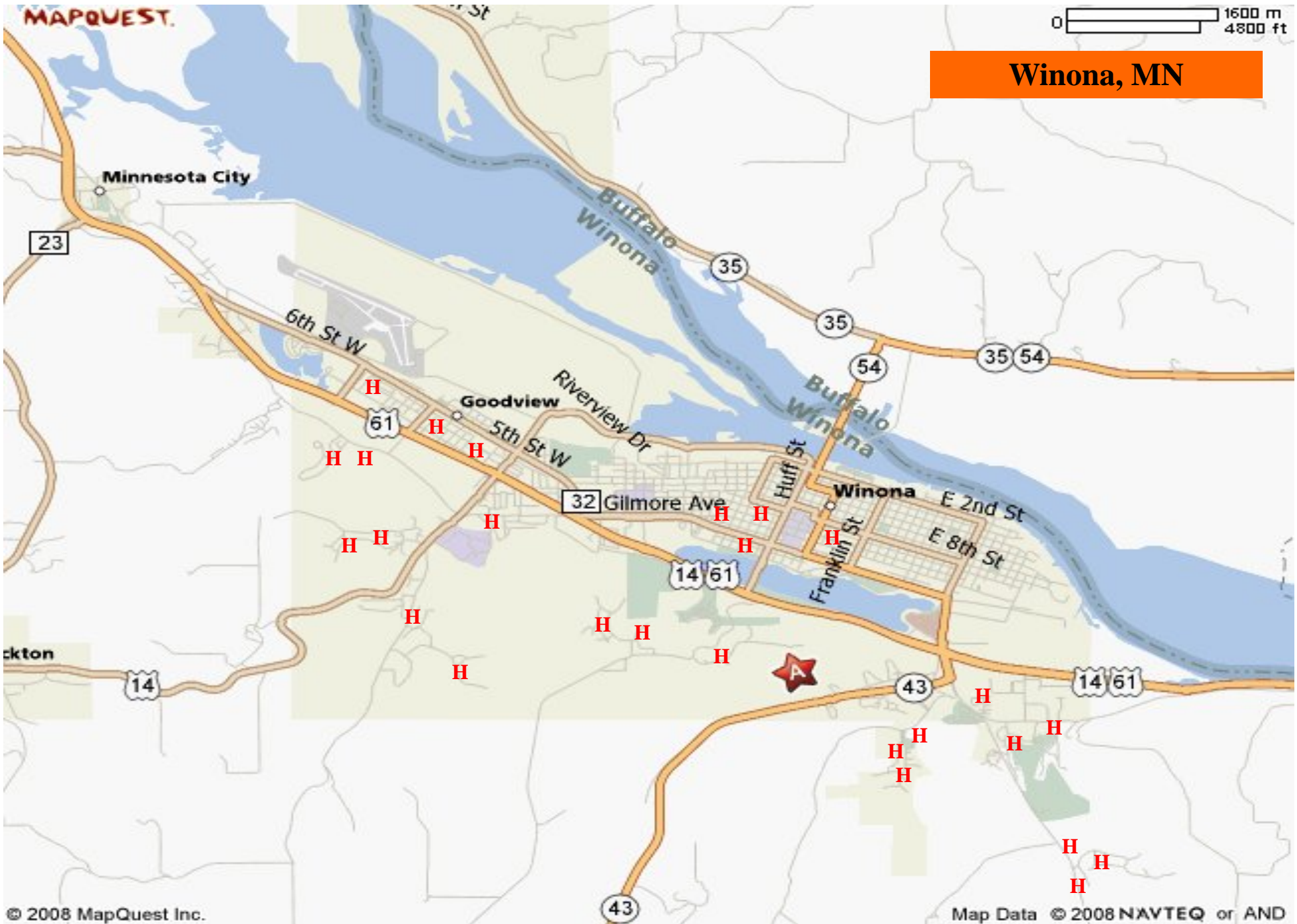
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