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The report is well structured and features many different kinds of landscape.

However, Colaton Raleigh Parish Council is concerned that the report does not address the importance of preventing soil loss and preserving soil fertility for these landscapes.

Landscape management that fails to address the prevention of soil erosion can lead to a reduction in vegetation as well as more soil deposits in rivers and water courses. Fertile soil needs to be protected both with farming techniques and with attention to new building. This is especially important now as climate change accelerates soil erosion and it is paramount to preserve soil fertility.

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