

## DIVISION 4. - A EXCLUSIVE AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT

### Sec. 30-114. - Purpose.

This district is intended to preserve productive agricultural land for food and fiber production, preserve productive farms by preventing land use conflicts between incompatible uses and controlling public service costs, maintain a viable agricultural base to support agricultural processing and service industries, prevent conflicts between incompatible uses, reduce costs of providing services to scattered nonfarm uses, space and shape urban growth, implement the provisions of the county agricultural plan when adopted and periodically revised, to permit eligible landowners to receive tax credits under Wis. Stats. § 71.09(11).

(Land Use Pamphlet, § 3.3(5))

### Sec. 30-115. - Lands included within this district.

This district is generally intended to apply to lands which are limited to exclusive agricultural use including: lands historically exhibiting good crop yields, land capable of such yields, lands which have been demonstrated to be productive for dairying, livestock raising and grazing, other lands which are integral parts of such farm operations, land used for the production of specialty crops such as cranberries, ginseng, mint, sod, fruits and vegetables, and lands which are capable of productive use through economically feasible improvements such as irrigation or drainage.

(Land Use Pamphlet, § 3.3(5))

### Sec. 30-116. - Permitted uses.

The following are the permitted uses in the A Exclusive Agricultural District:

- (1) One single-family dwelling.
- (2) Manufactured homes:
  - a. One manufactured home used for habitation that is not the primary place of residence shall be permitted as an accessory building on an operating farm, providing:
    1. A determination is made in writing by the land use and information committee, that one or more of the occupants of the manufactured home derives a substantial portion of their livelihood from the farm operation and/or substantially participates in the operations of the farm, and provided with proper skirting or a foundation.
    2. More than one manufactured home on the property may be permitted if needed for help in conjunction with the farm operation upon county board approval and a conditional permit from the land use and information committee.
  - b. The temporary use of a manufactured home, not to exceed one year unless an extension is authorized in writing by the county board shall be permitted while a permanent dwelling is under construction, providing the mobile home and the permanent dwelling are located on the same lot or parcel of land and providing a county sanitary permit has been obtained for the permanent dwelling and that an approved private sewage system is utilized by the temporary mobile home.
- (3) Pole buildings, garages, and any other buildings necessary to the farm operation or permitted residential uses.
- (4) General farming, including dairying, livestock and poultry raising, nurseries, greenhouses, beekeeping, vegetable warehouses, seasonal sale of seed and fertilizer and other similar

enterprises or uses, except fur farms and farms operated for the disposal or reduction of garbage, sewage, rubbish or offal; provided that no greenhouse or building for the housing of livestock or poultry shall be located within 100 feet of any boundary of a residential lot other than that of the owner or lessee of such greenhouse or building containing such livestock or poultry. Buildings housing animals, barnyards, or feedlots for less than 250 animals shall be at least 100 feet from any navigable water and shall be so located that manure will not drain into any navigable water.

- (5) One roadside stand per farm, of not more than 300 square feet, used solely for the sale of products more than 50 percent of which were produced on the premises.
- (6) Forest and game management.
- (7) Hunting, fishing and trapping.
- (8) Maple syrup processing plant.
- (9) Signs. Signs not to exceed 32 square feet used exclusively to advertise sale of agricultural products produced on the premises, signs giving the name of the farm owner, and rural directory signs.
- (10) Public utility equipment such as telephone and electric power, transmission and distribution poles, towers and lines, including transformers. (See article VI of this chapter for tower communication facilities).
- (11) Farm ponds.
- (12) Logging shelters used for the purpose of temporarily storing logging equipment at the logging site or for the production of maple syrup.
- (13) For purposes of farm consolidation, farm residences or structures that existed prior to December 31, 2013 ~~the adoption of the ordinance from which this chapter is derived~~ may be separated from a larger farm parcel-.

(14) And all other uses as allowed under Chapter 91 WI Statutes section 91.01 (2) & (19)

(Land Use Pamphlet, § 3.3(5)(a))

#### Sec. 30-117. - Conditional uses.

The following are special uses permitted as defined in Chapter 91 WI Statutes section 91.01 (1) (b) & (d) when the location of the use has been approved and a conditional permit has been granted by the land use and information committee after a public hearing. Such approval shall be consistent with the general purposes and intent of this chapter and shall be based upon such evidence as may be presented at such public hearing. The land use and information committee, in passing upon applications for these conditional use permits, shall consider the following factors:

- (1) The statement of purposes of this chapter and the A district.
- (2) The need of the proposed use for a location in an agricultural area.
- (3) The availability of alternative locations.
- (4) Compatibility with existing or permitted uses on adjacent lands.
- (5) The productivity of the lands involved.
- (6) The location of the proposed use so as to reduce to a minimum the amount of productive agricultural land converted.
- (7) The need for public services created by the proposed use.
- (8) The availability of adequate public services and the ability of affected local units of government to provide them without an unreasonable burden.

- (9) The effect of the proposed use on water or air pollution, soil erosion and rare or irreplaceable natural resources.

(Land Use Pamphlet, § 3.3(5)(b))

Sec. 30-118. - Conditional permits.

The following are the uses authorized by conditional permit in the A agricultural district:

- (1) Single-family dwellings, in addition to permitted residences in section 30-116(1), providing one or more of the occupants is a parent or child of the operator of the farm, or when the dwelling is to be the retirement home of the present farm operator. [Or as allowed under Chapter 91 WI Statutes section 91.46 \(2\)](#)
- (2) Canneries.
- (3) Cheese factories.
- (4) Governmental concrete or blacktop batching plant (temporary only). [As per Chapter 91 WI Statutes section 91.46 \(5\)](#)
- (5) Condenseries.
- (6) Commercial feedlots and buildings housing 250 or more animals.
- (7) Creameries.
- (8) Facilities used for the centralized bulk collection, storage and distribution of agricultural products to wholesale and retail markets.
- (9) Facilities used to provide veterinarian services for livestock.
- (10) Facilities used in processing of agricultural products.
- (11) Fish hatchery, commercial. [As defined in Chapter 91 WI Statutes section 91.01 \(1\)](#)
- (12) Fur farms when located not less than 1,000 feet from any residential building other than that of the owner of the premises, his agent or employee.
- (13) Public utility substations, power plants, relay stations and microwave receivers and transmitters, semi-public and private utility towers, receivers, transmitters and other similar necessary appurtenant facilities. (See article VI of this chapter for tower communication facilities). [As per Chapter 91 WI Statutes section 91.46 \(5\)](#)
- (14) Airstrips when they are agriculture-related or governmental. [As per Chapter 91 WI Statutes section 91.46 \(5\)](#)
- (15) Sawmills, when located 500 feet minimum distance from any residence other than that of the owner.
- (16) Mineral extraction for governmental and agricultural use only with an approved reclamation plan. [As Per Chapter 91 WI Statutes section 91.46 \(6\)](#)
- (17) Home occupations. When established in the agricultural zone district, the home occupation office shall be incidental to the primary use as an agricultural or residential use. No more than 25 percent of the floor area of a dwelling unit shall be occupied by such a use. The home occupation may be in the home or an outbuilding. There shall be no outside storage of goods, nor any additions exclusively for this use. Only one lighted nameplate not exceeding two square feet in area is allowed.

(Land Use Pamphlet, § 3.3(5)(b))

Sec. 30-119. - Conditions attached to conditional permits.

- (a) Upon a consideration of information supplied at the public hearing and a review of the standards contained in section 30-117, the following conditions may be attached to the granting of a conditional use permit: increased setbacks and yards; specifications for water supply, liquid waste, and solid waste disposal facilities; landscaping and planting screen, sureties, operational controls and time of operation; air pollution controls; erosion prevention measures; location of the use; and similar requirements found necessary to fulfill the purpose and intent of this division. Violation of these conditions shall constitute a violation of this chapter as provided in section 30-659

~~(b) The department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection shall be notified of the approval of any conditional uses.~~

(Land Use Pamphlet, § 3.3(5)(c))

Sec. 30-120. - Height, yards, area and access requirements.

(a) *Lot area.*

- (1) The minimum lot size to establish a residence farm operation is 35 contiguous acres, except as provided in subsections (a)(2) and (a)(3) of this section (Wis. Stats. § 91.75 as amended).
- (2) The minimum lot size shall be one acre and the maximum shall be five acres to establish a separate parcel for an additional residence for parents or children of the farm operator, or for persons earning a substantial part of their livelihood from the farm operation.
- (3) Where an additional residence for persons specified in subsection (a)(2) of this section is located on a farm without creating a separate parcel, the residence shall be at least 100 feet from other residences.

a. For purposes of farm consolidation, farm residences or structures that existed prior to ~~December 31, 2013 the adoption of the ordinance from which this chapter is derived~~ may be separated from a larger farm parcel. Farm residences or structures with up to five acres of land which are separated from a larger farm parcel under this section are not subject to the lien under Wis. Stats. § 91.19(8)-(10), as required in Wis. Stats. § 91.77(2) or 91.79.

b. Lots of parcels having less than 35 acres but not less than one acre, that legally existed prior to ~~December 31, 2013 the county board's approval of the ordinance from which this chapter is derived~~, that are not a part of and contiguous to a larger farm unit, or which have been granted a variance pursuant to section 30-698 et seq. by the board of adjustment, may be utilized as residential sites and structures may be rebuilt in the event of damage or destruction without the need for a variance provided that a building permit is obtained, and all minimum setback requirements and the terms of the county private sewage system ordinance codified in chapter 70, article II, are met.

(b) *Front yards.* There shall be a front yard provided between each building and front property lines as required in article III, division 2 of this chapter.

(c) *Side yards.* There shall be a side yard provided each building and the property line of no less than 20 feet.

(d) *Rear yard.* The minimum depth of any rear yard shall be 50 feet, except on waterfront lots.

(e) *Floor area.* Buildings used in whole or in part for residential purposes which are hereafter erected, moved or structurally altered shall have a minimum floor area of 700 square feet provided that this regulation shall not apply to mobile homes permitted as an accessory building on an operating farm.

(f) *Access.* Access shall be provided as required in article III, division 3 of this chapter.

(Land Use Pamphlet, § 3.3(5)(d))

Sec. 30-121. - Standards for rezoning.

- (a) The state department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection shall be mailed a copy of the notice of a public hearing on a petition for a rezone and following the hearing a copy of the findings upon which the decision to deny or grant the petition was based.
- (b) Decision on petitions for rezoning areas zoned for exclusive agricultural use shall be based on findings that consider the following:
  - (1) Adequate public facilities to serve the development are present or will be provided.
  - (2) Provisions of these facilities will not be an unreasonable burden to local government.
  - (3) The land is suitable for development.
  - (4) Development will not cause unreasonable air or water pollution, soil erosion or adverse effects on rare or irreplaceable natural areas.
  - (5) The potential for conflict with remaining agricultural uses in the area.
  - (6) The need of the proposed development location in an agricultural area.
  - (7) The availability of alternative locations.
  - (8) The productivity of the agricultural lands involved.
  - (9) The location of the proposed development to minimize the amount of agricultural land converted.

(10) And all other considerations as per Chapter 91 WI Statutes section 91.48 (1)(2)(3)

(Land Use Pamphlet, § 3.3(5)(e))

Secs. 30-122—30-140. - Reserved.

## DIVISION 6. - A-3 AGRICULTURAL-RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT

### Sec. 30-170. - Purpose.

This district is intended to primarily provide for the continuation of general farming and related activities in areas currently being used for such development and to additionally provide for limited residential development.

(Land Use Pamphlet, § 3.3(7))

### Sec. 30-171. - Permitted uses.

The following are the permitted uses in the A-3 Agricultural-Residential District:

- (1) A one-family or two-family farm residence and a single additional manufactured home or dwelling but only when occupied by owners, members of their immediate families, and/or persons engaged in farming activities on the premises, as defined in Chapter 91 WI Statutes section 91.01 (19)(a)(b)
- (2) All agricultural land uses, buildings and activities, including the growing of field crops, truck crops, dairying, livestock-raising, poultry farming, hog-raising, etc., as provided in section 91.01(2)
- (3) Roadside stands for sale of agricultural products, as per Chapter 91 WI Statutes section 91.01 (1) provided sufficient off-street parking space for customers is furnished. (5) Essential services and utilities intended to serve a permitted principal use on the premises, as per Chapter 91 WI Statutes section 91.44(1)(F)
- (4) Customary accessory uses provided such uses are clearly incidental to a principal permitted use, and qualify under section 91.01(1)
- (5) Forest management programs, as provided in section 91.01(2)

(Land Use Pamphlet, § 3.3(7)(a))

### Sec. 30-172. - Conditional permit.

The following are the uses authorized by conditional permit in the A-3 Agricultural-Residential District:

- (1) Vacation farms and other farm-oriented recreational uses such as riding stables, game farms and fishing ponds intended and used for commercial use, as defined in Chapter 91 WI Statutes section 91.01 (1)
- (2) Agricultural processing industries, warehouses, slaughterhouses, rendering and fertilizer plants, as defined in Chapter 91 WI Statutes section 91.01 (3)
- (3) Public and semi-public uses including but not limited to the following: public and private schools, churches, public parks and recreation areas, hospitals, rest homes and homes for the aged, fire and police stations, historic sites, except that sewage disposal plants and garbage incinerators shall not be permitted, as per Chapter 91 WI Statutes section 91.46 (5)

- (4) Telephone and power transmission towers, poles and lines, substations, relay and repeater stations, equipment housing and other necessary appurtenant equipment and structures. (See article VI of this chapter for tower communication facilities), as per Chapter 91 WI Statutes section 91.46 (4)
- (5) Quarrying, mining, and processing of products from these activities, subject to the provisions of article V of this chapter, and the provisions of section 91.46(6)
- (6) Airports, as per Chapter 91 WI Statutes section 91.46 (4) (5) and 91.01 (1)
- (7) Home occupations or professional services provided no such use occupies more than 25% of the total floor area of the farm residence or within an accessory building as defined in Section 91.01(1), the business activity is conducted by the owner or operator of the farm, and such use will not include an operational activity that would create a nuisance or otherwise impair or limit the current or future agricultural use of the farm or other protected farmland.
- (8) Mini-storage rental buildings for storage of recreational-residential equipment, as per Chapter 91 WI Statutes section 91.01 (1)
- (9) Recreational/tourism-oriented uses such as resorts, sport shops, bait sales, gift/novelty shops, agricultural production, retail and other recreational/tourism services/activities, which in the opinion of the land use and information committee are of the same general character or clearly incidental to a permitted use, or use authorized by conditional permit, as per Chapter 91 WI Statutes section 91.01 (1)
- (10) Winery for manufacturing and warehousing of wine and spirits with associated retail and wholesale sales. Wine theme-related retail shops, restaurant, lounge, and event facilities as approved by conditional permit, as per Chapter 91 WI Statutes section 91.01 (1)
- (11) One or two family dwellings which are to be used as nonfarm residences, subject to the lot area and setback requirements of this district, and section 91.46(2).

(Land Use Pamphlet, § 3.3(7)(b))

Sec. 30-173. - Conditions attached to conditional permits.

- (a) Upon a consideration of information supplied at the public hearing and a review of the standards contained in section 30-117, the following conditions may be attached to the granting of a conditional use permit: increased setbacks and yards; specifications for water supply, liquid waste, and solid waste disposal facilities; landscaping and planting screen, sureties, operational controls and time of operation; air pollution controls; erosion prevention measures; location of the use; and similar requirements found necessary to fulfill the purpose and intent of this division. Violation of these conditions shall constitute a violation of this chapter as provided in section 30-659

(Land Use Pamphlet, § 3.3(5)(c))

Sec. 30-174. - Height, yards, area and access requirements.

(a) *Lot area.*

- (1) The minimum lot size to establish a residence farm operation is 35 contiguous acres, except as provided in subsections (a)(2) and (a)(3) of section Wis. Stats. § 91.75 as amended.
- (2) The minimum lot size shall be one acre and the maximum shall be five acres to establish a separate parcel for an additional residence for parents or children of the farm operator, or for persons earning a substantial part of their livelihood from the farm operation.

- (3) Where an additional residence for persons specified in subsection (a) (2) of this section is located on a farm without creating a separate parcel, the residence shall be at least 100 feet from other residences.
- a. For purposes of farm consolidation, farm residences or structures that existed prior to December 31, 2013 may be separated from a larger farm parcel. Farm residences or structures with up to five acres of land which are separated from a larger farm parcel under this section are not subject to the lien under Wis. Stats. § 91.19(8)-(10), as required in Wis. Stats. § 91.77(2) or 91.79.
  - b. Lots of parcels having less than 35 acres but not less than one acre, that legally existed prior to December 31, 2013, that are not a part of and contiguous to a larger farm unit, or which have been granted a variance pursuant to section 30-698 et seq. by the board of adjustment, may be utilized as residential sites and structures may be rebuilt in the event of damage or destruction without the need for a variance provided that a building permit is obtained, and all minimum setback requirements and the terms of the county private sewage system ordinance codified in chapter 70, article II, are met.
- (b) *Front yards.* There shall be a front yard provided between each building and front property lines as required in article III, division 2 of this chapter.
  - (c) *Side yards.* There shall be a side yard provided each building and the property line of no less than 20 feet.
  - (d) *Rear yard.* The minimum depth of any rear yard shall be 50 feet, except on waterfront lots.
  - (e) *Floor area.* Buildings used in whole or in part for residential purposes which are hereafter erected, moved or structurally altered shall have a minimum floor area of 700 square feet provided that this regulation shall not apply to mobile homes permitted as an accessory building on an operating farm.
  - (f) *Access.* Access shall be provided as required in article III, division 3 of this chapter.
- (Land Use Pamphlet, § 3.3(5)(d))

Sec. 30-175. - Standards for rezoning.

- (a) The state department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection shall be mailed a copy of the notice of a public hearing on a petition for a rezone and following the hearing a copy of the findings upon which the decision to deny or grant the petition was based.
- (b) Decision on petitions for rezoning areas zoned for exclusive agricultural use shall be based on findings that consider the following:
  - (1) Adequate public facilities to serve the development are present or will be provided.
  - (2) Provisions of these facilities will not be an unreasonable burden to local government.
  - (3) The land is suitable for development.
  - (4) Development will not cause unreasonable air or water pollution, soil erosion or adverse effects on rare or irreplaceable natural areas.
  - (5) The potential for conflict with remaining agricultural uses in the area.
  - (6) The need of the proposed development location in an agricultural area.
  - (7) The availability of alternative locations.
  - (8) The productivity of the agricultural lands involved.

(9) The location of the proposed development to minimize the amount of agricultural land converted.

(10) And all other considerations as per Chapter 91 WI Statutes section 91.48 (1)(2)(3)

(Land Use Pamphlet, § 3.3(5)(e))

Secs. 30-.176—30-197. - Reserved.

## DIVISION 7. - A-4 AG/FORESTRY/RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT

### Sec. 30-198. - Purpose.

The purpose of the A-4 district is to allow limited rural residential development on lands in predominantly agriculture or forestry. Residential lots are limited to minimize impacts associated with agricultural, forestry and open space development. Residents of this district may experience conditions associated with farming or forestry that are not necessarily compatible with residential use.

(Land Use Pamphlet, § 3.3(8))

### Sec. 30-199. - Permitted uses.

The following are the permitted uses in the A-4 district:

- (1) One single-family dwelling, as defined in Chapter 91 WI Statutes section 91.01 (19)
- (2) All agricultural land uses, buildings and activities, including the growing of field crops, truck crops, dairying, livestock raising, poultry farming, as defined in Chapter 91 WI Statutes section 91.01 (2)
- (3) Roadside stands for the sale of agricultural products provided sufficient off-street parking space for customers is furnished.
- (4) Cemeteries limited to family plots only.(5) Essential services and utilities intended to serve a permitted principal use on the premises.
- (6) Customary accessory uses provided such uses are clearly incidental to a principal permitted use.
- (7) Forest management programs.

(Land Use Pamphlet, § 3.3(8)(a))

### Sec. 30-200. - Conditional permit.

The following are the uses authorized by conditional permit in the A-4 district:

- (1) Vacation farms and other farm-oriented recreational uses such as riding stables, game farms and fishing ponds intended and used for commercial or private residential use, as defined in Chapter 91 WI Statutes section 91.01 (1)
- (2) Slaughterhouses, rendering and fertilizer plants.
- (3) Public and semi-public uses, as defined in Chapter 91 WI Statutes section 91.46 (5), including but not limited to the following: public and private schools, churches, public parks and recreation areas, hospitals, rest homes and homes for the aged, fire and police stations, historic sites, except that sewage disposal plants and garbage incinerators shall not be permitted, as defined in Chapter 91 WI Statutes section 91.46 (5)
- (4) Telephone and power transmission towers, poles and lines, substations, relay and repeater stations, equipment housing and other necessary appurtenant equipment and structures. (See article VI of this chapter for tower communication facilities.) as defined in Chapter 91 WI Statutes section 91.46 (4)
- (5) Quarrying, mining, and processing of products from these activities, subject to the provisions of article V of this chapter as defined in Chapter 91 WI Statutes section 91.46 (6)
- (6) Airports, as defined in Chapter 91 WI Statutes section 91.46 (4) (5) and 91.01 (1)

- (7) Home occupations or professional offices provided no such uses occupies more than 25 percent of the total floor area of the dwelling, not more than one nonresident person is employed on the premises, and such use will not include an operational activity that would create a nuisance to be otherwise incompatible with the surrounding land uses. Expanded home occupations which may be carried on other than within the confines of the home and which may involve persons other than the resident family may be authorized where such activity will not be incompatible to the surrounding land uses, as defined in Chapter 91 WI Statutes section 91.01 (b)(d)

(Land Use Pamphlet, § 3.3(8) (b))

Sec. 30-201. - Conditions attached to conditional permits.

Upon a consideration of information supplied at the public hearing and a review of the standards contained in section 30-117, the following conditions may be attached to the granting of a conditional use permit: increased setbacks and yards; specifications for water supply, liquid waste, and solid waste disposal facilities; landscaping and planting screen, sureties, operational controls and time of operation; air pollution controls; erosion prevention measures; location of the use; and similar requirements found necessary to fulfill the purpose and intent of this division. Violation of these conditions shall constitute a violation of this chapter as provided in section 30-659

(Land Use Pamphlet, § 3.3(5) (c))

Sec. 30-202. - Height, yards, area and access requirements.

(a) *Lot area.*

- (1) The minimum lot size to establish a residence farm operation is 35 contiguous acres, except as provided in subsections (a) (2) and (a) (3) of this section (Wis. Stats. § 91.75 as amended).
  - (2) The minimum lot size shall be one acre and the maximum shall be five acres to establish a separate parcel for an additional residence for parents or children of the farm operator, or for persons earning a substantial part of their livelihood from the farm operation.
  - (3) Where an additional residence for persons specified in subsection (a) (2) of this section is located on a farm without creating a separate parcel, the residence shall be at least 100 feet from other residences.
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- (b) *Front yards.* There shall be a front yard provided between each building and front property lines as required in article III, division 2 of this chapter.
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- (e) *Floor area.* Buildings used in whole or in part for residential purposes which are hereafter erected, moved or structurally altered shall have a minimum floor area of 700 square feet provided that this regulation shall not apply to mobile homes permitted as an accessory building on an operating farm.
- (f) *Access.* Access shall be provided as required in article III, division 3 of this chapter.  
(Land Use Pamphlet, § 3.3(5) (d))

Sec. 30-203. - Standards for rezoning.

- (a) The state department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection shall be mailed a copy of the notice of a public hearing on a petition for a rezone and following the hearing a copy of the findings upon which the decision to deny or grant the petition was based.
- (b) Decision on petitions for rezoning areas zoned for exclusive agricultural use shall be based on findings that consider the following:
  - (1) Adequate public facilities to serve the development are present or will be provided.
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  - (5) The potential for conflict with remaining agricultural uses in the area.
  - (6) The need of the proposed development location in an agricultural area.
  - (7) The availability of alternative locations.
  - (8) The productivity of the agricultural lands involved.
  - (9) The location of the proposed development to minimize the amount of agricultural land converted.
  - (10) And all other considerations as per Chapter 91 WI Statutes section 91.48 (1)(2)(3)(Land Use Pamphlet, § 3.3(5) (e))

Secs. 30-204—30-223. - Reserved.



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**Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection**  
Ben Brancel, Secretary

May 12, 2016

Randy Gilbertson  
Burnett County Land Conservation Department  
7410 County Road K, #109  
Siren, WI 54872

Dear Randy:

**Re: Certification of the Burnett County Farmland Preservation Plan**

Attached is a department order certifying Burnett County's Farmland Preservation Plan under s. 91.16, Wis. Stats. The plan text and maps must be adopted by the County Board before December 31, 2016. Please forward the resolution adopting the plan materials to [DATCPWorkinglands@wisconsin.gov](mailto:DATCPWorkinglands@wisconsin.gov) to complete the certification process.

We look forward to working with you in the future on farmland preservation in Burnett County. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

*Alison Volk*

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<b>BURNETT COUNTY FARMLAND PRESERVATION PLAN</b>	<b>DATCP DOCKET NO. 16-F-10-07-PCA</b> <b>DARM DOCKET NO. 013-00000-P-16 F-0416</b> <b>ORDER CERTIFYING PLAN THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2026.</b>
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**INTRODUCTION**

Burnett County has asked the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (“DATCP”) to certify a proposed comprehensively revised county farmland preservation plan pursuant to s. 91.16, Wis. Stats. DATCP has considered the request and adopts the following decision:

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

- (1) DATCP is an agency of the State of Wisconsin, and is responsible for administering Wisconsin’s farmland preservation law under ch. 91, Wis. Stats., as repealed and recreated by 2009 Wis. Act 28.
- (2) Burnett County is a county of the State of Wisconsin.
- (3) In order for a county and its residents to participate in the farmland preservation program, a county must have a state-certified farmland preservation plan. Among other things, the certified plan must clearly designate farmland preservation areas that the county plans to preserve for agricultural use.
- (4) Burnett County has a state-certified farmland preservation plan that expires on December 31, 2016.
- (5) Under s. 91.16(8), Wis. Stats., the certification of a farmland preservation plan does not cover any subsequent plan revision (adopted after July 1, 2009) unless DATCP certifies that plan revision.
- (6) On April 8, 2016, DATCP received from Burnett County a request to certify a comprehensively revised county farmland preservation plan under s. 91.16, Wis. Stats. The county submitted the application in the form required under s. 91.20, Wis. Stats. The application included the certifications required under s. 91.20(3), Wis. Stats. In subsequent communications between DATCP and Burnett County staff, it was agreed that Burnett County would be given additional time to amend its farmland preservation plan.
- (7) Under s. 91.16(3)(a), Wis. Stats., DATCP may certify a county plan based on the county’s certification under s. 91.20(3), Wis. Stats., that the plan meets applicable certification standards under s. 91.18, Wis. Stats.
- (8) DATCP may certify a farmland preservation plan if the plan meets applicable statutory standards under s. 91.18, Wis. Stats. DATCP may certify based on the representations contained in the county’s application, but may conduct its own review and verification as it deems appropriate.
- (9) Under s. 91.10(2), Wis. Stats., the farmland preservation plan must be consistent with the Burnett County Comprehensive Plan, and the County must include the farmland preservation plan in the County Comprehensive Plan.

(10) Under s. 91.16(2)(a), Wis. Stats., DATCP may certify a county farmland preservation plan for a specified period of up to 10 years. Under s. 91.16(6), Wis. Stats., DATCP may make its certification contingent upon the county adoption of the certified plan text and maps, in the form certified.

(11) Under s. 91.16(9), Wis. Stats., DATCP may withdraw its certification at any time if DATCP finds that the certified plan materially fails to meet applicable certification standards under s. 91.18, Wis. Stats.

### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

(1) Based on Burnett County's certification that the attached county farmland preservation plan meets applicable certification requirements under s. 91.18, Wis. Stats., DATCP may certify that plan for up to 10 years.

(2) DATCP may make its certification contingent upon the county adoption of the certified plan text and maps, in the form certified, and contingent upon its adoption as part of the County comprehensive plan.

(3) Certification does not apply to plan amendments made after the certification date, unless DATCP certifies those amendments.

(4) DATCP may withdraw its certification at any time if DATCP finds that the certified plan text and maps materially fail to meet applicable certification standards under s. 91.18, Wis. Stats.

### ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) The attached Burnett County Farmland Preservation Plan text consisting of the Burnett County Farmland Preservation Plan Update (March 30, 2016) and Burnett County Comprehensive Plan Volumes 1 and 2 (Adopted March 2010) and maps (February 2016) are hereby certified under s. 91.16, Wis. Stats., contingent upon county adoption of the plan, included as part of the County comprehensive plan, in the form submitted, before December 31, 2016.

(2) The certified farmland preservation plan area for Burnett County is titled "Farmland Preservation Plan."

(3) This order takes effect on the date on which the county adoption of the plan text and maps, in the form submitted, takes effect.

(4) This certification expires at the end of the day on December 31, 2026.

Dated this 2nd day of May, 2016.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,  
TRADE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

By Ben Brancel  
Ben Brancel, Secretary

Parties for Purposes of Review Under s. 227.53, Wis. Stats.:

Randy Gilbertson  
Burnett County Land Conservation Department  
7410 County Road K, #109  
Siren, WI 54872



**PART B: CERTIFICATION**

The county corporation counsel and the county planning director (or chief elected official) hereby certify that the farmland preservation plan (or plan amendment) attached to this application complies with s. 91.18, Wis. Stats., including the following applicable requirements:<sup>1</sup>

	<u>Page Reference<sup>2</sup></u>
1. The plan states the county's policy <i>and goals</i> related to farmland preservation and agricultural development, including the development of enterprises related to agriculture.	<u>5.4 Vol 2</u>
2. The plan identifies, describes and documents other development trends, plans, or needs that may affect farmland preservation and agricultural development in the county, including:	
▪ Population	<u>2.1 Vol 2</u>
▪ Municipal expansion	<u>8.5 Vol 1</u>
▪ Economic growth	<u>6.1 Vol 2</u>
▪ Business development	<u>6.1 Vol 2</u>
▪ Housing	<u>2.1 Vol 2</u>
▪ Utilities	<u>4.7-4.10 Vol 1</u>
▪ Transportation	<u>3.9 Vol 1</u>
▪ Communications	<u>4.8 Vol 2</u>
▪ Community facilities and services	<u>4.7-4.10 Vol 1</u>
▪ Energy	<u>4.8 Vol 1</u>
▪ Waste management	<u>4.7 Vol 1</u>
▪ Environmental preservation (may include a map of natural resource areas and environmental corridors).	<u>5.1-5.21 Vol 2</u>

<sup>1</sup> For a complete farmland preservation plan, the county corporation counsel and county planning director or chief elected official certify that the plan complies with *all of the listed requirements*. For plan *amendment*, they certify that the amendment complies with all of the listed requirements that are *relevant to that amendment*, and that the amendment *does not cause the amended plan to violate any of the listed requirements* (see s. 91.18(2), Wis. Stats.). The farmland preservation plan may comply with listed requirements by incorporating, by reference, required information from other parts of the county's comprehensive plan.

<sup>2</sup> Cite the page number(s) in the county farmland preservation plan where the requirement is met. If the citation refers to the county comprehensive plan, cite the page reference followed by "CP."

3. The plan identifies, describes and documents all of the following:
- Agricultural uses of land in the county at the time that the farmland preservation plan is adopted, including key agricultural specialties, if any (include maps where appropriate). 5.3 Vol 1
  - Key agricultural resources, including available land, soil, and water resources. 5.2 Vol 1
  - Key infrastructure for agriculture, including key processing, storage, transportation and supply facilities. 5.1.1 Vol 2
  - Significant trends in the county related to agricultural land use, agricultural production, enterprises related to agriculture, and the conversion of agricultural lands to other uses. 5.3 Vol 1
  - Anticipated changes in the nature, scope, location, and focus of agricultural production, processing, supply and distribution. 5.2.1 Vol 1
  - Actions that the county will take to preserve farmland and promote agricultural development. 5.3 Vol 2
  - Key land use issues related to preserving farmland and promoting agricultural development, and plans for addressing those issues. 5.20 Vol 1
  - Policies, goals, strategies and proposed actions to increase housing density in areas other than farmland preservation areas. 5.4 Vol 2
4. The plan meets the following requirements for the designation of farmland preservation areas:
- Clearly identifies *farmland preservation areas* that the county plans to preserve for agricultural use and agriculture-related uses. (These may include undeveloped natural resource and open space areas but may not include any area that is planned for nonagricultural development within 15 years after the date on which the plan is adopted). 5.2 Vol 2
  - Describes the rationale used to identify the farmland preservation areas and explains how the rationale was used to map plan areas. (The rationale may include criteria such as soil type; topography; agricultural productivity; current agricultural use; agricultural related infrastructure; and proximity to incorporated areas, major arterials, and rural subdivisions). 5.4 Vol 2
  - Includes maps that clearly delineate the farmland preservation areas, so that a reader can easily determine whether a parcel is within an identified area (see "MAP AND SPATIAL LOCATION DATA GUIDELINES"). Attached
  - Clearly correlates the maps with plan text to describe the type of land uses planned for each farmland preservation area on a map. There are no material inconsistencies within the plan, such as inconsistencies within the plan text, between the plan text and maps, or between maps. 5.4 Vol 2
  - Identifies programs and other actions that the county and local governments within the county may use to preserve the farmland preservation areas. 5.3 Vol 2

**PART C: CONSISTENCY BETWEEN THE FARMLAND PLAN AND THE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

If the County has a Comprehensive Plan, the County must include the Farmland Preservation Plan in its Comprehensive Plan under s. 91.10(2), Wis. Stats. The County should treat the Farmland Preservation Plan and the Comprehensive Plan as the same document rather than two separate plans. Because the Farmland Preservation Plan is part of the Comprehensive Plan, the entire document must be internally consistent.

If there are inconsistencies, the County may clarify that the Farmland Preservation Plan supersedes the Comprehensive Plan and any and all inconsistencies between the two shall be resolved in favor of the Farmland Preservation Plan. The County must include a statement in both the Comprehensive Plan and the Farmland Preservation Plan declaring that the Farmland Preservation Plan supersedes the Comprehensive Plan so that a person referring to either plan will be aware of each plan's relationship to the other. If inconsistencies appear in the maps, then the legends in both maps should include a note explaining that the Farmland Preservation Plan supersedes any inconsistencies with the Comprehensive Plan. If inconsistencies appear in the text, then the appropriate language should be added to the text where the inconsistencies are present.

To complete certification of the Farmland Preservation Plan, the County board must officially adopt the language in both the Farmland Preservation Plan and the existing Comprehensive Plan stating that, in the event of any specific inconsistency between them, the Farmland Preservation Plan takes precedence. The County should ensure that this clarifying language appears in the Farmland Preservation Plan that is submitted to the department. In addition, the County should submit the proposed amended pages from the Comprehensive Plan with the appropriate clarifying language.

Once the department approves the Farmland Preservation Plan for certification, the County board must adopt both the Farmland Preservation Plan in the form certified as well as the proposed language in the Comprehensive Plan clarifying the resolution of inconsistencies. Following adoption, the County must send documentation to the department that the Farmland Preservation Plan was adopted in the form certified and that the County also adopted the clarifying language in the Comprehensive Plan.

If the County does not take this step to clarify and resolve inconsistencies, the department will compare the Farmland Preservation Plan with the County Comprehensive Plan for consistency. In the event inconsistencies are found, the County will need to reconcile these inconsistencies either by changing the Farmland Preservation Plan or the Comprehensive Plan.

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**Signatures:** I have reviewed the attached county farmland preservation plan (or plan amendment), and certify that it meets the applicable requirements for certification as listed above:

Signed and certified this 5 day of April, 2016

By:   
\_\_\_\_\_  
County Corporation Counsel

Signed and certified this 5<sup>th</sup> day of APRIL, 2016

By:   
\_\_\_\_\_  
County Planning Director or County Chief Elected Official (circle one)

## **BURNETT COUNTY FARMLAND PRESERVATION PLAN UPDATE**

March 30, 2016

### **INTRODUCTION**

#### **5.2.1 Farmland Preservation Plan**

##### **Volume 2, Burnett County Comprehensive Plan**

Over the past three decades Burnett County has experienced changes in agriculture and rural development. These changes are a result of rural development that is being experienced throughout the region and from growth pressures from the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area. Both patterns have changed who lives in the County, where they work, and the loss of farmland. In some instances this growth has caused an increase in traffic and an increased strain on public facilities. While there has been some minor loss of agricultural land caused by new residential, commercial, and industrial development, growth has been only one factor in the transformation of the types of agriculture in Burnett County.

Different parts of Burnett County have experienced a relatively insignificant reduction in the amount of agricultural land, but in most of the county agriculture is still a substantial part of the local economy. The county is still predominately rural, and agriculture will continue to be a significant part of the economy and society. Despite the loss of some farmland in the county, the total number of farms and acreage in agricultural use has not changed significantly. What has changed is the type of agriculture being practiced in the county. Over the past three decades Burnett County has been part of a nationwide trend of larger farms and smaller-sized value added farms. There has been a significant decrease in the number of dairy farms and an increase in the acres of corn and soybeans. There has also been a decrease in the amount of hay being harvested and an increase in direct marketing and Organic production.

Based on review of Agricultural Statistics, interviews with local experts such as UW Extension Agents, and document reviews from County Zoning officials, little has changed since development of the Burnett County Comprehensive plan in 2010. Most of the evidence suggests that if anything, land use change has slowed over the past five years perhaps due to economic considerations.

Most of the key infrastructure in the county is concentrated on some of the larger farms. A number of these farms have on-farm storage and drying facilities. The number of farms installing drying and storage facilities is increasing and that trend will likely continue. The primary Agricultural facility in the County is the Burnett Dairy Coop in Alpha, which has expanded substantially over the past 5 years, and may continue to expand in the future. Burnett Dairy Coop continues to seek more milk and has been acquiring other small co-ops with retail outlets. Burnett Dairy Coop has also constructed a large retail outlet in Alpha capitalizing on the large amount of tourist traffic through the area. Most other Agricultural support businesses are located outside of Burnett County in larger communities such as Eau Claire, Chippewa Falls, and Rice Lake.

Many factors are changing the face of agriculture in Burnett County, including State and National policies, consumer purchasing habits, agricultural practices and technology, international trade, and commodity prices. Since it is likely that agriculture will continue to change and evolve in the years ahead, it is critically important to maintain a solid base of agricultural land in the county that will allow the industry to adapt.

## 5.4 Agricultural Resources, Goal ANC 1

(items 1 – 9 currently exist in the 2010 Burnett County Comprehensive Plan Volume 2)

### #10. (criteria for mapping, Farmland Preservation)

The Farmland Preservation Plan was developed by the Burnett County Land and Water Conservation Department with assistance from Burnett County Zoning, Land Use and Mapping, and the Local UW Extension Agents. Criteria for Mapping are as follows:

1. Soils suitable for Agriculture, based on the County General Soils Map, Land Capability Class, and Status of being Prime , Unique, or Locally Significant (USDA-NRCS)
2. Current land use (ie. Is the land open, capable of being farmed, or currently farmed)
3. Compatibility with the Future Land Use Map in Chapter 8 of Volume 2 of the Burnett County Comprehensive Plan.
4. Continuity, we tried to make units as large as was reasonable, and not create many small units.

### #11 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION WHEN EVALUATING SUB-DIVISION IN AGRICULTURAL AREAS.

This document will serve as an addendum to the Burnett County Farmland Preservation Plan.

When reviewing requests for re-zoning in areas of the County that are primarily agricultural, ie. Zoned A, A3 or A4, take the following considerations into account.

1. Is the land receiving Farmland Preservation Tax Credits? (Must ask landowner, information is not publicly available). If land is enrolled in FPP, restrictions may apply.
2. What is the history of agriculture on the land, cropland, pasture, hayland, or is the parcel to be separated not suitable for agriculture.
3. Land Capability Class, (information available from the LWCD). If in Capability Classes 1 to 4 land should remain in Farmland
4. Is the land Prime Farmland? (Information available from the LWCD) If land is considered Prime or Unique, land should remain in Farmland
5. Will the location, shape, or access to the proposed new parcel present obstacles to the continued agricultural use of adjacent lands? Obstacles may be physical, visual, social, etc.
6. Will the use of the proposed new parcel affect, or be affected by agricultural activities on adjacent lands? Effects may be physical, visual, social etc.

## **POPULATION, HOUSING AND MUNICIPAL GROWTH**

Refer to Burnett County 2010 Comprehensive Plan Section:

### 2.0 Population and Housing Plan

Foth Infrastructure & Environment, LLC □

2-1 Burnett County Year 2030 Comprehensive Plan April 2010 – Volume 2

## **AGRICULTURAL RESOURCES AND AGRICULTURAL LAND USES**

Refer to Burnett County 2010 Comprehensive Plan Section:

### 5.0 Agricultural, Natural, and Cultural Resources Plan

Foth Infrastructure & Environment, LLC □

5-1 Burnett County Year 2030 Comprehensive Plan  
April 2010 – Volume 2

## **ECONOMIC GROWTH AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT**

Refer to Burnett County 2010 Comprehensive Plan Section:

### 6.0 Economic Development Plan

Foth Infrastructure & Environment, LLC □

6-1 Burnett County Year 2030 Comprehensive Plan  
April 2010 – Volume 2

## **UTILITIES, INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES**

Refer to Burnett County 2010 Comprehensive Plan Section:

### 4.0 Utilities and Community Facilities Plan

Foth Infrastructure & Environment, LLC □

4.1 Burnett County Year 2030 Comprehensive Plan  
April 2010 – Volume 2

### 3.9 Transportation Trends and Outlook

Volume 1, Pages 3-1; Burnett County Comprehensive Plan

## **5.0 Agricultural Trends and Outlook**

**Volume 1, Page 5-1; Burnett County Comprehensive Plan**

## Burnett County Comprehensive Plan - Volume One

### Appendix - Agriculture, Natural, and Cultural Resources Appendix

#### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION 3/12/2014

Public participation in the update of the Farmland Preservation Plan for Burnett County has been somewhat limited due to a number of factors. The County Comprehensive Plan is very recent. It involved substantial input from the public and did specifically address the need to protect agricultural lands and the agricultural economy. Most of the Towns made substantial efforts to develop desired future land use maps utilizing the same mapping criteria as used in this plan. The number of Towns with significant agricultural activity in the county is limited; the general awareness of Farmland Preservation is quite high in those Townships.

A survey of all persons in the county who own or operate agricultural land in the county has been conducted to both educate the public, and to gain a sense of attitudes toward further agricultural land protections, such as exclusive ag zoning, and agricultural enterprise areas. This information is being used extensively in the Farmland Preservation Plan Update.

Meetings with significant stakeholders, such as Town Boards, and the Burnett County Towns Association have been conducted where significant farmland is present, to be sure that local government officials are informed, and allowed an opportunity for comment.

It is possible that if the Farmland Preservation Plan Update prompts significant changes in the County Comprehensive Plan or in zoning changes, further public meetings or hearings could be conducted.

#### RESULTS OF 2014 BURNETT COUNTY FARMLAND PRESERVATION SURVEY

(89 Responses out of 232 mailed surveys. 38% return)

##### 1. The size of my farm (farmland you own) is:

Less than 20 Acres: <b>5%</b>	20-39 Acres: <b>5%</b>	40-240 Acres: <b>60.5%</b>
241-500 Acres: <b>21%</b>	500-999 Acres: <b>6.5%</b>	1000 Acres or more: <b>2%</b>

##### 2. The amount of Farmland I lease/rent is:

Less than 20 Acres: <b>35%</b>	20-39 Acres: <b>9%</b>	40-240 Acres: <b>46.5%</b>
241-500 Acres: <b>3.5%</b>	500-999 Acres: <b>3.5%</b>	1000 Acres or more: <b>2.5%</b>

##### 3. Which of the following activities/enterprises do you have on your farm/business?

Dairy: <b>17%</b>	Beef: <b>55%</b>	Horses: <b>15%</b>	Row Crops: <b>63%</b>	Tree Farm/Nursery: <b>2%</b>
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Fruit/Vegetables: **10%**      Forestry: **22%**    Conservation: **8%**      Poultry: **17%**

Hay/Forage: **73%**      **Other: 18%**

**4. I could currently find productive farmland to rent or buy in Burnett County.**

Strongly Agree: **6%**    Agree: **28%**    Neutral: **36%**    Disagree: **25%**    Strongly Disagree: **5%**

**5. Productive Farmland will generally NOT be available in 20 years in Burnett County.**

Strongly Agree: **9%**    Agree: **35%**    Neutral: **35%**    Disagree: **20%**    Strongly Disagree: **1%**

**6. Finding suitable land on which to spread manure is difficult.**

Strongly Agree: **2%**    Agree: **21%**    Neutral: **37%**    Disagree: **35%**    Strongly Disagree: **5%**

**7. Fragmented land and smaller parcels are making farming more difficult in Burnett County.**

Strongly Agree: **13%**    Agree: **55%**    Neutral: **17%**    Disagree: **13%**    Strongly Disagree: **2%**

**8. The current road infrastructure is adequate for agricultural needs in Burnett County for the next 20 Years.**

Strongly Agree: **3%**    Agree: **47%**    Neutral: **24%**    Disagree: **17%**    Strongly Disagree: **9%**

**9. The current electrical system infrastructure is adequate for agricultural needs in Burnett County for the next 20 years.**

Strongly Agree: **5%**    Agree: **46%**    Neutral: **28%**    Disagree: **17%**    Strongly Disagree: **4%**

**10. When I retire, I plan on selling my land for non-agricultural development.**

Strongly Agree: **0%**    Agree: **3%**    Not Sure: **36%**    Disagree: **30%**    Strongly Disagree: **31%**

**11. Conflict between farm and nearby non-farm users is a major concern.**

Strongly Agree: **9%**    Agree: **36%**    Neutral: **24%**    Disagree: **29%**    Strongly Disagree: **2%**

**12. I utilize direct marketing to sell some or all of my products (farm stands, farmers markets, pick your own, etc.)**

Yes: **38%**      No: **62%**

**13. My direct marketing is \_\_\_\_\_ percent of my total farm sales.**

0 -25%: **79%**      26 – 50%: **6%**      52 -75%: **3%**      76 – 100%: **12%**

**14. We should support and promote more direct marketing opportunities in the county.**

Strongly Agree: **13%**      Agree: **55%**      Neutral: **30%**      Disagree: **2%**      Strongly Disagree: **0%**

**15. Current State farmland preservation policy allows 4 nonfarm residential splits per base farm (contiguous farmland you own in 2014). Burnett County currently uses the A-4 Zoning district that allows one split up to five acres per 40 because of its simplicity and greater equity between landowners.**

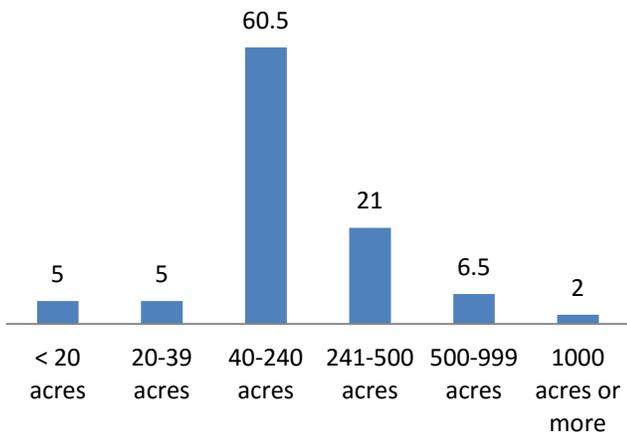
**A-4 zoning is a better approach than the “base farm” approach.**

Strongly Agree: **9%**      Agree: **38%**      Neutral: **38%**      Disagree: **8%**      Strongly Disagree: **7%**

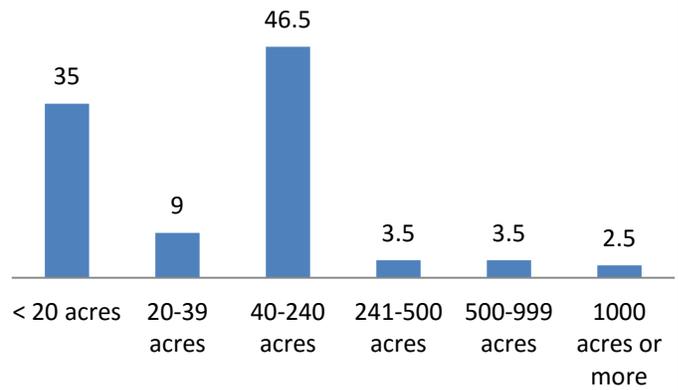
**16. Ag Enterprise Areas (AEA) provide opportunities for more state based credits. Do you support pursuing one or more AEA?**

Strongly Agree: **11%**      Agree: **37%**      Neutral: **50%**      Disagree: **1%**      Strongly Disagree: **1%**

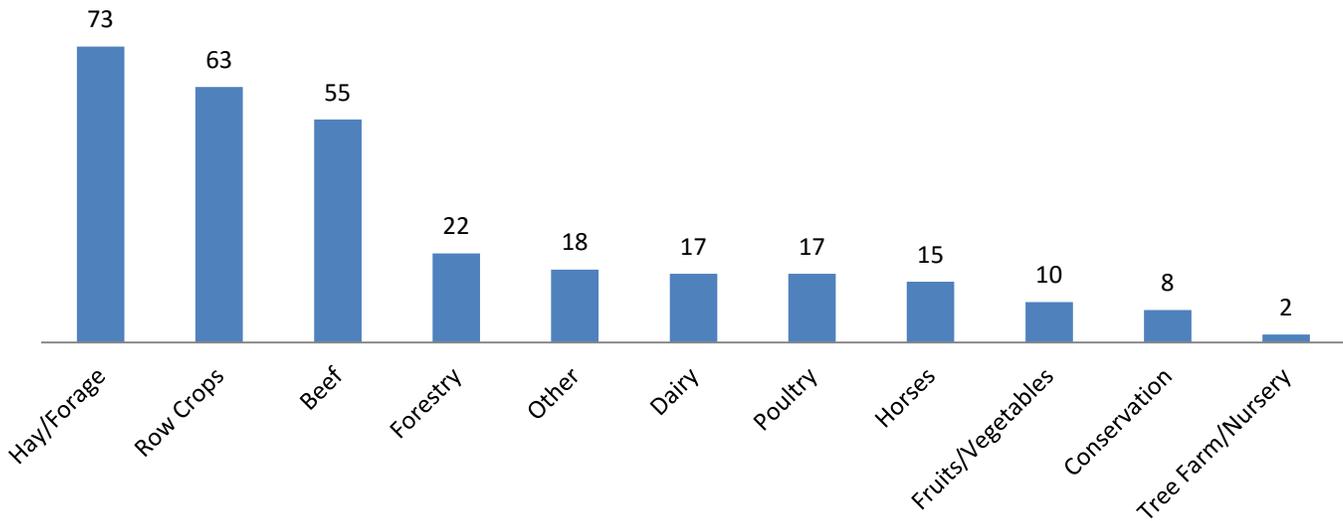
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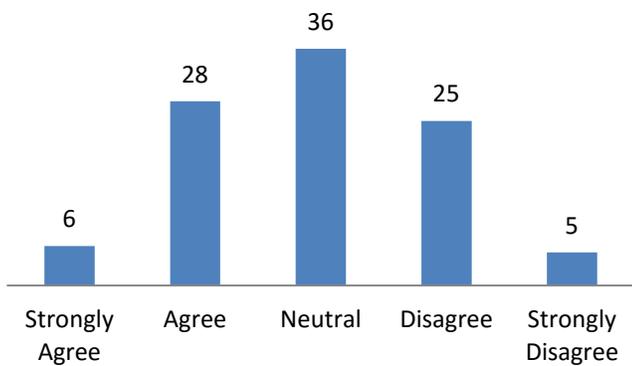
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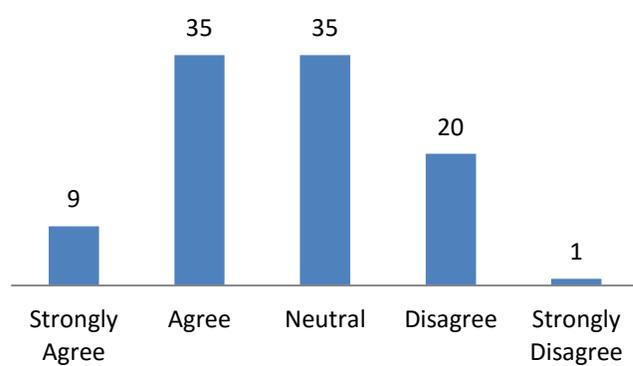
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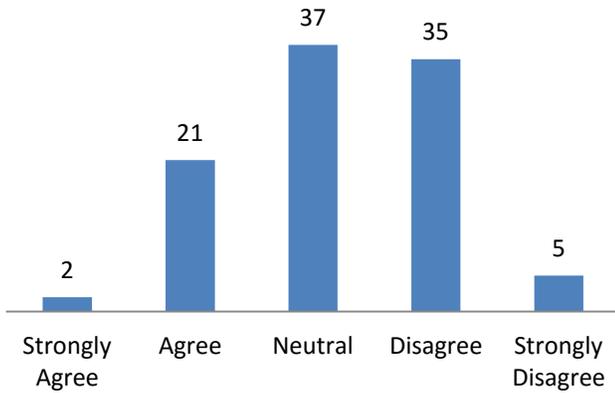
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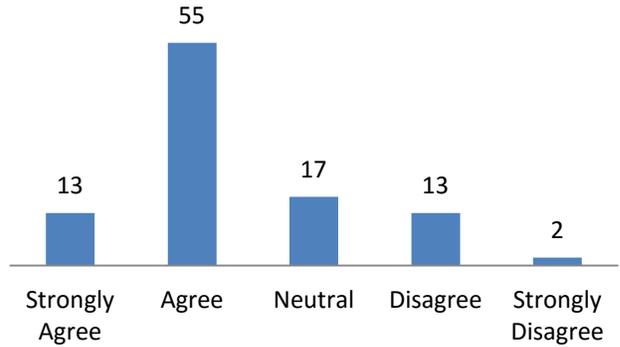
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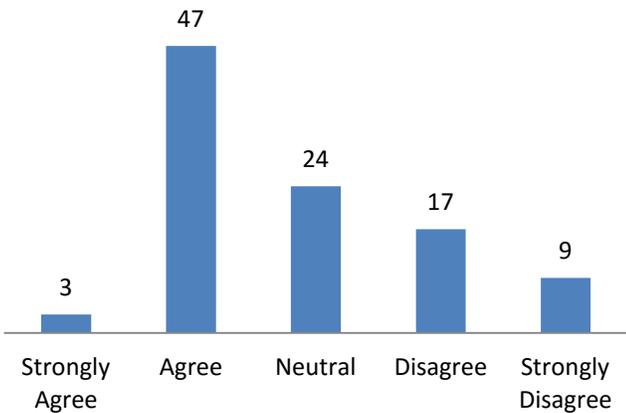
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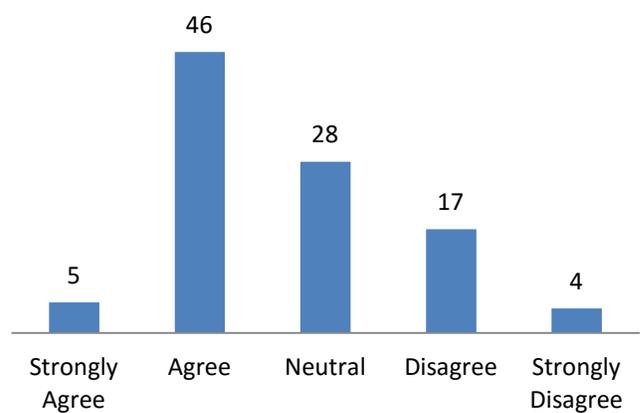
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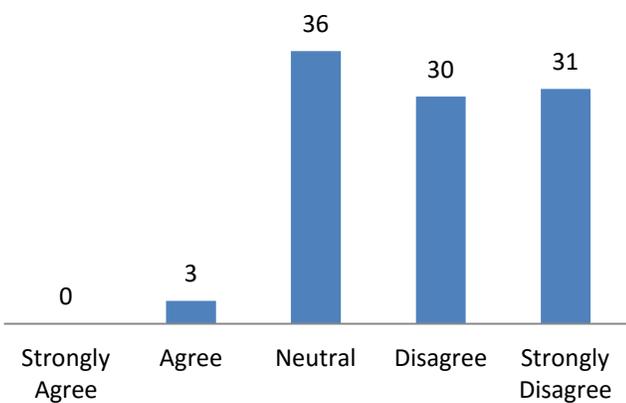
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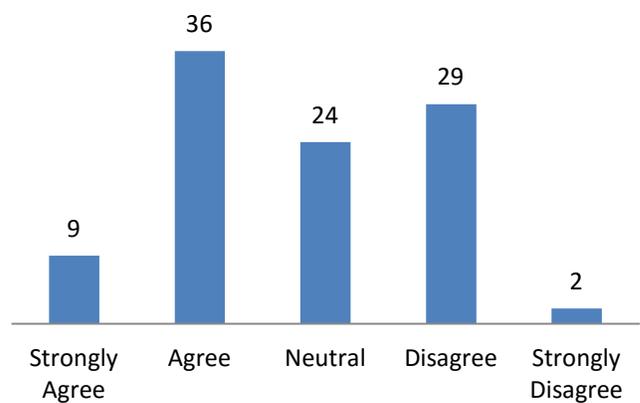
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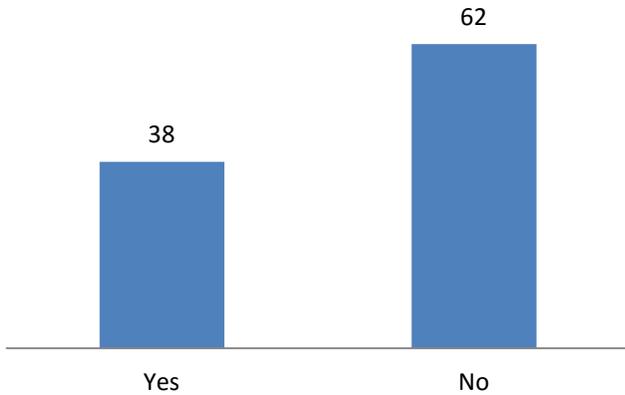
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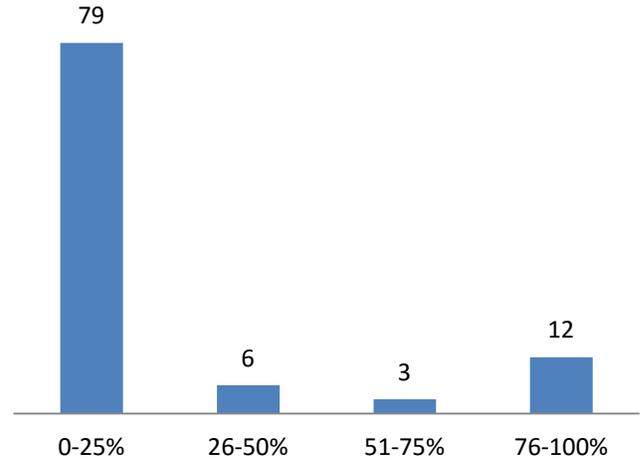
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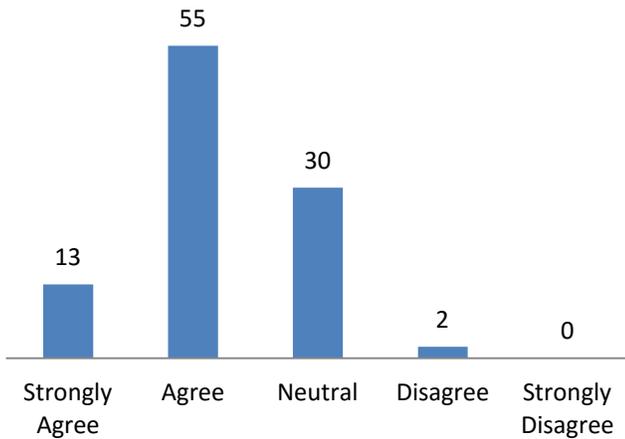
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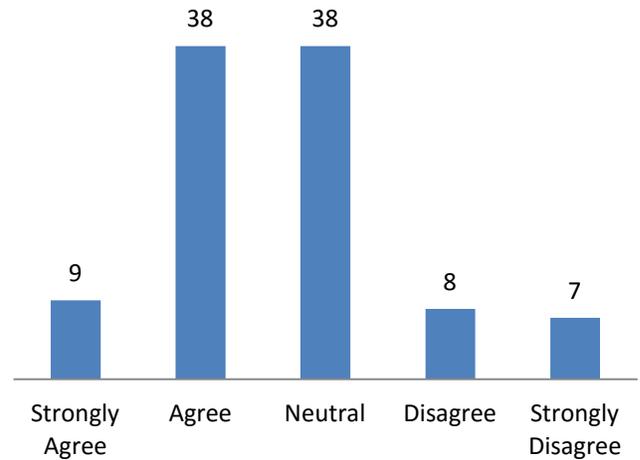
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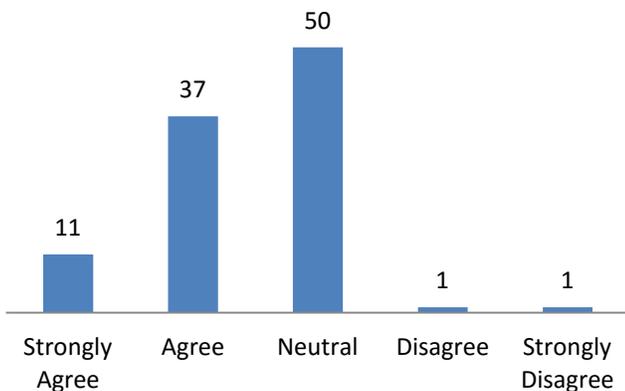
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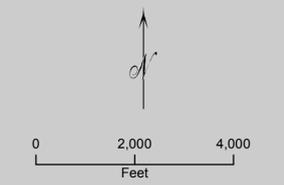
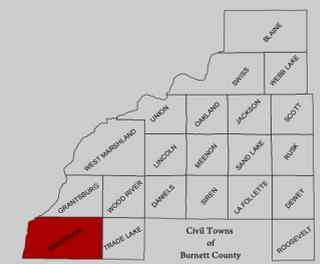
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# Farmland Preservation Plan Map for Town of Anderson

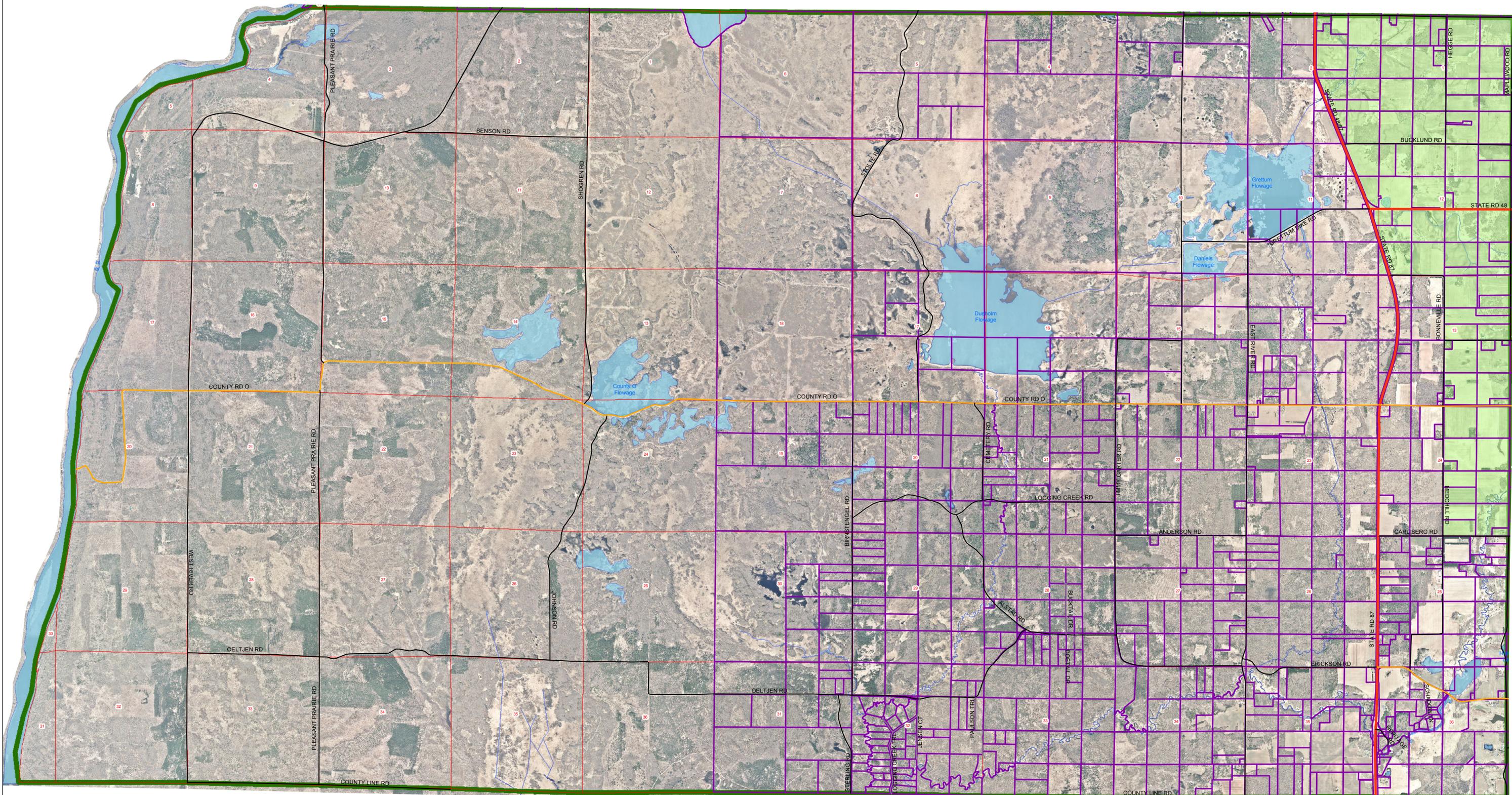
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### Legend

- Non Farmland Preservation Plan
- Farmland Preservation Plan
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- State Road
- County Road
- Town Road
- Private Road
- River/Stream
- Lake/Pond
- PLS Section Boundary
- Town Boundary



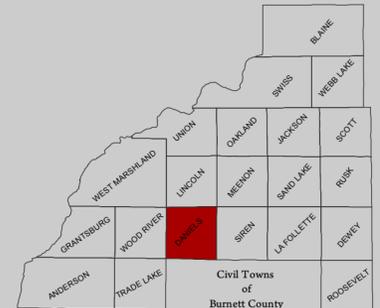
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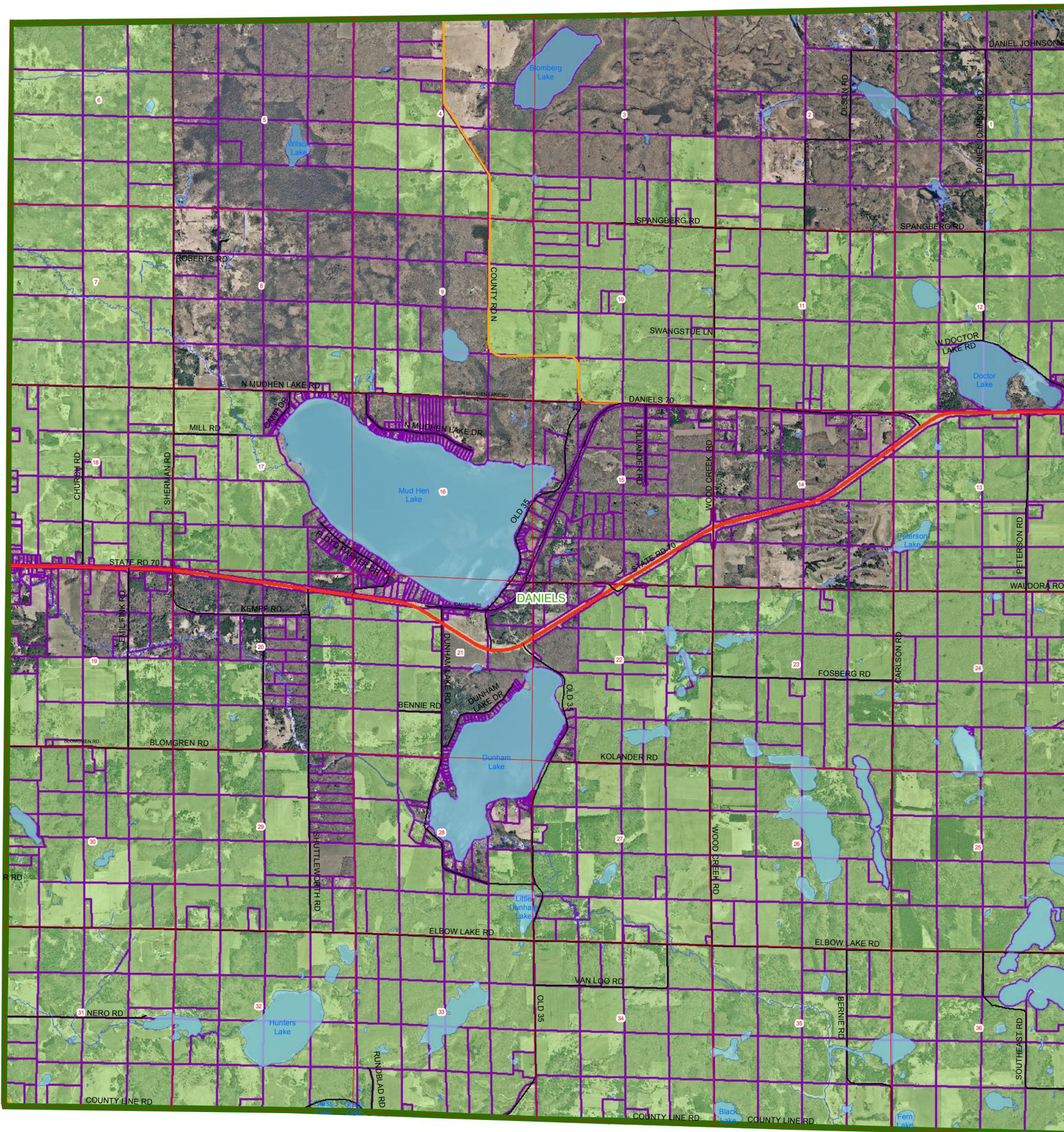
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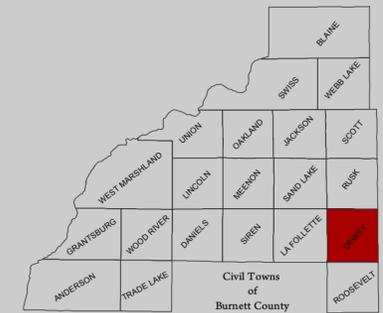
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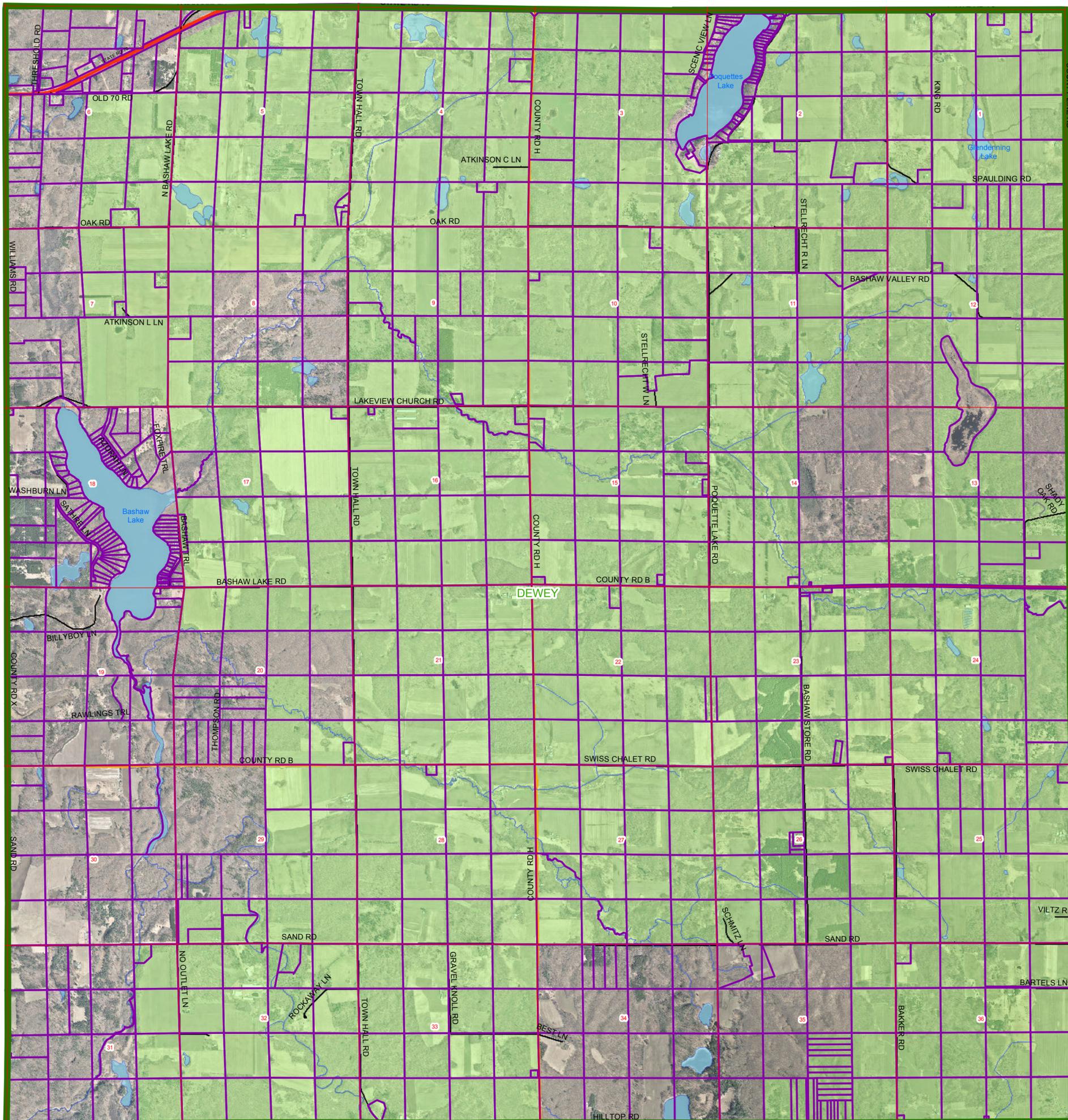
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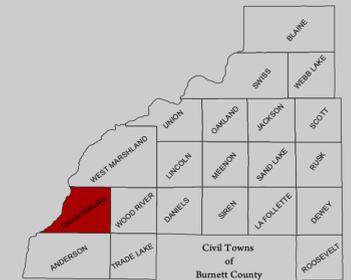
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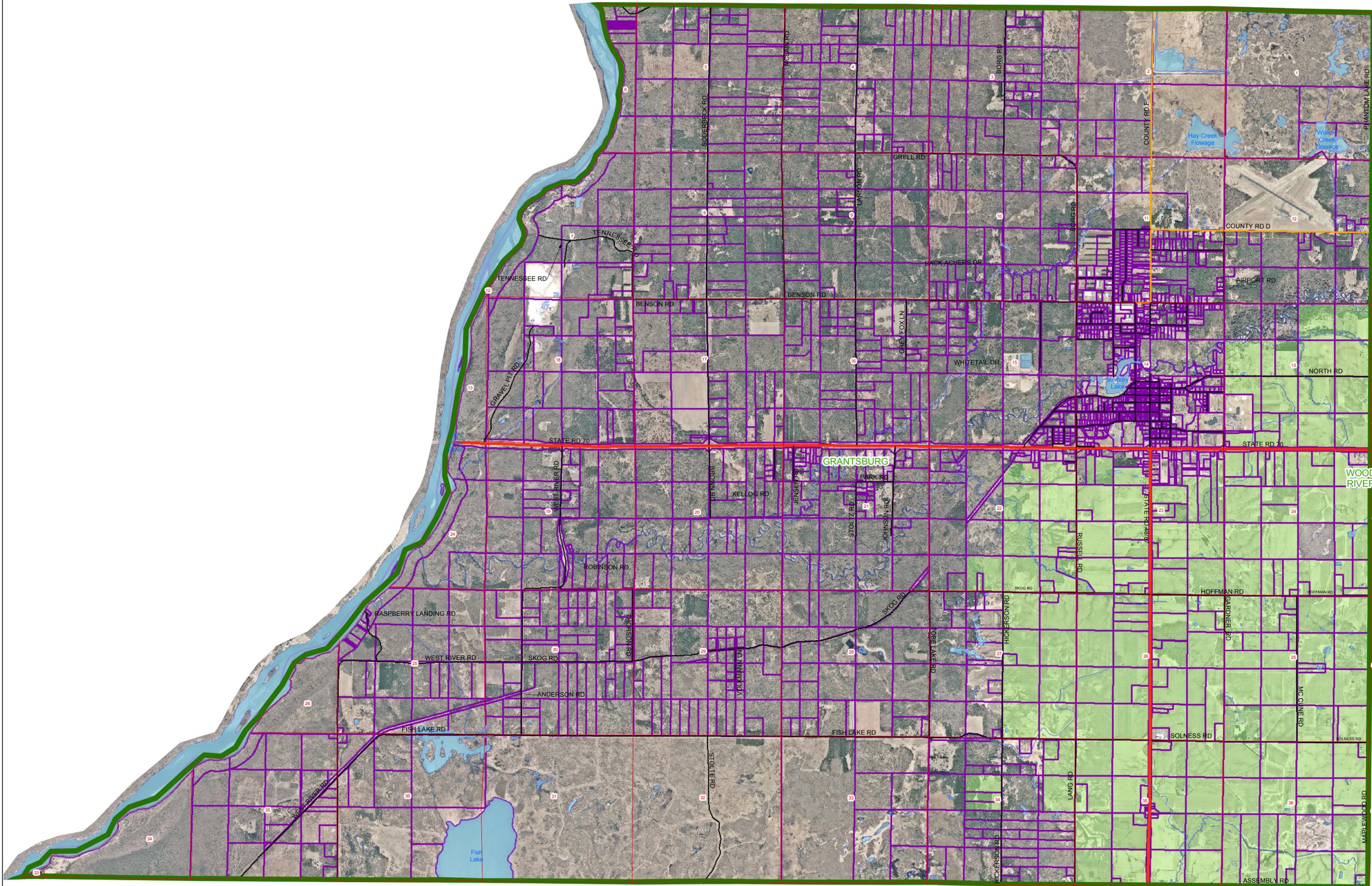
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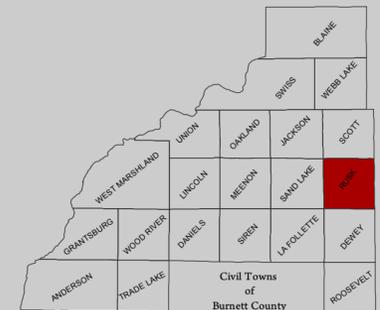
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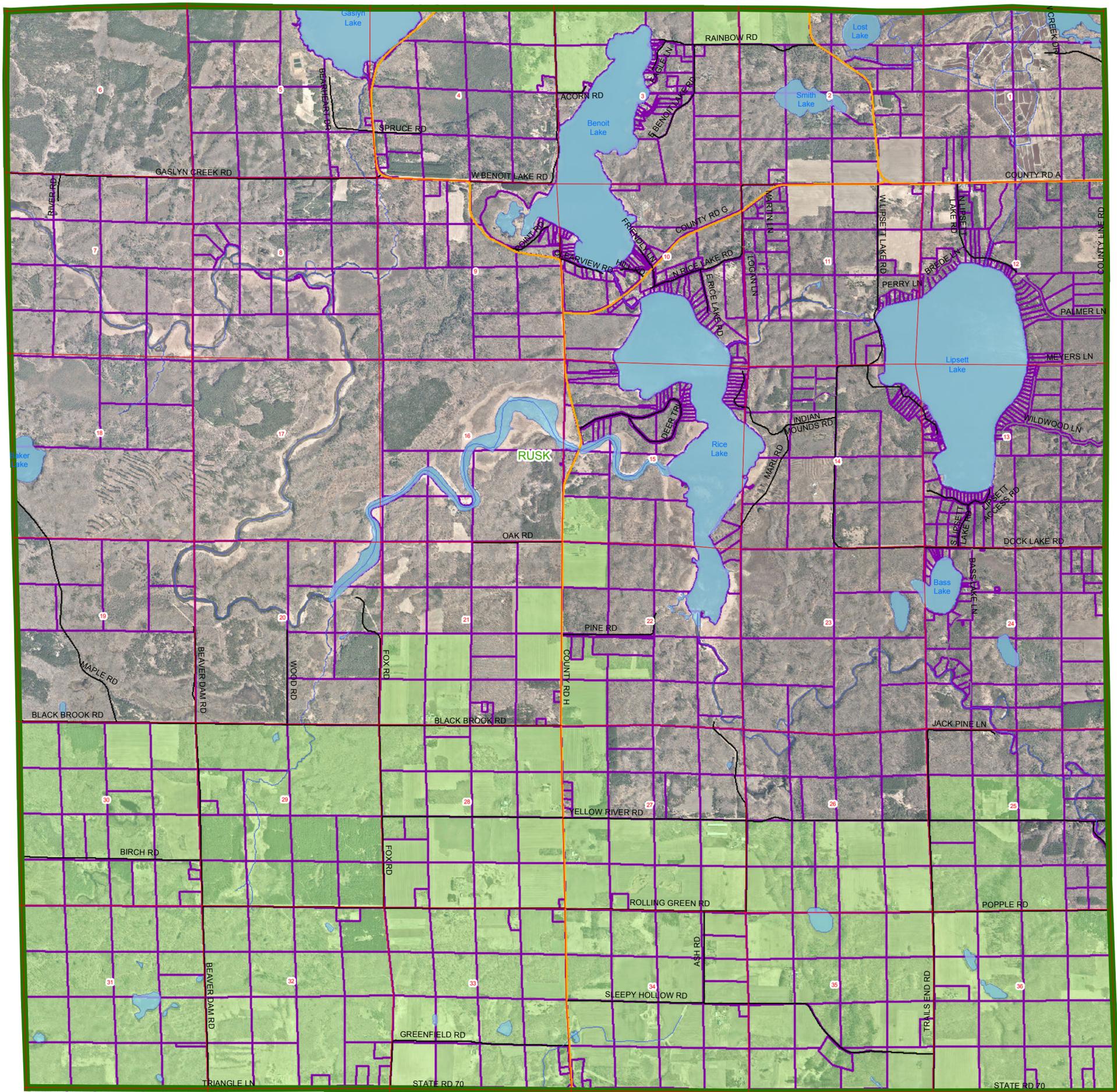
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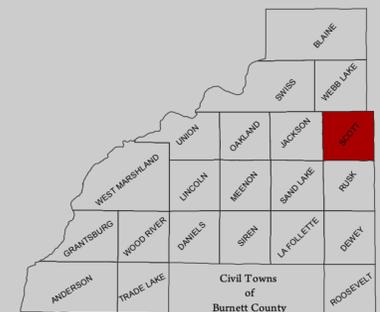
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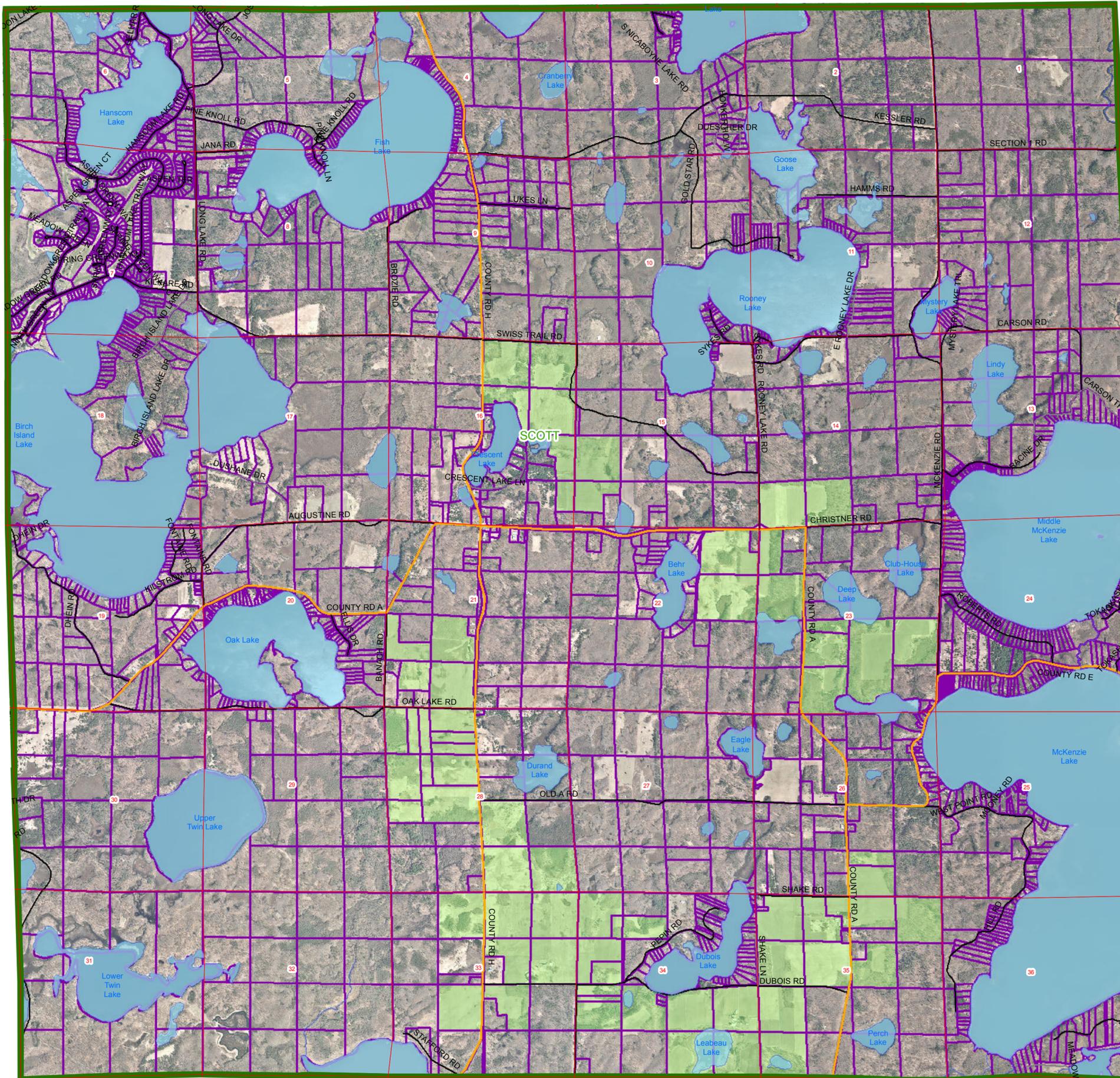
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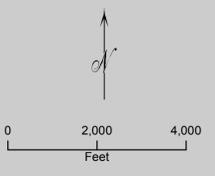
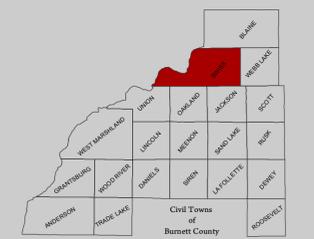
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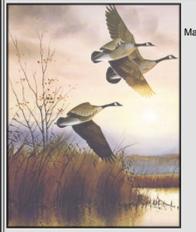
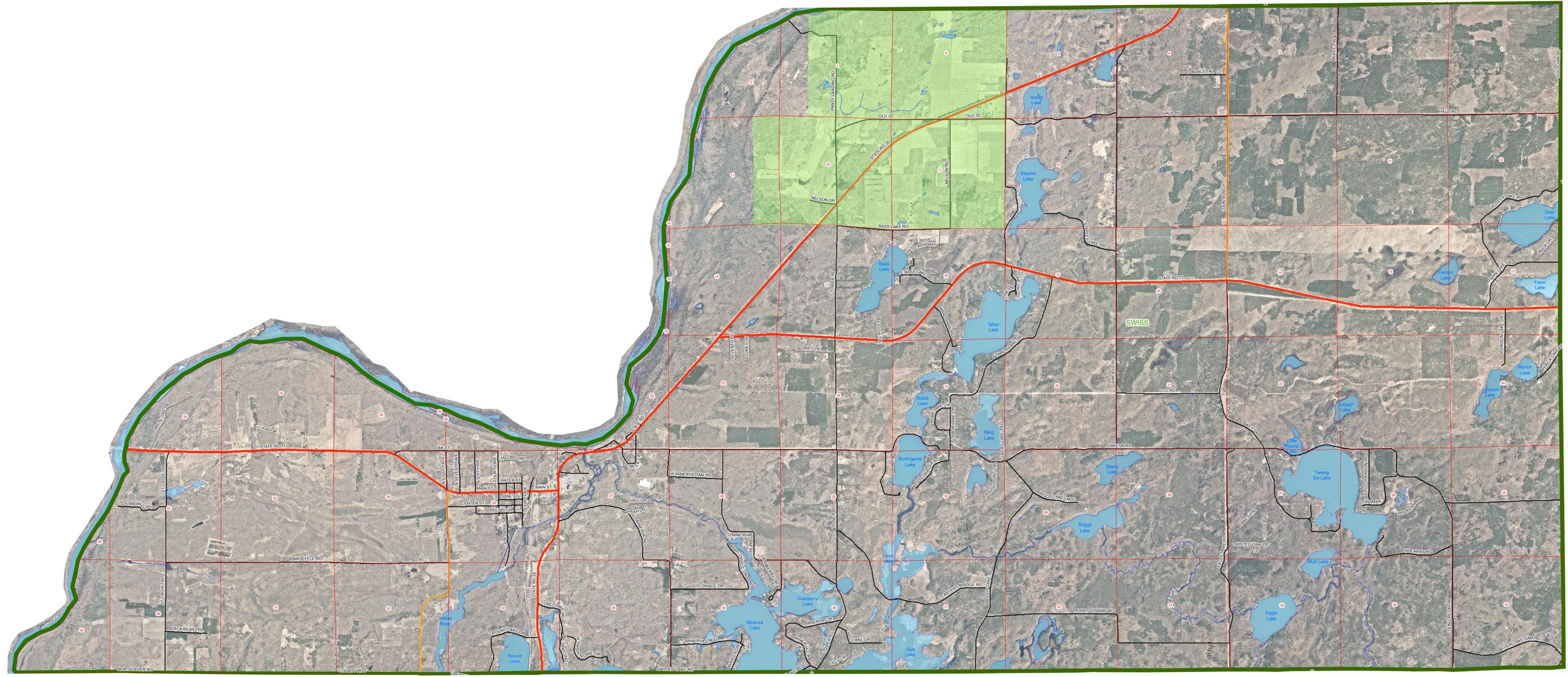
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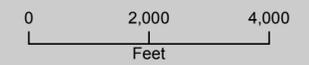
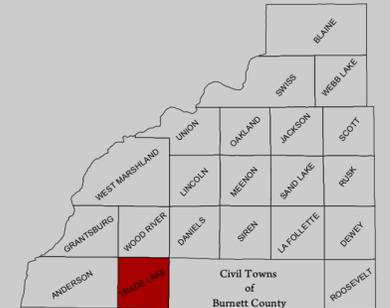
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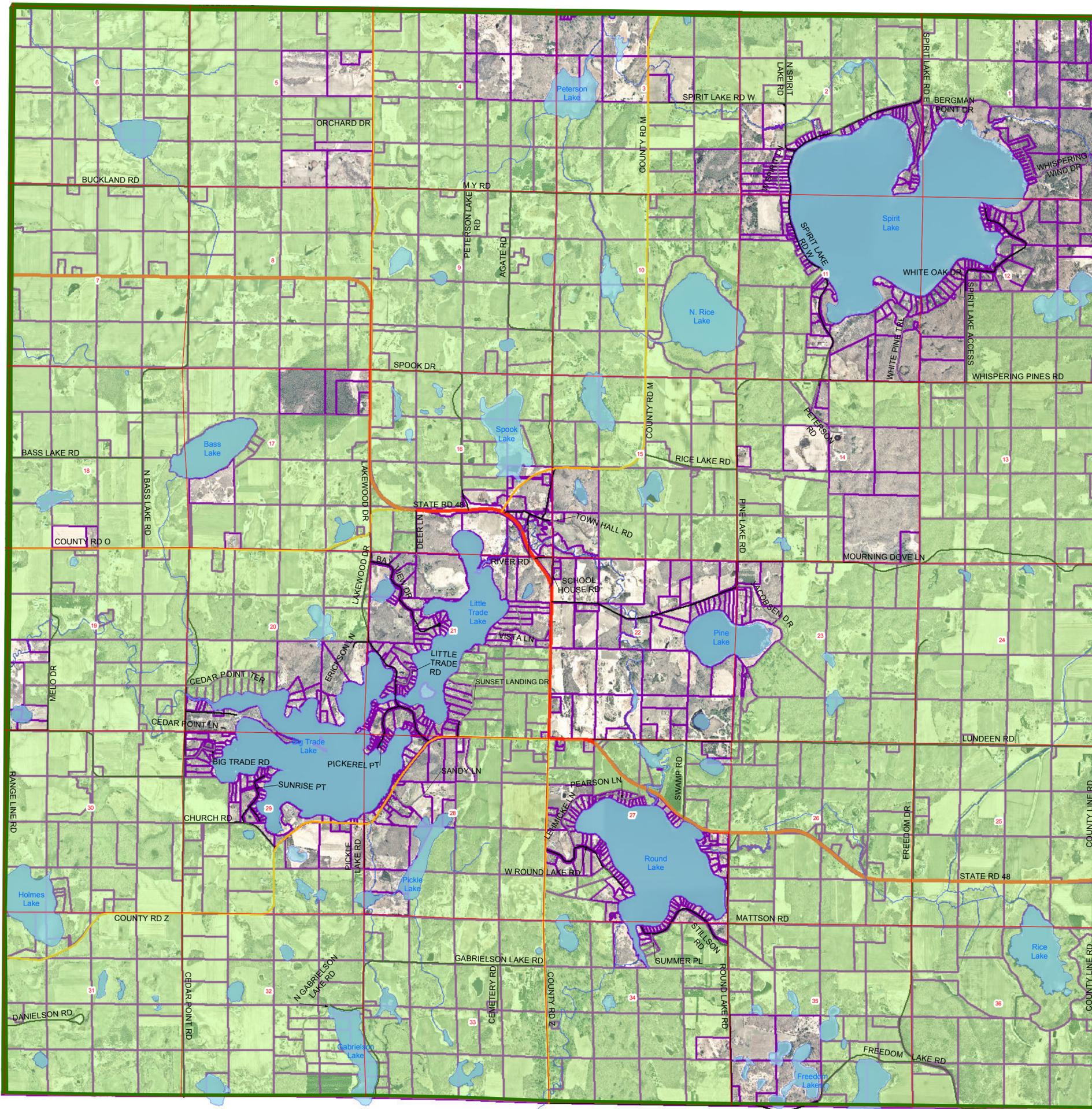
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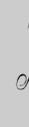
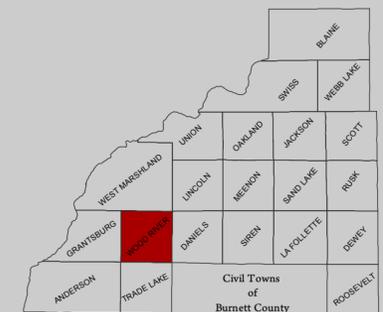
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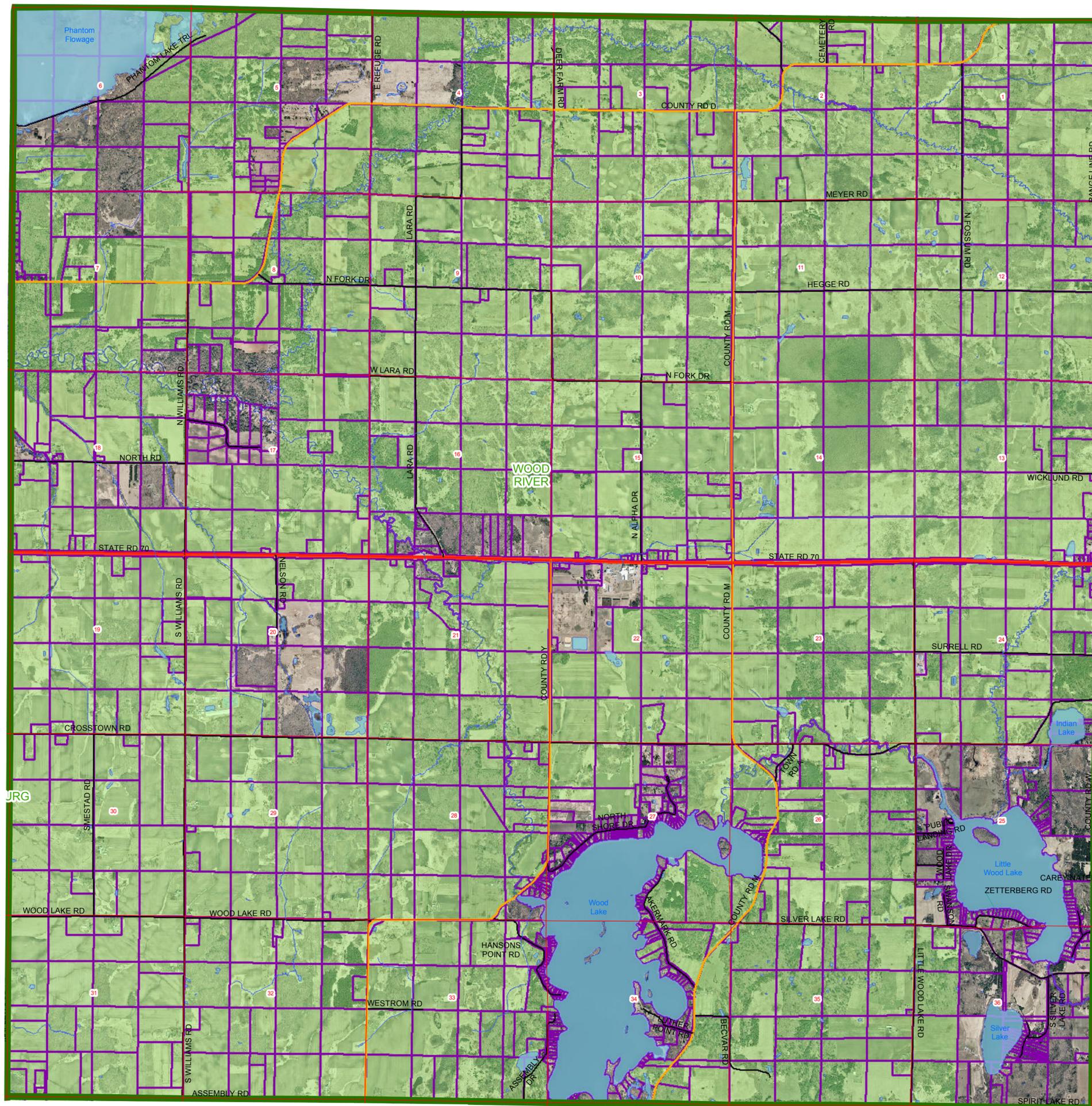
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