

Town of York



Map 2: Land Use Plan

Agricultural Preservation District

Objective:

The town has established the agricultural preservation district as a means of preserving agricultural lands and rural character throughout the town while providing opportunities for limited non-farm development. This designation will also serve to promote continued investment in agricultural operations by ensuring that incompatible land uses are directed to areas that will minimize interference with farming activities. The primary land use policy within this district is the density policy, which limits the density of residential development to one dwelling per 75 acres. This district encompasses the most land within the town and includes productive farmlands, farm dwellings, other agricultural land uses, pastureland, woodlots and scattered non-farm single-family dwellings. The policies for this district allow for a limited amount of non-farm residential and commercial development in keeping with the overall goals and objectives of the town to preserve agriculture and rural character.



Environmental & Resource Protection District

Objective:

The town has established the environmental & resource protection district to preserve and enhance unique and sensitive natural resources within the town. This district applies to lands within 100-year floodplains, wetlands, significant woodlands and steep slopes exceeding 12% grade. Non-farm development within the environmental & resource protection district is generally discouraged. Any proposed development in this district shall comply with the policies listed below, and with the siting standards and criteria of the agricultural preservation district.



Public Lands

Objective:

The town has established the public lands district to guide future decision-making with regard to lands owned by public agencies. The primary designation for this district is land owned by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources in the southwest part of the town. The policies for this district are designed to ensure town input on future land use decisions, acquisitions or dispensations of lands owned by public entities.



Sources: Wetlands: 2000 DCLIO,100 Year Floodplain: 1995 DCRPC Public Lands: 2005 DCCAPD, Parcel Boundaries: 2005 DCPD

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