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Kane County

Forest Preserve District, Planning and Utilization Committee

Agenda

Chair Cherryl Strathmann, President Christopher Kious, President Pro Tem, Mavis Bates, Executive Director Benjamin Haberthur
Ron Ford, Michelle Gumz, Mike Kenyon, Anita Lewis, Mike Linder, Vern Tepe

Thursday, March 28, 2024 **9:30 AM** **3rd Floor Board Room**

I. Call To Order

II. Approval of Minutes from February 29, 2024

III. Public Comment (Each Speaker is limited to three minutes)

IV. Bids and Proposals

V. Presentations

VI. New or Unfinished Business

TMP-24-2117 Resolution Approving the Establishment of the Agricultural Land Use Policy

VII. Closed Session to Discuss Land Acquisition, License Agreements, Potential Litigation and Personnel

VIII. Communications

IX. Chairman's Comments

X. Adjournment
Adjournment until: Thursday, April 25, 2024 at 9:30 a.m. in person at the Forest Preserve District Administration Offices 1996 S. Kirk Road, Suite 320 Geneva, Illinois and via zoom https://zoom.us/j/6302325980?pwd=aURTSGJoRlVJNDRCcHJXd3dvaVVrUT09 Meeting ID: 630 232 5980 Password: 24680 The Request to Speak Form on our website must still be completed for guests to speak at the meeting.

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
SS.
COUNTY OF KANE)

FP RESOLUTION NO. TMP-24-2117

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE AGRICULTURAL LAND USE POLICY

WHEREAS, the District currently manages approximately 6,000 acres of farmland though annual Farm License Agreements, for the production of row crops and grass hay, issued to about 36 local farmers; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed to be necessary to create an Agricultural Land Use Policy to govern the stewardship and licensing of agricultural lands that reflects the District's commitment to regenerative agricultural goals, soil health principles, and conservation farming practices; and

WHEREAS, a current Agricultural Land Use Policy has been developed to meet the needs of the District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Forest Preserve District of Kane County, Kane County, Illinois, that the Agricultural Land Use Policy, attached and identified as Exhibit A, be, and hereby is approved and adopted.

APPROVED AND PASSED on this 9th day of April 2024.

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Christopher Kious	Myrna Molina
President, Kane Forest Preserve	Secretary, Kane Forest Preserve
Kane County, Illinois	Kane County, Illinois

AGENDA MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 28, 2024

TO: Forest Preserve District Planning and Utilization Committee

FROM: Patrick Chess, Director of Natural Resources

SUBJECT: Approval of Resolution an Agricultural Land Use Policy for the Forest Preserve District of Kane County

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide the Committee with information to consider the approval of the District's resolution to adopt an Agricultural Land Use Policy.

BACKGROUND:

The District currently owns 23,404 acres of land in Kane County and approximately 5,978 acres of farmland is under annual Farm License Agreements for the production of row crops and grass hay. About 36 local farmers have annual license agreements with the District. The interim land use of farming row crops and grass hay provides for the suppression of undesirable vegetation on the landscape that has the potential to be problematic for future restoration and development, sustains the farming culture of Kane County and provides an important revenue source for the District. The District has the responsibility of implementing best management practices and sound stewardship on all its holdings, including farmland.

Many institutional and public land owners have adopted conservation farming strategies to protect the current and long-term ecological health of their land and have enlisted a dedicated team member to implement these strategies. With the addition of a dedicated Agricultural Coordinator on staff at the District, efforts have been made to revise the current Farm License Agreement with contemporary agricultural practices and refreshed license language. This includes pesticide restrictions and implementing no-till and conservation tillage conditions to the Farm License Agreement.

The Policy that is being recommended shall govern the stewardship and licensing of agricultural lands, reflect a commitment to agricultural practices based on regenerative agriculture goals, soil health principals, conservation farming concepts, and provide for the history of this framework. The District will be a leading example and strong partner to other conservation organizations moving forward.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Committee approve the Agriculture Land Use Policy and revised Farm Program License Agreement.

ATTACHMENTS:

Agriculture Land Use Policy, Attachment A

Farm License Agreement Sample, Exhibit A

Lottery Letter Template, Exhibit B

Organic Farm Program License; Exhibit C

Farm Program Reporting Form, Exhibit D

Farm Parcels Map, Attachment B

1. Policy Introduction

The Agricultural Land Use Policy (Policy) of the Forest Preserve District of Kane County (District) shall govern the stewardship and licensing of agricultural lands held by the District and comply with General Use Ordinance ###. Upon adoption of Resolution ##-## by the Board of Commissioners, the Policy shall be in effect on DATE.

2. Agricultural Land Use

Farmland is acquired by the District with the intent of a transition to a land use such as natural area restoration or development for public use and enjoyment. Keeping farmland in production is an important interim land use. The continuation of a current farming operation on acquired land provides for the suppression of undesirable vegetation on the landscape (if the land was left fallow), sustains the farming culture of Kane County, and provides revenue for the District. The District has the responsibility of implementing best management practices and sound stewardship on all its holdings, and agricultural land is included in this philosophy.

3. Farm Program Goals

The goals of the District's Farm Program include the long-term ecological health of District property, and the environment, by implementing agricultural practices based on regenerative agriculture goals, soil health principals and related conservation farming concepts. Conservation tillage methods and utilizing a continuous cover will help reduce erosion, improve soil structure, increase the diversity of organisms within the soil biome, and lend to overall soil health. Integrated pest management, responsible herbicide use and nutrient management has benefit to water quality and wildlife habitat. Conservation practices such as vegetated field buffers and in-field prairie strips will reduce surface run off of sediment and nutrients, provide habitat for wildlife and reduce erosion. Monitoring the chemical and physical properties of our farmland using a suite of testing protocols will establish a baseline matrix and define future trends in order to guide management decisions. These prescribed practices are stipulated within the Farm Program License Agreement (Exhibit A).

4. Farm Program License Agreement

4.1 Granting of the Farm Program License Agreement

When real estate is acquired by the District, the tenancy stipulated in the land sales contract for farmland, hay ground, and buildings (used for farm operations) shall be honored. The tenant shall furnish the District with an extant Certificate of Insurance, naming "The Forest Preserve District of Kane County" as additional insured and comply with the insurance requirements in the Farm Program License Agreement (Farm License). The current tenant will be offered to enter into a Farm License with the District (providing the tenant is in good standing with the District), effective upon expiration of the current agreement, or March 1 of the following year, whichever comes first. If the current tenant refuses the offer to enter into an agreement, a tenant shall be secured via the Lottery System (Exhibit B), for the upcoming Farm Program year. In the absence of tenancy appointed in the land sales contract, the District will offer the current operator right of first refusal to enter into a Farm License (providing the operator is in good standing with the District). If the current operator refuses the offer to enter into a Farm License agreement, a tenant shall be secured via the Lottery System. Notification

of farmland available via the Lottery System shall be mailed to prospective farmers. Applicants may submit an on-line form, or mail a completed form to the District.

4.2 Terms and Fees

The Farm License shall be granted for a single, or multiple terms, from March 1, to February 28. Number of terms are dependent on restoration timelines, grant or bond restrictions, and type of cropping systems. During the term of the Farm License, 50% of the license fee is due by March 31 and the balance (50%) shall be due by December 15. A map of the licensed premises, depicting parcel and preserve name, number of acres, and row crop or hay, shall be included with the Farm License. The acres indicated in the Farm License shall be used to calculate the license fees. As a courtesy, invoices will be mailed to each Licensee.

4.3 Calculation of Rental Rates

Cash rent rates are based on predominance of soil productivity rating (average yields) of non-irrigated corn crops found on the USDA-NRCS Web Soil Survey[1]. The pricing is assigned a land class of excellent, good, and average for row crops.

Land Class	Price per Acre
Excellent	$285.00
Good	$255.00
Average	$200.00

The above rates were presented as proposed reduced rates and approved by the Forest Preserve District Executive Committee for the 2017 farm rents, on December 9, 2016. Poor soils remained at $190.00 per acre and hay ground rate remains at $120.00 per acre.

4.4 Acreage Reduction and Parcel Retirement

The District reserves the right to reduce the acreage of the licensed premises at any time. Licensee shall be notified in writing of the Districts intent to retire a parcel or reduce the number of acres affecting the licensed premises.

i. Written notice of acreage reduction, or permanent retirement of parcels for the next term of the Farm License, shall precede the Farm License renewal documents.
ii. Written notice of acreage reduction given after execution of the Farm License, and prior to March 1, shall include an amendment to the Farm License and revised invoice reflecting the reduced license fee for the term of the Farm License.
iii. Written notice of acreage reduction given after crops have been planted, during the term of the Farm License, shall cause for the District to compensate the Licensee for crop loss caused by the immediate use and occupancy by the District, following the crop loss event. Compensation shall be calculated using the Farm License's per acre price, multiplied by the number if acres reduced. The compensation amount shall be deducted from the second license fee of current crop year.

4.5 Covenant Against Assignment of Sublease

The Licensee is not entitled to assign, sub-license, sub-lease or rent the licensed premises to another party, either verbally or in writing. Assignments by the Licensee is grounds for immediate termination of the Farm License.

4.6 Organic Farm Program License Agreement

The District and Licensee may choose to enroll all, or part, of the licensed premises in the Organic Farm Program. The Organic Farm Program License Agreement (Exhibit C) incorporates the rules and regulations of the National Organic Program and USDA organic regulations (Title 7 CFR Part205) for organic crop production. The Organic Farm Program License Agreement (Organic Farm License) shall be a term of six (6) years, renewable by the Licensee, providing the Licensee has remained in compliance and is in good standing with the District. The Organic Farm License fees during the transition from conventional farming to certified organic farming shall be reduced by seventy five ($75.00) dollars per acre, per year, for the first three years of the License. The license fee for the remainder of the license term, and subsequent renewals shall not be discounted. The Licensee must provide the District with the name of the certifying agent, crop advisor, and organic farming plan, which is acceptable to the District prior to entering into the Organic Farm License. The Licensee shall provide proof of organic certification annually. In the event the Licensee is non-compliant with the terms of the Organic Farm License and/or intentionally negligent during the transition period, and fails to obtain organic certification, the Organic Farm License may be terminated and the difference of discounted license fee and full license fees collected.

5. Conservation Farming Practices

5.1 Tillage

Allowable tillage practices are no-till[2], strip till, and other conservation tillage methods[3] that maintains no less than 75% of crop residues on the soil surface after planting. No fall tillage is permitted, however the District reserves the right to grant written permission for tillage when requested in writing from the Licensee.

5.2 Pesticide/herbicide Use

Pesticide, herbicide, fungicide, and insecticide (collectively, pesticides) applicators and operators must adhere to all label requirements, warnings, restrictions, and application rates of pesticides used. Applicators and operators must adhere to all label precautionary statements and instructions to control pesticide drift, surface runoff, and protect groundwater. Pesticide treated seeds can be toxic to non-target wildlife and must be planted according to label requirements and avoid leaving exposed seeds on the soil surface. Any spill of treated seed in the field must be removed by the Licensee immediately. Licensee shall use practices to minimize seed dust from treated seeds when planting by using a seed lubricant, to protect areas off site. The following herbicides/pesticides (and any formula containing) are restricted from use: atrazine, zidua, paraquat/paraquat dichloride,

dicamba/salts of dicamba, and spray application of any neonicotinoid product. Products with residual carry over effect on grass or broadleaf plants beyond the growing season are prohibited. The use of prohibited herbicides and pesticides is grounds for immediate termination of the Farm License at the sole discretion of the District.

5.3 Timing of Hay Cutting

Hay ground included in the Farm License shall not have a first cutting until July 1. Delayed hay cutting allows for grassland birds to nest, and provides for successful fledgling survival. Additional cuttings require permission from the District.

5.4 Nutrient Management and Soil Health

The maintenance of appropriate soil pH and nutrient levels, according to the recommendations in the University of Illinois Agronomy Handbook[4], is the responsibility of the Licensee. Fall application of nitrogen is not allowed. The use of bio-solids is strictly prohibited on District land. Application of manure may only be applied with written authorization from the District. If the Licensee performs soil tests, the results shall be submitted to the District. Soil health tests shall be carried out by the District on a revolving schedule, sampling one-third (1/3) of total farmland acres per year, and a fee of three dollars and fifty cents ($3.50) per acre shall be added to the annual license fee. Soil health tests shall provide results of the chemical, biological and physical properties of a given farm parcel as well as detect residual herbicides. The results provide baseline soil conditions to share with the Licensee as a supplement to nutrient management and tillage programs, define conditions and trends in order to guide land management decisions, and made available when new parcels enter the program and/or are available through the Lottery System.

5.5 Conservation Plans

The Licensee is expected to remain in compliance with all NRCS Conservation Plans adopted and submitted to NRCS or other local agricultural office affiliated with the USDA. The District may install field edge buffers and in-field vegetated strips as conservation field improvements. The Licensee may be responsible for annual maintenance and shall not plant through installed buffers and strips. The District will work with the Licensee to achieve and maintain conservation goals.

5.6 Conservation Crop Rotation

A crop rotation plan shall be completed by the Licensee at the time of executing the Farm License. The following table is provided within the Farm License, to be completed by the Licensee:

Property Name	2024 Crop	Cover Crop
	Corn, Soybeans, Wheat, or Hay	If no cover crop, Enter N/A
Field(s) #		

The crop rotation plan may be amended as needed, double cropping requires permission from the District.

6. Reporting

By November 30 of each year, the Licensee shall submit the Farm Program Reporting Form (Exhibit D) to the District. The Licensee will furnish the details of herbicide and nutrient applications as well as seed brand and seed treatments on the reporting form. Seed tags shall also be provided by the Licensee.

7. Farm Program Compliance

The Licensee is expected to abide by all rules and conditions of the Farm License, including the submission of reporting forms and Certificate of Insurance. Field assessments will be conducted to monitor compliance with tillage and other conditions of the Farm License. Non-compliance may result in the termination of the Farm License. If issues arise that hinder the Licensee's ability to comply with the agreed conditions of the Farm License, the Licensee must contact the District as soon as possible. All rules, regulations and conditions within the Farm License, attached hereto as Exhibit A, shall be incorporated herein.

8. Other Agricultural Use

The District may elect to pursue new types of agricultural use on its farmland. Including, but not limited to; livestock grazing, specialty crops, and agroforestry. The procurement process shall be tailored to the specific use being adopted.

[1]NRCS Web Soil Survey https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/resources/data-and-reports/web-soil-survey

[2]329_IL_Residue and Tillage Management, No Till 2022
https://efotg.sc.egov.usda.gov/api/CPSFile/35675/329_IL_CPS_Residue_and_Tillage_Management_No_Till_2022

[3]345_IL_Residue and Tillage Management, Reduced Till 2022
https://efotg.sc.egov.usda.gov/api/CPSFile/35678/345_IL_CPS_Residue_and_Tillage_Management%2c_Reduced_Till_2022

[4]University of Illinois Agronomy Handbook http://extension.cropsciences.illinois.edu/handbook/

Exhibits

A ..... Farm Program License Agreement

B ..... Lottery System

C ..... Organic Farm Program License Agreement

D ..... Farm Program Reporting Form

EXHIBIT A

1996 S. Kirk Road, Suite 320, Geneva, Illinois 60134

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Benjamin H. Haberthur, Executive Director

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Farm Program License Agreement

March 1, 20## – February 28, 20##

This agreement, made and entered into this 30th day of November, 20##, by and between the Forest Preserve District of Kane County (the District) and *Licensee name and address* (Licensee).

The District operates under the Downstate Forest Preserve Act (the Act). The District enters into this Farm Program License Agreement (License Agreement) with the Licensee, as the use associated with this License Agreement is related to an activity of the District under the Act.

The District, for and in consideration of the conditions set forth herein, grants a License Agreement to the above mentioned Licensee for the agricultural use of the property situated in the Township of *Township*, County of Kane and State of Illinois, formerly known as the *property name* property, located in *Preserve* Forest Preserve, described as *number of acres* acres of farmland and further described as the Licensed Premises, depicted on the 2024 Farm License Map (Attachment A), solely for agricultural use(s) and not otherwise.

The Licensee, understands they have no rights to the Licensed Premises other than agricultural use and agree to the following conditions and restrictions herein, set forth by the District as follows:

1. **LICENSE TERM:** The above described Licensed Premises is licensed on a fixed term basis, from March 1, 20## to February 28, 20##, not a period of months or years. Both parties agree that failure to execute a written renewal by November 30, 20## shall be constructive notice of intent to allow this License Agreement to expire. The parties specifically agree that the four-month notice of termination provisions contained in 735 ILCS 5/9-206 of the Illinois Code of Civil Procedure are expressly waived.

2. **LICENSE FEES:** During the term of the License Agreement, 50% of the license fee is due by March 31, 2024 and the balance (50%) shall be due by December 15, 2024.

    a. The Licensee agrees to a rate of $###.00 per acre for### acres of farmland, and a soil testing fee of $3.50 per acre for ### acres of farmland formerly known as the *property name* property; for a total license fee of $##,###.00.

    b. Any outstanding amount due of the license fee under this License Agreement that is not paid when due, shall incur a late fee. The daily late fee is 12% per annum (Amount Due*(0.12/365)),

accruing from the date when the payment is due, per the License Agreement, until the amount is paid by the Licensee. Payments received postmarked after the due dates shall be considered delinquent, and begin incurring the late fee.

c. The license fee shall be paid by personal check, bank draft, or U.S. Postal Money Order made payable to the Forest Preserve District of Kane County and paid to the District at the office of the Forest Preserve District of Kane County, 1996 S. Kirk Road, Suite 320, Geneva, Illinois 60134.

3. ACREAGE REDUCTION: The District reserves the right to reduce the acreage of the Licensed Premises at any time. Written notice to the Licensee of the District's intent to reduce the acreage of the Licensed Premises shall include an updated Farm License Map identifying the acres to be reduced.

a. Written notice of acreage reduction, or permanent retirement of parcels for the next term of the License Agreement, shall precede the License Agreement renewal documents.

b. Written notice of acreage reduction given after execution of the License Agreement, and prior to March 1, shall include an amendment to the License Agreement and revised invoice reflecting the reduced license fee for the term of the License Agreement.

c. Written notice of acreage reduction given after crops have been planted, during the term of the License Agreement, shall cause for the District to compensate the Licensee for the crop loss caused by the immediate use and occupancy by the District, following the crop loss event. Compensation shall be calculated using this License Agreement's per acre price, multiplied by the number if acres reduced. The compensation amount shall be deducted from the second license fee of current crop year.

4. LICENSE NONRENEWAL: The District reserves the right not to renew this License Agreement for any reason deemed to be in the best interest of the District, including but not limited to, wetland mitigation purposes, grant requirements, site development, restoration, and non-compliance issues. Licensee shall be notified in writing of intent not to renew by November 1 of the current year of the License Agreement.

5. **FARM CONDITION:** No representation as to the condition of the Licensed Premises has been made by the District, its agents, or employees, to the Licensee prior to the execution of this License Agreement that are not expressed or endorsed in this License Agreement.

6. **COVENANT AGAINST ASSIGNMENT OF SUBLEASE:** This License Agreement is not assignable by either party. Licensee is not entitled to assign, sub-license, sub-lease or rent the Licensed Premises to another party, either verbally or in writing. Assignments by the Licensee is grounds for immediate termination of this License Agreement.

7. **PERIOD OF CROP PRODUCTION:** Notwithstanding the terms set forth herein, the Licensee acknowledges and agrees that the exclusive use of the Licensed Premises for agricultural purposes shall extend to the Licensee only during periods of crop production (planting to harvest, a period of not more than six months during the term of this License Agreement), The District expressly reserves the right to use the Licensed Premises during all other times for public purposes, that may include, but shall not be limited to: hiking, cross country skiing, snowmobiling, snow shoeing, and equestrian

riding. Such public uses shall not be permitted during periods of crop production (planting to harvest, a period of not more than six months during the term of this License Agreement) in a manner which interferes with crop production.

8. **RESPONSIBILITIES:** The District, by the terms of this License Agreement or otherwise, shall not be bound to do, or cause to be done, any maintenance, repairs, drainage improvements, replacements, or improving of the Licensed Premises or appurtenances thereto, unless agreed to in writing. The Licensee agrees to be responsible for any and all utility bills on the property.

9. **CREDIT & SET-OFFS:** The District will not allow any credit or set-offs to the Licensee for any repairs, replacements, or improvements made on the Licensed Premises, by or at the order of said Licensee, unless agreed to in writing.

10. **PESTICIDE USE AND RESTRICTION**: Pesticide, herbicide, fungicide, and insecticide (collectively, pesticides) applicators and operators must adhere to all label requirements, warnings, restrictions, and application rates of pesticides used Applicators and operators must adhere to all label precautionary statements and instructions to control pesticide drift, surface runoff, and protect groundwater. Pesticide treated seeds can be toxic to non-target wildlife and must be planted according to label requirements and avoid leaving exposed seeds on the soil surface. Any spill of treated seed in the field must be removed by the Licensee immediately. Licensee shall use practices to minimize seed dust from treated seeds when planting by using a seed lubricant, to protect areas off site. The following pesticides (and any formula containing) are restricted from use: atrazine, paraquat (trade names include Gramoxone, Parazone, etc.), dicamba/salts of dicamba (trade names include Dianat, Banvel, Vanquish, etc.), and spray application of any neonicotinoid product. Pesticides that persist in the soil with residual control of vegetation beyond the growing season are prohibited. The use of prohibited herbicides and pesticides is grounds for immediate termination of the License Agreement at the sole discretion of the District.

11. **TILLAGE PRACTICES:** Allowable tillage practices are no-till (Attachment B), strip till, vertical tillage, or other conservation tillage (Attachment C) methods that maintains no less than 75% of crop residues on the soil surface after planting. No fall tillage is permitted, however the District reserves the right to grant written permission for tillage when requested in writing from Licensee.

12. **NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT:** The maintenance of appropriate soil pH and nutrient levels, according to the recommendations in the University of Illinois Agronomy Handbook, is the responsibility of the Licensee. No fall application of nitrogen is allowed. The use of bio solids is strictly prohibited on District land. Application of manure may only be applied with written authorization from the District. If Licensee performs soil testing, results shall be submitted to the District. The District shall perform soil health tests for chemical, biological, and physical properties according to a rotational schedule, and submit to the Licensee. Soil testing fee of $3.50 per acre shall be added to the annual license fee. The use of bio solids is strictly prohibited on District land. Application of manure may only be applied with written authorization from the District

13. **CONSERVATION CROP ROTATION:** A crop rotation plan shall be completed by the Licensee at the time of executing the License Agreement. The crop rotation plan may be amended as needed,

double cropping (except for grass hay) requires written permission from the District. Please indicate the crop type for 2024 (shall differ from 2023 crop), and if a cover crop will be planted::

Parcel Name	2024 Crop	Cover Crop
	Corn, Soybeans, Wheat, or Hay	If no cover crop, enter N/A
Field(s) #		

14. **CONDITION:** The Licensee shall keep the Licensed Premises and appurtenances in a neat, clean, and orderly condition at all times and not cause, permit, or tolerate garbage or other refuse to accumulate thereon; shall not cause, tolerate, or permit any waste or any unlawful, improper, or offensive use of the Licensed Premises or any use or occupancy thereof contrary to any state or federal law or any ordinance of the District. The Licensee is responsible for proper weed management/integrated weed management and controlling the spread and eradication of noxious weeds (https://www.nationalplantboard.org/uploads/1/3/6/7/136771235/illinoissummary.pdf and Ill. Admin. Code tit. 8 § 220.60).

15. **DEATH OR INJURY:** In the event that death or injury occurs to any person, or loss, destruction, or damage occurs to any property including, but not limited to, the person or property of the parties hereto, in connection with the Licensee's use or occupation of the Licensed Premises, which is occasioned in whole or in part by the acts or omissions of the Licensee or District, its agents, employees, or servants, the Licensee agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the District from and against any loss, claims, or demands to which the District may be subject as a result of such death, injury, loss, destruction, or damage. The Licensee takes possession and use of the Licensed Premises as is, and assumes all risk of accidents personally as well as for family, employees, agents, or persons coming on the Licensed Premises.

16. **INSURANCE:** The Licensee agrees to name "The Forest Preserve District of Kane County" as an additional insured on their insurance policy and provide a copy of their policy to the District. For the term of the License Agreement, the Licensee shall maintain insurance with a carrier acceptable to the District, insuring the Licensee during the term of the License Agreement , of the following types and in not less than the stated minimum amounts:

Liability Insurance	$1 million per person
	$1 million per occurrence
Property Damage	$1 million per occurrence
Workers Compensation	Full Statutory Limits

    a. The Licensee shall furnish an extant Certificate of Insurance, reflecting the above and agrees that all applicable insurance policies, and the Certificate of Insurance, name the District as additional insured and that the District is to receive thirty (30) days' prior written notice of cancellation of coverage. The general liability policy must specifically include farm liability and farm property. At time of policy renewal or expiration, it is the Licensee's responsibility to provide a new Certificate of Insurance to the District.

        i. The Certificate of Insurance shall have the following entered as additional remarks: "The Forest Preserve District of Kane County is additional insured"

ii. The insurance policies or Certificates of Insurance should be sent to the Forest Preserve District of Kane County, 1996 S. Kirk Road, Suite 320, Geneva, Illinois, 60134.

iii. Letters of Continuous Coverage are not admissible in place of a Certificate of Insurance, as this License Agreement terminates automatically at the end of the term.

17. **RULES & REGULATIONS:** The Licensee agrees to abide by such other rules and regulations, as may be promulgated by the District, expressly including the following:

a. By November 30 of each year, Licensee shall submit the Farm Program Reporting Form (Attachment D) to the District. The Licensee will furnish the pesticide applicator name, IDOA License number, details of herbicide and nutrient applications, seed brand and seed treatments, and yield information on the reporting form. Seed tags shall also be provided by the Licensee.

b. Upon request, the Licensee shall provide a copy of any and all drain tile maps of the Licensed Premises, and the District shall make drain tile information available to the Licensee.

c. Upon request, the Licensee shall provide the District with the FSA farm and tract number for each farmed parcel in the Licensed Premises, under this License Agreement.

d. The Licensee shall be responsible for any and all USDA registration, permitting and inspections, including all costs associated therewith.

e. The Licensee shall provide the District with the NRCS Conservation Plan, if any has been adopted and submitted to NRCS or other local agricultural office affiliated with the USDA, together with any amendments thereto as the same are adopted. Such copy shall be delivered within seven (7) days of its submission to NRCS or other applicable entity. The District may install field edge buffers and in-field vegetated strips as conservation field improvements. The Licensee may be responsible for annual maintenance and shall not plant through installed buffers and strips.

f. For Parcels within the Licensed Premises dedicated to the production of hay, the following additional conditions shall apply:

i. Licensee shall not plant row crops, till, grade, harrow, nor otherwise disturb the topsoil surface without written consent of the District's Director of Natural Resources.

ii. Licensee shall not make the first cutting of hay until after July 1 of each year of this License Agreement or any extension hereof, without the express written consent of the District's Director of Natural Resources, in order to enable the fledging of native grassland birds.

g. The District reserves the right to implement a component of its Deer Management Program at the preserve where the Licensed Premises are located. The Licensee will be notified in writing no less than sixty (60) days prior to the District initiating either an archery-hunting program or a deer population reduction event.

18. **DEFAULT:** If default is made in the payment of the licensee fee or in any of the covenants and agreements herein contained, it shall be lawful for the District at its election without notice to the Licensee to declare this License Agreement to be terminated as of the date of such default and to re-enter the Licensed Premises or any part thereof, either with or without process of law, and to remove and put out, using such force as may be necessary, the Licensee or any person or persons and property using or occupying the same. The Licensee hereby expressly waives all right of any notice or demand under any statute of the State of Illinois or any federal law relating to forcible entry and detainer.

19. **EXPIRATION & TERMINATION:** The Licensee agrees at the expiration or termination of this License Agreement to yield possession of the Licensed Premises to the District without further demand or notice, in as good order and condition as when they were entered upon by the Licensee. Loss by fire, flood, tornado, and ordinary wear is excepted. If the Licensee fails to yield possession, the Licensee shall pay to the District a penalty of double the annual license fee for each day he or she remains in possession thereafter, in addition to any damages caused by the Licensee to the District's land or improvements, and said payments shall not entitle the Licensee to any interest of any kind or character in or on the Licensed Premises.

20. **ENFORCEMENT:** The Licensee covenants and agrees to pay and discharge all reasonable costs, attorney's fees, and expenses that are incurred by the District in enforcing this License Agreement and all covenants thereto. All parties agree that the covenants and agreements herein contained shall be binding upon and apply and inure to their heirs, executors, administrators, and assignees.

21. **PROPERTY TAX:** If it is determined by any governmental entity, other than the District, that any property tax is owed due to any interest associated with this Agreement, then the Licensee shall pay such tax. The obligation to pay such tax shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

22. **RESTORATION:** The Licensee understands that by farming property owned by the District they are participating in the eventual restoration plans for the property. The rules, regulations, and conditions herein are tailored to conservation farming with goals similar to the management of natural areas for the long term ecological health of District property.

23. **COMPLIANCE:** The District reserves the right to enter, view, and inspect the Licensed Premises at all reasonable times. Field assessments will be conducted on the Licensed Premises to monitor compliance with tillage and other conditions of the License Agreement. The Licensee is expected to abide by all rules and conditions of the License Agreement, including the submission of reporting forms and Certificate of Insurance. Non-compliance may result in the termination of the License Agreement. If issues arise that hinder the Licensee's ability to comply with the agreed conditions of the License Agreement, the Licensee must contact the District as soon as possible.

NOTICES: Any notices required hereunder, shall be in writing and delivered to:

DISTRICT
Forest Preserve District of Kane County
Attention: Michelle Blackburn
1996 S. Kirk Road, Suite 320
Geneva, Illinois 60134
Phone: 630-232-5981
Email: BlackburnMichelle@kaneforest.com

LICENSEE
Name
Address
City, ZIP
Phone: ###-###-####
Email:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each of the parties has caused this Farm Program License Agreement to be executed by its duly authorized representative as of the day and year first written above.

FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT OF KANE COUNTY	**LICENSEE**
By: _____	By: _____
Patrick Chess Director of Natural Resources	Name of Licensee
_____	_____
Date	Date

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Other: _____

EXHIBIT B

1996 S. Kirk Road, Suite 320, Geneva, Illinois 60134

Christopher W. Kious, President
Benjamin H. Haberthur, Executive Director

Phone: 630-232-5980
Fax: 630-232-5924
www.kaneforest.com

Date

Re: 2024 Farmland Lottery, ### acres at the *Preserve*, known as *property*, in *Township*

Greetings,

This letter is to inform you of a new opportunity to farm row crops at the Forest Preserve District of Kane County (District). The District is currently seeking a tenant farmer for ## acres, at *Preserve*, *property*. The field was planted to corn/soybean in 20##. Location and premises are detailed on the enclosed map.

The District seeks to enter into a Farm Program License Agreement (License Agreement) for the term of March 20##, to February 20##. The current rate per acre is $###.00/acre. This rate is set forth by the District Board of Commissioners and is not negotiable. Please review the enclosed sample Farm Program License Agreement critically.

Eligibility and Requirements to Participate
Program participants must be a full-time resident of Kane County, Illinois. Residency shall be verified by a current Driver's License or Illinois State ID. Current or former Forest Preserve tenants must be in good standing with the District in regards to license fee payments and Farm Program License Agreement compliance.

Applications
Applications will be accepted from *Date*, (8:00 a.m.) through *Date* (ending at 4:00 p.m.).Only one application may be submitted per person and per farm operation. Applicants may submit an application online (www.kaneforest.com) or complete the enclosed application and mail (or personally submit) to:

Forest Preserve District of Kane County
Attn: Michelle Blackburn
1996 S. Kirk Rd., Ste. 320
Geneva, IL 60134

Participant Selection
Participants will be selected randomly via a lottery. The lottery will be carried out at Forest Preserve District headquarters (address listed above) on February 6, at 9:00am. Applicants will be notified of the selection via the email applicants provide on the application.

Questions may be directed to Michelle Blackburn, Agricultural Coordinator, 630-232-5981, blackburnmichelle@kaneforest.com

Sincerely,

Patrick Chess
Director of Natural Resources
Forest Preserve District of Kane County

EXHIBIT C

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Organic Farm Program License Agreement

March 1, 20## – February 28, 20##

This agreement, made and entered into this ##th day of *Month*, 20##, by and between the Forest Preserve District of Kane County (the District) and *Licensee name and address* (Licensee).

The District operates under the Downstate Forest Preserve Act (the Act). The District enters into this Organic Farm Program License Agreement (Organic License Agreement) with the Licensee, as the use associated with this License Agreement is related to an activity of the District under the Act.

The District, for and in consideration of the conditions set forth herein, grants a Organic License Agreement to the above mentioned Licensee for the agricultural use of the property situated in the Township of *Township*, County of Kane and State of Illinois, formerly known as the *property name* property, located in *Preserve* Forest Preserve, described as *number of acres* acres of farmland and further described as the Licensed Premises, depicted on the 2024 Farm License Map (Attachment A), solely for agricultural use(s) and not otherwise.

The Licensee, understands they have no rights to the Licensed Premises other than agricultural use and agree to the following conditions and restrictions herein, set forth by the District as follows:

1. **LICENSE TERM:** The above described Licensed Premises is licensed from March 1, 20## to February 28, 20##.. Both parties agree that failure to execute a written renewal by November 30, 20## shall be constructive notice of intent to allow this Organic License Agreement to expire. The parties specifically agree that the four-month notice of termination provisions contained in 735 ILCS 5/9-206 of the Illinois Code of Civil Procedure are expressly waived.

2. **LICENSE FEES:** During the term of the Organic License Agreement, 50% of the license fee is due by March 31, 2024 and the balance (50%) shall be due by December 15, 2024.

    a. The Licensee agrees to a rate of $###.00 per acre for ## acres of farmland, formerly known as the *property name* property; for a total license fee of $##,###.00 for the first three years of this Organic License Agreement, defined as beginning on March 1, 20## and ending on February 28, 20##

b. The Licensee agrees to a rate of $###.00 per acre for ## acres of farmland, formerly known as the *property name* property; for a total license fee of $##,###.00 for the last three years of this Organic License Agreement, defined as beginning on March 1, 20## and ending on February 28, 20##.

c. Any outstanding amount due of the license fee under this Organic License Agreement that is not paid when due, shall incur a late fee. The daily late fee is 12% per annum (Amount Due*(0.12/365)), accruing from the date when the payment is due, per the Organic License Agreement, until the amount is paid by the Licensee. Payments received postmarked after the due dates shall be considered delinquent, and begin incurring the late fee.

d. The license fee shall be paid by personal check, bank draft, or U.S. Postal Money Order made payable to the Forest Preserve District of Kane County and paid to the District at the office of the Forest Preserve District of Kane County, 1996 S. Kirk Road, Suite 320, Geneva, Illinois 60134.

3. **ACREAGE REDUCTION:** The District reserves the right to reduce the acreage of the Licensed Premises at any time. Written notice to the Licensee of the District's intent to reduce the acreage of the Licensed Premises shall include an updated Farm License Map identifying the acres to be reduced.

   a. Written notice of acreage reduction, or permanent retirement of parcels for the next term of the Organic License Agreement, shall precede the Organic License Agreement renewal documents.

   b. Written notice of acreage reduction given after execution of the Organic License Agreement, and prior to March 1, shall include an amendment to the Organic License Agreement and revised invoice reflecting the reduced license fee for the term of the Organic License Agreement.

   c. Written notice of acreage reduction given after crops have been planted, during the term of the Organic License Agreement, shall cause for the District to compensate the Licensee for the crop loss caused by the immediate use and occupancy by the District, following the crop loss event. Compensation shall be calculated using this Organic License Agreement's per acre price, multiplied by the number if acres reduced. The compensation amount shall be deducted from the second license fee of current crop year.

4. **LICENSE NONRENEWAL:** The District reserves the right not to renew this Organic License Agreement for any reason deemed to be in the best interest of the District, including but not limited to, wetland mitigation purposes, grant requirements, site development, restoration, and non-compliance issues. Licensee shall be notified in writing of intent not to renew by November 1 of the current year of the Organic License Agreement.

5. **FARM CONDITION:** No representation as to the condition of the Licensed Premises has been made by the District, its agents, or employees, to the Licensee prior to the execution of this Organic License Agreement that are not expressed or endorsed in this Organic License Agreement.

6. **COVENANT AGAINST ASSIGNMENT OF SUBLEASE:** This Organic License Agreement is not assignable by either party. Licensee is not entitled to assign, sub-license, sub-lease or rent the Licensed

Premises to another party, either verbally or in writing. Assignments by the Licensee is grounds for immediate termination of this Organic License Agreement.

7. **PERIOD OF CROP PRODUCTION:** Notwithstanding the terms set forth herein, the Licensee acknowledges and agrees that the exclusive use of the Licensed Premises for agricultural purposes shall extend to the Licensee only during periods of crop production (planting to harvest, a period of not more than six months during the term of this Organic License Agreement), The District expressly reserves the right to use the Licensed Premises during all other times for public purposes, that may include, but shall not be limited to: hiking, cross country skiing, snowmobiling, snow shoeing, and equestrian riding. Such public uses shall not be permitted during periods of crop production (planting to harvest, a period of not more than six months during the term of this Organic License Agreement) in a manner which interferes with crop production.

8. **RESPONSIBILITIES:** The District, by the terms of this Organic License Agreement or otherwise, shall not be bound to do, or cause to be done, any maintenance, repairs, drainage improvements, replacements, or improving of the Licensed Premises or appurtenances thereto, unless agreed to in writing. The Licensee agrees to be responsible for any and all utility bills on the property.

9. **CREDIT & SET-OFFS:** The District will not allow any credit or set-offs to the Licensee for any repairs, replacements, or improvements made on the Licensed Premises, by or at the order of said Licensee, unless agreed to in writing.

10. **PESTICIDE USE AND RESTRICTION**: Pesticide, herbicide, fungicide, and insecticide (collectively, pesticides) applicators and operators must adhere to all label requirements, warnings, restrictions, and application rates of pesticides used. Applicators and operators must adhere to all label precautionary statements and instructions to control pesticide drift, surface runoff, and protect groundwater. Only National Organic Program (NOP) allowed products shall be used on the Licensed Premises. Pesticides that persist in the soil with residual control of vegetation beyond the growing season are prohibited. The use of prohibited herbicides and pesticides is grounds for immediate termination of the Organic License Agreement at the sole discretion of the District.

11. **TILLAGE PRACTICES:** Allowable tillage practices are no-till (Attachment B), strip till, vertical tillage, or other conservation tillage (Attachment C) methods. In-row field cultivation for weed suppression is allowed to a depth no more than 6 inches. No fall tillage is permitted, however the District reserves the right to grant written permission for tillage when requested in writing from Licensee.

12. **NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT:** The maintenance of appropriate soil pH and nutrient levels, according to the recommendations in the University of Illinois Agronomy Handbook, is the responsibility of the Licensee. Only NOP allowed products shall be used on the Licensed Premises No fall application of nitrogen is allowed. If Licensee performs soil testing, results shall be submitted to the District. If the District performs soil testing, the test results will be provided to the Licensee for nutrient management. The use of bio solids is strictly prohibited on District land. Application of manure may only be applied with written authorization from the District

13. **CONSERVATION CROP ROTATION:** A crop rotation plan shall be completed by the Licensee at the time of executing the Organic License Agreement. The crop rotation plan may be amended as needed, double cropping (except for grass hay) requires written permission from the District. Please indicate the crop type for 2024 (shall differ from 2023 crop), and if a cover crop will be planted::

Parcel Name	2024 Crop	Cover Crop
	Corn, Soybeans, Wheat, or Hay	If no cover crop, enter N/A
Field(s) #		

14. **CONDITION:** The Licensee shall keep the Licensed Premises and appurtenances in a neat, clean, and orderly condition at all times and not cause, permit, or tolerate garbage or other refuse to accumulate thereon; shall not cause, tolerate, or permit any waste or any unlawful, improper, or offensive use of the Licensed Premises or any use or occupancy thereof contrary to any state or federal law or any ordinance of the District. The Licensee is responsible for proper weed management/integrated weed management and controlling the spread and eradication of noxious weeds (https://www.nationalplantboard.org/uploads/1/3/6/7/136771235/illinoissummary.pdf and Ill. Admin. Code tit. 8 § 220.60).

15. **DEATH OR INJURY:** In the event that death or injury occurs to any person, or loss, destruction, or damage occurs to any property including, but not limited to, the person or property of the parties hereto, in connection with the Licensee's use or occupation of the Licensed Premises, which is occasioned in whole or in part by the acts or omissions of the Licensee or District, its agents, employees, or servants, the Licensee agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the District from and against any loss, claims, or demands to which the District may be subject as a result of such death, injury, loss, destruction, or damage. The Licensee takes possession and use of the Licensed Premises as is, and assumes all risk of accidents personally as well as for family, employees, agents, or persons coming on the Licensed Premises.

16. **INSURANCE:** The Licensee agrees to name "The Forest Preserve District of Kane County" as an additional insured on their insurance policy and provide a copy of their policy to the District. For the term of the Organic License Agreement, the Licensee shall maintain insurance with a carrier acceptable to the District, insuring the Licensee during the term of the Organic License Agreement , of the following types and in not less than the stated minimum amounts:

Liability Insurance	$1 million per person
	$1 million per occurrence
Property Damage	$1 million per occurrence
Workers Compensation	Full Statutory Limits

    a. The Licensee shall furnish an extant Certificate of Insurance, reflecting the above and agrees that all applicable insurance policies, and the Certificate of Insurance, name the District as additional insured and that the District is to receive thirty (30) days' prior written notice of cancellation of coverage. The general liability policy must specifically include farm liability and farm property. At time of policy renewal or expiration, it is the Licensee's responsibility to provide a new Certificate of Insurance to the District.

i. The Certificate of Insurance shall have the following entered as additional remarks: "The Forest Preserve District of Kane County is additional insured"

ii. The insurance policies or Certificates of Insurance should be sent to the Forest Preserve District of Kane County, 1996 S. Kirk Road, Suite 320, Geneva, Illinois, 60134.

iii. Letters of Continuous Coverage are not admissible in place of a Certificate of Insurance, as this Organic License Agreement terminates automatically at the end of the term.

17. **RULES & REGULATIONS:** The Licensee agrees to abide by such other rules and regulations, as may be promulgated by the District, expressly including the following:

a. The Licensed Premises shall be dedicated to certified organic crop production. The rules and regulations of the National Organic Program (NOP) and USDA organic regulations (Title 7 CFR Part205) are incorporated herein.

b. The first three (3) years of the Organic License Agreement shall be the transition of conventional crop production to certified organic crop production. The last three (3) years shall be certified organic crop production, and the Licensee shall provide proof of organic certification annually.

c. The Licensee must provide the District with the name of the certifying agent, crop advisor, and organic farming plan, which is acceptable to the District prior to entering into this Organic License Agreement. In the event the Licensee is non-compliant with the terms of the Organic License Agreement and/or is intentionally negligent during the transition period, and fails to obtain organic certification, the Organic Farm License may be terminated and the difference of discounted license fees and full license fees collected from the Licensee.

d. By November 30 of each year, Licensee shall submit the Farm Program Reporting Form (Attachment D) to the District. The Licensee will furnish the pesticide applicator name, IDOA License number, details of herbicide and nutrient applications, seed brand and seed treatments, and yield information on the reporting form. Seed tags shall also be provided by the Licensee.

e. Upon request, the Licensee shall provide a copy of any and all drain tile maps of the Licensed Premises, and the District shall make drain tile information available to the Licensee.

f. Upon request, the Licensee shall provide the District with the FSA farm and tract number for each farmed parcel in the Licensed Premises, under this Organic License Agreement.

g. The Licensee shall be responsible for any and all USDA registration, permitting and inspections, including all costs associated therewith.

h. The Licensee shall provide the District with the NRCS Conservation Plan, if any has been adopted and submitted to NRCS or other local agricultural office affiliated with the USDA, together with any amendments thereto as the same are adopted. Such copy shall be delivered within seven (7) days of its submission to NRCS or other applicable entity. The District may

install field edge buffers and in-field vegetated strips as conservation field improvements. The Licensee may be responsible for annual maintenance and shall not plant through installed buffers and strips.

i. For Parcels within the Licensed Premises dedicated to the production of hay, the following additional conditions shall apply:

   i. Licensee shall not plant row crops, till, grade, harrow, nor otherwise disturb the topsoil surface without written consent of the District's Director of Natural Resources.

   ii. Licensee shall not make the first cutting of hay until after July 1 of each year of this Organic License Agreement or any extension hereof, without the express written consent of the District's Director of Natural Resources, in order to enable the fledging of native grassland birds.

j. The District reserves the right to implement a component of its Deer Management Program at the preserve where the Licensed Premises are located. The Licensee will be notified in writing no less than sixty (60) days prior to the District initiating either an archery-hunting program or a deer population reduction event.

18. **DEFAULT:** If default is made in the payment of the licensee fee or in any of the covenants and agreements herein contained, it shall be lawful for the District at its election without notice to the Licensee to declare this Organic License Agreement to be terminated as of the date of such default and to re-enter the Licensed Premises or any part thereof, either with or without process of law, and to remove and put out, using such force as may be necessary, the Licensee or any person or persons and property using or occupying the same. The Licensee hereby expressly waives all right of any notice or demand under any statute of the State of Illinois or any federal law relating to forcible entry and detainer.

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21. **PROPERTY TAX:** If it is determined by any governmental entity, other than the District, that any property tax is owed due to any interest associated with this Organic License Agreement, then the

Licensee shall pay such tax. The obligation to pay such tax shall survive the termination of this Organic License Agreement.

22. **RESTORATION:** The Licensee understands that by farming property owned by the District they are participating in the eventual restoration plans for the property. The rules, regulations, and conditions herein are tailored to conservation farming with goals similar to the management of natural areas for the long term ecological health of District property.

23. **COMPLIANCE:** The District reserves the right to enter, view, and inspect the Licensed Premises at all reasonable times. Field assessments will be conducted on the Licensed Premises to monitor compliance with tillage and other conditions of the Organic License Agreement. The Licensee is expected to abide by all rules and conditions of the Organic License Agreement, including the submission of reporting forms and Certificate of Insurance. Non-compliance may result in the termination of the Organic License Agreement. If issues arise that hinder the Licensee's ability to comply with the agreed conditions of the Organic License Agreement, the Licensee must contact the District as soon as possible.

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EXHIBIT D

Farm Program Reporting Form

Location:		**Licensee:**
Farm ID:		

Crop Year:		**Crop Type:**		**Field Number(s):**	

Tillage			
No-till	Strip-till	Other (Provide type of tillage and reason)	Tillage Dates

Seed Information	
Brand and Variety	Treatment*

*Attach seed tag

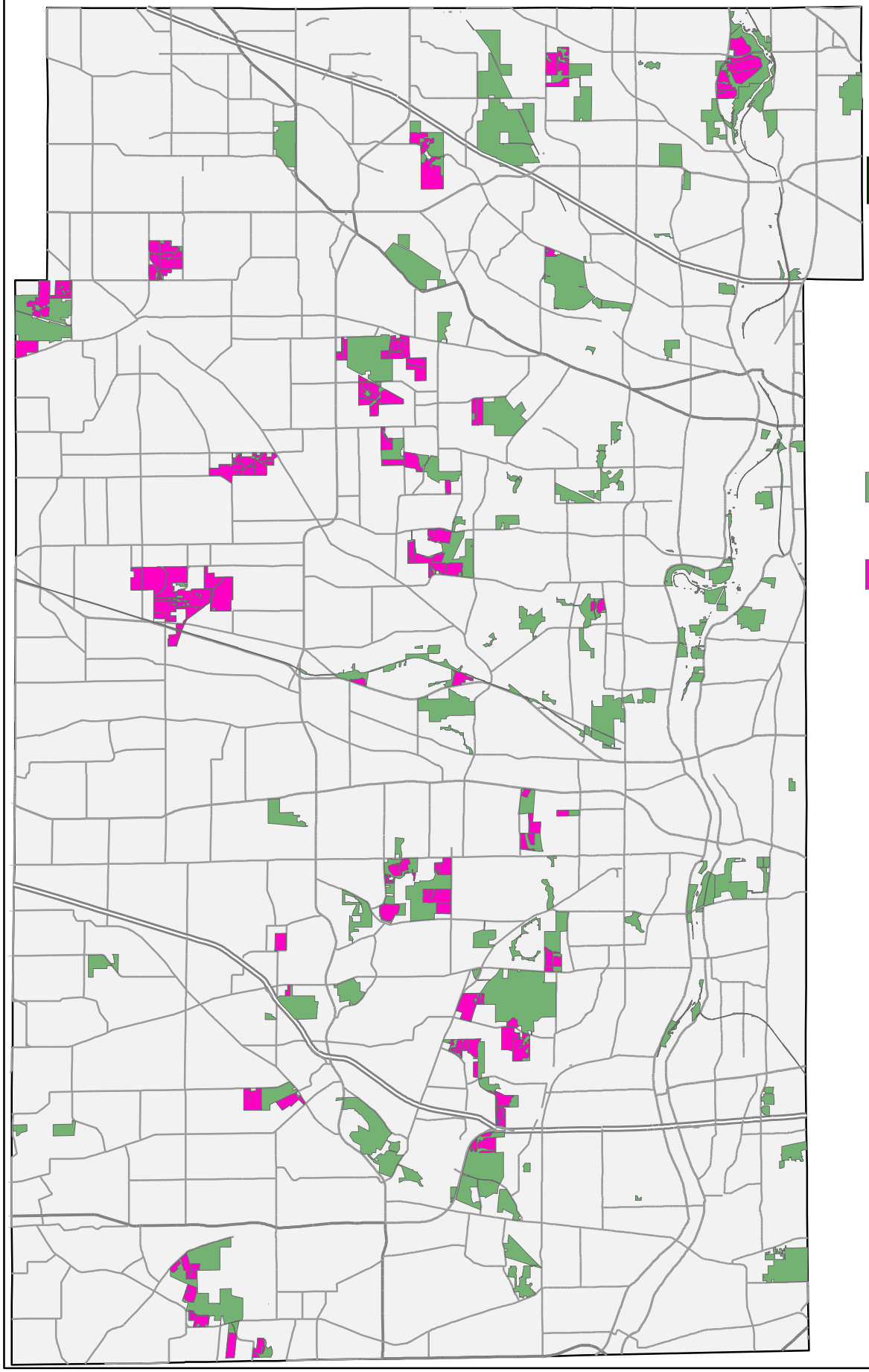
Herbicide/Pesticide Applications			
Date	Description/product	Rate per Acre	Method

Applicator/Operator Name	**IDOA License # and Exp. Date**

Nutrient Applications			
Date	Description/product	Rate per Acre	Method

Yield Information	
Parcel or Field number(s)	Yield

Forest Preserve District of Kane County
2024 Farm Program



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KANE COUNTY

Kane County Forest Preserve

Kane County Forest Preserve Farmland

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Map Date: 01/10/2024 MB