

APPROVAL OF 2022 CROP LEASES ON COUNTY LAND

Dane County leases land for cropping as an interim management tool.

Following is a 2 year lease, January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2023

Blooming Grove Drumlins Natural Resource Area

Section 1 and Section 12 in the Town of Blooming Grove and City of Madison;
27.6 acres;

- Addendum to Lease with existing tenant to continue cropping this land;
- Rent is \$4,140 per year for 2 years;
- Lessee: Keaton Uphoff

Following are leases for 4 years, January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2025

Anderson Farm County Park

Sections 13, 14 and 24, Town of Oregon; 130.9 acres

- Addendum to Lease with existing tenant to continue cropping that includes plans to work with a local urban farm/garden non-profit to convert approximately 25 acres to organic vegetable gardens;
- Rent starts at \$24,478.30 per year that will adjust based on the conversion;
- Lessee: Double Shot Farms

Halfway Prairie School County Park

Section 11 and 12, Town of Mazomanie; 36.3 acres

- New Lease with existing tenant that was farming the land when the property was purchased in 2020. Lease requires mowing and maintenance of grass buffers along the northern and southern boundaries of the field;
- Rent is \$5,808.00 per year for 4 years;
- Lessee: Helt Diversified, LLC

Joyce Baer and George Socha Conservancy

Section 12 and 13, Town of Medina; 38.2 acres

- New Lease with existing tenant that was previously on a trial permit for this donated property. Lease requires tenant to mow and maintain grasslands which comprise 20.2 acres, and mow and maintain grass buffers along with mowing of a wet area;
- Rent is \$2,070 per year for 4 years;
- Lessee: Randy Krause

Springfield Hill Natural Resource Area and Ice Age Trail

Section 25 and 26, Town of Roxbury; 38.2 acres

- Addendum to Lease with existing tenant to continue cropping that includes a 4 year conversion plan to prairie that specifies crop rotations and a mowing schedule. Acreage will decrease and rent shall vary from year to year as fields are converted to prairie and mowing is required;
- Rental schedule per year at \$311.50 per acre:
 - o 2022: \$11,930.45
 - o 2023: \$2,627.30
 - o 2024: \$3,177.30
 - o 2025: \$3,177.30
- Lessee: Triple J Farms, LLC

53 Following is a lease for 6 years, January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2027

54 **Schumacher Farm County Park**

55 Section 4, Town of Westport; 60 acres

- 56 - Addendum to Lease with existing tenant to continue cropping that includes a 6
- 57 year conversion plan to prairie that specifies crop rotations and a mowing
- 58 schedule. Acreage will decrease and rent will vary from year to year as fields
- 59 are converted to prairie and mowing is required;
- 60 - Rental schedule per year at \$260.00 per acre:
 - 61 ○ 2022: \$15,600
 - 62 ○ 2023: \$10,840
 - 63 ○ 2024: \$11,180
 - 64 ○ 2025: \$7,260
 - 65 ○ 2026: \$7,540
 - 66 ○ 2027: \$3,900
- 67 - Lessee: DMK Farms, Inc.

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69 Revenue from the above described leases is included in the 2022 Budget

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71 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Dane County Board of Supervisors and
72 the Dane County Executive and County Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the lease
73 contracts set forth above;

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75 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Dane County Land & Water Resources Department
76 Director and the Real Estate Coordinator are authorized to act as the County's
77 representative in administering the leases.