

DESCRIPTION: The Dane County Land & Water Resources Department wishes to rezone 39.09 acres of county-owned land in the Town of Verona from the AT-35 (Agriculture Transition) zoning district to the NR-C (Natural Resource – Conservation) zoning district to facilitate a transfer of the northern 8 acres to the City of Madison for a future park.

OBSERVATIONS: Because the current AT-35 zoning has a minimum lot size of 35 acres, a rezone is necessary before dividing the lot into parcels smaller than 35 acres. The proposed NR-C zoning will better suit the eventual uses of both lots. The property is within the Ice Age Trail National Scenic Trail Corridor.

TOWN PLAN: The property is within a Rural Residential planning area in the adopted *Town of Verona / Dane County Comprehensive Plan.* The plan includes "an emphasis on preservation of open spaces and conservation of environmentally sensitive areas."

RESOURCE PROTECTION: There are two glacial pothole lakes on the eastern portion of the property. Steep slopes associated with the terminal glacial moraine cross the property from northwest to southeast.

STAFF: Recommend approval with no conditions.

Questions? Contact Brian Standing at standing@countyofdane.com

TOWN: Town has recommended approval with no conditions.