

DESCRIPTION: Applicants wish to divide their existing property into two pieces to create two separate agricultural lots with FP-1 zoning. The lots would be separated from a 120-acre tract of land via certified survey map (CSM); the remaining lands would be well over 35 acres and thus could remain in FP-35 and do not need to be included in the CSM.

OBSERVATIONS: The proposed lots meet ordinance requirements including lot size and public road frontage. There are no existing improvements on either site.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN: Property is within a Farmland Preservation Area under the <u>Town of Vermont / Dane County Comprehensive Plan</u>. Residential development is capped at one unit per 35 acres owned as of January 1, 1985. Agricultural uses are preferred. FP-1 zoning allows for no residential use and is entirely consistent with the adopted plan policies. (For questions about the town plan, contact Senior Planner Brian Standing at (608) 267-4115 or standing.brian@danecounty.gov)

RESOURCE PROTECTION: The western lot, and a small portion of the eastern lot, are within the shoreland zone due to proximity to East Branch Blue Mounds Creek, a perennial stream located east of County Highway F. No concerns; no new development is proposed.

DANE COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPT COMMENTS: CTH F is not a controlled access highway. No new access will be permitted on CTH F due to reconfiguration of lots. Lot 1 will require a revised Permit to Access from CTH F from the Highway Department. Arrangements will need to be made to provide access to Lot 2 from Stanfield Road.

TOWN ACTION: The Town Board recommended approval of the petition with no conditions.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Pending any comments at the public hearing, staff recommends approval of the petition subject to the applicants recording the CSM and the following conditions:

- The landowner shall obtain a revised access permit from the County Highway Department to allow access from County Hwy FF for proposed Lot 1. An access easement agreement shall be prepared to cross Lot 1 of Certified Survey Map 5026 (lot at the corner of CTH F and FF) to provide access to proposed Lot 1. The access easement shall be recorded with the Register of Deeds.
- 2. An access easement agreement shall be prepared to provide access for proposed Lot 2 from Stanfield Road. The access easement shall be recorded with the Register of Deeds.
- 3. The CSM shall designate "no access" along County Highway F for both lots, except for any access point approved by the Highway Department.

Any questions about this petition or staff report please contact Rachel Holloway at (608) 266-9084 or Holloway.rachel@danecounty.gov