

## PLANNING DEVELOPMENT

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Dear Mr. Jackson:

Attached please find proposed amendments to the *Dane County Farmland Preservation Plan Map*. Dane County would like to request certification of this map amendment under s. 91.16, Wisconsin Statutes. Changes from the 2024 certified *Dane County Farmland Preservation Plan* include Farmland Preservation Plan map amendments as shown below.

Municipality	Farmland Preservation Category	Proposed FPP Category	Notes	Acres
City of Fitchburg	Farmland Preservation	Not Farmland Preservation	Amendment to reflect changes to municipality's Comprehensive Plan and Neighborhood Plans.	287.38
Town of Cottage Grove	Farmland Preservation	Not Farmland Preservation	Amendment to reflect changes to municipality's Comprehensive Plan	209.33
Town of Deerfield	Farmland Preservation	Not Farmland Preservation	Land annexed to Village of Deerfield	33.78
Town of Verona	Farmland Preservation	Not Farmland Preservation	Land annexed to City of Verona	35.14

These changes will bring the *Farmland Preservation Plan* into consistency with changes occurring over the course of 2025, including:

- amendments to town, city, village and extraterritorial comprehensive plans and the *Dane County Comprehensive Plan*, and;
- annexations of land to municipalities that do not participate in the state farmland preservation program.

Aaron Krebs, in our Records and Support Division, will be sending you GIS and PDF files of the proposed changes under separate cover.

The <u>Dane County Farmland Preservation Plan</u> is adopted by the Dane County Board of Supervisors as a component of the <u>Dane County Comprehensive Plan</u> under s.66.1001, Wis. Stats and Chapter 82, Dane County Code.

Ordinance Amendment 2025 OA-11 was introduced to the Dane County Board of Supervisors on September 5, 2025, and would adopt the changes described above. A public hearing before the Zoning and Land Regulations Committee has been scheduled for October 28, 2025. Notification of this amendment has been published, posted and mailed individually in accordance with the requirements of ss. 91.10(3) and 66.1001(4), Wisconsin Statutes. Dane County is therefore requesting that the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection grant a certification contingent on final county board and county executive action.

For more information or questions about this Farmland Preservation Plan certification submittal, please contact:

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Sincerely,

**Todd Violante** 

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