

To Whom it May Concern,

I strongly oppose the senseless rezoning of this property. The rezoning will provide very minimal housing at the price of forever destroying acres of prime farmland. The motivation is purely profit for the current owners, as the property will be sold after it is rezoned. A farmer will lose their lease, animals will lose their habitat, and Springdale will lose more of its country charm.

Farmland in Wisconsin is crucial for our economy, environment, and community. It contributes significantly to industrial revenues, employment, and overall economic activity. Additionally, farmland plays a vital role in maintaining Wisconsin's ecological balance and ensuring food security.

Wisconsin lost 6,272 farms and 533,952 acres of farmland from 2017 to 2022, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture's 2022 Census of Agriculture released Feb. 13, 2024. The decrease in Wisconsin mirrors a national trend. The United States lost more than 141,733 farms and twenty million acres of farmland during the same period. [Census reveals Wisconsin farm decline](#)

I urge you to fully understand these implications when considering this petition, as well as others to rezone farmland. Farmland contributes substantially to Wisconsin's economy and further degradation will have dire implications. [The-Contribution-of-Agriculture-to-the-Wisconsin-Economy.pdf](#)

Once this land is gone it is not coming back. Farmland preservation zoning is in place for a reason, and unnecessary development is posing a significant danger to our economy, environment, and food supply. Please choose to protect our farmland today and moving forward.

Best regards,

Rachel Wolf

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Wisconsin's Farming Economy:



Agriculture is fundamental to Wisconsin's economy, generating **\$116.3 billion** in revenue and **353,900 jobs** in 2022.

Losing Our Best Land:



67% of farmland conversion will occur on some of the most productive and versatile land in the country.



The Future of Farmland Loss:

Wisconsin is rapidly losing farmland, with a projected loss of more than **515,200 acres** and **6,400 jobs** by 2040. This loss represents an area more than eight times the size of the City of Milwaukee.

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Prevent farmland rezoning in Springdale, WI

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The Issue

In the quiet, rural area of Springdale, Wisconsin, a proposal is threatening to change the landscape forever: the rezoning of 27 acres of critical farmland. For those of us who call this place home, this issue strikes deeply into the heart of our community. Farmland in this area is not just land; it's a lifeline for

our economy, a backbone for our local environment, and a pillar on which our community stands. I ask you to act with me and sign this petition.

Agricultural lands in Wisconsin represent more than 15 million acres of the state's total 54 million acres, contributing to a \$104.8 billion economic output yearly. Wisconsin lost 6,272 farms and 533,952 acres of farmland from 2017 to 2022, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture's 2022 Census of Agriculture released Feb. 13. Our title as "America Dairyland," reflects the integral role farming plays in our state's identity and economy. Allowing rezoning in Springdale would set a dangerous precedent, potentially opening the door for further losses of invaluable farmland.

Beyond economics, our environment depends on this land. Farms naturally maintain biodiversity, support ecosystems, and contribute to carbon sequestration, significantly mitigating the impact of climate change. Moreover, farmland can help manage flood risks by absorbing rainfall, which is crucial during Wisconsin's increasingly intense storm seasons. Losing this farmland would directly harm our environment and heighten these existing threats.

We understand that development is essential, but it must be balanced with preserving what makes Springdale unique. This proposal would destroy 27 acres of farmland for a minimal number of single-family homes and is driven purely by financial gain for the current owners.

We urge the decision-makers and stakeholders involved in this proposal to reject the rezoning of our valuable farmland. Protecting Springdale's land means protecting our community's future, the environment, and our state's economy. Please stand with us in safeguarding our home, our land, and our legacy for future generations.

Sign this petition to ensure that Springdale's farmland is preserved for future prosperity.

Please also consider attending the meeting on October 28th at 6:30 pm or write in with your concerns in advance. In person: Room 354, City-County Building, 210 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd, Madison, WI. By phone 1 888 788-0099 webinar ID: 975 0684 2433. Written: plandev@danecounty.gov

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 **Rachel Wolf**

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