

CALL FOR BIDS**INSTRUCTIONS AND SPECIFICATIONS
FOR****Five Year Farm Leases at County Line, Macktown, Severson Dells,
and Seward Forest Preserves**

The Forest Preserve District of Winnebago County is seeking qualified bidders to fulfill five year farm lease agreements at the following locations: County Line, Macktown, Severson Dells, and Seward Forest Preserves.

The Board of Commissioners of the Forest Preserves of Winnebago County will receive sealed bids at the Winnebago County Forest Preserve District Headquarters, 5500 Northrock Drive, Rockford, Illinois 61103, until 10:00 am November 3, 2023.

**A public opening and reading will be held at the following date and time:
10:00 am November 3, 2023.**

ALL BIDS MUST BE ENCLOSED IN SEALED ENVELOPES MARKED:**“FPWC 5 Year Farm Agreements”**

The Board of Commissioners reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids or to waive technicalities, or to accept any item of any bid. Information is available from the Forest Preserves of Winnebago County, 5500 Northrock Drive, Rockford, Illinois 61103. Telephone (815) 877-6100, E-Mail FPWC@winnebagoforest.org.

The documents constituting component parts of the Bid Form are the following:

- I Call for Bids**
- II Requirements for Bidding and Instructions to Bidders**
- III Farm Agreement Specifications**
- IV Maps**
- V Bid Forms**

This Call for Bids was published in the Rockford Register Star on September 29, 2023 and on the Forest Preserve website at www.winnebagoforest.org.

Any questions may be directed to Mike Brien, Director of Natural Resources, by telephone 815-877-6100; by fax 815-877-6124; or email mbrien@winnebagoforest.org.

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REQUIREMENTS FOR BIDDERS AND INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

PREPARATION OF PROPOSAL

The bidder must submit their proposal on forms furnished by the Forest Preserves. All blank spaces on the proposal form must be filled in. Authorized signature must be the individual owner of a proprietorship, a general partner of a partnership, or signed in the name of a corporation by an officer whose title shall be stated. Bids or proposals shall be sealed in an envelope and marked as required in the instructions. The bid or proposal is contained in these documents and must remain attached hereto when submitted.

TAXES NOT APPLICABLE

The Winnebago County Forest Preserve District, as a Governmental Unit, pays neither Federal Excise nor Illinois Retailers Occupational Tax, and therefore those taxes should be excluded from quotation. Illinois Exemption E9992-3483-06.

PROMPT PAYMENT ACT

The bid should provide that all payments are subject to the Local Governmental Prompt Payment Act.

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

Any responses and supporting documents submitted in response to a bid or proposal will be subject to disclosure under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act.

WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS OR PROPOSALS

Any bidder may withdraw their proposal at any time prior to the closing time for the receipt of bids by signing a request therefore. However, no bidder shall withdraw or cancel their proposal for a period of sixty (60) calendar days after said advertised closing time for the receipt of bids or proposals; the successful bidder shall not withdraw nor cancel their bid or proposal after having been notified the Director of Natural Resources that said bid or proposal has been accepted by the Forest Preserve's Board of Commissioners.

CANCELLATION

The Winnebago County Forest Preserve District reserves the right to cancel any contract in whole or in part without penalty due to failure of the contractor to comply with terms, conditions, and specifications of this contract.

COST OF BID OR PROPOSAL

Expenses incurred in the preparation of proposals in response to this bid or proposal is the Bidder's sole responsibility

COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS

All services, work and materials that in any manner affect the production, sale, or payment for the product or service contained herein must comply with all federal, state, county and municipal laws, statutes, regulations, codes, ordinances and executive orders in effect now or later and whether or not they appear in this document, including those specifically referenced herein. The successful bidder must be authorized to do business in the state of Illinois, and must be able to produce a certificate of good standing with the state of Illinois upon request.

Bidder/Contractor must obtain all licenses, certificates and other authorizations required in connection with the performance of its obligations hereunder, and Bidder/Contractor must require any and all subcontractors to do so. Failure to do so is an event of disqualification and/or default and may result in the denial of this bid and/or termination of this Agreement.

In the event federal or state funds are being used to fund this contract; additional certifications, attached as addenda, will be required. Lack of knowledge on the part of the vendor will in no way be cause for release of this obligation. If the Forest Preserves becomes aware of violation of any laws on the part of the vendor, it reserves the right to reject any bid, cancel any contract and pursue any other legal remedies deemed necessary

SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION

The Substance Abuse Prevention on Public Works Act, Public Act 95-0635, prohibits the use of drugs and alcohol, as defined in the Act, by employees of the Contractor and by employees of all approved Subcontractors while performing work on a public works project. The Contractor/Subcontractor herewith certifies that it has a superseding collective bargaining agreement or makes the public filing of its written substance abuse prevention program for the prevention of substance abuse among its employees who are not covered by a collective bargaining agreement dealing with the subject as mandated by the Act.

Bidders and their Subcontractors (if applicable) certifies that the entity has signed collective bargaining agreements that are in effect for all of its employees, and that deal with the subject matter of Public Act 95-0635, or certifies that the contracting entity has in place for all of its employees not covered by a collective bargaining agreement that deals with subject of the Act, and will attach the substance abuse prevention program that meets or exceeds the requirements of Public Act 95-0635.

BID PROTEST

Firms wishing to protest bids or awards shall notify the Forest Preserves in writing within 30 days after the invitation to bid opening. The notification should include the bid number, the name of the firm protesting and the reason why the firm is protesting the bid. The Forest Preserves will respond to the protest within 30 calendar days.

DISPUTES

In case of disputes as to whether or not an item or service quoted or delivered meets specifications, the decision of the Forest Preserves, or authorized representative shall be final and binding to all parties.

ENTIRE AGREEMENT

These Standard Terms and Conditions of Bid or Proposal shall apply to any contract or order awarded as a result of this Request for Bid except where special requirements are stated elsewhere in the Request; in such cases the special requirements shall apply. Further, the written contract and/or order with referenced parts and attachments shall constitute the entire agreement and no other terms and

conditions in any document, acceptance, or acknowledgment shall be effective or binding unless expressly agreed to in writing by the contracting authority.

NON-DISCRIMINATION

In connection with the performance of work under this contract, the contractor agrees not to discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, religion, color, handicap, sex, physical condition, developmental disability, sexual orientation, or national origin. This provision shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment of compensation, and selection for training, including apprenticeship. Except with respect to sexual orientation, the contractor further agrees to take affirmative action to ensure Equal Employment Opportunities. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available for employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the contracting officer setting forth the provisions of the Non-Discrimination Clause.

NON-COLLUSION

The Bidder, by its officers, agents or representatives (hereafter referred to the Bidder) present at the time of filing this bid, say that neither they nor any of them, have in any way directly or indirectly, entered into any arrangement or agreement with any other Bidders, or with any public officer or the Winnebago County Forest Preserve District, Illinois, whereby, the Bidder has not paid or is to pay to such Bidder or public officer any sum of money, anything of value or has not directly or indirectly entered into any arrangement or agreement with any other Bidder of Bidders. Whereby, no inducement of any form or character other than that which appears upon the face of the bid will be suggested, offered, paid or delivered to any person whomsoever to influence the acceptance of the said bid or understanding of any kind whatsoever, with any person whomsoever to pay, deliver to, or share with any other person in any way or manner, any of the proceeds on the Contract sought by this bid.

NON-BARRED BIDDING

The bidder is not barred from bidding on this Contract as a result of a conviction for the violation of state laws prohibiting bid rigging or bid rotating.

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION

The bidder/offeror certifies, by submission of this proposal or acceptance of this contract, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency. It further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include this clause without modification in all lower tier transactions, solicitations, proposals, contracts, and subcontracts. Where the bidder/offeror/contractor or any lower tier participant is unable to certify to this statement, it shall attach an explanation to this solicitation/proposal. Additionally, for all new contractors and vendors to be paid, 1 the Purchasing Department will review the Excluded Parties List System prior to requesting the vendor be created in our accounting system.

III

Farm Agreement Specifications

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of the Forest Preserves of Winnebago County's (hereafter referred to as 'Forest Preserves') farm lease program is to maintain undeveloped Forest Preserves land in a weed free state, free of undesirable succession, until such time when the Forest Preserves has the resources to actively restore and rehabilitate the property.

1. LOCATIONS

1.1 County Line Forest Preserve (Map B)

1.1.1 **FSA ID:** IL201_F6186_T2159, IL201_F6186_T538

1.1.2 **Directions:** Cherry Valley; Located along both sides of Mill Road in between Highway 20 and Newburg Road. (See Map A).

1.1.3 **Field Access:** Directly off of Mill Road.

1.1.4 **Acreage:**

1.1.4.1 Lease Total: 77.6

1.1.4.2 Tillable Acres: 51.2 acres, with an option for an additional 10.

Field 1: 32

Field 2: 19.2

Field 3: There are no acres currently in production. Lessee may convert up to 10 acres of pasture to row crops. The per acre price submitted as part of the bid process will be applied to any converted acres.

1.1.5 **Soils:** Primarily Martinsville, Plano, and Virgil silt loams; Lahoguess loam

1.1.6 **2023 Crop:** Soybeans

1.2 Macktown Forest Preserve (Map C)

1.2.1 **FSA ID:** This property is awaiting issue of an FSA ID. Until one is issued, it is ineligible for certain FSA and NRCS programs.

1.2.2 **Directions:** Rockton; located 0.7 miles west of Macktown Golf Course (See Map A)

1.2.3 **Field Access:** Off gravel drive at 2877 Freeport Road, Rockton, IL 61072

1.2.4 **Acreage:**

1.1.4.1 Lease Total: 37

1.1.4.2 Tillable Acres: 29.4

1.2.5 **Soils:** Primarily Jasper silt loam, Griswold loam, and Martinsville silt loam.

1.2.6 **2023 Crop:** Corn

1.3 Severson Dells Forest Preserve (Map D)

1.3.1 **FSA ID:** This property is awaiting issue of an FSA ID. Until one is issued, it is ineligible for certain FSA and NRCS programs.

1.3.2 **Directions:** Rockford; 3.5 miles southwest of Rockford, 2 miles west of Meridian Road, on Montague Road (See Map A).

1.3.3 **Field Access:** Off driveway at the Forest Preserves Natural Resource Center

- 1.3.4 **Acreage:**
 - 1.1.4.1 Lease Total: 46
 - 1.1.4.2 Tillable Acres: 44
- 1.3.5 **Soils:** Primarily Ogle, Pecatonica, Flagg, and Greenbush silt loams.
- 1.3.6 **2023 Crop:** Corn

1.4 Seward Bluff Forest Preserve (Map E)

- 1.4.1 **FSA ID:** IL201_F6550_T9725
- 1.4.2 **Directions:** Pecatonica; 0.5 miles west of Pecatonica along Highway 20
(See Attachment A)
- 1.4.3 **Field Access:** Off Spielman Road along east side of property
- 1.4.4 **Acreage:**
 - 1.1.4.1 Lease Total: 86.6
 - 1.1.4.2 Tillable Acres: 81
- 1.4.5 **Soils:** Primarily Jasper, Greenbush, and Plano silt loams.
- 1.4.6 **2023 Crop:** Corn

2. SPECIFICATIONS

2.1 General

- 2.1.1 Lessee will provide all required labor, equipment, tools, seed, fertilizer, and pesticide required to satisfy the terms of this agreement.
- 2.1.2 Lessee will personally farm the property described in this agreement. Lessee may not sublease or transfer this agreement to any other party without Forest Preserves approval.
 - 2.1.2.1 Lessee may contract with outside vendors for specific services, such as herbicide and fertilizer application or cover crop installation, with written approval from the Forest Preserves.
- 2.1.3 The lessee will be responsible for routine maintenance and the upkeep of any fences, waterways, and drainage ways existing on the site.
 - 2.1.3.1 Lessee may mechanically trim or remove any branches that encroach into the crop field, provided they are not increasing the tillable acreage.
 - 2.1.3.2 Lessee is responsible for removing any downed branches or debris that may be deposited into the crop field by weather or other means.
 - 2.1.3.3 The Forest Preserves may contract with the lessee to perform maintenance or make improvements beyond what may be considered routine in nature. Examples include rehabilitating, reshaping, or installing grassed waterways; removal of trees and shrubs; and the installation of culverts or water control structures. Both parties will establish a value of the work to be done prior to the commencement of work and no work shall be done without a written agreement signed by both parties.
- 2.1.4 Lessee is responsible for controlling any noxious weeds, as defined under the Illinois Noxious Weed Law (505 ILCS 100), present within the leased area.
- 2.1.5 Lessee shall have no recreational use authority over the property, and shall not permit hunting, fishing, camping, or snowmobiling thereon.

2.1.6 Lessee shall not impact or disturb any natural area adjacent to or present within the leased property

2.1.7 The lessee assumes all risk of crop loss due to any event other than damage caused by the Forest Preserves. The value of any damage caused directly by the Forest Preserves will be determined by the Forest Preserves and the following lease payment will be adjusted.

2.1.8 Lessee may not make any improvements or additions to the site, to include the construction of any structures, installation of culverts, removal of native vegetation, or increasing the tillable acreage, without the written approval of the Forest Preserves.

2.1.9 Lessee is not permitted to store any items (equipment, supplies, fertilizer, seed, chemicals, etc.) on site for any extended period of time without permission from the Forest Preserves.

2.1.10 The Forest Preserves may allow public access to the property for recreational purposes after the crops planted by the lessee have been harvested.

2.1.11 Lessee will ensure that any equipment operated on Forest Preserves property has been cleaned of any mud, foreign seed, plant debris, and chemical residue prior to entering the leased area.

2.1.12 Lessee is responsible for any loss or damage to Forest Preserves property.

2.2 Approved Crops: Lessee is permitted to grow corn, soybeans, or small grains in a rotation of their choosing, with the exceptions that corn may not be produced for more than two consecutive years and soybeans may not be grown in consecutive years.

2.3 Soil Health

2.3.1 Soil testing: The Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) recommends performing soil tests every 3-5 years. The lessee is required to perform at minimum two soil tests: once prior to planting any crop for the 2024 growing season and once within the final 6 months of the term of this lease. Lessee will be responsible for all costs associated with conducting soil tests and will submit copies of all test results to the Forest Preserves.

2.3.2 Soil amendments: It is the lessee's responsibility to maintain pH, nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium levels as recommended in Chapter 8 "Managing Soil pH and Crop Nutrients" of the Illinois Agronomy Handbook. A copy of this text can be provided upon request.

2.3.2.1 Lessee will establish maintenance input values based on soil test results and the previous year's crop yield. Maintenance inputs will be applied annually.

2.3.2.2 Nitrogen shall only be applied in the spring.

2.3.2.3 Phosphorous shall not be applied to frozen ground.

2.3.2.4 Lessee will document all fertilizers and soil amendments on the Chemical & Fertilizer log (Attachment A).

2.3.3 Tillage: The conservation of soil on Forest Preserves owned agricultural lands is a priority of the Forest Preserves. The following tillage restrictions are the minimum

acceptable conservation practices. Lessee may implement 'no-till', 'ridge-till', or other more conservative tillage practices with written approval by the Forest Preserves.

2.3.3.1 Lessee must comply with any NRCS conservation plan

2.3.3.2 No fall tillage, to include moldboard plowing, disking, or chisel plowing is permitted. Strip tillage for the purpose of fall applications of fertilizer and soil amendments, other than nitrogen, is permissible with prior approval from Forest Preserves.

2.3.3.3 Lessee is not permitted to chop, shred, bale, or otherwise remove any crop residue from the field prior to the spring tillage date.

2.3.3.4 Spring tillage may begin as soon as conditions allow after March 1st.

2.3.3.5 Lessee shall leave at least 30% residue cover after planting.

2.3.3.6 Deep or vertical tillage is permitted to address compaction issues, provided it is not specifically prohibited in any NRCS conservation plan and prior approval is granted by the Forest Preserves.

2.3.4 Cover crops: The Forest Preserves encourage the voluntary use of NRCS approved cover crops in order to reduce erosion, maintain soil health, and minimize soil compaction.

2.3.4.1 Lessee is required to plant a NRCS approved cover crop following the production of soybeans.

2.3.4.2 Lessee is responsible for all costs associated with the installation and termination of cover crops.

2.4 Pesticide Use: The Forest Preserves encourage the use of the Integrated Pest Management (IPM) approach for controlling pests on Forest Preserves lands. Any application of herbicide, fungicide, or insecticide must follow all guidance contained on the product label, along with any local, state, or federal laws.

2.4.1 Lessee is required to maintain a valid Illinois Pesticide License in order to apply pesticides to Forest Preserves property.

2.4.2 Lessee must document all pesticide applications using the Chemical & Fertilizer log (Attachment A).

2.4.3 The Forest Preserves must approve, in writing, foliar application of any insecticide.

2.4.4 The use of Dicamba is **not** allowed on this property.

2.4.5 The use of any neonicotinoid, to include neonicotinoid treated seed, is **not** allowed on this property. Common neonicotinoid chemicals include Imidacloprid, Thiamethoxam, Clothianidin, Acetamiprid, Thiacloprid, Dinotefuran, and Nitenpyram.

2.4.6 Lessee shall use a fluency agent designed to improve seed flowability and reduce dust from treated seed during the planting process.

2.5 Enrollment in Cost Share Programs: Lessee may participate in cost share programs offered by the Natural Resource Conservation Service or Soil and Water Conservation District with prior written approval from the Forest Preserves.

2.6 Reserved Rights

2.6.1 The Forest Preserves reserve the right to enter the leased area at any time for the purpose of inspecting the grounds, performing maintenance to the property, in order to access Forest Preserves property adjacent to the leased area, or for any other reason necessary.

2.6.2 The Forest Preserves reserve the right to modify the tillable acres permitted in this agreement.

2.6.3 The Forest Preserves reserve the right to inspect any equipment, implement, or field input (seed, fertilizer, pesticide, etc.) that will be used to satisfy the terms of this agreement.

3. PRICING AND PAYMENT

3.1 Price: Lessee will pay a fixed price of Click or tap here to enter text. per acre to produce crops on Click or tap here to enter text. acres of tillable land, for a total price of Click or tap here to enter text..

3.2 Payment: Lessee will pay one half of the agreed upon price before April 15th and the remaining half on or before December 15th for each rent year.

3.2.1 The Forest Preserves will accept a check or money order as payment.

3.2.2 Payment can be made at Forest Preserves Headquarters or mailed to 5500 Northrock Dr. Rockford, IL 61103.

3.2.3 Additional Services: The value of any work done by the lessee as outlined in section 2.1.3.3 will be deducted from the next payment due following satisfactory completion of the work.

3.3 Taxes: The Forest Preserves agree to be responsible for the payment of any real property taxes assessed against the leased property.

4. LIABILITY AND INSURANCE

4.1 Liability: Liability of the Forest Preserves, its employees, and its agents is limited to the responsibilities and duties described herein. Lessee shall indemnify and save harmless the Forest Preserves against any and all loss, damage, liability, judgments, costs, and reasonable attorney's fees arising out of lessee's negligent acts or omissions taken pursuant to the authority granted by this agreement.

4.2 Minimum liability insurance: Lessee shall provide insurance to protect themselves and the Forest Preserves from claims, which may arise out of, or result from the execution of this agreement. Proof of insurance shall be submitted to the Forest Preserves prior to commencing work under this agreement. This insurance shall include the following types and limits:

A. Workmen's Compensation	Illinois Statutory Limits
Employers Liability	\$500,000
B. Comprehensive General Liability form	
Limits - Bodily Damage	\$300,000 per occurrence
	\$500,000 aggregate
Property Damage	\$100,000 per occurrence
	\$200,000 aggregate
C. Auto Insurance; Comprehensive coverage on owned, non-owned, and hired autos; and uninsured motorists.	
Limits - Bodily Damage	\$300,000 per occurrence
	\$500,000 aggregate
Property Damage	\$100,000 per occurrence
	\$200,000 aggregate

4.3 Crop Insurance: Lessee will be responsible for any crop insurance on the crops planted pursuant to this agreement.

4.4 Flood Insurance: Lessee will be responsible for any flood insurance required to cover crops planted pursuant to this agreement.

4.4.1 This property ☐ IS ☒ IS NOT located in a flood zone.

5. TERM AND TERMINATION

5.1 Term: The term of this agreement shall commence January 1, 2024 and shall terminate December 31, 2029.

5.1.1 This agreement may be extended for a period not to exceed two years at the sole discretion of the Forest Preserves.

5.1.2 This agreement may not be renewed.

5.2 Termination: The Forest Preserves may terminate this contract, in whole or in part, immediately upon notice to the vendor if: (a) the Forest Preserves determines that the actions of the lessee, their agents, employees, or subcontractors have caused, or reasonably could cause damage to the property or jeopardize the health and safety of the parties to this agreement or Forest Preserves patrons, or (b) the lessee has notified the Forest Preserves that they are unable or unwilling to perform the contract.

If the lessee fails to perform any material requirement of this agreement to the Forest Preserve's satisfaction or is in violation of any material provision of this agreement, the Forest Preserves shall provide written notice to remedy the identified problem within the period of

time specified within the written notice. Failure to remedy a material deficiency within the specified time may result in termination of this agreement without additional notice.

The lessee may terminate this agreement at any point if they are no longer able to satisfactorily complete the material requirements of this agreement. If the lessee believes they are unable to meet any part of this agreement they must notify the Forest Preserves as soon as possible. Lessee must provide written notice to the Forest Preserves at least 30 days before the date they wish to terminate this agreement. If notice is given to terminate this agreement during the growing season (March 1st – December 1st) the lessee may still be required to pay the full agreed upon price for the rental year.

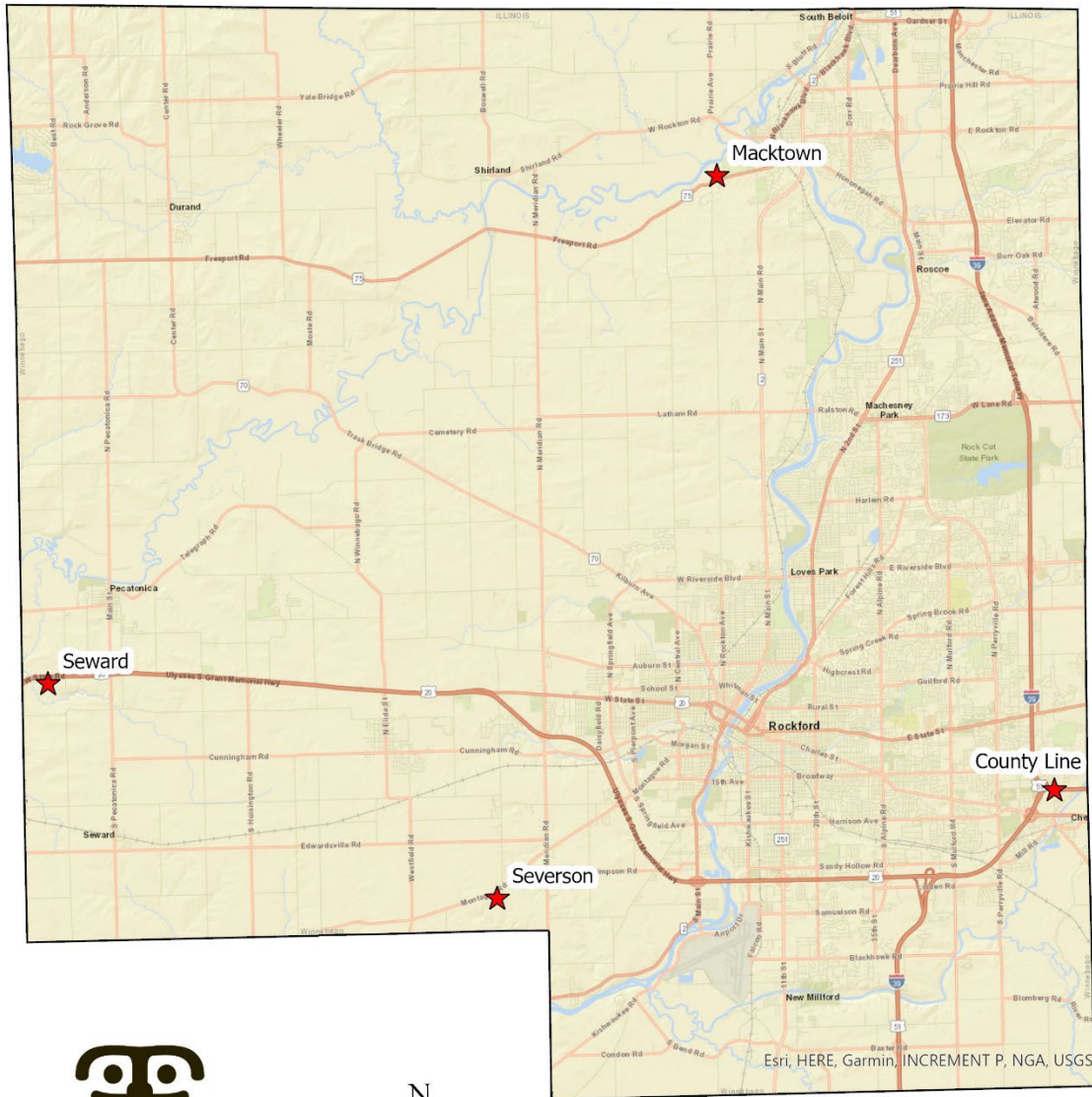
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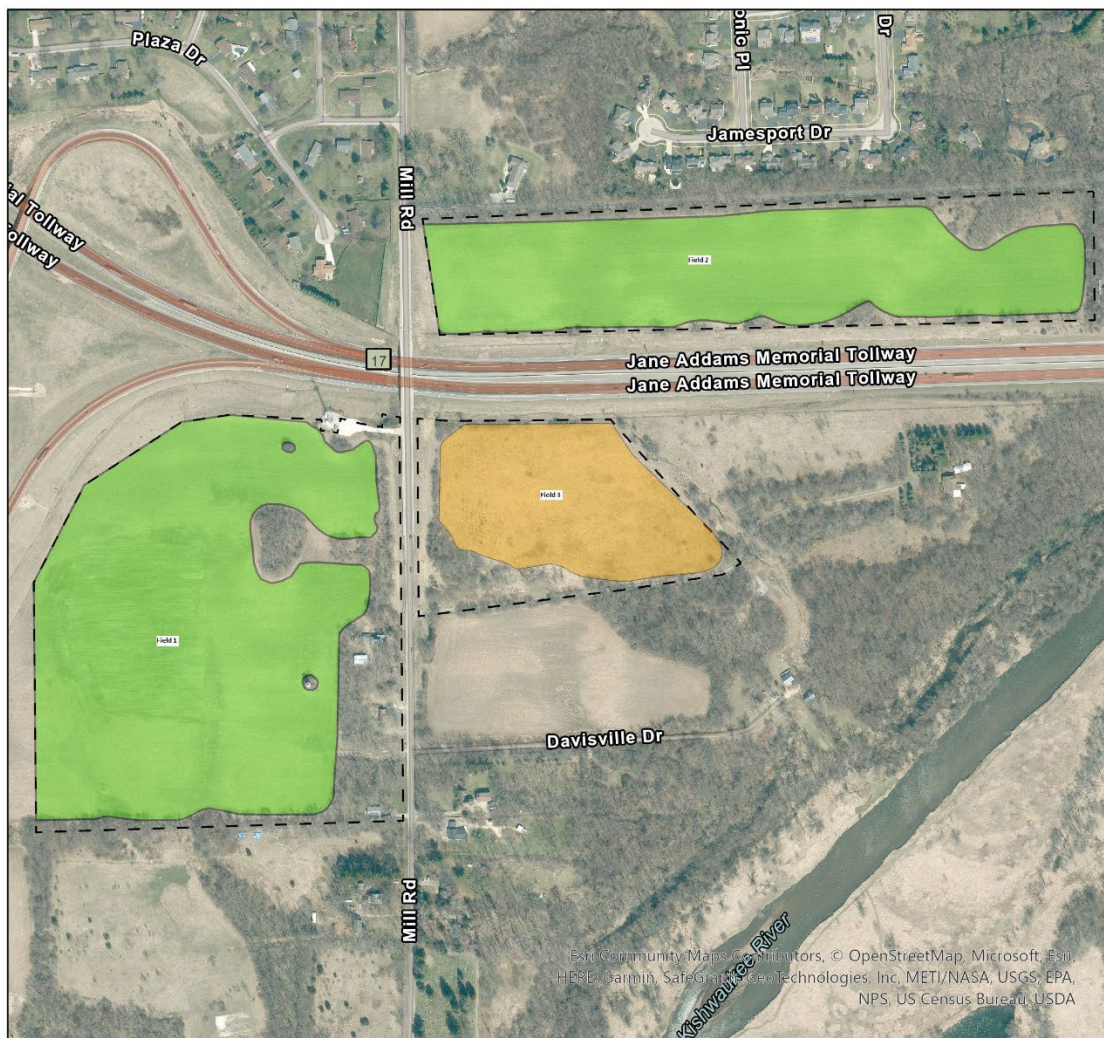
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MAPS

A. Locator

Farm Agreement Locator Map



County Line



Legend

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- Tillable
- May convert
- LeaseExtent

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Macktown



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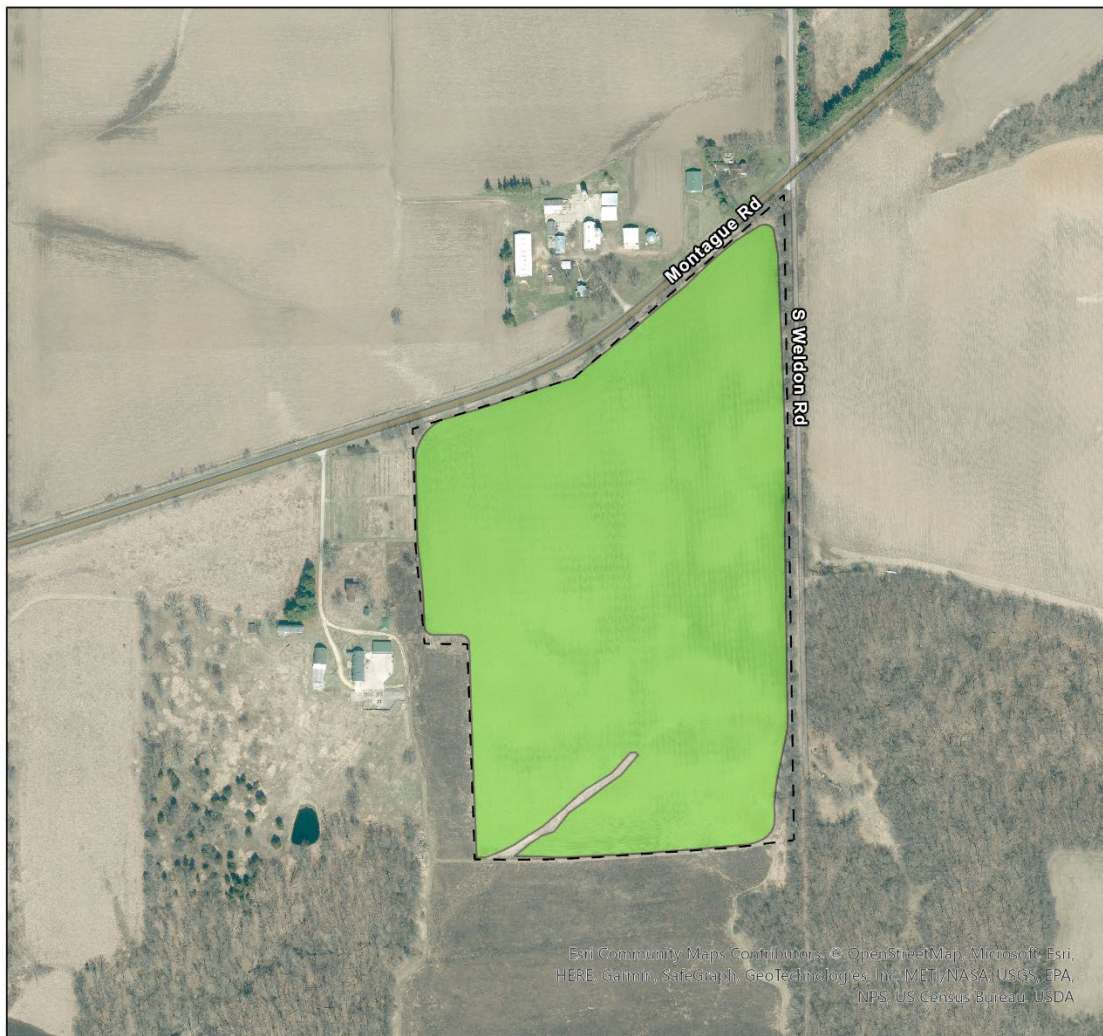
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Severson Dells



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V
Bid Sheet

"FPWC 5 Year Farm Agreements"

BIDDER INFORMATION

Bidder Name: _____

Business Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

FEIN (If applicable): _____

BIDDER EXPERIENCE

Number of years farming: _____

Types of crops produced: _____

Do you have experience with conservation tillage? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Do you have experience with cover crops? ☐ Yes ☐ No

ACCEPTANCE OF SPECIFICATIONS

Please read and select one of the following statements:

1. I have carefully read the **Farm Agreement Specifications** and hereby certify that I understand the provisions contained therein and that I am able to complete the requirements of this agreement without exception.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

2. I have carefully read the **Farm Agreement Specifications** and hereby certify that I understand the provisions contained therein and that I am able to complete the requirements of this agreement with the following exceptions:

Signed: _____ Date: _____

PRICING

Please submit your bid utilizing the following template. The price per acre you submit below will apply each year for the duration of the five year lease agreement. You may bid on one or multiple locations.

County Line Forest Preserve

\$ _____ per acre X **51.2 tillable acres** = \$ _____ total per lease year

_____ Initial for NO BID

Macktown Forest Preserve

\$ _____ per acre X **29.4 tillable acres** = \$ _____ total per lease year

_____ Initial for NO BID

Severson Dells Forest Preserve

\$ _____ per acre X **44 tillable acres** = \$ _____ total per lease year

_____ Initial for NO BID

Seward Bluffs Forest Preserve

\$ _____ per acre X **81 tillable acres** = \$ _____ total per lease year

_____ Initial for NO BID

BID SUBMISSION

In order for your bid to be accepted for consideration you must place both pages of the **Bid Sheet** in a sealed envelope clearly marked “**FPWC 5 Year Farm Agreements**” and submit it to Forest Preserve Headquarters located at 5500 Northrock Drive, Rockford, IL 61103 no later than 10:00 a.m. on Friday, November 3, 2023.

BID OPENING

A public bid opening will be held at Forest Preserve Headquarters, located at 5500 Northrock Drive, Rockford, IL 61103, at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, November 3, 2023.

SIGNATURE

Sign _____

Date _____