RESOLUTION NO. 2019-234

RESOLUTION APPROVING MINOR CHANGES TO CHAMPAIGN COUNTY
LAND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, based on updated information and map data, and in accordance with LRMP
Priority Items 1.3.1 and 2.1.1, two minor changes to the Champaign County Land Resource
Management Plan (LRMP) were recommended for consideration at the Champaign County
Environment and Land Use Committee (ELUC) on June 6, 2019; and

WHEREAS, Amendment #1 contains minor changes to update LRMP Volume I Existing
Conditions and Trends Report to update the ‘Farmland Acreage’ series of data tables in the
‘Countywide Land Use Trends’ in Chapter 12, based on data from the United States Department
of Agriculture, National Agricultural Statistics Service, 2017 Census of Agriculture, County
Profile for Champaign County, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Amendment #2 contains minor changes to the LRMP Volume 2 Land Use
Management Areas Map to include updated municipal and 1.5-mile Extraterritorial Jurisdiction
boundaries, and

WHEREAS, ELUC recommended County Board approval of these minor LRMP
Amendments at their August 8, 2019 meeting; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Board of Champaign
County, Illinois that the Champaign County Land Resource Management Plan be amended as
described above.

PRESENTED, ADOPTED, and APPROVED this 22nd of August A.D. 2019.

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Giraldo Rosales, Chair
Champaign County Board

Recorded & Attest: ____________________________ Approved: ____________________________
Aaron Ammons, County Clerk
and ex-officio Clerk of the
Champaign County Board

Date: ____________________________

Darlene A. Kloeppel, County Executive
Date: ____________________________
DATE: July 31, 2019
TO: Environment and Land Use Committee
FROM: Susan Monte, Planner
RE: Minor Amendments to Champaign County Land Resource Management Plan (LRMP)

ACTION REQUESTED: Recommend County Board Approval

Background

This request is to propose minor amendments to the Land Resource Management Plan (LRMP) as provided in:

LRMP Priority Item 1.3.1: Based on the annually prepared report of trends and new developments, provide a recommendation to ELUC regarding minor LRMP map changes each year. Provide public notice of LRMP changes and invite public input regarding proposed changes.

LRMP Priority Item 2.1.1: Review municipal limits and contiguous urban growth area boundaries with municipal representatives on a regular basis in order to update LRMP Future Land Use Map and Land Management Area Map boundaries.

Proposed Minor Amendment to LRMP Volume 1, Existing Conditions and Trends

2017 Census of Agriculture Data

Proposed is a minor amendment to update the ‘Farmland Acreage’ series of data tables in the ‘Countywide Land Use Trends’ Section of Chapter 12 in LRMP Volume 1. The minor amendment is based on available data from the United States Department of Agriculture, National Agricultural Statistics Service, 2017 Census of Agriculture, County Profile data for Champaign County Illinois.

The 2017 Census of Agriculture data is considered as the leading source of uniform and comprehensive agricultural data for at a state and county or county equivalent level and is available in five-year increments.\(^1\) The data is limited insofar as it is self-reported data. A new limitation is that, beginning with 2017 Census of Agriculture data, terminology and certain definitions have been updated or adjusted. As a result, limitations exist regarding the ability to compare 2017 data with earlier Census of Agriculture data releases. The commodity data available beginning with the 2017 Census of Agriculture is mostly comparable between the 2017 and 2012 censuses.\(^2\)
The Chapter 12 Tables proposed to be updated based on the 2017 Census of Agriculture data are:

12-2: Farms and Farmland in Champaign County
12-2.5 Farm Numbers, Total Acres, and Average Size: Champaign County
12-3: Number of Farms (Total and Irrigated), 1997-2017
12-4.5: Top Crops in Acres

Attachment A contains the updated and new proposed Chapter 12 Tables. Tables 12-2 and 12-3 are intended to replace the previous update of these tables, most recently amended in 2015. Tables 12-2.5 and 12-4.5 are new tables provided that contain data that is comparable between 2012 and 2017 census of agriculture versions. No changes, based on the 2017 Census of Agriculture, are proposed to the remaining Chapter 12 tables, most recently amended in 2015.

**Proposed Minor Amendments to LRMP Volume 2 Land Use Management Areas Map**

The proposed minor amendments to the LRMP Land Use Management Areas Map is an update to both municipal boundaries and corresponding 1-1/2 extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ) boundaries based on most current CCGIS Consortium GIS data. The corporate limit and ETJ boundaries on the LRMP Land Use Management Areas map are updated on an annual basis.

The updated version of the LRMP Land Use Management Areas Map dated June 4, 2019 will be made available on the [Champaign County Department of Planning and Zoning webpage](https://www.champaigncounty.org/departments/planning-zoning).

**Attachment**

A Updated Tables 12-2 and 12-3 and new Tables 12-2.5 and 12-4.5 of LRMP Volume I, Existing Conditions and Trends

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**Notes**

The Land Use Management Area map defines spatial extents of policies based on language and intent of the LRMP.

**Policy Areas**
- Rural
  - Best Prime Farmland
  - Non Best Prime Farmland
  - Existing Natural Area
  - Areas which may contain Natural Areas
  - Parks and Preserves
  - Mahomet Aquifer (approx.)
  - Primary Sand & Gravel Aquifers (approx.) *
  - Stream
  - Lake
- Urban
  - Settlement
  - Contiguous Urban Growth Area
- * also situated above the Mahomet Aquifer

**Administrative Boundaries**
- Extraterritorial Jurisdiction
- Extraterritorial Jurisdiction Boundary Agreement
- Township Boundary
- Floodplain

**Existing Land Uses**
- Commercial / Industrial
- Residential
- Existing Incorporated Area
- Airport

**Roads**
- Interstate
- Federal Highway
- State Highway
- County Highway
- Railroad