

Agricultural Preserves Program

Program

Agriculture Industry

Council's Role

Assistance

Coordination with local government

Committees

Program Summary



Metropolitan Agricultural Preserves Program Status Report

- MN's second largest industry
- Metro counties contribute
- Ag Preserves program - n
- viable metro area farm operations



State Profile

Minnesota

Ranked items within U.S., 2007

Item

MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)

Total value of agricultural products sold
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products

VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)

Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas
Tobacco
Cotton and cottonseed
Vegetables, melons, potatoes and sweet potatoes
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops
Other crops and hay
Poultry and eggs
Cattle and calves
Milk and other dairy products from cows
Hogs and pigs
Sheep, goats, and their products
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys
Aquaculture
Other animals and other animal products

TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)

Corn for grain
Soybeans for beans
Wheat for grain, all
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop
Sugarbeets for sugar

TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)

Turkeys
Layers
Broilers and other meat-type chickens
Hogs and pigs
Pullets for laying flock replacement



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for long term agricultural areas locally
protect Metro Area agricultural lands from urban
incentives

encourage agricultural investments

provide program benefits such as tax incentives

An aerial photograph of a golf course. A light-colored path winds through the green grass. In the foreground, there is a large, rounded mound of earth or sand, possibly a bunker or a natural feature. The background shows more of the golf course and some trees.

Council's Role

Provide technical assistance to local government & landowners

Maintain maps showing land enrolled

Prepare annual report

Laketown Township, Carver County

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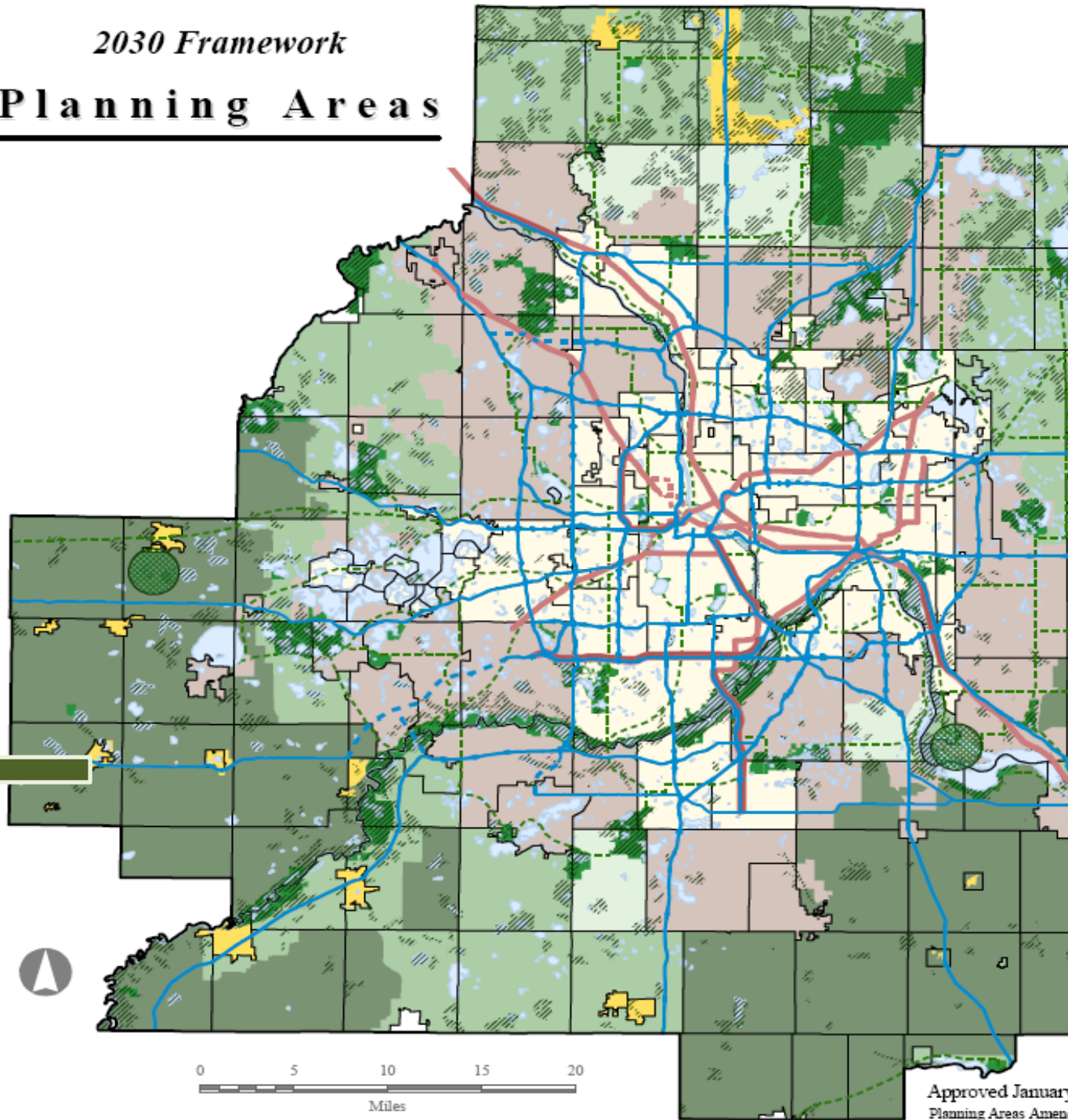
2030 Framework Planning Areas

Geographic Planning Areas

Developing Area
Developed Area

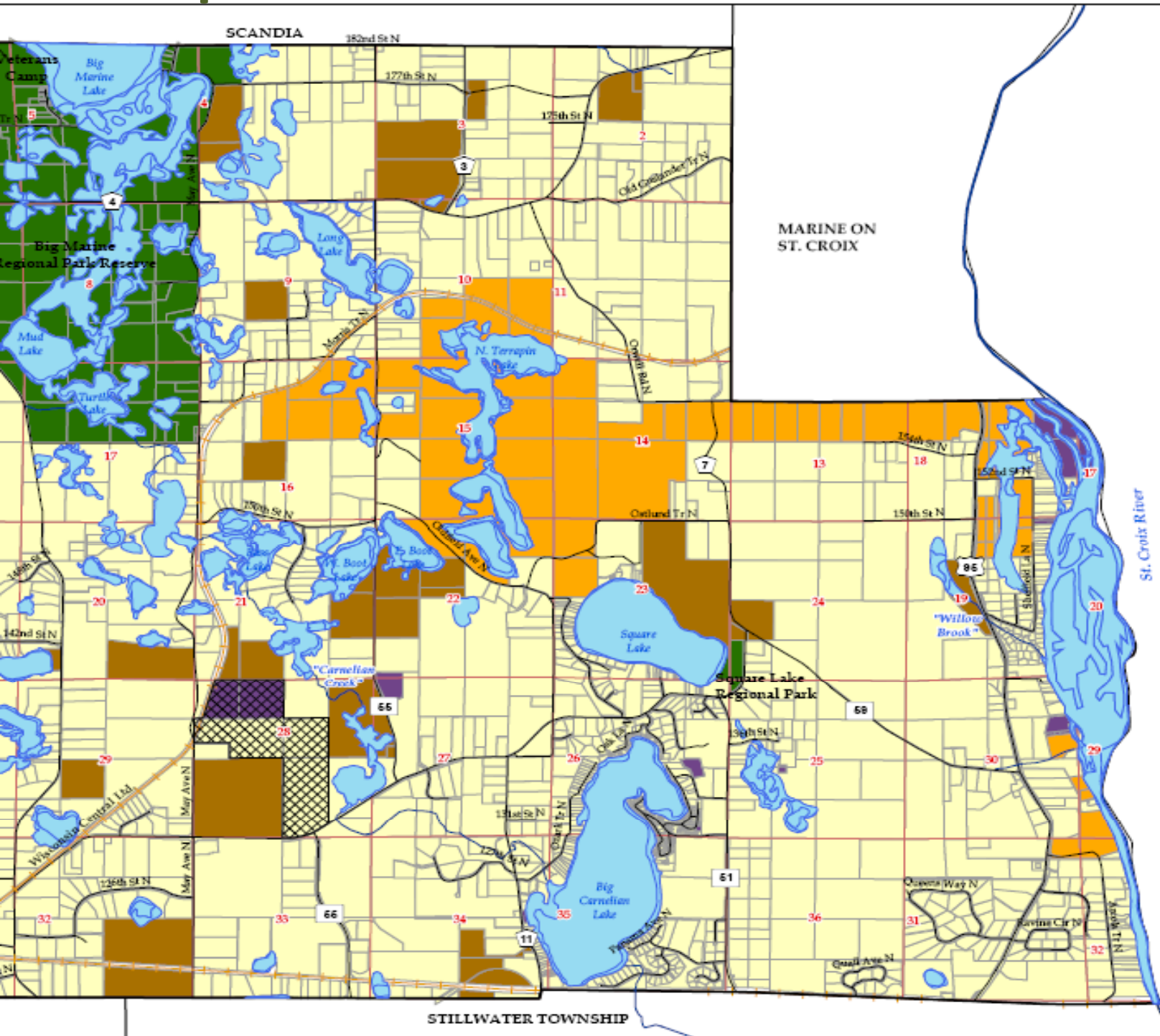
Rural Planning Areas

- Rural Center
- Agricultural
- Diversified Rural
- Rural Residential



Approved January
Planning Areas Amend

Land Use Requirements



Town of May



2030 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

2030 Land Use

- RR: Rural Residential
- C, Conservancy (1:20)
- AG, Agriculture (1:40)
- Park & Recreation
- Public/Institutional
- Commercial
- Water
- Rivers
- Streams
- Mining Overlay Area



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This map is for planning purposes only
 Source: Washington County, Metropolitan Council
 and Land Management Information Center. Septe

Requirements

restrictive covenant with property

in agricultural use

in agricultural status until expiration

(yrs)



An aerial photograph of a rural landscape. A paved road runs diagonally from the top right towards the bottom right. To the left of the road is a large, golden-brown field, possibly a farm. To the right of the road is a lush green area with a golf course visible in the lower right. The background shows a mix of green fields and some residential buildings.

Farm Benefits

Classifies property as agriculture

Statewide average tax rate

Guarantees minimum tax credit

Protects normal farm practices

Exempts urban assessments

An aerial photograph of a rural landscape. The foreground and middle ground are dominated by large, green agricultural fields, likely corn. A winding river or stream flows through the center-right of the image. In the background, there are more fields, some trees, and a few buildings. A large pond is visible on the right side. The overall scene is a typical rural setting.

Program Funding

5 fee on mortgage registrations & deed

credits using revenue (\$2.50 share)

remainder to MN Conservation Fund &

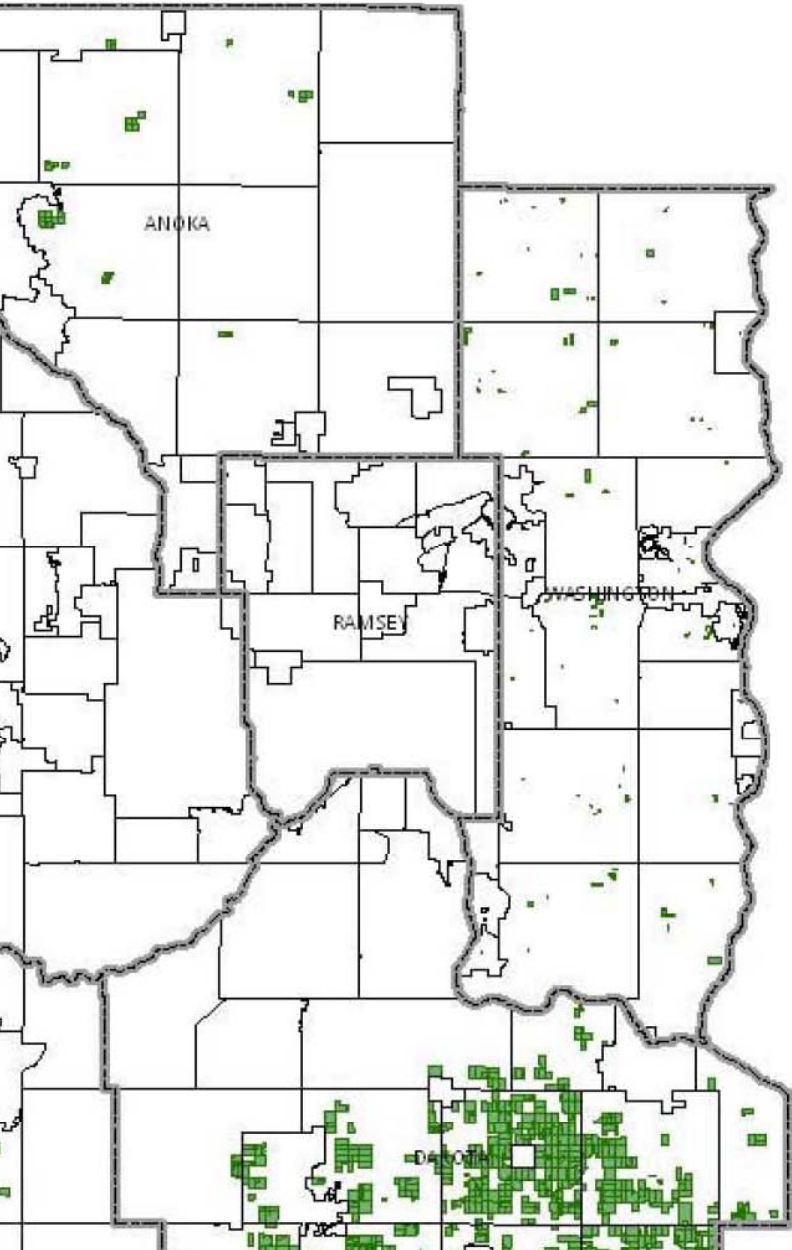
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Twin Cities Metropolitan Area

Metropolitan Agricultural Preserves Program

2010 Enrollment

May 2011



County	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Anoka	1,591	1,520	1,793	2,104	2,139	3,000
Carver	98,337	93,271	93,739	93,518	94,621	100,900
Dakota	59,308	57,841	58,763	59,535	60,838	64,800
Hennepin	12,113	11,141	11,406	12,326	12,413	13,500
Scott	7,332	7,193	7,077	7,393	7,353	8,400
Washington	8,227	8,932	9,045	9,204	9,101	9,400
Total	186,908	179,898	181,823	184,080	186,465	200,200

Natural Preserves Program

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