

LAND USE ELEMENT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this section is to review and analyze land use in the Town of Ridgeway. The land use element is the compilation of all other elements of this plan. Designating land uses and standards for development requires the Town to be able to adequately provide utilities, maintain roads, and support other services. Therefore, the policies and programs of the land use element must be supported by all other elements of the plan. This section will consider both current and future land use in the Town of Ridgeway. At the present time, the dominant developed land use in the Town is agricultural.



Wisconsin State Statute 66.1001(2)(h)

(h) *Land-use element.*

A compilation of objectives, policies, goals, maps and programs to guide the future development and redevelopment of public and private property. The element shall contain a listing of the amount, type, intensity and net density of existing uses of land in the local governmental unit, such as agricultural, residential, commercial, industrial and other public and private uses. The element shall analyze trends in the supply, demand and price of land, opportunities for redevelopment and existing and potential land-use conflicts. The element shall contain projections, based on the background information specified in par. (a), for 20 years, in 5-year increments, of future residential, agricultural, commercial and industrial land uses including the assumptions of net densities or other spatial assumptions upon which the projections are based. The element shall also include a series of maps that shows current land uses and future land uses that indicate productive agricultural soils, natural limitations for building site development, floodplains, wetlands and other environmentally sensitive lands, the boundaries of areas to which services of public utilities and community facilities, as those terms are used in par. (d), will be provided in the future, consistent with the timetable described in par. (d), and the general location of future land uses by net density or other classifications.

LAND USE POLICIES

The following are the land use policies for the Town of Ridgeway.

Residential Development Policies

- **Overall density in the Town of Ridgeway shall be one (1) dwelling unit per forty-acres rule established under Farm Preservation Policies.**
- **The minimum parcel size for development will be five-acres contingent upon a deed restriction on thirty-five acres additional acres to conform to the overall density guidelines set forth in the Land Use Element.**

All building parcels will be required to meet the land division requirement of the Town of Ridgeway. The maximum amount of farmland to be used as a residential building site will be one acre.

- **All new driveways and access easements will require the review and approval of the Town Board of the Town of Ridgeway.**

Driveways must be constructed and approved prior to obtaining a Building Permit from the Town of Ridgeway.

- **All new residential development, including access driveways, will be required to conform to the natural limitations presented by the topography, soils, and vegetation of the land being developed.**

Residential development will be required to conform to the performance standards established in the Comprehensive Plan.

- **The Town of Ridgeway will not accept the dedication or maintenance responsibility for any additional roads servicing residential development.**

Refer to the Town's rural residential siting criteria sheet in Section I, Implementation Element, and Map H-1 in this Section for more information.

Commercial Development Policies

- **Commercial development will be permitted in conformance with all the other policies established for development in designated areas. In addition, the Town of Ridgeway will encourage new commercial development to "cluster" or locate in or adjacent to existing commercially zoned areas.**
- **Except for small family businesses, new commercial development will be required to have frontage on either a county or state highway.**

Small family businesses may be permitted in any part of the Town provided that primarily members of the immediate family conduct the business. Signage shall be determined by conditional use restrictions.

- **Heavy industry or businesses requiring large quantities of water and wastewater disposal will be encouraged to locate in areas where municipal sanitary sewer and water systems are available.**
- **Agricultural businesses providing farm services and/or supplies will be permitted to locate within the farming areas of the Town.**

Agricultural business development will be reviewed by the Town as a conditional use that may receive variance from the other policies and performance standards of the Comprehensive Plan.

- **Recreation and institutional development proposed in the Town of Ridgeway will be required to meet all of the polices and standards of the Comprehensive Plan.**

As a part of reviewing such development proposals, developers will be required to submit impact statements assessing in detail the proposed projects impact on (a) farms an farmland, (b) natural resources; (c) Town roads, (d) fire and emergency medical services; (e) Town taxes and community setting. The results of such an impact assessment must prove positive benefits to the community before such development will be permitted.

- **Major commercial development shall be required to located in or adjacent to existing commercially developed areas, shall be compatible with adjacent land uses, and shall not degrade the environment.**
- **Commercial development at any proposed highway interchange shall be controlled to promote safe, compact, convenient highway oriented facilities.**
- **When rezoning is requested, only that portion of land necessary for the projected use shall be rezoned.**

Those lands that exhibit the greatest long-term commitment to agriculture based upon soil type, ownership patterns, investment and other criteria previously identified and mapped shall continue to be recognized.

This policy recognizes that prohibiting all development in agricultural areas is not realistic; certain Ag-related uses such as grain storage facilities or implement sales and service requiring a rural location may be permitted. Those land uses and activities that could conflict with the agriculture use or adversely affect the long-term investment in land and improvements in areas designated for farmland preservation shall be discouraged. This policy provides for a minimum amount of residential development in agricultural areas. It is assumed that rezoning would be required for residential construction. Farmers within the Town are encouraged to follow soil conservation plans and utilize soil conservation practices.

The Town shall cooperate with other agencies and units of government to establish eligibility for farmers who wish to receive tax credits for participation in farmland preservation programs. Agencies and bodies responsible for the preparation of plans for public improvements, such as roadway corridors, power lines, pipelines, or sanitary landfills shall be requested to recognize the agricultural goals of the Town.

Refer to the Town's commercial siting criteria sheet in Section I, Implementation Element, and Map H-1 in this Section for more information.

Resource Protection and Other Recreation Areas

- **All plans for development in or adjacent to important natural features will be carefully reviewed by the Town Plan Commission and Town Board to ensure that existing natural features are preserved whenever possible.**
- **Soil erosion measures will be encouraged in all land uses.**
- **The preservation and maintenance of areas needed to support wildlife shall be encouraged.**

Environmental Protection Policies

- **The Comprehensive Plan is designed to protect the natural environment and special features of the ridge and valley land characteristic of the Town of Ridgeway.**

Development In floodplains or steep slopes will be prohibited. All development will be managed to protect the natural lay of the land, groundwater resources, floodplains, and the aesthetic qualities of this landscape. The Comprehensive Plan is designed to encourage what new development should and should not occur. In most cases, the statements are general in nature, with the intent of providing some flexibility in their application. The policies have been coordinated with the policies of County Zoning and will be used in combination with other policies, ordinances, and regulatory powers as appropriate.

Rural Non-Farm Areas

- **Unsewered residential subdivisions on soils identified as having severe or very severe limitations for septic tank absorption fields and dwelling with basements shall be not be allowed.**
- **Unsewered residential subdivisions in areas where public sewers are available or planned shall be discouraged.**
- **New unsewered residential lots shall be five-acres or more in size with appropriate deed restrictions as per Residential Development Polices in this Section H.**
- **Strip residential development along roadways shall be discouraged in order to protect the use of the roadway for moving traffic and to ensure a more visually attractive Town.**
- **Land divisions, site design, and construction plans shall be related to the natural topography of the site. Significant natural features existing on a site should be preserved wherever practicable.**
- **Where land development is undertaken, commonly accepted erosion control practices shall be followed in site preparation and construction. The guidelines, standards, and specification to be followed are in the publication “Minimizing Erosion in Urbanizing Areas”, USDA Soil Conservation Service.**
- **The Town of Ridgeway will encourage energy conservation techniques in the site planning and construction of new uses within the Town.**

Farm Preservation Policies

- **Dwelling units shall be at a density of not more than one (1) dwelling unit per forty-acres. Residential parcels may be created by certified survey if not on soils classified as prime Class I, and II, and at the discretion of the Town Board, Class III land.**

This density standard shall be determined on the basis of continuous ownership parcels of record as listed in the Town of Ridgeway property tax rolls as of January 1, 1994. Existing farm-related dwellings are counted against the density standard. All vacant parcels, forty-acres or less, existing prior to adoption of the Town of Ridgeway Forty-acre Ordinance will be grandfathered to allow one dwelling unit, subject to an agreement by the property owner that the entire parcel be deed restricted by covenant to have no more than one dwelling unit per forty-acres as a condition of approval of a rezoning or a building permit issued by the Town.

Residential building sites shall not contain more than one-acre of farmland as defined herein, at the discretion of the Plan Commission.

- **Development will not be permitted on productive farmlands (lands having a history of farming activity including cropland) and /or lands containing soils defined as Class I, II or Class III at the discretion of the Town Board as designated in the Soil Survey Report for Iowa County prepared by the U.S. Soil Conservation Service.**

An exception to this policy will be granted where farmland parcels are too small to be economically used for agricultural purposes or which are inaccessible to modern farm machinery needed to produce and harvest agricultural products.

- **New private driveways or roads for non-agricultural purposes shall not be permitted to cross or dissect productive farmlands unless allowed along existing line fences or natural features such as a stream.**
- **Any new private development requiring utility extensions (electric power lines, telephone lines, gas distribution lines) to cross productive farmlands in a manner that will disrupt farming activities will not be permitted.**
- **To avoid possible farm nuisance complaints, developments meeting the above criteria will not be permitted to locate within 1000 feet of an operating farm unit or agricultural facility.**

If in the opinion of the Town Board a greater distance is required to avoid possible conflicts from existing or proposed agricultural operations, a greater set back distance may be required.

- **The Town will encourage farmland erosion control practices.**

Ridgeway will work with the Iowa County Soil Conservation Service and will require landowners to follow approved farm conservation plans aimed at reducing soil erosion rates. Farmland that has a history of strip cropping, contouring, sod waterways, or terraces cannot be changed without written permission from the Town Board and the Iowa County Soil Conservation Service.

- **The Town will monitor intensive, confinement, and/or large-scale farming operations to avoid possible land use conflicts and environmental nuisances.**

Any farm operation (farm unit) exceeding 300 animal units as defined below will be subject to review and approval in compliance with the performance stands of the Town of Ridgeway Comprehensive Plan.

- **Those lands that exhibit the greatest long-term commitment to agriculture based upon soil type, ownership patterns, investment or other criteria previously identified and mapped shall continue to be recognized.**

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EXISTING LAND USE

The Town of Ridgeway is a predominately agricultural and forestry based community. See Maps E.2 and E.8 in Section E, Agricultural, Natural, and Cultural Resource Element, for existing Ridgeway land use maps.

Table H.1 is a breakdown by percentage for land uses in Ridgeway. As indicated by the Iowa County Tax Assessors Office, the Town is defined as 62.7 percent agricultural land.

Table H.1: Town Of Ridgeway Land Use

Classification	Town of Ridgeway Percent of Land Area
Agricultural	62.7%
Residential (Single- and Multi-Family)	1.9%
Commercial	0.03%
Manufacturing	0.0%
Production Forest	10.2%
DNR-MFL Forest	13.1%
Undeveloped (formerly Swamp/Waste)	6.2%
Other (Federal, State, County, School, Cemetery)	5.6%

(Source: Iowa County Tax Assessor Dept., SWWRPC)

Agricultural

Agriculture is the dominant developed land use in Ridgeway, with 62.7percent occupying the Town's land area. Agricultural land includes land that produces a crop (including Christmas trees or ginseng), agricultural forest (forested lands contiguous with agricultural land), supports livestock, or is eligible for enrollment in specific federal agricultural programs.

Residential

As indicated by Map H.1 and Table H.1, residential land use accounts for 1.9 percent of the land area within the Town.

Commercial

Commercial refers to any parcel that has a business on it, but does not include industrial properties. This may be a convenience store, car wash, bank, grocery store, tavern, etc., referring to any type of retail or business establishment. The existing land use map does not differentiate between highway businesses, home occupations, or general businesses, but classifies all of the above as commercial. In the Town of Ridgeway, commercial development occupies approximately 0.03 percent of the total land area.

Manufacturing

Manufacturing refers to business and industry that is engaged in processing, manufacturing, packaging, treatment, or fabrication of materials and products. As indicated by Table H.1, there is no manufacturing in Ridgeway.

Forested

This classification is Production Forests and DNR-MFL Forests acreages combined. In Ridgeway it is the second largest classified land use. Map H.1 and Table H.1 show that approximately 23.3 percent of the land area in Ridgeway is forest under these classifications.

Undeveloped

This classification refers to areas that were formerly classified as swamp/waste. It is open land includes bogs marshes, lowlands brush land, and uncultivated land zoned as shoreland and shown to be wetland. Approximately 6.2 percent of the total land in the Town of Ridgeway is classified as undeveloped land.

Other

Remaining land types that do not fall into the above categories, including federal, state, and county lands, school property, and cemeteries, are classified as "other". Approximately 5.6 percent of land in the Town of Ridgeway is listed under this classification. Refer to Maps E.2 and E.8, Section E, Agricultural, Natural, and Cultural Resource Element, and Table H.1 for more information.

LAND USE TRENDS**Table H.2: Town of Ridgeway Land Use Assessment Statistics Iowa County – 1993**

Real Estate Class	# of Parcels	Land Value
Residential	153	\$663,400
Commercial	14	\$51,800
Manufacturing	--	--
Agricultural	770	\$8,414,475
Swamp & Waste	21	\$5,950
Forest	296	\$858,300

(Source: Wisconsin Department of Revenue-1993)

Table H.3: Town of Ridgeway Land Use Assessment Statistics Iowa County – 2003

Real Estate Class	# of Parcels	Land Value
Residential	239	\$3,582,725
Commercial	21	\$326,700
Manufacturing	--	--
Agricultural	716	\$2,027,350
Swamp & Waste	--	--
Forest	234	\$5,417,610

(Source: Wisconsin Department of Revenue-2003)

LAND USE TRENDS -RESIDENTIAL

Residential land use occupies 1.9 percent of the Town of Ridgeway. The following table indicates changes in single-family residential units between 1990 and 2000 for the Town of Ridgeway compared to Iowa County.

Table H.4: Town Of Ridgeway Single Family Housing Unit Change

	1-Unit (1990)	1-Unit (2000)	% Change
Town of Ridgeway	193	213	10.4%
Iowa County	6,632	7,796	17.6%

(Source: 1990 & 2000 US Census)

As indicated by Table H.2, the single housing units in Ridgeway increased 10.4 percent between 1990 and 2000, while single housing units in Iowa County increased 17.6 percent.

IDENTIFICATION OF SMART GROWTH AREAS

The Town of Ridgeway Comprehensive Plan identifies smart growth areas in Section H of the plan, areas defined by this process as places that make sense for future development. Map H.1 indicates the smart growth areas for future residential development in the Town.

LAND USE PROJECTIONS

Table H.5 shows future residential land use projections for the Town of Ridgeway, derived from Section A, Issues and Opportunities of the Comprehensive Plan.

Table H.5: Land Use Projections 2000 - 2030

PROJECTED RESIDENTIAL LAND USE	2000	2010	2020	2030
Low Projection	211	218	224	228
Change in Number of Households	--	7	6	6
1 Dwelling Units Per 15 Acres	--	280	240	240
High Projection	211	223	232	241
Change in Number of Households	--	12	9	9
1 Dwelling Units Per 15 Acres	--	480	360	360

REDEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

No redevelopment opportunities were identified by the Plan Commission.

EXISTENCE OF BROWNFIELDS OR PROPERTIES SUITABLE FOR REDEVELOPMENT

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources maintains a database referred to as BRRTS (Bureau for Remediation and Redevelopment Tracking System). The database lists contaminated lands and sites and includes the following: spills, leaks, Superfund sites, and other contaminated sites that have been reported to us or otherwise discovered. The database currently contains 5 records for the Town of Ridgeway. The list includes the following four categories:

LUST: A Leaking Underground Storage Tank that has contaminated soil and/or groundwater with petroleum. Some LUST cleanups are reviewed by DNR and some are reviewed by the Dept. of Commerce.

ERP: Environmental Repair Program sites are sites other than LUSTs that have contaminated soil and/or groundwater. Often, these are old historic releases to the environment.

SPILLS: A discharge of a hazardous substances that may adversely impact, or threaten to adversely impact public health, welfare or the environment. Spills are usually cleaned up quickly.

No Action Required: There was or may have been a discharge to the environment and, based on the known information, DNR has determined that the responsible party does not need to undertake an investigation or cleanup in response to that discharge. Reports of UST closures with no action required are filed in state archives.

The complete database is available from the Department of Natural Resources Website. www.dnr.state.wi.us Activities on these sites including remediation is available for review on the website or by contacting the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. The following listings contain the DNR Activity Number, Activity Type, Activity Name, Municipality, County, and a Priority Level. As stated above, additional information is available from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.

IOWA COUNTY LIST OF CONTAMINATED SPILLS AND SITES

DNR Act. Number	Activity Type	Activity Name	Municipality	County	Priority
04-25-050149	Spills	CTH H AT USH 14	ARENA	Iowa	
04-25-043953	Spills	HARTUNG BROS AIRSTRIP	ARENA	Iowa	
02-25-001321	ERP	HARTUNG BROS INC	ARENA	Iowa	High
02-25-001576	ERP	HARTUNG BROS INC	ARENA	Iowa	Low
04-25-050751	Spills	HARTUNG BROS INC	ARENA	Iowa	
04-25-188685	Spills	HARTUNG BROS INC	ARENA	Iowa	
04-25-048157	Spills	HARTUNG BROS INC	ARENA	Iowa	
03-25-220745	LUST	HARTUNG BROS INC	ARENA	Iowa	Low
04-25-194315	Spills	HARTUNG BROS INC	ARENA	Iowa	
04-25-266748	Spills	HARTUNG BROS INC	ARENA	Iowa	
04-25-047820	Spills	HIGH ST & WILLOW ST	ARENA	Iowa	
04-25-050778	Spills	HWY 14 2 M W OF ARENA	ARENA	Iowa	
03-25-264307	LUST	MUSCARELLO, PATRICIA	ARENA	Iowa	Unknown
03-25-000771	LUST	PEOPLES BANK OF MAZOMANIE	ARENA	Iowa	Low
09-25-294815	No Action Required	PEOPLES BANK OF MAZOMANIE PROPERTY	ARENA	Iowa	
04-25-049331	Spills	PINE RD .5 MI S OF HELENA RD	ARENA	Iowa	
03-25-002838	LUST	ROSIES SERVICE	ARENA	Iowa	Unknown
04-25-045074	Spills	1/3 MI E OF CNTY LINE S OF HWY 133	AVOCA	Iowa	
04-25-037287	Spills	CTH I & CTH PD	AVOCA	Iowa	
04-25-046411	Spills	MORREY CREEK - 100 YDS S OF D ST BR	AVOCA	Iowa	
03-25-001615	LUST	PENN HOLLOW CHEESE FACTORY	AVOCA	Iowa	High
04-25-432897	Spills	STH 133 DOT PROPERTY	AVOCA	Iowa	
04-25-046430	Spills	W SIDE OF STH 80 - .4 MI N OF AIDE	AVOCA	Iowa	
04-25-037929	Spills	.2 MI E OF CTH T & HWY 18	BARNEVELD	Iowa	

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DNR Act. Number	Activity Type	Activity Name	Municipality	County	Priority
09-25-293029	No Action Required	BARNEVELD FIRE DEPT STATION	BARNEVELD	Iowa	
03-25-001989	LUST	BARNEVELD HIGH SCHOOL	BARNEVELD	Iowa	Low
09-25-295884	No Action Required	BARNEVELD MUNICIPAL GARAGE	BARNEVELD	Iowa	
04-25-049178	Spills	CTH K 1.75 MI N OF CTH H	BARNEVELD	Iowa	
04-25-043047	Spills	CTH K AT W BR BLUE MOUNDS CREEK	BARNEVELD	Iowa	
04-25-236550	Spills	EAGLE MART	BARNEVELD	Iowa	
04-25-038005	Spills	IHM RD 1 MI W OF 18	BARNEVELD	Iowa	
04-25-273119	Spills	MALY TRUCKING	BARNEVELD	Iowa	
02-25-000935	ERP	QUAD COUNTY COOP	BARNEVELD	Iowa	High
04-25-414564	Spills	RITCHIE IMPLEMENT	BARNEVELD	Iowa	
03-25-408065	LUST	STOP N GO	BARNEVELD	Iowa	
04-25-050086	Spills	W OF HWY K ON HWY 18/151 S SIDE	BARNEVELD	Iowa	
04-25-243762	Spills	HORSESHOE BEND RD	BLANCHARD	Iowa	
04-25-244732	Spills	5381 HWY K	BLUE MOUNDS	Iowa	
03-25-001236	LUST	WI DNR BLUE MOUND STATE PARK	BLUE MOUNDS	Iowa	Low
09-25-293817	No Action Required	GRISWOLD, GLENN	BOSCOBEL	Iowa	
09-25-293102	No Action Required	BLUE MOUND STATE PARK POOL	BRIGHAM	Iowa	
04-25-205380	Spills	E SIDE OF LEE DR .5 MI S OF LONGBERRY RD	BRIGHAM	Iowa	
04-25-171906	Spills	HWY 151 WB .1 MI W OF CTH ID	BRIGHAM	Iowa	
04-25-168690	Spills	WB HWY 151 .5 MI E OF CTH T	BRIGHAM	Iowa	
04-25-209061	Spills	HWY 130 .4 MI S OF HIMMEX HILL RD	CLYDE	Iowa	
04-25-235701	Spills	HWY 130 .5 MI S OF LIMMEX RD	CLYDE	Iowa	
03-25-001529	LUST	COBB ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	COBB	Iowa	Low
09-25-294492	No Action Required	FRITCH, MERLIN	COBB	Iowa	
04-25-052567	Spills	HWY 18 ~ 2 MI W OF COBB	COBB	Iowa	
03-25-002630	LUST	IOWA LAFAYETTE FS	COBB	Iowa	High
09-25-294423	No Action Required	MARK MOTORS	COBB	Iowa	
09-25-295008	No Action Required	RITCHIE MOTORS INC	COBB	Iowa	
09-25-295334	No Action Required	STOKELY USA - COBB	COBB	Iowa	
04-25-049934	Spills	W SPRING & TOWN CT	DARLINGTON	Iowa	
04-25-037937	Spills	.25 MI W OF EVANS QUARRY RD & HWY 1	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
04-25-042300	Spills	1 MI FROM DODGEVILLE AT BRAY FARM	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
04-25-251502	Spills	151 EXPRESS GAS STATION	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
04-25-203532	Spills	3627 EVANS RD	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
04-25-265475	Spills	409 E SPRING ST @ POLE 6-4-4-39	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
04-25-049317	Spills	50 YDS E OF INTER KING/LANSEND LN	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
04-25-052530	Spills	854 S MAIN ST	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
09-25-306100	No Action Required	A&W RESTAURANT	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
02-25-001456	ERP	ADVANCED PHOTONIX INC	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	High
03-25-001126	LUST	ANCHOR BANK	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	High
02-25-000937	ERP	BLANCHARDVILLE COOP OIL	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	High
03-25-001884	LUST	BLOOMFIELD MANOR	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	High
03-25-000139	LUST	BRAATEN OIL/FOOD SHOP	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	High
03-25-002656	LUST	COLLINS & HYING INC	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	Low
04-25-045724	Spills	CTH F 1 MI S OF HWY 39	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
03-25-000326	LUST	DODGELAND HARVESTORE/WALNUT HOLLOW	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	Low
09-25-001460	No Action Required	DODGEVILLE	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	Unknown
02-25-001475	ERP	DODGEVILLE AGRI-SERVICE	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	Low
09-25-293972	No Action Required	DODGEVILLE CTY GARAGE	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	

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DNR Act. Number	Activity Type	Activity Name	Municipality	County	Priority
04-25-043066	Spills	DODGEVILLE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
04-25-204092	Spills	DODGEVILLE TRUCK STOP	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
02-25-000939	ERP	DODGEVILLE WATERWORKS	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	High
03-25-001107	LUST	FOUNTAIN STREET GARAGE	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	High
03-25-223070	LUST	FOUNTAIN STREET GARAGE	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	Unknown
03-25-002379	LUST	HICKS ESTATE PROPERTY	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	Low
04-25-050022	Spills	HWY 18/151 AT CTH Z W/ TO JOSEPH ST	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
04-25-044247	Spills	HWY 23 - 10 MI N OF HOUSE ON THE RO	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
04-25-246315	Spills	HWY 23 FROM HWY YZ N TO MILITARY RIDGE RD	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
04-25-041187	Spills	IOWA CNTY COOP WAREHOUSE	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
09-25-296448	No Action Required	IOWA CNTY HWY DEPT	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
03-25-119806	LUST	IOWA CNTY HWY GARAGE	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	Low
04-25-043923	Spills	JACKS SERVICE CENTER	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
03-25-002586	LUST	JACKS SERVICE CENTER	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	Low
09-25-294219	No Action Required	KOWALSKI-KIELER INC	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
03-25-184263	LUST	KWIK TRIP INC	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	Unknown
09-25-296600	No Action Required	LANDS END	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
09-25-296081	No Action Required	LOEFELHOLZ, PAULA	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
04-25-264038	Spills	LOWER WYOMING VALLEY RD-SUB STATION	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
03-25-000143	LUST	MCDONALDS RESTAURANT	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	High
09-25-291877	No Action Required	MEDICAL CARE FACILITY	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
02-25-337873	ERP	MOBIL OIL BULK PLT - FORMER	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
09-25-294592	No Action Required	MORTON BLDGS	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
07-25-426805	General Property	MR TS EASY STOP	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
09-25-295924	No Action Required	MR TS EASY STOP	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
03-25-001085	LUST	RANDYS MARATHON SERV STA	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	High
03-25-001841	LUST	SEAY MACK PROPERTY	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	Unknown
04-25-050141	Spills	SECTION LINE RD	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
04-25-042688	Spills	SPREAD .5 MI ON HWY 130 S OF FLOYD	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
04-25-051594	Spills	SPRING & UNION	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
04-25-047460	Spills	SPRING VALLEY CREEK	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
03-25-195795	LUST	ST JOSEPH PARISH SCHOOL	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	Low
04-25-391028	Spills	STH 151 & CTH D	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
03-25-001108	LUST	TERRYS KERR MCGEE	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	High
02-25-001539	ERP	THOMAS OIL CO	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	High
04-25-052683	Spills	UNION & SPRING ST - IN STREAM	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
04-25-050929	Spills	UNION/FOUNTIAN ST, SW CNR	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
09-25-295575	No Action Required	UNITED METHODIST CHURCH	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
03-25-001027	LUST	UNITED PARCEL SERVICE	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	High
04-25-191720	Spills	US ARMY RESERVE	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
02-25-001698	ERP	WAGNER PROPERTY	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	High
04-25-043813	Spills	WDMP RADIO STATION FRONT YARD & HWY	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
03-25-001241	LUST	WI DNR GOVERNOR DODGE ST PARK	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	Medium
03-25-002089	LUST	WI DNR GOVERNOR DODGE ST PARK	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	Low
04-25-037361	Spills	WI DNR GOVERNOR DODGE ST PARK	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
09-25-293844	No Action Required	WI DNR GOVERNOR DODGE STATE PARK	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	
03-25-001680	LUST	WI DOT PROPERTY SITE #1	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	Low
03-25-001681	LUST	WI DOT PROPERTY SITE #2	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	Low
09-25-296175	No Action Required	ZIMMERMAN TRANSFER INC	DODGEVILLE	Iowa	

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09-25-293092	No Action Required	BLACKHAWK BAIT SHOP	EDEN	Iowa	
04-25-179679	Spills	HWY 18 .2 MI W OF BLUE RIVER RD	EDEN	Iowa	
04-25-526131	Spills	TOWER RD	EDEN TN	Iowa	
04-25-042227	Spills	BAKER RD - N CITY LIMITS ST	EDMUND	Iowa	
04-25-049399	Spills	BAKERS ST	EDMUND	Iowa	
02-25-000934	ERP	INTERNATIONAL MINERALS & CHEMICAL CORP	EDMUND	Iowa	High
04-25-216128	Spills	W DITCH OF STH 39 S OF STH 18	EDMUND	Iowa	
09-25-297724	No Action Required	ARENA VIL & TN	ENA TN	Iowa	
04-25-232654	Spills	4837 TOWER RD POLE # 7127010	HIGHLAND	Iowa	
04-25-043294	Spills	CTH I - 1 MI S OF HIGHLAND	HIGHLAND	Iowa	
04-25-172034	Spills	CTH I 200' N OF FIRE LANE 500	HIGHLAND	Iowa	
03-25-002510	LUST	DONS TIRE SERVICE	HIGHLAND	Iowa	Medium
04-25-528389	Spills	DRAVES, MICHAEL PROPERTY	HIGHLAND	Iowa	
04-25-039739	Spills	DRY DOG RD	HIGHLAND	Iowa	
03-25-002297	LUST	HIGHLAND HIGH SCHOOL	HIGHLAND	Iowa	Low
09-25-296451	No Action Required	HIGHLAND SCHOOL	HIGHLAND	Iowa	
04-25-049964	Spills	HIGHLAND TN	HIGHLAND	Iowa	
02-25-211160	ERP	HIGHLAND TN GARAGE	HIGHLAND	Iowa	Low
03-25-002544	LUST	HIGHLAND TN GARAGE	HIGHLAND	Iowa	Medium
04-25-179901	Spills	HWY 80 & CTH Q	HIGHLAND	Iowa	
04-25-278894	Spills	HWY 80 & CTH Q	HIGHLAND	Iowa	
02-25-116703	ERP	J & S LIQUID FERTILIZER	HIGHLAND	Iowa	Unknown
03-25-002200	LUST	MICHEK OIL CO BULK PLT	HIGHLAND	Iowa	Medium
03-25-002773	LUST	RICHGELS TRUCKING	HIGHLAND	Iowa	Low
03-25-248359	LUST	RICHGELS TRUCKING	HIGHLAND	Iowa	Low
02-25-000936	ERP	SCALES SALVAGE YARD	HIGHLAND	Iowa	Low
09-25-295512	No Action Required	TRAUSCH DISTRIBUTING CO	HIGHLAND	Iowa	
04-25-037197	Spills	HWY 39 .5 MI N OF CTH K	HOLLANDALE	Iowa	
04-25-528371	Spills	2336 S CLAY HILL	HOLLANDALE	Iowa	
04-25-051441	Spills	307 COMMERCE ST	HOLLANDALE	Iowa	
03-25-241299	LUST	BLANCHARDVILLE COOP OIL	HOLLANDALE	Iowa	Unknown
04-25-047071	Spills	COMMERCE ST & MOSCOW ST	HOLLANDALE	Iowa	
03-25-002604	LUST	CORNER FEED & SUPPLY	HOLLANDALE	Iowa	High
03-25-257187	LUST	HOLLANDALE VIL	HOLLANDALE	Iowa	Unknown
09-25-297222	No Action Required	PECATONICA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	HOLLANDALE	Iowa	
09-25-295634	No Action Required	VINCE WEIER PUMP SERVICE	HOLLANDALE	Iowa	
04-25-408386	Spills	MOORS SALVAGE & RECOVERY INC	KIELER	Iowa	
09-25-293552	No Action Required	EDMUND AG CENTER	LINDEN	Iowa	
03-25-000141	LUST	LARRYS SERVICE STATION	LINDEN	Iowa	Low
03-25-218049	LUST	LARRYS SERVICE STATION	LINDEN	Iowa	Low
03-25-178538	LUST	LINDEN CHEESE CO	LINDEN	Iowa	High
09-25-294024	No Action Required	IOWA GRANT HIGH SCHOOL	LIVINGSTON	Iowa	
03-25-151947	LUST	THE FRIENDLY PLACE	LIVINGSTON	Iowa	Unknown
04-25-049372	Spills	.1 MI W OF CNTY D ON HWY 39 W	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	
04-25-039355	Spills	114 SHAKERAG ST	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	
04-25-483979	Spills	66 LEE RD	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	
04-25-271205	Spills	743 USH 151	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	
04-25-052450	Spills	8118 MCKENNA RD	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	
03-25-152901	LUST	AMOCO QUIK STOP	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	Low

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04-25-206408	Spills	BURR OAK RD & 3045 DRIVEWAY	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	
03-25-152147	LUST	CITGO	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	Low
04-25-233138	Spills	COMMERCE ST & OLD ARLINGTON RD (.1 M S)	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	
02-25-001660	ERP	DODGE POINT COUNTRY CLUB	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	Low
09-25-293476	No Action Required	DODGE POINT COUNTRY CLUB	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	
03-25-001422	LUST	FARMERS IMPLEMENT PROPERTY	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	Low
03-25-001066	LUST	FLEETGUARD INC NELSON DIV	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	Medium
04-25-391445	Spills	HWY 151 & COMMERCE ST	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	
04-25-045492	Spills	HWY 151 & DODGE ST	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	
04-25-171919	Spills	HWY 151 .2 MI S OF OAK PARK RD	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	
04-25-402178	Spills	HWY 18/151 OFF RAMP FOR HWY 23	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	
04-25-414573	Spills	INTERSECTION OF HWY 23 & 39	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	
03-25-193941	LUST	IOWA OIL CO - MINERAL PT SPEEDE SHOPPE	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	High
09-25-294035	No Action Required	J & D ANTIQUES	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	
04-25-047427	Spills	JORGENSON, KEVIN PROPERTY	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	
03-25-113363	LUST	KWIK TRIP #768	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	High
03-25-000142	LUST	MARRS SHELL	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	Low
03-25-193953	LUST	MARRS SHELL	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	Low
04-25-039403	Spills	MEXEBURG CHEESE FACTORY	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	
03-25-000247	LUST	MINERAL POINT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	Medium
02-25-001305	ERP	MINERAL POINT ROASTER PILES	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	High
09-25-294558	No Action Required	MINERAL POINT STREET DEPT	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	
02-25-223076	ERP	POAD OIL	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	Unknown
09-25-296025	No Action Required	RAYS GENERAL REPAIR	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	
03-25-272518	LUST	RIDGE ST	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	Low
07-25-363752	General Property	RIDGE ST	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	
02-25-170991	ERP	ROSS SOIL SERVICE	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	Unknown
03-25-001168	LUST	WAYNES AMOCO	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	Low
04-25-049809	Spills	WP&L SUBSTATION NEAR HWY 23	MINERAL POINT	Iowa	
04-25-174419	Spills	ASAP REPAIR SHOP	MONTFORT	Iowa	
04-25-206254	Spills	N SIDE OF STH 78 100' W OF MOSCOW RD	MOSCOW	Iowa	
04-25-170504	Spills	AZIM RD 50 YSD N OF HWY 133	MUSCODA	Iowa	
04-25-046922	Spills	GOODWEILER LAKE - LOWER WISCONSIN	MUSCODA	Iowa	
04-25-443750	Spills	STH 151	N/A	Iowa	
04-25-047308	Spills	HWY 133 & 80	PULASKI	Iowa	
04-25-049965	Spills	1000 LOWER MIFFLIN RD	REWEY	Iowa	
04-25-052319	Spills	316 MAIN ST	REWEY	Iowa	
09-25-296841	No Action Required	BURNHAM LUMBER	REWEY	Iowa	
09-25-294190	No Action Required	KERR-MCGEE	REWEY	Iowa	
09-25-294964	No Action Required	REWEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	REWEY	Iowa	
04-25-438181	Spills	NEW CALIFORNIA RD	REWEY TN	Iowa	
03-25-187997	LUST	BADGER MART	RIDGEWAY	Iowa	High
04-25-038582	Spills	CTH T & PIKES PEAK RD	RIDGEWAY	Iowa	
09-25-294999	No Action Required	RIDGELAND FARM	RIDGEWAY	Iowa	
02-25-242037	ERP	RIDGEWAY VIL	RIDGEWAY	Iowa	Low
03-25-207263	LUST	TALLMAN SERVICE CENTER	RIDGEWAY	Iowa	Low
04-25-045413	Spills	HWY 151 .25 MI S OF CTH Y	SPRING GREEN	Iowa	
09-25-295408	No Action Required	SPRING GREEN RESTAURANT	SPRING GREEN	Iowa	
04-25-038814	Spills	SPRING GREEN TRUCK STOP	SPRING GREEN	Iowa	

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03-25-217959	LUST	STAPLETON PROPERTY	SPRING GREEN	Iowa	Unknown
04-25-038304	Spills	STH 23	SPRING GREEN	Iowa	
04-25-044192	Spills	STH 23 W DITCH .2 MI S OF CTH C W	SPRING GREEN	Iowa	
03-25-002165	LUST	TALIESEN COMPLEX	SPRING GREEN	Iowa	Low
03-25-002166	LUST	TALIESEN COMPLEX	SPRING GREEN	Iowa	Low
03-25-002167	LUST	TALIESEN COMPLEX	SPRING GREEN	Iowa	Low
03-25-000325	LUST	WI DNR TOWER HILL STATE PARK	SPRING GREEN	Iowa	Low
04-25-039752	Spills	WPL SUB STATION	SPRING GREEN	Iowa	
03-25-000144	LUST	WYOMING VALLEY SCHOOL	SPRING GREEN	Iowa	Low
04-25-042190	Spills	WYOMING VALLEY SCHOOL	SPRING GREEN	Iowa	
04-25-045782	Spills	HAYWARD CROSSING & HELENA RD	SPRING GREEN/ARENA	Iowa	
04-25-526975	Spills	HAYWARD CROSSING & HELENA RD	SPRING GREEN/ARENA	Iowa	
04-25-529054	Spills	CTH E, CTH G & LINDELL RD	UNKNOWN	Iowa	
04-25-038743	Spills	HWY 18	UNKNOWN	Iowa	
04-25-038857	Spills	OCONOMOWOC CANNING	UNKNOWN	Iowa	
04-25-042667	Spills	WISCONSIN CHEESEMAN INC	UNKNOWN	Iowa	
04-25-044732	Spills	HWY 195' W OF PRAIRIE RD	WALDICH	Iowa	
04-25-118512	Spills	SCHLIMGEN TRANSFER	WALDWICK	Iowa	
02-25-000938	ERP	KLEMM TANK LINES	WYOMING	Iowa	Low
04-25-530905	Spills	SNEAD CREEK RD	WYOMING TN	Iowa	
04-25-051978	Spills	.1 MI N OF CTH A & HWY 151		Iowa	
04-25-050795	Spills	1.5 MI N OF HWY 18 ON HWY 23		Iowa	
04-25-039984	Spills	3 MI S OF MINERAL POINT - HWY 23		Iowa	
04-25-039799	Spills	300 YDS NE OF H WARDELL HOME		Iowa	
04-25-038576	Spills	BLUFF RIVER		Iowa	
04-25-037692	Spills	CTH Z & HWY 18/151		Iowa	
04-25-049813	Spills	FIELD #5		Iowa	
04-25-039740	Spills	HWY 151 - S OF MINERAL POINT		Iowa	
04-25-041693	Spills	HWY 23 AT DODGE ST		Iowa	
04-25-052054	Spills	MINERAL POINT HIGH SCHOOL		Iowa	
04-25-266933	Spills	NEXT TO OAK PARK WAYSIDE		Iowa	
04-25-043879	Spills	OLD HWY 18-151 W OF STOP LIGHT		Iowa	
04-25-042421	Spills	RED ROOSTER RESTAURANT		Iowa	
04-25-039182	Spills	RT 3 SPRINGREEN		Iowa	
04-25-038536	Spills	STH 133 1.5 MI E OF CTH G		Iowa	
04-25-051786	Spills	WILLOW SPRINGS RD		Iowa	

EXISTING AND POTENTIAL LAND USE CONFLICTS

There are a variety of land uses that can potentially cause land use conflicts. There are two common acronyms used to describe land use conflicts – NIMBY’s (Not In My Back Yard) and LULU’s (Locally Unwanted Land Uses). One of the most common occurrences, especially in a rural setting, is the presence of agricultural operations near non-farm populations.

The presence of agriculture and non-rural land use in close proximity often generates conflict due to potential incompatibility. Agriculture can affect adjoining small rural lots, which are used essentially for residential purposes. Similarly, the presence of small rural lots creates an adverse influence on the continued operation of agriculture enterprise. The issue of rural-urban conflict can arise when there is no separation between incompatible uses. Land use conflicts may arise in such situations through noise, odor, farm chemicals, light, visual amenity, dogs, stock damage and weed infestation, lack of understanding, and lack of communication to name just a few.

Potential Land Use Conflicts

- Landfills or Waste Facilities
- Jails or Prisons
- Halfway Houses or Group Homes
- Airports, Highways, Rail Lines
- Low Income Housing
- Strip Malls and Shopping Centers
- “Cell” Towers, Electrical Transmission Lines
- Large Livestock Operations
- Industrial or Manufacturing Operations

Development along State Highway 151 is an undesirable land use in Ridgeway, although the Town does not perceive it as a land use conflict per se. Agriculture and open space are integral to Ridgeway’s character. The Plan Commission does foresee subdivision development in the Town becoming a land use issue in the future, due to increased development pressure on agricultural lands.

INTEGRATED LAND USE

Certainly education and communication at all levels is fundamental to land use conflict resolution. Finding a way to separate incompatible land uses while recognizing the benefits that can be achieved through land use integration is key. Integration may be achieved through physical separation or a simple vegetative buffer designed to screen one land use from another. Such practical strategies require landowners with potentially conflicting land uses to acknowledge their impacts and then design their operations or development to account for this impact. A community approach utilizing physical solutions, planning strategies, and a long-term vision for the land will enable multiple and differing land uses to exist.

FUTURE LAND USE

Natural beauty, small-town atmosphere, and recreational opportunities were the top reasons why people choose to live in the Town of Ridgeway. It stands to reason that people in Ridgeway want to keep and improve their farms, maintain their homes and property, protect their investments, and improve their standard of living. However, agriculture promises to continue to change the future of farming; existing homes and buildings will need remodeling, repairs, or improvements; new buildings and homes will be constructed. In order to achieve its vision, Ridgeway needs to protect its natural beauty, preserve the small-town atmosphere, and continue to explore and expand recreational opportunities, while still supporting agriculture. This approach will help the Town continue to be a desirable place to live, work, and play.

