Kane County

Farmland Protection Program

Application Packet

KANE COUNTY FARMLAND PROTECTION PROGRAM APPLICATION FORM

Please complete the following application form if you are interested in participating in Kane County's Farmland Protection Program. Completion of this form does not commit you to selling your property or the development rights to your property, nor does it commit Kane County to purchasing land or the development rights.

Name: _____

Telephone number: (home)_____ (work)_____ (cell)_____

Mailing address: _____

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Names of all property owners: _____

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Township of parcel(s): _____

Parcel number(s): _____

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Is there a mortgage or lien on the property? (please circle) Yes No

Indicate if you are interested in donation of development rights, purchase of development rights, or fee simple purchase:

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All property owners must give their approval and consent to this application.

Signed _____ Date _____

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FACTORS FOR CONSIDERATION

1. Is it a productive farm operation (i.e. soils, crops, pasture)? Provide soil classification.

2. Does the property possess any infrastructure (buildings, drainage, or irrigation) for a commercial agricultural enterprise?

3. Is there a soil and water conservation plan filed with the Soil and Water Conservation Service for the property?

4. Is it located adjacent to other farmland? Is any of the surrounding land protected under the Farmland Protection Program? Does the land offer value as a catalyst for other farmland protection or to demonstrate the functions of the Kane County Farmland Protection Program?

5. What is the property's land use designation based on Kane County's 2040 Land Resource Management Plan? Within which land use strategy corridor is the property located?

6. Is the property farmed by the land owner?

7. What portion of the applicant's ownership is being requested for the Kane County Farmland Protection Program?

8. Is the property adjacent to any existing open space or protected non-agricultural land (i.e. Forest Preserve)?

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FACTORS FOR CONSIDERATION continued

9. Does the property contain any significant natural features such as a wetland, river, stream, or "significant public resource" whose protection is important?

10. What is the distance from the property to the nearest municipality?

11. If located within a municipal 1 ½ mile planning jurisdiction, what is the land use proposed by the municipal plan?

12. Are there any extenuating circumstances regarding the property (i.e. pressure to be sold)?

13. Are there any existing or planned impacts on the surrounding property?

14. Does the protection of this property further any other objectives, other than farmland preservation, from Kane County's 2040 Land Resource Management Plan or any of Kane County's plans or policies?

15. Does it possess any cultural or historic value? Is it adjacent to a Rustic Road? Does it protect a viewscape?

16. Are there any unique financial circumstances that should be considered (i.e. owner is willing to contribute a match through a bargain sale, or property is in foreclosure)? Please describe.