

State of Illinois
Department of Agriculture



Agricultural Areas Annual Report 2016

In accordance with the
Agricultural Areas Conservation and Protection Act
(505 ILCS 5/1 et seq.)

Division of Natural Resources

December 31, 2016

AGRICULTURAL AREAS

2016 Annual Report

The Illinois Department of Agriculture (IDOA), pursuant to the *Agricultural Areas Conservation and Protection Act (505 ILCS 5/20.1)*, is required to prepare an annual report to the General Assembly on the location and size of all Agricultural Areas (also known as Ag Areas) created, modified, or dissolved during the past year. A copy of the complete Act is available at our web site listed below.

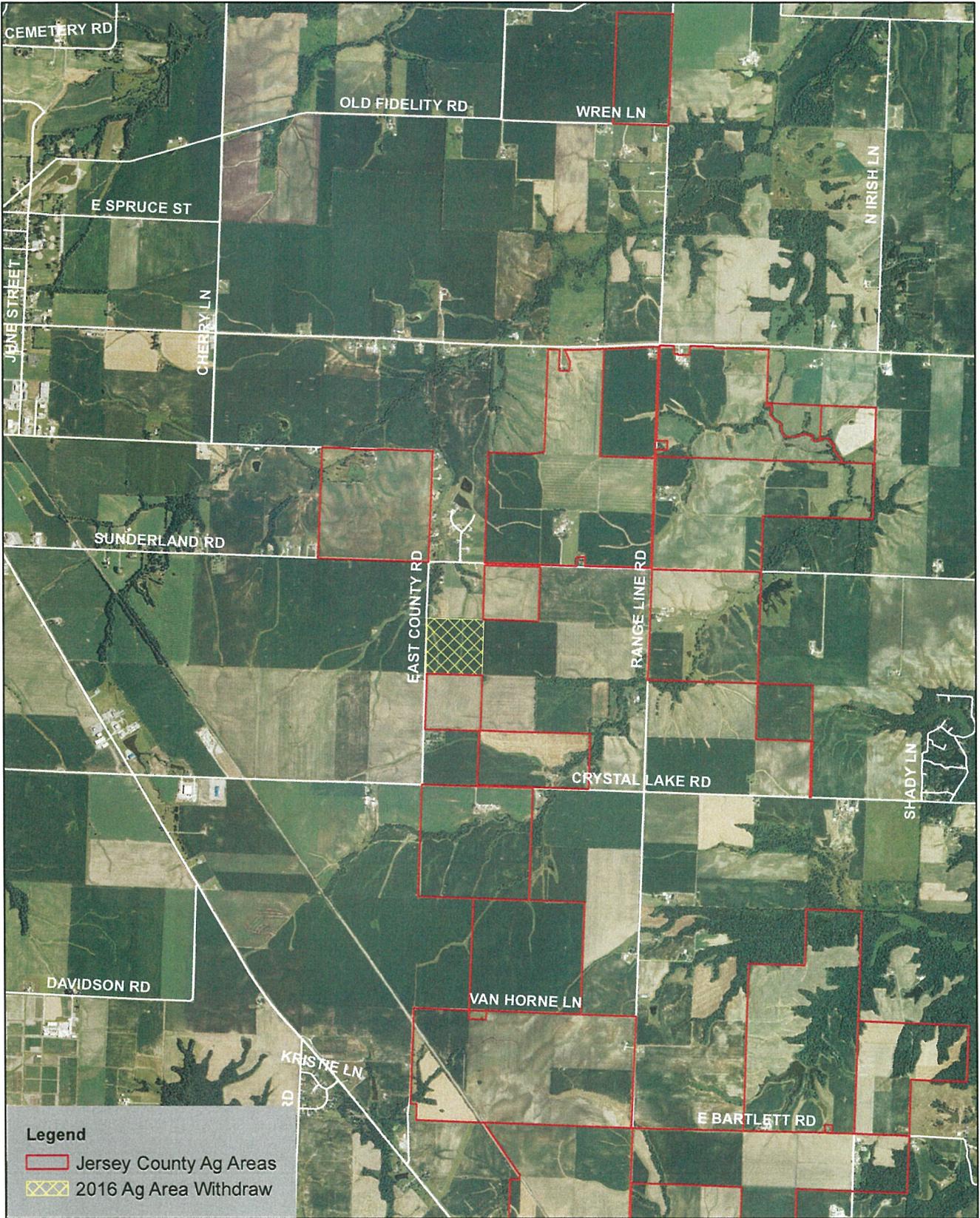
The Summary of Agricultural Areas (Ag Areas) lists the 23 counties with local County Board approved Ag Areas. This chart itemizes the total number of Ag Areas in participating counties, along with their respective acres, and summarizes the total number of acres in approved Ag Areas throughout the state.

One change occurred during 2016 and was incorporated in this year's Agricultural Areas Report. Jersey County, which has three 3 Ag Areas, removed 40 acres from its East Ag Area, leaving 3,722 acres.

Currently, a total of 122,848 acres are enrolled in 56 Ag Areas in Illinois. A compilation of maps the 56 Ag Areas in the 23 counties will be available in early 2017 by referring to the Agricultural Areas Annual Reports at www.agr.state.il.us/Environment/LandWater near the end of the page.

For additional information, contact the Bureau of Land and Water Resources at 217.782.6297.

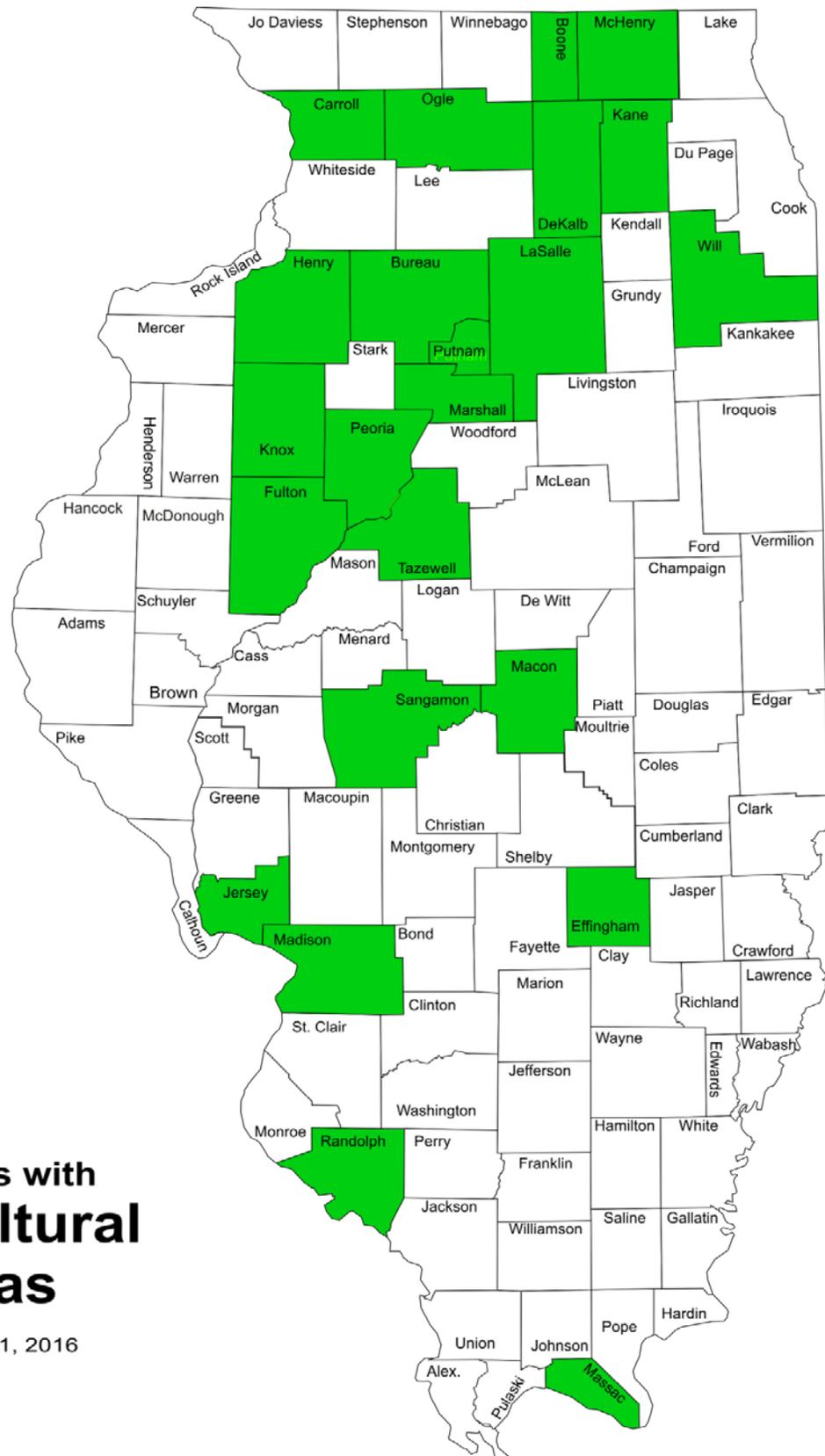
Jersey County Ag Areas



ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Summary of Agricultural Areas in Illinois
December 31, 2016

<u>County</u>	<u>Number of Ag Areas</u>	<u>Acres in each Ag Area</u>	<u>Total Acres</u>
Boone	2	2,537; 4,482	7,019
Bureau	2	1,962; 2,412	4,374
Carroll	2	4,548; 3,153	7,701
DeKalb	1	710	710
Effingham	1	615	615
Fulton	1	1,915	1,915
Henry	8	1,982; 2,480; 2,635; 3,097; 6,751; 3,129; 353; 2,308	22,735
Jersey	3	3,722; 9,637; 880	14,239
Kane	1	575	575
Knox	1	1,735	1,735
LaSalle	5	659; 1,220; 847; 1,866; 804	5,396
Macon	1	1,693	1,693
Madison	2	1,400; 1,277	2,677
Marshall	5	953; 1,301; 762; 1,931; 467	5,414
Massac	2	500; 3,199	3,699
McHenry	9	2,518; 795; 2,078; 892; 6,782; 802; 4,466; 2,048; 415	20,796
Ogle	1	429	429
Peoria	3	393; 1,567; 589	2,549
Putnam	2	1,004; 6,204	7,208
Randolph	1	6,903	6,903
Sangamon	1	377	377
Tazewell	1	3,620	3,620
Will	1	469	469
23 Counties	56 Ag Areas		122,848 acres

353 acres - Smallest Ag Area (Henry)
9,637 acres - Largest Ag Area (Jersey)



Counties with Agricultural Areas

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