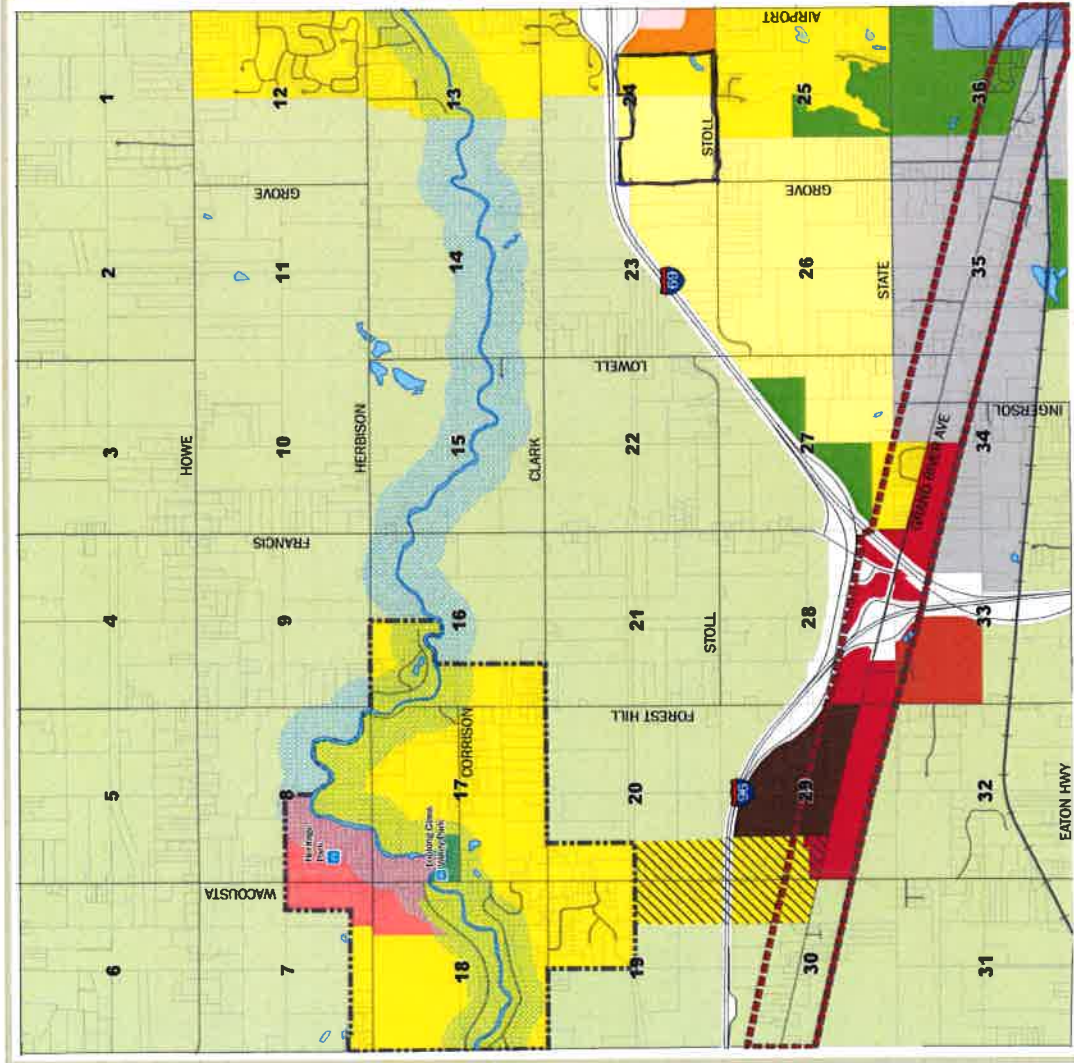


Western Part of property =
Low density Residential

Eastern Part of property =
medium density
Residential

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Future Land Use

- Agriculture and Rural Residential
- Low Density Residential
- Medium Density Residential
- High Density Residential
- Manufactured Housing Park
- Local Business
- Village Center
- Principal Business
- Industry and Technology
- Open Space
- Landfill
- Airport
- Focus Area Overlays
- Village Gateway
- Wacousta Village
- Looking Glass River Corridor
- Grand River Avenue Corridor

Notes:

1. This map is intended to show generalized land use and is not intended to indicate the precise size, shape, or dimension of areas.
2. These recommendations have a long-range planning horizon and do not necessarily imply that short-range rezoning decisions are appropriate.
3. The Watertown Charter Township Master Plan includes the Future Land Use Map and all other text, maps, charts, tables, and graphics in the complete Master Plan document.

Figure 10. Future Land Use Map.

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Base Map Source: Clinton County

Western Part of Property
Eastern Part of Property

Low Density Residential. The area planned for Low Density Residential is intended to accommodate single-family and two-family homes up to a maximum density of 1.0 dwelling units per acre. Located outside of the Township's agricultural lands with convenient access to the freeways and Grand River, this area is an ideal location for residential development. Future development within these areas, however, should be at a low density that does not require extension of public water and sanitary sewer service.

Medium Density Residential. Areas planned for Medium Density Residential are intended to accommodate residential uses up to a maximum density of 2.0 dwelling units per acre. Planned Medium Density Residential areas are primarily concentrated in two key areas: 1) along the Township's eastern boundary where public water and sanitary sewer service is already available, and 2) within the Wacousta Village and Village Gateway areas.

Along Airport Road, this designation provides a transition between the mix of nonresidential and residential land uses planned to the east in DeWitt Charter Township and the agricultural and rural residential land uses to the west in Watertown.

In and around Wacousta, medium density residential development serves to support extension of public utilities to the village area and will provide additional rooftops needed to support nonresidential uses in the Village Center. Development of this area should be designed in a manner that is sensitive to and provides for an appropriate transition to the outlying agricultural and rural residential areas.

High Density Residential. The area planned for High Density Residential is intended to accommodate a variety of attached and detached residential uses up to a maximum density of 8.0 dwelling units per acre. Development of this area should be designed in a manner that provides for an appropriate transition between the planned Local Business node at the freeway interchange and the surrounding Medium Density Residential neighborhoods.

Manufactured Housing Park. The area planned for Manufactured Housing Park is intended to accommodate expansion of the existing park and/or development of a new modern manufactured housing park at a density of approximately 5.0 dwelling units per acre.

Action Items

- ✓ Evaluate and amend, if necessary, the Agricultural, Agricultural Preservation, and Rural Residential zoning districts to ensure they are consistent with the goals and intent of the Master Plan.
- ✓ Promote the enrollment of lands into the Farmland and open Space Preservation Act (P.A. 116 of 1974) in areas planned for long-range agricultural use.
- ✓ Avoid extension of public water and sanitary sewer services into planned agricultural areas.
- ✓ Work with the Clinton County Road Commission to retain vegetation and preserve a rural appearance along the township's rural roadways.
- ✓ Promote the use of grass swales, natural on-site detention, and native vegetation, rather than typical suburban elements, in rural residential areas.
- ✓ Explore Natural Beauty Road designation for appropriate roadways.
- ✓ Inventory the Township's historic structures and resources.
- ✓ Promote cluster development and open space preservation.