

Appendix 3.2C
NRCS Form AD-1006 Farmland Conversion
Impact Rating

**National Geospatial Intelligence Agency
St. Clair County, Illinois
USACE Funds**

PART VI-A Illinois Site Assessment Criteria	Maximum Points	Site A
1. Land Use on the Site	20	20
2. Adjacent Land Use	20	20
3. General Character of Area within 1.5 Miles of Site	20	10
4. Distance to City	20	0
5. Zoned Use of Proposed Site	20	20
6. Zoned Use of Land Adjacent to Proposed Site	20	16
7. Planned Land Use of Proposed Site	20	0
8. Compatibility of Proposed Use with Surrounding Land Uses	20	0
9. Alternative Sites Proposed on Less Productive Land	10	10
10. Availability of Central Water System	10	1
11. Availability of Central Waste Disposal System (Sewer)	10	1
12. Transportation	10	4
TOTAL SITE ASSESSMENT POINTS	200	102
PART VII		
Relative Value of Farmland	100	69
Total Site Assessment	200	102
TOTAL ILLINOIS LESA POINTS	300	171

* *The Illinois LESA System applies the **225 point cutoff** when evaluating state and federally funded projects. Site or Corridor alternatives receiving **175 or fewer points** have a **low rating** for protection, and it is not necessary to evaluate additional alternatives. Those alternatives receiving **176 to 225 points** are in the **moderate range** for protection. In most cases, alternatives **exceeding the 225 point level should be retained for agricultural use**, and an alternate site should be utilized for the intended project. Selecting the alternative with the lowest total points will usually protect the best farmland located in the most agriculturally viable areas. LESA also serves to maintain and promote the agricultural industry in Illinois.*

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FARMLAND CONVERSION IMPACT RATING

PART I (To be completed by Federal Agency) Date Of Land Evaluation Request 1/21/16

Name Of Project NGA Campus Federal Agency Involved USACE

Proposed Land Use NGA Office Location County And State St. Clair County, IL

PART II (To be completed by NRCS) Date Request Received By NRCS 1/21/16

Does the site contain prime, unique, statewide or local important farmland? Yes No
 (If no, the FPPA does not apply -- do not complete additional parts of this form). Acres Irrigated N/A Average Farm Size 372

Major Crop(s) Corn, Soybeans, Wheat, Hay Farmable Land In Govt. Jurisdiction Acres: 29,633,500 % 97 Amount Of Farmland As Defined in FPPA Acres: 27,695,900 % 91

Name Of Land Evaluation System Used Illinois Name Of Local Site Assessment System Statewide Date Land Evaluation Returned By NRCS 2/8/16

PART III (To be completed by Federal Agency)

	Alternative Site Rating			
	Site A	Site B	Site C	Site D
A. Total Acres To Be Converted Directly	171.3			
B. Total Acres To Be Converted Indirectly				
C. Total Acres In Site	171.3	0.0	0.0	0.0

PART IV (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Information

A. Total Acres Prime And Unique Farmland	109.0
B. Total Acres Statewide And Local Important Farmland	46.3
C. Percentage Of Farmland In County Or Local Govt. Unit To Be Converted	0.0
D. Percentage Of Farmland In Govt. Jurisdiction With Same Or Higher Relative Value	86.0

PART V (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Criterion Relative Value Of Farmland To Be Converted (Scale of 0 to 100 Points) 69 0 0 0

PART VI (To be completed by Federal Agency) Site Assessment Criteria (These criteria are explained in 7 CFR 658.5(b))

	Maximum Points				
1. Area In Nonurban Use					
2. Perimeter In Nonurban Use					
3. Percent Of Site Being Farmed					
4. Protection Provided By State And Local Government					
5. Distance From Urban Builtup Area					
6. Distance To Urban Support Services					
7. Size Of Present Farm Unit Compared To Average					
8. Creation Of Nonfarmable Farmland					
9. Availability Of Farm Support Services					
10. On-Farm Investments					
11. Effects Of Conversion On Farm Support Services					
12. Compatibility With Existing Agricultural Use					
TOTAL SITE ASSESSMENT POINTS	160	0	0	0	0

See the attached Illinois LESA System Site Assessment Site Specific Factors

PART VII (To be completed by Federal Agency)

Relative Value Of Farmland (From Part V)	100	69	0	0	0
Total Site Assessment (From Part VI above or a local site assessment)	200	160	102	0	0
TOTAL POINTS (Total of above 2 lines)	300	260	171	0	0

Site Selected: Date Of Selection Was A Local Site Assessment Used? Yes No

Reason For Selection: