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Rural Land Use

Affidavit of Publication

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Kimberly Cook, being duly sworn, says:

That she is Billing Clerk of the The Enquirer Journal, a daily newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in Monroe, County, NC; that the publication, copy of which is attached hereto, was published in the said newspaper on the following dates:

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That said newspaper was regularly issued and circulated on those dates.

SIGNED:

Kimberly Cook

Billing Clerk

Subscribed to and sworn to me this 8th day of November 2025.

Barbara M Daniels

Barbara M Daniels, Notary, Guilford, County, NC

My commission expires: March 06, 2027

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Union County Board of County Commissioners

500 N. Main Street

Room 921

Monroe, NC 28112

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Union County Board of Commissioners will on Monday, November 17, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the Commissioners' Board Room, Room 118, First Floor, Union County Government Center, 500 North Main Street, Monroe, North Carolina 28112, conduct a public hearing to receive comments from the public on the petition for adoption of a rural land use plan and amending the Land Use Map as set forth below.

Union County, in preparation for the effects of growth in the County and in accordance with N.C.G.S. § 160D-501, under direction of the Union County Board of Commissioners, the Union County Planning Board and appointed citizen committee have completed preparation of a rural land use plan for portions of unincorporated Union County. On October 21, 2025, the Union County Planning Board concluded their work and voted to recommend the adoption of the "Union County Rural Land Use Plan," including revisions to the Land Use Map for Union County, to inform and guide decisions made by property owners, businesses, municipalities, leadership and those seeking to invest in the rural parts of Union County.

The Rural Land Use Plan includes the following strategies:

- Expand agricultural easement purchase program
- Require contiguous areas for open space in major subdivisions
- Express concern over impacts from bypasses
- Limit major subdivisions in certain zoning districts
- Expand rural area in Land Use Map
- Add six rural centers to the Land Use Map
- Flexibility for commercial uses in rural areas
- Provide options for smaller developments impacted by open space requirements
- Create a conservation development brochure

The adoption of the Rural Land Use Plan would include revisions to the Land Use Map for Union County as follows:

- Adding a Rural Center at the intersection of NC 200 and South Providence Road
- Adding a Rural Center at the intersection of NC 200, South Rocky River, and Parkwood School Roads
- Adding a Rural Center at the intersection of Griffith and Plyler Mill Roads
- Adding a Rural Center at the intersection of New Salem, Sugar and Wine, and Carl Polk Roads
- Adding a Rural Center at the intersection of NC 218 and Love Mill Road
- Adding a Rural Center at the intersection of Lawyers and Mill Grove Roads
- Expanding the Rural Residential land use district on the west side of Monroe, bounded by NC 75 to the south, Rocky River to the west, and the City of Monroe's municipal limits to the north and east, totaling approximately 5.7 square miles.

The proposed plan may later undergo, without further notice, substantial changes resulting from objections, debate, and discussions at the hearing.

The documents relative to the proposed petition for adoption of the rural land use plan are available for inspection and study at the Union County Planning Department located at 500 North Main Street, Suite #70, Monroe, NC 28112 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Anyone having any questions on the above petition may contact the Planning Department at 704-283-3565.

Any person requesting a sign language interpreter or any person requesting any other special assistance needed due to a disability under the Americans with Disabilities Act should call (704) 283-3810 and make a request at least 96 hours in advance.

Visitor Advisory for Board of Commissioners Meetings

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Lynn G. West
Clerk to the Board