

Residents

PINs	Adj.	Name	Type	Claims	Stance	Influence	Approach	C
020200001000, 020270018010, 020270021000, 020220012010, 020230007001, 020270015000, 020220015000, 020200004000, 020270017000, 020210005000, 020270020000	✓	Andy F Bensend	Individual	Andy F. Bensend operates over 4,000 acres of corn and soybeans in Barron County, using no-till and other sustainable practices and running a custom farming and agronomy business ( 1 ). He serves as vice-president of the Wisconsin Soybean Marketing Board and often hosts field days to share conservation techniques with fellow farmers ( 2 ) ( 3 ). Bensend was honored with the American Soybean Association's 2017 National Conservation Legacy Award for his leadership in sustainable farming ( 4 ).	unknown	High	farmland_preservation, groundwater_runoff.  Have a peer farmer or conservation specialist approach Bensend, highlighting aspects of the project that preserve soil health and water quality.	M
020270018000	✓	Carl & Madisen Hagen	Individual	Carl and Madisen Hagen jointly own a rural parcel in Barron County but maintain a very low public profile ( 5 ). No references to the Hagens were found in local meeting records or news, suggesting they have not publicly voiced any stance on development ( 6 ).	unknown	Low	Approach personally and informally to build rapport; listen to their questions and provide straightforward information, since they have no known stance yet.	M

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020270013000, 020270011000, 020270002000, 020270015010, 020270004000		Steven J Bensend	Individual	Steven J. Bensend is Andy Bensend's brother and a co-owner of the family land in Barron County, though he resides in Prescott, Wisconsin, outside the area ( 7 ). He has been involved as an alumni advisor for an agricultural fraternity at UW–River Falls, but he holds no known roles in Barron County civic affairs ( 8 ) ( 9 ).	unknown	Low	Engage via his brother Andy or another trusted local peer; emphasize respect for their family's farm legacy and keep him updated as an absentee owner.	M
020270023000, 020270025000		Darleen P Vergin	Individual	Darleen P. Vergin is an older landowner rooted in a family that has farmed near Dallas, Wisconsin for generations ( 10 ). She has no recorded involvement in local government or media discussions, indicating an absence of public stance on development issues ( 11 ).	unknown	Low	heritage_family_legacy.  Approach gently through a familiar community member; emphasize respect for her family's land legacy and reassure that the project will not disrupt the area's rural character.	M

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020340005000, 020350015000, 020350009000, 020350010000, 020260018000, 020260015010, 020350004000, 020340004000, 020350014000, 1704423112022100001, 020340003000, 020350011000, 020350013000, 020350012000, 1704423112022200001, 1704423112022200002, 1704423112021200001, 1704423112022400001, 020340002000		Gregory W Thompson	Individual	Gregory W. Thompson holds numerous land parcels in Barron County, but unlike other Thompson family members long established in the Dallas area, he does not appear in local civic records or news outlets ( <sup>12</sup> ) ( <sup>13</sup> ). His public profile is minimal, with no documented statements on development or community issues ( <sup>14</sup> ).	unknown	Medium	Engage directly with clear, businesslike communication; address any contractual or land-use questions he may have, as he tends to keep a low profile.	M
020330003000		Alan P. & Julie K. Amundson	Individual	Alan P. Amundson (born 1931) passed away in early 2018 ( <sup>15</sup> ). Neither Alan nor Julie is mentioned in available town or county records as holding any public role or activism in local affairs ( <sup>16</sup> ).	unknown	Low	Maintain a respectful, personal approach (possibly via family contacts), given their low public involvement.	M
020280004010		Peter D. & Sarah M. Etlicher	Individual	The Etlicher family has farmed in Barron County for decades—Marlyn W. Etlicher (1942–2021) ran a dairy farm near Barron for 42 years ( <sup>17</sup> ). No public statements or offices held by Peter or Sarah Etlicher were found in local news or records ( <sup>18</sup> ).	unknown	Low	farmland_preservation.  Approach through agricultural community connections and stress how project plans respect farming land and livelihoods.	M

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1704423112022200003, 020330016010, 020330004010		Lee Ann Wirth	Individual	The Wirths are a longstanding local family: the late DeWayne E. Wirth (1942–2022) of Prairie Farm raised a family in the area, including a son residing in Dallas, WI ( 19). There is no indication that Lee Ann Wirth has taken any public stance or role in local development issues (her name is absent from accessible civic records) ( 20).	unknown	Low	farmland_preservation.  Engage via trusted community members or family friends, emphasizing respect for rural character and farmland continuity.	M
020210018000, 020280010000, 020280008000, 020210015010, 020220014000, 020210013000, 020210014000, 020290024000, 020280009000, 020280012000		Richard W. Lentz	Individual	The Lentz family has run a dairy farming operation near Dallas, WI since the 1960s ( 21). Richard W. Lentz himself received about \$11,155 in USDA farm subsidies in 2021 (down from \$24,740 in 2020) ( 22), underscoring his active agricultural role.	unknown	Medium	farmland_preservation, heritage_family_legacy.  Have a fellow respected farmer or agricultural extension contact him, highlighting how the project can coexist with and even support long-term farmland preservation and the family's legacy.	M
020270009000		Lucas & Stephanie Nease	Individual	Lucas and Stephanie Nease purchased a 3,732-sqft, 4-bed home in Ridgeland, WI in April 2024 ( 23) ( 24). Having acquired their property in 2024, the Neases are relatively new to the area ( 25).	unknown	Low	Welcome them with friendly, informal outreach through a neighborly introduction, and be prepared to listen openly to any questions or concerns they might have.	M

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020330011000, 020330012000, 020330010000, 020330004000, 020330016000		Robert J Rogers	Individual	Robert J. “Bob” Rogers serves as the District 1 representative on the Barron County Board of Supervisors ( 26 ). He voted in favor of a 2024 county resolution endorsing a broadband expansion project (22–3 vote) to improve local infrastructure ( 27 ).	unknown	High	local_control, tax_revenue_benefit.  Engage through formal channels, acknowledging his leadership role. Emphasize how the project respects local decision-making and can bolster the community (e.g., tax base, services), aligning with the county's development goals.	M
020280015000		Dylan Sandwick	Individual	Dylan Sandwick has no evident public profile or documented views in local records or media ( 28 ). Aside from being listed as a landowner near Ridgeland, no information on his background or stance is readily available ( 29 ).	unknown	Low	Use a personalized, low-key approach (e.g., a casual in-person visit) to introduce the project and invite conversation, since he has not voiced any public opinions.	M
020220019000, 020220020000, 020230016000, 020230018000, 020220016000, 020230011000, 020220018000, 020230009000		Allen R Schutz	Individual	Allen R. Schutz is a veteran farmer in the Dallas area of Barron County, having received about \$350,000 in farm subsidy payments since 1995 ( 30 ). This places him among the top 100 farm-subsidy recipients in the county (ranked #93 in 1995–2024) ( 31 ).	unknown	Medium	farmland_preservation.  Approach via a trusted agricultural peer or local farm network. Emphasize respect for his farmland (e.g., minimal disruption and soil conservation) and explain how the project can coexist with, or even benefit, long-term farm use.	M

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020330007000		Village Of Ridgeland	Individual	See ORG table.	unknown	Unknown		M
020340014000, 020340015000, 020350007000, 020350006000		Arne & Elizabeth Thompson	Individual	Arne and Elizabeth Thompson own multiple agricultural parcels in the Town of Dallas, Barron County ( 32 ). They have no recorded involvement in local government or public comments on development, indicating a low public profile ( 33 ).	unknown	Low	farmland_preservation, heritage_family_legacy.  Have a respected neighboring farmer or community elder reach out, emphasizing how the project can coexist with farming traditions and preserve rural heritage.	M
020280013010		Charles G & Renee M Rihn	Individual	Charles G. Rihn is part of a multi-generation farming family; records show a Melvin C. Rihn farming in the Bloomer area since the 1940s ( 34 ). Charles and Renee Rihn themselves do not appear in Barron County meeting minutes or local news reports, suggesting no active public profile ( 35 ).	unknown	Low	farmland_preservation, property_value.  Connect via a mutual farming community contact (possibly through Bloomer area networks) to reassure them that the project will not diminish their land's agricultural value or use.	M

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020280013000		Tyler J Graetz	Individual	A wedding announcement shows Tyler J. Graetz planning a marriage in August 2024 in nearby Cadott, Wisconsin ( 36 ). Beyond that personal note, no public records or media references tie Graetz to any civic activities or opinions on local development ( 37 ).	unknown	Low	property_value, privacy_quiet.  Approach informally through a peer in his age group or community circle to discuss any concerns about noise or property impacts, highlighting the project’s minimal disruption to his plans.	M
020220013000, 020210015000, 020290002000, 020290008000, 020290005010		Travis & Jolene Lentz	Individual	Travis J. Lentz is a prominent local farmer, receiving \$79,103 in federal farm subsidies in 2020 alone ( 38 ). Neither Travis nor Jolene Lentz has a record of speaking at public hearings or in news on development issues ( 39 ), suggesting they have not taken a public stance in such debates.	unknown	Medium	farmland_preservation, drainage_roads.  Engage them via local agricultural leaders or the county extension agent, focusing on how the project will protect soil/drainage and not impede farm operations or road access.	M
020340012000, 020340013000, 1704423112031400008, 1704423112031400004		Barry L & Alicia M Wirth	Individual	Barry L. Wirth and Alicia M. Wirth jointly own multiple rural land parcels in Barron County, Wisconsin ( 40 ). No records were found of the Wirths holding public office or making statements on local development issues ( 41 ). Barron County has emphasized farmland preservation since 1979 ( 42 ), suggesting that landowners like the Wirths prioritize agricultural use of their property.	unknown	Low	farmland_preservation, groundwater_runoff.  Approach via a fellow local farmer to discuss how the project will protect long-term soil health and preserve farmland use, directly addressing any concerns about erosion or runoff.	M

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020340016000, 020340018000, 1704423112031100003		Ian R Thompson	Individual	Ian R. Thompson is listed as the owner of multiple land parcels in Barron County's property records ( 43 ). While other Thompson family members appear in local listings (e.g., a Kearney N. Thompson in Dallas) ( 44 ), no public references specifically to Ian R. Thompson were found in news or civic archives. Barron County's longstanding farmland preservation program ( 45 ) indicates that local landowners like Thompson tend to be mindful of keeping land in agricultural use.	unknown	Low	farmland_preservation, groundwater_runoff.  Have a community agriculture liaison reach out to highlight how the development plans include soil conservation measures and eventual land restoration, addressing typical farming community concerns about preserving productive land.	M



# Entities

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020280026000, 020280003000, 020280020000, 020290004000, 020280002000, 020270012000, 020280004000, 020250011000, 020280030000, 020280024000, 020280022000, 020250010000, 020280028000	✓	Robert & Leondra Lentz Revocable Trust	trust	See RESIDENT table.	Low	agriculture	Engage Robert “Bob” Lentz (trustee) in a personal conversation emphasizing respect for their farm legacy and assuring the project will not harm their land interests	M
020340007000		Jennie-O Turkey Store Inc	corporation	Jennie-O Turkey Store Inc., a subsidiary of Hormel Foods, operates a major turkey processing plant in Barron, Wisconsin ( 46 ). Local turkey farms supply this facility, contributing over \$120 million annually to Barron County's economy, while the plant itself adds more than \$1 billion ( 47 ). The company is one of the area's largest employers and agribusiness stakeholders ( 48 ). No record of public opposition to developments by Jennie-O was found, as its focus remains on maintaining stable operations and supply chains.	High	agriculture	Coordinate with Jennie-O's corporate affairs or plant management to ensure the project poses no risk to their operations; emphasize potential mutual benefits (e.g., improved infrastructure or energy reliability) to secure neutrality or support	M

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020340011000, 020340010000, 020340006000, 020330002000, 020340009000, 020330005000, 020340008000, 020330015000		<b>Alicia M &amp; Barry L Wirth Joint Revocable Trust</b>	trust	See RESIDENT table.	Low	agriculture	Approach Alicia and Barry Wirth personally to discuss the project; address any concerns about land use changes and highlight any benefits or safeguards to ease potential opposition	M
020280016000, 020280021010, 020280021000, 020280018000, 020290033000, 020290030000, 020290030010, 020290033010, 020280006000		<b>Blaine E &amp; Vivian J Whitmore Revocable Trust</b>	trust	See RESIDENT table.	Low	agriculture	Engage Blaine and Vivian Whitmore with a neighborly, transparent approach; reassure them the project will respect their property and minimize any disruption to their daily life or land use	M
020270008000, 020260012000, 020270022000, 020260011000, 020250012000, 020260009000, 020260008000, 020270026000, 020260007000, 020260010000, 020270005000, 020260014000, 020260003000, 020260004000, 020260013000		<b>Alexander W &amp; Mary J Olson Revocable Trust</b>	trust	See RESIDENT table.	Medium	agriculture	Meet directly with Alexander Olson (primary trustee) to understand his plans or concerns; emphasize how the project can coexist with or even benefit his farming operation, potentially through lease income or infrastructure improvements	M

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020330008000, 020320002000, 020330006000, 020330009000, 020320003000		<b>Jerry L Nicolle L Emmert Living Trust</b>	trust	See RESIDENT table.	Unknown	agriculture	Engage trustee Jerry Emmert directly; emphasize the project's compatibility with farming and conservation (e.g., erosion control, water quality benefits) to resonate with his values ( 49 ). One-on-one outreach is key, as his stance is not publicly known.	M
020210016000, 020210017000		<b>Peter &amp; Jacqueline Amundson Family Trust</b>	trust	See RESIDENT table.	Unknown	agriculture	Reach out personally to Peter and Jacqueline Amundson to understand their perspective. Provide assurances that the project will respect their property's value and rural character, since their stance is not publicly documented.	M
020330019000, 020330017000, 020330018000, 020330014000		<b>Douglas L Wirth Revocable Trust</b>	trust	See RESIDENT table.	Unknown	agriculture	Initiate a personal conversation with Douglas Wirth about the project. Emphasize respect for his land interests and address any concerns about land-use changes, given that he has no known public stance.	M