



# **RICHLAND COUNTY**

Memorandum:

To: All Concerned Parties

From: Danny J. Colwell, P.E.  
Richland County Engineer

Re: Status of Zoning in Unincorporated Portions of Richland County, Illinois

Date: November 5, 2025

Richland County, Illinois does not have a zoning ordinance for the unincorporated portions of the County. Richland County does not have a zoning official. Richland County does have a solar farm development ordinance, a floodplain construction ordinance, a setback line ordinance, a sub-division ordinance, and a trailer park operation ordinance.

The extent of the flood hazard zones in Richland County can be viewed on the web-based Richland County GIS system. Go to <https://richlandil.wthgis.com/> and turn the floodplain layer on. Copies of the above-mentioned ordinance are available for viewing on the Richland County, Illinois website at <https://richlandcounty.illinois.gov/>.

Requests to place utilities on Richland County road right-of-way should be made in writing to the Richland County Engineer. Requests for new entrances or extensions to entrances on Richland County Highways should be made to the Richland County Engineer. The County Engineer's contact information is listed on the County website.

There are nine Township Road Districts in Richland County. Requests to place utilities on Township Road right-of-way should be made in writing to the appropriate Township Highway Commissioner. Requests for new entrances or extensions to entrances on Township Highways should be made to the appropriate Township Highway Commissioner. Contact information for the Township Highway Commissioners is listed on the County website.

There are five incorporated municipalities within Richland County; City of Olney, Village of Noble, Village of Parkersburg, Village of Calhoun, Village of Claremont. By Statute these municipalities can extend their zoning 1.5 miles outside their corporate limits. If you have questions about zoning in or near a municipality, contact the municipal clerk.