

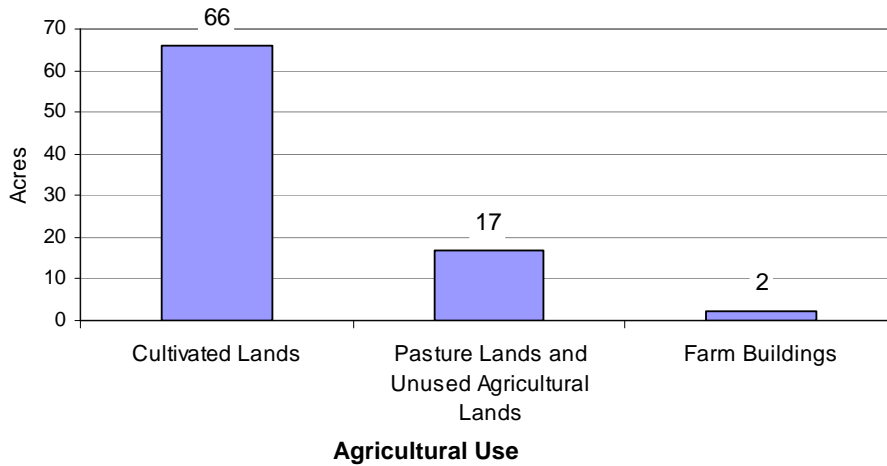


# KENOSHA COUNTY MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

## VILLAGE OF SILVER LAKE FACT SHEET

### Inventory of Soils & Agricultural Resources

In 2000, the Village of Silver Lake encompassed a total of 871 acres, including 86 acres of farmland (9.9%).



Source: SEWRPC

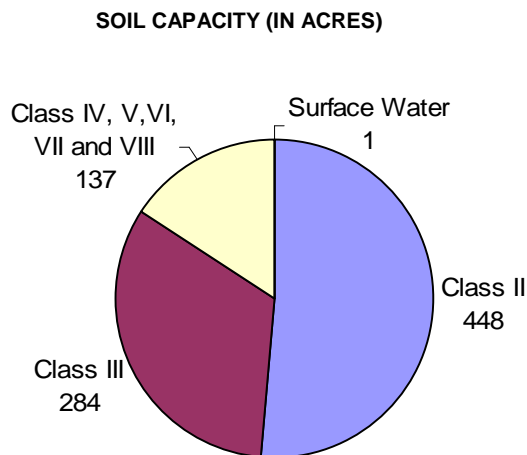
- Cultivated Lands are used for the cultivation of crops, including row crops, grain crops, vegetable crops and hay.
- Pasture Land and Unused Agricultural Lands include lands used as pasture, or lands which were formerly cultivated or used for pasture which have not yet succeeded to a wetland or woodland plant community.
- Farm Buildings include barns, silos, and other buildings used to store farm equipment or supplies, or to house farm animals.

#### Soils

The Village of Silver Lake contains 200 acres of severe structural soils (23.0% of the Village), and 223 acres of severe wet soils (25.6%). (The categories are not exclusive.) These soils pose significant limitations for most types of development.

#### Soil Classification

- 51% of soils in the Village of Silver Lake are “National Prime Farmlands.”
- 33% are “Farmlands of Statewide Significance.”



Source: Nature Resources Conservation Service and SEWRPC

- Class I and II soils are considered “National Prime Farmlands” and have few limitations.
- Class III soils are considered “Farmlands of Statewide Significance” but may have limitations that require special conservation practices.
- Class IV soils have very severe limitations that may limit the choice of crops and/or require special management.
- Class V, VI, and VII soils are considered suitable for pasture but not for crops.
- Class VIII soils are too rough, shallow or otherwise limited to produce economically worthwhile yields of crops, forage, or wood products.