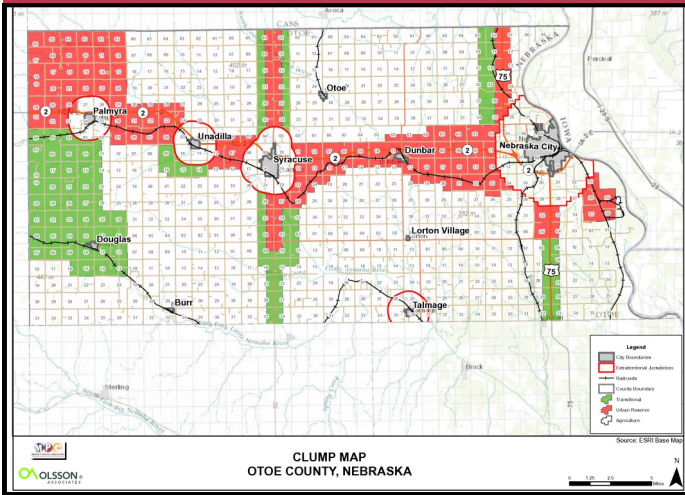


Otoe County, NE Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Regulations



Otoe County, located in eastern Nebraska along the Missouri River, is one of Nebraska's oldest counties. The county is bordered on the north by Cass County; on the west by Lancaster County; on the south by Nemaha and Johnson Counties. Outside of the county seat, Nebraska City, the primary industry is agriculture; due to low ground water supplies, there is little irrigation used in the county.

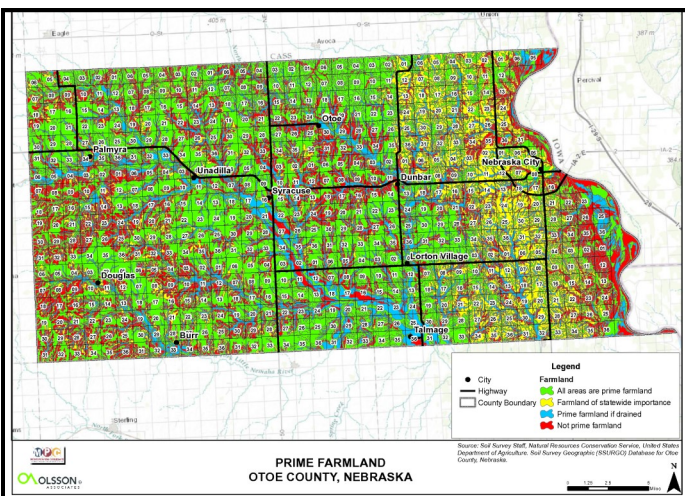
Lancaster County, on the western boundary of Otoe County, is home to the City of Lincoln (2010 pop. 258,379). Lincoln is seeing strong growth to the east-southeast (toward Otoe County). Thus, Otoe County is seeing a great deal of growth pressure coming from the Lincoln and Omaha areas.

Besides being in close proximity to Lincoln and Omaha, the county is also seeing growth pressure along Nebraska Highway 2 which connects Lincoln/ Interstate 80 to Interstate 29 in western Iowa.

Items to Address:

There were a number of major issues that needed to be addressed in the new Comprehensive Plan including:

- Addressing growth pressures from Lincoln and Omaha
- Identifying areas to handle growth pressures
- Reviewing policies impacting agriculture
- Simplified zoning regulations
- Adult entertainment
- Subdivision Regulations
- Incorporation of sustainability concepts



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