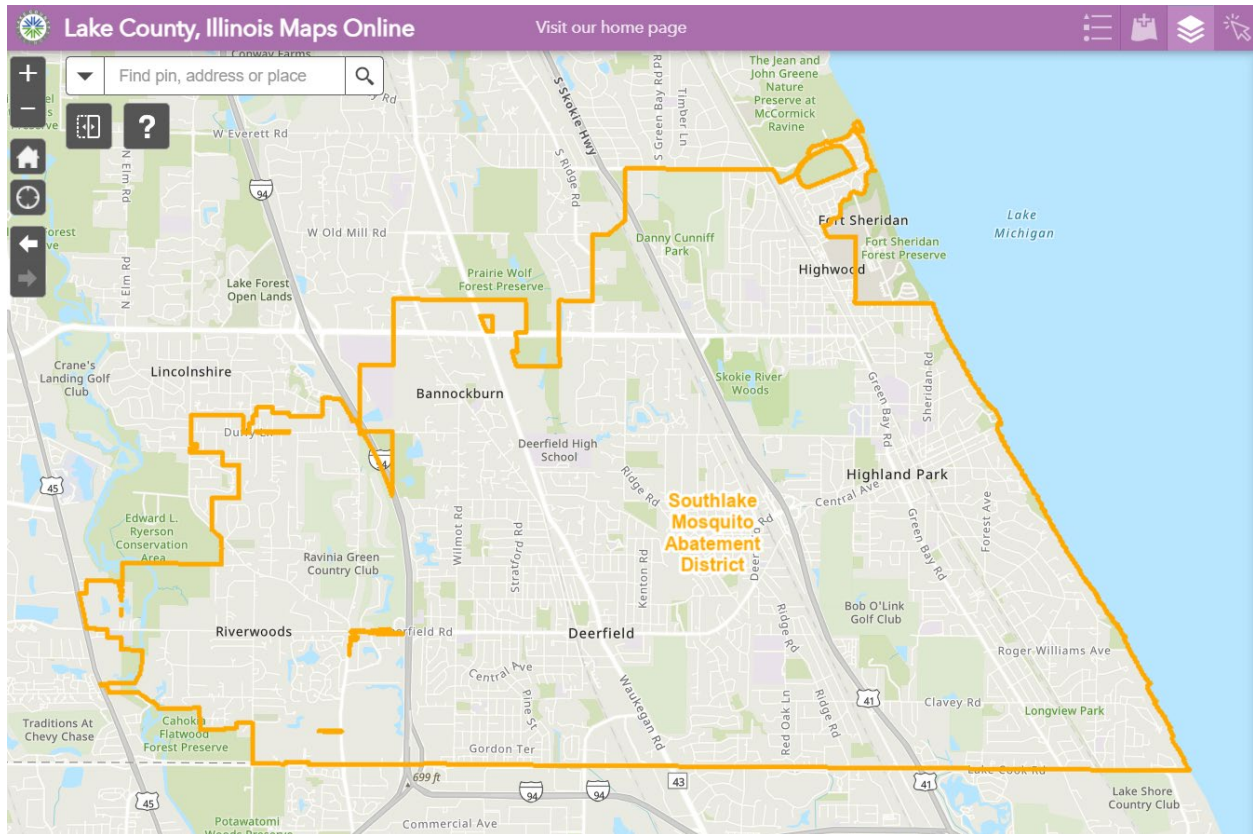


**Proposing Ordinance for the
Dissolution of the South Lake Mosquito Abatement District**

ORDINANCE

Whereas, the South Lake Mosquito Abatement District (“**District**”) is a Mosquito Abatement District covering parts of Bannockburn, Deerfield, Highland Park, Highwood, Northbrook, Riverwoods, and unincorporated Lake County, with the precise boundaries shown here:



Whereas, this is the sole remaining mosquito abatement district in Lake County. Mosquito abatement in other areas of the County, to the extent any such abatement is performed, are carried out by municipalities or, under certain circumstances, by the Lake County Health Department.

Whereas, the District derives its revenue from a small tax levy imposed on properties within the District’s boundaries, with the total tax generating around \$481,721 for tax year 2024. That money has historically gone to an outside contractor that the District hires to perform mosquito abatement services, and for administrative and legal fees.

Whereas, other than its annual tax revenue, the District, which is made up of five trustees appointed by the County Board, possesses no interests in property, whether real or personal.

Whereas, the functions of the District can be as or more efficiently performed by either the municipalities within the District and the County, either independently or in cooperation with each other, such that the continuing existence of the District is no longer necessary.

Whereas, under the Counties Code of the Illinois Compiled Statutes, specifically 55 ILCS 5/5-44025, the Lake County Board may, by ordinance, propose the dissolution of a unit of local government, such as the District.

Whereas, the ordinance shall detail the purpose and cost savings to be achieved by such dissolution and be published in a newspaper of general circulation served by the unit of local government, and on the county's website.

Now, therefore, be it ordained that the Board of the County of Lake proposes the dissolution of the South Lake Mosquito Abatement District for the purpose of reducing the number of governmental entities in Lake County.

Be it further ordained, that the County Board proposes that, under the provisions of 55 ILCS 5/5 44025, the South Lake Mosquito be dissolved and its functions devolved to the municipal and non-municipal entities that occupy its territory.

Be it further ordained, that costs inherent in operating the District, in addition to the administrative costs and attorney's fees listed above, are those associated with the work performed by County staff, including the staff of the County Clerk and Treasurer, to levy for taxes each year. Dissolving the District will eliminate these costs. Additional cost savings may be achieved by bulk purchasing the services the District previously maintained with other municipal or governmental entities. The residents of the District will no longer have a levy for the District on their property tax bills.

Be it further ordained, that upon passage of this ordinance, the County will work with the District to have an audit performed detailing all claims against the District, its receipts, an inventory of the real and personal property it owns or controls, and any debts owed by it. After the audit is reported to the County Board, the Board may adopt a separate "authorizing ordinance," as set forth in 55 ILCS 5/5-44025, and thereafter petition the Circuit Court for an order designating a trustee-in-dissolution for the District.

DATED on this 12th day of August, 2025, by the County Board of the County of Lake, Illinois.