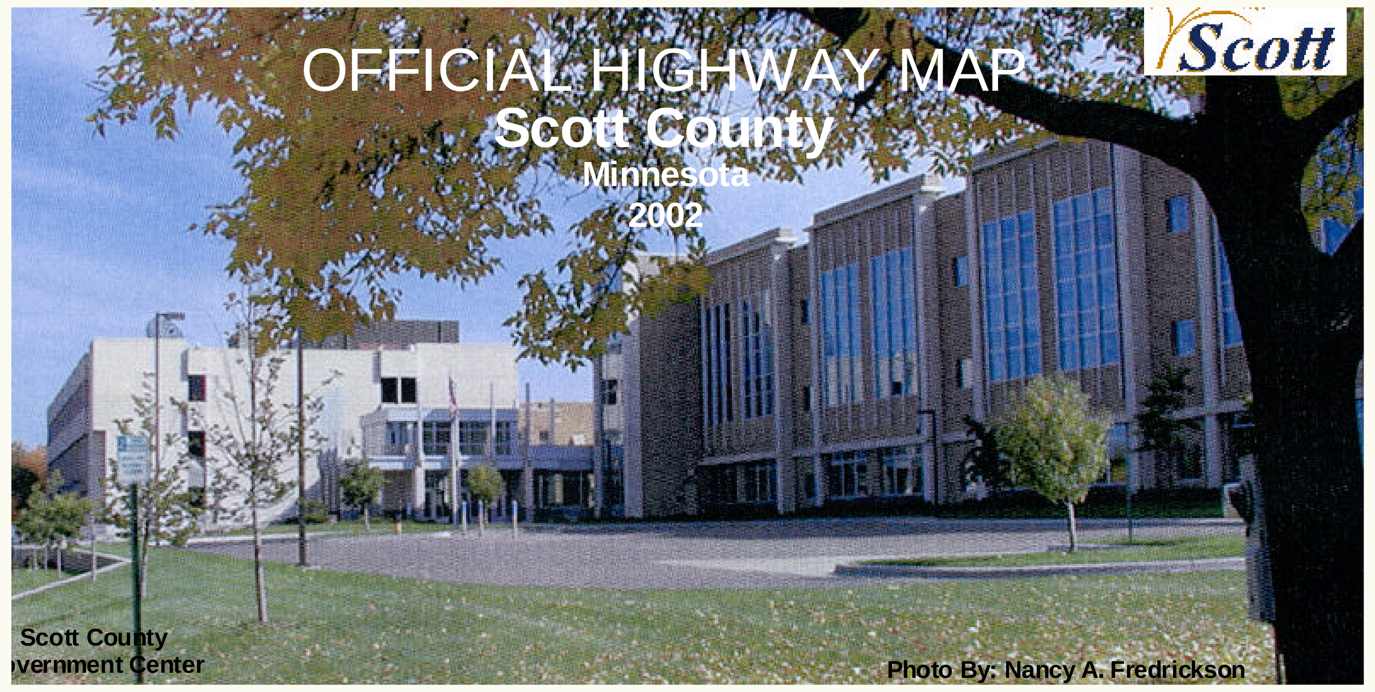

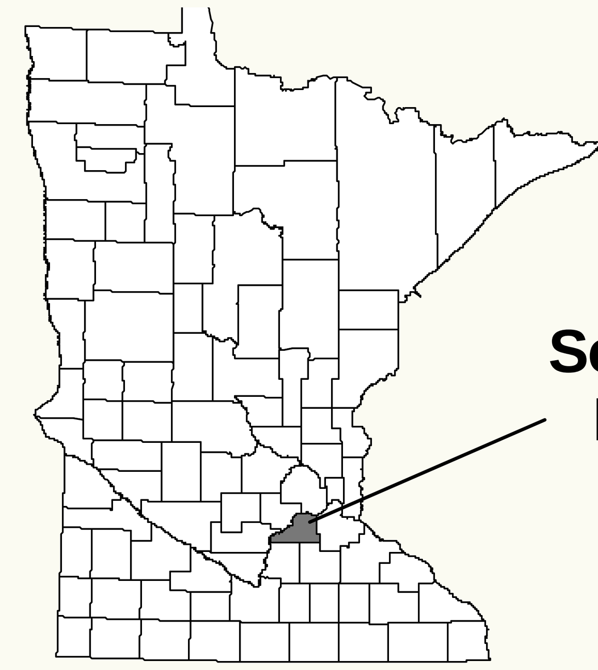

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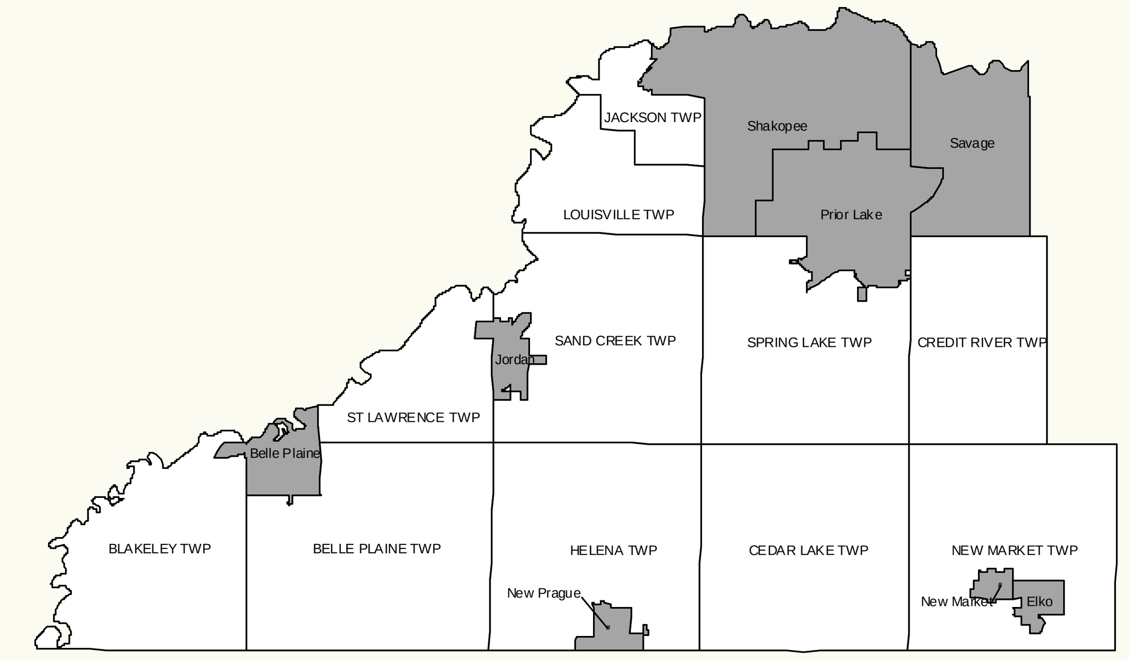

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SCOTT COUNTY SESQUICENTENNIAL QUIZ

True or false

1. Sesquicentennial is Big Foot's Canadian cousin
2. Scott County is named for a man who never visited Scott County
3. There are ghost towns in Scott County
4. New Prague was founded by Bohemians
5. Savage was once known as Hamilton
6. Belle Plaine is Spanish for "Beautiful Prairie"
7. Thomas Holmes, founder of Shakopee, also built the first Post Office
8. Lydia is a town in the middle of the County
9. Credit River got its name from a trading post at the mouth of the Minnesota River where traders loaned item on "credit"
10. Prior Lake was first known as Credit Lake

Historic Downtown Jordan, Photo Courtesy of the Historical Society

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INFORMATION ABOUT SCOTT COUNTY

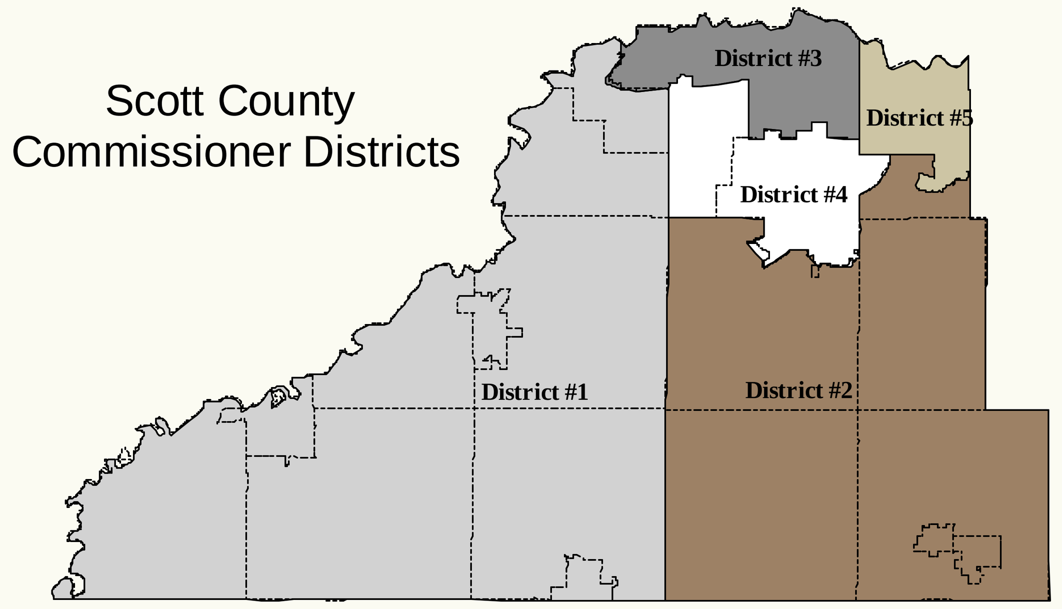
Scott County was established in 1853 and named for General Winfield Scott, officer of the War of 1812, commander of the United States Army during the Mexican War. Scott County is located southwest of the Minneapolis/St. Paul Metropolitan Area.
The following cities and townships are located in Scott County:

City	Population
Shakopee	20,568
Prior Lake	15,917
Savage	21,115
Jordan	3,833
Belle Plaine	3,789
New Prague	3,157
New Market	332
Elko	472

Township	Population
Belle Plaine	806
Blakeley	496
Cedar Lake	2,197
Credit River	3,895
Helena	1,440
Jackson	1,361
Louisville	1,359
New Market	3,057
St. Lawrence	472
Sand Creek	1,551
Spring Lake	3,681

Scott County contains a population of 89,498 within eight cities and eleven townships, according to the 2000 census.
Scott County is the fastest growing county in the Midwest.

Scott County Commissioner Districts

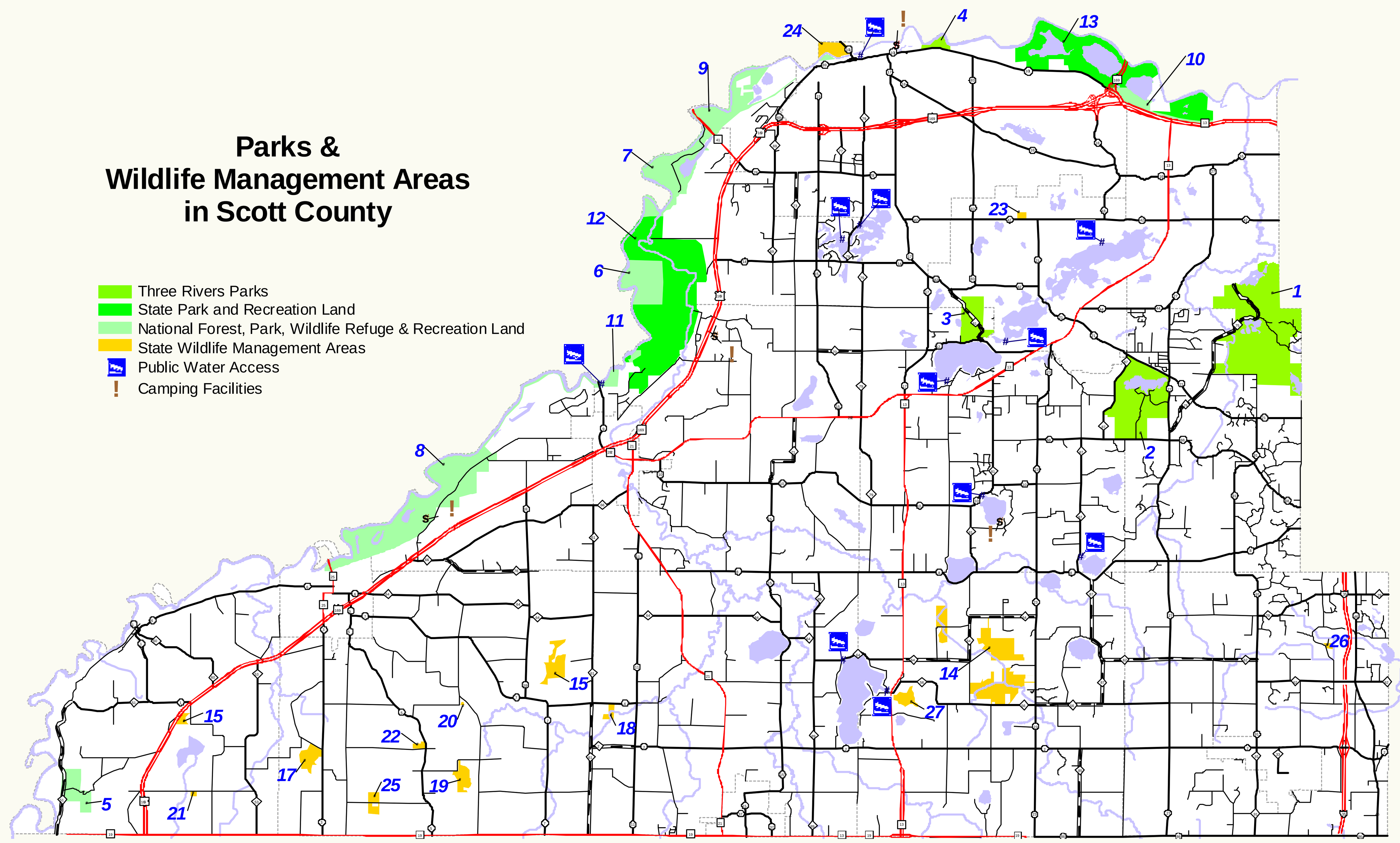


ANSWERS

1. False. According to Webster, it means a 150th anniversary.
2. True. Named for General Winfield Scott, Scott County was formally organized by the territorial legislature by an act signed by Governor Ramsey on March 5, 1853.
3. True. In the 1850s, land speculators platted towns hoping to make money by selling lots. Four towns were touted in the local newspaper (some never even had a building on them!) while others came and went. Among Scott County's ghost towns are: Helena (1857), Bellefontaine (1856), Mount Pleasant (1856), and St. Lawrence (1857).
4. False. New Prague was founded by Anton Phillip, who came from Bavaria. Bohemians came soon afterwards.
5. True. Beginning as a railroad town, Hamilton Station changed its name to Savage in honor of M. S. Savage, a prominent Minneapolis businessman who kept his world famous horse Dan Patch in a stable nearby.
6. False. It's French.
7. True. He also donated land for the Scott County Courthouse.
8. False. While the business district thrived from 1880s-1930s, it was never formally incorporated into a town.
9. True. As legend would have it, this is the origin of the name… but no one really knows for sure.
10. True. But the exact time of the name change is unknown. Prior Lake is named for Charles Prior, superintendent of the Chicago, Milwaukee, and St. Paul Railway in the 1880s.

Parks & Wildlife Management Areas in Scott County

- Three Rivers Parks
- State Park and Recreation Land
- National Forest, Park, Wildlife Refuge & Recreation Land
- State Wildlife Management Areas
- Public Water Access
- Camping Facilities



SCOTT COUNTY DIRECTORY LISTING

Unless otherwise noted, all area codes are (952)

Listing	Number
SCOTT COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER	
200 FOURTH AVE W, SHAKOPEE	
INTERNET HOMEPAGE	http://www.co.scott.mn.us
INFORMATION	445-7745
TTY/TDD Hearing Impaired	496-8170
ADMINISTRATOR	496-8100
ATTORNEY	
Civil Division	496-8241
Criminal/Juvenile Division	496-8240
Family Division	496-8241
Victim Witness	496-8244
BUDGET/STRATEGIC PLANNING	496-8188
BILLING/COLLECTIONS	496-8464
BUILDING INSPECTIONS	496-8475
COMMISSIONERS	496-8100
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	
Community Development Director	496-8344
Building Inspections	496-8475
Environmental Health	496-8787
Planning & Zoning	496-8353
Natural Resources/Watershed	496-8054
COURT ADMINISTRATION	
District/County Court	496-8200
COURT SERVICES/PROBATION	496-8260
CUSTOMER SERVICE	
Birth/Death Records	496-8150
Elections/Voter Registration	496-8161
Licenses	496-8150
Marriage - Boat/Snowmobile/ATV - Drivers - Hunting/Fishing - Liquor - Motor Vehicle - Passport	
Tax Payments	496-8150
DIRECTIONS TO GOVERNMENT CENTER	496-8777
EMPLOYEE RELATIONS	496-8103
Applications Line	496-8890
Job Hotline	496-8598
Payroll	496-8790
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH	496-8787
EXTENSION SERVICE	492-5410
7151 190th Street W, Suite 100, Jordan	
FACILITIES MANAGEMENT	496-8439
FAIR BOARD	492-2436
7151 190th Street W, Suite 145, Jordan	
HUMAN SERVICES	
Adoption	445-7751
Child Abuse/Vulnerable Adult	445-7751
Child Care Complaints	445-7751
Child Care Licensing Application	445-7751
Child Support	496-8183
Community Mental Health Center	445-7751
Crisis Mental Health/Social Services	
8 AM to 4:30 PM	445-7751
After Hours	651-291-4680
Developmental Disabilities Services	445-7751
Economic Assistance	445-7751
Employment & Training	496-8686
Foster Care Licensing	496-8505
Fraud Referral Hotline	651-297-4147
or 1-800-627-9977	
Mental Health Services	445-7751
Minnesota Care Information	496-8545
New Options	403-7979
Public Health Nursing	496-8373
Scott County Transit	496-8341
I. T. DEPARTMENT	496-8308
LAND RECORDS	
Abstract Property	496-8150
Torrens Property	496-8143
UCC Filings	496-8141
LIBRARY SYSTEM	
Administration	
13090 Alabama Ave S, Savage	707-1760
Belle Plaine Library	
125 W Main	873-6767
Jordan Library	
230 Broadway S	492-2500
Law Library	
Govn't Center, JC 177	
200 Fourth Ave W, Shakopee	496-8713
New Market Library	
50 Church Street, PO Box 129	461-3460
New Prague Library	
400 Main Street E	758-2391
Prior Lake Library	
16210 Eagle Creek Ave SE	447-3375
Savage Library	
13090 Alabama Ave S	707-1770
Shakopee Library	
235 Lewis Street S	233-3850
MOSQUITO CONTROL	
METRO DISTRICT	651-645-9149
MN WORKFORCE CENTER	
752 Canterbury Road S, Shakopee	445-7087
PUBLIC AFFAIRS	496-8601
PUBLIC WORKS	
600 Country Trail E, Jordan	496-8346
PURCHASING	496-8112
SHERIFF	
Emergency	911
Alternate/Emergency	445-8311
Administration	496-8300
Animal Control	445-3156
Found Animals	496-8412
Civil Process Bureau	496-8320
Communications	496-8311
Detectives	496-8132
Emergency Management	496-8181
Main Jail	496-8327
Jail Annex	496-8920
Juvenile Alternative Facility	496-8950
Patrol	496-8303
Records	496-8309
Warrants	496-8315
SOIL & WATER CONSERVATON DISTRICT	492-5425
7151 190th Street W, Suite 125, Jordan	
STATE OF MN JOB SERVICES	
752 Canterbury Road S, Shakopee	445-7087
TTY/TDD HEARING IMPAIRED	
Govn't Center	496-8170
TAXATION	496-8115
General Tax & Listing Information	496-8150
Homestead	496-8771
VALLEY GREEN WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT CENTER	445-7087
712 Canterbury Road S, Shakopee	
VALLEY GREEN LEARNING CENTER	445-7439
VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS	496-8169
VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE	496-8176
WELFARE FRAUD HOTLINE	651-297-4147
Or 1-800-627-9977	
WORKFORCE CENTER	
752 Canterbury Road S, Shakopee	
Economic Assistance	496-8686
Job Services	445-7087
TTY	445-7087
Rehab Services	402-9804
TTY	402-9801
Scott County Employment & Training	496-8686
ZONING	496-8353

School District Information

Belle Plaine - #716	220 S Market St	952-873-2400
Bloomington - #271	8900 Portland Ave	952-885-8450
Burnsville/Eagan/Savage - #191	100 River Ridge Ct Blvd	952-895-7300
Jordan - #717	500 Sunset Dr	952-492-6200
Lakeville - #194	8670 210 St W	952-469-7100
LeSueur-Henderson - #734	101 1/2 5th St N LeSeur	507-665-8828
New Prague - #721	301 Lexington Ave S	952-758-1700
Prior Lake-Savage - #719	5300 Westwood Dr SE, Prior Lake	952-447-2185
Shakopee - #720	505 Holmes St S	952-496-5000

City Halls

Belle Plaine	420 Main St E	873-5553
Elko	26518 France Ave	461-2777
Jordan	210 First St E	492-2535
New Market	601 Main St	461-2711
New Prague	118 Central Ave N	758-4401
Prior Lake	16200 Eagale Creek Ave	447-4230
Savage	6000 McColl Dr	882-2660
Shakopee	129 Holmes St S	233-3800

Police Department Administration Offices

Belle Plaine	420 Main St E	873-4307
Jordan	210 First St E	492-2009
New Prague	118 Central Ave N	758-4455
Prior Lake	16200 Eagle Creek Ave	440-3555
Savage	6000 McColl Dr	882-2600
Shakopee	476 Groman St	233-3810
Scott County	200 Fourth Ave W	445-8311
After Hours Administration		445-8311

For Emergencies Call 911

United States Post Offices

Belle Plaine	227 Meridian St N	873-5600
Jordan	214 2nd St E	492-2114
New Market	14 Church St	461-2150
New Prague	124 Main St E	758-7678
Prior Lake	16535 Anna Trl	447-2149
Savage	6100 McColl Dr	890-4282
Shakopee	135 Sommerville St N	1-800-275-8777

Scott County Libraries

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Jordan	230 Broadway St S	492-2500
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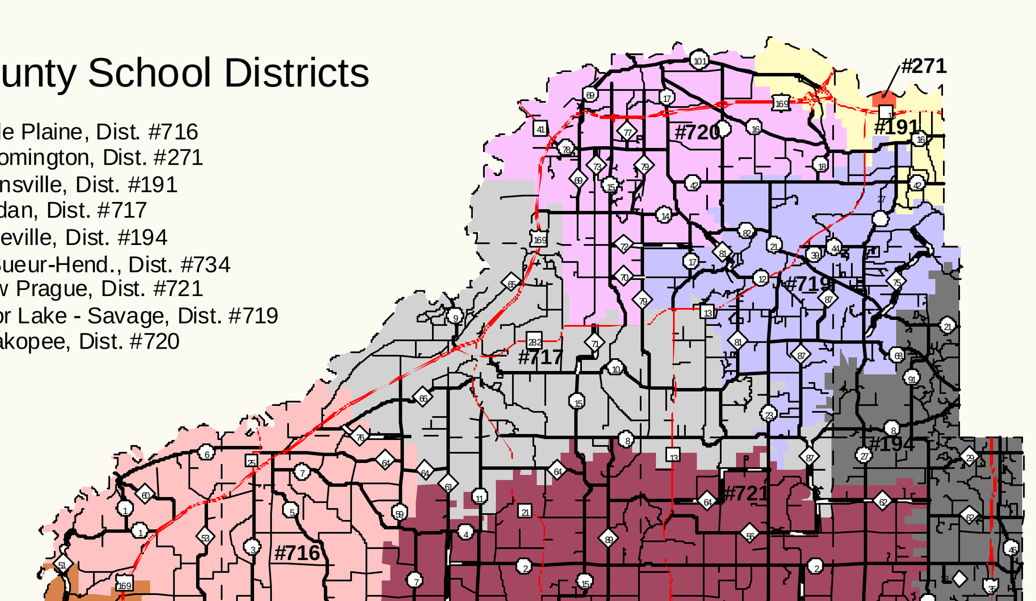
- New Prague, Dist. #721
- Prior Lake - Savage, Dist. #719
- Shakopee, Dist. #720



THREE RIVERS PARKS

1 *-Murphy-Hanrehan Park Reserve*
2 *-Cleary Lake Regional Park*
3 *-Spring Lake Regional Park*
4 *-Murphy's Landing Park*

STATE PARK AND RECREATION LAND

5 *-Blakeley*
6 *-Carver Rapids*
7 *-Gifford Lake*
8 *-Lawrence (Headquarters)*
9 *-Nyssen's Lake*
10 *-Rice Lake*
11 *-Thompson Ferry*

NATIONAL FOREST, PARK, WILDLIFE REFUGE & RECREATION LAND

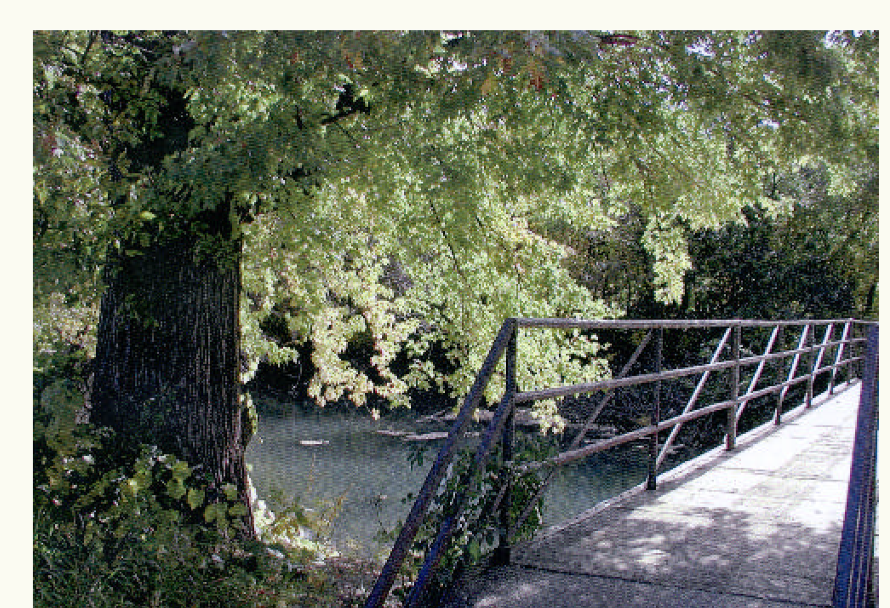
12 *-Louisville Swamp*
13 *-Wilkie Unit*

STATE WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS

13 *-Bradshaw Lake WMA*
14 *-Clark's Lake WMA*
15 *-Karnitz WMA*
16 *-Mahoney's WMA*
17 *-Marsh WMA*
18 *-Michel WMA*
19 *-O'Briens WMA*
20 *-Pheasant's Forever Module #1 WMA*
21 *-Pheasant's Forever Module #3 WMA*
22 *-Prior Lake WMA*
23 *-Raguet WMA*
24 *-Raven WMA*
25 *-Spartina WMA*
26 *-St. Patrick WMA*

Minnesota Valley State Recreation Area: (952) 492-6400

For more Information Regarding Parks in Scott County
Please Call the DNR at 1-888-646-6367



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Scott County Highway Department
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County Highway Map