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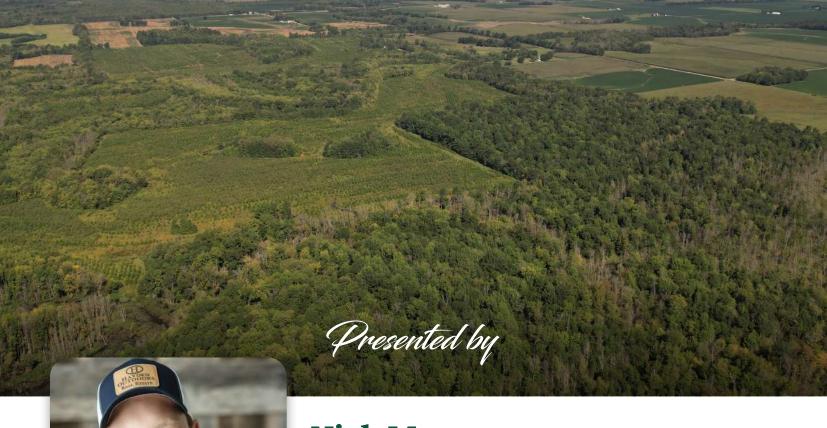
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COUNTY:

Clay County

CLOSEST TOWN:

Clay City, IL





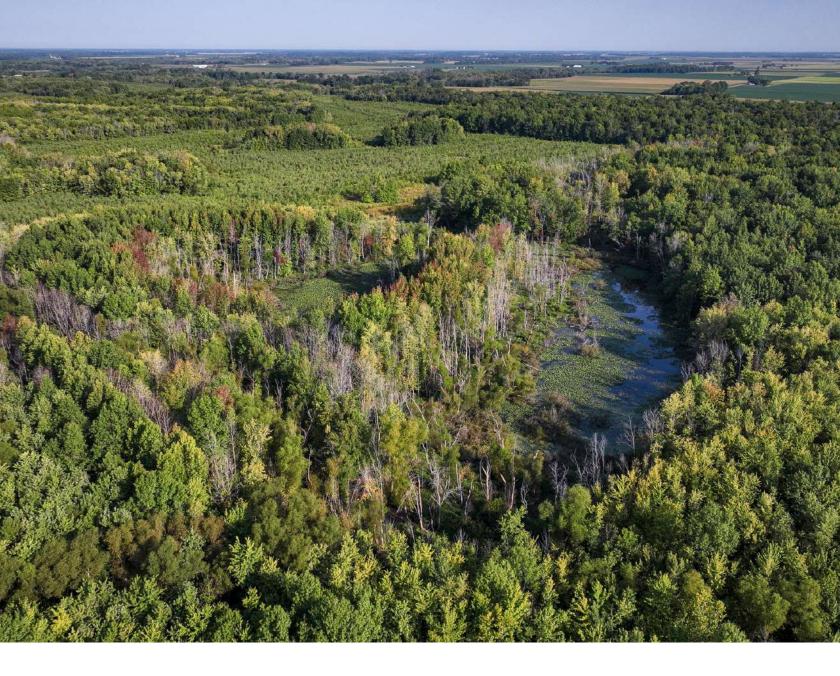
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# **Property Summary**

Located in Clay County, Illinois, this 2,014-acre property is a prime investment with natural beauty and renowned for big buck hunting. The multiple access points, well maintained trail system, Little Muddy Creek flowing throughout makes this a haven for outdoor enthusiasts. Currently generating nearly \$341,000 annually through 1,681 acres in CRP and hunting leases. Mineral rights do not transfer.





#### Land

While mostly flat, this property includes gently rolling terrain near Little Muddy Creek that runs throughout. The majority of the land is part of a revenue generating Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) filtration program, planted with a blend of oaks and walnuts, enhancing wildlife habitat and conservation efforts. The property also features native grasses and wildflowers, with patches of dense woodlands providing ideal cover for deer and turkey, making it perfect for hunting and outdoor activities.

All property lines on map, pictures, and surety maps are approximate.







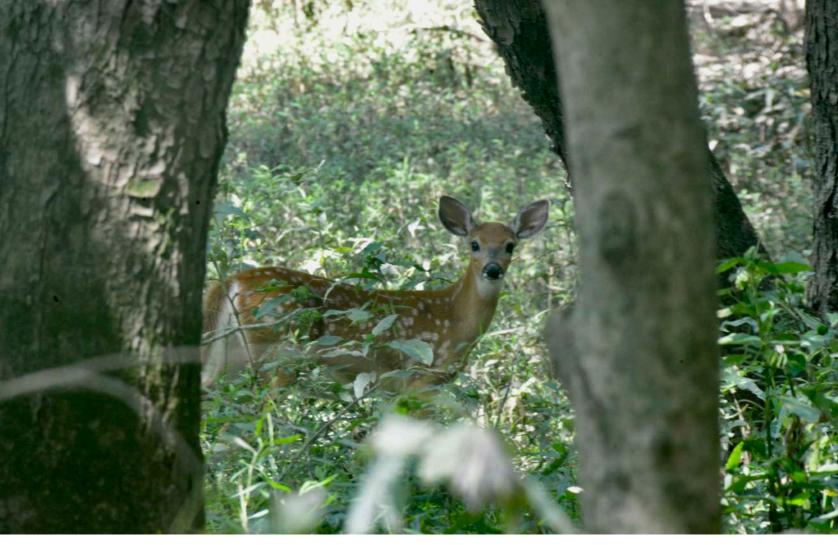
#### **Recreation**

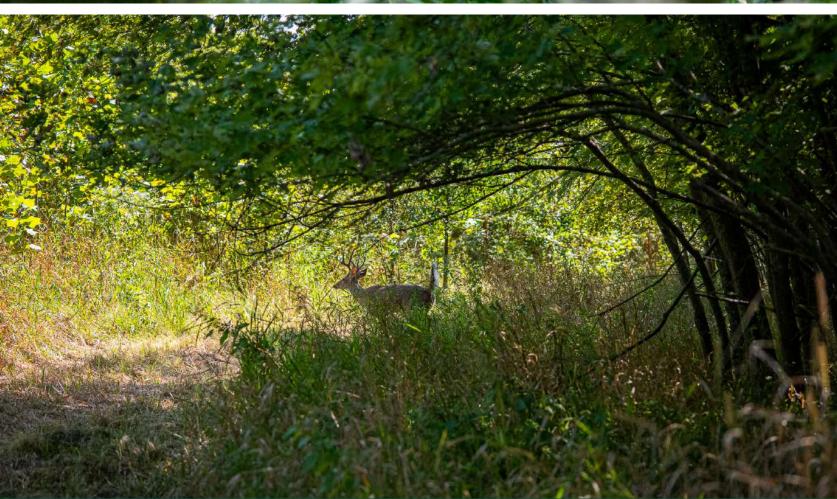
The property offers exceptional recreational opportunities, especially for hunting enthusiasts. Clay County is renowned for its big buck hunting due to its ideal habitat and effective wildlife management, making this property an ideal investment opportunity for an outfitter or big buck hunter. The land is predominantly covered with CRP-planted oak and walnut, providing excellent cover and food sources that support a robust deer and turkey population. All the benefits of a large property with income to boot! What more can you ask for!

Little Muddy Creek running throughout enhances the property's appeal, attracting various game, including waterfowl. The extensive trail system, maintained by an oil company, ensures easy access for hunting and other activities like hiking, birdwatching, and nature photography. This property is ideal for those seeking premier hunting grounds and diverse outdoor recreation.

### Agriculture

The property integrates significant agricultural features through its participation in CRP and its timber resources. Enrolled in CRP, the land is planted with oak and walnut trees, enhancing soil quality, reducing erosion, and supporting wildlife while generating substantial annual income. Additionally, the mature oak and walnut stands offer potential for future timber sales, adding further investment value. This blend of CRP management and timber resources enhances the property's ecological health and financial potential.





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### Water/Mineral Rights & Natural Resources

Mineral rights are not owned by the current owner and will not transfer with the sale of the property.

### **General Operations**

The property generates income through a current hunting lease, which provides \$35,000 annually, in addition to the government funded CRP income of \$305,884 per year. Combined, these revenue streams result in a net return on investment (ROI) of 3.25% at the asking price.

The current positive ROI could easily be added to with some ingenuity and vision.







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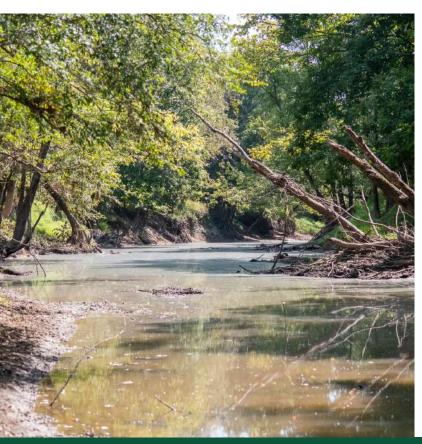


#### **Region & Climate**

Clay County, Illinois, offers a blend of rural charm and outdoor recreational opportunities. The region is known for its excellent hunting, fishing, and hiking, thanks to its diverse landscapes and abundant wildlife. The weather features a temperate climate with four distinct seasons: warm summers, cold winters, and moderate spring and fall temperatures. Annual precipitation averages around 40 inches, supporting the lush vegetation and healthy ecosystems that make the area ideal for outdoor activities and agriculture.

#### Location

The property is situated on both sides of Mayflower Road in Clay County, Illinois, offering convenient access from multiple directions. The nearest international airports are St. Louis Lambert International Airport, about 2 hours west, and Indianapolis International Airport, approximately 2.5 hours northeast. Nearby towns include Flora and Effingham, just a short drive away, providing essential services and amenities such as grocery stores, restaurants, and medical facilities.









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