

# City of Blue Grass

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May 31, 2019

Mr. Jon Burgstrum, P.E.  
Scott County Engineer  
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Scott County Engineer's Office  
950 E. Blackhawk Trail Rd.  
Eldridge, Iowa 52749

Re: Revision to Federal Functional Classification of Roads in Scott County

Dear Mr. Burgstrum:

The City of Blue Grass requests the Federal Functional Classification change for the road section below. A revision requires a resolution from the county be provided to the Iowa Department of Transportation (DOT). The City of Blue Grass supports the following Federal Functional Classification changes within Scott County:

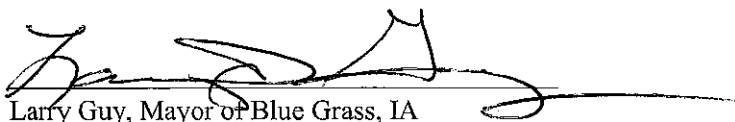
- 1) 0.82 miles of East Telegraph Road from North Mississippi Street/County Road Y40 easterly to East Mayne Street; from "Local" to "Rural Minor Collector".
- 2) 0.32 miles of East Mayne Street from East Telegraph Road southerly to U.S. 61 Interchange Northeast ramp termini; from "Local" to "Rural Minor Collector".

Officials have observed increased truck traffic using this segment of road to connect to U.S. 61 from the north. A portion can be attributed to the permanent weight limit on Mississippi Street (two axles – ten (10) tons, three axles – fifteen (15) tons, four or more axles – twenty (20) tons), but also due to increased economic development along East Telegraph Road. QC Warehousing, a major business along the E Telegraph Road corridor, reported possessing 17 tractors and 22 trailers, of which 4-5 operate locally throughout the work day and the remainder leaving or arriving at various times. Y40/North Mississippi Street just north of Blue Grass has 2,060 ADT (2014 Iowa DOT). There are no Iowa DOT counts within the city on East Telegraph Road except in the county east of the city limits where it is 90 ADT. However, East Mayne Street is 450 ADT (2014). Based on the truck volumes on U.S. 61 from Davenport to Blue Grass, there is 2,180 truck ADT. The police department conducted counts recently and the traffic data is attached for additional justification.

With the increased truck traffic, the road is deteriorating and reclassification would allow the road to be eligible for federal funding once it is reclassified, providing greater options to make improvements to these segments in the future.

Please consider this request and a resolution of request to the Iowa Department of Transportation.

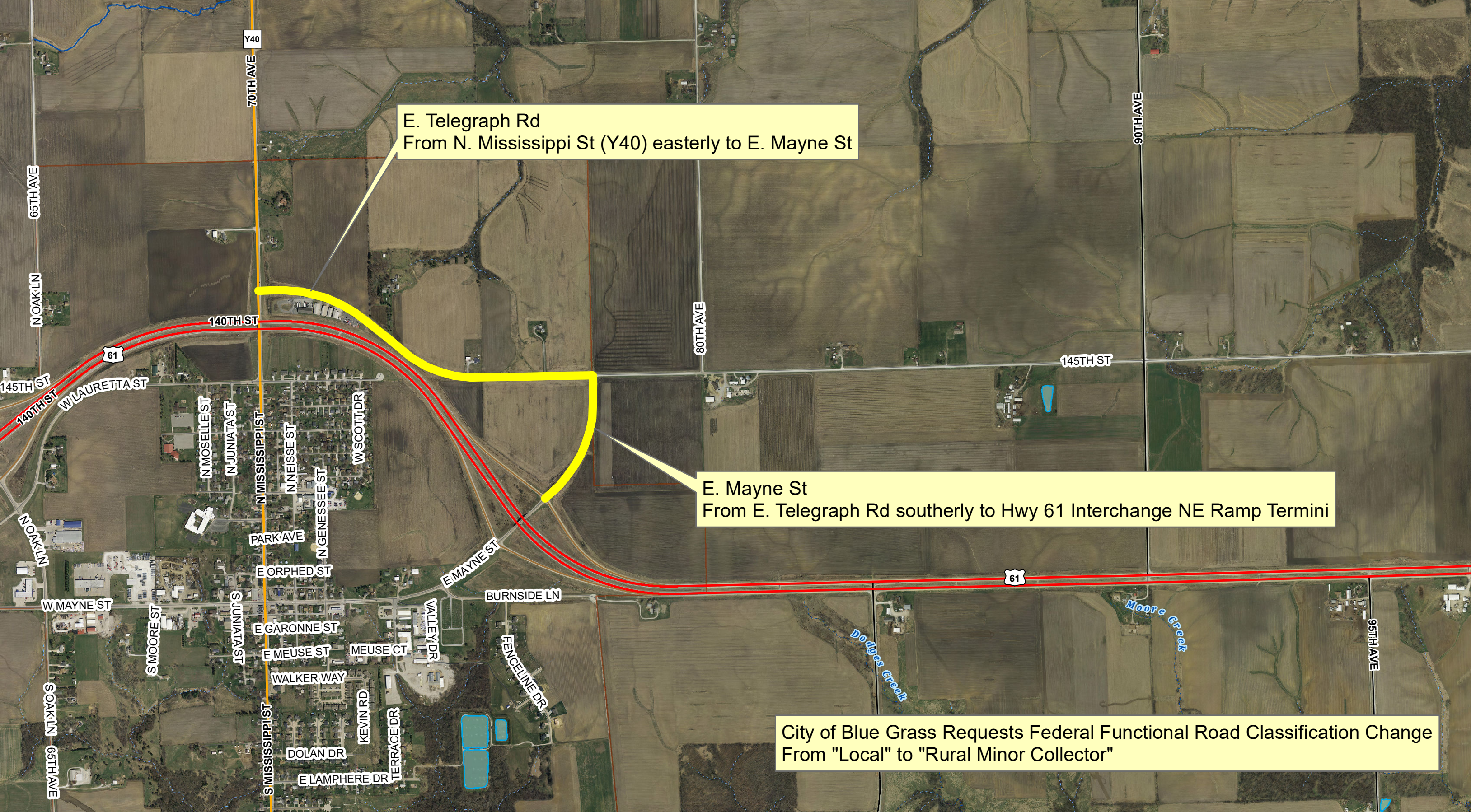
Sincerely,



Larry Guy, Mayor of Blue Grass, IA

cc: Sam Shea, District Planner, Iowa DOT





E. Telegraph Rd  
From N. Mississippi St (Y40) easterly to E. Mayne St

E. Mayne St  
From E. Telegraph Rd southerly to Hwy 61 Interchange NE Ramp Termini

City of Blue Grass Requests Federal Functional Road Classification Change  
From "Local" to "Rural Minor Collector"



THE COUNTY AUDITOR'S SIGNATURE CERTIFIES  
THAT THIS RESOLUTION HAS BEEN FORMALLY  
APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON  
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DATE  
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SCOTT COUNTY AUDITOR

R E S O L U T I O N

SCOTT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

June 27, 2019

REQUEST FOR CHANGES TO THE FEDERAL FUNCTION CLASSIFICATIONS IN  
THE CITY OF BLUE GRASS

**BE IT RESOLVED BY** the Scott County Board of Supervisors as follows:

Section 1. Functional classification is the process by which streets and highways are grouped into classes according to the character of service they are intended to provide; and

Section 2. Scott County, periodically reviews the system of streets and highways for appropriate changes to classification of the various segments of the system; and

Section 3. The city of Blue Grass has requested a change to the Federal Functional Classification within the City, after a recent review of the system has revealed the need for a change to the federal functional classification of road segments due to increased economic development resulting in more heavy truck traffic and trucks exiting US 61 traveling north on Y40.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Scott County hereby requests the Iowa Department of Transportation to request the Federal Highway Administration to make the following changes in federal functional classification.

CHANGES TO FEDERAL FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM

Revise the federal functional classification on East Telegraph Road from North Mississippi St (Y48) easterly .82 mi. to East Mayne St; from "local" to "Rural Minor Collector" and on East Mayne St from East Telegraph Road southerly .32 mi. to the US 61 Interchange Northeast ramp termini; from "local" to "Rural Minor Collector".