

Town of Raymond Historical Land Use (Acres)

Land Use Type	1962	1974	1998	2005	2010	2015	2010 to 2015 Change in Acreage	2010 to 2015 Percent Change
Active Agricultural	669	312	87	245	244	242	-2	-0.82%
Aux Transportation				174	173	170	-3	-1.73%
Farmsteads	38	23		72	73	71	-2	-2.74%
Forested	15,985	15,391	13,535	11,917	11,867	11,620	-247	-2.08%
Industrial/Commercial	153	204	515	396	422	423	1	0.24%
Mixed Urban	1	0	160	24	24	24	0	0.00%
Open Wetlands	486	504	517	1,005	961	978	17	1.77%
Other/Idle	435	697	676	701	675	808	133	19.70%
Playing Fields/Recreation				160	159	189	30	18.87%
Railroad								
Residential	592	1,063	2,532	3,030	3,112	3,143	31	1.00%
Transportation	154	194	293	325	340	372	32	9.41%
Utilities				171	169	169	0	0.00%
Water	432	555	628	724	725	737	12	1.66%
Total	18,944							

Note: Years 1962, 1974, and 1998 were compiled with a slightly different methodology than 2005, 2010, and 2015. Aux Transportation, Playing Fields and Utilities are categories only broken out in 2005, 2010, and 2015. Classification of Open Wetlands improved between 1998 and 2005 due to higher quality aerial photos. Many Open Wetlands had previously been classified as Forested. Classification of Playing Fields/Recreation improved in 2015 to ensure that those in proximity to a school were classified as Education.

Land Use Definitions

Active Agricultural: This category includes fields, pastures, row crops, orchards, etc. It does not include farm buildings.

Aux Transportation: This category includes parking structures/lots, designated park & ride lots, margins along roadways, and medians.

Farmsteads: This category includes farm buildings.

Forested: This category includes forests.

Industrial/Commercial: This category includes commercial, services, government, educational, indoor cultural/public assembly, industrial, office parks, and shopping malls.

Mixed Urban: This category includes mixed residential-commercial, outdoor cultural/public assembly, and cemeteries.

Open Wetlands: This category includes all visible wetlands (recognizing that some forested wetlands will be indistinguishable).

Other/Idle: This category includes mining areas, vacant developed land, brush or transitional between open and forested, salt flats, beaches and river banks, sandy areas (non-beaches), bare/exposed rock, strip mine/quarry or gravel pit, and disturbed land (for example, construction).

Playing Fields/Recreation: This category includes outdoor recreation not associated with a school.

Railroad: This category includes railroad transportation.

Residential: This category includes multi-family, single family, mobile home parks, and group/transient quarters.

Transportation: This category includes air transportation, water transportation, limited and controlled highway rights-of-way, and road rights-of-way.

Utilities: This category includes communication, electric, gas, water, wastewater, and solid waste utilities.

Water: This category includes all surface water features (not including wetlands).

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