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Designates the southeast area of the city of Oak Grove as “rural residential” for the purposes of the city’s comprehensive plan update and requires the Metropolitan Council to conform its plans and the system statement for the city to this designation. Effective upon filing of local approval with the secretary of state.

In May 2016, the city’s challenge to the designation of this area as “diversified rural” was rejected by the Administrative Law Judge because the statute does not allow a challenge to the systems plans.

According to the community designations information in *Thrive 2040*:

Diversified Rural communities are home to a variety of farm and non-farm land uses including very large-lot residential, clustered housing, hobby farms, and agricultural uses. Located adjacent to the Emerging Suburban Edge of the Metropolitan Urban Service Area communities, the Diversified Rural Area protects rural land for rural lifestyles today and potential urbanized levels of development sometime after 2040.

Rural Residential communities have residential patterns characterized by large lots and do not have plans to provide urban infrastructure, such as centralized wastewater treatment.