

MEMORANDUM

To: Board of Regents
From: Board Office
Subject: Demolition of Buildings at the Bilsland and Brayton Farms
Date: July 7, 2000

Recommended Action:

Approve the demolition of the following buildings:

1. Main house building (ISU inventory #BS-1) located at the Bilsland Farm, Boone County, Iowa;
2. Hog shed (ISU inventory #BS-17) located at the Bilsland Farm, Boone County, Iowa; and
3. Storage shed (ISU inventory #19-1) located at the Brayton Farm, Delaware County, Iowa.

(ROLL CALL VOTE)

Executive Summary:

The University requests approval to demolish a total of three buildings located on two of the University's Research and Demonstration Farms. Included are a house and hog shed at the Bilsland Farm in Boone County, and a storage shed at the Brayton Farm in Delaware County. The University reports that all of the buildings have deteriorated and are no longer functional. The total estimated cost for the three demolitions is \$6,500 to \$9,500, depending on the method of demolition, which will be funded by the Agricultural Experiment Station.


Background and Analysis:

The main house at the Bilsland Farm was constructed in the 1920s and consists of 1,620 square feet. The house was acquired by the University in 1959 and has a current inventory value of \$5,000. The 800 square foot hog shed at the Bilsland Farm was constructed in 1968; its current inventory value is \$1,600. The Brayton Farm storage shed was constructed in 1982; the current inventory value for the 320 square foot facility is \$2,736.

Since the current value of each building exceeds \$1,000, approval of the demolition is requested in accordance with Procedural Guide §7.11 which requires Board approval to dispose of buildings with an estimated value of \$1,000 or more. The structures will be disposed of pursuant to Board of Regents surplus property disposal procedures.

The University proposes to burn the house and hog shed at the Bilsland Farm and is in the process of offering the buildings for fire training to local fire departments. The University estimates the demolition and landfill costs associated with burning both buildings at \$5,500. If the buildings are not burned, the estimated demolition cost is approximately \$8,500. The estimated demolition cost for the Brayton Farm storage shed is less than \$1,000.

The University reports that all of the structures are free of asbestos and other hazardous materials. Any salvageable materials from the structures will be removed prior to disposal.



Sheila Lodge

Approved:



Frank J. Stork