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Champaign County Drainage Districts Records

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Scope and Content: Record types vary and relate to the organization, administration, construction and maintenance of ditches, bridges and highways within Champaign County drainage districts.

Arrangement: This collection is divided into two series: 1) Drainage Districts and 2) Bridges and Highways. Series 1 is arranged alphabetically by drainage district name. Each folder pertains to an individual drainage district or sub-district, with several districts spanning multiple folders. Series 2 is arranged alphabetically by township name. Records within both series are organized chronologically.

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Drainage districts—Illinois

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Highway bypasses

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Roads

Taxation—Special assessments

Names:

Ayers (Ill. : Township)

Bailey Branch Drainage District

Big Slough Special Drainage District

Brown (Ill. : Township)

Colfax (Ill. : Township)

Condit (Ill. : Township)



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Crittenden (Ill. : Township)
Copper Slough Special Drainage District
Drainage District Number 3 (Saint Joseph Township, Ill.)
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Embarras River Special Drainage District
Fountain Head Drainage District
Hensley (Ill. : Township)
Homer (Ill. : Township)
Kerr (Ill. : Township)
Lake Fork Special Drainage District
Long Point Slough Special Drainage District
Lotus Special Drainage District
Lower Big Slough Drainage District
Mahomet (Ill. : Township)
Newcomb (Ill. : Township)
Newcomb Special Drainage District
Okaw Drainage District
Pesotum (Ill. : Township)
Pesotum Slough Special Drainage District
Saline Branch Drainage District
Sangamon And Drummer Drainage District
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Stanton Special Drainage District
Two Mile Slough Drainage District
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