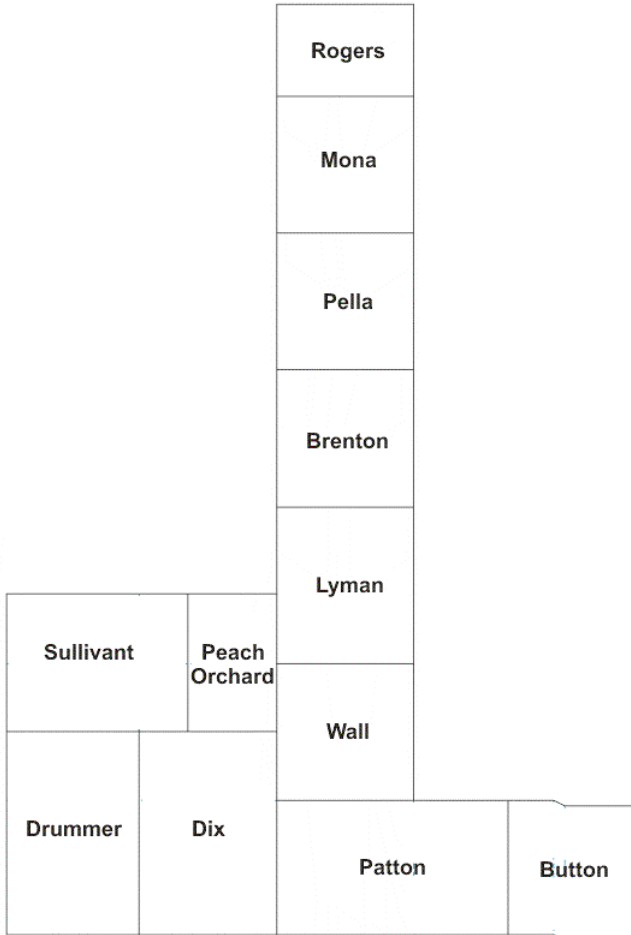


# Ford County, IL



Ford County was the last county to be established in Illinois. It is mostly rural, with some industry in Gibson City. It was the last holdout in northern Illinois on the old 39.50 Sheriff's Net until switching to High band a few years ago. All public Safety dispatch is handled by the Ford County 9-1-1 Center (Gibson City to join in September 2007)

**County Operations:**

- 156.225 179.9 Sheriff & Law Net, Repeats 158.9850
- 153.740 179.9 Sheriff Car to Car
- 151.070 Sheriff Mobiles
- 39.5000 131.8 Old Sheriff's Net
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- 453.2125 000.0 Steele RX Link
- 453.2375 000.0 Piper City RX Link
- 458.2125 000.0 Roberts RX Link
- 458.2375 000.0 Gibson City RX Link
- 154.190 151.4 County Fire Net
- 154.415 151.4 Old County Net
- 154.400 192.8 Link to Iroquois County
- 155.415 D343 Gibson City Amb., Repeats 150.8050
- (Serves Elliot & Paxton areas as well)
- 453.025 000.0 Gibson Area Amb Svc RX Link (Gibson City)
- 453.100 000.0 RX Link (Paxton)

- Radio ID's:**
- "Sam" Sheriff
  - 220's Paxton PD
  - 230's Piper City PD
  - 155.7450 179.9 Local EMA Operations (also reported as PL 97.4)
  - 155.0250 000.0 (ESMARN)
  - 045.4400 103.5 Statewide EMA channel
  - 155.0505 000.0 Misc IREACH
  - 154.1150 D165 Hwy Highway Department, Repeats 159.0750
  - 037.9000 141.3 Hwy Old Highway Department Channel
  - 463.9000 School Ford/Iroquois Special Education District

**Township Highway Departments:**

- |         |               |           |          |
|---------|---------------|-----------|----------|
| Brenton | Lyman         | Pella     | 453.2000 |
| Button  | Mona          | Rogers    |          |
| Dix     | Patton        | Sullivant |          |
| Drummer | Peach Orchard | Wall      |          |

**Cities and Villages:**

<b>Cabery</b>				<i>(Patrolled by Ford County SO)</i>
154.1900	151.4	Fire	Cabery Area FPD, Dispatch by County 9-1-1	
154.3250	151.4	Fire	Link to Kankakee County Fire Net	
<b>Elliott</b>				<i>(Patrolled by Ford County SO)</i>
154.1900	151.4	Fire	Elliot VFD	
<b>Gibson City</b>				<i>(Dispatch operations by Ford Co. 9-1-1 starts in September 2007)</i>
460.4750	D155	Police	Gibson City PD	
154.4150	151.4	Fire	Gibson City FPD	
453.4875	Data	LG	Water Telemetry	
151.6850		Hosp	Gibson Community Hospital Security/Maintenance	
155.2200		Hosp	Gibson Community Hospital Ambulances	
<b>Kempton</b>				<i>(Patrolled by Ford County SO)</i>
154.1900	151.4	Fire	Kempton FPD, Dispatch by County 9-1-1	
<b>Melvin</b>				<i>(Patrolled by Ford County SO)</i>
154.4150	151.4	Fire	Roberts/Melvin FPD, Dispatch by County 9-1-1	
<b>Paxton</b>				
156.2250	179.9	Police	Paxton PD, Dispatched by Ford County 9-1-1	
154.1900	151.4	Fire	Paxton FPD, Paxton EMS, Dispatch by County 9-1-1	
155.2650		EMS	Paxton Area EMS	
155.0850	179.9	EMA	Paxton ESDA	
461.2250		School	School Busses	
122.8000	AM	Airport	Paxton Municipal Airport CTAF/Unicom	
<b>Piper City</b>				
156.2250	179.9	Police	Piper City PD, Dispatched by Ford County 9-1-1	
155.7450	179.9	EMA	EMA/ESDA Operations	
154.1900	151.4	Fire	Piper City FPD, Dispatch by County 9-1-1	
154.4150	151.4	Fire	Piper City FPD, Dispatch by County 9-1-1	
<b>Roberts</b>				<i>(Patrolled by Ford County SO)</i>
154.4150	151.4	Fire	Roberts/Melvin FPD, Dispatch by County 9-1-1	
<b>Sibley</b>				<i>(Patrolled by Ford County SO)</i>
154.1900	151.4	Fire	Sullivant Twp FPD, Dispatch by County 9-1-1	

**Railroads:**

**Canadian National** runs thru Paxton using 161.190 on its former Illinois Central Chicago-Memphis mainline. The Springfield branch runs thru Roberts and Gibson City, using 160.920

**Norfolk Southern** has two lines into Gibson City from Decatur and Normal, using 160.440, then follows the CN Springfield branch to Gilman.

**Toledo, Peoria & Western** uses 161.400 on its line thru Piper City.

The **Bloomer Line** uses 161.355 on its former Wabash and IC lines out of Gibson City.