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port road improvements. In contrast, Paulding County will pay \$100,000 or more in interest payments over the years to support debt incurred for local road improvements.

- The soil structure in the counties is different, which affects the cost of road improvements.

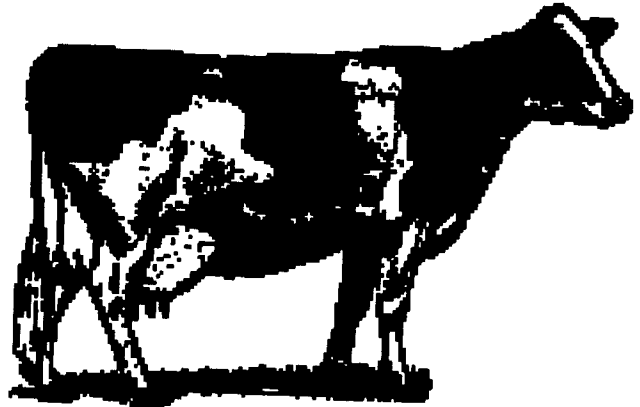
- Only two of the TIF agreements in Paulding County protect state funding for local schools. In contrast, all three of Van Wert's TIFs protect state funding for schools.

- The dairies in Van Wert County have a higher assessed property value, which increases the taxes collected in that county \$7,000 more than the increased tax revenue for Paulding County.

"One big lesson we learned in this case study is that it's very important for big dairies to work with local governments and school officials and organize their resources jointly, for the good of the locality," Roe said. "A lot of times, grants must be applied for and received before any local hiring or construction begins. It's really a coordination issue, which can be difficult because things often happen quickly in this business," Roe said.

The entire report, "Economic and Fiscal Impacts: A Case Study of Seven Recently Constructed Dair-

ies in Van Wert County and Paulding County, Ohio," is available online at <http://aede.osu.edu/resources/publications.htm>. Click on "AED Economics Report Series" and scroll down to the report, No. AEDE-RP-0032-03.



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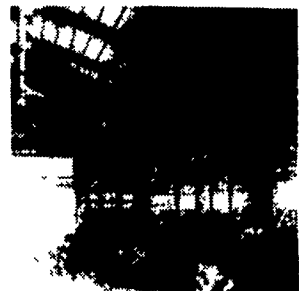
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