



MAX9406 Evaluation Kit

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General Description

The MAX9406 PCIe[®]-To-HDMI[™] evaluation kit (EV kit) is a fully assembled and tested circuit board that demonstrates the capabilities of the MAX9406 DisplayPort[™] to DVI[™]/HDMI level shifter. The correct version of the Intel graphics chipset driver and video BIOS need to be installed properly to use the MAX9406 EV kit.

The MAX9406 EV kit should be plugged into a PCI Express[®] (PCIe) bus slot on a PC that supports DisplayPort as defined by VESA, such as Intel's Eaglelake/Cantiga chipset with an integrated graphics controller.

The MAX9406 EV kit PCB comes with a MAX9406ETJ+ installed (32-pin thin QFN package with an exposed pad).

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Features

- ◆ > 400mV Differential HDMI Output at 2Gbps Data Rate
- ◆ < 450ps Propagation Delay
- ◆ < 20ps Channel-to-Channel Skew at 2Gbps
- ◆ Low Intrinsic Jitter: DJ < 7ps_{P-P} and RJ < 1ps_{RMS}
- ◆ Human Body Model (HBM) is ±4kV on All Pins and CDM is ±1kV on Cable Connection Pins
- ◆ Bidirectional Level Shifter of 5V to 3.3V for Display Data Channel (DDC) Pins
- ◆ Level Shifter of 5V to 3.3V for the Hot-Plug Detection (HPD) Pin
- ◆ Proven PCB Layout
- ◆ Lead(Pb)-Free and RoHS Compliant
- ◆ Fully Assembled and Tested

Ordering Information

PART	TYPE
MAX9406EVKIT+	EV Kit

+Denotes lead(Pb)-free and RoHS compliant.

Component List

DESIGNATION	QTY	DESCRIPTION
C1, C2, C16, C19	4	22µF ±10%, 6.3V X5R ceramic capacitors (1206) Murata GRM31CR60J226M
C3, C4, C7-C14, C17, C18, C20, C21, C22, C25, C26	17	0.1µF ±10%, 25V X7R ceramic capacitors (0603) Murata GRM188R71E104K
C5	1	10µF ±10%, 6.3V X5R ceramic capacitor (0805) Murata GRM21BR60J106K
C6, C15, C23, C24	4	2.2µF ±10%, 25V X5R ceramic capacitors (0805) Murata GRM219R61E225K
J1	0	Not installed, PCIe bus (gold finger pads on PCB)
J2	1	HDMI connector
J3-J11	9	3-pin headers
L1	1	600Ω, 1.5A ferrite bead (1206) Murata BLM31PG601SH1L

DESIGNATION	QTY	DESCRIPTION
Q1	1	n-channel enhancement DMOS FET
R2, R4	2	2.2kΩ ±5% resistors (0603)
R3	1	1.00kΩ ±1% resistor (0603)
R5, R14, R16, R17	4	20kΩ ±5% resistors (0603)
R6-R9, R12, R19	6	1.5kΩ ±5% resistors (0603)
R10, R11, R37, R38, R41	5	100kΩ ±5% resistors (0603)
R13, R15	2	10kΩ ±5% resistors (0603)
R18	1	7.5kΩ ±5% resistor (0603)
R20-R27	0	Not installed, resistors (0603)
R28-R35	8	0Ω ±5% resistors (0603)
R36	1	0.1Ω ±1% resistor (0603)
R39	1	1.00MΩ ±1% resistor (0603)
R40	1	47kΩ ±5% resistor (0603)
SW1	1	Pushbutton switch (SMT, 6.6mm x 6mm)
SW2	0	Not installed, slide switch



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Component List (continued)

DESIGNATION	QTY	DESCRIPTION
TP1	0	Not installed, test point (standard via, 0.39in drill, solder-mask opening)
U1	1	DisplayPort level shifter (32 TQFN-EP*) Maxim MAX9406ETJ+
U2	1	Low-dropout linear regulator (8 SO) Maxim MAX1659ESA+
U3	1	Two-wire serial EEPROM 2K (256 x 8) (8 SO)

*EP = Exposed pad.

DESIGNATION	QTY	DESCRIPTION
U4, U6, U7	3	High-speed differential ESD-protectors (10 μ MAX®) Maxim MAX3208EAUB+ (Top Mark: 3208 EAUB+)
U5	1	Low-voltage open-drain inverter (14 SO) Fairchild 74LCX06M (Top Mark: LCX06)
U8	1	DisplayPort video connector
U9, U10	2	Dual FET bus switches with level shifting (8 SO)
—	6	Shunts
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Component Suppliers

SUPPLIER	PHONE	WEBSITE
Fairchild Semiconductor	888-522-5372	www.fairchildsemi.com
Murata Electronics North America, Inc.	770-436-1300	www.murata-northamerica.com

Note: Indicate that you are using the MAX9406 when contacting these component suppliers.

Quick Start

Recommended Equipment

Before beginning, the following equipment is needed:

- MAX9406 EV kit
- A PC using Intel's Eaglelake/Cantiga chipset with an integrated graphics controller
- A built-in laptop LCD screen or an external monitor with a VGA interface as the primary display
- Another LCD monitor with a DVI or HDMI interface as the secondary digital display

Note: In the following sections, software-related items are identified by bolding. Text in **bold** refers to items directly from the EV kit software. Text in **bold and underlined** refers to items from the Windows® operating system.

Procedure

The MAX9406 EV kit is fully assembled and configured for HDMI output on J2. Follow the steps below to verify board operation:

- 1) Verify that all jumpers (J3–J11) are in their default positions, as shown in Table 1.

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- 2) Check if the graphics driver and video BIOS are already installed by moving the mouse pointer (arrow) all the way down to the bottom of the primary display to show the task bar. Look at the notification area (system tray) at the right side of the task bar to find the **Digital Display** utility. If not found, the graphics driver and video BIOS need to be installed.
- 3) Carefully plug in the MAX9406 EV kit into an available PCIe bus slot. Connect an LCD monitor with an HDMI interface to the HDMI plug on the MAX9406 EV kit using an HDMI cable. Or, connect an LCD monitor with a DVI interface using a DVI-to-HDMI conversion cable.
- 4) The secondary monitor connected through the HDMI port will light up if the digital display is enabled. If no video appears, move the mouse pointer (arrow) all the way down to the bottom of the primary display to show the task bar. Further, move the mouse pointer to the notification area at the right side of the task bar and onto the **Digital Display** utility. Right click the **Display Port** and then select the **Digital Display and Monitor** option. The LCD monitor connected to the EV kit will light up.

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Detailed Description of Hardware

The MAX9406 (U1) level shifts all four high-speed differential data channels and the DDC channel. High-speed channel data comes from the PCIe bus (J1), goes through the MAX9406, and outputs at the HDMI connector (J2). The MAX9406 is enabled by jumper J8. The MAX9406 also relays the hot-plug detection signal from the HDMI plug to the PCIe bus through an inverter (U5-D) when a shunt is placed across pins 2-3 of jumper J9. The hot-plug detection signal is amplitude-limited to 0.9V at the PCIe bus side.

The 5V supply matching the HDMI interface side is converted down from the 12V supply of the PCIe bus by the MAX1659 (U2). Three MAX3208E chips (U4, U6,

and U7) provide ESD protection for both high-speed and DDC channels on the HDMI interface. The AT24C02 EEPROM (U3) provides an EDID for testing purposes. The AT24C02 is initially un-programmed. Pullup resistors (1.5kΩ) are provided on both PCIe and HDMI sides of the DDC channel.

Evaluating the MAX9406 DP-to-HDMI Dongle Board

The MAX9406 EV kit can also be used to evaluate a MAX9406-based DP-to-HDMI level-shifter dongle board. To evaluate a dongle board, move resistors R28–R35 to locations R20–R27 to isolate the MAX9406 on the EV kit. **Note:** Connector U8 is mounted at assembly, but is not production tested.

Table 1. MAX9406 EV kit Jumper Descriptions (J3–J11)

JUMPER	SIGNAL	SHUNT POSITION	DESCRIPTION
J3	HDMIB_CTRL_CLK	1-2*	Connected to the MAX9406
		2-3	Connected to the EEPROM
J4	HDMIB_CTRL_DATA	1-2*	Connected to the MAX9406
		2-3	Connected to the EEPROM
J5	HDMIC_CTRL_CLK	1-2	Connected to the EEPROM
		2-3	Not connected
J6	HDMIC_CTRL_DATA	1-2	Connected to the EEPROM
		2-3	Not connected
J7	EEPROM WP	1-2	Write protected (read only)
		2-3	Write enabled
J8	MAX9406 Enable	1-2	Disabled
		2-3*	Enabled
J9	Hot Plug Detection	1-2	Manual emulation
		2-3*	Plug-in detection
J10	HDMI/DP Select 1	1-2*	HDMI mode
		2-3	DP mode
J11	HDMI/DP Select 2	1-2*	HDMI mode
		2-3	DP mode

*Default position.

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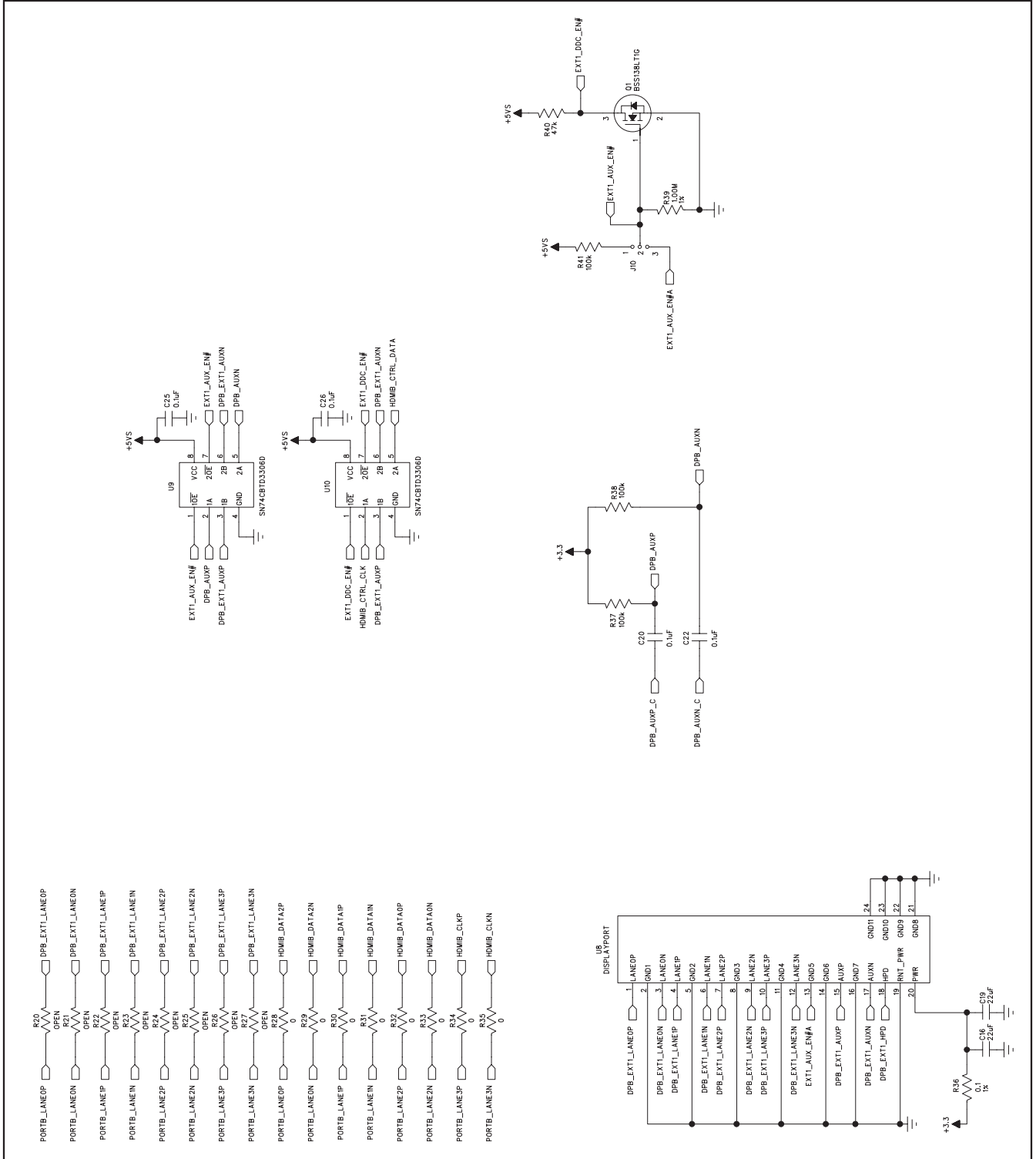


Figure 1b. MAX9406 EV Kit Schematic (Sheet 2 of 2)

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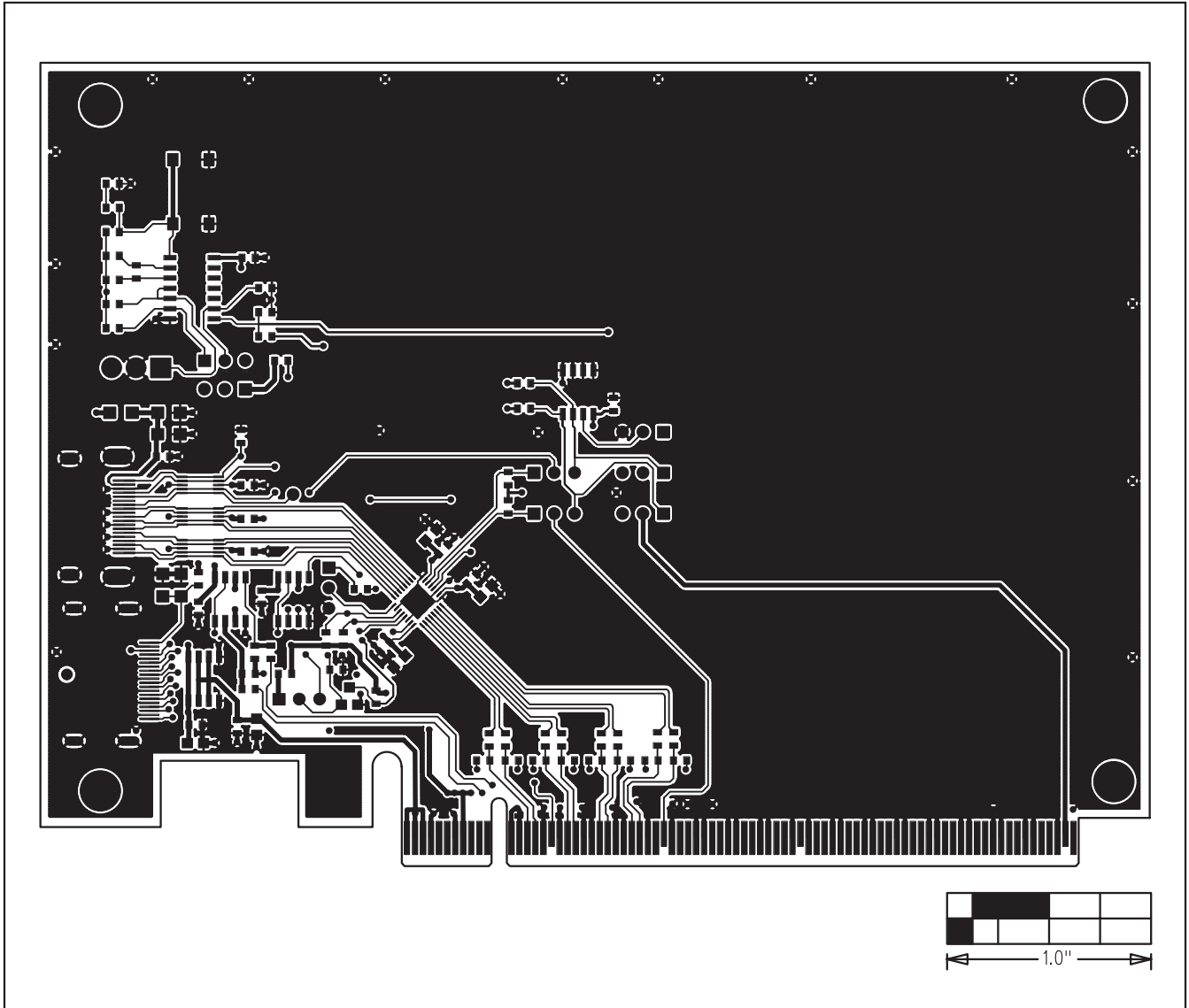


Figure 3. MAX9406 EV Kit PCB Layout—Component Side

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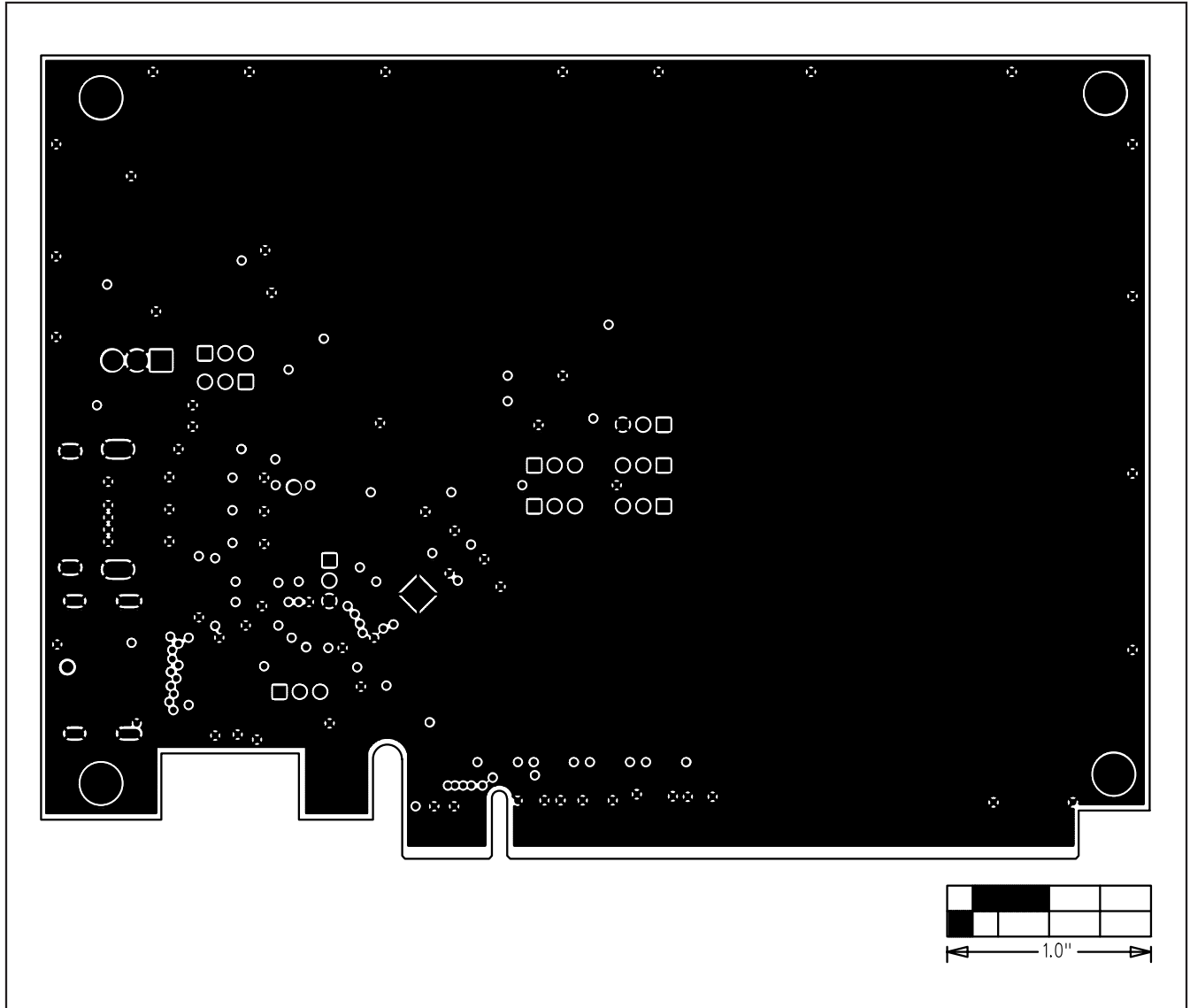


Figure 4. MAX9406 EV Kit PCB Layout—Ground Layer 2

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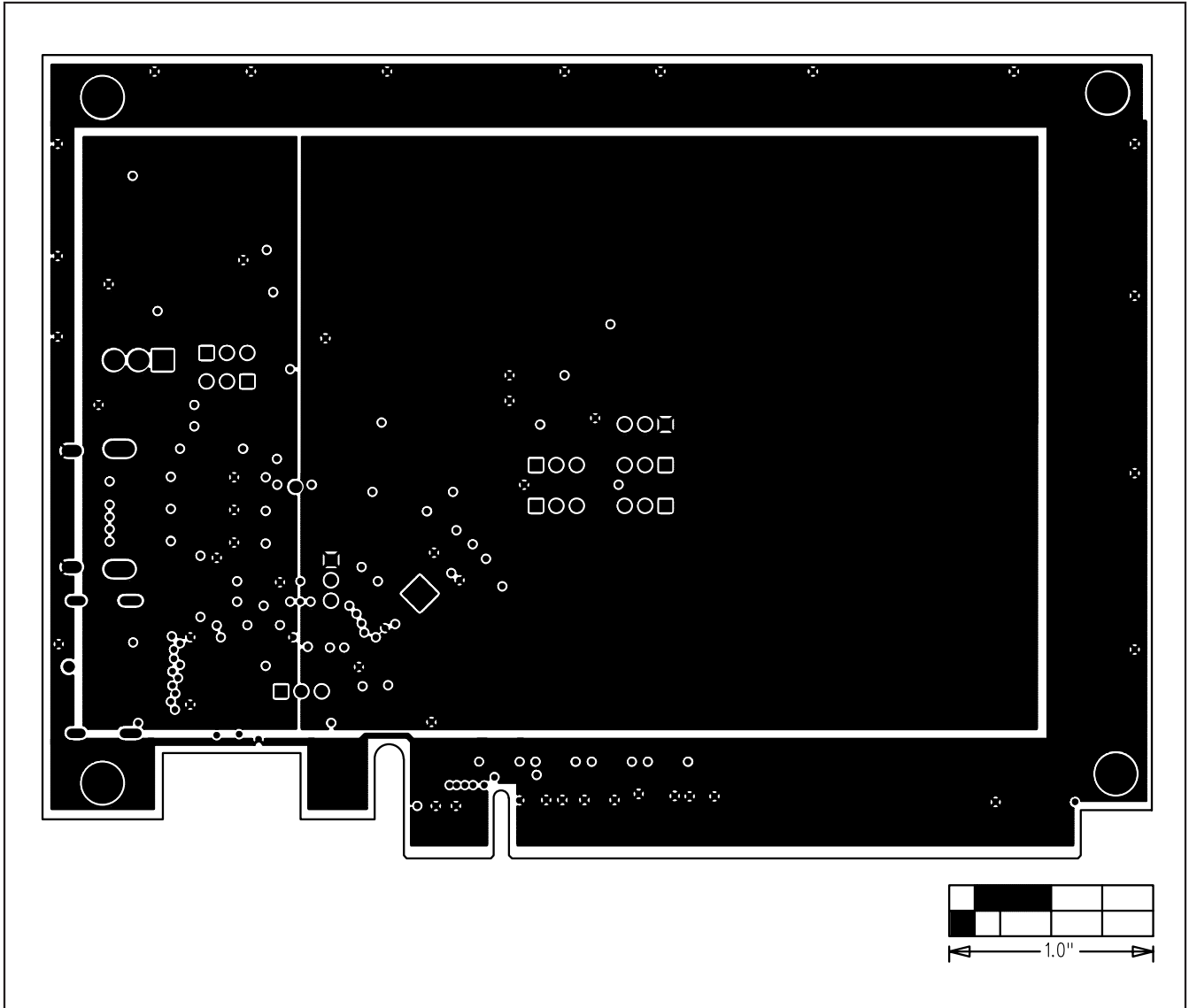


Figure 5. MAX9406 EV Kit PCB Layout—Power Layer 3

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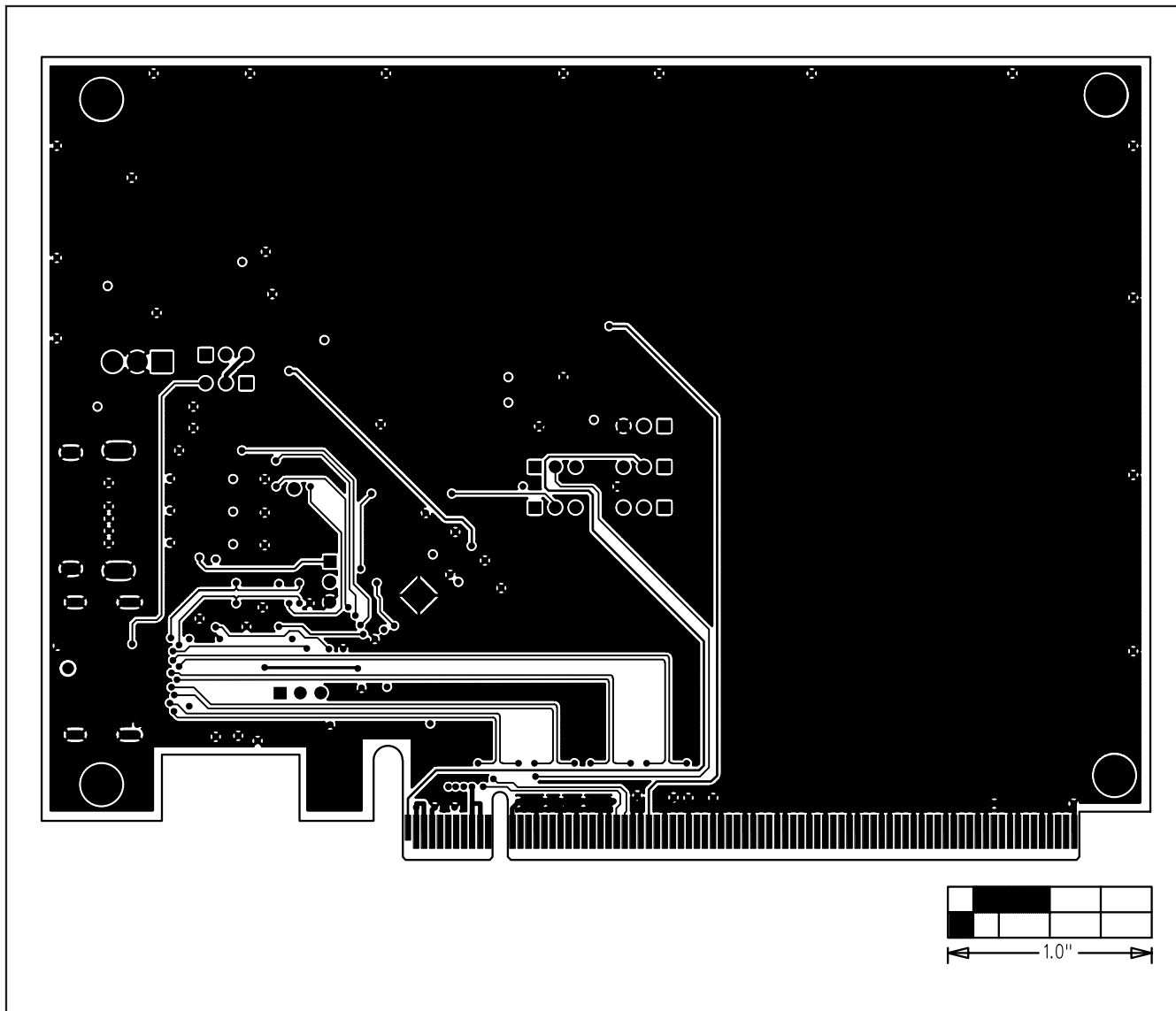


Figure 6. MAX9406 EV Kit PCB Layout—Solder Side

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