

**New York State  
Department of Agriculture and Markets  
AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT REVIEW PROFILE**

**DISTRICT IDENTIFICATION**

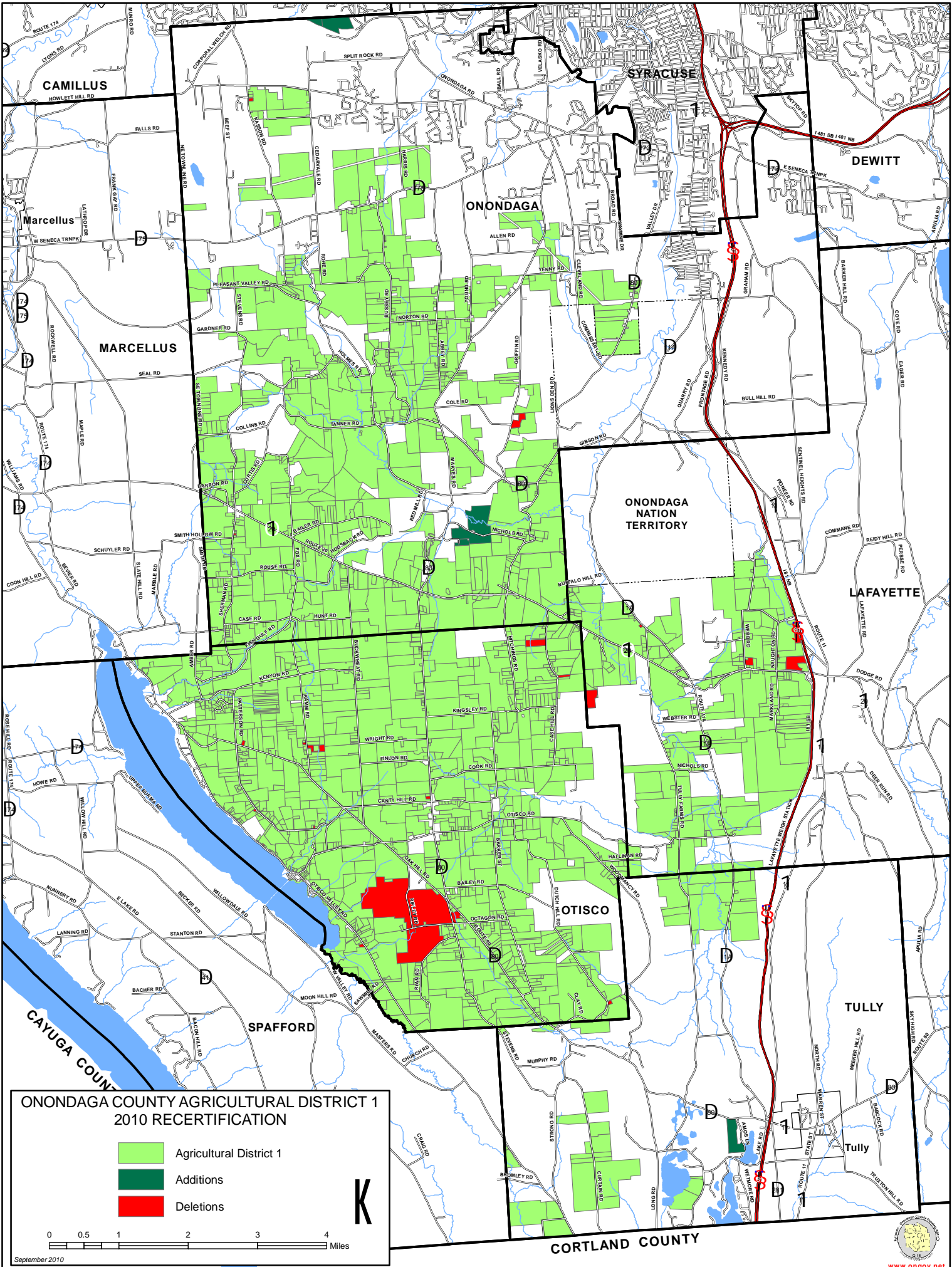
County: Onondaga			District No.: 1	
Town(s) in District: LaFayette, Onondaga, Otisco, Tully				
No. acres in district: 37,579 *	No. acres in farms: <sup>1</sup> 21,400	No. acres cropped: 10,870	No. acres owned by farmers: 17,000	No. acres rented by farmers: 4,400

\* Includes a +790-acre adjustment to account for a GIS-calculated acreage instead of Real Property System-calculated acreage.

**AGRICULTURAL DATA ANALYSIS**

A. Since last review, number of acres in District	Added: <u>485</u>	Deleted: <u>675</u>
B. Since last review, number of acres in farms	Increased: <u>0</u>	Decreased: <u>0</u>

<sup>1</sup> Number of acres in farms represents the sum of acres owned by farmers and rented by farmers.



**ONONDAGA COUNTY AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT 1  
2010 RECERTIFICATION**

- Agricultural District 1
- Additions
- Deletions

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September 2010



December 1, 2009

Motion Made By Mr. Jordan, Mr. DeMore

RESOLUTION NO. 276

CALLING FOR PUBLICATION OF THE NOTICE OF EIGHT YEAR REVIEW OF AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT NO. 1, TOWNS OF OTISCO, ONONDAGA, LAFAYETTE, AND TULLY IN ONONDAGA COUNTY

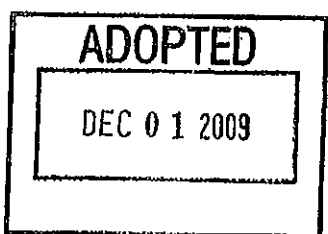
WHEREAS, the Onondaga County Legislature has been requested by the County's Agriculture and Farmland Protection Board to begin its eight (8) year review of Agricultural District No. 1 in the Towns of Otisco, Onondaga, LaFayette (west of Route 81), and Tully (west of Route 81); and

WHEREAS, Agricultural District No. 1 was renewed in 2002 with inclusions in 2004 and 2008; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 25AA of the Agriculture and Markets Act of the State of New York, the County Legislature must publish a notice of eight year review as part of the Agricultural District review process; now, therefore it be

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Onondaga County Legislature is hereby authorized to cause to be published a Notice of Eight Year Review of Agricultural District No. 1, Towns of Otisco, Onondaga, LaFayette, and Tully, County of Onondaga, New York.

Review Ag. Dist. 1  
KMB 10.15.09  
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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND EXACT COPY OF LEGISLATION DULY ADOPTED BY THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF ONONDAGA COUNTY ON THE 13<sup>th</sup> DAY OF December, 2009.

*Deborah A. Matrino*

CLERK, COUNTY LEGISLATURE  
ONONDAGA COUNTY, NEW YORK

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NOTICE OF EIGHT YEAR REVIEW  
OF AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT NO. 1  
TOWNS OF OTISCO, ONONDAGA, LAFAYETTE AND TULLY

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that the Onondaga County Legislature has begun its eight-year review of Agricultural District No. 1 in the Towns of Otisco, Onondaga, LaFayette, and Tully in Onondaga County, which was last renewed in 2002 with inclusions made in 2004 and 2008 pursuant to Article 25AA of the Agriculture and Markets Law of the State of New York. The Onondaga County Legislature may recommend that the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets modify, terminate, or continue said district for a period of eight years after conducting this review.

Said District encompasses approximately 37,403 acres and includes land within the following general boundaries: North – Towns of Camillus and Geddes, and the City of Syracuse; East – Interstate Route 81; South – Cortland County; and West – Towns of Spafford and Marcellus.

An official map and description of said district will be on file and open to public inspection in the office of the Clerk of the Onondaga County Legislature, Onondaga County Court House, Room 407, 401 Montgomery Street, Syracuse, New York, 13202. An unofficial map can also be downloaded from the Syracuse-Onondaga County Planning Agency's web page at <http://www.ongov.net/planning/agdist.html>

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that any municipality or individual may propose a modification (parcel additions or removals) of said district. Any proposed modification should be filed with the Clerk of the Onondaga County Legislature, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Onondaga County Court House, 401 Montgomery Street, Syracuse, New York, 13202 on or before January 31, 2010.

Date:

Deborah Maturo

Syracuse, New York

Onondaga County Legislature

ONONDAGA COUNTY AGRICULTURE AND FARMLAND PROTECTION BOARD

**AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT REVIEW WORKSHEET**

This form is to be completed by agricultural landowners whose lands are within an agricultural district, which are subject to review or landowners who wish to be included in the district. The information obtained from this form will be utilized by the County in determining the significance of the viability of agriculture within the review district and modifications to it, if any.

**PART 1. – LANDOWNER DESCRIPTION**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_, State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

CHECK ONE:

Farm Operator  
(If checked, complete  
Part 2 and Part 3 on the back.)

Non-Farmer  
(If checked, please complete  
Part 3 on the back.)

If non-farmer, total acres owned in Ag. District #1 is _____ acres.
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**PART 2. – FARM DESCRIPTION**

Number of acres owned:	Number of acres cropped (of owned):	Number of acres rented: (from another landowner as part subject farm)
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**Principle Farm Enterprise (Check one or most two)**

<input type="checkbox"/> Dairy	<input type="checkbox"/> Cash crop (Grain)
<input type="checkbox"/> Beef, Sheep, Goats, Hogs, Alpaca	<input type="checkbox"/> Cash crop (Vegetable)
<input type="checkbox"/> Poultry	<input type="checkbox"/> Orchard
<input type="checkbox"/> Aquaculture	<input type="checkbox"/> Berries
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial Horse	<input type="checkbox"/> Vineyard
<input type="checkbox"/> Sugarbush	<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial horticulture
<input type="checkbox"/> Christmas trees	<input type="checkbox"/> Agri-tourism
<input type="checkbox"/> Agro-forestry	<input type="checkbox"/> Flowers
<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	

**Estimated Annual Gross Farm Sales (Check one)**

<input type="checkbox"/> Below \$10,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$500,000 to \$999,999
<input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000 to \$39,999	<input type="checkbox"/> \$1,000,000 to \$1,999,999
<input type="checkbox"/> \$40,000 to \$99,999	<input type="checkbox"/> \$2,000,000 to \$4,999,999
<input type="checkbox"/> \$100,000 to \$199,999	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5,000,000 or more
<input type="checkbox"/> \$200,000 to \$499,999	

**Total Capital Investment Over Past 7 Years (Check one)**

<input type="checkbox"/> Below \$10,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$200,000 to \$499,999
<input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000 to \$49,999	<input type="checkbox"/> \$500,000 to \$999,999
<input type="checkbox"/> \$50,000 to \$99,999	<input type="checkbox"/> Over \$1,000,000
<input type="checkbox"/> \$100,000 to \$199,999	

**OVER**

**PART 3.** NYS Agriculture Districts Law 25-AA defines farms and farming practices. The law provides for differed and differential property taxes through agricultural assessments and farm building exemptions. It also provides protection for use of accepted agricultural practices.

A) How has the neighborhood around your farm business or farm property changed in the past 8 years?

- Stayed the same
- Fewer farmers
- More houses
- More abandoned farmland
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

Briefly describe.

B) What, if any, impact has residential development had on your farm business?

- Positive
- Negative
- No impact

Briefly describe.

C) Who do you view as the next generation owner of your farm or your property?

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|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family member and active farm business                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Land speculator   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family member leasing property to another farm operator       | <input type="checkbox"/> Government entity |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Non-farm owner with land remaining in agricultural production | <input type="checkbox"/> Developer         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____   |  |

D) Do you anticipate selling or transferring ownership of your land in the next 8 years (YES) (NO)..... next 16 years (YES) (NO)?

If yes, why?

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|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Burden of high property taxes | <input type="checkbox"/> Need money from sale                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Burden of managing land       | <input type="checkbox"/> Relocating home, employment or business |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Retirement                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____                             |

E) In the past 8 years, have you been approached to sell your property? (YES) (NO)

F) In the past 8 years, have you sold a parcel or subdivided a parcel and sold it? (YES) (NO)

If yes, why?

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|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Burden of high property taxes | <input type="checkbox"/> Need money from sale                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Burden of managing land       | <input type="checkbox"/> Relocating home, employment or business |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Retirement                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____                             |

**Thank you for completing the survey. All responses kept confidential.**

**ONONDAGA COUNTY**  
**AGRICULTURE AND FARMLAND PROTECTION BOARD**

407 Court House  
Syracuse, NY 13202  
Phone: 315/435-2070

DEBORAH MATURO  
Clerk

BRIAN REEVES  
Chairman

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DATE: December 15, 2009

TO: Onondaga County Legislators, Town Supervisors, Planning Board Chairpersons within  
Agricultural District No. 1

FROM: Roberta Harrison, Member, Onondaga Co. Agriculture and Farmland Protection Board

RE: Review of Agricultural District No. 1

The New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets has notified the Onondaga County Legislature that Agricultural District No. 1 located in the Towns of Onondaga and Otisco and in the Town of Lafayette (west of Route 81) and the Town of Tully (west of Route 81) is scheduled for its 8-year review.

The review is designed to gauge the District's effect on local government policies concerning community development, environmental protection and preservation of the agricultural economy. The review will also evaluate the viability of farms and farmland within the agricultural district. Municipalities have the option to request that land be removed from the district at this time, e.g. land enrolled in a district that is now a subdivision. Once the review is complete land cannot be removed from the district until the next review in 2018. Outside of the 8-year review process property owners can request that land be enrolled into the agricultural district through the "inclusion of viable farmland into certified agricultural districts." Application for inclusion occurs between January 1 and January 31<sup>st</sup> each year. Land owners and municipalities can only request to have land removed from the district during the formal review process.

Letters will be sent to property owners whose land is currently enrolled in the district. Property owners with land already enrolled in the district have several options at this time: 1) Do nothing and the land will remain in the district. They do not have to re-enroll their property. 2) Request that the property be deleted from the district by completing the delete form and returning it to the Syracuse-Onondaga County Planning Agency. 3) Request that property not enrolled in the district be enrolled in the district at this time.

A copy of the enrollment form and Onondaga County Agricultural District Map No. 1 has been included for your reference. Local municipalities will be notified of any property owners who request to have their property enrolled or removed. As this process evolves a public hearing notice will be sent to affected municipalities. For more information contact Syracuse-Onondaga County Planning Agency, Megan Costa, email [MeganCosta@ongov.net](mailto:MeganCosta@ongov.net) or phone 435-8571.

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Date: January 7, 2010

To: Agricultural District 1 Property Owners

From: Deborah L. Maturo, Clerk of the Onondaga County Legislature

Re: Agricultural District 1, 2010 Review and Recertification

**Why did I receive this letter?**

Onondaga County records indicate that you own property in Agricultural District 1. Agricultural Districts Law 25-AA requires that state certified agricultural districts be reviewed and recertified every eight years. Agricultural District 1, located in the Onondaga County towns of Otisco, Onondaga, LaFayette (west of I-81), and Tully (west of I-81), is up for review and recertification in 2010. Agricultural District 1 area property owners can let their parcels remain in the District (no further action required), or request that parcels they own be removed or added by completing the enclosed form and returning it by **January 31, 2010**.

**What is an Agricultural District?**

In 1971, Article 25AA, Agricultural Districts Law, was passed by the New York State Legislature allowing the formation of agricultural districts throughout New York State. Agricultural districts are designed to protect agriculture through a combination of landowner incentives and protections that discourage the conversion of farmland to non-agricultural uses, including:

- providing property tax benefits for agricultural lands (owners must apply annually to their local assessor for an agricultural assessment);
- providing the framework to limit unreasonable local regulation on farm practices;
- providing Right to Farm provisions that protect agriculture from private nuisance suits;
- modifying state agency administrative regulations and procedures to encourage the continuation of farm businesses;
- modifying the ability to advance public funds to construct facilities that encourage development;
- preventing benefit assessments, special ad valorem levies, or other rates and fees on agricultural lands for the finance of improvements such as water, sewer or nonfarm drainage; and
- modifying the ability of public agencies to acquire farmland through eminent domain.

Agricultural districts primarily benefit owners of land that is farmed. Being part of an agricultural district does not:

- directly affect the use of land beyond existing requirements, for example, zoning; or
- directly reduce or increase tax assessments—agricultural landowners can apply to the local tax assessor for an annual agricultural assessment.



### **Can I get a reduction in my property taxes?**

Agricultural districts do not directly affect property tax assessments of non-agricultural lands. Although all owners of agricultural lands are eligible for an agricultural assessment, regardless of district status, being within an agricultural district does provide additional benefits. Contact your local town assessor for more information on agricultural assessments or visit:

[www.orps.state.ny.us/pamphlet/exempt/agassess.htm](http://www.orps.state.ny.us/pamphlet/exempt/agassess.htm).

### **Why is my land in Agricultural District 1?**

When first formed in the 1970's, agricultural districts were contiguous, that is, all properties within an outermost boundary that encompassed the majority of interested farms were included, regardless of their use. Land typically remained in the district over subsequent recertifications unless the owner at the time of recertification specifically requested that it be removed. Property is not automatically added or removed when it is bought or sold, or subdivided.

### **What kind of property should be added to Agricultural District 1?**

Owners of parcels within the District 1 area with productive agricultural activity are encouraged to add that land to Agricultural District 1.

### **What kind of property should be removed from Agricultural District 1?**

It is appropriate for owners of property that is not actively farmed to request that their parcels be removed from the district. The Onondaga County Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board and local municipal leaders may also recommend to the Onondaga County Legislature that land with no productive agricultural activity be removed from the district.

### **How do property owners add or remove property from Agricultural District 1?**

A removal and addition request form has been enclosed for your convenience. The form lists parcels owned by you and currently within the district. If you choose to remove any of these parcels, or add new parcels, please fill out and return the form by **January 31, 2010**. Forms can also be obtained from the Syracuse-Onondaga County Planning Agency (see below) or downloaded from [www.ongov.net/planning/agdist.html](http://www.ongov.net/planning/agdist.html). If you plan to keep your parcels in the district you do not need to return the form.

### **What should I expect next?**

The Onondaga County Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board will prepare a report that is submitted to the Onondaga County Legislature. The County Legislature will then hold a public hearing. Property owners who have requested removal or addition of parcels will receive written notification of the hearing and a list of parcels and recommended actions that the County Legislature will vote on.

### **Where do I get more information?**

Please visit [www.ongov.net/planning/agdist.html](http://www.ongov.net/planning/agdist.html) for more information and maps, or contact Megan Costa at the Syracuse-Onondaga County Planning Agency at 315-435-2611 or [megancosta@ongov.net](mailto:megancosta@ongov.net).

**Agricultural District 1  
2010 Review and Recertification  
Removal and Addition Request Form**

Onondaga County records indicate that you own property within Agricultural District 1 (parcels listed below). Agricultural Districts Law 25-AA requires that state certified agricultural districts be reviewed and recertified every eight years. Agricultural District 1 in the Onondaga County towns of Otisco, Onondaga, LaFayette (west of I81), and Tully (west of I81) is up for review and recertification in 2010. Agricultural District 1 area property owners can let their parcels remain in the District (no further action required), or request that their parcels be removed or added by completing this form and returning it by January 31, 2010. Please note that you only need to return this form if you are removing or adding parcels. Additional online information and resources can be found at:

Agricultural Districts - [www.ongov.net/planning/agdist.html](http://www.ongov.net/planning/agdist.html)  
 Onondaga County Tax Assessment Information - [ocfintax.ongov.net/imate/search.aspx](http://ocfintax.ongov.net/imate/search.aspx)  
 Online Mapping (GIS) - [www.maphost.com/syracuse-onondaga/main.asp](http://www.maphost.com/syracuse-onondaga/main.asp)

Grouping:	ABBODALE FARMS INC	<b>Please return this form by JANUARY 31, 2010 to:</b>
Today's Date:	_____	<b>Megan Costa</b>
Your Name:	_____	<b>Syracuse-Onondaga County Planning Agency</b>
Mailing Address:	_____	<b>John H. Mulroy Civic Center</b>
		<b>421 Montgomery St. - 11th Floor</b>
		<b>Syracuse, NY 13202-2923</b>
Phone Number:	_____	<b>Phone: 315-435-2611</b>
		<b>Fax: 315-435-2439, email: megancosta@ongov.net</b>

**Please indicate which parcels you would like REMOVED from the District:**

OWNER(S)	TOWN	TAX_ID:	ACRES	
ABBODALE FARMS INC	ONONDAGA	054.-02-09.2	17.85	<input type="checkbox"/> REMOVE
ABBOTT JEAN	ONONDAGA	054.-02-24.1	43.09	<input type="checkbox"/> REMOVE
ABBODALE FARMS INC	ONONDAGA	054.-03-16.0	12.87	<input type="checkbox"/> REMOVE
ABBODALE FARMS INC	ONONDAGA	054.-03-18.0	54.11	<input type="checkbox"/> REMOVE
ABBOTT HAROLD M            C/O JEAN A. ABBOTT	ONONDAGA	054.-03-21.0	27.45	<input type="checkbox"/> REMOVE
ABBODALE FARMS INC	ONONDAGA	054.-03-27.0	4.69	<input type="checkbox"/> REMOVE
ABBOTT JEAN A	ONONDAGA	057.-02-08.0	2.60	<input type="checkbox"/> REMOVE

**Please list below parcels you would like ADDED to the District:**

OWNER	TOWN	PARCEL	ACRES
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

June 1, 2010

Motion Made By Mrs. Rapp, Mr. DeMore

RESOLUTION NO. 132

CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING FOR RENEWAL OF AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT NO. 1,  
TOWNS OF LAFAYETTE, ONONDAGA, OTISCO, AND TULLY

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 303-a of Article 25AA of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law, this Onondaga County Legislature adopted Resolution No. 276 - 2009 providing for notice of the eight year review of Agricultural District No. 1 in the Towns of LaFayette (west of Interstate 81), Onondaga, Otisco, and Tully (west of Interstate 81); and

WHEREAS, as part of that review, the County Agriculture and Farmland Protection Board has prepared reports in accordance with the provisions of Article 25AA, including recommendations to continue such district with modifications; and

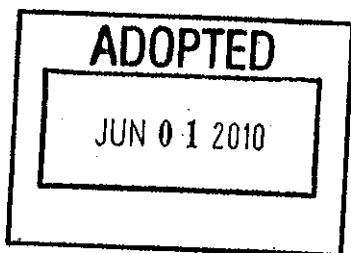
WHEREAS, as part of the review and renewal process, Article 25AA requires the County to hold a public hearing concerning the renewal of Agricultural District No. 1; and

WHEREAS, a notice of renewal for Agricultural District No. 1 was mailed to involved and affected agencies, municipalities, and landowners by Cornell Cooperative Extension, Onondaga County and the Syracuse-Onondaga County Planning Agency; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Article 25-AA of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law, a public hearing on the renewal of Agricultural District No. 1 shall be held at the Onondaga County Court House, 401 Montgomery St., Syracuse, New York on Tuesday July 6, 2010 at 2:20 p.m.; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of this Legislature hereby is directed to provide notice of such hearing in accordance with the provisions of Article 25AA of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law.

Ag Dist 1 2010 Renewal.doc  
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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND EXACT COPY OF LEGISLATION DULY ADOPTED BY THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF ONONDAGA COUNTY ON THE

15<sup>th</sup> DAY OF June, 2010.

*Deborah A. Matuso*

CLERK, COUNTY LEGISLATURE  
ONONDAGA COUNTY, NEW YORK

10 MAY - 5 AM 11:50

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LEGISLATURE

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING ON RENEWAL OF AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT NO. 1,  
COUNTY OF ONONDAGA,  
TOWNS OF LAFAYETTE, ONONDAGA, OTISCO, AND TULLY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a public hearing will be held by the Onondaga County Legislature on the renewal of Agricultural District No. 1. The hearing will be held at the Onondaga County Courthouse, 401 Montgomery St., Syracuse, New York on Tuesday July 6, 2010 at 2:20 pm.

Pursuant to Section 303-a of Article 25AA of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law, the Onondaga County Legislature adopted Resolution No. 276-2009 providing for notice of the eight year review of Agricultural District No. 1 in the Towns of LaFayette (west of Interstate 81), Onondaga, Otisco, and Tully (west of Interstate 81).

The Onondaga County Agriculture and Farmland Protection Board has prepared a report in accordance with the provisions of Article 25AA, with recommendations to continue such district with modifications resulting in a reduction in District size of approximately 426 acres.

The lands proposed to be added are reputedly owned by G. Gasparini, D. Schlosser, and S. Shute in the Town of Onondaga, and M. Lamson in the Town of Tully.

The lands proposed to be removed are reputedly owned by M. Abbott, M. Clifford, L. Henderson, B. Lasky, J. Mueller, and Route 20 Crossroads Corp in the Town of LaFayette; B. Appel, CMI Trust, and M. Sniffen in the Town of Onondaga; and M. Abbott, J. Althouse, T. Bell, A. D'Agostino, J. Dlugolenski, P. Duprey, D. Hakes, I. Harnacker, J. Mentzer, M. Schmidt, R. Tornatore, C. Willyard and D. Wright in the Town of Otisco.

These proposed changes and any others will be considered at the public hearing. A detailed map of Agricultural District No. 1, along with the proposed changes, may be examined at the Syracuse-Onondaga County Planning Agency, Civic Center, 421 Montgomery St, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor, Syracuse, NY 13202, or viewed at <http://www.ongov.net/planning/documents/ag/agdist1/2010/docs.html>.



# Onondaga County Legislature

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To: Landowners Requesting to Modify Agricultural District 1 and Municipalities

From: Deborah L. Maturo, Clerk

Date: June 14, 2010

Re: Agricultural District 1 Eight Year Review and Recertification Public Hearing Notice

A public hearing will be held by the Onondaga County Legislature on the renewal of Agricultural District No. 1. The hearing will be held at the Onondaga County Courthouse, 401 Montgomery St., Syracuse, New York on Tuesday July 6, 2010 at 2:20 pm.

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The Onondaga County Agriculture and Farmland Protection Board has prepared a report in accordance with the provisions of Article 25AA, with recommendations to continue such district with the following modifications as requested by landowners:

SUMMARY OF ADDITIONS				
#	TOWN	OWNER	PARCEL	ACRES*
1	ONONDAGA	GASPARINI GARY	002.-01-01.0	11.20
2	ONONDAGA	GASPARINI GARY	003.-01-25.0	50.00
3	ONONDAGA	SCHLOSSER DAVID	064.-01-31.0	10.53
4	ONONDAGA	SHUTE STEWART	063.-02-51.1	77.75
5	ONONDAGA	SHUTE STEWART	064.-01-06.0	50.04
5	ONONDAGA Total			199.52
1	TULLY	LAMSON MICHAEL	107.-01-01.1	49.66
6	GRAND TOTAL			249.18
* Calculated using a Geographic Information System, not Real Property Assessment (RPS) data.				

<b>SUMMARY OF REMOVALS</b>				
<b>#</b>	<b>TOWN</b>	<b>OWNER</b>	<b>PARCEL</b>	<b>ACRES*</b>
1	LAFAYETTE	ABBOTT MARIEN	016.-01-21.0	24.19
2	LAFAYETTE	CLIFFORD MICHAEL	020.-06-05.0	0.81
3	LAFAYETTE	HENDERSON LYNN	021.-01-08.0	0.88
4	LAFAYETTE	LASKY BARBARA	020.-06-09.0	2.33
5	LAFAYETTE	LASKY BARBARA	020.-06-10.0	7.48
6	LAFAYETTE	MUELLER JOHN F	020.-07-08.1	7.32
7	LAFAYETTE	RT 20 CROSSROADS CORP	020.-06-01.2	29.50
7	LAFAYETTE Total			72.51
1	ONONDAGA	APPEL BRUCE E	059.-03-23.0	0.58
2	ONONDAGA	CMI TRUST	056.-03-22.1	15.37
3	ONONDAGA	SNIFFEN MARTHA L	010.-02-01.4	2.06
3	ONONDAGA Total			18.01
1	OTISCO	ABBOTT MARION F	008.-02-13.4	0.39
2	OTISCO	ALTHOUSE JAMES E	008.-03-07.0	3.36
3	OTISCO	BELL TYLER D	023.-05-02.0	1.76
4	OTISCO	D AGOSTINO ANTHONY	020.-02-25.0	359.01
5	OTISCO	D AGOSTINO ANTHONY	021.-04-03.1	9.76
6	OTISCO	D AGOSTINO ANTHONY	021.-05-03.1	171.25
7	OTISCO	D'AGOSTINO ANTHONY R	020.-02-26.1	4.06
8	OTISCO	D'AGOSTINO ANTHONY R	021.-05-20.0	0.61
9	OTISCO	DLUGOLENSKI JOSEPH M	017.-04-21.0	0.26
10	OTISCO	DUPREY PATRICIA R	011.-03-03.5	0.96
11	OTISCO	HAKES DEWEY R	010.-06-05.1	1.58
12	OTISCO	HARRNACKER IAN	006.-04-01.6	1.76
13	OTISCO	MENTZER JUDITH A	011.-04-11.6	9.65
14	OTISCO	SCHMIDT MICHAEL S	011.-01-28.2	0.98
15	OTISCO	TORNATORE ROBERT G	017.-01-06.4	0.50
16	OTISCO	WILLYARD CHARLES H	008.-02-02.2	17.25
17	OTISCO	WRIGHT DUANE H	020.-01-21.0	1.81
17	OTISCO Total			584.95
27	GRAND Total			675.47
* Calculated using a Geographic Information System, not Real Property Services (RPS) data.				

These proposed changes and any others will be considered at the public hearing. The Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board report and a detailed map of Agricultural District No. 1 may be examined at the Syracuse-Onondaga County Planning Agency, Civic Center, 421 Montgomery St, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor, Syracuse, NY 13202, or viewed at <http://www.ongov.net/planning/documents/ag/agdist1/2010/docs.html>. For more information please contact Lisa Welch of the Syracuse-Onondaga County Planning Agency at 315-435-2611 or [lisawelch@ongov.net](mailto:lisawelch@ongov.net).



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## **PUBLIC HEARING FOR RENEWAL OF AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT NO. 1, TOWNS OF LAFAYETTE, ONONDAGA, OTISCO, AND TULLY**

**JULY 6, 2010**

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Legislators Lesniak, Dougherty, Meyer, Tassone, Rapp, Buckel, Corbett, Stanczyk, Holmquist, Kilmartin, Warner, Jordan, Laguzza, Masterpole, Williams, Ervin, Mr. Chairman

Chairman Rhinehart called the 2:20 p.m. public hearing to order at 2:22 p.m.

The Clerk read the notice of public hearing.

Chairman Rhinehart asked for any speakers wishing to be heard. Hearing none, the public hearing was adjourned at 2:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Deborah L. Maturo".

DEBORAH MATURO, Clerk  
Onondaga County Legislature

September 7, 2010

Motion Made By Mrs. Rapp, Mr. Rhinehart,  
Mr. Kilmartin, Mr. DeMore

RESOLUTION NO. 207

RENEWING WITH MODIFICATION AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT NO. 1, IN THE TOWNS OF  
LAFAYETTE, ONONDAGA, OTISCO, AND TULLY

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 303-a of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law, this Onondaga County Legislature adopted Resolution No. 276 - 2009 providing for notice of the eight year review of Agricultural District No. 1 in the Towns of LaFayette (west of Interstate Route 81), Onondaga, Otisco, and Tully (west of Interstate Route 81); and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 132 - 2010, this Onondaga County Legislature authorized a public hearing on said agricultural district renewal at the Onondaga County Courthouse on Tuesday July 6, 2010, and such hearing was duly noticed and held; and

WHEREAS, the Onondaga County Legislature has completed the eight year review of Agricultural District No. 1, and has received from the Onondaga County Agriculture and Farmland Protection Board its report and recommendations regarding the high agricultural viability of the district and regarding recommended modifications to the district; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of this Legislature to renew Agricultural District No. 1 with modifications as provided for herein; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the proposed action is an Unlisted action and this Legislature shall act as the Lead Agency for the purposes of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA); and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Short Environmental Assessment Form for this project has been completed and reviewed and is on file with the Clerk of the Legislature; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that this Legislature hereby finds and declares a negative declaration under SEQRA in that there is no anticipated construction and no anticipated change in use, that the identified possible impacts, if any, on air quality and surface water quality will not be significant and there is little likelihood of significant adverse environmental impacts; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that in accordance with Agriculture and Markets Law, Section 303-a, said Agricultural District No. 1 in the Towns of LaFayette (west of Interstate Route 81), Onondaga, Otisco and Tully (west of Interstate Route 81) hereby is renewed with the modifications provided for herein; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the modifications to Agricultural District No. 1 are as follows and encompass the following parcels listed by municipality, owner, tax map number and acreage:



SUMMARY OF ADDITIONS

<u>MUNICIPALITY:</u>	<u>OWNER:</u>	<u>TAX MAP NO.:</u>	<u>ACRES *:</u>
ONONDAGA	GASPARINI GARY	002.-01-01.0	11.20
ONONDAGA	GASPARINI GARY	003.-01-25.0	50.00
ONONDAGA	SCHLOSSER DAVID	064.-01-31.0	10.53
ONONDAGA	SHUTE STEWART	063.-02-51.1	77.75
ONONDAGA	SHUTE STEWART	064.-01-06.0	50.04
TULLY	LAMSON MICHAEL	107.-01-01.1	49.66

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SUMMARY OF REMOVALS:

<u>TOWN:</u>	<u>OWNER:</u>	<u>TAX MAP NO.:</u>	<u>ACRES *:</u>
LAFAYETTE	ABBOTT MARIEN	016.-01-21.0	24.19
LAFAYETTE	CLIFFORD MICHAEL	020.-06-05.0	0.81
LAFAYETTE	HENDERSON LYNN	021.-01-08.0	0.88
LAFAYETTE	LASKY BARBARA	020.-06-09.0	2.33
LAFAYETTE	LASKY BARBARA	020.-06-10.0	7.48
LAFAYETTE	MUELLER JOHN F	020.-07-08.1	7.32
LAFAYETTE	RT 20 CROSSROADS CORP	020.-06-01.2	29.50
ONONDAGA	APPEL BRUCE E	059.-03-23.0	0.58
ONONDAGA	CMI TRUST	056.-03-22.1	15.37
ONONDAGA	SNIFFEN MARTHA L	010.-02-01.4	2.06
OTISCO	ABBOTT MARION F	008.-02-13.4	0.39
OTISCO	ALTHOUSE JAMES E	008.-03-07.0	3.36
OTISCO	BELL TYLER D	023.-05-02.0	1.76
OTISCO	D AGOSTINO ANTHONY	020.-02-25.0	359.01
OTISCO	D AGOSTINO ANTHONY	021.-04-03.1	9.76
OTISCO	D AGOSTINO ANTHONY	021.-05-03.1	171.25
OTISCO	D'AGOSTINO ANTHONY R	020.-02-26.1	4.06
OTISCO	D'AGOSTINO ANTHONY R	021.-05-20.0	0.61
OTISCO	DLUGOLENSKI JOSEPH M	017.-04-21.0	0.26
OTISCO	DUPREY PATRICIA R	011.-03-03.5	0.96
OTISCO	HAKES DEWEY R	010.-06-05.1	1.58
OTISCO	HARRNACKER IAN	006.-04-01.6	1.76
OTISCO	MENTZER JUDITH A	011.-04-11.6	9.65
OTISCO	SCHMIDT MICHAEL S	011.-01-28.2	0.98
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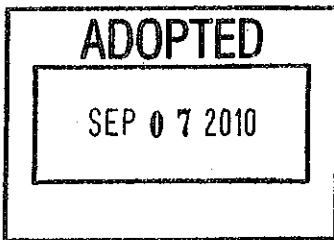
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and, be it further

RESOLVED, that should one or more of these parcels be subdivided prior to the expiration of said District, each of these subdivisions would automatically be considered a part of said District, and would remain in the District while it was in effect; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the district review plan shall be submitted to the Commissioner as provided for in Section 303-a of the Agriculture and Markets Law.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND EXACT COPY OF LEGISLATION DULY ADOPTED BY THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF ONONDAGA COUNTY ON THE

7<sup>th</sup> DAY OF September, 20 10.

*Deborah A. Matuso*

CLERK, COUNTY LEGISLATURE  
ONONDAGA COUNTY, NEW YORK

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NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND MARKETS

State Environmental Quality Review  
SHORT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FORM  
For UNLISTED ACTIONS Only

PART I - PROJECT INFORMATION

1. The proposed action is located in the County of Onondaga \_\_\_\_\_  
and the Town(s) of LaFayette, Onondaga, Otisco, and Tully \_\_\_\_\_
2. The agency responsible for preparing this Short Environmental Assessment Form and determining environmental significance is the County Legislative Body of Onondaga County.
3. The name and address for the Clerk of the above named County is Deborah L. Maturo, Clerk, Onondaga County Legislature, 401 Montgomery St., Room 407, Court House, Syracuse, NY 13202.
4. Is this an application to modify an existing agricultural district?  Yes  No
  - If yes, what is the total number of acres comprising the district as it exists prior to modification?  
• 38,005 acres
5. If this application involves a modification, will such modification result in a change in the size of the district?  Yes  No
  - If yes, how many acres are involved in the change? 426 acres
  - Does this represent an  increase or  decrease?
6. Zoning and Planning Information
  - Does the agricultural district correspond with a town(s) zoning district(s)?  
 Yes  No
  - If Yes, please cite the applicable zoning district(s):  
T. Onondaga: Residential and Country District, R-C - Permitted Uses Includes Farms  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  - Is/are the zoned district(s) within the modified agricultural district compatible with the goals and objectives of the Agricultural Districts Law, as set forth in Article 25-AA of the Agriculture and Markets Law?  Yes  No
  - If Yes, please cite the applicable language:  
T. Onondaga: Residential and Country District, R-C - Permitted Uses Includes Farms  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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7. What is present land use in the vicinity of the proposed modification?  
 Residential  Industrial  Commercial  Agriculture  Park/Forest/Open Space  Other

Describe: Surrounding land uses are primarily rural with some residential and commercial development

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8. Is there a public controversy related to this district proposal?  Yes  No If yes, describe below:

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(Attach additional sheets if necessary.)

9. Attach any additional information as may be needed to clarify the proposed action.

I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED  
ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

Authorized signature: \_\_\_\_\_

*Lisa Welch*

Date: 11/29/2010

## PART II-- ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

### General Information

In providing responses to each of the questions, the reviewer should keep in mind that the action proposed is the modification or termination of an agricultural district or districts. The action is not the land use or activity which will, or may, take place in the district(s). For example, it is not appropriate to consider the effects of management action that may be taken by individual operators in conducting farming. Agricultural farm management practices, including construction, maintenance and repair of farm buildings, and land use changes consistent with generally accepted principles of farming are listed as Type II actions in 6 NYCRR §617.5(c)(3), and these actions have been determined not to have a significant impact on the environment.

A. Does action exceed any Type I threshold in 6 NYCRR, Part 617.4?  Yes  No

If Yes, coordinate the review process and use the FULL EAF.

B. Will action receive coordinated review as provided for Unlisted actions in 6 NYCRR, Part 617.5?

Yes  No

If No, a negative declaration may be superseded by another involved agency.

C. Could action result in any adverse effects associated with the following:

C1. Existing air quality, surface or groundwater quality or quantity, noise levels, existing traffic patterns, solid waste production or disposal, potential for erosion, drainage or flooding problems?  
Explain briefly:

No

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C2. Aesthetic, agricultural, archaeological, historic or other natural or cultural resources; or community or neighborhood character? Explain briefly:

No

C3. Vegetation or fauna, fish, shellfish or wildlife species, significant habitats, or threatened or endangered species? Explain briefly:

No

C4. A community's existing plans or goals as officially adopted, or a change in use or intensity of use of land or other natural resources? Explain briefly:

No

C5. Growth, subsequent development, or related activities likely to be induced by the proposed action? Explain briefly:

No

C6. Long term, short term, cumulative, or other effects not identified in C1-C5? Explain briefly:

No

C7. Other impacts (including changes in use of either quantity or type of energy)? Explain briefly:

No

D. Will the project have an impact on the environmental characteristics that caused the establishment of a CEA?  Yes  No

E. Is there, or is there likely to be, controversy related to potential adverse environmental impacts?

Yes  No If Yes, explain briefly:

### PART III- DESIGNATION OF LEAD AGENCY

Please indicate desire for lead agency status by checking the appropriate box below:

- Since the proposed action will be undertaken by this County Legislative Body and since any adverse environmental impacts will be primarily of local significance, it is hereby recommended that this County Legislative Body serve as lead agency to ensure compliance with the requirements of the State Environmental Quality Review Act. It has been determined that the only other agency required to undertake an action in this case is the Department of Agriculture and Markets.
- The County Legislative Body does not choose to nominate itself to serve as lead agency.

**PART IV - DETERMINATION OF SIGNIFICANCE**

**INSTRUCTIONS:** For each adverse effect identified above, determine whether it is substantial, large, important or otherwise significant. Each effect should be assessed in connection with its (a) setting (i.e., urban or rural); (b) probability of occurring; (c) duration; (d) irreversibility; (e) geographic scope; and (f) magnitude. If necessary, add attachments or reference supporting materials. Ensure that explanations contain sufficient detail to show that all relevant adverse impacts have been identified and adequately addressed. If question D of Part II was checked yes, the determination and significance must evaluate the potential impact of the proposed action on the environmental characteristics of the CEA.

- Check this box if you have identified one or more potentially large or significant adverse impacts which **MAY** occur. Then proceed directly to the FULL EAF and/or prepare a positive declaration.
- Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analysis above and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action **WILL NOT** result in any significant adverse environmental impacts **AND** provide on attachments as necessary, the reasons supporting this determination:

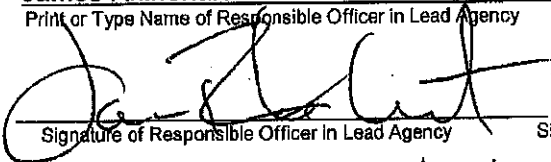
Name of Lead Agency

James Rhinehart

Print or Type Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency

Chairman

Title of Responsible Officer



Signature of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency

Signature of Preparer (If different from Responsible Officer)

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