



# Onondaga County Agriculture & Farmland Protection Board

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## **Onondaga County Annual Open Enrollment Period For the Addition of Viable Agricultural Land to a State Certified Agricultural District January 1, 2025 through January 30, 2025**

New York State Agricultural Districts are intended to encourage the continued use of farmland for agricultural production. Enrollment of viable agricultural land into a State Certified Agricultural District provides protection of accepted agricultural practices through New York State Agricultural Districts Law. Viable agricultural land is highly suitable for a farm operation as defined by NYS Agriculture & Markets Law.

Property owners can request that their property be added to an Agricultural District in Onondaga County between January 1 and January 30 of each year. Owners must complete the attached Request Form and return it **NO LATER THAN JANUARY 30, 2025** to:

Onondaga County Department of Planning  
Carnegie Building, 335 Montgomery Street, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor  
Syracuse, NY 13202-2923  
Phone: 315-435-2611 E-mail: [agriculture@ongov.net](mailto:agriculture@ongov.net)

The Onondaga County Agriculture & Farmland Protection Board (AFPB) will make recommendations on requested additions to the Onondaga County Legislature for their consideration at a public hearing, and, if accepted, Districts with additions will then need to be certified by the New York State Department of Agriculture & Markets. Landowners requesting the addition of viable agricultural land will be notified of the County Legislature public hearing and the New York State Department of Agriculture & Markets district certification.

For more information on the Agricultural Districts program, contact the Onondaga County Department of Planning, or visit <http://www.ongov.net/planning/agdist.html>.

*To verify whether your property is already enrolled in the Agricultural District, you are encouraged to use the interactive Onondaga County **GIS on the Web** mapping tool at <https://spatial.vhb.com/onondaga/>*

**Onondaga County**  
**Request to Add Viable Agricultural Land to a State Certified Agricultural District**  
**January 1, 2025 through January 30, 2025**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Farm Name (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Landowner Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Email (required): \_\_\_\_\_

<b>ADDITION REQUESTS</b>					
	<b>OWNER NAME(S)</b> <small>(only owners may request addition)</small>	<b>TOWN/VILLAGE</b>	<b>TAX PARCEL NUMBER</b>	<b>PARCEL ACRES</b>	<b># OF ACRES FARMED</b>
	<i>John Doe</i>	<i>Town of Anywhere</i>	<i>101-01-1.11</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>50</i>

**Describe how the parcel is used for commercial agriculture** (type of crop/livestock, structures, gross sales, leased to a farm, etc.):

**Describe what makes the land highly suitable for agriculture:**

**Describe any other NON-agricultural uses associated with this land:**

*Applicants may submit additional sheets, narrative, or other information to support your request.*  
**Thank you for your interest in protecting agriculture.**