

Pre-Application Checklist

Please return the Livingston County Agricultural District Worksheet to inform the County of your wish to include property in the Agricultural District.

Before returning the Agricultural District Worksheet, please make sure that the following steps have been completed.

- Fill out the owner name on all sheets
- Fill in the correct tax map number, acreage, parcel address and municipality for each parcel you wish (if you do not know this information, please reference the [Livingston County Public M.A.P.](#) and search for the respective parcels)
- On the left side of the worksheet, under “Include In District?” please check YES next to each parcel, as appropriate. Also report if the parcel is rented to a farmer using the YES / NO checkbox
- Fill out all of the additional information on the application: Number of Acres Rented for Farming Purposes, Principle Enterprise, Gross Sales, Capital Investment, Farmer/Non-farmer, and Phone Number (for follow-up questions only)
- After reading both instruction pages, check the box on the worksheet (located just above the signature line) stating that you have read and understand the information on this sheet, and how agricultural district status can affect your property.
- Sign and date the worksheet.
- If submitting electronically, please press the "Submit Form Via Email" button on the last page to email the form or email a .pdf copy directly to jacobkelly@livingstoncountyny.gov **before September 30, 2025.**
- To mail the packet, send letters to: Livingston County Planning Department, 6 Court Street – Room 305, Geneseo, NY, 14454 **before September 30, 2025.**

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Livingston County Planning Department at
(585) 243-7550

Thank You!

HOW THE AGRICULTURAL DISTRICTS CAN AFFECT YOUR PROPERTY

Differences between the Agricultural *District* & Agricultural *Assessment* Programs

Please Note: The Agricultural District Program is NOT the same as the Agricultural Assessment Program. Eligible agricultural land may receive an Agricultural Assessment whether or not it is in an Agricultural District.

	AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT Program	AGRICULTURAL ASSESSMENT Program
Program purpose?	Offers Right-to-Farm protections for active farm operations	Encourages continued agricultural production by reducing taxes for eligible landowners
How often are properties enrolled?	Every 8 years	Each year
Is there a direct tax reduction for participating?	No	Yes
Which properties are eligible?	Active farm operations	Contact your Town Assessor for acreage and income eligibility requirements
Who should landowners contact regarding the program?	Livingston County Planning Department (585) 243-7550	Town Assessor's Office

Public Water/Sewer and the Agricultural Districts Program: The Effect of Lateral Restrictions

Please be advised that, if land is put into an Agricultural District, there may be restrictions on access by non-farm uses to public water and sewer services (e.g., in cases where a town or village has adopted such lateral restriction policies). If a farmer were to put land into the Agricultural District and then want to sell off building lots within the eight-year program period, those building lots may not be able to connect to any public water and/or sewer services in the area during the time that the land is in the Agricultural District program.

However, public water and sewer services would be available to farm uses in the Agricultural District.

To determine whether public water and sewer services have lateral restrictions prohibiting non-farm uses from accessing these services, please contact your Town or Village Public Works Department or the Livingston County Water and Sewer Authority at (585) 346-3523.

Livingston County Parcel Combination

According to Article 25-AA, Section 303 (4) of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law, a plan for an Agricultural District “shall include only whole tax parcels in the proposed district.” In 2004, the Livingston County Board of Supervisors passed resolutions prohibiting the combination of parcels in Agricultural Districts with non-Agricultural District parcels. **Please consider this policy if you plan to subdivide land in the next eight years and sell to an adjacent property owner whose property does not have the same Agricultural District status. The same consideration applies to purchasing acreage from an adjacent property owner.**

If you have any questions on the parcel combination policy and how it might affect your future land subdivision/purchase plans, please contact the County Planning Department at (585) 243-7550

Livingston County Agricultural District Worksheet

For Official Use only
 Ag District Number _____
 Farm Number _____

Owner: _____

Please select the **YES** or **NO** checkbox next to each parcel listed on this worksheet to indicate which parcel(s) you would/would not like considered for inclusion in an existing Agricultural District. Also select **YES** or **NO** if the parcel is rented to other farmers. If you do not know your tax parcel number, you can look it up using the [Livingston County M.A.P.](#)

Include in District?	Tax Map No.	# Acres	Parcel Address	Municipality	Rented to other farmers?
YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>					YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>					YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>					YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
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YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>					YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>					YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>

If you selected YES for any parcels listed above, please provide the following information:

NAME OF FARM OPERATION AND/OR RENTER (if any): _____

Total number of acres cropped as part of operation: _____

Total number of acres rented from others, used in operation: _____

Total number of acres rented to other farmers: _____

Principal Farm Enterprise
(Check ONLY one)

Dairy
 Cash Crop (Grain)
 Cash Crop (Vegetable)
 Orchard
 Vineyard
 Livestock (other than dairy)
 Poultry
 Horticultural Specialties
 Sugarbush
 Christmas Tree
 Aquaculture
 Other

Estimated Annual Gross Farm Sales
(Check one)

Below \$10,000
 \$10,000 to \$39,999
 \$40,000 to \$99,999
 \$100,000 to \$199,999
 \$200,000 to \$499,999
 Over \$500,000
 Not Known

Farm Capital Investment over past 7 years
(Check one)

Below \$10,000
 \$10,000 to \$39,999
 \$40,000 to \$99,999
 \$100,000 to \$199,999
 Over \$200,000
 Not Known

The person filling out this form is a:

Farmer
 Non-farmer

Phone Number: _____

(used for follow-up questions only)

If desired, please describe on the back of this form any additional facts you feel support inclusion of your land in the Agricultural District.

I have read the **Instruction** sheet (lateral restrictions, Ag District vs. Ag Assessment, and parcel combination policy) in the mailing packet. (This box must be checked if you wish to have parcels included in the Ag District.)

 Please print name of person filling out form

 Signature

 Date

