

MORRIS COUNTY AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT BOARD RANKING SYSTEM

I. FARMLAND QUALITY (Maximum 80 Points):

Acreage (5 Points):

50 acres or more	= 5 points
25 - 49 acres	= 3 points
10 - 24 acres	= 1 point

Sub Total = _____

Soils (25 Points):

Percent of Prime	_____ % x .25 = _____ points
Percent of Statewide Importance	_____ % x .20 = _____ points
Percent of Other	_____ % x .00 = 0 points

Sub Total = _____

Percentage of Tillable Cropland (25 Points):

Cropland Harvested	_____ % x .25 = _____ points
Cropland Pastured	_____ % x .10 = _____ points
Permanent Pasture	_____ % x .02 = _____ points
Other	_____ % x .00 = 0 points

Sub Total = _____

Boundaries and Buffers (15 Points):

Deed Restricted Farmland	_____ % x .15 = _____ points
Deed Restricted Wildlife Areas	_____ % x .13 = _____ points
8 Year Programs & EP Applications	_____ % x .07 = _____ points
Farmland (Unrestricted)	_____ % x .05 = _____ points
Streams & Wetlands	_____ % x .13 = _____ points
Parks (limited public access)	_____ % x .13 = _____ points
Parks (high use)	_____ % x .10 = _____ points
Military Installations	_____ % x .10 = _____ points
Highways (limited access) & RR's	_____ % x .10 = _____ points
Golf Courses (public)	_____ % x .10 = _____ points
Residential Development	_____ % x .00 = 0 points
Other	_____ % x .00 = 0 points
Cemeteries	_____ % x .13 = _____ points

Sub Total = _____

Density (10 Points):

Preserved Farms Within 0.5 Miles and Application Itself	= 2 points (Each)
Applications and 8 Year Programs Within 0.5 Miles	= 1 point (Each)

Sub Total = _____

II. STEWARDSHIP (Maximum 10 Points):

Soil and Water Conservation Practices = 0-5 points

Landowner is a Full-Time Farmer = 10 points

On-Site Investment Indicating a Serious Commitment to Continue Farming (Permanent Structures; Nursery Stock and Irrigation Systems; Condition of Buildings) = 0-5 points

Sub Total = _____

III. LOCAL COMMITMENT (Maximum 10 Points):

- Financial Contribution for Application = 0.5 points per % of county share
- Right to Farm Ordinance Containing a Notification Clause = 3 points
- Municipality has a Farmland Preservation Plan and An Agriculture Retention/Advisory Board = 5 points
- Active Municipal Liaison to the Morris CADB = 1 point

Sub Total = _____

IV. SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS/ BONUS (Maximum 25 15 Points):

~~Preservation Will Create a New Project Area = 5 points~~

~~Application is Part of a SADC Planning Incentive Grant = 5 points~~

Historic Structures = 0-2 points

Viewed as Very Important by the Local Community (Such as Local Farm Market or One that Serves the Community As a Community Education Resource, Pick-Your-Own Operation, Last Farm in Town) = 0-3 points

Imminence of Change (Policy: P-4) = 0-10 points

Easement Affordability - Percentage of County's Annual Easement Purchase Budget (up to -5 points):

- > 50% = -5 points
- > 40% = -4 points
- > 30% = -3 points
- > 20% = -2 points
- > 10% = -1 point
- 0 - 10% = 0 points

Participation in the 8 Year Program (0-10 Points)

- Number of Years Completed:*
- 1 Year = 3 point
 - 2 Years = 4 points
 - 3 Years = 5 points
 - 4 Years = 6 points
 - 5 Years = 7 points
 - 6 Years = 8 points
 - 7 Years = 9 points
 - 8 Years+ = 10 points

Sub Total = _____

V. EXCEPTIONS:

- One Non-Severable Exception = -0 points
- More Than One Non-Severable Exception = -5 points (Each)
- Each Severable Exception = -10 points

Sub Total = _____

TOTAL = _____