Purpose:
To establish a policy for awarding “Imminence of Change” points to applications being considered for permanent farmland preservation.

Policy:
Applicants who have one or more of the following circumstances associated with their property under consideration for permanent farmland preservation shall be awarded “Imminence of Change” points ranging from 1 to 10 based on the following factors:

1. The applicant or their agent, or contract purchaser has submitted a sketch plat to the municipal planning board or board of adjustment.
2. The applicant or their agent, or contract purchaser has submitted a preliminary subdivision plat or site plan for approval to the municipal planning board or board of adjustment.
3. The applicant or their agent, or contract purchaser has received approval for a preliminary subdivision plat or site plan from the municipal planning board or board of adjustment.
4. The applicant or their agent, or contact purchaser has submitted a final subdivision plat or site plan for approval to the municipal planning board or board of adjustment.
5. The applicant or their agent, or contract purchaser has received approval for a final subdivision plat or site plan from the municipal planning board or board of adjustment.
6. The applicant’s property is held by a multiple proprietorship, partnership, corporation, not-for-profit organization or charitable conservancy.
7. The applicant’s property is held by an “estate.”
8. The applicant’s property is held by a surviving spouse.
9. The applicant’s property has a gross acreage of less than 35 acres.
10. The applicant’s property is under a contract of sale.
11. The applicant has provided evidence to the Morris CADB that the subject property is in bankruptcy, sheriff’s sale, foreclosure, etc.

The above factors are not listed in any hierarchical manner. The awarding of points shall be on a case by case basis.