FARMLAND PRESERVATION ADVISORY BOARD

MEETING AGENDA
Thursday, August 26th
9:00 – 10:50am

Held remotely through Cisco WebEx Meetings
A link is provided on the FPAB webpage

9:00  Introduction – inspirational message – invitation for others to present (Robin)

9:10  Approve previous meeting minutes - 06/17/2021 (Robin)

9:15  Farmland Preservation Programs Report (Cam)

9:25  Report on Commissioner Hurlburt’s feedback on OPAV recommendation (Robin, Jiff)

9:45  Discussion re: subcommittees, special topic sessions, and meeting schedule (Robin)

10:00 Discussion, Q & A – new, draft Agricultural Lands Preservation Regulations (Cam, Carol, Kayleigh)

10:50 Close (Robin)
Preserved Farmland (in Fee & PDR): 389 Farms 46,376 acres (incl. Savin & Southbury)
Farmlands Under Agreement 21 Farms 1,780 acres $ 7,901,935
Total FARms Preserved or w/ Agrmt: 410 Farms 48,156 acres
Additional, eligible & active apps: 42 Farms 3,100 acres $ 16,469,200
Total eligible & active PDR apps: 63 Farms 4,880 acres $ 24,371,135

Current Funding Balances:
PDR Comm. Invest. Act, as of 08/19: $ 4,641,729
PDR Alloted Bond Funds, as of 08/20*: $ 4,461,066 (includes pending PDRs)

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<th>PDR &amp; ACE Farms Preserved</th>
<th>total funds</th>
<th>State funds</th>
<th>USDA-ALE (&amp; #s)</th>
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<td>CY 2016 15 farms 1,562 acres</td>
<td>$ 6,714,044</td>
<td>$ 5,912,266</td>
<td>$ 819,269</td>
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<td>CY 2017 16 farms 1,850 acres</td>
<td>$ 6,023,494</td>
<td>$ 4,192,797</td>
<td>$ 1,606,500</td>
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<td>CY 2018 15 farms 1,378 acres</td>
<td>$ 8,244,534</td>
<td>$ 4,767,387</td>
<td>$ 2,428,537</td>
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<td>CY 2019 8 farms 773 acres</td>
<td>$ 4,673,802</td>
<td>$ 2,259,340</td>
<td>$ 1,980,125</td>
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<td>CY 2020 13 farms 1,015 acres</td>
<td>$ 5,736,029</td>
<td>$ 3,020,963</td>
<td>$ 2,227,167</td>
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<td>CY 2021 so far 3 farms 235 acres</td>
<td>$ 4,243,044</td>
<td>$ 954,844</td>
<td>$ 2,057,697</td>
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**CY 2021 cost-share contribution %:** 23% 48% 29%
Average per acre cost: $ 4,072 $ 8,775 $ 5,247

Past 5 years: 70 farms 6,813 acres $ 35,634,947 $ 20,786,597 $ 11,119,295 33 $ 3,729,055

**Barney Orchard, Easton protected in June; Backiel Farms 1 & 2, Rocky Hill protected in August**
Expect 1 more PDR closing in Aug., 2 in Sept. and 2 in Oct.
Received obligated ALE FY 2021 funding for 13 PDRs (4 w/ CFT)

**Community Farms Preservation Program (CFPP) - CGS Sec. 22-26nn**
Preserved: 12 farms 638 acres $ 5,244,320 Active: 46 3,284 acres $ 17,989,750

**Farmland Restoration Grant Program (FLRP)**
343 applications est. total costs: $ 11,446,900 est. grant costs: $ 4,706,489
Averages/estimates: $ 38,870 /project $ 3,599 /cost/acre $ 2,862 ac. total to be restored
$ 15,553 /grant $ 1,440 /grant cost/acre 10.8 ac./grant to be restored
- Awarded 23 FLRP grants for CY 2021 competitive round -

**Farmland Use Permits and Leases**
Savin Agric. Presv.– leases w/ 5 year terms (2016-2021); Southbury Farms Presv.– 5 Agric. Permits w/ 10 year terms (2017-2027); Dept. of Corrections Farmland– 4 Agric. Permits w/ 5 year terms (2017-2022)

**Connecticut Farmlink Program**
Balance as of 08/19: $254,477
Connecticut Farmland Trust and Land For Good partnerships for ctfarmlink.org website, one-on-one farmer consultations, education & outreach to beginning farmers & farmlandowners