



## CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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### FARMLAND PRESERVATION ADVISORY BOARD

#### MEETING AGENDA Thursday, May 18, 2023 9:00 – 10:30am

*Will be held virtually- please use information below to participate.*

<https://ctdoag.webex.com/ctdoag/j.php?MTID=m04ca276edee1c7a604f1f162954754bc>

**Meeting Number:** 2631 199 3535 **Passcode:** FPAB2023  
**Join by phone:** 1-408-418-9388 **Access Code:** 2631 199 3535

9:00 Approve April meeting minutes

#### OLD BUSINESS

9:05 Comments on OPAV farmer qualifications

9:15 General recommendation for stewardship staffing

#### NEW BUSINESS

9:30 Discuss administrative changes to allow easement co-holders to contract services (i.e. appraisals, surveys) with costs reimbursed by DoAg

9:45 Discuss holding a special meeting on policy

- Specific policies to focus on
  - Option to Purchase at Agricultural Value (OPAV)
  - Buy Protect Sell (BPS)
  - Urban farmland acquisition (statewide urban land bank)
  - Loan fund for farm acquisition (Delaware's Young Farmers Program)
  - Others?
- Discuss how to structure the meeting
- Discuss attendance

10:15 DOAG PDR topics for FPAB feedback

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

**\* Next meeting is scheduled to occur on September 21, 2023 \***