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Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

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**2019 Agricultural Enterprise Area Petition**

*The undersigned persons hereby petition the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP), pursuant to s. 91.86, Wis. Stats., to create an Agricultural Enterprise Area (****AEA****) under s. 91.84, Wis. Stats. We have read the guidance[[1]](#footnote-1) provided and submit the following information in support of the petition:[[2]](#footnote-2)*

**PART I:**

1. **GENERAL INFORMATION**

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| NAME OF AEA      |
| COUNTY/COUNTIES IN WHICH PROPOSED AEA IS LOCATED      | TOWNS, CITIES OR VILLAGES IN WHICH PROPOSED AEA IS LOCATED      |
| TOTAL ACRES IN PROPOSED AEA      | TOTAL NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE FARM OWNERS WHO SIGNED PETITION      |

1. **PETITION CONTACT INFORMATION**

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| STAFF CONTACT      | EMAIL      | PHONE NUMBER      |
| MAILING ADDRESS STREET      | CITY      | STATE      | ZIP      |
| LANDOWNER REPRESENTATIVE      | EMAIL      | PHONE NUMBER      |
| MAILING ADDRESS STREET      | CITY      | STATE      | ZIP      |

1. **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

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| 1. All parcels in the proposed AEA are located within a farmland preservation area designated in the certified county farmland preservation plan.
 | **[ ]  Yes** | **[ ]  No** |
| 1. All parcels in the proposed AEA are contiguous.
 | **[ ]  Yes** | **[ ]  No** |
| 1. The proposed AEA is primarily in agricultural use.
 | **[ ]  Yes** | **[ ]  No** |
| 1. At least five (5) eligible farm owners signed the petition under the *Petitioning Landowner Signature Page* Attachment.
 | **[ ]  Yes** | **[ ]  No** |

**PART II.**

1. **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

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| **Question 4a. Introduction to proposed AEA**  |
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| **Question 4b. Current Land Use and Land Use Trends***When compiling information for this section, consider using resources such as the county’s farmland preservation plan, or local comprehensive plans* |
| 1. Describe ALL current land uses within the proposed AEA *OR* attach a current land use map:

     1. Provide information about land use trends in and around the AEA:

     1. List the main types of agricultural production in the proposed AEA:
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| **Question 4c. Land Use Controls and Plans in Proposed AEA (check all that apply)** |
| [ ]  Farmland preservation zoning ordinance  |
| [ ]  Other zoning ordinances:       |
| [ ]  Farmland preservation agreements  |
| [ ]  Purchase of development rights and/or easements (donated or purchased) |
| [ ]  Transfer of development rights |
| [ ]  Subdivision ordinances |
| [ ]  Cooperative boundary agreements/inter-municipal agreements |
| [ ]  Natural area protections |
| [ ]  Comprehensive plan |
| [ ]  Other (specify)       |

**Question 4d. Indicate the approximate level of petitioner compliance with state soil and water standards**

[ ]  Nearly all petitioners are in compliance

[ ]  More than half of the petitioners are in compliance

[ ]  Half or less than half of the petitioners are in compliance

[ ]  Few or no petitioners are in compliance

[ ]  Compliance status of petitioners is unknown

1. **PURPOSE AND RATIONALE**

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| **Question 5a. AEA goals for agricultural preservation and agricultural development** |
| 1. State the specific goals for the preservation of agricultural land use:

     1. State the specific goals for agricultural development and/or innovation:

     1. How does the AEA plan to meet the goals identified above (include any planned investments, grants, development incentives, cooperative agreements, land or easement purchases, or public outreach activities)?:

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| **Question 5b. How did you determine the boundary (location and size) of the proposed AEA?** |
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| **Question 5c. Describe existing or future activities that may take place within the AEA if designated** |
| *Type of Activity* | *Existing/Future* | *Additional Details* |
| *Ex: Joint marketing or purchasing, development of agri-tourism opportunity, value-added agriculture* | *Future* | *Ex: Producers interested in forming a producer cooperative to market their products directly to consumers* |
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1. **OUTREACH**

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| **Question 6a. Describe all efforts to provide information to and involve the public in the petition process***Examples of information to include: number and dates of public meetings held, number of mailings, door-to-door outreach etc.* |
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| **Question 6b. Planned Strategy for Encouraging Landowners to Sign Farmland Preservation Agreements***Do you plan on hosting informational meetings, sending out mailings, conducting one-on-one conversations etc.?* |
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| Agreement sign-up goal (percent of AEA or number of landowners):       |

*Continue to next page for details related to Part III – Maps, Part IV. – Signature Pages, and Part V. - Optional*

**Part III.**

**MAP AND SPATIAL LOCATION DATA**

Please send the following to DATCP in electronic form. Follow the map and spatial location data guidelines found in Part F of the guidance document.

1. A map of the proposed AEA, **and**

2. The spatial location data for the AEA boundary.

**Part IV.**

**SIGNATURE PAGES**

The purpose of the signature pages is to show there is adequate support in the area by landowners, local governments and agricultural-related business for designation. See attached “Petitioning Landowner Signature Page,” “Political Subdivision Signature Page”, “County Conservationist Signature Page” and “Non-Petitioning Cooperator Signature Page.”

1. Submit a minimum of five (5) eligible farm owner petitioner signature pages
	1. The amount of petitioners should make sense in light of the boundary size, and there should be a logical distribution of petitioners within the proposed boundary
2. Submit a signature page for each political subdivision within the proposed boundary. This includes both counties and towns
3. Submit a signature page signed by the county conservationist for each county included within the proposed boundary
4. To show support for the petition by agricultural-related businesses, non-petitioning landowners and other community organizations, please submit any corresponding non-petitioning cooperator signature pages. You can also submit letters of support in lieu of non-petitioning cooperator signature pages
	1. These signature pages/letters of support are highly recommended

Please follow the signature page guidelines in Part G of the guidance document.

**Part V.**

**OPTIONAL**

**Images from Proposed AEA**

*Note: Any photos submitted to the department may be used in materials related to the Agricultural Enterprise Area program or for the Farmland Preservation Program generally.*

**Local Resolutions**

*Sample resolution text is included in Appendix B of the guidance document.*

**Petitioning Landowner Signature Page**

*A separate signature page, in the following form, must be signed by the owner of each farm. An authorized individual may sign on behalf of a legal entity. If a farm is jointly owned by a legally married couple as individuals, both must sign.*

Farm owner (correct legal name or legal name of business entity):

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Type of business entity, if applicable (check one):

Individual or married couple [ ]  LLC [ ]

Corporation [ ]  Other (describe)

Partnership [ ]

Authorized signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Print name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Authorized signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Print name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Farm owner address (street, city, zip):      \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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| I (we) currently claim a farmland preservation tax credit (either under farmland preservation zoning or through a farmland preservation agreement). | [ ]  Yes  | [ ]  No | [ ]  Don’t Know |
| I (we) are interested in maintaining our existing farmland preservation agreement or entering into a new farmland preservation agreement. *(Note: To claim the farmland preservation tax credit under a farmland preservation agreement, the farm must meet state soil and water conservation standards.)*  | [ ]  Yes  | [ ]  No | [ ]  Maybe |

**Political Subdivision** **Signature Page**

*This signature page must be signed by an authorized officer or representative of every political subdivision (county, town, city or village) in which any part of the proposed AEA is included.*

Political subdivision name:      \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Type (check one): County [ ]  Town [ ]  City [ ]  Village [ ]

Printed name of authorized officer or representative:      \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Title of authorized officer or representative:      \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Authorized signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Principal mailing address:      \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Phone number:      \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address:      \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**County Conservationist** **Signature Page**

*All county conservationists in which the proposed AEA is located must sign this signature page.*

County Conservationist name:      \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Principal mailing address:      \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Phone number:      \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address:      \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Non-Petitioner Cooperator Signature Page**

*Persons other than the petitioners may sign in support of the petition. A separate signature page, or letter of support, may be submitted for each cooperator. An authorized individual may sign on behalf of a legal entity.*

Legal name of cooperator:      \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Relevant interest (farm owner, business, nonprofit or community organization, government entity, other):

Principal mailing address:      \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address:      \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*Briefly describe your interest in signing this petition requesting designation of an agricultural enterprise area:*

Print name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_­\_\_\_\_\_

Authorized signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. *Guidance available at:* [*https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs\_Services/AEAPetitionInfo.aspx*](https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/AEAPetitionInfo.aspx) [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. *Personal information you provide may be used for purposes other than that for which it was collected, s. 15.04(1)(m), Wis. Stats.* [↑](#footnote-ref-2)