



Agriculture Enterprise Area

Preserve farmland. Protect the environment. Grow the economy.

SNAPSHOT

Apple Lake AEA

4
LOCAL
GOVERNMENTS

13
AG CO-OPS &
BUSINESSES

6
PRODUCERS &
LANDOWNERS



Counties: Polk, St. Croix
Municipalities: Farmington, Alden, Star Prairie

Acres: 9,994
AEA Designation: 2011

This AEA is supported and surrounded by the following ag enterprises, businesses, non-profits, and institutions:

- Ag Consulting-Certified Crop Advisors
- Ag Equipment
- Agritourism
- Agronomists
- Aquaculture
- Dairy Plant
- Farm Supply and Dealers
- Farmer's Market
- Food Processing Facilities, Food Warehouses
- Grain Trucking
- Horse Creek Area Farmer-Led Watershed Council
- Livestock Truckers
- Meat Distributor and Processing
- Milk Producers
- Nursery and Tree Farms
- Organic Farms
- St. Croix Wetland Management District
- Standing Cedar State Natural Area
- Timber Production

Farm Economics and Growth

- Transition farmland to the next generation
- Encourage value-added crop production
- Explore opportunities for farm diversification

Planning for Future Farmland

- Community supported planning process
- Ease urban development pressures in rural areas

To find out if your land is located in the Apple Lake AEA or to sign a farmland preservation agreement, contact

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To start or join a current AEA, contact your county land conservation department where your land is located.

What is an AEA?

Agricultural enterprise areas (AEAs) are community-led efforts establishing designated areas important to Wisconsin's agricultural future. As part of the state's Farmland Preservation Program, AEAs strive to support local farmland protection goals, the agricultural economy, and environmental efforts. Learn more at <https://farmlandpreservation.wi.gov>.