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|  | **Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection**  Agricultural Resource Management Division - Bureau of Land and Water Resources  P.O. Box 8911, Madison, WI 53708-8911  Phone (608) 224-4611| [DATCPWorkinglands@wisconsin.gov](mailto:DATCPWorkinglands@wisconsin.gov?subject=Release%20of%20Land%20from%20Farmland%20Preservation%20Agreement) | | | | | | | | | | | |  | | | | |
| Application to Remove (Release) Land From a Farmland Preservation Agreement | | | | | | | | | | | | [s. 91.66, Wis. Stats.](https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/statutes/statutes/91/iv/66) | | | | | |
| Name of landowner(s) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mailing address | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Telephone number | | | | | | | Name of Agricultural Enterprise Area (AEA) where land is located | | | | | | | | | | |
| Farmland Preservation Agreement number | | | | | | | Number of acres under agreement | | | | | | | | | | |
| Under s. 91.66(1), Wis. Stats., the department may terminate a Farmland Preservation Agreement or release land from a Farmland Preservation Agreement at any time if all of the following apply: (a) All of the owners of land covered by the Farmland Preservation Agreement consent to the termination or release, in writing; (b) The department finds that the termination or release will not impair or limit agricultural use of other protected farmland; (c) The owners of the land pay to the department, for each acre or portion thereof released from the Farmland Preservation Agreement, a conversion fee equal to three times the per acre value, for the year in which the Farmland Preservation Agreement is terminated or the land is released, of the highest value category of tillable cropland in the city, village, or town in which the land is located, as specified by the department of revenue under s. 73.03 (2a), Wis. Stats.[[1]](#footnote-1)  This option to terminate or release land from a Farmland Preservation Agreement is available to landowners with land covered by a Farmland Preservation Agreement that was signed after January 1, 2011, and is in an AEA; signed before July 1, 2009; or initially signed before July 1, 2009, and modified after July 1, 2009, to meet updated conservation standards. Note: the release of lands from an agreement signed before July 1, 2009, is made subject to s. 91.66, Wis. Stats. by s. 91.60(3)(a), Wis. Stats. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Calculating the Conversion Fee-** Attach additional pages if necessary.   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **Parcel number** | **Town** | **County** | **Amount of conversion fee =** | | | | |  |  |  | Per acre value[[2]](#footnote-2) | X 3 | Acres to be removed | = Total amount due DATCP | |  |  |  | $ | X 3 | X | = $ | |  |  |  | $ | X 3 | X | = $ | |  |  |  | $ | X 3 | X | = $ | |  |  |  | $ | X 3 | X | = $ | |  |  |  | $ | X 3 | X | = $ | | **Sum of total amount due to DATCP** | | | | | | **= $** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Required Attachments**  Map of the parcel(s) or area to be removed from the effective Farmland Preservation Agreement.  Legal description of the lands to be removed from agreement. This may be submitted as a deed, certified survey map, plat of survey, or other.  Check for payment of Conversion Fee as calculated above. Make check payable to DATCP and send to DATCP, Attn: Farmland Preservation Agreements, PO Box 8911, Madison, WI 53708-8911 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Signatures**  This application must be signed by all owners and any Holder of an Interest in the Covered Land (mortgage holder, lease holder, easement beneficiary, mineral rights holder, etc.). Attach additional pages if necessary.  ***Request to terminate, or release land from, a Farmland Preservation Agreement*:** I (we), desiring to terminate, or release land from, the Farmland Preservation Agreement on the land subject to the above agreement, request that said property be removed from the Farmland Preservation Agreement. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Landowner (Print Name):** | | | | | | | | | | **Landowner (Print Name):** | | | | | | | |
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| Signature | | | | Date | | | | | | Signature | | | | | | | Date |
| State of Wisconsin )  )ss  County of\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_) | | | |  | | | | | | State of Wisconsin )  )ss  County of\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_) | | | | | | |  |
| This instrument was acknowledged before me on the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_ , by: | | | | | |  | | | | This instrument was acknowledged before me on the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_ , by: | | | | | | | |
| (Name of Landowner) | | | | | |  | | | | (Name of Landowner) | | | | | | | |
| Notary Signature | | | | | |  | | | | Notary Signature | | | | | | | |
| Print Name of Notary  My commission expires (is permanent) | |  | | | |  | | | | Print Name of Notary  My commission expires (is permanent) | | | | |  | | |
| **Holder of an Interest in the Covered Land** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|  | | | | | | | | | | as | Mortgage Holder  Land Contract Holder  Lease Holder  Easement Beneficiary  Mineral Rights Holder  Other:  Describe: | | | | | | |
| (Print Name) | | | | | | | | | |  |  | | | | | | |
| Being the owner and holder of a certain interest which is recorded at | | | | | | | | |  | | | | | | | (recording information) | |
| in the County Register of Deeds Office against said covered land does hereby subordinate its interest and join in and consent to said release of described land from a Farmland Preservation Agreement. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| This instrument was acknowledged before me on the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_ , by: | | | | | | | | | | | | | |  | | | |
| as an interest holder in the covered land. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Notary Signature | | | | |  | | | | |  | | | | | | | |
| Print Name of Notary | | | | |  | | | | |  | | | | | | | |
| My commission expires (is permanent) | | |  | | | | | | |  | | | | | | | |

1. See the current year’s “[Use Value Guidelines For Agricultural Land Assessment](https://www.revenue.wi.gov/Pages/Report/UseValueGuidelines.aspx#:~:text=Use-Value%20Guidelines%20for%20Agricultural%20Assessment%20This%20report%20provides,These%20guidelines%20are%20posted%20in%20November%20each%20year.)” on the Wisconsin Department of Revenue website for the per acre value of the highest value category of tillable cropland in the city, village, or town in which the land is located, for the year in which the farmland preservation agreement is terminated or the land is released, as specified by the department of revenue under s. 73.03 (2a). [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Completing this form is required to release land from a Farmland Preservation Agreement. Personally identifiable information provided on this form may be used for purposes other than which it is originally collected. *See s.* 15.04(1)(m), Wis. Stats. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)