Delaware Agricultural Lands Preservation Foundation
Current Situation Report for May 15, 2019

Delaware Agricultural Statistics 490,000 acres in Farms (39% of State Land Area)			
Agricultural Preservation Districts			
District/Expansions		**Farms**	**Acres**
Approved	1,250	1,494	193,946
Pending	5	5	805
Farm Terminations		**99**	**20,718**
Totals	**1,255**	**1,400**	**174,033**

Kent County Districts			
District/Expansions		**Farms**	**Acres**
Approved	579	680	96,818
Pending	0	0	0
Farm Terminations		**36**	**7,467**
Totals	**579**	**644**	**89,351**

New Castle County Districts			
District/Expansions		**Farms**	**Acres**
Approved	119	134	19,566
Pending	0	0	0
Farm Terminations		**7**	**2,896**
Totals	**119**	**127**	**16,670**

Sussex County Districts			
District/Expansions		**Farms**	**Acres**
Approved	552	680	77,562
Pending	5	5	805
Farm Terminations		**56**	**10,355**
Totals	**557**	**629**	**68,012**

Agricultural Easements			
	Farms	**Acres**	**Cost**
Settlements Final	**869**	**122,186**	**$215,992,951**
Pending Round 21	**3**	**182**	**$318,425**
Pending Round 22	**23**	**2,315**	**$3,036,254**
Totals	**895**	**124,683**	**$219,347,630**

Averages of Easements			
No. Easements	**All 895**	**Last 5yrs– 143**	**Last 3yrs- 87**
***Discount**	*58%	*69.5%	*73.5%
Farm Size	139 acres	100 acres	101 acres
Payment Landowner	$245,170	$150,729	$133,727
Cost Per Acre	$1,758	$1,510	$1,331

*Note: Avg. % includes County Funds

Agricultural Easements by County			
County	**Farms**	**Acres**	**Cost**
Kent	457	66,191	$96,669,495
NewCastle	95	13,890	$34,946,445
Sussex	343	44,602	$87,731,690
Total	**895**	**124,683**	**$219,347,630**

Easement Land Use		
Type	**Acres**	**%**
Cropland	78,354	63
Forestland	34,270	27
Wetland/Other	12,059	10
Total	**124,683**	**100**

Source of Funds 896 Easements

* State Funds-	$151,913,531
* USDA Funds-	$ 51,865,196
* County Funds-	$ 12,557,517
* ISTEA Funds-	$ 1,250,000
*Other Funds-	$ 1,761,386
*Est. Total Funds	$ 219,347,630
*Landowner Disco	$ 303,216,657
***Est.Total Value**	**$ 522,564,287**
*Est. Closing Costs	$4,950,000

Total Number of Properties – Eligible for Round 23 Appraisal			Total Number of Properties To be Appraised in Round 23		District Applications Received in 2019	
County	**Farms**	**Acres**	**#**	**Acres**	**#**	**Acres**
Kent	151	15,527	88	7,341	0	0
New Castle	25	3,367	17	1,181	0	0
Sussex	223	23,306	148	14,950	6	895
Totals	**399**	**42,200**	**253**	**23,472**	**6**	**895**

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Forestland Current Situation Report
As of May 15, 2019

Forestland Preservation Areas			Forestland Applications Received in 2019		
	#	Acres	County	#	Acres
Approved	46	3,677	Kent		
Pending	1	468	New Castle		
			Sussex	1	468
Total	**47**	**4,145**	**Total**	**1**	**468**
Not in Easement	**17**	**1,671**			

New Castle County Areas		
	Properties	**Acres**
Approved	1	43
Pending	0	0
Total	**1**	**43**

Kent County Areas		
	Properties	**Acres**
Approved	21	1,309
Pending	0	0
Total	**21**	**1,309**

Sussex County Areas		
	Properties	**Acres**
Approved	24	2,325
Pending	1	468
Total	**25**	**2,793**

Forestland Preservation Areas			
County	**Properties**	**Acres**	**Easement Value**
Kent	5	427	$617,277
Sussex	4	445	$833,527
Donated	2	56	
Settlements Final	**11**	**928**	**$1,450,804**
Farmland Easement	**15**	**1,365**	

Source of Funds 9 Easements

State -	$ 1,038,401
Nature Conservancy-	$ 412,403
Total of Costs	$ 1,450,804
Landowner Discount-	$ 2,808,680
Grand Total Value	**$ 4,259,484**
Settlement Costs	$ 49,717

Delaware Agricultural Lands Preservation Programs Grand Totals of all Easements

Programs	**Properties**	**Acres**	**Easement Value**
Forestland Preservation Area Easements	11	928	$1,450,804
Farmland Preservation Easements	895	124,683	$219,347,630
Total of Forestland & Farmland Easements	**906**	**125,611**	**$220,798,434**
Total of Forestland & Farmland Landowner Discount			$306,025,337
Grand Total Value			$526,823,771

Delaware Agricultural Lands Preservation Young Farmers Loan Program

Settled Loans	**Total Acres w/o Residential**			**Appraised Easement Value**	**Announced Farmer Loan Amount**	**Actual Farmer Loan**
34	**2,630**	**Acres** **1989** **629** **12**	**Type** **Cropland** **Forest** **Other**	$11,826,380	$8,278,466	**$7,699,719**
# Prequalification Applications Received	# Approved	# Waiting for Review		# Denied or No Longer Qualify	**Settlement Costs** **Total Cost**	**$187,180** **$7,886,899**
113	95	0		18	**Young Farmer Loan Applications:** Round 8 – 1 application totaling 80 acres	

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