

APPENDIX C
COLUMBIA COUNTY CONSERVATION EASEMENT APPLICATION
(Please provide additional names, etc. on back of page if necessary).
APPLICATION FORM
(Revised 7/24/12)

I. GENERAL INFORMATION (Please Print) Please provide additional names, etc. on back of page if necessary.

Name _____ Social Security # _____

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Address _____
(Box) (Street) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

Telephone # (s) _____
(Please indicate the best times to call)

(Address and phone number if different than above)

II. FARM INFORMATION

Columbia County Township _____

Name of Agriculture Security Area _____ ASA Bk and Page No. or Locator No _____

Total Acreage in Farm Tract _____ Total Acreage offered for easement purchase _____

Deed reference(s): Book _____ Page _____ or Document Number _____

Book _____ Page _____ or Document Number _____

Tax parcel # (s): Number _____ Acreage _____

Number _____ Acreage _____

Number _____ Acreage _____

Directions to farm from nearest State Route _____

III. SIGNATURES

It is necessary for all farmland owners to give their approval and consent to this application.

I (we), hereby, authorize the Conservation Plan preparer to release copies of the Conservation Plan and Nutrient Management Plan (Act 6, if applicable), to the County Agricultural Land

Preservation Board and the Bureau of Farmland Preservation as required under Act 43
Criteria for easement purchase.

Signed _____ Date _____

Signed _____ Date _____

I hereby certify that I am _____ am not _____ a county Farmland Preservation board member.

IV. Crop Production Information

The applicant must provide crop production information for the most recent crop year.

Crop Report for crop year _____. Crop acres must be @ least 50% of total Acres.
Crop Acres Yield/Acre

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

V Conservation and Nutrient Management Plan

If you have Livestock:

Date of implementation of Act 38 Nutrient Mgmt. Plan

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

VI Conservation Plan Tract No. _____ must be within 10 yrs of application date.

Date of Conservation Plan _____

Date of Nutrient Management Plan _____

Conservation Practices in use currently _____

VII. MORTGAGES, LIENS AND MINERAL RIGHTS

(Please use back of page for additional information)

Please list all mortgages, lien holders, or owners of mineral rights for the farmland tract.

Mortgagees: _____

Lien holders: _____

Mineral Rights: _____

VIII. MAPS

County Farmland Preservation Staff will provide the following maps as part of this application:

1. Location Map- A United States Geographical Survey topographical map showing the location and approximate boundaries of the farmland tract, provided tax parcel numbers are accurate and Conservation Plan is up to date.
2. Tax Map – Tax Map (s) of the farmland tract with map reference and parcel numbers clearly indicated.
3. Soils Map – The soils map of the farmland tract must be color coded as follows:
 - Class I – Green
 - Class II – Yellow
 - Class III – Red
 - Class IV – Blue
 - Wetlands – Cross Hatch or include on separate map

IX OTHER

Accepting less than the Appraised Easement Value: If you are willing to take less than the appraised value of your easement the Columbia County Farmland Preservation Board will add adjust your score based on the chart below.

Points for Farmland Potential Question #5

- If you are willing to accept:
- 50% of the appraised value then we will add 40 points.
 - 60% of the appraised value then we will add 30 points.
 - 70% of the appraised value then we will add 20 points.
 - 80% of the appraised value then we will add 10 points.
 - 90% and above of the appraised value will have zero points added.

Please indicate the percentage of the Appraised Easement Value you are willing to accept.

Percentage _____ Signatures of each landowner

(O.) Commercial Equine Activity

The landowner(s) shall provide, if applicable, information concerning any commercial equine activities being conducted on the proposed eased land. Act 61 of 2005 amended Act 43 to allow for the use of a portion of viable agricultural land for commercial equine activity. The legislation defines commercial equine activity as including the activities where a fee is collected to provide: the boarding of equine; training of equine; instruction of people in handling, driving or riding equine; the use of equine in riding or driving; and pasturing of equine. The term does not include activities licensed under the "Race Horse Industry Reform Act" of 1981.

(P.) County Board should inquire with applicants whether owners of adjacent land-locked parcels must cross the subject farm in order to gain access to the land-locked parcel. If so, there should be a recorded right-of-way agreement. Once the farm is eased, private rights-of-way may not be granted. The title search will reveal the existence of a recorded right-of-way.

Signature of each owner with percentage of ownership.

_____ Percentage _____

_____ Percentage _____

Please include a check for \$25.00 payable to the Columbia Conservation District with this application.