



Albany County Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board

Recommendations of the Albany County Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board Annual Agricultural District Review 2023

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Pursuant to Article 25-AA section 303-b of NYS Agricultural and Markets Law, the Albany County Legislature established an annual review period beginning on February 1 during which property owners may apply to add land to any of the County's three Agricultural Districts. On behalf of the County Legislature, the County Office of Natural Resource Conservation conducted a review of all landowner applications for inclusion in a District. The findings of this review, which relied on information provided by the landowner, analysis of aerial photos, and in some cases, a field assessment of the subject parcels, have been reviewed by the Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board. Based on this review, the following report and recommendations are submitted for consideration by the County Legislature.

A total of three (3) parcels were submitted for consideration to be included in Albany County Agricultural Districts during the 30-day annual review period beginning February 1, 2023. Of the parcels submitted, one was withdrawn from consideration by the landowner. Two parcels were found to be consistent with the intent of agricultural districting and are recommended for inclusion in the appropriate Agricultural District. A portion of the Coeymans parcel was already in the District, however the boundaries and parcel number have changed. This resulted in 85 additional acres being added.

TOWN	PARCEL	# OF ACRES	AG DISTRICT	Recommendation Of AFPB	Principal Enterprise
Coeymans	131.-4-12.2	Total 155.2 Add 85	3	ADD	Livestock
Rensselaerville	126.-1-26	106	2	ADD	Sheep, Vegetables, sugarbush
Total Acres Added		191			