

# ADAMS COUNTY CLEAN AND GREEN QUESTIONNAIRE

Please return completed forms to: Tax Services Office Adams County Courthouse Room 202 117 Baltimore Street Gettysburg, PA 17325 Telephone: 717-337-9837 Hours: 8:00AM – 4:30PM, Monday through Friday	Changes to the Clean and Green Act 72 P.S. § 5490.1 – 5490.13, require the County Assessment Office determine the use of all land qualified under the Act. This survey requests such information. Failure to complete and return this survey will require the County to use the best available information, which may not accurately reflect your land use.
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Owner(s) Name	
Mailing Address	
Location/Situs Address	
Parcel Number	
Deeded Acres	

1. Check the appropriate category where your building site (land under the house or other buildings) is located.
  - A. Forest Reserve (FR) acres
  - B. Agricultural Reserve (AR) acres
  - C. Agricultural Use (AU) acres
  - D. No buildings – land is unimproved
  
2. How many total wooded acres do you have on this parcel? .....
  
3. Of the total remaining non-wooded acres, how many acres have not produced an agricultural commodity during the past three years (AR)? Do not include acreage enrolled in a subsidized conservation program. Note Agricultural commodities are listed in #5 below. ....
  
4. How many acres of the remaining non-wooded land are used for an agricultural commodity as described below (AU)? .....
  
5. Agricultural Commodity includes all of the categories listed below. Please check all that apply:
  - A. \_\_\_\_\_ Agricultural, apicultural (beekeeping), aquacultural (aquatic animals and plants), horticultural (plants), floricultural (flowers), silvicultural (forestry), viticultural (grapes) and dairy products
  - B. \_\_\_\_\_ Pasture (Please note what is pastured: \_\_\_\_\_)
  - C. \_\_\_\_\_ Livestock and the products thereof
  - D. \_\_\_\_\_ Ranch-raised furbearing animals and the products thereof
  - E. \_\_\_\_\_ Poultry and the products thereof
  - F. \_\_\_\_\_ Products commonly raised or produced on farms which are:
    - i. intended for human consumption; or
    - ii. transported or intended to be transported in commerce
  - G. \_\_\_\_\_ Processed or manufactured products of products commonly raised or produced on farms that are:
    - i. intended for human consumption; or
    - ii. transported or intended to be transported in commerce
  
6. Please describe how you use or sell the agricultural commodity. \_\_\_\_\_  
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7. How many acres are enrolled in a subsidized conservation program (AU)? \_\_\_\_\_

**The Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture believes the intent of the Law requires agricultural commercial activities be present to qualify for the Agricultural Use (AU) category, unless there is an active subsidized conservation program present.**

8. Agricultural Use Properties

A. Proof required for properties over ten (10) acres. Please Provide proof of Agricultural Use (farming activities), through one of the below methods, check applicable proof and attach the information to your questionnaire:

\_\_\_\_\_ Income Tax Schedule F.

\_\_\_\_\_ Income Tax Schedule E, Form #4845 (shows farm rental income) or if the property owner does

not farm the property, a statement may be submitted from the farmer farming the property, listing the agricultural use, agricultural commodities, number of acres farmed, farmer's name, address and telephone number.

\_\_\_\_\_ Copy of Receipts for the sale of commodities.

\_\_\_\_\_ Proof of enrollment in a subsidized conservation program.

B. Properties under ten (10) acres:

a. According to 72 P. S. Section 5490.3(a)(1) Land presently devoted to Agricultural Use: Such land was devoted to agricultural use the preceding three years and is not less than ten contiguous acres in area, including the farmstead land, or has an anticipated yearly gross income of at least two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00). The \$2000 annual gross income is income related to the sale of agricultural commodities.

b. Please provide proof to satisfy the \$2000 yearly gross income, check applicable proof and attach to your questionnaire.

\_\_\_\_\_ Income Tax Schedule F listing \$2000 annual gross income.

\_\_\_\_\_ Income Tax Schedule E, Form #4845

\_\_\_\_\_ Copy of Receipts for the sale of commodities showing \$2000 annual gross income.

c. The Courts have defined "anticipated" to mean you plan to sell the commodity and the price you get for the product will satisfy the \$2000 yearly gross income requirements, it is not what you hope to get or what you could get if you sold the product, but you keep the product for your own use, but instead you have planted the crops and because of drought, flood, insects, hail or other acts your crops do not produce. The anticipated income would be what you should have received when you sold the product, had the crops not been destroyed or not produced, which is evident from last year's sale of the commodity.

9. How many Cell Towers/Wireless Service Facilities are on your property? \_\_\_\_\_

10. If you have Cell Towers/Wireless Service Facilities on your property, how many acres do they occupy? \_\_\_\_\_

11. Is there any commercial activities being conducted on your property, if so, please list the activity? \_\_\_\_\_

12. Are there any commercial structures on your property (yes/no)? \_\_\_\_\_

13. If you answered "yes" please list the primary commercial function. \_\_\_\_\_

**Property owners of preferentially assessed properties are hereby notified that they are required by law to submit thirty days notice to the county assessor of a proposed change in use of the land, a split-off portion of the land or a conveyance of the land. If any of these occur, the change may trigger a Clean and Green Roll-back payable by the owner creating the change.**

Owner(s) Signatures: We/I the undersigned declare that the information in this questionnaire, including all accompanying schedules and statements, has been examined by us/me and to the best of our/my knowledge and belief is true and correct.

_____	_____	_____	_____
Signature of Owner/Corporate Officer	Date	Signature of Owner/Corporate Officer	Date
_____	_____	_____	_____
Signature of Owner/Corporate Officer	Date	Signature of Owner/Corporate Officer	Date

Daytime telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Clean and Green Uses:**

**Agricultural Use:** Land which is used for the purpose of producing an agricultural commodity, such land was devoted to agricultural use the preceding three years and is not less than ten contiguous acres in area or has an anticipated yearly gross income of at least \$2000 or when devoted to and meets the requirements and qualifications for payments or other compensation pursuant to a soil conservation program under an agreement with an agency of the Federal Government.

**Agricultural Reserve:** Noncommercial open space lands used for outdoor recreation or the enjoyment of scenic or natural beauty and open to the public for such use, without charge or fee, on a nondiscriminatory basis and such land is not less than ten contiguous acres.

**Forest Reserve:** Land, ten acres or more, stocked by forest trees of any size and capable of producing timber or other wood products.