



FARMLAND REGISTRATION CERTIFICATION (FORM 3)

REGISTRY OF DEEDS NOTATION

Please index under all Farmland Owners' and Abutters' First and Last Name

SOIL WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY AND CERTIFICATION

TO: _____
Name of the "Applicant"; the farmland owner seeking certification of farmland eligibility

FROM: _____ County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD)

Pursuant to M.R.S. Title 7, Chapter 2-B and M.R.S Title 12, Chapter 6-A the Board of Supervisors of the Soil and Water Conservation District in the county where the proposed farmland is located must vote to either grant or deny its certification of commercial agricultural fields located in tax parcel(s) _____ in the town(s) of _____, as identified on the attached Farmland Registration Application Form 2A or Form 2B and as shown on the attached map(s). The District Board of Supervisors must determine if the land proposed for registration conforms or does not conform to the following criteria.

- A. The land consist(s) of 5 or more contiguous acres of commercial agricultural fields that have produced a gross annual farm income of at least \$2,000 per year* from the sales value of farm products in 1 of 2, or 3 of the 5 years - every other year - prior to the application for farmland registration. *The SWCD may request additional information on farm production history from the applicant.
- B. The land produces farm products that meet the definition of the law; "those plants and animals useful to humans, including, but not limited to, forages and sod crops, grains and food crops, dairy products, poultry and poultry products, bees, livestock and livestock products and fruits, berries, vegetables, flowers, seeds, grasses, Christmas trees and other similar products."
- C. The land includes commercial agricultural fields(s) that are less than 50 feet or 100 feet (circle one) from the parcel boundary line(s) as shown on the attached map(s). The distance is based upon the year the farmland was/is first registered. (100 foot setback for parcels registered by or on July 1, 2012 and 50 foot setback after July 1, 2012)
- D. The land does not include land surrounding commercial agricultural fields that is not producing farm products, such as land used for woodlots, homes, farm buildings, roads, lawns, or any area covered with non-crop vegetation that borders the farmland and any abutting land.

The Board of Supervisors of the _____ SWCD have reviewed the Farmland Registration Application Form 2A or Form 2B, map(s), and other information consisting of _____ presented by the Applicant.

Based upon the facts presented, the Supervisors find the commercial agricultural fields in tax parcel(s) _____ in the town(s) of _____

CONFORM / DO NOT CONFORM (circle one) to the above criteria, and therefore the District has voted to GRANT / DENY (circle one) CERTIFICATION of this farmland.

SO VOTED ON _____
Date

SIGNATURE _____
Chair of SWCD Board of Supervisors

DISCLAIMER: Neither the Board of Supervisors nor the Soil and Water Conservation District bear responsibility for the truth or accuracy of facts furnished on the application (Form 2A or 2B).

This space reserved for the Registry of Deeds