

Chautauqua County DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

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PUBLIC NOTICE

30-DAY PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD FOR CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY AGRICULTURAL DISTRICTS (1, 2, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, & 13)

Per New York State Agriculture and Markets Law Section 303-a, Chautauqua County has designated March through April as the thirty (30) day public review period for the eight (8) year review of the county's Agricultural Districts. During this period, we ask that landowners complete the Chautauqua County Agricultural District Review Worksheet, located at the following web-address:

https://planningchautauqua.com/planning/afpb/ag-dist-review/

Under Section 303-a(1) of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law, the County Legislature is required to review an Agricultural District eight years after the creation and every eight years thereafter. During this thirty (30) day period, any municipality whose territory is within the Agricultural District, any State agency, or any landowner within Chautauqua County may propose a modification of the Agricultural District.

A map of the County's Agricultural Districts is available online at the previously listed web-address, and is on file and open to public inspection at the Clerk's Office of the Chautauqua County Legislature. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, please call the office to schedule an appointment.

Please complete the online worksheet to propose additions and removals of property from an Agricultural District. A paper copy of the worksheet is available upon request. All worksheets must be submitted online, or by paper to the Chautauqua County Department of Planning and Development or Clerk's Office of the Chautauqua County Legislature, by the April deadline.

At the end of the thirty (30) day period, the proposed modifications will be submitted to the Chautauqua County Agriculture and Farmland Protection Board. Based on the board's recommendations, a report will be prepared for the County Legislature and a public hearing will be held.

Are you a new land owner in an Agriculture District? To learn more about the NYS Agriculture District Program go to the Chautauqua County Planning & Development's website (planningchautauqa.com).

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