



**AGRICULTURAL PRESERVATION ADVISORY BOARD**

MEMORANDUM

February 6, 2026

TO: Agricultural Preservation Advisory Board (APAB)

FROM: Mike Weyand, Business Development Specialist  
Office of Agriculture

SUBJECT: **Agricultural Preservation Advisory Board Meeting, February 10, 2026**

Please be advised that the next scheduled APAB meeting will be on Tuesday, February 10, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. The Board will meet virtually using Microsoft Teams. The agenda and other supporting documentation are attached.

If you have questions or cannot make the meeting, please email me at [michael.weyand@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:michael.weyand@montgomerycountymd.gov).

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Regular Meeting Agenda

February 5, 2026

7:00 p.m.

1. Introduction
2. Approval of Minutes
3. Board Requests & Notices
  - a. Eric Spates – Farm Tenant House Request
4. AEP/BLT/TDR Easements
  - a. BLT - Open Purchase Period – Update
  - b. Settlement Complete AEP Easements
5. Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation (MALPF) Easements
  - a. FY27/28 Funding Update – July Application Period
6. Rural Legacy Program (RLP) Easements
7. Easement Monitoring & Inspections
  - a. Monthly Inspection & Reporting
8. Legislative Activities
  - a. Bill 7-26, Buildings - Scope and Applicability – Exemptions  
Lead sponsors: Council President Fani-González, Council Vice President Balcombe and Councilmember Luedtke  
**Public hearing is scheduled for 3/10/26 at 9:30 a.m.**
  - b. Legislative Matrix: Senate and House Bills
9. Solar/Energy/Data
  - a. APAB Letter - Data Center Policy
  - b. Upcoming Solar Projects
10. Other Business
  - a. FY27-32 Capital Improvements Program (CIP) - Agricultural Land Preservation (3/16)
  - b. Upcoming Meetings and Events
    - Feb. 13 – Soil Conservation Board Meeting
    - Feb. 16 – Presidents' Day (Office Closed)
    - March. 10 (7:00 pm) – Agricultural Preservation Advisory Board Meeting