



Montgomery County  
Agricultural Reserve



DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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MEMORANDUM

June 17, 2011

TO: Agricultural Advisory Committee Members (AAC)

FROM: Jeremy V. Criss, Agricultural Services Manager  
Department of Economic Development

SUBJECT: Agricultural Advisory Committee Meeting Tuesday, June 21, 2011

Please be advised that the Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, June 21, 2011 at the Upcounty Regional Services Center, 12900 Middlebrook Road, Germantown, in Room B at 7:30 p.m.**

The attachments for our meeting will be posted on the Agricultural Services web site. Due to the County's paper reduction mandate, please print these attachments out and bring them with you to the meeting.

See you on June 21<sup>st</sup>.

\*Sign language interpreter services will be provided only upon request with notice as far in advance as possible but no less than 72 hours prior to the event. If you need other services or aids to participate in this activity, please call 301-590-2810

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**Agricultural Advisory Committee Meeting**  
**Revised Agenda for June 21, 2011**

1. Introductions if needed?
2. Approval of the Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting minutes from May 17, 2011.  
(See Attachment A.)
3. Farmland Preservation Update: BLT Easement Purchase Period-April 1 through May 30, 2011- We received a total of 7 applicants and the APAB recommended the ranking of these applicants on June 14, 2011.
4. The Application of Footnote 48 for certain non-agricultural uses in the RDT zone. Examples: Bed and Breakfast and Renewable Energy Distribution Systems-Solar panels. (See Attachment B.)
5. Proposed Changes to the State Nutrient Management Regulations-Chuck Schuster
6. Follow Up from the June 8, 2011 meeting with Council Member Nancy Floreen-Amendments to Forest Conservation Law Chapter 22A-5 Exemptions- David Weitzer
7. Discussion surrounding the costs of Deer Vehicle Collisions in certain states: (See Attachment C.)
8. Notice surrounding the Allen Family Foods claiming bankruptcy. (See Attachment D.)
9. MDA Agricultural Workgroup meeting on the Watershed Implementation Plan (WIP) Thursday July 7, 2011 from 9:00 to 12:00. (See Attachment E.)
10. Discussion regarding the State Highway Administration outreach to some agricultural producers in April 2011. The SHA is requesting permission to enter certain farms to perform environmental analysis for phosphorus and sediments from direct or indirect roadway runoff. (See Attachment F.)
11. Complaints surrounding tree trimming conducted by Pepco along rural roads. (See Attachment G.)
12. Brochure handed out for the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Farm Tour and Harvest Sale Event will be provided. The Farm Tour is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday July 23 and 24, 2011 from 10:00am to 4:00. There are 12 farms on the tour and we have funding sponsors contributing a total of \$2,000 - MCFB, UME, and MSCD to help share the costs to promote this event.
13. Hand out new version of the Agricultural Reserve Resource Guide. The County DED contributed \$3,000 for the printing costs of this brochure.
14. Next scheduled meeting of the AAC is July 19, 2011 @ 7:30 pm in Room B at the UpCounty Regional Services Center in Germantown.