

Butler County Agricultural Land Preservation Program

RURAL ENTERPRISE APPLICATION

Butler County Agricultural Land Preservation Board, 124 West Diamond Street, Annex Level UL, Butler, PA 16001

- ♦ Applicants for a proposed Rural Enterprise must meet all applicable requirements, and shall not deviate from the Butler County Agricultural Land Preservation Guidelines, Appendix N requirements for Rural Enterprises.
- ♦ Applications and all supporting information must be received at least one month prior to a regularly-scheduled Butler County Agricultural Land Preservation Board meeting in order to be reviewed and considered at the next meeting. Attach additional sheets as needed. An application shall only be considered as an administratively complete submission when notified in writing by office staff as such. Please see Appendix N "E. Application Procedure" for more information.
- ♦ Applications shall be evaluated on all applicable criteria and requirements as set forth in Appendix N of the Guidelines.
- ♦ Nothing in this application shall be construed as to excuse an applicant from meeting any and all applicable local, state or federal requirements pertaining to the proposed Rural Enterprise.

PROPERTY INFORMATION

Landowner 1 Name: _____ Phone: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Landowner 2 Name: _____ Phone: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Landowner 3 Name: _____ Phone: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Farm Address (if different): _____

Deeded Acres: _____ Easement Acres: _____

Tax Parcel #1 ID Number: _____ Tax Parcel #2 ID Number: _____

Tax Parcel #3 ID Number: _____ Tax Parcel #4 ID Number: _____

PROPOSED RURAL ENTERPRISE INFORMATION

Type of Rural Enterprise: _____

Who will be the owner and/or operator? _____

If not the property owner, what is the relationship to the property owner? _____

Will the Enterprise employ anyone other than the owner and/or operator? YES ☐ NO ☐

If yes, how many employees? _____ What is their relationship to the property owner? _____

Will employees be full time or part time? (please explain) _____

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PROPOSED RURAL ENTERPRISE INFORMATION, *continued*

What season will the proposed Enterprise operate: _____

Operating Hours: _____

Number of operating days per year: _____

Describe how this proposed Enterprise will be incidental to the agricultural and open space character of this farm that was preserved for agricultural use: _____

Describe how this proposed Enterprise promotes the viability of, and is compatible with, this farm that was preserved for agricultural use: _____

Will this proposed Enterprise use or be conducted within a structure? YES ☐ NO ☐

Is this an existing structure or is it new construction? _____

REMINDER: NO EXCAVATION, PAVING, GRAVELING, CONSTRUCTION OR PERMANENT NON-AGRICULTURAL STRUCTURES OR ANY OTHER ACTIVITY THAT WOULD DIMINISH THE PRODUCTIVE CAPACITY OF THE SOILS IS PERMITTED IN CONNECTION WITH ANY PROPOSED RURAL ENTERPRISE. ALL AGRICULTURAL STRUCTURES SHALL ONLY BE USED FOR AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION.

Attach a sketch, map and any other pertinent documentation, as applicable, identifying:

1. Location of the proposed Rural Enterprise including any existing structures to be used; and
2. Total area of the proposed Rural Enterprise including square footage of building space; and
3. Access to the proposed Rural Enterprise including access from a public road; and
4. Parking accommodations for the proposed Rural Enterprise; and
5. Location of the public and/or private utilities, including water and septic.

Existing use of the site being proposed for the Rural Enterprise: (crop, pasture, woodland, barnyard, homestead) _____

If enrolled in Clean & Green, have you contacted the Butler County Tax Assessment Office to inquire as to whether this proposed Enterprise might affect you? YES ☐ NO ☐

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Provide written confirmation that the proposed Rural Enterprise is permitted in accordance with applicable municipal zoning requirements. (zoning permit, Zoning Hearing Board decision, or letter from Zoning Officer. Attached YES ☐ NO ☐

Be advised that the Ag. Board reserves the right to ask additional questions and require additional information on an as-needed basis for decision-making purposes.

PLEASE REFER TO YOUR DEED OF EASEMENT, THE BUTLER COUNTY AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION PROGRAM GUIDELINES AND PA. CHAPTER 138e FOR PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS, RESTRICTIONS, PERMITTED ACTIVITIES AND LANDOWNER RESPONSIBILITIES. LANDOWNERS MAY NEED—AND IT IS THE LANDOWNER'S SOLE RESPONSIBILITY—TO GET APPROVAL WHEN NEEDED FROM OTHER PERTINENT ENTITIES WHEN EXERCISING THE PROVISIONS OF THE EASEMENT INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO: APPROVALS FROM MUNICIPALITIES AND/OR VARIOUS OTHER PROGRAMS UNDER SUCH ENTITIES AS THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE, PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND/OR PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION.

I/WE, BY SIGNING BELOW DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I/WE HAVE REVIEWED THIS APPLICATION AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS AND FURTHER VERIFY THAT IT ACCURATELY DEPICTS THE CONDITION OF THE LAND, ENTERPRISE(S) PROPOSED AND THAT SUCH STATEMENTS ARE TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY/OUR INFORMATION AND BELIEF. THESE STATEMENTS ARE BEING GIVEN TO INDUCE OFFICIAL ACTION ON THE PART OF THE BUTLER COUNTY AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION BOARD, ITS AGENTS, OFFICERS, SERVANTS AND EMPLOYEES. I/WE UNDERSTAND THAT FALSE STATEMENTS MADE HEREIN ARE MADE SUBJECT TO THE PENALTIES OF 19 PA. CODE SECTION 4904 RELATING TO UN-SWORN FALSIFICATION TO AUTHORITIES. (Please note that all property owners must sign)

Landowner Signature and Date

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SUBMIT INFORMATION TO THE BUTLER COUNTY AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION BOARD:

Butler Co. Office of Farmland Preservation, 124 W. Diamond St., Butler, PA 16001—Phone 724.284.5305—email skelly@co.butler.pa.us

OFFICE USE ONLY

Farm / File #: _____

Date Received: _____

Easement Acres: _____

Original Grantor / Easement Date: _____

Conservation Plan Last Updated: _____

Notes: _____

Board Meeting Date: _____

Action: _____