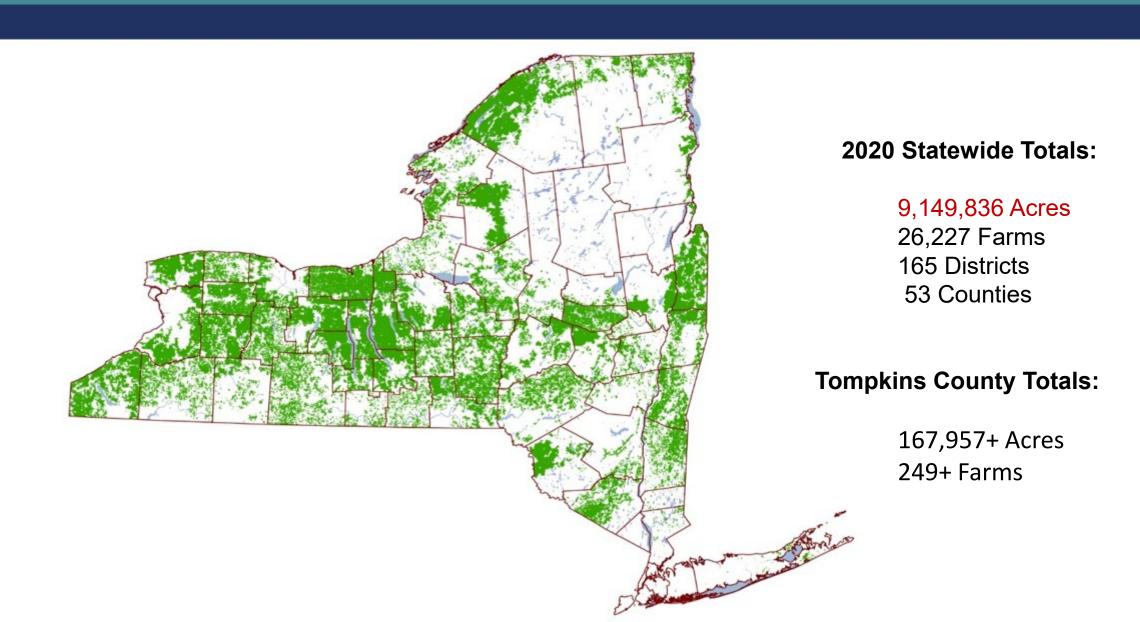
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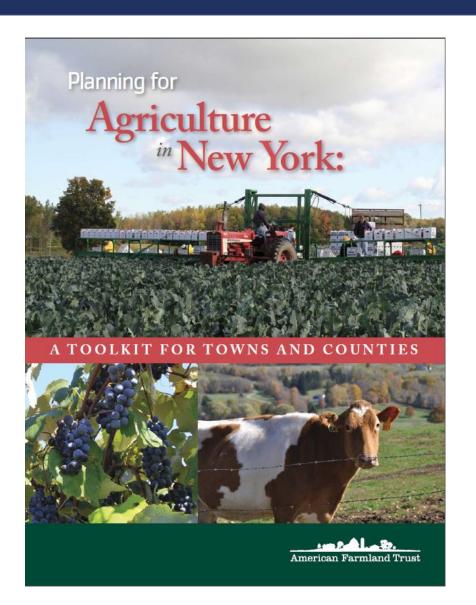
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# **Agricultural Districts**



# Planning For Agriculture in New York



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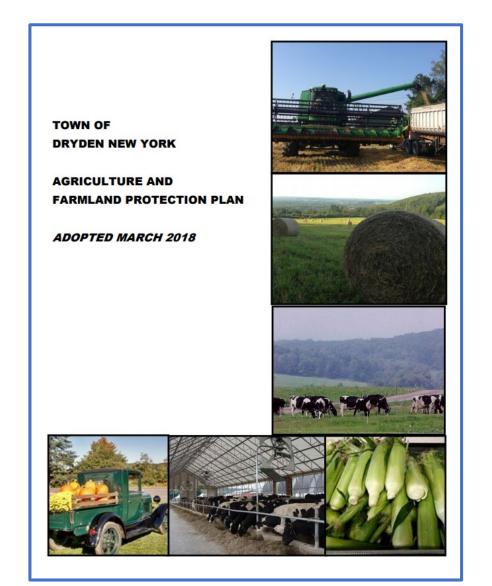
# Ag & Farmland Protection Planning Grants

## All Towns Eligible!

Up to \$25K per Town
\$1,700 Cash Match
\$6,700 In-Kind

Common Project Partners

AFPB, CCE, SWCD,NRCS, County Planning, Real Property, Land Trusts, Farm Bureau, Ag. Colleges, beginning and veteran farmers



## Hot Of The Press!

#### Farmland Protection Implementation Grants: Round 18 \$52.5M (RFA 0238)

Save the Date: Webinars on April 6 and 13, \$5M to Southern Tier REDC

#### Targeted Operations for Purchase of Development Rights/ Conservation Easements:

- Agroforestry
- Climate Resiliency
- Equine Operations
- Food Security
- Horticultural Specialties
- Source Water Protection
- Vineyards
- Viable Agricultural Land Other

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Funding Opportunities: <a href="https://agriculture.ny.gov/funding-opportunities">https://agriculture.ny.gov/funding-opportunities</a>

## Updated Guidance Documents for 305-a Ag Protections

#### \*Guidelines for Review of Local Zoning and Planning Laws

https://agriculture.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2020/07/305-azoningguidelines.pdf

#### **Guidance Document Landing Page:**

https://agriculture.ny.gov/land-and-water/section-305-review-restrictive-laws#:~:text=Section%20305%2Da%20of%20the,are%20compatible%20with%20farm%20operations.

Staff Update!

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## Resources

#### Agricultural Protection Unit, Division of Land and Water Resources:

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#### **305-a Agricultural Protections:**

https://agriculture.ny.gov/land-and-water/section-305-review-restrictive-laws

#### **Agricultural Districts:**

https://agriculture.ny.gov/land-and-water/about-agricultural-districts

#### **Ag District Mapping by County:**

https://cugir.library.cornell.edu/?f%5Bcugir\_category\_sm%5D%5B%5D=agriculture

#### **Funding Opportunities:**

https://agriculture.ny.gov/funding-opportunities

## Resources (Supporting Departments)

#### **Supporting Departments:**

Agricultural District Mapping Program, Cornell University IRIS (Institute for Resource Information Sciences)

https://iris.cals.cornell.edu/extension/agricultural-districts/

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Agricultural Value Assessment Program, Department of Taxation and Finance

https://www.tax.ny.gov/research/property/assess/valuation/agindex.htm

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**Local Government Services, Department of State** 

https://www.dos.ny.gov/lg/

**Building Standards and Codes, Department of State:** 

https://www.dos.ny.gov/DCEA/

Farm Brewery/ Cidery/ Wineries etc. State Liquor Authority

https://sla.ny.gov/

Industrial Scale Solar Arrays: NYS Solar Guidebook

https://www.nyserda.ny.gov/All%20Programs/Programs/Clean%20Energy%20Siting/Solar%20Guidebook

#### **Publication:**

**Planning for Agriculture:** <a href="https://farmlandinfo.org/publications/planning-for-agriculture-in-new-york-a-toolkit-for-towns-and-counties/">https://farmlandinfo.org/publications/planning-for-agriculture-in-new-york-a-toolkit-for-towns-and-counties/</a>

### Stay Tuned for New Grants This Fall

# Thank You!

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