



Harnett County
Voluntary Agricultural District
Withdrawal Form

Instructions

- Before completing this form please review the provisions of the Harnett County Voluntary Agricultural District Ordinance. Submitted forms should be filled out completely and accurately, including landowner(s) signature and notary. Notary service is available at the Harnett Soil and Water Conservation District Office.
- Completed applications should be returned to the Harnett Soil and Water Conservation District Office located at 126 Alexander Drive, Suite 200 in Lillington or mailed to PO Box 267 Lillington, NC 27546.
- An application fee of \$40.00 is required for each form. Checks should be made payable to the Harnett County VAD.

For Office Use Only

Application #: _____

Date Received: _____

PUV Verification: ___Y___N By: _____

Conservation Qualification: ___Y___N

Board Approval Date: _____

Payment Received: _____

Notification Sent: _____

Total Acres Withdrawn: _____

GIS Layer Confirmed: _____

Applicant(s) Information

Name(s): _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone Number: (Hm) _____ (Cell) _____

Email: _____

Properties to Withdraw from VAD Enrollment

This withdrawal is at the landowner's request. _____ Yes _____ No

1) Tax Parcel ID # _____ Number of Acres _____ Reason for Removal _____

Physical Address _____

**If additional space is needed please use the Supplemental Tract Form*

Owner(s) Certification

I (We), the applicant(s), hereby certify that to the best of my (our) ability, this application is complete and accurate. In accordance with Article IX of the Harnett County Voluntary Agricultural District Ordinance, I (we) are requesting removal of the foregoing tracts of land from enrollment in the Harnett County Voluntary Agriculture District.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Notary

HARNETT COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

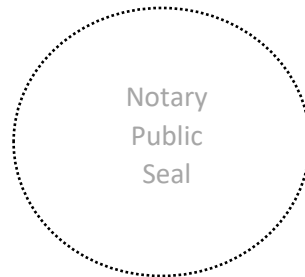
I _____, a Notary Public for _____ County, North Carolina, do hereby certify that _____

Personally came before me this day and acknowledged the execution of this foregoing instrument.

Witness my hand and official seal, this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Signature: _____

My commission expires: _____



Agricultural Advisory Board Certification of Withdrawal

Upon review, the foregoing tracts are to be withdrawn from the Harnett County Voluntary Agricultural District at **the discretion of the Agricultural Advisory Board** in accordance to Article IX of the Harnett County Voluntary Agricultural District Ordinance.

Signature: _____ Date: _____
Board Member

Upon review, the foregoing tracts are to be withdrawn from the Harnett County Voluntary Agricultural District at **the request of the landowner(s)** in accordance to Article IX of the Harnett County Voluntary Agricultural District Ordinance.

Signature: _____ Date: _____
Board Member

REASON FOR WITHDRAWAL/NOTES:

Voluntary Agricultural District Benefits

For Farmers

- *Recognition and public education about agriculture.*
Members of the program will be provided a sign to post, identifying their farm as a members of a preservation district, indicating to any potential neighbors and passersby that their land is committed to the preservation of the agriculture way of life.
- *Increased protection from nuisance suits.*
Notice on the property signaling Agricultural District membership and a notice in the Harnett County computerized land record system making those within one (1) mile of an Agricultural District farm aware of the potential for noise, odor, dust, or slow moving farm vehicles associate with farming.
- *Public hearing required for proposed condemnation.*
Public hearings are held by the Agricultural Advisory Board if a farm in an Agricultural District is considered for a public project that may result in the land being condemned.
- *Eligibility for funding.*
District members may be eligible for farmland preservation funds as local, state, and federal funds become available for further preservation projects.
- *Official role in county government.*
The Agricultural Advisory Board acts as advisor to the governing board of the county or city on projects, programs, or issues affecting the agricultural economy or way of life within the county.

For the Public

- *Preserving NC and Harnett County's number one industry.*
NC agriculture is an over \$68 billion business annually with greater than \$236 million being generated by Harnett County farmers. The success of the VAD program will foster the growth, development, and sustainability of family farms as well as increase public awareness of agriculture in NC and Harnett County.
- *County wide economic benefit.*
An American Farmland Trust study showed that for every dollar in taxes received from working land, only 34 cents in services is paid by the government. However, services paid to residential development are an average of \$1.15 per dollar of taxes received. Therefore, it is a net gain of revenue for the tax base and thus an economic benefit for the county to preserve working lands.
- *Quality of life.*
When farms are kept in agriculture, it maintains the quality of life that many Harnett County families enjoy each day. Field and woodlands are both a visual pleasure and contribute to the clean air and water. Rural working landscapes are an integral part of our heritage and must be preserved for future generations and to attract new families and industries to Harnett County.
- *Ability to buy locally grown products.*
Maintaining the agriculture industry in Harnett County allows consumers to purchase and consume products from local agricultural producers and have a sound knowledge of where and how their food is produced.



Harnett County
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Supplemental Tract Form

Instructions

- Use this form to include additional tracts of land for consideration with your Harnett County Voluntary Agricultural District Withdrawal Form.

Applicant(s) Information

Name(s): _____

Date: _____

Properties to Withdraw from VAD Enrollment

2) Tax Parcel ID # _____ Number of Acres _____ Reason for Removal _____

Physical Address _____

3) Tax Parcel ID # _____ Number of Acres _____ Reason for Removal _____

Physical Address _____

4) Tax Parcel ID # _____ Number of Acres _____ Reason for Removal _____

Physical Address _____

5) Tax Parcel ID # _____ Number of Acres _____ Reason for Removal _____

Physical Address _____

***If additional space is needed please use another Supplemental Tract Form**