

Forsyth County Voluntary Agricultural District

Policy Summary

Applicants wishing to enter into a Voluntary Agricultural District (VAD) must agree to the policies of the Agricultural Advisory Board (AAB). A signature on the application form indicates a willingness to comply with the policies set forth hereunto.

Application Procedure

1. Application & Conservation Agreement submitted by Landowner.
2. Soil & Water District certifies that the farmland qualifies for the program.
3. Planning Board is asked for comment concerning qualification of the property.
4. AAB reviews application at the next regularly scheduled meeting.
5. The VAD is added to the computerized land record system of Forsyth County.

Signage

VAD signs will be installed off of highway right of way to indicate the presence of Voluntary Agricultural Districts. The AAB or staff will determine the proper location of signs. These signs will be strategically placed in areas of the VAD's to cover the largest number of participants. These signs will be furnished by the AAB. All signs placed by the AAB will be installed by Forsyth County General Services to ensure uniformity. Individuals requesting VAD signs for his/her own property will be responsible for the cost of sign and installation.

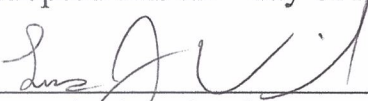
Termination of a VAD

In the event that a participant wishes to withdraw from the VAD program, a 30 day written notice must be sent to the AAB requesting to be removed. A VAD may also be terminated by the AAB due to non-compliance by the landowner.

Renewal of Conservation Agreement

Conservation agreements shall be deemed automatically renewed unless either the Advisory Board or the landowner gives written notice to the contrary no later than thirty (30) days prior to the termination date.

Adopted this 22nd day of August, 2023.



Agricultural Advisory Board Chair