

BLACK SWAMP CONSERVANCY
2016 LAEPP SCREENING FORM

INSTRUCTIONS: This form was developed to assist Black Swamp Conservancy (BSC) staff in determining the competitiveness of your farm under the 2016 Local Agricultural Easement Purchase Program guidelines. **You must complete one screening form for each farm for which you are interested in submitting an LAEPP application.** The LAEPP regulations state: “All parcels submitted under one application shall be contiguous and no land that is included as part of the submitted parcels shall be excluded.” In other words, if one field touches another or is directly across the road, ditch, or stream from it -- it will be considered as one farm. If someone else owns any land separating the fields, they are considered to be two different farms. If you have any questions about how to correctly divide your land into LAEPP farms, please contact Chris Collier or Rob Krain at 419-833-1025.

Complete the following information as accurately and completely as possible. Print your responses only within the shaded areas. Then, fax your form to 419-872-8197 or mail to *Black Swamp Conservancy, P.O. Box 332, Perrysburg, OH 43552-0332*. You may also email the form as an attachment to ccollier@blackswamp.org. Include your last name and “LAEPP Screening Form” in the subject line of your email.

Completing this form is required if you intend to submit an LAEPP application with BSC as your sponsor. You must complete one form for each farm as defined above. In order to recover our expenses, BSC charges a \$30.00 administrative fee to screen and rank your farm. After you have submitted this form and the \$30.00 administrative fee for each farm, we will contact you as promptly as possible with the results.

Your entire farm **MUST** be enrolled in the agricultural district program and CAUV in order to submit an application. For information regarding these programs, please contact your county auditor’s office.

LANDOWNER INFORMATION

Landowner Name (s):	
Name of Title Holder on deed to property (if different from above):	
Mailing Address:	
Daytime Phone:	
Evening Phone:	
Fax:	
Email:	

FARMLAND INFORMATION

- Please complete the following information by referring to your annual tax statements or tax records obtained from the County Auditor’s Office. Please do not submit your tax statements with this form.
- Please note that all listed parcels must be contiguous. Use a separate form if you own land that is not contiguous. You may include multiple parcels on this form if the parcels are contiguous

County(s) where farmland is located:	
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	Parcel Number*	Parcel Acreage	Township	Address or location of Parcel (if different than above)
A				
B				
C				
D				
E				

*Complete parcel numbers are necessary in order to process this form. Please attach a separate sheet if the total number of parcels exceeds the space provided.

Conservation Plan

In the space provided, list the corresponding parcel letter from the previous section for which the following statements are true. Indicate all or none if applicable. If you do not know the answer to this question, leave this section blank.

- A complete, whole farm plan has been implemented through the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) or the local soil and water conservation district (SWCD).

- A conservation plan has been implemented through the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) or the local soil and water conservation district (SWCD) that addresses multiple resources.

- A Highly Erodible Land plan has been implemented through the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) or the local soil and water conservation district (SWCD).

- According to the Natural Resources Conservation Service or the local Soil and Water Conservation District, the farm does not need any conservation plan.

- A conservation plan is currently not being implemented.

Indicate all parcels managed under the following conservation practices, by listing the corresponding parcel letter from the previous section. Indicate all or none if applicable

Filter Strips (width of single side)	
Field Windbreaks	
CRP or CREP	
WRP or GRP	
Use of no-till or "minimum till"	
Winter Cover Crops	
Variable Rate	
Erosion control structure	
Manure management	

- Is the farm enrolled in the Agricultural District Program? (yes or no)

- Mark the stream buffer description that applies to the farm. If no stream is present, leave boxes blank.

60+ ft. stream buffers → 30+ ft. stream buffers → less than 30 ft. stream buffers →

- Diversity: Is the farm actively engaged in any of the following? If none are present, leave boxes blank.

Viticulture → Orchard → Direct Market, e.g. CSA/Farm Market →

Certified Organic → Pastured Livestock → Other (Describe) →

- Are you aware of any oil or gas leases, either recent or historic? (yes or no)

- Have you had a title report done on the farm in the past 3 years? (yes or no)

Historical Designation

In the space provided, list the corresponding parcel letter from the previous section for which the following statements are true. Indicate all or none if applicable.

- The entire farm or any part of the farm, including the homestead or buildings, is listed on the National or State Register as an historic or archeological site.

- The farm has been accepted by ODA as a Century Farm.

- The farm has been in your family for at least 100 years.

In the space provided, please briefly list any awards that you have received and/or any involvement that you have had in local agriculture or local government. Also, please describe anything about the farm that you want us to know, that may not have been covered in the previous pages.