

The Agrarian Commons Online Application

A comprehensive ten page application

Welcome to the Agrarian Commons application process. We are grateful for the aligned interests in community centered commons and look forward to learning more about your project and connecting with you through this application process.

ABOUT THIS APPLICATION

This application requires detailed information and criteria regarding the Agrarian Commons that you would like to create, and the specific founding farm and/or property. Please enter N/A to any item that does not apply.

SAVING YOUR WORK

You will be given the option to save this application, and return to it later, so that you have time to fully gather completed information. If you have any questions during this process, please reach out to us at acapplications@agrariantrust.org or call us at (833) 993-2767.

Confidentiality Disclaimer: All information is transferred through a secure server and held in the strictest confidence. Your information will be utilized for internal purposes only and will not be shared outside of Agrarian Trust.

Contact Information

Your Name

First Name

Last Name

Email *

Phone Number *

Area Code

Phone Number

Phone Type *

My relationship to the founding farm or property is *

Landowner

Family member of the landowner

Future beneficiary of the land

Decision-maker of a board, parish or group that owns the land

Leaseholder

Farmer without any legal tenure

Community member

Founding Farm or Property Name *

Website link of founding farm or property (if any)

Primary Legal Name of Farm or Property Owner *

First Name

Last Name

Secondary Legal Name of Farm or Property Owner (if any)

First Name

Last Name

Physical Location of Farm or Property *

Street Address

Is this also the applicant's mailing address? *

Yes

No

Partners

Do you have partners involved in this Agrarian Commons? Bringing together 5 people is recommended for partnering on creating an Agrarian Commons. *

Yes

No

Please share any additional details that we should know specific to the farm or property owners and partners.

Project Overview

Essential information that gathers the base criteria of your application

What is the total acreage of the property?

Number of acres

Please list different areas of the property and approximate acreage of each area (such as cropland, suited to pasture, orchard, used for farmstead or infrastructure, managed and unmanaged forest, wetland, riparian buffer, etc) *

Please list all buildings and permanent infrastructure on the property and equipment that would stay with property; describe age, condition, size, and use of each item *

Please tell us the current or potential agrarian uses (including, but not limited to production of food, forage, fiber, and/or medicine and products) of the buildings, infrastructure, and equipment *

What sources of water does the property have? Please describe any wells, natural springs,

irrigation districts/ditch water, streams, ponds, or other water features *

Are you aware of current or past extractive industries or contamination sites on the farm/property?

Yes

No

Are you aware of the existence or evidence of contaminated soil or water? *

Yes

No



FEMA Flood Map

Create and upload your FEMA flood map

Please disclose if the property is at risk of flooding, drought, or other weather events that could result in loss of arable land and please describe details *

Transactional Attributes

Financial and transactional information

What is the level of interest in donating the property into an Agrarian Commons? *

- Not interested
- Somewhat interested
- Interested
- Very interested
- Extremely interested

If not interested in donating, what amount of value is the landowner interested and willing to discount from the transfer of property?

- 20%
- 35%
- 50%
- 65%

80%

Please describe community support and/or known individual support for the project, including the number of people and their capacity/skills to help champion, support, and assist in funding the project *

Transactional timeline

These farm and property transactions and human transitions require patience, commitment, and engagement. Please provide your general timeline below.

What is the level of interest and willingness to enter into a transfer agreement to proceed within 6 months of engagement with Agrarian Commons? *

- Not interested
- Somewhat interested
- Interested
- Very interested
- Extremely interested

What is the level of interest and willingness to allow a minimum of 12 months from the start of transfer agreement till the property transfer? *

- Not interested
- Somewhat interested
- Interested
- Very interested
- Extremely interested

Please share any comments about the transactional timeline

Natural Attributes

Detailed information about land, soil, habitats and ecosystems

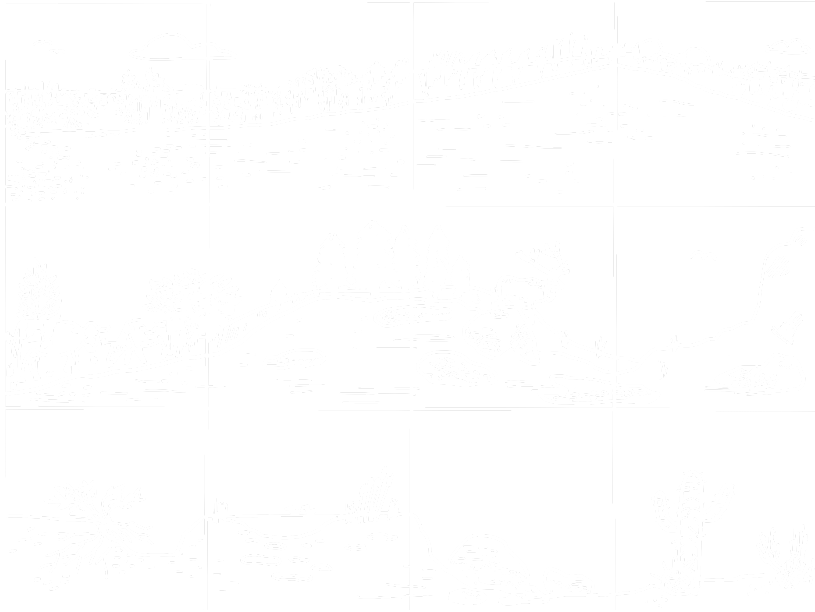
Please provide a brief summary of the natural attributes of the property. Share details on the ecosystem, health of the system, habitat and diversity and include information on perennial food and habitat systems *

Does the property include managed or unmanaged forestland, cropland, pastureland, and wildland as part of a natural ecosystem? *

Yes

No

Please tell us about any wildlife corridors or specialized habitat (if applicable)



USDA NRCS Soils Map

Create and upload supporting soil data

Please provide us with a brief overview regarding any improved status in the health of soils or if the soils have been regenerated and improved through past stewardship *

Economic Attributes

Taking a look at the current economic situation

Are there currently any conservation easements on any part of the property? *

Yes

No

What is the property's zoning? *

Rural

Agricultural

Residential

Industrial

Commercial

Are there any special permits or approval needed to operate a business on the property? *

Yes

No

Does the property have any notable historic or cultural value? *

Yes

No

Is this property facing a threat of development, extraction, or market speculation? *

Yes

No

What is the assessed value of the property? Please provide the source of the assessed value (assessed values are commonly found on public municipal tax records)

Is the property currently listed for sale on the market? *

Yes

No

Has the property been listed for sale in past? *

Yes

No

Has the property been appraised within the past five years that you are aware of? If yes, what is the appraised value?

Is the property located in an area that includes communities that are restricted, limited, or excluded from capital? *

Yes

No

Is the property located in an area that includes communities that are historically disenfranchised and/or communities that have experienced discrimination? *

Yes

No

Viability Attributes

Evaluating farm attributes and their contribution to viable outcomes

Please list any farm infrastructure, such as fencing, water, electric, other utilities, roads, and/or structures not noted above *

Please share information about the existing condition of this infrastructure *

Please share information about the existing viability of the property. Is there an active agricultural business present? Is the business self-sufficient? *

Is there access to markets and urban areas? What is the proximity in miles? *

Does the property have nearby highway access or specific road access with traffic counts that could support on-farm sales and/or regional distribution? Please explain *

Is there any housing on the property? If so, please describe the housing capacity (how many bedrooms) *

If there is housing on the property, what is the condition of the housing? Please list any specific repairs needed *

With respect to the property's agricultural business potential, please share any existing community collaborations or interconnections that exhibit a customer/community base *

Please share any educational activities, events, or collaborations that currently exist *

Please share any collaborations occurring with a conservation land trust (if any) *

Please share any renewable or sustainable initiatives on the property specific to water, electric, waste efficiency systems, or other utilities *

Cultural Attributes

Cultural and Community impacts and benefits

What types of crops or livestock are produced on the property? *

Are these crops classified in some type of formal or informal way (such as regenerative or Certified Organic)? *

Yes

No

Please explain the types of equitable food access that are offered, if any. *

Are you, your partners, or your farm business part of any reparative justice activity or involved with communities that have been dispossessed from land and equity-building opportunities? *

Yes

No

What do you envision for the future of the land and the next generations of farmers? *

Is the landowner open to cultural access, use, and/or easements on the property to provide access to specific communities who have been historically marginalized, excluded, or removed from land in the region? *

Community Attributes

Benefits and impacts to the local community

Please describe any current community engagement such as a subscription/CSA model, education, events, outreach, and community interconnections *

Please indicate in what ways that food and farm access are equitably available to the whole community and/or regional food systems *

Please describe the property location's proximity to a school, church, and/or community space (in miles) *

Please state and describe if the region that the property is located in is historically underserved by land trusts, charitable foundations, and/or investment dollars *

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