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Sent: Tuesday, March 04, 2014 10:35 AM
To: Shaw, Heather
Cc: Shaw, Richard - NRCS, Somerset, NJ
Subject: RE: AD1006 filled by NRCS

We will like to have a copy for our files.

Thank you,

Edwin

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Yes! perfect thanks.
Now that the form will be complete. I send back to you?

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Heather,

The average farm unit for NJ according with NASS is 71 acres. You project area size is 2.1 acres. That means that your project is about 3 percent of the average farm unit. So the point for that question is 0 points.

If we use Downer as the most productive soil in your project area that is about 1 percent which still 0 points for question 7 in Part VI.

I hope this answer your question.

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Good morning Richard/Edwin,

I think I am close to understanding the form! Thank you for your support. Attached is what I have so far.
The one remaining question I have is in regards to following question under Part VI:

(7) Is the farm unit(s) containing the site (before the project) as large as the average-size farming unit in the county? (Average farm sizes in each county are available from the NRCS field offices in each State. Data are from the latest available Census of Agriculture, Acreage of Farm Units in Operation with \$1,000 or more in sales.)

Does the farm "unit" mean the soil type?

Is this basically taking the soil type (DocB), determining its acreage across the entire county and comparing it to the total farmland soil? (If so do you know the name of the.txt file associated with farmland soils?)

Or are we talking actual areas that are currently farmed?

The wording above seems to state that we should be able to receive this info from NRCS.

Any input would be much appreciated.

Thanks!

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Hi Heather,

Section VI and VII need to be filled by a Federal Agency, I think is RD (Rural Development). The information that goes in the spaces filled by you is numeric ranking number. Like for example in Part VI question 1 the answer to the question is 15 points not the actual number of acres, because the proposed project is not in urban land use. That is the way to get the ranking number

Sorry but, NRCS does not have the authority to fill up those sections. But you have all the information necessary for the other sister agency to fill up the mentioned sections.

Any other questions please let me know.

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Thanks so much Edwin!

As far as the boxes that I left as a question mark, what should I fill in?
Blank or n/a? Seems like #7 should get an answer.

And do we leave blank the boxes at the bottom discussing site selection? That is for times where the score is above 160 and we have to look at alternative sites?

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Hi Heather,

Please find attached the AD-1006 form with sections II, IV, and V filled by NRCS as requested by the Farmland Protection Farm Policy.

Feel free to submit future AD-1006 form directly to myself or Richard K. Shaw, State Soil Scientist.

Any questions please feel free to contact us.

Thank you,

Edwin

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