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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Application for Farmland Preservation Agreement Now Available

Application materials to enter into a Farmland Preservation Agreement with the state are now available online at www.townoconomowoc.com and www.townofashippun.org

Only landowners located within a state-designated Agricultural Enterprise Area (AEA) are eligible to apply for one of these agreements to claim the farmland preservation tax credit.

The farmland preservation tax credit for landowners under an agreement is equal to \$5/acre (\$10/acre if the land is also under farmland preservation zoning). The agreement requires that the land must be kept in agricultural use for at least 15 years and must meet the state soil and water conservation standards.

The Agricultural Enterprise Area application basically includes farmland north of Hwy K in the Town of Oconomowoc and most of the Town of Ashippun. Agricultural Enterprise Areas must be designated by state administrative rule. Eligible landowners in areas designated by rule in 2010 may sign agreements with the state beginning January 1, 2011.

For more information please contact Jeff Herrmann, 920-474-4449 Town of Oconomowoc Planner at jherrmann@townoconomowoc.com or Vickie Schlieve, 920-474-4781 Town of Ashippun Clerk. Forms are also available in hard copy at the clerk's offices.

Or you can contact DATCP's Sandy Weisensel at (608) 224-4603 or at Sandy.Weisensel@wisconsin.gov if you have any questions about farmland preservation agreements and Coreen Fallat at (608) 224-4625 or Coreen.Fallat@wisconsin.gov if you have any question about AEAs .

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