



# Department of Planning and Development

Monroe County, New York

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## **PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING** on the review of the **MONROE COUNTY** **MIDWESTERN AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT #1** located in the towns of Ogden, Riga and Sweden

January 24, 2005  
7:30 p.m.  
Ogden Community Center

Every eight years, an agricultural district must be reviewed to determine if there is continued support for the district, whether the district continues to help maintain and promote farming as a viable economic industry and whether the district continues to help preserve and protect irreplaceable agricultural soils. At this time land can also be added to or removed from a district.

To answer any questions you might have about agricultural districts and the review process a public information will be held on Monday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the Ogden Community Center at 269 Ogden Center Road (west side of Union Street, south of I-531). Veer right from the entrance drive – follow the sign that reads “Police, Courts, Recreation” to the rear (south side) of the building.

The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- Introduction (Bill Smith, County Legislator and Chairman of the Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board)
- Summary of review process (Rochelle Bell, Environmental Planner, Monroe County Department of Planning and Development)
- Recent changes to the State agricultural districts law (Bob King, Agricultural Program Leader, Cornell Cooperative Extension – Monroe County)
- How to add land to or remove land from a district & when to do it (Rochelle Bell)
- Agricultural assessment value program and how it is different from the agricultural districts program
- Question and answer period (All)

If you wish to add land to **or** remove land from the Monroe County Midwestern Agricultural District No. 1, please fill out the attached form.

*If you have any questions please contact Rochelle Bell at 428-5464 or [rbell@monroecounty.gov](mailto:rbell@monroecounty.gov) or Bob King at 461-1000 x 239 or [rnk2@cornell.edu](mailto:rnk2@cornell.edu).*