



Legislation Text

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TITLE

APPROVE TWO (2) VOLUNTARY AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT (VAD) APPLICATIONS

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BACKGROUND

Voluntary Agricultural Districts (VAD) and Enhanced Voluntary Agricultural Districts (EVAD) were developed by the NC Department of Agriculture to encourage the preservation and protection of farmland from non-farm development.

During its November 21, 2016 meeting the Guilford County Agricultural Advisory Board approved the following applications:

1. **VAD Application #2016-10**, being 51.67 acres and comprised of 1 Tax Parcel (#0120175 @51.67 acres), all owned by Kelly M. Shepherd of Gibsonville, NC.
2. **VAD Application # 2016-11**, being 28.17 acres and comprised of 1 Tax Parcel (0107618 @28.17 acres), all owned by Jacob Kirby Shepherd of Gibsonville, NC.

To date, approval of this application brings the total number of VAD and EVAD parcels to 362 totaling, 15,791.31 acres enrolled. Of these totals, 332 parcels comprising 14,592.68 acres are enrolled in VAD, and 30 parcels comprising 1198.63 acres are enrolled in the EVAD.

A copy of the NC Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services' VAD Program Brochure is attached for reference.

BUDGET IMPACT

NO ADDITIONAL COUNTY FUNDS REQUIRED

REQUESTED ACTION

Approve two (2) VAD applications.