

Appendix 4.11-A

Farmland Conversion Impact Rating Forms

**FARMLAND CONVERSION IMPACT RATING
FOR CORRIDOR TYPE PROJECTS**

PART I (To be completed by Federal Agency)		3. Date of Land Evaluation Request	4. Sheet 1 of _____
1. Name of Project South Coast Rail - Attleboro Bypass		5. Federal Agency Involved Corps of Engineers	
2. Type of Project Commuter Railroad - Attleboro Alternative		6. County and State Bristol, Massachusetts	
PART II (To be completed by NRCS)		1. Date Request Received by NRCS	2. Person Completing Form
3. Does the corridor contain prime, unique statewide or local important farmland? (If no, the FPPA does not apply - Do not complete additional parts of this form).		YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	4. Acres Irrigated Average Farm Size - 51 (Bristol County)
5. Major Crop(s)	6. Farmable Land in Government Jurisdiction Acres: _____ %		7. Amount of Farmland As Defined in FPPA Acres: _____ %
8. Name Of Land Evaluation System Used	9. Name of Local Site Assessment System		10. Date Land Evaluation Returned by NRCS

PART III (To be completed by Federal Agency)	Alternative Corridor For Segment			
	Corridor A	Corridor B	Corridor C	Corridor D
A. Total Acres To Be Converted Directly	7.1			
B. Total Acres To Be Converted Indirectly, Or To Receive Services				
C. Total Acres In Corridor	22	0	0	0

PART IV (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Information				
A. Total Acres Prime And Unique Farmland	4			
B. Total Acres Statewide And Local Important Farmland	4			
C. Percentage Of Farmland in County Or Local Govt. Unit To Be Converted				
D. Percentage Of Farmland in Govt. Jurisdiction With Same Or Higher Relative Value				

PART V (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Information Criterion Relative value of Farmland to Be Serviced or Converted (Scale of 0 - 100 Points)

PART VI (To be completed by Federal Agency) Corridor Assessment Criteria (These criteria are explained in 7 CFR 658.5(c))	Maximum Points				
1. Area in Nonurban Use	15	8			
2. Perimeter in Nonurban Use	10	7			
3. Percent Of Corridor Being Farmed	20	0			
4. Protection Provided By State And Local Government	20	0			
5. Size of Present Farm Unit Compared To Average	10	1			
6. Creation Of Nonfarmable Farmland	25	0			
7. Availability Of Farm Support Services	5	5			
8. On-Farm Investments	20	0			
9. Effects Of Conversion On Farm Support Services	25	10			
10. Compatibility With Existing Agricultural Use	10	10			
TOTAL CORRIDOR ASSESSMENT POINTS	160	41	0	0	0

PART VII (To be completed by Federal Agency)					
Relative Value Of Farmland (From Part V)	100	100			
Total Corridor Assessment (From Part VI above or a local site assessment)	160	41	0	0	0
TOTAL POINTS (Total of above 2 lines)	260	141	0	0	0

1. Corridor Selected:	2. Total Acres of Farmlands to be Converted by Project:	3. Date Of Selection:	4. Was A Local Site Assessment Used? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
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5. Reason For Selection:

Signature of Person Completing this Part: _____ DATE _____

NOTE: Complete a form for each segment with more than one Alternate Corridor

**FARMLAND CONVERSION IMPACT RATING
FOR CORRIDOR TYPE PROJECTS**

PART I (To be completed by Federal Agency)		3. Date of Land Evaluation Request	4. Sheet 1 of _____
1. Name of Project South Coast Rail - Rapid Bus Alternative		5. Federal Agency Involved Corps of Engineers	
2. Type of Project Commuter Bus Service - Route 24		6. County and State Bristol, Massachusetts	
PART II (To be completed by NRCS)		1. Date Request Received by NRCS	2. Person Completing Form
3. Does the corridor contain prime, unique statewide or local important farmland? (If no, the FPPA does not apply - Do not complete additional parts of this form).		YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	4. Acres Irrigated Average Farm Size - 51 (Bristol County)
5. Major Crop(s)	6. Farmable Land in Government Jurisdiction Acres: _____ %	7. Amount of Farmland As Defined in FPPA Acres: _____ %	
8. Name Of Land Evaluation System Used	9. Name of Local Site Assessment System	10. Date Land Evaluation Returned by NRCS	

PART III (To be completed by Federal Agency)	Alternative Corridor For Segment			
	Corridor A	Corridor B	Corridor C	Corridor D
A. Total Acres To Be Converted Directly	2.7			
B. Total Acres To Be Converted Indirectly, Or To Receive Services				
C. Total Acres In Corridor	22	0	0	0

PART IV (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Information	
A. Total Acres Prime And Unique Farmland	4
B. Total Acres Statewide And Local Important Farmland	4
C. Percentage Of Farmland in County Or Local Govt. Unit To Be Converted	
D. Percentage Of Farmland in Govt. Jurisdiction With Same Or Higher Relative Value	

PART V (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Information Criterion Relative value of Farmland to Be Serviced or Converted (Scale of 0 - 100 Points)

PART VI (To be completed by Federal Agency) Corridor Assessment Criteria (These criteria are explained in 7 CFR 658.5(c))	Maximum Points				
1. Area in Nonurban Use	15	10			
2. Perimeter in Nonurban Use	10	5			
3. Percent Of Corridor Being Farmed	20	0			
4. Protection Provided By State And Local Government	20	0			
5. Size of Present Farm Unit Compared To Average	10	0			
6. Creation Of Nonfarmable Farmland	25	0			
7. Availability Of Farm Support Services	5	5			
8. On-Farm Investments	20	0			
9. Effects Of Conversion On Farm Support Services	25	10			
10. Compatibility With Existing Agricultural Use	10	10			
TOTAL CORRIDOR ASSESSMENT POINTS	160	40	0	0	0

PART VII (To be completed by Federal Agency)					
Relative Value Of Farmland (From Part V)	100	100			
Total Corridor Assessment (From Part VI above or a local site assessment)	160	40	0	0	0
TOTAL POINTS (Total of above 2 lines)	260	140	0	0	0

1. Corridor Selected:	2. Total Acres of Farmlands to be Converted by Project:	3. Date Of Selection:	4. Was A Local Site Assessment Used? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
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5. Reason For Selection:

Signature of Person Completing this Part: _____ DATE _____

NOTE: Complete a form for each segment with more than one Alternate Corridor

FARMLAND CONVERSION IMPACT RATING

PART I (To be completed by Federal Agency)	Date Of Land Evaluation Request
Name Of Project South Coast Rail - Barrowsville Station	Federal Agency Involved Corps of Engineers
Proposed Land Use Commuter Railroad Station	County And State Bristol County, MA

PART II (To be completed by NRCS)		Date Request Received By NRCS	
Does the site contain prime, unique, statewide or local important farmland? (If no, the FPPA does not apply -- do not complete additional parts of this form).		Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
		Acres Irrigated -	Average Farm Size 51 (Bristol County)
Major Crop(s) -	Farmable Land In Govt. Jurisdiction Acres: %	Amount Of Farmland As Defined in FPPA Acres: %	
Name Of Land Evaluation System Used	Name Of Local Site Assessment System	Date Land Evaluation Returned By NRCS	

PART III (To be completed by Federal Agency)	Alternative Site Rating			
	Site A	Site B	Site C	Site D
A. Total Acres To Be Converted Directly	0.6			
B. Total Acres To Be Converted Indirectly				
C. Total Acres In Site	6.1	0.0	0.0	0.0

PART IV (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Information				
A. Total Acres Prime And Unique Farmland	0.2			
B. Total Acres Statewide And Local Important Farmland	0.4			
C. Percentage Of Farmland In County Or Local Govt. Unit To Be Converted				
D. Percentage Of Farmland In Govt. Jurisdiction With Same Or Higher Relative Value				

PART V (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Criterion Relative Value Of Farmland To Be Converted (Scale of 0 to 100 Points)	100	0	0	0
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PART VI (To be completed by Federal Agency) Site Assessment Criteria (These criteria are explained in 7 CFR 658.5(b))	Maximum Points				
1. Area In Nonurban Use	15	10			
2. Perimeter In Nonurban Use	10	6			
3. Percent Of Site Being Farmed	20	0			
4. Protection Provided By State And Local Government	20	0			
5. Distance From Urban Builtup Area	15	0			
6. Distance To Urban Support Services	15	0			
7. Size Of Present Farm Unit Compared To Average	10	0			
8. Creation Of Nonfarmable Farmland	10	0			
9. Availability Of Farm Support Services	5	5			
10. On-Farm Investments	20	0			
11. Effects Of Conversion On Farm Support Services	10	0			
12. Compatibility With Existing Agricultural Use	10	10			
TOTAL SITE ASSESSMENT POINTS	160	31	0	0	0

PART VII (To be completed by Federal Agency)					
Relative Value Of Farmland (From Part V)	100	100	0	0	0
Total Site Assessment (From Part VI above or a local site assessment)	160	31	0	0	0
TOTAL POINTS (Total of above 2 lines)	260	131	0	0	0

Site Selected:	Date Of Selection	Was A Local Site Assessment Used? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
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Reason For Selection:

FARMLAND CONVERSION IMPACT RATING

PART I (To be completed by Federal Agency)	Date Of Land Evaluation Request
Name Of Project South Coast Rail - Freetown Station	Federal Agency Involved Corps of Engineers
Proposed Land Use Commuter Railroad Station	County And State Bristol County, MA

PART II (To be completed by NRCS)		Date Request Received By NRCS	
Does the site contain prime, unique, statewide or local important farmland? (If no, the FPPA does not apply -- do not complete additional parts of this form).		Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
		Acres Irrigated -	Average Farm Size 51 (Bristol County)
Major Crop(s) -	Farmable Land In Govt. Jurisdiction Acres: %	Amount Of Farmland As Defined in FPPA Acres: %	
Name Of Land Evaluation System Used	Name Of Local Site Assessment System	Date Land Evaluation Returned By NRCS	

PART III (To be completed by Federal Agency)	Alternative Site Rating			
	Site A	Site B	Site C	Site D
	A. Total Acres To Be Converted Directly	3.0		
	B. Total Acres To Be Converted Indirectly			
C. Total Acres In Site	4.8	0.0	0.0	0.0

PART IV (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Information				
A. Total Acres Prime And Unique Farmland	3.0			
B. Total Acres Statewide And Local Important Farmland				
C. Percentage Of Farmland In County Or Local Govt. Unit To Be Converted				
D. Percentage Of Farmland In Govt. Jurisdiction With Same Or Higher Relative Value				

PART V (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Criterion Relative Value Of Farmland To Be Converted (Scale of 0 to 100 Points)	100	0	0	0
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PART VI (To be completed by Federal Agency) Site Assessment Criteria (These criteria are explained in 7 CFR 658.5(b))	Maximum Points				
1. Area In Nonurban Use	15	7			
2. Perimeter In Nonurban Use	10	6			
3. Percent Of Site Being Farmed	20	0			
4. Protection Provided By State And Local Government	20	0			
5. Distance From Urban Builtup Area	15	0			
6. Distance To Urban Support Services	15	0			
7. Size Of Present Farm Unit Compared To Average	10	0			
8. Creation Of Nonfarmable Farmland	10	0			
9. Availability Of Farm Support Services	5	5			
10. On-Farm Investments	20	0			
11. Effects Of Conversion On Farm Support Services	10	0			
12. Compatibility With Existing Agricultural Use	10	10			
TOTAL SITE ASSESSMENT POINTS	160	28	0	0	0

PART VII (To be completed by Federal Agency)					
Relative Value Of Farmland (From Part V)	100	100	0	0	0
Total Site Assessment (From Part VI above or a local site assessment)	160	28	0	0	0
TOTAL POINTS (Total of above 2 lines)	260	128	0	0	0

Site Selected:	Date Of Selection	Was A Local Site Assessment Used? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
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Reason For Selection:

FARMLAND CONVERSION IMPACT RATING

PART I (To be completed by Federal Agency)	Date Of Land Evaluation Request
Name Of Project South Coast Rail - North Easton Station	Federal Agency Involved Corps of Engineers
Proposed Land Use Commuter Railroad Station	County And State Bristol and Norfolk Counties, MA

PART II (To be completed by NRCS)		Date Request Received By NRCS	
Does the site contain prime, unique, statewide or local important farmland? (If no, the FPPA does not apply -- do not complete additional parts of this form).		Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
		Acres Irrigated -	Average Farm Size 51 (Bristol) 44 (Norfolk)
Major Crop(s) -	Farmable Land In Govt. Jurisdiction Acres: %	Amount Of Farmland As Defined in FPPA Acres: %	
Name Of Land Evaluation System Used	Name Of Local Site Assessment System	Date Land Evaluation Returned By NRCS	

PART III (To be completed by Federal Agency)	Alternative Site Rating			
	Site A	Site B	Site C	Site D
A. Total Acres To Be Converted Directly	7.3			
B. Total Acres To Be Converted Indirectly				
C. Total Acres In Site	8.8	0.0	0.0	0.0

PART IV (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Information				
A. Total Acres Prime And Unique Farmland	6.9			
B. Total Acres Statewide And Local Important Farmland	0.4			
C. Percentage Of Farmland In County Or Local Govt. Unit To Be Converted				
D. Percentage Of Farmland In Govt. Jurisdiction With Same Or Higher Relative Value				

PART V (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Criterion Relative Value Of Farmland To Be Converted (Scale of 0 to 100 Points)	100	0	0	0
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PART VI (To be completed by Federal Agency) Site Assessment Criteria (These criteria are explained in 7 CFR 658.5(b))	Maximum Points				
1. Area In Nonurban Use	15	11			
2. Perimeter In Nonurban Use	10	8			
3. Percent Of Site Being Farmed	20	0			
4. Protection Provided By State And Local Government	20	0			
5. Distance From Urban Builtup Area	15	0			
6. Distance To Urban Support Services	15	0			
7. Size Of Present Farm Unit Compared To Average	10	0			
8. Creation Of Nonfarmable Farmland	10	0			
9. Availability Of Farm Support Services	5	5			
10. On-Farm Investments	20	0			
11. Effects Of Conversion On Farm Support Services	10	0			
12. Compatibility With Existing Agricultural Use	10	10			
TOTAL SITE ASSESSMENT POINTS	160	34	0	0	0

PART VII (To be completed by Federal Agency)					
Relative Value Of Farmland (From Part V)	100	100	0	0	0
Total Site Assessment (From Part VI above or a local site assessment)	160	34	0	0	0
TOTAL POINTS (Total of above 2 lines)	260	134	0	0	0

Site Selected:	Date Of Selection	Was A Local Site Assessment Used? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
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Reason For Selection:

FARMLAND CONVERSION IMPACT RATING

PART I <i>(To be completed by Federal Agency)</i>	Date Of Land Evaluation Request
Name Of Project South Coast Rail -Taunton Depot Station	Federal Agency Involved Corps of Engineers
Proposed Land Use Commuter Railroad Station	County And State Bristol County, MA

PART II <i>(To be completed by NRCS)</i>		Date Request Received By NRCS	
Does the site contain prime, unique, statewide or local important farmland? <i>(If no, the FPPA does not apply -- do not complete additional parts of this form).</i>		Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
		Acres Irrigated -	Average Farm Size 51 (Bristol County)
Major Crop(s) -	Farmable Land In Govt. Jurisdiction Acres: %	Amount Of Farmland As Defined in FPPA Acres: %	
Name Of Land Evaluation System Used	Name Of Local Site Assessment System	Date Land Evaluation Returned By NRCS	

PART III <i>(To be completed by Federal Agency)</i>	Alternative Site Rating			
	Site A	Site B	Site C	Site D
A. Total Acres To Be Converted Directly	5.7			
B. Total Acres To Be Converted Indirectly				
C. Total Acres In Site	13.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

PART IV <i>(To be completed by NRCS)</i> Land Evaluation Information				
A. Total Acres Prime And Unique Farmland				
B. Total Acres Statewide And Local Important Farmland	5.7			
C. Percentage Of Farmland In County Or Local Govt. Unit To Be Converted				
D. Percentage Of Farmland In Govt. Jurisdiction With Same Or Higher Relative Value				

PART V <i>(To be completed by NRCS)</i> Land Evaluation Criterion Relative Value Of Farmland To Be Converted <i>(Scale of 0 to 100 Points)</i>	100	0	0	0
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PART VI <i>(To be completed by Federal Agency)</i> Site Assessment Criteria <i>(These criteria are explained in 7 CFR 658.5(b))</i>	Maximum Points				
1. Area In Nonurban Use	15	0			
2. Perimeter In Nonurban Use	10	5			
3. Percent Of Site Being Farmed	20	0			
4. Protection Provided By State And Local Government	20	0			
5. Distance From Urban Builtup Area	15	0			
6. Distance To Urban Support Services	15	0			
7. Size Of Present Farm Unit Compared To Average	10	0			
8. Creation Of Nonfarmable Farmland	10	0			
9. Availability Of Farm Support Services	5	5			
10. On-Farm Investments	20	0			
11. Effects Of Conversion On Farm Support Services	10	0			
12. Compatibility With Existing Agricultural Use	10	10			
TOTAL SITE ASSESSMENT POINTS	160	20	0	0	0

PART VII <i>(To be completed by Federal Agency)</i>					
Relative Value Of Farmland <i>(From Part V)</i>	100	100	0	0	0
Total Site Assessment <i>(From Part VI above or a local site assessment)</i>	160	20	0	0	0
TOTAL POINTS <i>(Total of above 2 lines)</i>	260	120	0	0	0

Site Selected:	Date Of Selection	Was A Local Site Assessment Used? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
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Reason For Selection:

FARMLAND CONVERSION IMPACT RATING

PART I <i>(To be completed by Federal Agency)</i>	Date Of Land Evaluation Request
Name Of Project South Coast Rail - ISP Layover Site	Federal Agency Involved Corps of Engineers
Proposed Land Use Commuter Railroad Layover Facility	County And State Bristol County, MA

PART II <i>(To be completed by NRCS)</i>		Date Request Received By NRCS	
Does the site contain prime, unique, statewide or local important farmland? <i>(If no, the FPPA does not apply -- do not complete additional parts of this form).</i>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Acres Irrigated -	Average Farm Size 51
Major Crop(s) -	Farmable Land In Govt. Jurisdiction Acres: %	Amount Of Farmland As Defined in FPPA Acres: %	
Name Of Land Evaluation System Used	Name Of Local Site Assessment System	Date Land Evaluation Returned By NRCS	

PART III <i>(To be completed by Federal Agency)</i>	Alternative Site Rating			
	Site A	Site B	Site C	Site D
A. Total Acres To Be Converted Directly	5.1			
B. Total Acres To Be Converted Indirectly				
C. Total Acres In Site	16.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

PART IV <i>(To be completed by NRCS)</i> Land Evaluation Information				
A. Total Acres Prime And Unique Farmland	2.5			
B. Total Acres Statewide And Local Important Farmland	2.6			
C. Percentage Of Farmland In County Or Local Govt. Unit To Be Converted				
D. Percentage Of Farmland In Govt. Jurisdiction With Same Or Higher Relative Value				

PART V <i>(To be completed by NRCS)</i> Land Evaluation Criterion Relative Value Of Farmland To Be Converted <i>(Scale of 0 to 100 Points)</i>	100	0	0	0
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PART VI <i>(To be completed by Federal Agency)</i> Site Assessment Criteria <i>(These criteria are explained in 7 CFR 658.5(b))</i>	Maximum Points				
1. Area In Nonurban Use	15	7			
2. Perimeter In Nonurban Use	10	5			
3. Percent Of Site Being Farmed	20	0			
4. Protection Provided By State And Local Government	20	0			
5. Distance From Urban Builtup Area	15	0			
6. Distance To Urban Support Services	15	0			
7. Size Of Present Farm Unit Compared To Average	10	0			
8. Creation Of Nonfarmable Farmland	10	0			
9. Availability Of Farm Support Services	5	5			
10. On-Farm Investments	20	0			
11. Effects Of Conversion On Farm Support Services	10	0			
12. Compatibility With Existing Agricultural Use	10	10			
TOTAL SITE ASSESSMENT POINTS	160	27	0	0	0

PART VII <i>(To be completed by Federal Agency)</i>					
Relative Value Of Farmland <i>(From Part V)</i>	100	100	0	0	0
Total Site Assessment <i>(From Part VI above or a local site assessment)</i>	160	27	0	0	0
TOTAL POINTS <i>(Total of above 2 lines)</i>	260	127	0	0	0

Site Selected:	Date Of Selection	Was A Local Site Assessment Used? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
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Reason For Selection: