

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE: REVIEW OF AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT 5 AND THE CONSOLIDATION OF BROOME COUNTY AGRICULTURAL DISTRICTS 3, 4 AND 5 INTO BROOME COUNTY AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT 5**

In accordance with Article 25 AA of the NYS Agriculture and Markets Law, the Broome County Legislature has undertaken a review of the current Broome County Agricultural District 5; and

Broome County proposes to consolidate Broome County Agricultural Districts No. 3 located in the Town of Sanford, No. 4 located in the Towns of Binghamton, Chenango, Colesville, Conklin, Fenton, Kirkwood, Maine, Sanford, Union, Vestal, Windsor, and No. 5 located in Towns of Barker, Chenango, Lisle, Maine, Nanticoke, Triangle, into Broome County Agricultural District 5 as part of the review process and the new anniversary date will be January 11, 2027;

Broome County is proposing modifications to Agricultural District 5 by adding two (2) parcels totaling 7.22 acres and removing 74 parcels totaling 775.32 acres based on this review; and

The Broome County Agricultural Farmland Protection Board recommends that 1) The parcels proposed to be added to and removed from Consolidated Agricultural District 5 are consistent with Article 25 AA of the NYS Agriculture and Markets Law Section 303-a. related to maintaining viable agricultural land and that the modifications should be made; and 2) The District has achieved its original objectives and should be continued; and

Such review and consolidation requires a public hearing, pursuant to Article 25 AA of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law Section 303-a and c, be held for the purpose of hearing comments on the consolidation, the continuance of the District and any modifications proposed thereto; and

This notice, the Draft Consolidated Agricultural District 5 Review Report, the listing of parcels proposed for addition or removal from the District, a map of the proposed modifications and consolidated District are available for review and are on file and open for public inspection in the Broome County Department of Planning, located at 60 Hawley Street, Binghamton, NY 13901 or online at [www.gobroomecounty.com/planning](http://www.gobroomecounty.com/planning); and

A public hearing on the review, the consolidation of Agricultural Districts 3, 4, and 5 into Agricultural District 5, proposed modifications, and recertification of Agricultural District 5, is scheduled for Thursday, March 17, 2022, at 5:00 PM via Zoom Videoconference:

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://broome.zoom.us/j/85299152348>

Meeting ID: 852 9915 2348

Call-In Number: +1 646 558 8656

Written comments may be submitted until March 16th, 2022, at 5:00 PM to the Clerk of the Legislature, by email at [LegClerk@broomecounty.us](mailto:LegClerk@broomecounty.us) or by mail to the Broome County Legislature, PO Box 1766, Binghamton, NY 13902.