

General Manual
Title 310 – Land Use

Part 403 – Implementation of the Farmland Protection Policy Act
Subpart A – National Leadership and Assistance to Other Agencies of Government
in Implementing the FPPA

KS403.7 Responding to Requests for Determination of Farmland and Land Evaluation Information.

(a) NRCS will complete Parts II, IV, and V of Form AD-1006.

(1) Responsibility for the Farmland Protection Policy Act (FPPA) is assigned to the assistant state conservationists for field operations (ASTCs-FO).

(2) Requests for identification of prime farmland from other agencies will be serviced by field offices. Field offices will provide other agencies with a copy of a soils map of the area of potential environmental impact as outlined by the agency, or a copy of the soil survey report. A list of the prime farmland soils of the area will also be provided by the field or area offices.

(3) All written requests received at the state office concerning FPPA assistance (Form AD-1006, Farmland Conversion Impact Rating or NRCS-CPA-106, Farmland Conversion Impact Rating for Corridor Projects) will have a determination completed as to whether the request is subject to the FPPA. Requests not subject to the FPPA will be returned to the originator; requests that are subject to the FPPA will be referred to the appropriate ASTC-FO for completion, processing, and tracking.

(4) Each ASTC-FO will maintain a tracking register for the annual report. Form NRCS-CPA-2, Evaluating Implementation of the Farmland Protection Policy Act dated 3/02, can be used for tracking the FPPA requests and servicing.

(b) A response letter (and Form AD-1006 or NRCS-CPA-106) will be completed and signed by the ASTC-FO, or their delegated representative, within ten working days of the receipt of the request unless additional information or a site visit must be made.