

Appendix H – Prime Farmland Conversion Rating Form

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

PART I (To be completed by Federal Agency)	3. Date of Land Evaluation Request 6/4/18	4. Sheet 1 of 1
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1. Name of Project SW trail between Hot Springs and Little Rock	5. Federal Agency Involved Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)
2. Type of Project Multi-Use Recreational Path	6. County and State Garland County, Arkansas

PART II (To be completed by NRCS)		1. Date Request Received by NRCS 6/4/18	2. Person Completing Form Marie Ross
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 89	Average Farm Size 120
5. Major Crop(s) soybeans	6. Farmable Land in Government Jurisdiction Acres: 31,351 % 6.7	7. Amount of Farmland As Defined in FPPA Acres: 31,351 % 6.7	
8. Name Of Land Evaluation System Used SCS/LESA	9. Name of Local Site Assessment System Arkansas	10. Date Land Evaluation Returned by NRCS 6/13/18	

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	6.1			
B. Total Acres To Be Converted Indirectly, Or To Receive Services	0			
C. Total Acres In Corridor	7630.82			

PART IV (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Information	
A. Total Acres Prime And Unique Farmland	263
B. Total Acres Statewide And Local Important Farmland	0
C. Percentage Of Farmland in County Or Local Govt. Unit To Be Converted	0.83
D. Percentage Of Farmland in Govt. Jurisdiction With Same Or Higher Relative Value	100

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)	3.3
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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	15			
2. Perimeter in Nonurban Use	10	10			
3. Percent Of Corridor Being Farmed	20	20			
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	0			
8. On-Farm Investments	20	0			
9. Effects Of Conversion On Farm Support Services	25	0			
10. Compatibility With Existing Agricultural Use	10	5			
TOTAL CORRIDOR ASSESSMENT POINTS	160	50	0	0	0

PART VII (To be completed by Federal Agency)					
Relative Value Of Farmland (From Part V)	100	3.3	0	0	0
Total Corridor Assessment (From Part VI above or a local site assessment)	160	50	0	0	0
TOTAL POINTS (Total of above 2 lines)	260	53.3	0	0	0

1. Corridor Selected: A-Preferred Alignment	2. Total Acres of Farmlands to be Converted by Project: 6.1 acres	3. Date Of Selection: 3/30/2020	4. Was A Local Site Assessment Used? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
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5. Reason For Selection:
At this time the Primary Alignment (Corridor A) is the preferred route through the study area.

Signature of Person Completing this Part: Cassie Schmidt DATE **3/30/2020**

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



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PART I (To be completed by Federal Agency)		3. Date of Land Evaluation Request 6/4/18	4. Sheet 1 of 1
1. Name of Project SW trail between Hot Springs and Little Rock		5. Federal Agency Involved Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)	
2. Type of Project Multi-Use Recreational Path		6. County and State Saline County, Arkansas	
PART II (To be completed by NRCS)		1. Date Request Received by NRCS 6/4/18	2. Person Completing Form Marie Ross
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 276	Average Farm Size 130
5. Major Crop(s) Improved Pasture	6. Farmable Land in Government Jurisdiction Acres: 116,707 % 25.0	7. Amount of Farmland As Defined in FPPA Acres: 118,303 % 25.3	
8. Name Of Land Evaluation System Used SCS/LESA	9. Name of Local Site Assessment System Arkansas	10. Date Land Evaluation Returned by NRCS 6/13/18	

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	52.1			
B. Total Acres To Be Converted Indirectly, Or To Receive Services	0			
C. Total Acres In Corridor	4924.21			
PART IV (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Information				
A. Total Acres Prime And Unique Farmland	897			
B. Total Acres Statewide And Local Important Farmland	1487			
C. Percentage Of Farmland in County Or Local Govt. Unit To Be Converted	2.04			
D. Percentage Of Farmland in Govt. Jurisdiction With Same Or Higher Relative Value	100			

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) **36.3**

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	15			
2. Perimeter in Nonurban Use	10	10			
3. Percent Of Corridor Being Farmed	20	20			
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	0			
8. On-Farm Investments	20	0			
9. Effects Of Conversion On Farm Support Services	25	0			
10. Compatibility With Existing Agricultural Use	10	5			
TOTAL CORRIDOR ASSESSMENT POINTS	160	50	0	0	0

PART VII (To be completed by Federal Agency)					
Relative Value Of Farmland (From Part V)	100	36.3	0	0	0
Total Corridor Assessment (From Part VI above or a local site assessment)	160	50	0	0	0
TOTAL POINTS (Total of above 2 lines)	260	86.3	0	0	0

1. Corridor Selected: A-Preferred Alignment	2. Total Acres of Farmlands to be Converted by Project: 52.1 acres	3. Date Of Selection: 3/30/2020	4. Was A Local Site Assessment Used? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
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5. Reason For Selection:
At this time the Primary Alignment using Option 19 (Corridor A) is the preferred route through the study area.

Signature of Person Completing this Part: Cassie Schmidt DATE: **3/30/2020**

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1. Name of Project SW trail between Hot Springs and Little Rock		5. Federal Agency Involved Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)	
2. Type of Project Multi-Use Recreational Path		6. County and State Pulaski County, Arkansas	
PART II (To be completed by NRCS)		1. Date Request Received by NRCS 6/4/18	2. Person Completing Form Marie Ross
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 21,492	Average Farm Size 202
5. Major Crop(s) soybeans	6. Farmable Land in Government Jurisdiction Acres: 247,044 % 47.8	7. Amount of Farmland As Defined in FPPA Acres: 187,160 % 36.2	
8. Name Of Land Evaluation System Used SCS/LESA	9. Name of Local Site Assessment System Arkansas	10. Date Land Evaluation Returned by NRCS 6/13/18	

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	12.5			
B. Total Acres To Be Converted Indirectly, Or To Receive Services	0			
C. Total Acres In Corridor	623.45			

PART IV (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Information	
A. Total Acres Prime And Unique Farmland	89.44
B. Total Acres Statewide And Local Important Farmland	326.67
C. Percentage Of Farmland in County Or Local Govt. Unit To Be Converted	0.16
D. Percentage Of Farmland in Govt. Jurisdiction With Same Or Higher Relative Value	100

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)	14.0
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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	15			
2. Perimeter in Nonurban Use	10	10			
3. Percent Of Corridor Being Farmed	20	20			
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	0			
8. On-Farm Investments	20	0			
9. Effects Of Conversion On Farm Support Services	25	0			
10. Compatibility With Existing Agricultural Use	10	5			
TOTAL CORRIDOR ASSESSMENT POINTS	160	50	0	0	0

PART VII (To be completed by Federal Agency)					
Relative Value Of Farmland (From Part V)	100	14.0	0	0	0
Total Corridor Assessment (From Part VI above or a local site assessment)	160	50	0	0	0
TOTAL POINTS (Total of above 2 lines)	260	64.0	0	0	0

1. Corridor Selected: A-Preferred Alignment	2. Total Acres of Farmlands to be Converted by Project: 12.5 acres	3. Date Of Selection: 3/30/2020	4. Was A Local Site Assessment Used? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
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5. Reason For Selection:

At this time the Primary Alignment (Corridor A) is the preferred route through the study area.

Signature of Person Completing this Part: <i>Cassie Schmidt</i>	DATE 3/30/2020
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NOTE: Complete a form for each segment with more than one Alternate Corridor