January 29, 2015 – 7:00 - 9:30 PM

Planning Seminar Series

The Ulster County Planning Board and the Rondout Valley Growers Association are sponsoring a free seminar on Thursday, January 29th from 7:00 to 9:30 PM in the College Lounge at SUNY Ulster in Stone Ridge. Planning officials across the County have requested a seminar on agricultural districts and land use regulations. Bob Somers, one of New York State's experts on this topic, will deliver the presentation, answer questions and help lead a discussion.



If you have any specific questions for this presentation or other seminar topics that you wish to see addressed you can email us at planning@co.ulster.ny.us or drop us a line at the address below.



The Agricultural Districts Program and Local Land Use Regulations

This seminar provides an overview of the Agricultural Districts Program in New York State and Ulster County. It will discuss how the Program operates, the benefits of being in an agricultural district and recent amendments to Agricultural Districts Law. The seminar will focus on the Program's impact on local land use regulations. New York State's definition of "farm operation" and how this definition affects local land use planning will be detailed as will the role of the Commissioner of Agriculture and Markets in adjudicating disputes between farmers and municipalities. The presentation also examines the influence of being in an agricultural district has on particular land uses and land use restrictions. Finally, resources that are available for learning more about the Agricultural Districts Program will be highlighted.

Presenters

Dennis Doyle, Director - Ulster County Planning Department Bob Somers, Manager - New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets

Registration required!!

Call (845) 340-3340

Local Planning/Zoning Board members – Check with your local governing body to see if this seminar qualifies toward required annual training credits.

Location:

College Lounge Vanderlyn Hall – SUNY Ulster Stone Ridge, NY

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