

CHAPTER 180

AN ACT appropriating \$5,015,000 from the "Garden State Farmland Preservation Trust Fund" for grants to qualifying tax exempt nonprofit organizations for farmland preservation purposes, and canceling certain prior appropriations for withdrawn farmland preservation projects.

BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

1. a. There is appropriated from the "Garden State Farmland Preservation Trust Fund," established pursuant to section 20 of P.L.1999, c.152 (C.13:8C-20), to the State Agriculture Development Committee the following sums for the purpose of providing grants to qualifying tax exempt nonprofit organizations listed in subsection b. of this section for up to 50% of the cost of acquisition of development easements on farmland or for up to 50% of the cost of acquisition of fee simple titles to farmland for resale or lease with agricultural deed restrictions approved by the committee:

(1) \$1,500,000 from the "Garden State Farmland Preservation Trust Fund," established pursuant to section 20 of P.L.1999, c.152 (C.13:8C-20); and

(2) \$3,515,000 from the "Garden State Farmland Preservation Trust Fund," made available due to project withdrawals and canceled obligations.

b. The following projects are eligible for funding with the monies appropriated pursuant to subsection a. of this section:

Applicant (Project)	County	Municipality	Amount of Grant Not to Exceed
Delaware & Raritan Greenway Inc (Fairview Road)	Somerset	Montgomery Twp	\$ 315,000
Delaware & Raritan Greenway Inc (Hopewell Twp Project)	Mercer	Hopewell Twp	700,000
New Jersey Conservation Foundation (Musconetcong Farm Belt)	Warren	Franklin Twp Greenwich Twp Mansfield Twp Washington Twp	1,000,000
New Jersey Conservation Foundation (Raccoon/ Oldmans Farm Belt)	Gloucester	East Greenwich Twp Woolwich Twp South Harrison Twp	1,000,000
New Jersey Conservation Foundation (Sourlands Farmland Region)	Salem	Pilesgrove Twp	
	Hunterdon	East Amwell Twp West Amwell Twp	1,000,000
New Jersey Conservation Foundation (Wickecheoke Farm Belt)	Mercer	Hopewell Twp	
	Somerset	Hillsborough Twp	
New Jersey Conservation Foundation (Wickecheoke Farm Belt)	Hunterdon	Delaware Twp	1,000,000

2. Of the moneys appropriated or reappropriated pursuant to P.L.2001, c.105, P.L.2001, c.306, and P.L.2003, c.244 from the "Garden State Farmland Preservation Trust Fund," established pursuant to section 20 of P.L.1999, c.152 (C.13:8C-20), the sum of \$3,515,000 is canceled due to project withdrawals and canceled obligations.

3. The expenditure of the sums appropriated by this act is subject to the provisions and conditions of P.L.1999, c.152 (C.13:8C-1 et seq.), and P.L.1983, c.32 (C.4:1C-11 et seq.), as appropriate.

4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005 or on the date of enactment, whichever is later.

Approved August 8, 2005.