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May 3, 2016

Mr. Adam Dunsby  
First Selectman  
Town of Easton  
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RE: LOCAL IMPORTANT FARMLAND DESIGNATION

Dear Mr. Dunsby:

Congratulations on your efforts to officially recognize and designate Local Important Farmland soils in Easton. Identification of these soils is useful in the management and maintenance of the resource base that supports the productive capacity of American agriculture. This designation will help guide the future of Easton and help preserve the rural, agricultural lands characterizing your town.

Enclosed is the Local Important Farmland soils list for Easton. To make this list official, please sign the enclosed documents; return one to my office, and retain the other for your files. In general, the soils listed are stony phases of the same soil names already on the prime and statewide important farmland soil lists.

Also enclosed is a map for Easton indicating the areas of locally important farmland soils.

The Code of Federal Regulations, title 7, part 657, describes the procedures for establishment and maintenance of prime and important farmland soils. Local Important Farmland Soils must be identified and officially recognized by local officials and the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS). The list of all important farmland soils (prime, statewide important, and local important) in Connecticut is maintained by NRCS in the Field Office Technical Guide and may be accessed through our website at [www.ct.nrcs.usda.gov/technical/](http://www.ct.nrcs.usda.gov/technical/). Soils identified as Local Important Farmland are not Prime Farmland or Statewide Important Farmland soils; however, they are recognized as valuable soils for planning and farmland protection.

Congratulations to Easton for officially recognizing and designating Local Important Farmland soils!

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Adam Dunsby, May 3, 2016

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Please feel free to contact Barbara Alexander, State GIS Specialist, at (860) 871-4046 with any questions or for clarification.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'T. Morgart', with a large, sweeping flourish extending from the end.

Thomas L. Morgart  
State Conservationist

Enclosure

cc: Barbara Alexander, GIS Specialist, NRCS, Tolland, CT  
Cameron Weimar, Director, CT Farmland Preservation Program, DOAG, Hartford, CT



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## Local Important Farmland

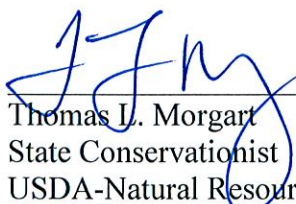
for

Town of Easton, Connecticut


The Town of Easton, Connecticut, has concern for certain additional farmlands for production of food, feed, fiber, and forage, even though these lands are not identified as having national or statewide importance. According to the Code of Federal Regulations, title 7 part 657, these lands have been identified by the local agency concerned as **Local Important Farmland** and approved by the signatories below.

Map Symbol	Soil Name
46B	Woodbridge fine sandy loam, 2 to 8 percent slopes, very stony
51B	Sutton fine sandy loam, 2 to 8 percent slopes, very stony
61B	Canton and Charlton soils, 3 to 8 percent slopes, very stony
61C	Canton and Charlton soils, 8 to 15 percent slopes, very stony
73C	Charlton-Chatfield complex, 3 to 15 percent slopes, very rocky
85B	Paxton and Montauk fine sandy loams, 3 to 8 percent slopes, very stony
85C	Paxton and Montauk fine sandy loams, 8 to 15 percent slopes, very stony

The undersigned hereby designate the above named soil mapunits as **Local Important Farmland** soils and officially add these soils to the list of Prime and Statewide Important Farmland soils for the Town of Easton, Connecticut.

  
Thomas L. Morgart  
State Conservationist  
USDA-Natural Resources  
Conservation Service

5/3/16  
Date

  
Adam Dunsby  
First Selectman  
Town of Easton, Connecticut

5/19/16  
Date

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