

SAMPLE LETTER TO LANDOWNERS WHO ARE PRESENTLY INCLUDED IN THE
_____ TOWNSHIP AG SECURITY AREA

(Date)

____ Name _____

____ Address _____

Dear _____:

The _____ Township Agricultural Security Area was created _____. The law requires that a governing body which has created an agricultural security area review the area every seven years after the date of its creation and every seven years thereafter.

It is now time to begin the review of _____ Township Agricultural Security Area. This must be completed no later than _____.

The seventh year review serves at least two important purposes. First, it is a good way to check whether the ag security area has made a contribution to the preservation of agriculture in the community. Second, for landowners who are in the ag security area, the review period is the only way to “officially” withdraw land from the description of the area which has been recorded by the county recorder of deeds.

You, as a citizen(s) of _____ Township, signed up to have some or all of your property included in the original petition to create and ag security area in our township. If you want your property to remain included in the ag security area, you do not have to do anything. **If you want to officially withdraw the property from the _____ Township Agricultural Security Area you must notify the Board of Township Supervisors in writing by _____.**

Participating landowners who do not notify us in writing will be presumed to agree to continue in the ag security area. If there are two or more signatures on the original signature sheets, there must be two or more signatures on the letter notifying us that you want your property removed from the ag security area.

Enclosed is a sheet that outlines the review schedule and describes the key considerations involved in the seventh year review of _____ Township Ag Security Area. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us as soon as possible. If you would like to talk to anyone from the Ag Security Area Committee please contact _____.

Sincerely,

Township Secretary