

# *Town of Fairview*

7400 Concord Highway, Monroe NC 28110

## **BONA FIDE FARM CERTIFICATION**

**FEE \$50**

I certify that I have reviewed and am familiar with the requirements for what constitutes a bona fide farm under the Fairview Land Use ordinance. I certify that:

Homeowner Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parcel address: \_\_\_\_\_

Tax ID(s): \_\_\_\_\_

meet these requirements to be considered a bona fide farm under the Fairview Land Use ordinance.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## **Section 4 Bona Fide Farms Exempt.**

- (a) The provisions of this ordinance shall not apply to bona fide farms, except that:
- (1) farm property used for non-farm purposes shall not be exempt from regulation; and
  - (2) the provisions of Article XVI, Part I regulating development in floodways and floodplains, as required for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program, shall apply to bona fide farms.
- (b) For purposes of this ordinance, a bona fide farm is any tract (or tracts of land under common ownership or control) ten acres in size or greater on which a party is actively engaged in a substantial way in the commercial production or growing of crops, plants, livestock or poultry with a least one of the following:
1. A farm sales tax exemption certificate issued by the Department of Revenue;
  2. A copy of the property tax listing showing that the property is eligible for participation in the present-use value program, pursuant to NCGS 105-277.3;
  3. A copy of the farm owner's or operator's most recent Schedule F federal income tax return;
  4. A forest management plan; or
  5. A farm identification number issued by the United States Department of Agriculture.