

Current Use Assessment Matrix ("Marlow Matrix")

Property Owner: _____

Address: _____

Map/Lot: _____

Town's records indicate you have the following parcels that are partially or fully assessed in forest and/or farmland current use category. To assist the Assessor in determining where in the current use forest and/or farmland assessment range each particular parcel should be assessed, please circle your best estimate of the "grade," "location" and "site quality" for each parcel in the grid below.

Grade: (a) Steep slopes; (b) the presence of boulders and rock outcrops; (c) ravines; (d) wetland or bodies of water, and (e) any other physical qualifications.

Location: (a) Legal restrictions to access; (b) Abutting a maintained public highway; or (c) Any other characteristics affecting accessibility.

Site Quality: (a) The quality of the soil; (b) The climate and elevation; (c) Physical geography; and (d) Any other factors that would affect the management of the land.

Parcel Location & Number of Acres	Characteristics of Land			
	Grade	Good	Average	Poor
	Location	Good	Average	Poor
	Site Quality	Good	Average	Poor
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	Location	Good	Average	Poor
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GRADE:

- G = Good Flat to Rolling. Majority of land is 0 to 15% grade.
- A = Average Some Slope. Majority of land is 16% to 30% grade.
- P = Poor Steep. Majority of land is over 31% grade.

LOCATION:

- G = Good Tract has access from a state or town road with majority of land within 1,000 feet of roadway.
- A = Average Tract has access from a Class VI or other non-maintained road with majority of land within 2,000 feet of roadway.
- P = Poor Tract has legal restrictions limiting access or is located more than 2,000 feet from roadway.

SITE QUALITY:

- G = Good Well drained soils, erosion hazard slight, capacity of parcel to produce wood is good.
- A = Average Moderately drained soils, erosion hazard moderate, capacity of parcel to produce wood is average.
- P = Poor Poorly drained soils, erosion hazard is severe, capacity of parcel to produce wood is poor.