



# COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

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**TO:** Ches Goodall, ACE Program Director, Department of Community Development,  
County of Albemarle

**FROM:** Jen Perkins, Coordinator, Office of Farmland Preservation, Virginia Department  
of Agriculture and Consumer Services

**RE:** **Pre-award notification for VDACS' FY 2019 state matching funds to  
Albemarle County's Purchase of Development Rights (PDR) Program**

It is the intent of the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (VDACS) to allow any recordation of a deed evidencing Albemarle County's purchase of an agricultural conservation easement after October 30, 2018, but before the full execution of the FY 2019 Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between VDACS and the county, to be considered reimbursable under the terms of the FY 2019 IGA once fully executed provided that the following stipulations are agreed to by both parties:

- Any easement recorded during the time- frame outlined above must conform to the requirements and procedures outlined in the attached FY 2019 IGA template to be considered reimbursable under the FY 2019 IGA;
- Any approved reimbursement will not be paid to Albemarle County until after the FY 2019 IGA is fully executed; and
- VDACS is under no obligation to reimburse Albemarle County should the recorded easement not meet the requirements as established in the FY 2019 IGA or should funding for VDACS' matching funds to Albemarle County be reprogrammed, reduced, or eliminated prior to the full execution of the FY 2019 IGA.