Town of Sparta
Municipal Agricultural & Farmland Protection Plan

ABOUT THE PROJECT
The Town of Sparta received a $25,000 grant from the NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets to develop an Agricultural & Farmland Protection Plan. Together with Livingston County Department of Planning, the Town selected a consultant team led by Hunt Engineers, Architects & Land Surveyors, assisted by George Frantz and Elan Planning, Design & Landscape Architecture, PLLC. The team is kicking off the project in July 2016 with a series of stakeholder meetings and a public presentation on July 26, 7 pm at the Community Center.

PURPOSE OF THE PROJECT
The purpose of the plan will be to outline a strategy for preserving the existing farmland in Sparta while balancing economic development and future growth. The Town and its Steering Committee members (below) welcome comments from Town residents and business owners as we move forward with the project.

The steps in the project include:

1. Public Participation
2. Inventory of Sparta's farmland resources
3. Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats (SWOT) Analysis
4. Vision Development
5. Strategy Development

Steering Committee members:
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Annetta Herrington
Steven Moore
Matt Bourgoine
Mark Schuster

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