



**Agriculture
and Markets**

ANDREW M. CUOMO
Governor

RICHARD A. BALL
Commissioner

Karen M. McCarthy, Clerk
Erie County Legislature
92 Franklin Street – 4th Floor
Buffalo, New York 14202

Dear Ms. McCarthy:

In accordance with Section 303-a of the Agriculture and Markets Law, the Erie County Legislature submitted to me, by Resolution No. 11-3 of 2016, a district renewal plan with modifications for Erie County Agricultural District No. 8 – SW.

Following review of the plan and its related documentation, I find that the plan is eligible for districting.

In accordance with the statutory procedures for certification of agricultural district review plans, the Commissioner of Environmental Conservation has determined that the District is consistent with state environmental plans, policies and objectives.

In consideration of my review of the plan and the determination of the Commissioner of Environmental Conservation, I hereby certify that:

- A. The District is eligible for districting.
- B. The District consists predominantly of viable agricultural land.
- C. The plan of the District is feasible.
- D. The District will serve the public interest by assisting in maintaining a viable agricultural industry within the District and the state.

The county is required to complete the next review of Erie County Agricultural District No. 8 - SW on or before March 17, 2024.

Signed and Sealed at the Town of Colonie,
County of Albany, NY,

This 12th day of September, 2016

Sincerely,

Richard A. Ball
Commissioner

cc: Diane Held, ED, CCE of Erie County
Susan Hoskins, IRIS
Brett Kreher, Chair, Erie Co. AFPB
Thomas Hersey, Commissioner, Erie Co. Dept. of Envir. and Planning