

RESOLUTION OF THE GLOUCESTER COUNTY AGRICULTURE
DEVELOPMENT BOARD RECOMMENDING A SITE SPECIFIC
AGRICULTURE MANAGEMENT PRACTICE FOR
SMITH BROTHERS ORCHARDS, INC. IN
HARRISON TOWNSHIP, BLOCK LOT

WHEREAS, Smith Brothers Orchards, Inc., located at Fish Pond Road, Sewell, New Jersey 08080, through their President, Steve Smith, made a formal request to the Agriculture Development Board for a Site Specific Agriculture Management Practice Recommendation; and

WHEREAS, Smith Brothers Orchards requested the Gloucester County Agriculture Development Board to determine if their operation constituted a generally accepted agricultural operation or practice; and

WHEREAS, Steve Smith, President of Smith Brothers Orchards certified that his proposed operation is a composting facility to receive leaves, grass and prunings to chop, mix and then compost them and that the finished compost mixture is then spread and windrowed or plowed on land operated by Smith Brothers Orchards; and

WHEREAS, Smith Brothers Orchards' application certified that Smith Brothers Orchards is five acres or more, produces agricultural and/or horticultural products worth \$2500.00 or more annually and is eligible for differential property taxation pursuant to the Farmland Assessment Act of 1964; and

WHEREAS, agriculture is a permitted use under the Municipal Zoning Ordinance where Smith Brothers Orchards is located; and

WHEREAS, the Gloucester County Agricultural Development Board reviewed the application and operational statement attached of Smith Brothers Orchards, Inc.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Gloucester County Agricultural Development Board recommends that the Site Specific Agriculture Management Practice of Smith Brothers Orchards is deemed appropriate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Gloucester County Agriculture Board is to forward a copy of this recommendation to the State Agriculture Development Committee.

ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Gloucester County Agricultural Development Board held on ~~August 8~~, 2002.

September 12 *December 12,*
2002

RUSSELL MARINO, CHAIRMAN

Attest

JAMES A. YATES, SECRETARY