

Cleveland County Voluntary Farmland Preservation Program

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January 11, 2002

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Dear Commissioner Phipps:

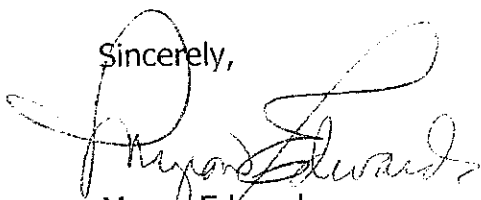
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As of December 31, 2001 the Board has approved the following for Cleveland County:

Agricultural Districts:	7
Landowners:	12
Acres in Ag. Districts:	1,534.86
Acres Denied:	20.60

We expect the number and size of the Agricultural Districts for farmland preservation to continue to grow in the months and years ahead.

Sincerely,



Myron Edwards
Chairman
Agricultural Advisory Board
Cleveland County, NC

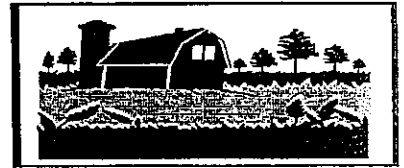
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As of December 31, 2002 the Cleveland County Voluntary Farmland Preservation Program has the following:

Agricultural Districts:	19
Landowners:	43
Acres in Ag. Districts:	5,266.97
Acres Denied:	41.61

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Myron Edwards". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Myron Edwards
Chairman

Cleveland County Agricultural Advisory Board