# Foreign Investors Must Report U.S. Agricultural Land Holdings

MORGANTOWN, KY, April 17, 2024 – U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director Robin Hughes in Butler County reminds foreign investors with an interest in agricultural land in the United States that they are required to report their land holdings and transactions to USDA.

The Agricultural
Foreign Investment
Disclosure Act
(AFIDA) requires
foreign investors
who buy, sell or hold
an interest in U.S.
agricultural land to
report their holdings
and transactions to the
USDA.

Foreign investors must file AFIDA Report

Form FSA-153 with the FSA county office in the county where the land is located. Large or complex filings may be handled by AFIDA headquarters staff in Washington, D.C.

According to CFR Title 7 Part 781, any foreign person who holds an interest in U.S. agricultural land is required to report their holdings no later than 90 days after the date of the transaction.

"Failure to file a report or filing a late or inaccurate report can result in a penalty with fines up to 25% of the fair market value of the agricultural land," said Hughes.

Foreign investors should report holdings of agricultural land totaling 10 acres or more used for farming, ranching or timber production, and leaseholds on agricultural land of 10 or more years.

Tracts totaling 10 acres or less in the aggregate, and which produce annual gross receipts in excess of \$1,000 from the sale of farm, ranch, forestry or timber products, must also be reported.

AFIDA reports are also required when there are changes in land use, such as from agricultural to nonagricultural use.

Foreign investors must also file a report when there is a change in the status of ownership.

The information from AFIDA reports is used

to prepare an annual report to Congress.

These annual reports to Congress, as well as more information, are available on the FSA AFIDA webpage.

Assistance in completing the FSA-153 report may be obtained from the local FSA office.

For more information regarding AFIDA or FSA programs, contact the Butler County FSA office at 270-526-3765 or visit fsa.usda.gov.

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#### PUBLIC NOTICE Owls Head - Butler Agency Interest No. 163490 / Application No. APE20240001

The Energy and Environment Cabinet, Division of Waste Management, Solid Waste Branch received a Notice of Intent (NOI) application from Owls Head Alloys, Inc. to apply for a horizontal expansion (HEX) of the existing Residual Landfill in Butler County. The NOI application proposes to increase the area of waste disposal by approximately 25.2 acres; if approved the existing permit would be revised from approximately 4.1 to 29.3 waste disposal acres. No new sources or types of waste disposed is proposed.

The name and address of the permit applicant is Owls Head Alloys, Inc at 187 Mitch McConnell Way. The name and address of the facility is Owls Head - Butler located at KY 70, Morgantown, KY 42261. The contact person is Michael Boyle at (270) 842-1300. The facility can be accessed by traveling west on KY 70 from Morgantown, KY. Continue past I-165 for approximately half a mile. The facility is on the right, close to intersection of KY 70 and Gardner Lane Rd.

The application and related information are incorporated into the administrative record. Documents associated with this action area available on the Cabinet's eSearch website by expanding the applicable Solid Waste Program row under the "Activities with Downloadable Documents" table at: <a href="https://dep.gateway.ky.gov/eSearch/agencydetails?agencyid=163490">https://dep.gateway.ky.gov/eSearch/agencydetails?agencyid=163490</a>

The permitting action is being processed at the Division of Waste Management, Solid Waste Branch, 300 Sower Blvd., 2nd floor, Frankfort, KY 40601. In lieu of using eSearch, records can be reviewed at the Frankfort office between 8:30 AM and 4:00 PM weekdays by appointment only. To make an appointment or submit an open records request, please email <a href="mailto:eec.kora@ky.gov">eec.kora@ky.gov</a> at least 72 hours prior to the desired review date. Please include Agency Interest No. 163490 and Application No. APE20240001 in the email request. For other questions pertaining to the permitting process or questions specific to this permitting action, please contact Jamie Nielsen at <a href="mailto:Jamie.Nielsen@ky.gov">Jamie.Nielsen@ky.gov</a> or (502) 782-6426.

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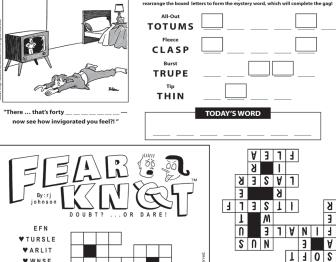
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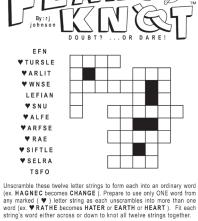
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