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Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control
c/o Division of Parks and Recreation

Mr. Charles Vickers
89 Kings Highway
Dover, DE 19901

Re: The Open Space Council Hearing on May 9, State Resource Areas and Natural Areas Maps

Dear Mr. Vickers:

This letter is prepared to be considered by the Open Space Council meeting on May 9 and in response to DNREC's adoption of proposed additional State Resource Areas and Natural Areas maps. We own and live in the middle of more than 500 acres of tillable farmland east of Dover Air Force Base and south of Little Creek.

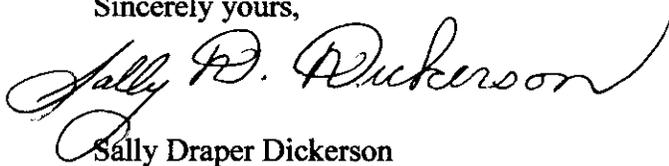
First, we wish to state that nearly once a month, some county, state or federal agency imposes additional regulation or guidance on how we manage the land we own. If this continues we will have to retain an attorney simply to defend our property from government intervention.

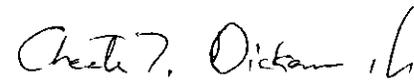
Second, as we understand the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control can propose additional areas for natural resources/ open space and not notify the impacted property owners in any way. We think this is wrong and urge that all impacted property owners be contacted by certified mail and be given at least 90 days to respond.

Third, if any of our property is impacted in any way by the referenced government actions we would like to be notified by certified mail and given an adequate amount of time to respond.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,


Sally Draper Dickerson


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c: Hon John A. Hughes