

(2) ANY METHOD FOR APPRAISAL ESTABLISHED BY THE BOARD: MAY NOT INCLUDE A VALUE FOR ANY RESOURCE USED OR RESERVED BY THE OWNER FOR PRIVATE ECONOMIC BENEFIT.

(2) SHALL INCLUDE CONSIDERATION OF ANY VALUE OF THE PROPERTY FOR:

(I) DEVELOPMENT;

(II) AGRICULTURE;

(III) NATURAL RESOURCES;

(IV) FORESTRY;

(V) CULTURAL AND HISTORIC RESOURCES; AND

(VI) MINERAL RESOURCES; AND

(2) MAY NOT INCLUDE A VALUE FOR ANY RESOURCE USED OR RESERVED BY THE OWNER FOR PRIVATE ECONOMIC BENEFIT.

(D) THE BOARD AND SPONSORS MAY ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS WITH OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES, INCLUDING THE MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION FOUNDATION AND THE MARYLAND ENVIRONMENTAL TRUST, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING PARTNERSHIPS TO CARRY OUT THIS PROGRAM.

5-9A-05.

(A) A SPONSOR MAY FILE AN APPLICATION TO DESIGNATE A RURAL LEGACY AREA IN ACCORDANCE WITH A SCHEDULE ESTABLISHED BY THE BOARD. A LOCAL GOVERNMENT MAY NOT APPLY FOR OR APPROVE AN APPLICATION FOR A RURAL LEGACY AREA DESIGNATION INSIDE ANOTHER JURISDICTION'S OUTSIDE ITS BOUNDARIES WITHOUT THAT JURISDICTION'S APPROVAL.

(B) THE APPLICATION SHALL DESCRIBE THE PROPOSED RURAL LEGACY AREA, INCLUDE A RURAL LEGACY AREA PLAN, IDENTIFY EXISTING PROTECTED LANDS, STATE THE ANTICIPATED LEVEL OF INITIAL LANDOWNER PARTICIPATION IN THE PROGRAM AND THE AMOUNT OF THE GRANT REQUESTED, AND COMPLY WITH THE CRITERIA SET FORTH BELOW.

(C) THE BOARD SHALL EVALUATE AND COMPARE APPLICATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA IN ORDER TO SELECT THOSE THAT BEST CARRY FORWARD THE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE PROGRAM SET FORTH IN § 5-9A-01 OF THIS SUBTITLE:

(1) THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE AGRICULTURAL, FORESTRY, AND NATURAL RESOURCES PROPOSED FOR PROTECTION, INCLUDING: