

(VII) IF THE PROPERTY IS TRANSFERRED BEFORE THE RIGHT TO EXCLUDE THE LOT HAS BEEN EXERCISED, THE RIGHT MAY BE TRANSFERRED WITH THE PROPERTY.

[(3)](4) A landowner may construct housing for tenants fully engaged in operation of the farm, but this construction may not exceed 1 tenant house per 100 acres. The land on which a tenant house is constructed may not be subdivided or conveyed to any person. In addition, the tenant house may not be conveyed separately from the original parcel.

[(4)](5) Except as provided in paragraph [(5)](6) of this subsection, on request to the Foundation, an owner may exclude from the easement restrictions 1 acre per each single dwelling, which existed at the time of the sale of the easement, AS AN OWNER'S, CHILDREN'S, OR UNRESTRICTED LOT TO WHICH THE OWNER IS ENTITLED UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, by a land survey and recordation provided at the expense of the owner. However, before any exclusion is granted, an owner shall agree with the Foundation not to subdivide further for residential purposes any acreage allowed to be released. This agreement shall be recorded among the land records where the land is located and shall bind all future owners.

[(5)](6) (i) The restrictions of paragraphs (2) and [(4)](5) of this subsection concerning maximum lot sizes are altered so that the maximum lot size is 2 acres if:

1. Regulations adopted by the Department of the Environment require a minimum lot size for a dwelling house of not less than 2 acres in areas where there is less than 4 feet of unsaturated and unconsolidated soil material below the bottom of an on-site sewage disposal system or in areas located within 2,500 feet of the normal water level of an existing or proposed water supply reservoir; or

2. Regulations adopted by the jurisdiction in which the land is situated require that a lot for a dwelling house be larger than 1 acre.

(ii) For exclusions provided under paragraph [(4)](5) of this subsection, the landowner shall pay the State for any acre or portion released in excess of the 1 acre per single dwelling that existed at the time of easement.

(c) Purchase of an easement by the Foundation does not grant the public any right of access or right of use of the subject property.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2003.

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