

**Letter on Fairfax County Agritourism Zoning Ordinance
Amendment
22 June 2021**

To The Fairfax County Board of Supervisors:

The Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations (the Federation) has reviewed the original Agritourism Zoning Ordinance Amendment staff has proposed. The Federation shares its continued objections to the original proposal via the referenced resolution dated 27 May 2021¹, recognizing these issues are still on the table.

At the Planning Commission (PC) public hearing on the Agritourism Zoning Ordinance many citizens raised received serious objections. The Federation appreciates that the changes made by the PC eliminated some of the objectionable items, such as party venues by right, and attempted to limit impervious surface.

The Federation understands that the staff revised proposal supports the PC's parking lot limitations but opposes the PC's deletion of weddings/corporate events. We are uncertain as to whether the county executive supports the original staff recommendation. Staff also has listed many confusing options in the Board item. We oppose reinstating the provisions which the PC took out.

The plentitude of options in the Agritourism Zoning Ordinance Amendment board handout, which suggests the original amendment process needs to be reconsidered. We recommend that the county start over, beginning with Fairfax Water at the table and a careful review of environmental policy.

¹ <http://www.fairfaxfederation.org/resolutions/ResolutionAgritourismApproved20210527.pdf>

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Should our county be doing anything affecting the reservoir which supplies a large portion of the county's water in advance of another study, such as those conducted 40 years ago and 20 years ago?

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