

Dairy Farms in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed



AMERICAN DAIRY ASSOCIATION NORTH EAST

Dairy farmers live on or near the land that they farm. They understand that practicing environmental stewardship is not only good for their farms, their communities and their bottom line—it's the right thing to do.

Our "Dairy Farms in Your Watershed" webpage allows you to virtually visit several dairy farms and learn how they protect water quality.



E-Z ACRES Cortland County, NY

Located in the headwaters of the Chesapeake Bay watershed—nearly 250 miles away from the Bay—E-Z Acres uses a combination of well monitoring, riparian buffers, careful nutrient management, and the "Taj Mahal of manure storage" to protect drinking water and surface water quality.

MEADOW-VISTA DAIRY Lancaster County, PA

On 700 acres just a mile from the Susquehanna River, Meadow-Vista Dairy keeps soil and nutrients on the fields instead of washing off during storms. They recycle manure, water and sand, practice energy conservation, and use renewable energy. Stream buffers further protect local waterways.



REINFORD FARMS Juniata County, PA

Reinford Farms protects environmentally sensitive areas and converts food waste and cow manure to renewable energy. By not disturbing the soil used to grow crops and keeping vegetation in the fields year-round, the farm minimizes soil erosion and nutrient runoff.



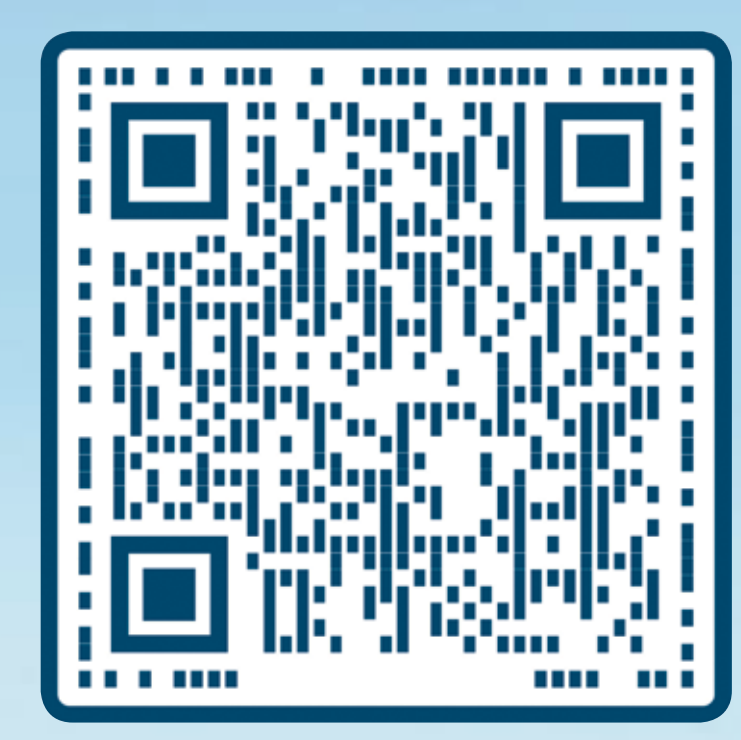
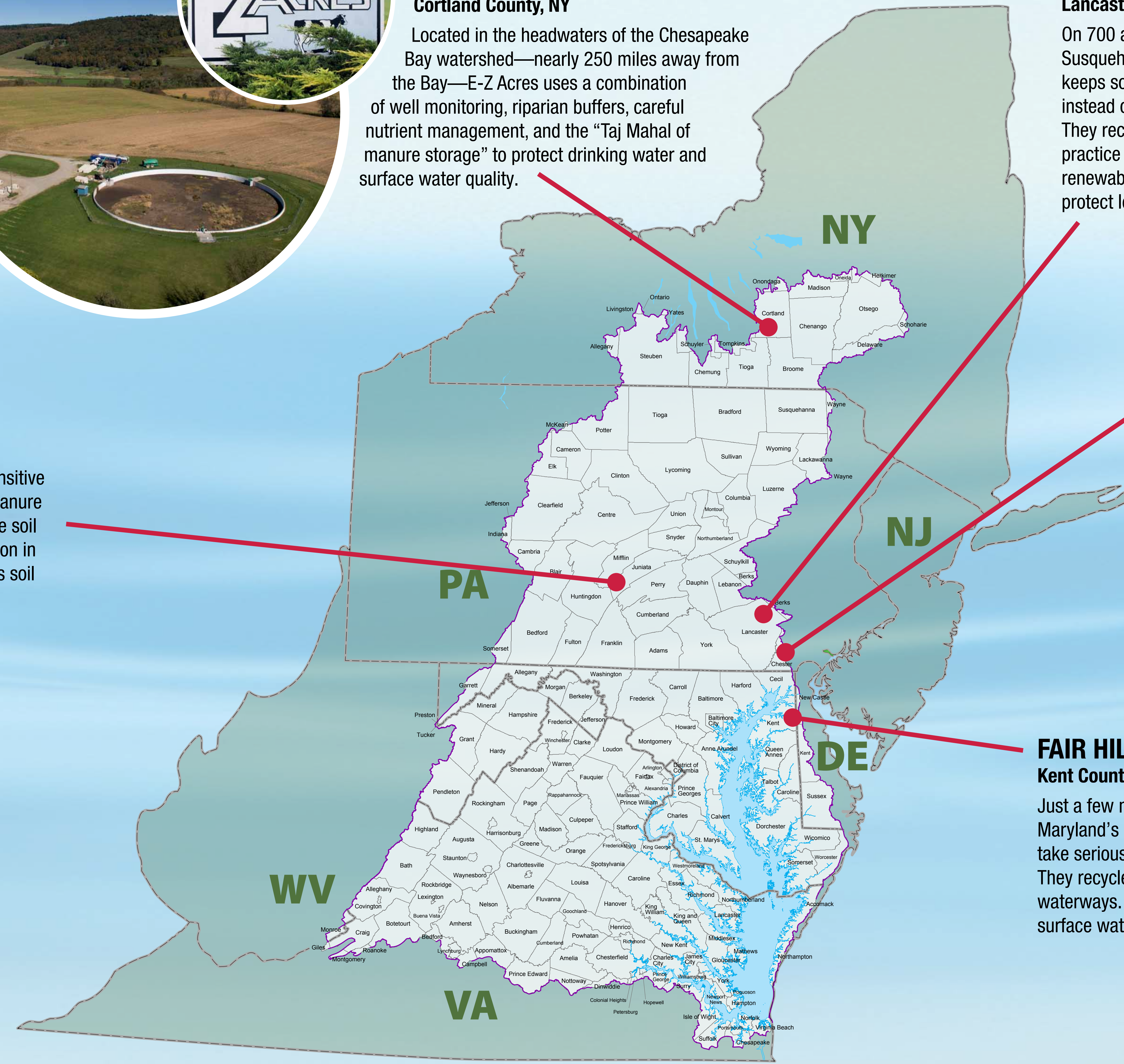
KURLTAND FARMS Chester County, PA

Dairy cows are the source of two products: milk and manure. At Kurtland Farms, manure is a carefully managed resource that grows crops on 250 acres. It's important to keep those manure nutrients on the fields rather than washing off the land during storms, so practices such as manure injection, cover crops, and buffers are used to benefit both the farm and the environment. Even runoff from barn rooftops is carefully managed!



FAIR HILL FARMS Kent County, MD

Just a few miles from the Chesapeake Bay on Maryland's Eastern Shore, the owners of Fair Hill Farms take seriously their role as environmental stewards. They recycle sand, water, and manure and use grass waterways. A bioreactor helps to keep ground and surface water clean.



Dairy Farms in Your Watershed:
americandairy.com/sustainability/dairy-farms-watershed

Visit the webpage to learn about these and other dairy farms in different watersheds throughout the region!

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