# Multi-Use Agricultural Event Center

Rolling Hills Site Proposal



May 26, 2022

#### Timeline

#### November 8, 2016

Parks & Recreation Facilities Bond including \$5 million dollar allocation for Multi-Use Agricultural Event Center (MUAEC) passes by a margin of 71% "for" to 29% "against."

#### January 2017 - December 2018

- County staff considered county-owned properties as potential MUAEC sites.
- Similar NC facilities—their features, uses, and financial performance—were reviewed.
- Municipal partnerships were explored.

#### February 2019

Winter work session presentation on MUAEC concepts and potential sites, emphasis on Tanglewood sites.

#### February 2021

Tanglewood site explored as destination of MUAEC; RFQ published for Design/Build team.

#### May 2021

Design/Build firms considered to develop and ultimately construct MUAEC project.



Timeline (Cont.)

#### July 27, 2021

Public input session @ Tanglewood Park w/ Tanglewood Farms owner and clients

#### July 28, 2021

Public input session @ Tanglewood Park Red Barn

#### August 4, 2021

Public input session @ Forsyth County Government Center on Tanglewood site

#### **August 18 – September 12, 2021**

Public input online survey data collected

# SURVEY

#### **September 16, 2021**

Staff report to County Commissioners on in put received regarding proposed Tanglewood site

Timeline (Cont.)

#### October 2021

Commissioners direct staff to seek a location other than Tanglewood for the MUAEC.

#### February 3, 2022

County Management present Rolling Hills site to regular meeting of Village of Tobaccoville Council.

#### March 15, 2022

1st Public input session at Tobaccoville Community Center on County's "Rolling Hills" site.

#### March 30, 2022

2<sup>nd</sup> Public input session at Tobaccoville Community Center on County's "Rolling Hills" site.

March 15 – 30, 2022

Public input online data collected



## Public Meeting Results

More in support than in opposition

### **Example of Pros**

Walking/Biking/Horse Trails

**Equestrian Activity** 

Better NC Coop Location

Low Density Development

Increase Village Activity

**Demonstration Gardens** 

Youth Activities

Unique To Tobaccoville

Regional Attention From County

**Emergency Animal Shelter** 

## **Example of Concerns**

Traffic

Noise

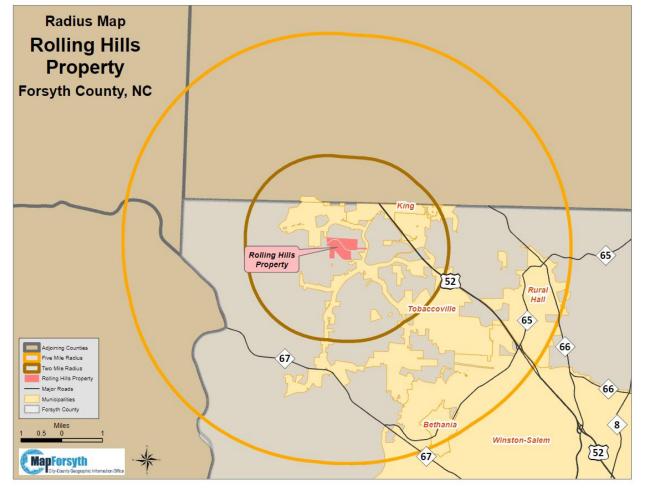
**Attracts People Countywide** 

Property Value Impact

Late Night Events
Increased Taxes
Livestock Odor



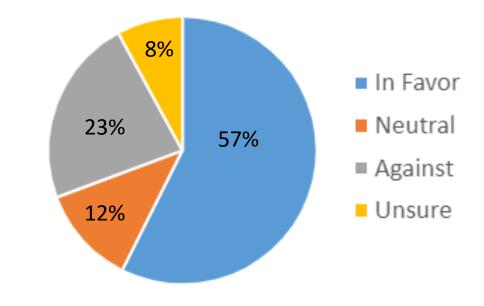
Letter and Survey Flyer mailed to 1,350 residential addresses within 2 miles of Rolling Hills Property



# Online Survey

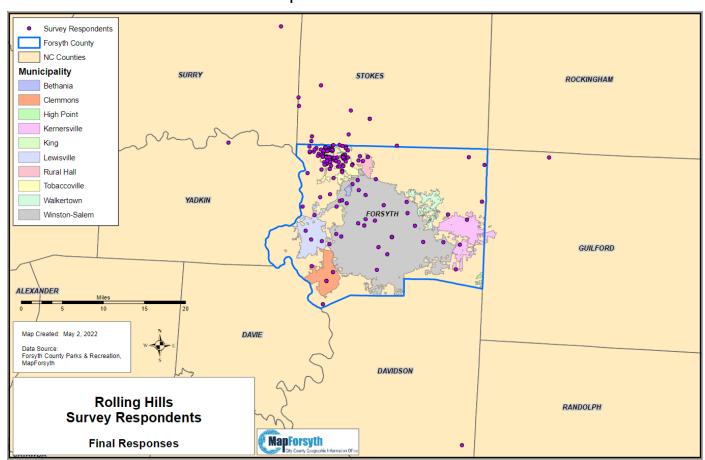
SURVEY QUESTION: "Please select the option that most accurately reflects your opinion on a Multi-Use Agricultural Event Center being proposed for development in Tobaccoville, NC."

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
In Favor	57.41%	217
Neutral	11.90%	45
Against	22.75%	86
Unsure	7.94%	30



#### **SURVEY RESULTS**

#### **Respondent Locations**

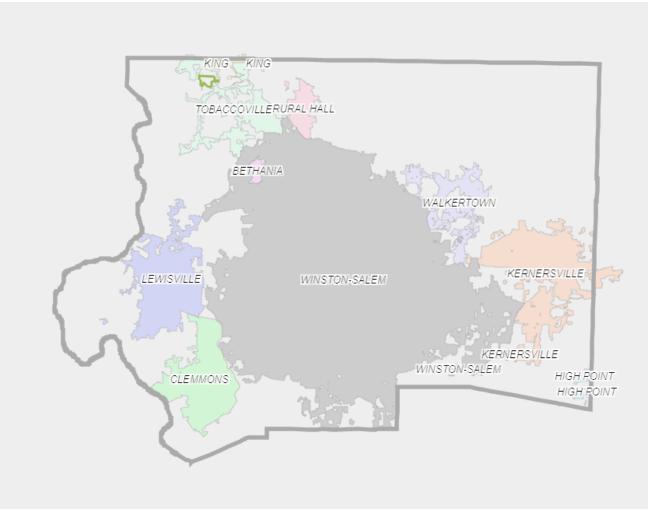


## **378 Total Survey Responses**

**217** or **57%** of respondents were specifically "In Favor" of the Multi-Use Agricultural Event Center Location at the County's "Rolling Hills" property.

**292** or **77%** of respondents were either "In Favor," "Unsure," or "Neutral" but <u>not "Against"</u> the Multi-Use Agricultural Event Center Location at the County's "Rolling Hills" property.

**86** Respondents or **23%** identified as specifically "Against" the Rolling Hills location or the concept of a Multi-Use Agricultural Event Center.





# Online Survey

Which of the following events would you consider attending or participating in? Please check all that may apply.

Common "Other" Responses

Concerts

Craft Shows/Programs

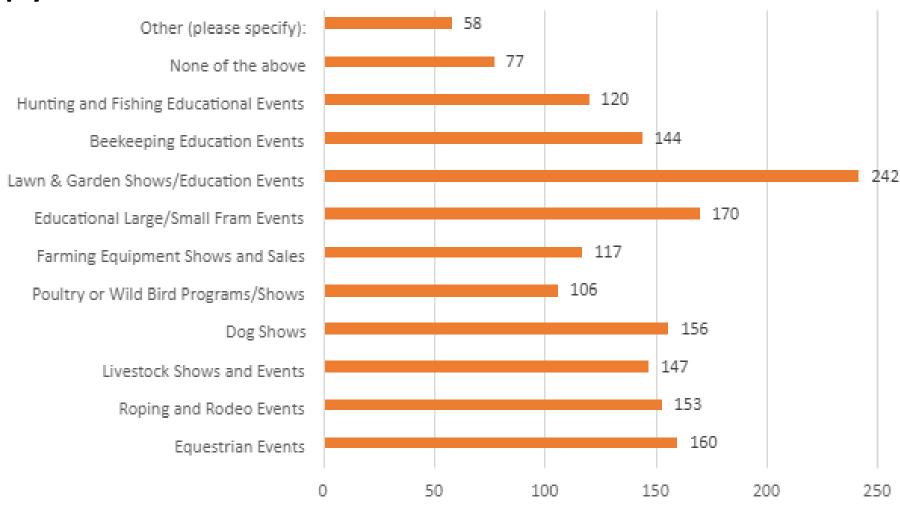
**Farmers Market** 

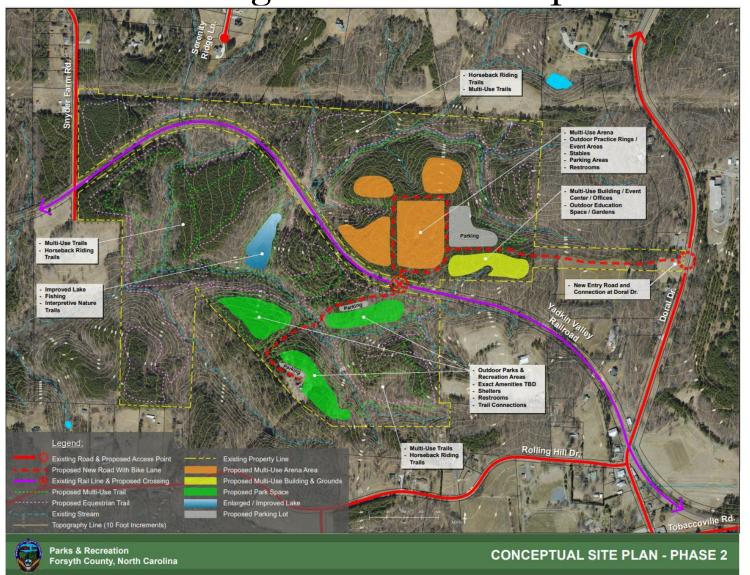
Gardening

Extension work, activities, and training

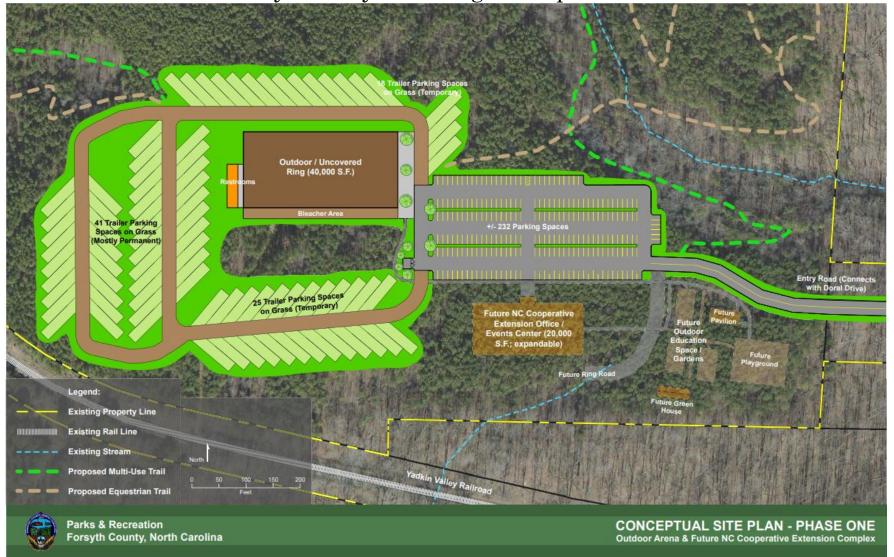
Youth Programs (Nature Education)

Organized Hike/Walk/Run Events





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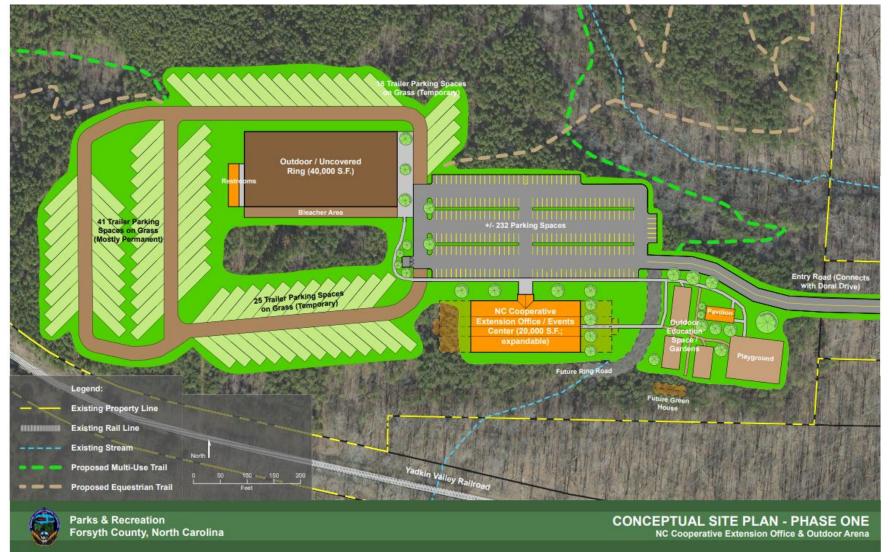


City/County Planning Conceptual Site Plan

## \$7.8 million budget est.

- Road Access Off Doral Drive
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- Grading
- Paving
- Interior Roadway
- Restroom Building
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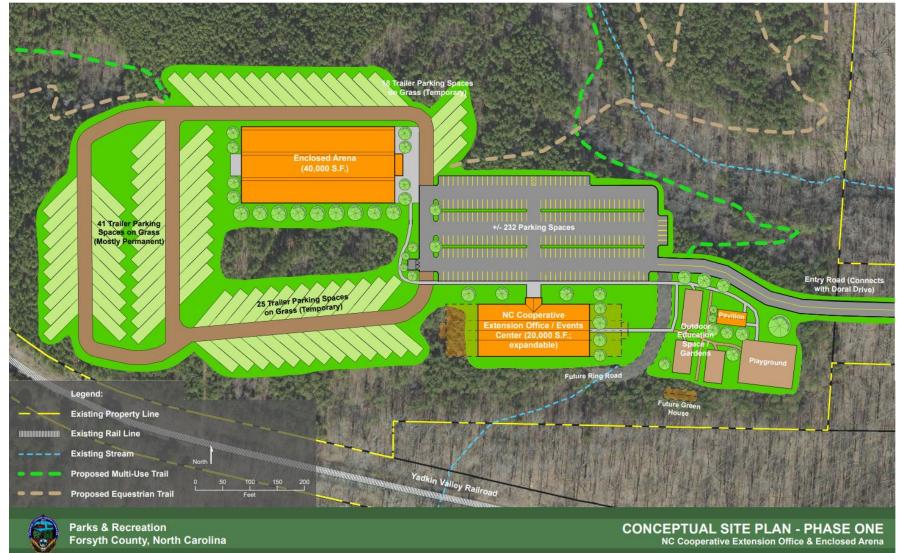
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- Exhibition Garden/Pavilion Area

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#### + \$6 million est.

- 40,000sf Covered Arena
  - Stable space
  - Stands
  - HVAC
  - -Sprinkled
  - Structural Steel
  - Concrete Slab
  - etc.

\$7.8 million budget est.

\$12.8 million budget est.

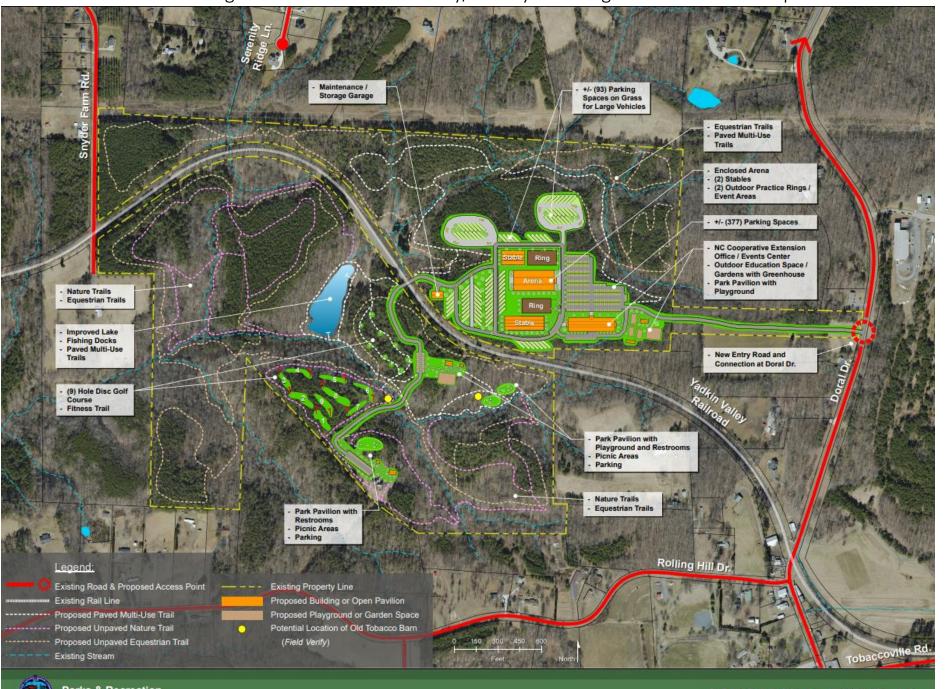
\$18 .8 million budget est.

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## **Potential Recreational Amenities**

3-Miles Horse Trails	.\$600k
10 Ft. Wide 1.5-Mile Long	.\$500k
Playground Complex	.\$175k
Park Shelter	.\$650k
Pond	. <u>\$1 million</u>
	\$2.925 million

Multi-Use Agricultural Event Center City/County Planning "Master Plan Concept"



**Next Steps:** 

- RFQ for Design/Build Team (June-September)

- Additional Funding Opportunities
  - \* Pay-Go (October Decision)
  - \* Legislative Funding (Late Summer/Fall Decision)
  - \* A.R.P.A. Project (?)