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Clearly afforestation (creating forests as carbon sinks) would greatly reduce atmospheric carbon and/or offset emissions. The Green Acres program should create forests on underused land by drafting regulations which create a heriarchy of uses on parkland, with the best and highest use being forested land. Instead of allowing parkland to be used for agriculture or other uses that keep parkland cleared, which does not sequestor carbon, the GA program should require the parkland to be used for forests.

I am available to discuss this in more detail.

Thanks Dan