

APPLICATION FOR 1-d-1 (OPEN-SPACE) AGRICULTURAL APPRAISAL FOR

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS

Article 8, Sec. 1-d-1, Texas Constitution, and Chapter 23, Subchapter D, Tax Code, provide for appraisal of agricultural land based on the land's ability to produce agricultural products. Land qualifies for 1-d-1 appraisal if it has been used for agriculture in the past and is currently used for agriculture at the same level as typical prudent producers in your area. If you have questions on completing this application or on the information concerning additional taxes and penalties, you may want to consult the State Comptroller's Manual for the Appraisal of Agricultural Land, and your appraisal district staff.

You must complete this application in full and file it no later than April 30 of the year you are applying for agricultural appraisal. If your application is granted, you do not need to file again in later years unless the chief appraiser requests a new application. You may file a late application up to midnight the day before the appraisal review board approves appraisal records for the year. Approval usually occurs in July. If you do file a late application and your application is approved, you must pay a penalty equal to 10% of the tax savings resulting from the agricultural appraisal.

Step 1: Owner's name and address

Phone (Area code & number) Day and Evening: _____

**Step 2:
Describe
the Property**

Property I.D. _____ XREF I.D. _____
 Number of acres for which application is made: _____

Last year, were you allowed 1-d-1 appraisal on this property by the Travis Central Appraisal District?

Yes No

If yes, you need only complete those parts of steps 3 and 4 requiring new information or information that has changed since your earlier application.

If no, you must complete all of steps 3 and 4.

**Step 3:
Describe the
property's use**

1. Describe the current and past uses of this property, starting with the current year and working back 5 years or until you have shown 5 out of 7 years of agricultural use.

Year	Agricultural use*	Acres	Year	Agricultural use*	Acres
current			4		
1			5		
2			6		
3			7		

*Agricultural use includes but is not limited to the following activities: cultivating the soil, producing crops for human food, animal feed, planting seed or for the production of fibers; floriculture, viticulture and horticulture; raising or keeping livestock; raising or keeping exotic animals for the production of human food or fiber; leather, pelts, or other tangible products having a commercial value; planting cover crops or leaving land idle for the purposes of participating in any governmental program or normal crop or livestock rotation procedure and wildlife management.

Wildlife management means actively using land that at the time the wildlife-management use began was appraised as qualified open-space land under this subchapter in at least three of the following ways to propagate a sustaining breeding, migrating, or wintering population of indigenous wild animals for human use, including food, medicine or recreation; habitat control, erosion control, predator control, providing supplemental supplies of water or of food; providing shelters or making census counts to determine population.

Agricultural land use categories include: irrigated cropland, orchard, improved pastureland, native pastureland, and other classes typical in your area.

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Step 3:
Describe the property's use
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2. (a) If you raise livestock, exotic animals or manage wildlife on the property, list the livestock or exotics raised or the type of wildlife managed and the number of acres used for this activity. You may attach a list if the space is not sufficient.

livestock/exotics/wildlife	acres	livestock/exotics/wildlife	acres
example: cattle	48		

(b) If you use less than 50 acres for raising livestock, exotics or managing wildlife, how many head (average per year) do you raise?

livestock/exotics/wildlife	number	livestock/exotics/wildlife	number
example: cattle	20		

3. If you grow crops (including ornamental plants, flowers, or grapevines) list the crops grown and the number of acres devoted to each crop. You may attach a list if the space is not sufficient.

crop	acres	crop	acres
example: wheat	200		

4. If your land is lying idle because you are participating in a governmental program, please list these programs and the number of acres devoted to each program. You may attach a list if the space is not sufficient.

program	acres	program	acres
example: CRP	100		

5. Is this property now used for any non-agricultural activities? List all non-agricultural uses and the number of acres devoted to the use. You may attach a list if the space is not sufficient.

non-agricultural	acres	non-agricultural	acres


6. Is this property located within the corporate limits of a city or town? Yes No

7. If you are using the land to manage wildlife, list the three or more ways in which you manage wildlife.
Example: Conduct census counts.

Step 4:
Sign the application

Under Section 37.10, Texas Penal Code, if you make a false statement on this application, you could receive a jail term of up to 1 year and a fine of up to \$2,000, or a prison term of 2 to 10 years and a fine of up to \$5,000. I certify that the information given on this form is true and correct.

Print Name: _____

sign here  _____ Date _____

Other Important Information

After you file this application, the chief appraiser may require additional information from you before qualifying your land. The additional information may only relate to your current and past agricultural use or to the level at which you use your land for agriculture.

You must notify the chief appraiser in writing if you: stop using your property for agriculture (e.g., you voluntarily decide to stop farming); change the category of your use (e.g., you change from dry cropland to irrigated cropland); change the level of your use (e.g., you substantially increase or decrease the number of cattle you raise); change the nature of your use (e.g., you switch from growing corn to growing ornamental plants); enter, leave or change governmental programs (e.g., you put 100 acres in CRP); or if you begin using your land for something other than agriculture (e.g., you build a shopping center on most of your land). You must deliver this notice no later than the April 30 following the change in use or eligibility.

If your land receives agricultural appraisal and you fail to notify the chief appraiser of a change in agricultural use, you may be required to pay a penalty. You will be required to pay a substantial additional tax plus interest (a rollback tax) if you stop using all or part of the property for agriculture.

LAND USE

Cropland(Acres) _____ Improved Pasture(Acres) _____ Native Pasture(Acres) _____

Other (Describe use and list acres) _____

LEASE INFORMATION

Leasee's name: _____ Telephone No. _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Price of lease per acre or share split _____ Lease is (Please circle): Verbal Written

- If lease is written please attach a copy to this application.
- If lease is verbal please summarize terms of lease on a separate sheet and attach to this application.

SALE INFORMATION

Date of Purchase: ____/____/____ Sale Price \$ _____

What buildings or structures were on the property at the time of sale (Circle)
HOUSE BARN GARAGE MOBILE HOME STORAGE BUILDING COMMERCIAL OTHER (EXPLAIN) _____

Year main building constructed _____

Was this bought from a relative? Yes No Was property exposed the the open market? Yes No

CHECK LIST

Before you mail this application please check the following items.

- Did you complete the year for which application is being made (top of front page)?
- Is the application signed and dated?
- Does the acreage listed in step 2 agree with the acreage(s) itemized in Step 3?
- Is the owner's name and address listed correctly?
- If you are a new owner and your purchase date was between the current assessment date (January 1st) and the deadline for timely filing this application (April 30th), please attach a copy of your deed to this application.
- If you are a new owner, did you complete the current and history use portion of step 3?
- Have you made a copy of the application for your files?
- If leased, is a copy of the lease attached to this application?
- For your protection we recommend you mail the application by certified mail. If hand-delivered, rather than mailed, please wait for a clerk to stamp the application received and get a copy.