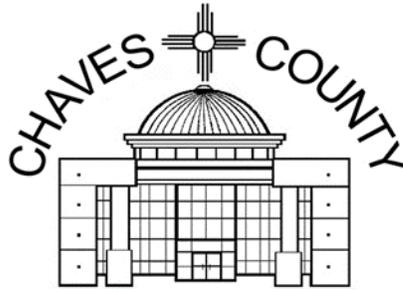


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AGRICULTURAL LANDS INSTRUCTIONS & APPLICATION

The value of land used primarily for agricultural purposes shall be determined on the basis of the land's capacity to produce agricultural products. Objective evidence of bona fide agricultural use must be produced for the land to be valued as agricultural land. Agricultural lands, as the term is used, includes grazing land. Applications for agricultural lands must be submitted no later than the last day of February of each year (7-36-8 NMSA 1978; amended 1993). Owners of agricultural property must make application to the county assessor in which the special valuation method is claimed.

If application for the Special Method of Value for Land used for Agricultural Purposes was allowed in the previous year **NO NEW APPLICATION IS REQUIRED.**

APPLICATION FOR AGRICULTURAL LAND

I hereby apply to have the following described land valued as land used primarily for agricultural purposes pursuant to Section 7-36-20 of the Property Tax Code.

Description of land

If this land is grazing land, what is the average number of head of livestock that graze this land each year?

Is this land grazed by livestock you own? Yes _____ No _____

If no, whose livestock graze this land? Name _____

Address _____

Was the land held for speculative land subdivision and sale? Yes _____ No _____

Was the land used for commercial purposes of a non-agricultural character? Yes _____ No _____

Was the land used for recreation? Yes _____ No _____

(Explain if you answered yes to any of the above questions.) _____

State the use of the land, type of irrigation system and crop being produced on the land for which you are making application. _____

I hereby affirm that I am the owner of the above described land and that the information contained in the application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and do so under pains and penalties of perjury. I agree to provide the Assessor, upon the specific written request, specific information from my Federal Income Tax returns for the purpose of determining the income derived from the above described lands from the commercial sale of agricultural products.

Signature of Owner or

Owner's Authorized Agent: _____ Date _____