

# 2015 WEST VIRGINIA STATE FARM CENSUS and FARM USE VALUATION APPLICATION

(Please read the instructions on the second page and complete all sections accordingly)

THIS FORM MUST BE FILED WITH THE ASSESSOR BY SEPTEMBER 3, 2015.  
FAILURE TO FILE THIS FORM WILL RESULT IN YOUR PROPERTY BEING APPRAISED AT MARKET VALUE.

Land Owner: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Enter corrections to the label here, if needed.**  
 County: \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Dist. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Farm Use Applicant (If different than landowner)  
 Name of Operation: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name of Operator: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Farm Operation Description	Acres	
1a. Acres Owned.....	111	
b. Acres Rented from others.....	112	
c. Acres Rented to others.....	113	
d. Total Acres in Farm.....	100	
2. Tobacco planted.....(Tenths).....	382	.____
3. Field Corn planted .....	320	
4. Soybeans planted .....	372	
5. Wheat planted .....	392	
6. Oats planted .....	352	
7. Barley planted.....	315	
8. Alfalfa & Alfalfa Mix Hay .....	346	
9. Other Hay (grass, grain, other)	347	
a. All Hay Production (Tons)	TON	
b. No. Bales _____ x Lbs/Bale	LBS	
c. No. Bales _____ x Lbs/Bale	LBS	
10. Permanent Pasture .....	220	
11. Other crops not listed above that are grown for Commercial sale or processing. (Include vegetables, tree fruit, berries, grapes, nurseries, greenhouses and Christmas tress)		
<b>Other Crops</b>		<b>Acres</b>
_____		
_____		
12. <b>Fruit Trees</b>	<b>Trees</b>	<b>Acres</b>
Apple.....	965	420
Peach.....	970	450
		<b>Acres</b>
13. <b>All Other Land</b>		

14. Total Grain Storage Capacity.....	305	Bushels
<b>Inventory Number</b>		
15. Total All Cattle and Calves.....	610	
Milk Cows (Dry and in milk).....	615	
16. Sheep and Lambs .....	640	
17. Goats and Kids .....	645	
18. Hogs and Pig .....	630	
19. Equine (horses, donkeys, mules) ....	675	
20. Hens and Pullets of laying age .....	760	
21. Broilers .....	765	
22. Turkeys .....	770	
<i>Are these layers, broilers or turkeys (Items 20, 21 and 22) owned by the operated listed above?      Yes      No</i>		
<i>If No, please provide the owners name.</i>		
_____		
23. Bees (number of all colonies) .....	663	
24. Other Livestock not reported in 15-23 above		
<b>Type</b>		<b>Number</b>
_____		
_____		
25. Total Value of Production of this operation (Include the value sold, home consumption and used on the farm operation)		
		<b>Dollars</b>
Crop Production Value .....		
Livestock Production Value .....		
Total Production Value .....		

### AGRICULTURAL LAND DESCRIPTION

Obtain Map and Parcel ID from Tax Statement (Attach list if necessary)

Map Parcel Number	Number of acres in each tract				
	Pasture	Crop Land	Wood Land	Waste Wetland	Rent per month/year

*(If parcels rented, place an "R" before the Map-Parcel Number)*

- If the total agricultural production in Item 25 is less than \$1,000, check and complete Item A, B, C or D.
  - The land is currently out of production or reduced in scope because \_\_\_\_\_
  - It is currently being developed (for less than 10 years) for agricultural production and should be in production by the year \_\_\_\_\_. Plans are attached.

- Current utilization does not produce a crop each year. Specify crop \_\_\_\_\_
  - Sales of agricultural products last year were at least \$500 and the total acres in the farm are less than 5 acres
- Is at least 50% of the total income from this property received from the sale, use or consumption of agricultural products?
 

YES      NO
  - Non-farm and Mineral Income      Farm Income
 

\$ \_\_\_\_\_      \$ \_\_\_\_\_
  - If the property owner is a corporation, if farming is the main business activity; or if a subsidiary, is farming the main business activity of the parent company?
 

YES      NO
  - Is the property under perpetual conservation easement or farmland preservation?
 

YES      NO

**I hereby make application for farm use valuation and affirm that the answers on this application are true and that when any changes occur which might affect these answers, I will contact the Assessor's office.**

<b>Signed</b>	<b>Date</b>
GRANTED    By: _____	
DENIED      Date: _____	
Reason Denied: _____	

## GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

PLEASE MAKE ALL ENTRIES LEGIBLE AND ON THE PROPER LINE

Complete all sections of this form that apply to your operation. All questions must be answered accurately and this form filled by September 3, 2015 with the Assessor of the county for which application is made. Failure to file this form will result in your property being appraised at market value.

- QUALIFYING OPERATIONS:** All agricultural production units, with sales, home consumption, or use, of \$1,000 or more, may qualify for farm use valuation on the land utilized for production. The acreage devoted to each crop and the livestock inventories are the supporting data for this application. Units of less than five (5) acres may qualify if sales were at least \$500. Any questions related to this form should be directed to the County Assessor.
- NAME AND ADDRESS:** If a label was provided, please make any needed corrections on the label. If no label was provided, please fill out the name and address area completely.
- NAME OF OPERATION:** Only commonly used farm names should be entered; i.e., "Jones Hereford Farm" or "Twin Oak." Otherwise, leave blank.
- NAME OF OPERATOR:** Full name of the person or persons making the day-to-day decisions on the agricultural operation. A blank form should be used for any new operator with a name, address entered on the lines for correction. Out-of-business operations (no crops or livestock production) for whom a labeled form was received should be noted accordingly and submitted as a completed form.
- NAME OF LANDOWNER:** Enter the name of the landowner (actual owner of property) if different from the operator of the agricultural operation.

### WEST VIRGINIA ASSESSOR'S FARM STATISTICS

- 1. FARM OPERATION DESCRIPTION:** Total Acres **(d)** in farm should equal acres owned **(a)**, plus acres rented from others **(b)**, minus acres rented to others **(c)**. THIS MUST BE ANSWERED. Acres of crops in Items **2 - 12** plus acres in **Item 13** should equal the Total Farm acres **(d)** in **Item 1**. Acres owned refers only to acres related to the farming operation. Acres Rented from Others **(b)** refers only to acres rented by the farming operation for agricultural production. Acres Rented To Others **(c)** refers only to land rented to others for agricultural production.
- 2 - 12. CROPS:** These questions refer to the acreage planted or grown for harvest during 2012. For HAY, report only actual acres in the field, regardless of the number of times cut. Report the total production for both alfalfa and other hay acres, in tons in **9a**, or total number of bales and the average weight per bale of hay harvested for both alfalfa and other hay in **9b** or the total number of rolls and the average weight per roll of hay harvested for both alfalfa and other hay in **9c**. Other crops include vegetables, berries, grapes, nursery products, greenhouse, tree fruit other than apples and peaches and any other crops not listed. Fruit Tree information is needed only for operations with 100 or more trees.
- 13. ALL OTHER LAND:** Include farmstead, roads, woodlands, wetlands, waste, government program land, and any land not already counted.
- 14. TOTAL GRAIN STORAGE:** Include any type of structure normally used to store whole grain. Exclude nonpermanent storage such as troughs, plastics bags or barrels.
- 15 - 24. LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY:** These questions refer to the peak inventory number during 2012. Operations such as broiler houses need only report the capacity of the houses on their operation not the annual production. OTHER LIVESTOCK refers to any animal production not listed in Items **15-23** such as fish, emus, ostriches and llamas.
- 25. VALUE OF PRODUCTION:** Enter the total value of crop production from **Items 2-13**. Include all crops, fruit, vegetables, nursery and greenhouse, Christmas trees, and forest products from the farm acres. Also include gardens with sales greater than \$500. Enter to total value of livestock production from **Items 15-24**. Include value from cattle, hogs, sheep, goats, horses, chickens, turkeys, bees, and other livestock raised on the operation during the twelve month period ending June 30, 2015.

### WEST VIRGINIA FARM USE VALUATION APPLICATION

**FARM OPERATOR:** If land is owned in more than one county, complete the crop and livestock data for the entire operation and the Farm Use Valuation Application for the principal production county. To make application for land owned in other counties, use additional forms completing the name, address and Farm Use Valuation Application sections, and **Item 25** from the principal county form. The principal production county is entered at the top of the form and the property location county is recorded in the Farm Use Valuation Application section.

**LANDLORDS:** If all application land is rented to others, the farm operator's name and address and the applicants name and address must be entered. Complete the Agricultural Land Description. See Farm Operator above for second county form.

1. Operations with production less than \$1,000 must indicate why this land qualifies for Farm Use Valuation.
2. All applicants must complete **Item 2**. Mineral income and Non-Farm income is attributable to coal, oil, gas or other minerals, recreational use. Non-farm income does not include salaries or pensions from non-farm employment. Farm income is from farming sources.
3. All corporations must complete **Item 3**.
4. Property under perpetual conservation easement with a county farmland protection board, the West Virginia Agricultural Land Protection Authority, or a qualified 501-c-3 land trust shall be awarded farm use status without reservation.

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