

FOR PARCELS LARGER THAN FIVE ACRES

Owner's Name _____ Address _____ _____ Parcel # _____	For Office Use Only Date received _____ Reviewed By _____ Field Inspection (Date) _____ By _____ Comments: _____
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If the enclosed form(s) are not received in this office by March 15 of the tax year applied for, it must be assumed that the land does not meet the qualifications for an agricultural exemption and current market value will be used to value the property.

CROPLAND SECTION

1. Is this land actively producing crops such as grain, feed crops, nursery stock, etc? Yes ___ No ___
2. How many acres of this land are being used for cropland?

(Non-Irrigated)

Acres _____	Crop _____	Yield _____
Acres _____	Crop _____	Yield _____
Acres _____	Crop _____	Yield _____

(Irrigated)

Acres _____	Crop _____	Yield _____
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Acres _____	Crop _____	Yield _____

3. Estimate the total production that is sold: _____

4. Do you lease this land to another operator? Yes ___ No ___

(If you lease or rent out this property, please attach a copy of the Lease or Rental Agreement.)

5. Lessee: (Name) _____ (Address) _____

6. COMMENTS: _____

GRAZING SECTION

1. Are you grazing the land as part of a livestock operation? Yes ___ No ___
2. How many acres are you using for grazing? _____
3. Is the grazing land fenced and maintained? Yes ___ No ___
4. List the type of livestock and the number of head on the unit.
 Type _____ (# _____) Type _____ (# _____)
5. What is the average number of animals sold each year? _____

6. Is the pasture leased or rented to another operator? Yes ___ No ___

(If you lease or rent out this property, please attach a copy of the Lease or Rental Agreement.)

7. Lessee: (Name) _____ (Address) _____

8. COMMENTS: _____

I CERTIFY, TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, THE INFORMATION I HAVE PROVIDED HEREIN IS TRUE, CORRECT AND COMPLETE.

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STATE OF IDAHO CODE AND RULES
Regarding Agriculture Tax Exemptions

63-604. Land actively devoted to agriculture defined.

- (1) For property tax purposes, land which is actively devoted to agriculture shall be eligible for appraisal, assessment and taxation as agricultural property each year it meets one or more of the following qualification:
- (a) The total area of such land, including the homesite, is more than five (5) contiguous acres, and is actively devoted to agriculture which means:
 - (i) It is used to produce field crops including, but not limited to, grains, feed crops, fruits and vegetables; or
 - (ii) It is used by the owner for the grazing of livestock to be sold as part of a net profit-making enterprise, or is leased by the owner to a bona fide lessee for grazing purposes; or
 - (iii) It is in a cropland retirement or rotation program.
 - (b) The area of such land is five (5) acres or less and such land has been actively devoted to agriculture within the meaning of subsection (1)(a) of this section during the last three (3) growing seasons; and
 - (i) It agriculturally produces for sale of home consumption the equivalent of fifteen percent (15%) or more of the owners' or lessees' annual gross income; or
 - (ii) It agriculturally produced gross revenues in the immediately preceding year of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) or more. When the area of land is five (5) acres or less, such land shall be presumed to be nonagricultural land until it is established that the requirements of this subsection have been met.
- (2) Land shall not be classified or valued as agricultural land which is part of a platted subdivision with stated restrictions prohibiting its use for agricultural purposes, whether within or without a city.
- (3) Land utilized for the grazing of a horse or other animals kept primarily for personal use or pleasure rather than as part of a bona fide profit-making agricultural enterprise shall not be considered to be land which is actively devoted to agriculture.

Code 63-1703c

(c) All forest products or timber harvested from investment lands not designated as subject to the provisions of section 63-1702, 63-1705 or 63-1706, Idaho Code, and delivered to a point of utilization as logs or semi-processed forest products (except those forest products harvested for the domestic use of the landowner under the provisions of section 63-1708, Idaho code, shall be subject to the yield tax at the time of harvest in the same manner provided for in section 63-1706, Idaho code.

- **IDAHO CODE AND THE AGRICULTURAL PROGRAM**

Reference Idaho Codes 63-604 and 63-208. The Idaho Code describes agricultural land as land actively devoted to agriculture and a part of a bona fide profit-making agricultural venture. The land is further described as land:

- Used to produce field crops, including, but not limited to, grains, feed crops, fruits, and vegetables; or
- Used by the owner or bona fide lessee for grazing of livestock to be sold as part of a net profit-making enterprise; or
- In a cropland retirement or rotation program.
- Land shall not be classified or valued as agricultural land which is part of a platted subdivision with stated restrictions prohibiting its use for agricultural purposes.
- Land utilized for grazing of a horse or other animals kept primarily for personal use or pleasure rather than as part of a bona fide profit-making agricultural enterprise shall not be considered to be land actively devoted to agriculture.

The intent of the program is to encourage landowners to use their land to produce a marketable product for public consumption. For example, an owner may produce fruits and nuts from trees or graze their cattle on the grass or hay growing on the land. If the land must lie fallow for a period of time to improve future growth of crops or grazing ground and is in a government-sponsored program for this purpose, this land may be included even though it may not be producing a marketable product at the current time.

Please contact the Timber/Agricultural Department of the Assessor's office if you need more information about agricultural products, qualifications for grazing horses and other animals, or crop retirement programs.

- **ACREAGE REQUIREMENTS**

- If the total area of such land, including the home site, is more than five contiguous acres (may be a group of separately assessed parcels with common boundaries), the owner may make initial application for the program. To continue the agricultural classification in future years, the owner must then ensure that the land continues to be devoted to agricultural use or show that it has been placed or continues to be in a crop retirement or rotation program.
- If the total area of such land is five acres or less, the owner may make initial application and must show that the land was actively devoted to agriculture during the last three growing seasons and:
 - Agriculturally produces for sale or home consumption the equivalent of 15% or more of the owners' or lessees' annual gross income; or
 - Agriculturally produced gross revenues in the immediately preceding year of \$1000 or more, including net income per sale of livestock. When the area is five acres or less, such land shall be presumed to be non-agricultural land until established that these requirements have been met.
 - The landowner must provide proof of these minimum incomes each year for the land to remain in qualification.

- **APPLICATION DEADLINE**

Parcels larger than five acres: If the initial application is not received in the Assessor's office by March 15 of the year in which the owner is seeking the agricultural classification, it will be assumed that the land does not meet qualifications. For land that is five (5.0) acres or less in size: The landowner must submit the initial application and provide proof of income (from the year before) by March 15. Proof of minimum income must be provided by March 15 each year thereafter.

- **VALUATION OF AGRICULTURAL LAND**

When property is accepted into the agricultural program, it is classified as dry cropland, irrigated cropland, dry grazing, or irrigated grazing. There are a number of different assessment rates that apply to the land according to its ability to produce crops or grazing grasses. The value is calculated by multiplying the acres in the program by one of these rates, which are lower than the per acre rates for full market value, to obtain the taxable value. These rates are based on the income approach (potential income from the land), are provided by the State Tax Commission, and change each year. This program does not provide a true exemption but a reclassification according to the land's agricultural use. For more information about assessment rates, contact the Timber and Ag Department.

- **LENGTH OF THE PROGRAM**

The land remains in the program for as long as a landowner actively manages it as agricultural land, whether or not it produces crops or is in rotation. When land is removed from this program, it is then assessed at full market value. The landowner is not required to pay back taxes on the difference in value between full market value and the lower taxable values placed on the land while it was in the program.

- **YIELD TAX**

If the grazing ground is timbered or there are small areas of timbered ground included in the acres classified as cropland, the landowner will be required to pay a 3% yield tax on timber harvested and delivered to a mill. The agricultural rates per acre do not account for potential income from the trees. The total taxable value depends upon the species of trees and the quantity harvested (by the thousand board feet).