

SARPY COUNTY ASSESSOR - Standard Operating Procedure

Date: February 5, 2019

SPECIAL VALUATION METHODOLOGY

OBJECTIVE: To establish the policy and method of valuing improved and unimproved farm land.

REFERENCE: NEBRASKA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE TITLE 350
CHAPTER 11 (03/15/2009)
CHAPTER 14 (03/15/2009)

POLICY: Sarpy County is influenced by market forces outside of the typical agricultural market. The influences are residential, commercial and recreational in nature. Therefore, the total of Sarpy County is covered under the Agricultural and Horticultural Special Valuation program.

MARKET AREAS: There is one special valuation agricultural market area within Sarpy County.

METHODOLOGY: Each farm parcel is to have a periodic inspection with all site improvements documented on the property record file. The land portion of the property record file is to be inventoried based upon its actual use and soil classification as documented in Title 350 Ch. 14 of the Nebraska Administrative Code. The identified uses need to be classified as an agricultural purpose or other land uses.

AGRICULTURAL LAND VALUATION: Sarpy County has no sales that are purely for an agricultural purpose. Therefore, Sarpy County relies on sales information received from the Property Assessment Division of the Nebraska Department of Revenue (PAD). For 2019, the PAD selected comparable counties from which to draw land sales that were analyzed to establish the agricultural special valuation, ensuring equalization with comparable and neighboring counties.

OTHER LAND USE VALUATION: The uses that are not agricultural or horticultural land are to be valued at 100% market value. The uses are identified, most typically as residential, commercial or recreational. Once identified, the area values will be arrived at by applying the same policies and practices that are used in valuing their counter parts that are not enrolled in the Special Valuation Program.

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