



Application and Return for Agricultural Classification of Lands

Section 193.461

The undersigned, hereby request that the lands listed hereon, where appropriate, be classified as Agricultural Lands for property tax purposes, by the property appraiser of the county in which the lands are located.

This form must be signed and both copies returned on or before March 1st.

Applicant's Name and Address: _____

Telephone No. () _____

Return To: _____

Legal Description _____

Property I.D. Number _____

Lands used primarily for agricultural purposes are as follows:	How Long in this use?	Agricultural income from this property (Please complete for the past four (4) Years).				
Citrus _____	Acres _____ Yrs. _____	Year	Crop or Use	Gross Income	Expense	Net Income
Cropland _____	Acres _____ Yrs. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Grazing Land _____	Acres _____ Yrs. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
No. of Livestock _____		_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Timberland _____	Acres _____ Yrs. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Poultry, Swine or Beeyards _____	Acres _____ Yrs. _____					
Other _____	Acres _____ Yrs. _____					

Date Purchased: _____
Purchase Price: _____

Has a Tangible Personal Property Tax Return been filed with the County Property Appraiser for machinery and equipment?
Yes No If yes, what name was the Tangible Return filed under? _____

Is the real property leased to others? Yes No **If Yes, attach copy of Lease Agreement.**

Has the real property been zoned to a nonagricultural use at the request of the owner? Yes No

As of January 1st of this year, _____ the lands listed above were used **primarily** for "Bona Fide" Agricultural Purposes. Bona Fide Agricultural Purpose means "Good Faith **Commercial** Agricultural use of the Land."

I understand that the property appraiser may require supplemental and additional information, other than the application, and I am willing to comply with any reasonable request to furnish such information.

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have read the foregoing application and that the facts stated in it are true. If prepared by someone other than the applicant, his/her declaration is based on all information of which he/she has any knowledge.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

For Record Purposes Only

This acknowledges receipt of your Application for Agricultural Classification of Lands on _____ for the above described property.
(date)

Property Appraiser: _____ County _____

Record of Action of County Property Appraiser

(Check Only the Appropriate Box Below)

1. Application approved and all lands are classified Agricultural

2. Application disapproved and Agricultural Classification of Lands denied on all Lands

3. Application approved in part, and disapproved in part

Agricultural Classification of Lands approved on the following described portion (Use this space only if item 3 above is checked)

Property Appraiser: _____ **Date:** _____

REQUIRED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
Supplement to DR-482

(Application and Return for Agricultural Classification of Lands)

1. Fully complete and return both the Application for Agriculture Classification of Lands (DR 482) as well as this Required Additional Information. **Both forms must be completed in their entirety as the questions apply in order to be considered for review.**
2. Sign, date and return **BOTH** forms.
3. Forms must be completed and returned to the Hendry County Property Appraiser's office by March 1, 20____.

In order to be considered for Agriculture Classification, Florida law states you must be involved in a bona fide commercial agriculture practice (FS 193.461). Department of Revenue rule (12D-5.001) defines this as follows: Good faith commercial agriculture use of property is defined as the pursuit of an agriculture activity for a reasonable profit or at least upon a reasonable expectation of meeting investment cost and realizing a reasonable profit. The profit or reasonable expectation therefore must be viewed from the standpoint of the fee owner and measured in light of his investment.

Lands not considered for agriculture classification will be valued at market value.

PLEASE NOTE: If you feel you do not meet the above criteria and are not eligible for this classification please sign and return the bottom portion of this page.

I, the undersigned DO NOT qualify for Agriculture Classification of Lands, and do not wish to apply.

Name _____
Date _____
Parcel # _____

Questions Please Contact the office of

Dena R. Pittman
Hendry County Property Appraiser
M-F 8:00 – 5:00
863-675-5270

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Name _____

Parcel # _____

Tax Roll _____

1. Please describe the agricultural condition *if any* of your land *at the time of purchase*. In other words what agricultural activity if any was taking place on the land at the time of purchase?

2. Please describe the agricultural condition *if any* of your land *at the time this application was submitted*. If no agricultural activity is taking place at submission time please sign and date page 1 of the Required Additional Information Request and re-apply next year if you plan to be involved in an agricultural practice.

3. What are you short term and long term plans for this property? **AGRICULTURALLY SPEAKING**
Short Term

Long Term

4. Did you purchase this land with the intent of receiving income from its agricultural productivity? Yes _____ No _____

5. Are you or your lands listed with the Farm Service Agency? Yes _____ No _____

6. Have you applied for any cost share programs with the Farm Service Agency or Natural Resource Conservation Service?
Yes _____ No _____

7. Do you File Schedule F (Profit and Loss from Farming) with your IRS income tax return? Yes _____ No _____

8. Are you currently involved in any commercial agricultural business such as forestry, cattle or crop production? Yes _____
No _____ If yes what is the nature of your business.

9. Are you a landowner in any other Florida counties? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, do you receive agricultural classification on those properties? Yes _____ No _____

10. Do you own or lease any equipment (ex. Tractors, harrows, hay balers, etc.) used to support the agricultural activity of your land? Yes _____ No _____

11. If yes, was answered on question 10, have you filed a Tangible Personal Property Return with this office? Yes _____ No _____

12. Would you consider that your land is being used **PRIMARILY** for *bona fide commercial* agricultural purposes?
Yes _____ No _____ (As stated on page 1 a *bona fide* use is a Good faith commercial agriculture use of property and is defined as the pursuit of an agriculture activity for a reasonable profit or at least upon a reasonable expectation of meeting investment cost and realizing a reasonable profit.)

Under penalties of perjury, I the undersigned, do hereby certify that the statements contained herein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Date _____

Signature _____

Thank you!

Hendry County Property Appraiser
Dena R. Pittman

Required to determine Agriculture Classification