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# **2013** Commission Summary

## for Dundy County

### **Residential Real Property - Current**

Number of Sales	44	Median	91.54
Total Sales Price	\$1,785,886	Mean	95.69
Total Adj. Sales Price	\$1,788,386	Wgt. Mean	88.94
Total Assessed Value	\$1,590,606	Average Assessed Value of the Base	\$34,149
Avg. Adj. Sales Price	\$40,645	Avg. Assessed Value	\$36,150

#### **Confidence Interval - Current**

95% Median C.I	82.62 to 103.08
95% Wgt. Mean C.I	83.31 to 94.58
95% Mean C.I	88.13 to 103.25
% of Value of the Class of all Real Property Value in the	6.32
% of Records Sold in the Study Period	4.73
% of Value Sold in the Study Period	5.00

### **Residential Real Property - History**

Year	Number of Sales	LOV	Median
2012	38	95	94.64
2011	53	96	96
2010	51	99	99
2009	42	89	89

# **2013** Commission Summary

## for Dundy County

### **Commercial Real Property - Current**

Number of Sales	6	Median	68.70
Total Sales Price	\$349,000	Mean	77.02
Total Adj. Sales Price	\$239,000	Wgt. Mean	70.37
Total Assessed Value	\$168,177	Average Assessed Value of the Base	\$37,385
Avg. Adj. Sales Price	\$39,833	Avg. Assessed Value	\$28,030

#### **Confidence Interval - Current**

95% Median C.I	52.69 to 118.68
95% Wgt. Mean C.I	59.35 to 81.38
95% Mean C.I	48.73 to 105.31
% of Value of the Class of all Real Property Value in the County	1.52
% of Records Sold in the Study Period	2.93
% of Value Sold in the Study Period	2.19

### **Commercial Real Property - History**

Year	Number of Sales	LOV	Median	
2012	7		84.64	
2011	6		97	
2010	10	100	94	
2009	11	100	99	

Opinions

# 2013 Opinions of the Property Tax Administrator for Dundy County

My opinions and recommendations are stated as a conclusion based on all of the factors known to me regarding the assessment practices and statistical analysis for this county. See, Neb. Rev. Stat. § 77-5027 (2011). While the median assessment sales ratio from the Qualified Statistical Reports for each class of real property is considered, my opinion of the level of value for a class of real property may be determined from other evidence contained within these Reports and Opinions of the Property Tax Administrator. My opinion of quality of assessment for a class of real property may be influenced by the assessment practices of the county assessor.

Class	Level of Value	Quality of Assessment	Non-binding recommendation
Residential Real Property	92	Meets generally accepted mass appraisal practices.	No recommendation.
Commercial Real Property	*NEI	Meets generally accepted mass appraisal practices.	No recommendation.
			-
Agricultural Land	69	Meets generally accepted mass appraisal practices.	No recommendation.

\*\*A level of value displayed as NEI (not enough information) represents a class of property with insufficient information to determine a level of value.

Dated this 5th day of April, 2013.



Ruth a. Sources

Ruth A. Sorensen Property Tax Administrator

**Residential Reports** 

# 2013 Residential Assessment Actions for Dundy County

Residential structures in both Benkelman and Haigler were individually considered for a 20% increase to the building value only.

The 20% increase was an attempt to bring Residential statistics to acceptable ranges countywide. The 20% increase was not applied to those residential structures deemed to be in poor condition or salvage condition and it was not applied to mobile homes. The 20% was not applied to Rural Home Site structures or to Farm Home Structures.

The discretionary adjustment was performed by the County Assessor by viewing each and every Residential record. The assessor has knowledge and familiarity of most residential structures. When doubts or uncertainties concerning condition occurred, the assessor performed drive-by verification.

There were a few remodels, a few demolitions, a few add-ons and, as usual, a few mobile home occurrences.

Two homes partially valued in 2012 were completed for 2013 and one new home was added to the County.

At present, there is only one permit for a new home to be built during 2013.

# 2013 Residential Assessment Survey for Dundy County

1.	Valuation data collection done by:										
	County Assessor										
2.	List the valuation groupings recognized by the County and describe the unique										
	characteristics of each:										
	Valuation       Description of unique characteristics										
	Grouping										
	01 Location – Within and close proximity to Benkelman City Limits										
	02 Location – Within and close proximity to Haigler Village Limits										
	03 Location – Outside City and Village Limits										
3.	List and describe the approach(es) used to estimate the market value of										
	residential properties.										
	Cost Approach and Sales Comparison										
4	What is the costing year of the cost approach being used for each valuation										
	grouping?										
	2003										
5.	If the cost approach is used, does the County develop the depreciation										
	study(ies) based on local market information or does the county use the tables										
	provided by the CAMA vendor?										
	County Development with some Owner-Provided										
6.	Are individual depreciation tables developed for each valuation grouping?										
	Not through 2013 – planned for 2014 or 2015										
7.	When were the depreciation tables last updated for each valuation grouping?										
	2006 - 2012										
8.	When was the last lot value study completed for each valuation grouping?										
	On-going with very few vacant lot sales.										
9.	Describe the methodology used to determine the residential lot values?										
	Sales, usually more than 2 years old. Very few vacant lots available for sale.										

29 Dundy				PAD 2013	B R&O Statisti	ics (Using 20 Ilified	13 Values)				
RESIDENTIAL	Date Range: 10/1/2010 To 9/30/2012 Posted on: 1/23/2013										
Number of Sales : 44		MEI	DIAN: 92	-		COV : 26.73			95% Median C.I.: 82.62	2 to 103.08	
Total Sales Price : 1,785,886			EAN: 89			STD: 25.58		95	% Wgt. Mean C.I.: 83.3		
Total Adj. Sales Price : 1,788,386			EAN: 96			Dev: 19.74		50	95% Mean C.I.: 88.1		
Total Assessed Value : 1,590,606		10	LAN. 90		////.//.				3570 Mean O.I 00.1	0 10 100.20	
Avg. Adj. Sales Price: 40,645		(	COD: 21.56		MAX Sales F	Ratio : 160.67					
Avg. Assessed Value: 36,150			PRD: 107.59		MIN Sales F	Ratio : 46.37			Prir	nted:3/26/2013	4:55:12PM
DATE OF SALE *										Avg. Adj.	Avg.
RANGE	COUNT	MEDIAN	MEAN	WGT.MEAN	COD	PRD	MIN	MAX	95%_Median_C.I.	Sale Price	Assd. Val
Qrtrs											
01-OCT-10 TO 31-DEC-10	5	85.76	85.38	85.81	09.26	99.50	69.82	99.72	N/A	36,600	31,408
01-JAN-11 To 31-MAR-11	2	71.55	71.55	72.64	03.40	98.50	69.12	73.98	N/A	54,500	39,591
01-APR-11 To 30-JUN-11	8	103.30	108.62	98.10	21.95	110.72	72.09	160.67	72.09 to 160.67	38,300	37,572
01-JUL-11 To 30-SEP-11	2	90.24	90.24	78.25	15.12	115.32	76.60	103.88	N/A	90,500	70,820
01-OCT-11 To 31-DEC-11	5	73.82	92.70	74.87	34.56	123.81	58.08	149.28	N/A	29,047	21,747
01-JAN-12 To 31-MAR-12	7	82.62	77.44	78.34	17.36	98.85	46.37	103.08	46.37 to 103.08	27,329	21,408
01-APR-12 To 30-JUN-12	6	101.11	97.19	90.57	10.57	107.31	74.71	110.90	74.71 to 110.90	44,417	40,227
01-JUL-12 To 30-SEP-12	9	108.91	111.35	101.54	18.24	109.66	83.04	149.36	88.57 to 137.75	45,106	45,802
Study Yrs											
01-OCT-10 To 30-SEP-11	17	90.70	95.26	87.05	20.36	109.43	69.12	160.67	73.98 to 107.38	45,847	39,908
01-OCT-11 To 30-SEP-12	27	92.38	95.96	90.40	22.17	106.15	46.37	149.36	82.62 to 109.33	37,370	33,784
Calendar Yrs											
01-JAN-11 To 31-DEC-11	17	93.38	97.41	84.97	25.89	114.64	58.08	160.67	72.99 to 118.25	43,626	37,067
ALL	44	91.54	95.69	88.94	21.56	107.59	46.37	160.67	82.62 to 103.08	40,645	36,150
VALUATION GROUPING										Avg. Adj.	Avg.
RANGE	COUNT	MEDIAN	MEAN	WGT.MEAN	COD	PRD	MIN	MAX	95%_Median_C.I.	Sale Price	Assd. Val
01	24	90.57	94.54	89.25	20.60	105.93	58.08	149.36	79.11 to 108.91	42,833	38,229
02	12	86.53	98.51	83.86	32.28	117.47	46.37	160.67	73.82 to 138.83	20,407	17,113
03	8	96.30	94.89	90.74	09.42	104.57	76.60	110.82	76.60 to 110.82	64,438	58,471
ALL	44	91.54	95.69	88.94	21.56	107.59	46.37	160.67	82.62 to 103.08	40,645	36,150
PROPERTY TYPE *										Avg. Adj.	Avg.
RANGE	COUNT	MEDIAN	MEAN	WGT.MEAN	COD	PRD	MIN	MAX	95%_Median_C.I.	Sale Price	Assd. Val
01	40	92.88	97.04	89.26	21.86	108.72	46.37	160.67	84.46 to 103.88	43,572	38,894
06											
07	4	78.22	82.21	76.61	11.84	107.31	72.09	100.31	N/A	11,375	8,714
ALL	44	91.54	95.69	88.94	21.56	107.59	46.37	160.67	82.62 to 103.08	40,645	36,150

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Number of Sales: 44		MED	IAN: 92			COV: 26.73			95% Median C.I.: 82	2.62 to 103.08	
Total Sales Price: 1,785,8	886	WGT. MI	EAN: 89			STD : 25.58		95	% Wgt. Mean C.I.: 8	3.31 to 94.58	
Total Adj. Sales Price: 1,788,3 Total Assessed Value: 1,590,6		M	EAN: 96		Avg. Abs.	Dev: 19.74			95% Mean C.I. : 8		
Avg. Adj. Sales Price: 40,645		C	COD: 21.56		MAX Sales F	Ratio : 160.67					
Avg. Assessed Value : 36,150		F	PRD: 107.59		MIN Sales F	Ratio : 46.37				Printed:3/26/2013	4:55:12PM
SALE PRICE *										Avg. Adj.	Avg.
RANGE	COUNT	MEDIAN	MEAN	WGT.MEAN	COD	PRD	MIN	MAX	95%_Median_C.I.	Sale Price	Assd. Val
Low \$ Ranges											
Less Than 5,000	4	133.77	132.13	129.74	17.08	101.84	100.31	160.67	N/A	2,959	3,839
Less Than 15,000	8	103.48	114.73	106.74	17.67	107.49	82.62	160.67	82.62 to 160.67	5,979	6,382
Less Than 30,000	20	103.48	106.09	103.21	23.54	102.79	46.37	160.67	82.62 to 126.72	13,917	14,364
Ranges Excl. Low \$											
Greater Than 4,999	40	89.50	92.04	88.67	19.62	103.80	46.37	149.36	80.90 to 99.72	44,414	39,381
Greater Than 14,999	36	87.17	91.46	88.45	20.89	103.40	46.37	149.36	76.60 to 99.22	48,349	42,765
Greater Than 29,999	24	85.13	87.02	86.31	15.12	100.82	58.08	122.17	75.01 to 95.20	62,919	54,305
Incremental Ranges											
0 TO 4,999	4	133.77	132.13	129.74	17.08	101.84	100.31	160.67	N/A	2,959	3,839
5,000 TO 14,999	4	101.40	97.33	99.18	06.07	98.13	82.62	103.88	N/A	9,000	8,926
15,000 TO 29,999	12	98.74	100.34	102.48	28.77	97.91	46.37	149.36	72.09 to 137.75	19,208	19,685
30,000 TO 59,999	16	84.48	87.45	88.22	17.70	99.13	58.08	122.17	72.99 to 107.38	43,347	38,241
60,000 TO 99,999	5	93.38	89.51	88.98	07.43	100.60	73.98	99.22	N/A	75,500	67,183
100,000 TO 149,999	1	74.71	74.71	74.71	00.00	100.00	74.71	74.71	N/A	114,000	85,175
150,000 TO 249,999	2	83.52	83.52	83.20	08.29	100.38	76.60	90.43	N/A	162,500	135,193
250,000 TO 499,999											
500,000 TO 999,999											
1,000,000 +											
ALL	44	91.54	95.69	88.94	21.56	107.59	46.37	160.67	82.62 to 103.08	40,645	36,150

### A. Residential Real Property

Dundy County has a population of approximately 2,000 residents which about half of that base is within the City limits of Benkelman. The other 1,000 residents are located between the small Villages of Haigler, Max, Parks and the rural agricultural locations. Although Benkelman is the predominant residential and commercial valuation grouping, agriculture remains to be the driving force of the county economy. Historically within the prior five years, the qualified residential sample has contained between 30-40 sales. New residential construction has been minor for this Southwestern County.

The assessment actions reported that based on market analysis, residential improvements in both Benkelman and Haigler were individually considered for a 20% value increase. The increase was not applied when the assessor determined the structure was in poor or salvage condition. The assessor concluded that values were acceptable as demonstrated by her sample that used both improved and unimproved sales.

A review of the residential statistics after the assessed value update and abstract was submitted reflected a sampling of 44 qualified sales with an overall median of 92. Twenty four of those sales are within Benkelman with a median of 91. Further testing was completed by the liaison to verify reliability of the calculated statistics for the valuation grouping 01. The assessor reported that four additional sales were used in the county measurements, which were vacant lot sales. Consideration of these three additional lot sales showed the overall residential median changed from 92 to 93. The median for Benkelman changed from 91 to 93. It is not typically to see a level of value for a subclass change two points after using low dollar sales. One of the sales had both a purchase price and assessed value of \$700.

Although the statistical sampling for residential property classes do not include unimproved land; the testing completed affirmed that the sample of sales in valuation grouping 01, Benkelman, is not reliable to indicate a level of value.

Based on the consideration of all available information, the level of value is determined to be 92% of market value for the residential class of property, although not enough information exists to determine a level for each individual subclass.

### **B.** Analysis of Sales Verification

Neb. Rev. Stat. § 77-1327(2) (2011) provides that all sales are deemed to be arms length transactions unless determined to be otherwise under professionally accepted mass appraisal techniques. The county assessor is responsible for the qualification of the sales included in the state sales file.

The Standard on Ratio Studies, International Association of Assessing Officials (2010), indicates that excessive trimming (the arbitrary exclusion or adjustment of arms length transactions) may indicate an attempt to inappropriately exclude arms length transactions to create the appearance of a higher level of value and quality of assessment. The sales file, in a case of excess trimming, will fail to properly represent the level of value and quality of assessment of the population of real property.

The Nebraska Department of Revenue, Property Assessment Division (Division) frequently reviews the procedures used by the county assessor to qualify sales to ensure bias does not exist in judgments made. Arms length transactions should only be excluded when they compromise the reliability of the resulting statistics. In cases where a county assessor has disqualified sales without substantiation, the Division may include such sales in the ratio study.

### C. Measures of Central Tendency

There are three measures of central tendency calculated by the Division: median ratio, weighted mean ratio, and mean ratio. Since each measure of central tendency has strengths and weaknesses, the use of any statistic for equalization should be reconciled with the other two, as in an appraisal, based on the appropriateness of the use of the statistic for a defined purpose, the quantity of the information from which it was drawn, and the reliability of the data that was used in its calculation. An examination of the three measures can serve to illustrate important trends in the data if the measures do not closely correlate to each other.

The International Association of Assessing Officers (IAAO) considers the median ratio the most appropriate statistical measure for use in determining level of value for direct equalization; the process of adjusting the values of classes or subclasses of property in response to the determination of level of value at a point above or below a particular range. Since the median ratio is considered neutral in relationship to either assessed value or selling price, its use in adjusting the class or subclass of properties will not change the relationships between assessed value and level of value already present within the class or subclass of properties, thus rendering an adjustment neutral in its impact on the relative tax burden to an individual property. Additionally, the median ratio is less influenced by the presence of extreme ratios, commonly called outliers. One outlier in a small sample size of sales can have controlling influence over the other measures of central tendency. The median ratio limits the distortion potential of an outlier.

The weighted mean ratio is viewed by the IAAO as the most appropriate statistical measure for indirect equalization. The weighted mean, because it is a value weighted ratio, best reflects a comparison of the assessed and market value of property in the political subdivision. If the distribution of aid to political subdivisions must relate to the market value available for assessment in the political subdivision, the measurement of central tendency used to analyze level of value should reflect the dollars of value available to be assessed. The weighted mean ratio does that more than either of the other measures of central tendency.

If the weighted mean ratio, because of its dollar-weighting feature, is significantly different from the median ratio, it may be an indication of other problems with assessment proportionality. When this occurs, an evaluation of the county's assessment practices and procedures is appropriate to discover remedies to the situation.

The mean ratio is used as a basis for other statistical calculations, such as the price related differential and coefficient of variation. However, the mean ratio has limited application in the analysis of level of value because it assumes a normal distribution of the data set around the mean ratio with each ratio having the same impact on the calculation regardless of the assessed value or the selling price.

### 2013 Correlation Section for Dundy County

### **D.** Analysis of Quality of Assessment

In analyzing the statistical data of assessment quality, there are two measures upon which assessment officials will primarily rely: the Coefficient of Dispersion (COD), and the Price Related Differential (PRD). Whether such statistics can be relied upon as meaningful for the population depends on whether the sample is representative.

The COD is commonly referred to as the index of assessment inequality. It is used to measure how closely the individual ratios are clustered around the median ratio and suggests the degree of uniformity or inaccuracy resulting in the assessments. The COD is computed by dividing the average deviation by the median ratio. For example, a COD of 20 means half of the ratios are 20 percent above or below the median. The closer the ratios are grouped around the median, the more equitable the assessment of property tends to be. Conversely, if the dispersion is quite large, there is a large spread in the ratios typically indicating a large spread around the median in the assessment of property, which results in an inequity in assessment and taxes. There is no range of acceptability stated in the Nebraska statutes for the COD measure. The IAAO recommended ratio study performance standards are as follows:

Single-family residences: a COD of 15 percent or less.

For newer and fairly homogeneous areas: a COD of 10 or less.

Income-producing property: a COD of 20 or less, or in larger urban jurisdictions, 15 or less. Vacant land and other unimproved property, such as agricultural land: a COD of 20 or less. Rural residential and seasonal properties: a COD of 20 or less.

Mass Appraisal of Real Property, International Association of Assessing Officers, (1999), p. 246.

In unusually homogeneous types of property low CODs can be anticipated; however, in all other cases CODs less than 5 percent may be indicative of non-representative samples or the selective reappraisal of sold parcels.

Note that as market activity changes or as the complexity of properties increases, the measures of variability usually increase, even though appraisal procedures may be equally valid. Standard on Ratio Studies—2010, International Association of Assessing Officers, (2010), p. 13.

The PRD, also known as the index of regression, is a measurement of the relationship between the ratios of high-value and low-value properties to determine if the value of property has any influence on the assessment ratio. It is calculated by dividing the arithmetic mean ratio by the weighted mean ratio. The PRD provides an indicator of the degree to which high-value properties are over-assessed or under-assessed in relation to low-value properties. A PRD of 100 indicates there is no bias in the assessment of high-value properties in comparison to low-value properties. A PRD greater than 100 indicates the assessments are regressive, which means low-value properties tend to have a higher assessment ratio than high-value properties. The result is the owner of a low-value property pays a greater amount of tax in relation to value than the owner of a high-value property. Conversely, a PRD less than 100 indicates that

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### 2013 Correlation Section for Dundy County

high-value properties are over assessed in relation to low-value properties.

There is no range of acceptability stated in the Nebraska statutes for the PRD measure. The Standard on Ratio Studies, adopted by the International Association of Assessing Officers, January, 2010, recommends that the PRD should lie between 98 and 103. This range is centered slightly above 100 to allow for a slightly upward measurement bias inherent in the PRD.

The PRD is calculated based on the selling price/assessed value in the sales file. This measure can be misleading if the dollar value of the records in the sales file is not proportionate to the dollar value of records in the population.

Mass Appraisal of Real Property, International Association of Assessing Officers, (1999), p. 239.

# **2013** Commercial Assessment Actions for Dundy County

Commercial Assessment was not very active for 2013.

A few structural alterations required on-site inspections to change condition or to add or delete building components.

No new business buildings.

The TIF Grain/Fertilizer facility required the completion of some rail and the addition of a fertilizer plant with two buildings and a tank farm.

# 2013 Commercial Assessment Survey for Dundy County

1.	Valuation data collection done by:
	County Assessor
2.	List the valuation groupings recognized in the County and describe the unique
	characteristics of each:
	Valuation       Description of unique characteristics
	Grouping
	01 Location – City of Benkelman City Limits and T1-R37
	02 Location – Village of Haigler Village Limits and T1-R41
	03 Location – Outside City or Village Limits
3.	List and describe the approach(es) used to estimate the market value of
	commercial properties.
	Predominantly, Cost Approach, some Sales Comparison
3a.	Describe the process used to determine the value of unique commercial
	properties.
	Research other jurisdictions, available Costs from Marshall Valuation Service,
	owner-provided in many cases.
4.	What is the costing year of the cost approach being used for each valuation
	grouping?
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5.	If the cost approach is used, does the County develop the depreciation
	study(ies) based on local market information or does the county use the tables provided by the CAMA vendor?
	County-development from sparse information.
6.	Are individual depreciation tables developed for each valuation grouping?
0.	No
7.	When were the depreciation tables last updated for each valuation grouping?
/.	2003
8.	When was the last lot value study completed for each valuation grouping?
0.	2009 - 2011
9.	<b>Describe the methodology used to determine the commercial lot values.</b>
9.	
	Sales Comparison when available. Very few sales within last decade.

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29 Dundy	PAD 2013 R&O Statistics (Using 2013 Values) Qualified											
COMMERCIAL				Date Range:	10/1/2009 To 9/30		d on: 1/23/2013					
Number of Sales : 6 Total Sales Price : 349,000 Total Adj. Sales Price : 239,000		WGT. ME	DIAN : 69 IEAN : 70 IEAN : 77		C	COV : 34.99 STD : 26.95 Dev : 20.05			95% Median C.I.: 52.69 % Wgt. Mean C.I.: 59.38 95% Mean C.I.: 48.73	5 to 81.38		
Total Assessed Value: 168,177 Avg. Adj. Sales Price: 39,833 Avg. Assessed Value: 28,030			COD: 29.18 PRD: 109.45		MAX Sales R MIN Sales R	Ratio : 118.68 Ratio : 52.69			Priv	nted:3/26/2013	4:55:13PM	
DATE OF SALE *	_		_		_	_		_		Avg. Adj.	Avg.	
RANGE	COUNT	MEDIAN	MEAN	WGT.MEAN	COD	PRD	MIN	MAX	95%_Median_C.I.	Sale Price	Assd. Val	
Qrtrs												
01-OCT-09 To 31-DEC-09												
01-JAN-10 To 31-MAR-10												
01-APR-10 To 30-JUN-10												
01-JUL-10 To 30-SEP-10	2	92.08	92.08	75.77	28.90	121.53	65.47	118.68	N/A	15,500	11,744	
01-OCT-10 To 31-DEC-10												
01-JAN-11 To 31-MAR-11	3	71.93	75.08	70.96	22.20	105.81	52.69	100.61	N/A	64,000	45,416	
01-APR-11 To 30-JUN-11												
01-JUL-11 To 30-SEP-11												
01-OCT-11 To 31-DEC-11												
01-JAN-12 To 31-MAR-12												
01-APR-12 To 30-JUN-12	1	52.76	52.76	52.76	00.00	100.00	52.76	52.76	N/A	16,000	8,442	
01-JUL-12 To 30-SEP-12												
Study Yrs												
01-OCT-09 To 30-SEP-10	2	92.08	92.08	75.77	28.90	121.53	65.47	118.68	N/A	15,500	11,744	
01-OCT-10 To 30-SEP-11	3	71.93	75.08	70.96	22.20	105.81	52.69	100.61	N/A	64,000	45,416	
01-OCT-11 To 30-SEP-12	1	52.76	52.76	52.76	00.00	100.00	52.76	52.76	N/A	16,000	8,442	
Calendar Yrs												
01-JAN-10 To 31-DEC-10	2	92.08	92.08	75.77	28.90	121.53	65.47	118.68	N/A	15,500	11,744	
01-JAN-11 To 31-DEC-11	3	71.93	75.08	70.96	22.20	105.81	52.69	100.61	N/A	64,000	45,416	
ALL	6	68.70	77.02	70.37	29.18	109.45	52.69	118.68	52.69 to 118.68	39,833	28,030	
VALUATION GROUPING										Avg. Adj.	Avg.	
RANGE	COUNT	MEDIAN	MEAN	WGT.MEAN	COD	PRD	MIN	MAX	95%_Median_C.I.	Sale Price	Assd. Val	
01	6	68.70	77.02	70.37	29.18	109.45	52.69	118.68	52.69 to 118.68	39,833	28,030	
ALL	6	68.70	77.02	70.37	29.18	109.45	52.69	118.68	52.69 to 118.68	39,833	28,030	
PROPERTY TYPE *												
RANGE	COUNT					חסט	N 41 N I		05% Madian C I	Avg. Adj.	Avg.	
	COUNT	MEDIAN	MEAN	WGT.MEAN	COD	PRD	MIN	MAX	95%_Median_C.I.	Sale Price	Assd. Val	
02	0	<u> </u>	77.00	70.07	00.40	100 45	50.00	110.00	50 00 to 110 00	20.022	<u></u>	
03	6	68.70	77.02	70.37	29.18	109.45	52.69	118.68	52.69 to 118.68	39,833	28,030	
04												
ALL	6	68.70	77.02	70.37	29.18	109.45	52.69	118.68	52.69 to 118.68	39,833	28,030	

29 Dundy				PAD 2013	3 R&O Statisti	i <b>cs (Using 20</b> Ilified	)13 Values)					
COMMERCIAL				Date Range:	10/1/2009 To 9/30		d on: 1/23/2013	3				
Number of Sales : 6		MED	DIAN: 69			COV: 34.99		95% Median C.I.: 52.69 to 118.68				
Total Sales Price: 349,000			EAN: 70		STD : 26.95 Avg. Abs. Dev : 20.05				95% Wgt. Mean C.I.: 59.35 to 81.38 95% Mean C.I.: 48.73 to 105.31			
Total Adj. Sales Price: 239,000			EAN: 77									
Total Assessed Value : 168,177	· ·											
Avg. Adj. Sales Price: 39,833		0	COD: 29.18		MAX Sales F	Ratio : 118.68						
Avg. Assessed Value : 28,030		I	PRD: 109.45		MIN Sales F	Ratio : 52.69			Prii	nted:3/26/2013	4:55:13PM	
SALE PRICE *										Avg. Adj.	Avg.	
RANGE	COUNT	MEDIAN	MEAN	WGT.MEAN	COD	PRD	MIN	MAX	95%_Median_C.I.	Sale Price	Assd. Val	
Low \$ Ranges												
Less Than 5,000												
Less Than 15,000	1	118.68	118.68	118.68	00.00	100.00	118.68	118.68	N/A	6,000	7,121	
Less Than 30,000	4	83.04	84.38	76.62	30.43	110.13	52.76	118.68	N/A	16,000	12,259	
Ranges Excl. Low \$	_											
Greater Than 4,999	6	68.70	77.02	70.37	29.18	109.45	52.69	118.68	52.69 to 118.68	39,833	28,030	
Greater Than 14,999	5	65.47	68.69	69.12	20.50	99.38	52.69	100.61	N/A	46,600	32,211	
Greater Than 29,999	2	62.31	62.31	68.08	15.44	91.52	52.69	71.93	N/A	87,500	59,572	
Incremental Ranges												
0 TO 4,999 5,000 TO 14,999	1	118.68	118.68	118.68	00.00	100.00	118.68	118.68	N/A	6,000	7,121	
15,000 TO 29,999	3	65.47	72.95	72.26	24.36	100.00	52.76	100.61	N/A	19,333	13,971	
30,000 TO 59,999	1	52.69	52.69	52.69	00.00	100.95	52.69	52.69	N/A	35,000	18,440	
60,000 TO 99,999	I.	02.00	02.00	02.00	00.00	100.00	02.00	02.00		00,000	10,440	
100,000 TO 149,999												
150,000 TO 249,999												
250,000 TO 499,999	1	71.93	71.93	71.93	00.00	100.00	71.93	71.93	N/A	140,000	100,703	
500,000 TO 999,999										,	,	
1,000,000 +												
ALL	6	68.70	77.02	70.37	29.18	109.45	52.69	118.68	52.69 to 118.68	39,833	28,030	
OCCUPANCY CODE										Avg. Adj.	Avg.	
RANGE	COUNT	MEDIAN	MEAN	WGT.MEAN	COD	PRD	MIN	MAX	95%_Median_C.I.	Sale Price	Assd. Val	
311	1	118.68	118.68	118.68	00.00	100.00	118.68	118.68	N/A	6,000	7,121	
343	1	71.93	71.93	71.93	00.00	100.00	71.93	71.93	N/A	140,000	100,703	
344	1	100.61	100.61	100.61	00.00	100.00	100.61	100.61	N/A	17,000	17,104	
349	1	65.47	65.47	65.47	00.00	100.00	65.47	65.47	N/A	25,000	16,367	
353	1	52.69	52.69	52.69	00.00	100.00	52.69	52.69	N/A	35,000	18,440	
528	1	52.76	52.76	52.76	00.00	100.00	52.76	52.76	N/A	16,000	8,442	
ALL	6	68.70	77.02	70.37	29.18	109.45	52.69	118.68	52.69 to 118.68	39,833	28,030	

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**Commercial Correlation** 

### A. Commercial Real Property

Dundy County is primarily an agricultural based County with very little commercial property within the valuation population countywide. Benkelman is the county seat where typically over 70% of the commercial valuation is located. Benkelman serves residents for retail, medical, schools, and has the only bank in the County. The small villages of Max, Haigler and Parks are all small rural locations and have populations of 150 or less.

2012 reported the largest increase due to new commercial construction which included a TIF Grain/Fertilizer facility and one new restaurant in Benkelman. For 2013, the assessor reported a few structural changes that required physical inspections and minor valuation differences. The new Grain facility completed some rail line and the addition of a fertilizer plant with two buildings and a tank farm.

The Assessor continues to conduct annual appraisal work in the commercial class of property although the commercial economy does not show signs of increasing without the agricultural sector. Each of the commercial sales represents a different occupancy code and no representation has formed a reliable sample for measurement purposes.

Based on the consideration of all available information, the level of value cannot be determined for the commercial class or property nor will the qualitative measures be used in determing assessment uniformity and proportionality.

### **B.** Analysis of Sales Verification

Neb. Rev. Stat. § 77-1327(2) (2011) provides that all sales are deemed to be arms length transactions unless determined to be otherwise under professionally accepted mass appraisal techniques. The county assessor is responsible for the qualification of the sales included in the state sales file.

The Standard on Ratio Studies, International Association of Assessing Officials (2010), indicates that excessive trimming (the arbitrary exclusion or adjustment of arms length transactions) may indicate an attempt to inappropriately exclude arms length transactions to create the appearance of a higher level of value and quality of assessment. The sales file, in a case of excess trimming, will fail to properly represent the level of value and quality of assessment of the population of real property.

The Nebraska Department of Revenue, Property Assessment Division (Division) frequently reviews the procedures used by the county assessor to qualify sales to ensure bias does not exist in judgments made. Arms length transactions should only be excluded when they compromise the reliability of the resulting statistics. In cases where a county assessor has disqualified sales without substantiation, the Division may include such sales in the ratio study.

### C. Measures of Central Tendency

There are three measures of central tendency calculated by the Division: median ratio, weighted mean ratio, and mean ratio. Since each measure of central tendency has strengths and weaknesses, the use of any statistic for equalization should be reconciled with the other two, as in an appraisal, based on the appropriateness of the use of the statistic for a defined purpose, the quantity of the information from which it was drawn, and the reliability of the data that was used in its calculation. An examination of the three measures can serve to illustrate important trends in the data if the measures do not closely correlate to each other.

The International Association of Assessing Officers (IAAO) considers the median ratio the most appropriate statistical measure for use in determining level of value for direct equalization; the process of adjusting the values of classes or subclasses of property in response to the determination of level of value at a point above or below a particular range. Since the median ratio is considered neutral in relationship to either assessed value or selling price, its use in adjusting the class or subclass of properties will not change the relationships between assessed value and level of value already present within the class or subclass of properties, thus rendering an adjustment neutral in its impact on the relative tax burden to an individual property. Additionally, the median ratio is less influenced by the presence of extreme ratios, commonly called outliers. One outlier in a small sample size of sales can have controlling influence over the other measures of central tendency. The median ratio limits the distortion potential of an outlier.

The weighted mean ratio is viewed by the IAAO as the most appropriate statistical measure for indirect equalization. The weighted mean, because it is a value weighted ratio, best reflects a comparison of the assessed and market value of property in the political subdivision. If the distribution of aid to political subdivisions must relate to the market value available for assessment in the political subdivision, the measurement of central tendency used to analyze level of value should reflect the dollars of value available to be assessed. The weighted mean ratio does that more than either of the other measures of central tendency.

If the weighted mean ratio, because of its dollar-weighting feature, is significantly different from the median ratio, it may be an indication of other problems with assessment proportionality. When this occurs, an evaluation of the county's assessment practices and procedures is appropriate to discover remedies to the situation.

The mean ratio is used as a basis for other statistical calculations, such as the price related differential and coefficient of variation. However, the mean ratio has limited application in the analysis of level of value because it assumes a normal distribution of the data set around the mean ratio with each ratio having the same impact on the calculation regardless of the assessed value or the selling price.

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### **D.** Analysis of Quality of Assessment

In analyzing the statistical data of assessment quality, there are two measures upon which assessment officials will primarily rely: the Coefficient of Dispersion (COD), and the Price Related Differential (PRD). Whether such statistics can be relied upon as meaningful for the population depends on whether the sample is representative.

The COD is commonly referred to as the index of assessment inequality. It is used to measure how closely the individual ratios are clustered around the median ratio and suggests the degree of uniformity or inaccuracy resulting in the assessments. The COD is computed by dividing the average deviation by the median ratio. For example, a COD of 20 means half of the ratios are 20 percent above or below the median. The closer the ratios are grouped around the median, the more equitable the assessment of property tends to be. Conversely, if the dispersion is quite large, there is a large spread in the ratios typically indicating a large spread around the median in the assessment of property, which results in an inequity in assessment and taxes. There is no range of acceptability stated in the Nebraska statutes for the COD measure. The IAAO recommended ratio study performance standards are as follows:

Single-family residences: a COD of 15 percent or less.

For newer and fairly homogeneous areas: a COD of 10 or less.

Income-producing property: a COD of 20 or less, or in larger urban jurisdictions, 15 or less. Vacant land and other unimproved property, such as agricultural land: a COD of 20 or less. Rural residential and seasonal properties: a COD of 20 or less.

Mass Appraisal of Real Property, International Association of Assessing Officers, (1999), p. 246.

In unusually homogeneous types of property low CODs can be anticipated; however, in all other cases CODs less than 5 percent may be indicative of non-representative samples or the selective reappraisal of sold parcels.

Note that as market activity changes or as the complexity of properties increases, the measures of variability usually increase, even though appraisal procedures may be equally valid. Standard on Ratio Studies—2010, International Association of Assessing Officers, (2010), p. 13.

The PRD, also known as the index of regression, is a measurement of the relationship between the ratios of high-value and low-value properties to determine if the value of property has any influence on the assessment ratio. It is calculated by dividing the arithmetic mean ratio by the weighted mean ratio. The PRD provides an indicator of the degree to which high-value properties are over-assessed or under-assessed in relation to low-value properties. A PRD of 100 indicates there is no bias in the assessment of high-value properties in comparison to low-value properties. A PRD greater than 100 indicates the assessments are regressive, which means low-value properties tend to have a higher assessment ratio than high-value properties. The result is the owner of a low-value property pays a greater amount of tax in relation to value than the owner of a high-value property. Conversely, a PRD less than 100 indicates that

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high-value properties are over assessed in relation to low-value properties.

There is no range of acceptability stated in the Nebraska statutes for the PRD measure. The Standard on Ratio Studies, adopted by the International Association of Assessing Officers, January, 2010, recommends that the PRD should lie between 98 and 103. This range is centered slightly above 100 to allow for a slightly upward measurement bias inherent in the PRD.

The PRD is calculated based on the selling price/assessed value in the sales file. This measure can be misleading if the dollar value of the records in the sales file is not proportionate to the dollar value of records in the population.

Mass Appraisal of Real Property, International Association of Assessing Officers, (1999), p. 239.

Agricultural and/or Special Valuation Reports

# 2013 Agricultural Assessment Actions for Dundy County

New structures were reviewed, listed, measured, and added to assessment records. Removed, demolished, and 100% obsolete structures were deleted from assessment records.

Allocation acres decertified by NRD were reclassified, revalued, and noted upon relative assessment acres. AWEP acres were processed for several parcels, eliminating the Irrigated Land classification for those acres and converting them to Dry Cropland or Grassland.

All reported land changes and some expired CRP acres being changed to dry cropland were updated on assessment records.

Sales, both improved and unimproved, that occurred in Dundy County between 10/01/2009 and 09/30/2012 were studied and used to develop the assessor's version of 2013 values.

# 2013 Agricultural Assessment Survey for Dundy County

1.	Valuation data	a collection done by:							
	County Assesse	or							
2.	List each mar	ket area, and describe the location and the specific characteristics							
	that make eac	h unique.							
	Market Area	Description of unique characteristics							
	01 Total County								
3.	Describe the p	rocess used to determine and monitor market areas.							
	Sales analysis.								
4.	Describe the p	process used to identify rural residential land and recreational land							
	in the county a	apart from agricultural land.							
	Viewing, talkin	ng to owners.							
5.	Do farm home sites carry the same value as rural residential home sites? If not,								
	what are the n	narket differences?							
	No								
6.		process used to identify and monitor the influence of non-							
	agricultural ch								
	Viewing, talkin								
7.	-	valuation applications been filed in the county? If a value							
		recognized describe the process used to develop the uninfluenced							
	value.								
	No								
8.	/	describe the process used to develop assessed values for parcels							
		e Wetland Reserve Program.							
	Identified as Si	te – Valued at ½ of Recreational Land – NO MARKET AVAILABLE							

29 Dundy		PAD 2013 R&O Statistics (Using 2013 Values) Qualified										
AGRICULTURAL LAND				Date Range: 1	0/1/2009 To 9/30/		d on: 1/23/2013					
Number of Sales: 68		MEL	DIAN: 69		COV : 32.31			2 to 74 71				
Total Sales Price : 25,545,10	00		EAN: 65						95% Median C.I.: 63.62 to 74.71 95% Wat. Mean C.I.: 56.82 to 72.24			
			EAN: 72	STD:23.13 Avg. Abs. Dev:17.10 MAX Sales Ratio:138.81				90				
Total Adj. Sales Price: 25,294,05 Total Assessed Value: 16,322,11		IVI	EAN . 72									
Avg. Adj. Sales Price : 371,971	0	(	COD: 24.68									
Avg. Assessed Value : 240,031		PRD: 110.94			MIN Sales Ratio : 28.79			Printed:3/26/2013 4:55.				
DATE OF SALE *										Avg. Adj.	Avg.	
RANGE	COUNT	MEDIAN	MEAN	WGT.MEAN	COD	PRD	MIN	MAX	95%_Median_C.I.	Sale Price	Assd. Val	
Qrtrs												
01-OCT-09 To 31-DEC-09	6	70.92	72.17	73.19	03.61	98.61	68.95	80.84	68.95 to 80.84	352,438	257,942	
01-JAN-10 To 31-MAR-10	12	74.80	76.63	68.11	27.95	112.51	31.11	118.88	61.78 to 95.23	474,683	323,327	
01-APR-10 To 30-JUN-10	6	72.92	76.96	87.27	19.97	88.19	57.87	109.37	57.87 to 109.37	437,700	381,982	
01-JUL-10 To 30-SEP-10	2	115.65	115.65	106.38	10.69	108.71	103.29	128.00	N/A	80,000	85,100	
01-OCT-10 To 31-DEC-10	13	63.57	70.97	66.92	19.84	106.05	44.94	138.81	57.22 to 77.95	233,052	155,968	
01-JAN-11 To 31-MAR-11	6	72.07	76.23	63.92	17.77	119.26	62.12	93.72	62.12 to 93.72	654,450	418,333	
01-APR-11 To 30-JUN-11	2	83.76	83.76	86.34	24.04	97.01	63.62	103.90	N/A	92,575	79,925	
01-JUL-11 To 30-SEP-11	3	69.80	65.65	64.37	12.99	101.99	49.97	77.17	N/A	330,224	212,579	
01-OCT-11 To 31-DEC-11	6	51.56	54.46	51.75	32.60	105.24	35.91	74.71	35.91 to 74.71	315,667	163,344	
01-JAN-12 To 31-MAR-12	7	48.59	53.58	44.80	31.57	119.60	30.68	84.52	30.68 to 84.52	490,293	219,656	
01-APR-12 To 30-JUN-12	3	98.46	98.16	99.42	09.27	98.73	84.31	111.70	N/A	77,926	77,470	
01-JUL-12 To 30-SEP-12	2	40.84	40.84	34.55	29.51	118.21	28.79	52.89	N/A	502,500	173,598	
Study Yrs												
01-OCT-09 To 30-SEP-10	26	71.67	78.68	74.45	23.71	105.68	31.11	128.00	68.52 to 88.45	407,578	303,449	
01-OCT-10 To 30-SEP-11	24	65.77	72.69	65.61	19.93	110.79	44.94	138.81	63.17 to 77.95	338,842	222,299	
01-OCT-11 To 30-SEP-12	18	57.78	59.88	47.18	35.81	126.92	28.79	111.70	38.51 to 74.71	364,713	172,070	
Calendar Yrs												
01-JAN-10 To 31-DEC-10	33	68.81	76.83	72.70	26.59	105.68	31.11	138.81	63.50 to 80.79	348,851	253,624	
01-JAN-11 To 31-DEC-11	17	64.42	67.56	61.28	22.88	110.25	35.91	103.90	49.97 to 80.00	411,560	252,215	
ALL	68	69.30	71.59	64.53	24.68	110.94	28.79	138.81	63.62 to 74.71	371,971	240,031	
AREA (MARKET)										Avg. Adj.	Avg.	
RANGE	COUNT	MEDIAN	MEAN	WGT.MEAN	COD	PRD	MIN	MAX	95%_Median_C.I.	Sale Price	Assd. Val	
1	68	69.30	71.59	64.53	24.68	110.94	28.79	138.81	63.62 to 74.71	371,971	240,031	
ALL	68	69.30	71.59	64.53	24.68	110.94	28.79	138.81	63.62 to 74.71	371,971	240,031	
95%MLU By Market Area										Ava Adi	A	
RANGE	COUNT	MEDIAN	MEAN	WGT.MEAN	COD	PRD	MIN	MAX	05% Madian C I	Avg. Adj. Sale Price	Avg.	
Dry	COONT	WEDIAN	MEAN	WGLINEAN	COD	FND	IVIIIN	MAA	95%_Median_C.I.	Sale Flice	Assd. Val	
County	18	63.54	66.88	58.61	22.99	114.11	38.32	111.70	57.22 to 65.83	227,694	133,441	
1	18	63.54	66.88	58.61	22.99	114.11	38.32	111.70	57.22 to 65.83	227,694	133,441	
⊥ Grass	10	00.04	00.00	00.01	22.33	117.11	00.02		07.22 (0 00.00	221,004	100,771	
County	22	75.94	77.68	75.22	13.18	103.27	48.59	128.00	69.65 to 80.84	210,676	158,464	
1	22	75.94	77.68	75.22	13.18	103.27	48.59	128.00	69.65 to 80.84	210,676	158,464	
-												
ALL	68	69.30	71.59	County 2	9 - Page 33	110.94	28.79	138.81	63.62 to 74.71	371,971	240,031	

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29 Dundy				PAD 2013	<b>R&amp;O Statisti</b> Qual	•	13 Values)				
AGRICULTURAL LAND				Date Range:	10/1/2009 To 9/30	/2012 Postec	l on: 1/23/2013				
Number of Sales : 68		MED	DIAN: 69		C	COV: 32.31			95% Median C.I.: 63.62	2 to 74.71	
Total Sales Price : 25,54	45,100	WGT. M	EAN: 65		5	STD: 23.13		95% Wgt. Mean C.I.: 56.82 to 72.24		2 to 72.24	
Total Adj. Sales Price: 25,29 Total Assessed Value: 16,32		М	EAN: 72		Avg. Abs.	Dev: 17.10			95% Mean C.I.: 66.09	9 to 77.09	
Avg. Adj. Sales Price: 371,9	971	C	COD: 24.68		MAX Sales R	Ratio : 138.81					
Avg. Assessed Value : 240,0	031	F	PRD: 110.94		MIN Sales R	Ratio : 28.79			Prir	nted:3/26/2013	4:55:14PM
80%MLU By Market Area										Avg. Adj.	Avg.
RANGE	COUNT	MEDIAN	MEAN	WGT.MEAN	COD	PRD	MIN	MAX	95%_Median_C.I.	Sale Price	Assd. Val
Irrigated											
County	12	59.83	64.12	51.28	33.71	125.04	28.79	138.81	40.34 to 76.57	499,446	256,123
1	12	59.83	64.12	51.28	33.71	125.04	28.79	138.81	40.34 to 76.57	499,446	256,123
Dry											
County	22	63.54	67.13	59.69	24.25	112.46	35.91	111.70	57.22 to 80.79	237,659	141,859
1	22	63.54	67.13	59.69	24.25	112.46	35.91	111.70	57.22 to 80.79	237,659	141,859
Grass											
County	25	74.67	75.75	69.22	13.90	109.43	48.59	128.00	69.65 to 80.00	347,383	240,475
1	25	74.67	75.75	69.22	13.90	109.43	48.59	128.00	69.65 to 80.00	347,383	240,475
ALL	68	69.30	71.59	64.53	24.68	110.94	28.79	138.81	63.62 to 74.71	371,971	240,031

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County	Mkt Area	1A1	1A	2A1	2A	3A1	3A	4A1	4A	AVG IRR
Dundy	1	N/A	1,566	1,595	1,597	1,573	1,573	1,589	1,597	1,588
Hitchcock	90	1,855	1,855	1,680	1,680	1,510	1,510	1,395	1,395	1,788
Chase	1	N/A	2,100	2,097	1,989	1,990	1,900	1,899	1,899	2,004
County	Mkt Area	1D1	1D	2D1	2D	3D1	3D	4D1	4D	AVG DRY
Dundy	1	N/A	907	632	660	656	493	499	486	732
Hitchcock	90	890	891	752	750	650	650	551	552	836
Chase	1	N/A	970	970	970	840	840	840	840	937
County	Mkt Area	1G1	1G	2G1	2G	3G1	3G	4G1	4G	AVG GRASS
Dundy	1	N/A	320	320	320	320	322	320	320	320
Hitchcock	90	425	315	315	323	315	315	318	315	315
Chase	1	N/A	300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300

Source: 2013 Abstract of Assessment, Form 45, Schedule IX

Agricultural and/or Special Valuation Correlation

#### A. Agricultural Land

Dundy County is located at the southwest corner of the State and encompasses a 921 square mile area. Over half of the county is used for grazing acres and the balance of the agricultural area is approximately split equally between the irrigated and dry land uses. Dundy, Chase and Perkins Counties are the only three within the Upper Republican NRD boundaries. The irrigable lands in these three counties display similar well characteristics and markets. Hitchcock County on the east side of Dundy shares similar economic and drought conditions. Agricultural remains to be the driving force of the County economy.

There are no identifiable market differences within the county that cause separate market areas based on characteristics or influences from buyers and sellers. In both the Upper Republican and Middle Republican there has been a demand for water rights and sales have begun appearing for the water rights which will be monitored for market value. Drought conditions continue to be severe although adverse effects have not been identifiable in the market.

Assessment actions taken by the county assessor are summarized with increases to all land uses. The 2013 increases are representing the overall agricultural markets in Dundy and surrounding areas.

Irrigated and grass subclasses are all proportionate in relationship to market value based on the assessor utilizing the same value for each LCG within the county and likewise for grassland sub classifications. Intra-county equalization with dry land values have improved in 2013. The assessor increased 1D by 21% last year with no other increases. Actions for the current year included 1D increasing by 9% although the other dry subclasses increased substantially to greatly improve the internal equalization between these LCG's. The statistics produced from the sample suggest an overall level of value at the low end of the acceptable range. Review of the individual majority land use subclasses shows medians for irrigation and dry below the acceptable range, and grassland at the upper end of the acceptable range.

Adjustments to irrigation and dryland based on the statistics would result in irrigated and dry assessed values that were higher than Hitchcock County's irrigated values and equal to Hitchcock County's dryland values. Analysis of past values shows that Dundy County's values are historically 5-10% lower than Hitchcock County. Examination of land characteristics in these two counties also suggests that land in Hitchcock County would typically be more desirable. Finally, adjustments made by Hitchcock and Dundy counties since the agricultural market began significantly increasing in 2008 are very similar, within six percentage points, showing that both counties have increased values at similar portions of market value. The evidence suggests that the agricultural values in Dundy County are reasonable and produce the minimum level requirements and reflect similar values to adjoining counties.

Based on the consideration of all available information, the level of value is determined to be 69% of market value for the agricultural land class of property, and all subclasses are determined to be valued within the acceptable range.

#### **B.** Analysis of Sales Verification

Neb. Rev. Stat. § 77-1327(2) (2011) provides that all sales are deemed to be arms length transactions unless determined to be otherwise under professionally accepted mass appraisal techniques. The county assessor is responsible for the qualification of the sales included in the state sales file.

The Standard on Ratio Studies, International Association of Assessing Officials (2010), indicates that excessive trimming (the arbitrary exclusion or adjustment of arms length transactions) may indicate an attempt to inappropriately exclude arms length transactions to create the appearance of a higher level of value and quality of assessment. The sales file, in a case of excess trimming, will fail to properly represent the level of value and quality of assessment of the population of real property.

The Nebraska Department of Revenue, Property Assessment Division (Division) frequently reviews the procedures used by the county assessor to qualify sales to ensure bias does not exist in judgments made. Arms length transactions should only be excluded when they compromise the reliability of the resulting statistics. In cases where a county assessor has disqualified sales without substantiation, the Division may include such sales in the ratio study.

#### **C. Measures of Central Tendency**

There are three measures of central tendency calculated by the Division: median ratio, weighted mean ratio, and mean ratio. Since each measure of central tendency has strengths and weaknesses, the use of any statistic for equalization should be reconciled with the other two, as in an appraisal, based on the appropriateness of the use of the statistic for a defined purpose, the quantity of the information from which it was drawn, and the reliability of the data that was used in its calculation. An examination of the three measures can serve to illustrate important trends in the data if the measures do not closely correlate to each other.

The International Association of Assessing Officers (IAAO) considers the median ratio the most appropriate statistical measure for use in determining level of value for direct equalization; the process of adjusting the values of classes or subclasses of property in response to the determination of level of value at a point above or below a particular range. Since the median ratio is considered neutral in relationship to either assessed value or selling price, its use in adjusting the class or subclass of properties will not change the relationships between assessed value and level of value already present within the class or subclass of properties, thus rendering an adjustment neutral in its impact on the relative tax burden to an individual property. Additionally, the median ratio is less influenced by the presence of extreme ratios, commonly called outliers. One outlier in a small sample size of sales can have controlling influence over the other measures of central tendency. The median ratio limits the distortion potential of an outlier.

The weighted mean ratio is viewed by the IAAO as the most appropriate statistical measure for indirect equalization. The weighted mean, because it is a value weighted ratio, best reflects a comparison of the assessed and market value of property in the political subdivision. If the distribution of aid to political subdivisions must relate to the market value available for assessment in the political subdivision, the measurement of central tendency used to analyze level of value should reflect the dollars of value available to be assessed. The weighted mean ratio does that more than either of the other measures of central tendency.

If the weighted mean ratio, because of its dollar-weighting feature, is significantly different from the median ratio, it may be an indication of other problems with assessment proportionality. When this occurs, an evaluation of the county's assessment practices and procedures is appropriate to discover remedies to the situation.

The mean ratio is used as a basis for other statistical calculations, such as the price related differential and coefficient of variation. However, the mean ratio has limited application in the analysis of level of value because it assumes a normal distribution of the data set around the mean ratio with each ratio having the same impact on the calculation regardless of the assessed value or the selling price.

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#### **D.** Analysis of Quality of Assessment

In analyzing the statistical data of assessment quality, there are two measures upon which assessment officials will primarily rely: the Coefficient of Dispersion (COD), and the Price Related Differential (PRD). Whether such statistics can be relied upon as meaningful for the population depends on whether the sample is representative.

The COD is commonly referred to as the index of assessment inequality. It is used to measure how closely the individual ratios are clustered around the median ratio and suggests the degree of uniformity or inaccuracy resulting in the assessments. The COD is computed by dividing the average deviation by the median ratio. For example, a COD of 20 means half of the ratios are 20 percent above or below the median. The closer the ratios are grouped around the median, the more equitable the assessment of property tends to be. Conversely, if the dispersion is quite large, there is a large spread in the ratios typically indicating a large spread around the median in the assessment of property, which results in an inequity in assessment and taxes. There is no range of acceptability stated in the Nebraska statutes for the COD measure. The IAAO recommended ratio study performance standards are as follows:

Single-family residences: a COD of 15 percent or less.

For newer and fairly homogeneous areas: a COD of 10 or less.

Income-producing property: a COD of 20 or less, or in larger urban jurisdictions, 15 or less. Vacant land and other unimproved property, such as agricultural land: a COD of 20 or less. Rural residential and seasonal properties: a COD of 20 or less.

Mass Appraisal of Real Property, International Association of Assessing Officers, (1999), p. 246.

In unusually homogeneous types of property low CODs can be anticipated; however, in all other cases CODs less than 5 percent may be indicative of non-representative samples or the selective reappraisal of sold parcels.

Note that as market activity changes or as the complexity of properties increases, the measures of variability usually increase, even though appraisal procedures may be equally valid. Standard on Ratio Studies—2010, International Association of Assessing Officers, (2010), p. 13.

The PRD, also known as the index of regression, is a measurement of the relationship between the ratios of high-value and low-value properties to determine if the value of property has any influence on the assessment ratio. It is calculated by dividing the arithmetic mean ratio by the weighted mean ratio. The PRD provides an indicator of the degree to which high-value properties are over-assessed or under-assessed in relation to low-value properties. A PRD of 100 indicates there is no bias in the assessment of high-value properties in comparison to low-value properties. A PRD greater than 100 indicates the assessments are regressive, which means low-value properties tend to have a higher assessment ratio than high-value properties. The result is the owner of a low-value property pays a greater amount of tax in relation to value than the owner of a high-value property. Conversely, a PRD less than 100 indicates that

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high-value properties are over assessed in relation to low-value properties.

There is no range of acceptability stated in the Nebraska statutes for the PRD measure. The Standard on Ratio Studies, adopted by the International Association of Assessing Officers, January, 2010, recommends that the PRD should lie between 98 and 103. This range is centered slightly above 100 to allow for a slightly upward measurement bias inherent in the PRD.

The PRD is calculated based on the selling price/assessed value in the sales file. This measure can be misleading if the dollar value of the records in the sales file is not proportionate to the dollar value of records in the population.

Mass Appraisal of Real Property, International Association of Assessing Officers, (1999), p. 239.

Total Real Property Sum Lines 17, 25, & 30		Records : 3,830	6	Value : 503	3,143,129	Gro	wth 16,536,580	Sum Lines 17,	25, & 41
Schedule I : Non-Agricul	tural Records								
	U	rban	Sub	Urban		Rural	Т	otal	Growth
	Records	Value	Records	Value	Records	Value	Records	Value	
)1. Res UnImp Land	92	199,606	5	14,173	49	121,168	146	334,947	
2. Res Improve Land	632	1,622,062	5	24,720	132	845,429	769	2,492,211	
3. Res Improvements	633	22,692,407	5	546,253	141	5,500,571	779	28,739,231	
4. Res Total	725	24,514,075	10	585,146	190	6,467,168	925	31,566,389	250,644
% of Res Total	78.38	77.66	1.08	1.85	20.54	20.49	24.11	6.27	1.52
5. Com UnImp Land	34	65,968	2	6.975	18	50,185	54	123,128	
6. Com Improve Land	111	339,926	8	49,239	22	163,111	141	552,276	
7. Com Improvements	115	4,233,633	10	537,412	26	2,217,383	151	6,988,428	
98. Com Total	149	4,639,527	12	593,626	44	2,430,679	205	7,663,832	108,672
% of Com Total	72.68	60.54	5.85	7.75	21.46	31.72	5.34	1.52	0.66
9. Ind UnImp Land	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
0. Ind Improve Land	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
1. Ind Improvements	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
2. Ind Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
% of Ind Total	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3. Rec UnImp Land	0	0	0	0	1	49,565	1	49,565	
4. Rec Improve Land	0	0	0	0	5	110,010	5	110,010	
5. Rec Improvements	0	0	0	0	5	66,837	5	66,837	
6. Rec Total	0	0	0	0	6	226,412	6	226,412	0
% of Rec Total	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	0.16	0.04	0.00
Res & Rec Total	725	24,514,075	10	585,146	196	6,693,580	931	31,792,801	250,644
% of Res & Rec Total	77.87	77.11	1.07	1.84	21.05	21.05	24.27	6.32	1.52
Com & Ind Total	149	4,639,527	12	593,626	44	2,430,679	205	7,663,832	108,672
% of Com & Ind Total	72.68	60.54	5.85	7.75	21.46	31.72	5.34	1.52	0.66
7. Taxable Total	874	29,153,602	22	1,178,772	240	9,124,259	1,136	39,456,633	359,316
% of Taxable Total	76.94	73.89	1.94	2.99	21.13	23.12	29.61	7.84	2.17

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#### Schedule II : Tax Increment Financing (TIF)

		Urban			SubUrban	
	Records	Value Base	Value Excess	Records	Value Base	Value Excess
18. Residential	0	0	0	0	0	0
19. Commercial	1	51,095	9,747,547	0	0	0
20. Industrial	0	0	0	0	0	0
21. Other	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Records	<b>Rural</b> Value Base	Value Excess	Records	<b>Total</b> Value Base	Value Excess
18. Residential	0	0	0	0	0	0
19. Commercial	0	0	0	1	51,095	9,747,547
20. Industrial	0	0	0	0	0	0
21. Other	0	0	0	0	0	0
22. Total Sch II	1			1	51,095	9,747,547

#### Schedule III : Mineral Interest Records

<b>Mineral Interest</b>	Records Urb	an <sub>Value</sub>	Records SubL	I <b>rban</b> <sub>Value</sub>	Records Ru	iral <sub>Value</sub>	Records	Total Value	Growth
23. Producing	0	0	0	0	130	44,282,520	130	44,282,520	14,918,230
24. Non-Producing	0	0	0	0	188	208,058	188	208,058	0
25. Total	0	0	0	0	318	44,490,578	318	44,490,578	14,918,230

#### Schedule IV : Exempt Records : Non-Agricultural

-	Urban	SubUrban	Rural	Total
	Records	Records	Records	Records
26. Exempt	76	12	70	158

#### Schedule V : Agricultural Records

0	Urba	n	SubUrban		I	Rural	Total	
	Records	Value	Records	Value	Records	Value	Records	Value
27. Ag-Vacant Land	0	0	2	228,074	1,752	267,324,704	1,754	267,552,778
28. Ag-Improved Land	0	0	3	269,752	583	123,933,380	586	124,203,132
29. Ag Improvements	0	0	3	7,382	625	27,432,626	628	27,440,008
<b>30. Ag Total</b>							2,382	419,195,918

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Schedule VI : Agricultural Rec	ords :Non-Agricu	ıltural Detail		Schedule VI : Agricultural Records :Non-Agricultural Detail											
	Records	Urban Acres	Value	Records	SubUrban Acres	Value	Ϋ́ Υ								
31. HomeSite UnImp Land	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0									
32. HomeSite Improv Land	0	0.00	0	1	1.00	2,500									
33. HomeSite Improvements	0	0.00	0	2	1.00	1,319									
34. HomeSite Total															
35. FarmSite UnImp Land	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0									
36. FarmSite Improv Land	0	0.00	0	2	5.86	7,325									
37. FarmSite Improvements	0	0.00	0	2	0.00	6,063									
38. FarmSite Total															
39. Road & Ditches	0	0.00	0	0	2.00	0									
40. Other- Non Ag Use	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0									
	Records	Rural Acres	Value	Records	<b>Total</b> Acres	Value	Growth								
31. HomeSite UnImp Land	4	4.00	10,000	4	4.00	10,000									
32. HomeSite Improv Land	348	405.13	1,011,575	349	406.13	1,014,075									
33. HomeSite Improvements	367	389.50	15,937,893	369	390.50	15,939,212	1,259,034								
34. HomeSite Total				373	410.13	16,963,287									
35. FarmSite UnImp Land	22	915.96	183,333	22	915.96	183,333									
36. FarmSite Improv Land	230	617.14	716,315	232	623.00	723,640									
37. FarmSite Improvements	606	0.00	11,494,733	608	0.00	11,500,796	0								
38. FarmSite Total				630	1,538.96	12,407,769									
39. Road & Ditches	0	4,722.18	0	0	4,724.18	0									
40. Other- Non Ag Use	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0									
41. Total Section VI				1,003	6,673.27	29,371,056	1,259,034								

#### Schedule VII : Agricultural Records : Ag Land Detail - Game & Parks

		Urban			SubUrban			
	Records	Acres	Value		Records	Acres	Value	
42. Game & Parks	0	0.00	0		0	0.00	0	
	Rural			Total				
	Records	Acres	Value		Records	Acres	Value	
42. Game & Parks	0	0.00	0		0	0.00	0	

#### Schedule VIII : Agricultural Records : Special Value

		Urban			SubUrban	
	Records	Acres	Value	Records	Acres	Value
43. Special Value	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0
44. Recapture Value N/A	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0
		Rural			Total	
	Records	Acres	Value	Records	Acres	Value
43. Special Value	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0
44. Market Value	0	0	0	0	0	0

\* LB 968 (2006) for tax year 2009 and forward there will be no Recapture value.

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rrigated	Acres	% of Acres*	Value	% of Value*	Average Assessed Value*
15. 1A1	0.00	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00
16. 1A	12,982.60	10.23%	20,336,770	10.09%	1,566.46
17. 2A1	16,330.78	12.86%	26,048,173	12.92%	1,595.04
18. 2A	1,825.00	1.44%	2,915,400	1.45%	1,597.48
19. 3A1	11,676.43	9.20%	18,371,263	9.11%	1,573.36
50. 3A	9,626.74	7.58%	15,140,709	7.51%	1,572.78
51. 4A1	33,191.43	26.14%	52,743,513	26.17%	1,589.07
52. 4A	41,320.98	32.55%	65,994,918	32.74%	1,597.13
53. Total	126,953.96	100.00%	201,550,746	100.00%	1,587.59
Dry					
54. 1D1	0.00	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00
55. 1D	54,186.52	50.50%	49,170,902	62.60%	907.44
56. 2D1	11,231.18	10.47%	7,099,166	9.04%	632.09
57. 2D	3,419.26	3.19%	2,255,740	2.87%	659.72
58. 3D1	6,568.71	6.12%	4,308,492	5.48%	655.91
59. 3D	13,714.65	12.78%	6,765,428	8.61%	493.30
50. 4D1	8,695.11	8.10%	4,340,531	5.53%	499.19
51. 4D	9,486.38	8.84%	4,611,461	5.87%	486.11
52. Total	107,301.81	100.00%	78,551,720	100.00%	732.06
Grass					
53. 1G1	0.00	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00
54. 1G	8,098.41	2.37%	2,591,492	2.37%	320.00
55. 2G1	4,737.66	1.39%	1,516,050	1.38%	320.00
56. 2G	2,350.32	0.69%	752,102	0.69%	320.00
57. 3G1	10,429.13	3.05%	3,337,321	3.05%	320.00
58. 3G	21,320.07	6.23%	6,869,341	6.27%	322.20
59. 4G1	156,165.88	45.66%	49,990,767	45.64%	320.11
70. 4G	138,944.40	40.62%	44,469,007	40.60%	320.05
71. Total	342,045.87	100.00%	109,526,080	100.00%	320.21
Irrigated Total	126,953.96	22.01%	201,550,746	51.70%	1,587.59
Dry Total	107,301.81	18.60%	78,551,720	20.15%	732.06
Grass Total	342,045.87	59.30%	109,526,080	28.10%	320.21
72. Waste	0.00	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00
73. Other	485.18	0.08%	196,316	0.05%	404.63
74. Exempt	923.28	0.16%	0	0.00%	0.00
75. Market Area Total	576,786.82	100.00%	389,824,862	100.00%	675.86

#### Schedule X : Agricultural Records : Ag Land Total

	U	rban	SubU	rban	Ru	ral	Tota	તી
	Acres	Value	Acres	Value	Acres	Value	Acres	Value
76. Irrigated	0.00	0	249.00	398,400	126,704.96	201,152,346	126,953.96	201,550,746
77. Dry Land	0.00	0	28.94	13,847	107,272.87	78,537,873	107,301.81	78,551,720
78. Grass	0.00	0	209.73	67,114	341,836.14	109,458,966	342,045.87	109,526,080
79. Waste	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0
80. Other	0.00	0	27.00	8,640	458.18	187,676	485.18	196,316
81. Exempt	0.00	0	0.00	0	923.28	0	923.28	0
82. Total	0.00	0	514.67	488,001	576,272.15	389,336,861	576,786.82	389,824,862

	Acres	% of Acres*	Value	% of Value*	Average Assessed Value*
Irrigated	126,953.96	22.01%	201,550,746	51.70%	1,587.59
Dry Land	107,301.81	18.60%	78,551,720	20.15%	732.06
Grass	342,045.87	59.30%	109,526,080	28.10%	320.21
Waste	0.00	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00
Other	485.18	0.08%	196,316	0.05%	404.63
Exempt	923.28	0.16%	0	0.00%	0.00
Total	576,786.82	100.00%	389,824,862	100.00%	675.86

## 2013 County Abstract of Assessment for Real Property, Form 45 Compared with the 2012 Certificate of Taxes Levied (CTL)

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	2012 CTL County Total	2013 Form 45 County Total	Value Difference (2013 form 45 - 2012 CTL)	Percent Change	<b>2013 Growth</b> (New Construction Value)	Percent Change excl. Growth
01. Residential	27,858,687	31,566,389	3,707,702	13.31%	250,644	12.41%
02. Recreational	226,412	226,412	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
03. Ag-Homesite Land, Ag-Res Dwelling	16,574,407	16,963,287	388,880	2.35%	1,259,034	-5.25%
04. Total Residential (sum lines 1-3)	44,659,506	48,756,088	4,096,582	9.17%	1,509,678	5.79%
05. Commercial	7,150,312	7,663,832	513,520	7.18%	108,672	5.66%
06. Industrial	0	0	0		0	
07. Ag-Farmsite Land, Outbuildings	11,784,552	12,407,769	623,217	5.29%	0	5.29%
08. Minerals	39,171,978	44,490,578	5,318,600	13.58	14,918,230	-24.51
09. Total Commercial (sum lines 5-8)	58,106,842	64,562,179	6,455,337	11.11%	15,026,902	-14.75%
10. Total Non-Agland Real Property	102,766,348	113,318,267	10,551,919	10.27%	16,536,580	-5.82%
11. Irrigated	152,431,659	201,550,746	49,119,087	32.22%	, D	
12. Dryland	64,985,513	78,551,720	13,566,207	20.88%	, )	
13. Grassland	97,138,116	109,526,080	12,387,964	12.75%	Ď	
14. Wasteland	0	0	0			
15. Other Agland	187,820	196,316	8,496	4.52%	Ď	
16. Total Agricultural Land	314,743,108	389,824,862	75,081,754	23.85%		
<b>17. Total Value of all Real Property</b> (Locally Assessed)	417,509,456	503,143,129	85,633,673	20.51%	16,536,580	16.55%

# Dundy County

# Plan of Assessment

Prepared by Joanna Niblack COUNTY ASSESSOR

June 7, 2012

Presented to

DUNDY COUNTY BOARD of EQUALIZATION

July 16, 2012

## **INTRODUCTION**

In compliance with Nebraska State Statute 77-1311.02, this plan of assessment is prepared by the county assessor and submitted to the Dundy County Board of Equalization and to the Nebraska Department of Revenue.

The purpose of the plan is to:

- (I) Discuss the duties and responsibilities of the assessor's office;
- (II) Address issues of level, quality and uniformity of assessment;
- (III) Indicate by class or subclass the assessment actions the assessor has planned for tax years 2012, 2013 and 2014, the properties the assessor plans to examine during the 3-year period and the assessment actions necessary to attain required levels of value and quality of assessment; and
- (IV) Anticipate the resources necessary to complete the described assessment actions.

#### Section I

### Duties and Responsibilities of the County Assessor

The assessment of real property in Nebraska includes:



# DISCOVERY

Locate Property – Describe Location & Tax Situs Identify New & Changed Property through Observation – Owner Information – Surveys, Permits & Other Public Documents - Grapevine

# LISTING

Measurements – Components – Property Details – Sketches – Photos Effective Age – Condition – Economic Influences – Neighborhood Physical & Functional Obsolescence REQUIRES ON-SITE INSPECTION BY QUALIFIED PERSONNEL

# CLASSIFICATION

Assigning Property Class by Use to Each Parcel For Appraisal and Statistical Purposes

### 2012 STATISTICS

AGRICULTURAL – Land & Structures				
IRRIGATED LAND	127,090.96 Acres			
DRY CROPLAND	107,195.96 Acres			
GRASSLAND	342,118.26 Acres			
ROADS & DITCHES	4,728.18 Acres			
IMPROVED PARCELS	627			
Total Agricultural Parcels	2,370			

<b>RESIDENTIAL – Land &amp; Structures</b>
City, Village, Town Rural Home Sites   922 Parcels

COMMERCIAL – Land & Structures

City, Village, Town, Rural 201 Parcels

**RECREATIONAL – Land & Structures** 

For Leisure, Not Income, Purposes 6 Parcels

	MINERALS		
Pro	ducing Oil & Gas	126 Pa	arcels
Non-F	Producing Interests	186 Pa	arcels

# VALUATION

Determine Value – Based upon Market Indicators --Sales Studies for each Property Class-Income & Expense Documentation Replacement Cost New Minus Depreciation for Structures

# STATISTICAL ANALYSIS

Mathematical Measurements of Value and Sale Price To Determine Level of Value and Uniformity of Assessment by Property Class

# **CERTIFICATION OF VALUATION**

Certify Taxable Values, Growth Values and TIF Values to Governing Subdivisions For Levy-Setting Purposes

# **PROPERTY TAX CALCULATION**

Compile Tax Rates into Combined Districts Prepare Tax List Calculate Property Taxes for Each Individual Parcel Calculate Homestead Exemptions Calculate Tax Credits

(Assessed Value × Tax Rate = Gross Taxes) (Gross Taxes - Exemptions - Tax Credit = Net Taxes) Certify Tax List to County Treasurer On or Before November 22 Each Year

The assessment of personal property in Nebraska includes:



FROM OWNER-PROVIDED INFORMATION Income-Producing Machinery – Equipment - Furniture

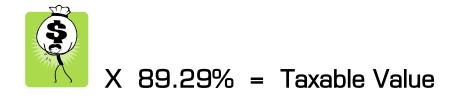


Agricultural



Commercial

# VALUATION



Original Cost x Recovery Factor (Years in Service) = Net Book Value

Determine Tax Situs



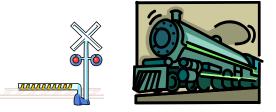
**PROPERTY TAX CALCULATION** 



PREPARE TAX LIST CALCULATE PROPERTY TAXES (Net Book Value x Tax Rate = Taxes) FOR EACH OWNER RETURN WITHIN TAXING DISTRICT Certify Tax List to County Treasurer On or Before November 22 Each Year The assessment of centrally-assessed property in Nebraska includes:

# APPORTIONMENT OF VALUE TO TAXING SUBDIVISIONS

(VALUE DETERMINED/CERTIFIED BY NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE)



Real and Personal Railroad Property



Real and Personal Public Service Company Property

(Pipelines - Telephone Companies - Fiber Optics – etc.)

# **PROPERTY TAX CALCULATION**



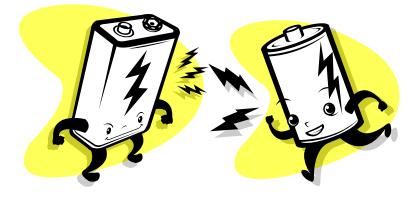
PREPARE TAX LIST CALCULATE PROPERTY TAXES (Fund Value x Fund Tax Rate = Property Taxes) FOR EACH FUND WITHIN EACH COMPANY (Each "Fund" is a Taxing Subdivision a/k/a Governmental Entity) (Taxing Subdivisions are County, Schools, Fire Districts, etc.) Certify Tax List to County Treasurer On or Before November 22 Each Year



Other assessment, administrative, clerical, peripheral, and incidental duties and responsibilities of the assessor's office include:

- MAINTAIN HARD COPY AND COMPUTER PROPERTY RECORDS
- PROCESS OWNERSHIP CHANGES (MONTHLY)
- UPDATE ELECTRONIC SALES FILE (MONTHLY)
- PROOF & CORRECT SALES ROSTERS (4X± ANNUALLY)
- VERIFY SALES WHENEVER POSSIBLE
- UPDATE OWNER OF RECORD MAILING ADDRESS
- MAINTAIN CADASTRAL MAP BOOKS AND INDEXES
- MONITOR, UPDATE TAXING DISTRICT INFORMATION
- FILE HARD COPY RECORDS
- PROOFREAD (ANNUALLY) REAL PROPERTY & PERSONAL PROPERTY
- PREPARE, MAIL VALUATION CHANGE NOTICES
- ATTEND ALL County Board of Equalization HEARINGS
- ATTEND TERC PROCEEDINGS FOR THE COUNTY
- UPDATE PERSONAL PROPERTY SCHEDULES
- MAIL PERSONAL PROPERTY REPORTING FORMS & INSTRUCTIONS
- RECEIVE PERSONAL PROPERTY FILINGS
- ASSIST WITH COMPLETION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY SCHEDULES
- PREPARE, MAIL HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION FORMS & INSTRUCTIONS
- ASSIST OWNERS WITH COMPLETION OF HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION FORMS
- APPROVE/DISAPPROVE HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS
- VALUE HOMESTEADS, MAIL FORMS TO DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
- PERFORM SALES ANALYSIS/RATIO STUDIES EACH PROPERTY CLASS
- MAIL/PROCESS INTENT TO TAX PUBLIC-OWNED PROEPRTY NOTICES
- PREPARE/MAIL/PROCESS PERMISSIVE EXEMPTION FORMS
- PREPARE/MAIL/POST MANDATORY REPORTS
  - Real Property Abstract of Assessment
  - Certification of Completion of Assessment Roll
  - Assessment/Sales Ratio Statistics

- Personal Property Abstract of Assessment
- o Plan of Assessment
- o Certify Subdivision Values
- o School District Taxable Value Report
- o Average Assessed Value-Residential
- o Homestead Exemption Summary Report
- o Certificate of Taxes Levied
- o Real Property & Personal Property Tax Lists
- PERFORM ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS
  - Budget Preparation
  - Office Inventory
  - o Procedures Manual
  - Staff Training
  - Staff Supervision
  - o Communications with Vendors and Suppliers
  - o Correspondence (Mail, Electronic, Verbal)
  - Continuing Education
  - Public Relations
- CONSTANT INFORMATION TO PUBLIC, APPRAISERS, INSURANCE REPS, REALTORS, ANONYMOUS PERSONS, AND GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES BY PHONE, BY E-MAIL, BY U.S. MAIL, AND IN PERSON
- TAKE A LICKIN' AND KEEP ON TICKIN'



#### Section II

#### Statistical Measures: Level and Quality of Assessment

The level and quality of assessment can be statistically measured for any class or subclass of property within any given jurisdiction or geographic boundary. An adequate number of sales which have occurred within a logical time frame are required for reliable statistical measure.

#### LEVEL OF ASSESSMENT

In a sales study, like-property sales, such as Residential Sales within the city of Benkelman which occurred between July 1, 2009 and June 30, 2011, will each have a Transaction Ratio. That ratio is calculated by dividing the assessed value by the (adjusted) selling price.

Transaction ratios are calculated for each sale. The sales are arrayed in either ascending or descending order by transaction ratio and the level of assessment for that property class is measured by the Median Ratio.

The Median Ratio is calculated by simply locating the transaction ratio which occurs in the arrayed sales midway between the highest and the lowest transaction ratio.

#### QUALITY OF ASSESSMENT

Measurement of the QUALITY of ASSESSMENT is accomplished through a bevy of complicated calculations. In addition to the Transaction Ratios and the Median Ratios, calculations must be made to determine Aggregate Ratio, Mean (Average) Ratio and Average Deviation from the Mean, to name some.

The Coefficient of Dispersion (COD) and the Price Related Differential (PRD) are the most common quality of assessment statistical measurements expressed in Nebraska property assessment studies and reports.

The COD measures the reliability of the mean. It is computed by dividing the average deviation from the mean by the mean, multiplied by 100 to yield the desired percentage figure. A COD, at or less than the acceptable percentage, indicates that the mean is representative of the total array. A higher COD requires identification of and a plan to remedy the cause of the non-representative mean. The PRD measures the uniformity of values when studying a property class or subclass. The PRD is calculated by dividing the mean ratio by the aggregate ratio, multiplied by 100 to convert the figure to a percentage.

The Mean Ratio is the average of the Transaction Ratios and the Aggregate Ratio is the sum of all assessed values divided by the sum of all selling prices.

A PRD of more than 100(%) indicates that higher priced properties may be assessed at lower ratios than low priced properties. A PRD of less than 100(%) could mean that lower priced properties are assessed at lower ratios than higher priced properties.

If an adequate number of sales exist, the PRD can be used as an indicator of which price range of property classes or subclasses require examination and valuation updates.

AN <u>INADEQUATE</u> NUMBER OF SALES CAN RENDER ALL RATIOS UNRELIABLE.



The following three charts demonstrate the history of the Level of Assessment and the Quality of Assessment Ratios for Dundy County in all three major property classes. The ratios are presented as county totals. Assessor Location statistics are not represented in these charts.

	<b>RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY – Improved &amp; Unimproved</b>						
SOU	RCE	P T A's F	REPORTS &	OPINIONS	FINA	AL - AFTER TEF	RC
TAX YEAR	# SALES	MEDIAN	COD	P R D	MEDIAN	COD	P R D
2000	79	95	21	104	95	21	104
2001	87	96	30	112	96	30	112
2002	86	94	28	111	94	28	111
2003	69	88	29	107	96	29	108
2004	45	95	15	100	95	15	100
2005	52	97	18	105	97	18	105
2006	64	100	18	107	100	18	107
2007	51	98	9	103	98	9	103
2008	50	94	12	104	94	12	104
2009	42	89	13	104	94	14	104
2010	51	99	20	104	99	20	104
2011	54	96	21	107	96	21	107
2012	43	95	22	110	95	43	110
	GENERALLY	АССЕРТАВ	LE RANGE	S	92 – 100	<18	<103

	COMMERCIAL PROPERTY – Improved & Unimproved						
SOU	RCE	P T A's REPORTS & OPINIONS FINAL - AFTER TERC			C		
TAX YEAR	# SALES	MEDIAN	COD	PRD	MEDIAN	COD	P R D
2000	22	97	22	109	97	22	109
2001	20	100	38	110	100	38	110
2002	19	96	35	108	96	35	108
2003	15	93	12	104	93	12	104
2004	19	100	25	116	100	14	116
2005	18	99	20	106	99	20	106
2006	19	99	22	105	99	22	105
2007	11	99	11	100	99	11	100
2008	11	98	18	94	98	18	94
2009	11	99	15	90	99	15	90
2010	10	94	19	86	94	19	86
2011*	6	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2012*	7	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	GENERALLY	ACCEPTAB	le range	S	92 – 100	<20	<103

\*Insufficient sales for statistical measurement.

	AGRICULTURAL LAND – Unimproved Only						
SOU	SOURCE		EPORTS &	OPINIONS	FIN	JAL - AFTER TE	RC
TAX YEAR	# SALES	MEDIAN	COD	P R D	MEDIAN	COD	PRD
2000	61	77	20	102	77	20	102
2001	45	76	17	100	76	17	100
2002	45	74	17	100	74	17	100
2003	46	75	12	100	75	12	100
2004	54	76	16	100	78	17	100
2005	50	77	16	100	77	16	100
2006	49	75	15	106	75	15	106
2007	53	74	14	105	74	14	105
2008	60	71	13	106	71	13	106
2009	56	68	15	110	72	15	110
2010	58	74	14	103	74	14	103
2011	54	72	18	103	72	18	103
2012*	41	69	15	103	N/A	N/A	N/A
GEN	NERALLY AC	CEPTABLE R	ANGES 2	007>	69 – 75	<20	<103
	ACCEPTA	BLE RANGE	S <2007		74 – 80	<20	<103

\*Assessor's Analysis of Unimproved Agricultural Land Sales. TERC DETERMINED THE SAMPLE OF PARCELS USED BY PAD MEASUREMENT WERE NOT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CHARACTERISTICS OF THE CLASS OF AGRICULTURAL LAND



SOMETIMES THE RATIOS LOOK PRETTY GOOD...SOMETIMES THEY DON'T DUE TO AVAILABLE RESOURCES AND INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCE FACTORS USED BY THE ASSESSOR TO ANALYZE VALUE, SALES ARE NOT ALWAYS IDENTICAL TO THOSE CONSIDERED LATER IN THE PROPERTY TAX ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS AND OPINIONS OR THOSE REVIEWED AND WEIGHED BY TERC FOR EQUALIZATION PURPOSES

## Section III

## Assessment Plan by Property Class/Subclass

RESIDENTIA	L PROPERTY – Improved &	Unimproved
2013	2014	2015
BENKELMAN HAIGLER RURAL -On-Site Review Sale Properties- -Review Sale Statistics- -Resolve Problem Areas- -Implement 01/01/12 Costs- -Develop/Adjust Depreciation- -Apply to All Structures- Inspect/Photo AS MANY PARCELS AS TIME ALLOWS MAX, PARKS, RURAL HOME SITES WERE REVIEWED 2012 Discover – List New Improvements Use Changes	BENKELMAN FARM HOME SITES Review Sale Statistics -Resolve Problem Areas- Inspect/Photo AS MANY PARCELS AS TIME ALLOWS Discover – List New Improvements Use Changes THIS YEAR ENDS THE FIRST 6-YEAR CYCLE	RURAL HOME SITES Review Sale Statistics -Resolve Problem Areas- Update Costs Update Depreciation FOR ALL IMPROVEMENTS START ALL OVER AGAIN Inspect/Photo AS MANY PARCELS AS TIME ALLOWS Discover – List New Improvements Use Changes

## Assessment Plan by Property Class/Subclass

COMMERCIA	L PROPERTY – Improved &	Unimproved
2013	2014	2015
BENKELMAN HAIGLER -On-Site Review Sale Properties- -Market Study- -Review Sale Statistics- -Implement 01/01/12 Costs- COMPLETE SITE REVIEVVS Inspect/Photo All Commercial Discover – List New Improvements Use Changes	BENKELMAN -Market Study- -Review Sale Statistics- -Adjust Values if Needed- Discover – List New Improvements Use Changes Inspect/Photo AS MANY PARCELS AS TIME ALLOWS THIS YEAR ENDS THE FIRST 6-YEAR CYCLE	MAX PARKS RURAL -Market Study- -Review Sale Statistics- -Adjust Values if Needed- Update Costs Update Depreciation FOR ALL IMPROVEMENTS START ALL OVER AGAIN Discover – List New Improvements Use Changes

### Assessment Plan by Property Class/Subclass

AGRICULTUR	AL PROPERTY – Improved &	L Unimproved
2013	2014	2015
DEFEND SOIL SURVEY	DEFEND SOIL SURVEY	BEGIN NEW 6-YEAR CYCLE
LAND USE ACRE COUNT UPDATE USE ACRES	LAND USE ACRE COUNT UPDATE USE ACRES	DEFEND SOIL SURVEY
-Market Study- -Review Sale Statistics- -Implement 01/01/12 Costs-	-Market Study- -Review Sale Statistics- -Adjust Values if Needed-	LAND USE ACRE COUNT UPDATE USE ACRES
-Adjust Values as Needed- - Review Land Use –	- Review Land Use -	-Market Study- -Review Sale Statistics-
Discover – List	Discover – List New Improvements	-Adjust Values if Needed- - Review Land Use –
New Improvements Use Changes	Use Changes	Discover – List
Inspect/Photo AS MANY PARCELS	Inspect/Photo AS MANY PARCELS AS TIME ALLOWS	New Improvements Use Changes
AS TIME ALLOWS	END OF FIRST 6-YEAR CYCLE	Inspect/Photo AS MANY PARCELS AS TIME ALLOWS

#### Section IV

#### Current Resources

#### **STAFFING**

Adequate staffing of the assessor's office is a persistent problem.

Currently, the office is staffed by the assessor and one 3-day per week office clerk. Adequate staffing would include the addition of a capable, full-time office clerk who will and can assist with property listing and review.

#### ASSESSMENT EDUCATION

#### ASSESSOR

The assessor began "in-training" for the position of county assessor on July 1, 1977, successfully completed the Nebraska County Assessor's Certification Examination in September, 1977, and was appointed to the position of County Assessor on October 17, 1977.

The assessor has completed required continuing education hours for the four-year period ending December 31, 2014 and is in the process of meeting required continuing education credit hours necessary to renew her assessor's certificate for the next four-year period.

The assessor holds certificates in numerous IAAO appraisal and mapping courses and Department of Revenue courses in appraisal, assessment administration, agricultural land valuation, residential listing, Marshall & Swift residential, commercial and outbuilding cost programs, and computer assisted mass appraisal.

### OFFICE CLERK I

Julie L. Jessee was employed in the assessor's office, in the position of office clerk, from August, 1992 through May, 1993. She returned to that position on a part-time basis in January, 1995 and currently serves three days per week by schedule and additional days whenever possible.

Julie has attended the 8-hour course, "Valuation of Agricultural Land" and the 2012 "Residential Data Collection" 2-day course. She has attended two TerraScan training seminars and is willing to attend other assessment or computer courses. She has endured intense on-job training, demonstrates interest in assessment matters, participates in most assessment functions, and performs her duties with absolutely no complaining!

#### CADASTRAL MAPS

As a resource, the cadastral maps for Dundy County are becoming more and more limited with time.

The three Cadastral Map Books and the Tax Lot Book were completed, printed on both paper and mylar sheets, and loose-bound in hard binders in approximately 1970.

The 1966 flight of ASCS aerial photos were used for the rural areas and existing plat maps were used for cities, villages and towns.

The map pages are heavily marked for ownership boundaries, parcel numbers and surveys and have become ragged, torn and very fragile. They should be replaced with modern photos and plats or upgraded to an electronic GIS system.

The Cadastral Map Book Index was recreated in computer records and stored on diskettes in 2002. They are updated and reprinted with each monthly parcel split and ownership change process. The printed index displays Cadastral Number, Legal Description, Owner Name and Deed Book and Page, in order of cadastral number. The index is efficient and comprehensive. Aerial photos from 2003 have been marked for section and ownership boundaries, one section per page, and bound in 3-ring binders. Those photos are updated with each ownership or boundary change, rather than mark even more on the old, fragile cadastral book pages.

#### **RURAL PARCELS**

2003 aerial photos have been marked by section line boundaries and by ownership boundaries and scanned into computer property records. As a part of the individual record, these photos have proven to be time-saving and efficiency-boosting in assessment practices.

### CITY, VILLAGE, TOWN PARCELS

Cadastral photo images of platted blocks, indicating placement and measurement of lots, have been scanned into computer property records. While more effort to identify actual ownership boundaries upon these images must be addressed, this additional tool has been very useful for information and identification purposes.

### NON-PLATTED PARCELS

Survey and Tax Lot images, where available, have been scanned into appropriate computer property records to demonstrate parcel and ownership boundaries. These images are now indispensable when attempting to identify parcels with tax lot or unusual descriptions.

Electronic Cadastral Mapping is an available, costly technology and has been implemented in several Nebraska counties. The technology would enhance assessment performance. It is generally coveted by real estate businesses as a free-to-them tool provided by the county. At this time, the cost is not justifiable. It is impractical to offer up space and time in the assessor's office, at taxpayer expense, to provide hardware, software, staff assistance, and assessor patience to private businesses.

### PROPERTY RECORD CARDS

Property record cards in the Dundy County Assessor's Office are maintained both on hard copy and in electronic files.

### Hardcopy Files

Current hardcopy files for each parcel are enclosed in see-through plastic sleeves with hanging spines. Each parcel file consists of:

- Face Sheets 1999 through 2012 displaying:
  - Deed book and pages
  - Owner names (as they appear on the deed)
  - Legal description
  - Parcel I.D. number
  - Map number
  - Taxing District
  - School District

- Classification Codes
- Neighborhood
- Property Type
- Cadastral Map number
- Lot Dimensions
- Land Area/Acres
- Four Years' Value Land, Improvements, Outbuildings, Total
- Reason for Value Change
- Photograph of primary structure most recent
- Current sketch with dimensions and labels
- Active correspondence (if any)

#### Electronic Media Files

Current property record face sheets are recorded on CD's, by legal description. The CD's are updated with ownership transfers, parcel splits and valuation changes as they occur.

The CD files are stored as permanent records at the end of each fouryear period with each year displayed on the face sheets. These CD files are now available for inspection and printing (if anyone would ever want to do that) from 2003 through 2012.

#### Personal Property Files

Personal Property Returns and Schedules are also recorded and stored on CD's, by owner name, within assessment year. Assessment year CD's contain scanned images of each Return and Schedule and can be printed, complete with signature, upon request.

These electronic records are sometimes useful to the county sheriff and also help to prove that property was indeed reported by the owner, not invented by the assessor, when such challenges occur.

The personal property CD's are available from assessment year 2000 through 2012.

#### Terra Scan CAMA Files

Dundy County subscribes to Thomson-Reuters, formerly and still referred to as Terra Scan, a Property Assessment Administration and Computer-Assisted Mass Appraisal (CAMA) system. The system stores and processes property record information as the data is entered by assessment staff. This electronic assessment file system has stored property record and property tax information for real estate parcels in Dundy County since 1999.

The system also processes and stores personal property records and centrally-assessed (railroad and public service companies) records.

### Morgue Files

Historic property record cards, 1978 – 2006, are stored by legal description in vault and outer-office file cabinets.

Many of the "morgue" records were B.C. (before computers), but were typewritten, are legible and in good condition. There is currently a stalled-out project for "morgue" files to be scanned onto CD's by legal description for years 1978 through 2006 in an attempt to reduce record storage volume. The project is stalled out due to lack of personnel.

### Web-Based Property Information

Web-based property information access is not provided by the assessor. GIS and on-line property records is an expensive service requested, expected and sometimes demanded mostly by persons from private businesses.

In spite of the frequent, uncomplimentary remarks being made by those in the private real estate businesses and because on-line records offer little or no benefit to the taxpayers, the county assessor has elected to not burden the county budget with that expense at this time. INTERESTING NOTE: No <u>individual property owner</u> has ever, to this date, asked for, demanded, or fussed about placing Dundy County property records on-line.

### Public Information

Property record information is offered to the public in printed form, handed to or mailed to the person making the request at a cost of 25¢ per record, plus postage and handling when applicable. Large volume requests are charged a set-up fee in addition to the per-record cost. Property record information is offered to the public via e-mail, if the request is minimal, at no cost. The most common e-mail requests include building sketches and construction information.

The assessor's office began tracking the volume of records transmitted to the public via e-mail in March, 2010. From March, 2010, through May, 2012, the assessor's office has participated in the exchange of nearly <u>1,300</u> various forms of assessment information via e-mail.

Lengthy information is e-mailed by the assessor whenever possible, but pre-payment is required before set-up. Index production, mass parcel production, or custom requests are provided at a cost of \$25 set-up fee, 25¢ per record, or per page, depending upon the format, postage, and the cost of the paper, diskette or CD. Pre-payment is required for all large volume requests.

The assessor's office does not perform research services for the public, but will provide information that is readily or easily produced. These requests are becoming more and more frequent, with considerable staff time devoted to production. Many requests are for information so customized that it is time-prohibitive or impossible to produce. Therefore, responses to requests are limited to those formats and arrays easily produced through standard report design.

Total assessment/appraisal records, requested by some retail vendors of that information, usually for their subscription web site businesses, are referred to Thomson-Reuters (TerraScan, Inc.) for electronic/transmittal production. The fees charged by TerraScan for that service are paid to TerraScan by the vendors.

During the past two years, data files have been provided to County Records, Inc., an Oklahoma-based web business, once each month for a fee of \$25. The files are loaded onto an FTP site by the assessor. The process is somewhat time-consuming and must be performed outside office hours because it requires the full attention of the server and no one else can be logged into TerraScan for the duration. There is much conversation amongst Nebraska assessors concerning the service and the much-too-cheap charge to County Records, Inc.

Special efforts are made to customize information requested by <u>governmental entities</u>, such as federal, state, county, city, fire district, NRD and so on. Governmental entities are not charged for information in any form and are usually given priority over other requests.

### **BUDGET SUMMARY**

Fiscal Year July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013

EXPENDITURE DESCRIPTION	BUDGETED 2008 – 2009	BUDGETED 2009 – 2010	BUDGETED 2010 – 2011	BUDGETED 2011 – 2012	BUDGETED 2012 - 2013
Official's Salary	35,500	36,500	38,100	39,700	40,700
Staff Salary	24,250	22,650	22,000	21,300	32,760
Postage	1,800	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
Telephone	1,500	1,500	1,500	2,000	2,000
Equipment Repair	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Lodging	500	500	500	500	500
Mileage	1,000	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
Dues, Registration	350	350	500	500	500
Minerals Contract	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,500
PTAS/CAMA System	9,000	7,500	6,500	6,500	5,500
System Upgrade					
Continuing Education	500	500	500	500	500
Office Supplies	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500	2,500
Office Equipment	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Official's Bond					
Reappraisal					
TOTAL BUDGETED	84,900	83,500	83,600	85,000	95,960
TOTAL EXPENDED	69,908	71,589	77,871	78,185	
FORFEIT TO GENERAL FUND	14,992	11,911	5,729	6,815	

**NOTE 1**: Unused budget amounts are primarily due to an unfulfilled, full-time clerical position. The unused budget funds, at the end of the fiscal year, are transferred to "reserves" or other funding mechanisms and are not carried forward to the ensuing assessor's budget.

NOTE 2: New, unique, or additional-time-demanding requirements are accomplished by extended work hours contributed by the county assessor.

**NOTE 3**: The assessor cannot receive salary or benefits in excess of those set prior to each election year, no matter how many hours are contributed outside normal office hours.

# <u> Transmittal of 3-Year Plan</u>

The Dundy County Assessor's 2012 3-Year Plan of Assessment was hand-delivered to the Dundy County Board of Equalization on Monday, July 16, 2012.

One copy was handed to each of the three board members and one copy was handed to the county clerk, for the record.

Signed this 16<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2012 by the Dundy County Assessor.

Joanna Dislace

The Budget Summary was not updated within this Plan. The original Budget Estimation for the ensuing year, 2012-2013, has been filed with and approved by the County Board.

The Plan was electronically transmitted, in "pdf" format to the Property Tax Administrator on September14, 2012, addressed to:

Ruth.sorensen@nebraska.gov

The Plan was electronically transmitted, in "pdf" format with no page numbers, to Field Liaison, Marlene Bedore, on September 14, 2012, addressed to:

marlene.bedore@nebraska.gov

Copies will be printed from the file, upon request, any time after signed copies have been handed to the County Board.

# 2013 Assessment Survey for Dundy County

### A. Staffing and Funding Information

1.	Deputy(ies) on staff:
1.	0
2.	Appraiser(s) on staff:
3.	Other full-time employees:
	1
4.	Other part-time employees:
	0
5.	Number of shared employees:
	0
6.	Assessor's requested budget for current fiscal year:
	\$95,960
7.	Adopted budget, or granted budget if different from above:
8.	Amount of the total assessor's budget set aside for appraisal work:
	Contained within general functions.
9.	If appraisal/reappraisal budget is a separate levied fund, what is that amount:
	N/A
10.	Part of the assessor's budget that is dedicated to the computer system:
	\$5,500
11.	Amount of the assessor's budget set aside for education/workshops:
	\$500
12.	Other miscellaneous funds:
	0
13.	Amount of last year's assessor's budget not used:
	\$6,815

### **B.** Computer, Automation Information and GIS

1.	Administrative software:
	Reuters (Manitron/TerraScan)
2.	CAMA software:
	Marshall/Swift (TerraScan)
3.	Are cadastral maps currently being used?
	Yes
4.	If so, who maintains the Cadastral Maps?
	Staff, usually.
5.	Does the county have GIS software?
	No

6.	Is GIS available to the public? If so, what is the web address?
	N/A
7.	Who maintains the GIS software and maps?
	N/A
8.	Personal Property software:
	TerraScan

## **C. Zoning Information**

1.	Does the county have zoning?
	Yes
2.	If so, is the zoning countywide?
	Yes
3.	What municipalities in the county are zoned?
	Benkelman
4.	When was zoning implemented?
	2004

# **D.** Contracted Services

1.	Appraisal Services:
	Pritchard & Abbott, Inc. (Operating Minerals only)
2.	GIS Services:
3.	Other services:

# E. Appraisal /Listing Services

1.	Does the county employ outside help for appraisal or listing services?
	Operating Minerals only.
2.	If so, is the appraisal or listing service performed under contract?
	Yes
3.	What appraisal certifications or qualifications does the County require?
4.	Have the existing contracts been approved by the PTA?
	Yes
5.	Does the appraisal or listing service providers establish assessed values for the
	county?
	Submits operating minerals values - County Assessor is not obligated to implement
	them. County has option of using as submitted, altering, or declining.

This is to certify that the 2013 Reports and Opinions of the Property Tax Administrator have been sent to the following:

One copy by electronic transmission to the Tax Equalization and Review Commission.

One copy by electronic transmission to the Dundy County Assessor.

Dated this 5th day of April, 2013.

Ruth a. Sorensen

Ruth A. Sorensen Property Tax Administrator



**Map Section** 

Valuation History