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## **2015** Commission Summary

## for McPherson County

## **Residential Real Property - Current**

Number of Sales	7	Median	97.26
Total Sales Price	\$163,400	Mean	139.57
Total Adj. Sales Price	\$163,400	Wgt. Mean	98.26
Total Assessed Value	\$160,554	Average Assessed Value of the Base	\$35,635
Avg. Adj. Sales Price	\$23,343	Avg. Assessed Value	\$22,936

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

95% Median C.I	65.80 to 403.23
95% Wgt. Mean C.I	36.99 to 159.52
95% Mean C.I	28.55 to 250.59
% of Value of the Class of all Real Property Value in the	1.96
$\tilde{\%}$ of Records Sold in the Study Period	5.74
% of Value Sold in the Study Period	3.69

## **Residential Real Property - History**

Year	Number of Sales	LOV	Median
2014	4	100	113.35
2013	8		83.43
2012	7		90.81
2011	9	0	92

## 2015 Commission Summary

## for McPherson County

## **Commercial Real Property - Current**

Number of Sales	0	Median	00.00
Total Sales Price	\$0	Mean	00.00
Total Adj. Sales Price	\$0	Wgt. Mean	00.00
Total Assessed Value	\$0	Average Assessed Value of the Base	\$46,189
Avg. Adj. Sales Price	\$0	Avg. Assessed Value	\$0

### **Confidence Interval - Current**

95% Median C.I	N/A
95% Wgt. Mean C.I	N/A
95% Mean C.I	N/A
% of Value of the Class of all Real Property Value in the County	0.23
% of Records Sold in the Study Period	0.00
% of Value Sold in the Study Period	0.00

## **Commercial Real Property - History**

Year	Number of Sales	LOV	Median	
2014	0	100	00.00	
2013	0		00.00	
2012	0		00.00	
2011	0	0	0	

Opinions

## 2015 Opinions of the Property Tax Administrator for McPherson 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.

Residential Real Property   100   Meets generally accepted mass appraisal practices.   No recommendation.     Commercial Real Property   100   Meets generally accepted mass appraisal practices.   No recommendation.	Class	Level of Value	Quality of Assessment	Non-binding recommendation	
Commercial Real Meets generally accepted mass appraisal practices.		100		No recommendation.	
Commercial Real Meets generally accepted mass appraisal practices.					
		100		No recommendation.	
				-	
Agricultural Land 70 Meets generally accepted mass appraisal practices. No recommendation.	Agricultural Land	70		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 7th day of April, 2015.



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Ruth A. Sorensen Property Tax Administrator

**Residential Reports** 

# 2015 Residential Assessment Actions for McPherson County

All new residential improvements were added to the property record cards. A land study was conducted and indicated the value of the town lots in Tryon and the site values for rural residential homes should be increased. The new lot values were applied for the 2015 year. Pick up work was completed in a timely manner.

The county has been working on contracting with an independent appraisal firm. They are scheduled to complete a re-appraisal of all residences in the county using the June 2014 Marshall and Swift costing tables. The review will begin in the summer of 2015.

# 2015 Residential Assessment Survey for McPherson County

	Valuation data collection done by:     Assessor and Tax Valuation, Inc completed pick up work for this year.										
2.	List the valuation groupings recognized by the County and describe the unique characteristics of each:										
	Valuation     Description of unique characteristics       Grouping										
	1	Everything in the cou unincorporated.	nty is considered ru	ral, even the village of	of Tryon, since it is						
	AG	Outbuildings-Structures lo	ocated on rural parcels								
3.	List and o properties.	lescribe the approac	ch(es) used to est	timate the market	value of residential						
	The cost approach, sales will be utilized in the development of a depreciation table. There are normally not enough sales to do a true sales comparison or income approach that would be meaningful.										
4.		approach is used, do information or does the	•		n study(ies) based on A vendor?						
	Local market	information is used.									
5.	Are individua	al depreciation tables de	veloped for each valu	ation grouping?							
	No										
6.	Describe the methodology used to determine the residential lot values?										
	A per square f	oot cost was developed fi	rom the few sales and i	nformation provided in	the analysis.						
7.	Describe the resale?	for vacant lots be	ing held for sale or								
	N/A										
			Data of	Date of	Date of Last Inspection						
8.	Valuation Grouping	Date of Depreciation Tables	<u>Date of</u> <u>Costing</u>	Lot Value Study							
8.											

## **County Overview**

McPherson County is located in west central Nebraska in the Sand hills region. The county is sparsely populated with only 539 residents (2010 census). Cattle out number people 50:1 in the region. The county was first settled in 1890 and population base rose in the early nineteen hundreds with the passing of the Kinkaid Act. There shortly after, the drought and great depression of the 1930's struck. The population decreased as many farmers, unable to make a living in the dry conditions, left the region. As farms were abandoned and businesses closed, the ranches increased in size. Currently the population is close to the initial settlement population.

The county seat of Tryon (unincorporated with a population of 157), has a K-12 school and a few amenities. Ringgold, also unincorporated, has few buildings remaining including a church. The closest larger community is 35 miles to south east. North Platte, NE is within commuting distance to provide many goods and services to the region. Based these economics factors, the residential real estate market within the county is sporadic and unorganized.

## **Description of Analysis**

Very few sales occur in the residential class in McPherson County; therefore only one valuation grouping exists. The statistical profile contains only six sales and is not adequate to reliably measure the level of value within the residential class.

The six year physical inspection and review is done in conjunction with the annual maintenance and is in compliance with the six year inspection requirement. The goals established in the three year plan of assessment however, are not being met. McPherson County has been working to reappraise the residential properties for three years. The county is currently working on a contract with an independent appraisal firm to reappraise the county in its entirety for the 2016 year. In the meantime, the assessor did a study of the few existing lot sales and adjusted the value of the lots in town and also the home site and farm site acres. The sales study reaffirms the assessment actions.

### **Sales Qualification**

A Sales Qualification review is completed by the Department annually for every county. This includes the review of sales utilization rates and a review of the non-qualified sales roster to verify the reasons for disqualifying sales are adequate and documented. There appears to be no bias in the qualification determinations and all arm's length sales were made available for the measurement of real property in the county.

### **Equalization and Quality of Assessment**

The Department conducts a review of assessment practices for one-half of the counties within the state. McPherson County was selected for review in 2013. The review confirmed that the assessment practices are reliable and the residential class is being treated in a uniform and proportionate manner.

### Level of Value

Based on the consideration of all available information and assessment practices, the level of value is determined to be at the statutory level of 100% of market value for the residential class.

## **2015** Commercial Assessment Actions for McPherson County

No changes were made to the commercial values for 2015. A complete reappraisal for the commercial class was completed in 2012.

There are plans to reappraise the commercial class along with the residential class this upcoming year by hiring a contract appraiser for the 2016 year.

# 2015 Commercial Assessment Survey for McPherson County

1.	Valuation data collection done by:										
	Will hire someone that is a certified, contract appraiser.										
2.	List the valuation groupings recognized in the County and describe the unique characteristics of each:										
	<u>Valuation</u> <u>Grouping</u>	Description of unique cl	haracteristics								
	1	There are seldom any com	mercial sales in McPher	son County.							
3.	List and properties.	describe the approac	h(es) used to est	imate the market va	alue of commercial						
	With only 7 commercial properties in McPherson County, the cost approach carries the most weight. A true sales comparison cannot be relied upon; however the sales are utilized to develop depreciation. Neither is there enough income and expense data available in this area to make the income approach reliable.										
<b>3</b> a.	Describe the	process used to determin	ne the value of unique	commercial properties.							
	A contracted appraiser will be consulted. There are currently no unique commercial properties at this time.										
4.		• •	•	velop the depreciation provided by the CAMA v	• • •						
	Depreciation is based on market information.										
	Are individual depreciation tables developed for each valuation grouping?										
5.	Are individu	al depreciation tables de	veloped for each valu	ation grouping?							
5.	Are individu	al depreciation tables de	veloped for each valu	ation grouping?							
5. 6.	No	al depreciation tables de methodology used to det	•								
	No   Describe the   Vacant lot s	methodology used to det ales are rare, primarily	termine the commerci relied on experience		2						
	No   Describe the   Vacant lot s   appraiser in	methodology used to det ales are rare, primarily	termine the commerci relied on experience	ial lot values.	2						

## **County Overview**

There are only fifteen commercial parcels within the county. The area is reliant on the larger community of North Platte (35 miles southeast) to provide goods and services. The economics of McPherson County alone do not support a viable commercial market.

### **Description of Analysis**

The commercial properties are comprised of 7 different occupancy codes; each code will consist of 1 to 4 parcels. There are no commercial sales to analyze within the current study period.

The assessor has followed through with the 3 year plan of assessment and the six year physical inspection and review. The commercial properties were last reviewed with the assistance of Stanard Appraisal Service in 2012. The county plans to include the commercial with the reappraisal to be completed in 2016.

### **Sales Qualification**

A Sales Qualification review is completed annually for all counties. This review included the analysis of the non-qualified sales roster to verify that the reason for the disqualification was adequate and documented. There appears to be no bias in the qualification determinations and all arm's length sales were made available for the measurement of real property in the county.

### **Equalization and Quality of Assessment**

The Department conducts a review of assessment practices for one-half of the counties within the state. McPherson County was selected for review in 2013. With all the available information it is to be believed that the assessment practices are reliable and the Commercial class is being treated in a uniform and proportionate manner.

A commercial sample does not exist to utilize in the measurement of the commercial property.

### Level of Value

Based on the consideration of all available information and assessment practices, the level of value is determined to be at the statutory level of 100% of market value for the commercial class.

## 2015 Agricultural Assessment Actions for McPherson County

For assessment year 2015 all new improvements were added to the property record cards and pick up work was completed in a timely manner.

A market study was completed on the agricultural land sales and sales from the surrounding counties. From the analysis it was apparent that the grass land was driving the market and the statistical measure of central tendency was lower than the statutory level of sixty-nine to seventy-five percent of market value. Therefore, it was necessary to increase irrigated, dry and grass land classes for the 2015 year. A land study was conducted and new values implemented for home sites and farm sites.

A physical inspection and review of agricultural properties as part of the six year physical inspection and review, will be completed this summer (for 2016 assessment year) during the reappraisal of all county improvements using the Marshall and Swift 2014 pricing.

# 2015 Agricultural Assessment Survey for McPherson County

1.	Valuation data collection done by:									
	Assessor and may hire certified appraiser for assistance									
2.	List each market area, and describe the location and the specific characteristics that make each unique.									
	Market Area Description of unique characteristics									
	1     Due to the fact that McPherson County is very homogenous in makeup there is only one countywide market area.	2014								
	The county does not have a GIS system. The assessor works closely with the local NRDs to track and monitor irrigated acres and also uses the websoil survey as a discovery tool. The county also sends a letter to landowners yearly asking for them to update their land use records if any changes have occurred. If there are any questions, the assessor will contact the landowner directly.									
3.	Describe the process used to determine and monitor market areas.									
	Sales studies are done to see if there is a difference in the market within the county. The there have been none, so one countywide market area is sufficient.									
4.	Describe the process used to identify rural residential land and recreational land in the county apart from agricultural land.									
	This area is primarily ranch land. Small acreages that are not adjoining or part of a larger ranch holding, or would not substantiate an economically feasible ranching operation are considered rural residential. There have been no non-agricultural influences have not been identified that would cause a parcel to be considered recreational.									
5.	Do farm home sites carry the same value as rural residential home sites? If not, what are the market differences?									
	Yes, farm home sites are priced comparably to the residential home sites in the Village of Tryon.									
6.	If applicable, describe the process used to develop assessed values for parce the Wetland Reserve Program.	els enrolled in								
	Not applicable.									
7.	Have special valuation applications been filed in the county? If so, answer the following	g:								

County	Mkt Area	1A1	1A	2A1	2A	3A1	3A	4A1	4A	WEIGHTED AVG IRR
McPherson	1	n/a	n/a	2,100	2,100	n/a	2,100	2,100	2,100	2,100
Lincoln	2	2,500	2,500	2,469	2,500	2,500	2,459	2,489	2,489	2,489
Keith	1	n/a	2,101	n/a	2,100	2,100	2,100	2,100	2,100	2,100
Arthur	1	n/a	n/a	2,100	n/a	2,100	2,100	2,100	2,100	2,100
Grant	1	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
Hooker	1	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
Thomas	1	n/a	n/a	2,100	2,100	n/a	2,100	2,100	2,100	2,100
Logan	1	n/a	3,630	3,495	3,360	2,870	2,870	2,600	2,485	3,048
County	Mkt Area	1D1	1D	2D1	2D	3D1	3D	4D1	4D	WEIGHTED AVG DRY
McPherson	1	n/a	n/a	n/a	725	n/a	725	725	725	725
Lincoln	2	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Keith	1	n/a	625	n/a	600	600	600	600	600	601
Arthur	1	n/a								
Grant	1	n/a								
Hooker	1	n/a								
Thomas	1	n/a								
Logan	1	n/a	1,625	1,560	1,560	1,440	1,440	1,210	1,210	1,441
County	Mkt Area	1G1	1G	2G1	2G	3G1	3G	4G1	4G	WEIGHTED AVG GRASS
McPherson	1	n/a	n/a	330	330	n/a	330	330	330	330
Lincoln	2	425	425	425	425	425	375	375	374	375
Keith	1	n/a	436	n/a	369	338	343	329	327	328
Arthur	1	n/a	n/a	315	n/a	315	315	315	315	315
Grant	1	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	315	315	315	315
Hooker	1	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	320	320	310	310	310
Thomas	1	n/a	n/a	335	335	n/a	335	335	335	335
Logan	1	n/a	415	415	415	415	415	415	415	415

Source: 2015 Abstract of Assessment, Form 45, Schedule IX

## **County Overview**

McPherson County is located in the southern part of the Nebraska Sand Hills region. The Sand Hills are comprised of mixed grass prairie on grass-stabilized sand dunes that sit atop the Ogallala Aquifer. Therefore, shallow lakes are common in the low lying valleys between the dunes. McPherson County is primarily grass land (96%), which is grazed by cattle. The composition of the sandy soils makes most of the area unsuitable for growing row crops, although there is some irrigation in the region with the use of center-pivot irrigation. The surrounding counties (Arthur, Keith, the northern part of Lincoln, portions of Logan, Thomas and Hooker) are also located within the Sand Hills and have the similar physical characteristics.

McPherson County is divided by two natural resource districts; approximately one-third of the eastern part of the county is in the Upper Loup NRD while the remainder of the county is in the Twin Platte NRD. The Upper Loup has moratoriums and restrictions but also has authorized the expansion of irrigated acres (2,500 acre maximum annually) if certain criteria are met.

## **Description of Analysis**

Analysis of the sales file indicates that the sample once stratified by sales date, does not contain a proportionate amount of sales between study periods. The sample is heavily weighted to the oldest study period. Sales were brought in from surrounding counties to help balance and expand the overall and majority land use samples to make the analysis meaningful. The 95% majority land use of grass land is the most representative of the composition of the county and should be used to statistically measure the level of value for McPherson County.

There are a limited number of irrigated sales with only 2 sales appearing the 80% majority land use study and is inconclusive for measurement. A separate, expanded analysis of the irrigated sales throughout the region was also conducted. This study indicated that an increase to the irrigated classes was needed. Many of the Sand Hills counties, including McPherson County, attempted to recognize the market and took another substantial increase (42%) to the irrigated class. This increase generally demonstrates an acceptable portion of market value has been attained. The sales within the analysis indicate that the market value of grass land is still rising. The assessor took a 20% increase to grass land which is consistent with neighboring counties and lacking market evidence the dry land was also increased 20% to parallel the increase in grass land.

## **Sales Qualification**

A Sales Qualification review is completed annually for all counties. This review included the analysis of the non-qualified sales roster to verify that the reason for the disqualification was adequate and documented. There appears to be no bias in the qualification determinations and all arm's length sales were made available for the measurement of real property in the county.

### **Equalization and Quality of Assessment**

The values established by the assessor fall statistically within the acceptable range in the 95% and 80% majority land use of grassland. These values also blend well with the values of surrounding counties; further illustrating the assessment is acceptable. The evidence supports that agricultural values have been established at uniform portions of market value; the quality of assessment is in compliance with professionally accepted mass appraisal standards.

## Level of Value

Based on all available information, the level of value of agricultural land in McPherson County is determined to be 70% of market value for the agricultural land class.

**Statistical Reports** 

60 McPherson				PAD 201	5 R&O Statist Qua	ics (Using 20 alified	)15 Values)					
RESIDENTIAL				Date Range:	10/1/2012 To 9/3		ed on: 1/1/2015					
Number of Sales : 7	MEDIAN : 97 COV : 86.01						95% Median C.I.: 65.8	0 to 403.23				
Total Sales Price : 163,400 Total Adj. Sales Price : 163,400			EAN: 98		STD: 120.04			95	95% Wgt. Mean C.I.: 36.99 to 159.52			
			EAN: 140			Dev: 65.58		00	95% Mean C.I. : 28.5			
Total Assessed Value : 160,554									2010			
Avg. Adj. Sales Price: 23,343		(	COD: 67.43		MAX Sales	Ratio : 403.23						
Avg. Assessed Value: 22,936		I	PRD: 142.04		MIN Sales	Ratio : 65.80			Pi	rinted:4/2/2015	4:10:04PM	
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-12 To 31-DEC-12	1	149.45	149.45	149.45	00.00	100.00	149.45	149.45	N/A	21,900	32,730	
01-JAN-13 To 31-MAR-13	1	75.78	75.78	75.78	00.00	100.00	75.78	75.78	N/A	16,500	12,504	
01-APR-13 To 30-JUN-13	1	97.26	97.26	97.26	00.00	100.00	97.26	97.26	N/A	15,000	14,589	
01-JUL-13 To 30-SEP-13												
01-OCT-13 To 31-DEC-13												
01-JAN-14 To 31-MAR-14	1	65.80	65.80	65.80	00.00	100.00	65.80	65.80	N/A	89,000	58,565	
01-APR-14 To 30-JUN-14												
01-JUL-14 To 30-SEP-14	3	116.69	196.23	200.79	95.54	97.73	68.76	403.23	N/A	7,000	14,055	
Study Yrs												
01-OCT-12 To 30-SEP-13	3	97.26	107.50	112.03	25.25	95.96	75.78	149.45	N/A	17,800	19,941	
01-OCT-13 To 30-SEP-14	4	92.73	163.62	91.57	103.89	178.68	65.80	403.23	N/A	27,500	25,183	
Calendar Yrs												
01-JAN-13 TO 31-DEC-13	2	86.52	86.52	86.01	12.41	100.59	75.78	97.26	N/A	15,750	13,547	
ALL	7	97.26	139.57	98.26	67.43	142.04	65.80	403.23	65.80 to 403.23	23,343	22,936	
VALUATION GROUPING										Avg. Adj.	Avg.	
RANGE	COUNT	MEDIAN	MEAN	WGT.MEAN	COD	PRD	MIN	MAX	95%_Median_C.I.	Sale Price	Assd. Val	
01	7	97.26	139.57	98.26	67.43	142.04	65.80	403.23	65.80 to 403.23	23,343	22,936	
ALL	7	97.26	139.57	98.26	67.43	142.04	65.80	403.23	65.80 to 403.23	23,343	22,936	
PROPERTY TYPE *										Avg. Adj.	Avg.	
RANGE	COUNT	MEDIAN	MEAN	WGT.MEAN	COD	PRD	MIN	MAX	95%_Median_C.I.	Sale Price	Assd. Val	
01	7	97.26	139.57	98.26	67.43	142.04	65.80	403.23	65.80 to 403.23	23,343	22,936	
06												
07												
ALL	7	97.26	139.57	98.26	67.43	142.04	65.80	403.23	65.80 to 403.23	23,343	22,936	
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RESIDENTIAL				Date Range:	: 10/1/2012 To 9/3	0/2014 Posted	d on: 1/1/2015					
Number of Sales :	7	MED	DIAN: 97			COV: 86.01			95% Median C.I.: 65.8	30 to 403.23		
Total Sales Price :	163,400	WGT. M	EAN: 98		STD : 120.04				% Wgt. Mean C.I.: 36.9	99 to 159.52		
Total Adj. Sales Price :	163,400	М	EAN: 140		Avg. Abs.	Dev: 65.58			95% Mean C.I. : 28.55 to 250.59			
Total Assessed Value :	,											
Avg. Adj. Sales Price :			COD: 67.43			Ratio : 403.23			_			
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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	3	116.69	196.23	200.79	95.54	97.73	68.76	403.23	N/A	7,000	14,055	
Less Than 30,000	6	106.98	151.86	137.08	66.61	110.78	68.76	403.23	68.76 to 403.23	12,400	16,998	
Ranges Excl. Low \$	_											
Greater Than 4,999	7	97.26	139.57	98.26	67.43	142.04	65.80	403.23	65.80 to 403.23	23,343	22,936	
Greater Than 14,999	4	86.52	97.07	83.14	30.37	116.75	65.80	149.45	N/A	35,600	29,597	
Greater Than 29,999	1	65.80	65.80	65.80	00.00	100.00	65.80	65.80	N/A	89,000	58,565	
Incremental Ranges 0 TO 4,999												
5,000 TO 14,999	3	116.69	196.23	200.79	95.54	97.73	68.76	403.23	N/A	7,000	14,055	
15,000 TO 29,999	3	97.26	107.50	112.03	25.25	95.96	75.78	149.45	N/A	17,800	19,941	
30,000 TO 59,999	ũ	01.20			20.20	00.00				,	,	
60,000 TO 99,999	1	65.80	65.80	65.80	00.00	100.00	65.80	65.80	N/A	89,000	58,565	
100,000 TO 149,999												
150,000 TO 249,999												
250,000 TO 499,999												
500,000 TO 999,999												
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ALL	7	97.26	139.57	98.26	67.43	142.04	65.80	403.23	65.80 to 403.23	23,343	22,936	
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COMMERCIAL				Data Banga	Qual 10/1/2011 To 9/30		on: 1/1/2015				
				Date Range			011. 1/1/2015				
Number of Sales : 0			DIAN: 0			COV: 00.00			95% Median C.I.: N/A		
Total Sales Price : 0		WGT. MI				STD: 00.00		95	% Wgt. Mean C.I.: N/A		
Total Adj. Sales Price: 0 Total Assessed Value: 0		MI	EAN: 0		Avg. Abs.	Dev: 00.00			95% Mean C.I.: N/A		
Avg. Adj. Sales Price : 0		C	COD: 00.00		MAX Sales R	atio · 00 00					
Avg. Assessed Value : 0			PRD: 00.00		MIN Sales R				P	rinted:4/2/2015	4:10:05PM
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-11 To 31-DEC-11											
01-JAN-12 To 31-MAR-12											
01-APR-12 To 30-JUN-12											
01-JUL-12 To 30-SEP-12											
01-OCT-12 To 31-DEC-12											
01-JAN-13 To 31-MAR-13											
01-APR-13 To 30-JUN-13											
01-JUL-13 To 30-SEP-13											
01-OCT-13 To 31-DEC-13											
01-JAN-14 To 31-MAR-14											
01-APR-14 To 30-JUN-14											
01-JUL-14 To 30-SEP-14											
Study Yrs											
01-OCT-11 To 30-SEP-12											
01-OCT-12 To 30-SEP-13											
01-OCT-13 To 30-SEP-14											
Calendar Yrs											
01-JAN-12 To 31-DEC-12											
01-JAN-13 To 31-DEC-13											
ALL											
PROPERTY TYPE *										Avg. Adj.	Avg.
RANGE	COUNT	MEDIAN	MEAN	WGT.MEAN	COD	PRD	MIN	MAX	95%_Median_C.I.	Sale Price	Assd. Val
02											
03											
04											
ALL											

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60 McPherson				PAD 201	5 R&O Statisti Qual		15 Values)				
COMMERCIAL				Date Range	Quar : 10/1/2011 To 9/30		d on: 1/1/2015				
Number of Sales: 0		MEL	DIAN: 0	Ũ		COV: 00.00			95% Median C.I.: N/	A	
Total Sales Price : 0		WGT. M				STD: 00.00		95	% Wgt. Mean C.I.: N/		
Total Adj. Sales Price: 0			EAN: 0			Dev: 00.00			95% Mean C.I. : N/		
Total Assessed Value : 0					5						
Avg. Adj. Sales Price: 0		C	COD: 00.00		MAX Sales F	Ratio : 00.00					
Avg. Assessed Value: 0		ł	PRD: 00.00		MIN Sales F	Ratio : 00.00				Printed:4/2/2015	4:10:05PM
SALE PRICE *										Avg. Adj.	Avg.
RANGE	COUNT	MEDIAN	MEAN	WGT.MEAN	COD	PRD	MIN	MAX	95%_Median_C.I.	Sale Price	-
Low \$ Ranges											
Less Than 5,000											
Less Than 15,000											
Less Than 30,000											
Ranges Excl. Low \$											
Greater Than 4,999											
Greater Than 14,999											
Greater Than 29,999											
Incremental Ranges											
0 TO 4,999											
5,000 TO 14,999											
15,000 TO 29,999											
30,000 TO 59,999											
60,000 TO 99,999											
100,000 TO 149,999											
150,000 TO 249,999											
250,000 TO 499,999											
500,000 TO 999,999											
1,000,000 +											
ALL											

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60 McPherson				PAD 2015		cs (Using 201 lified	5 Values)				
AGRICULTURAL LAND				Date Range:		0/2014 Posted	on: 1/1/2015				
Number of Sales: 36		MED	DIAN: 70		(	COV : 25.25			95% Median C.I.: 65.4	14 to 82.50	
Total Sales Price : 19,989,542			EAN: 66			STD : 18.82		959	% Wgt. Mean C.I.: 56.3		
Total Adj. Sales Price : 20,672,324			EAN: 00			Dev: 14.51		90	95% Mean C.I. : 68.3		
Total Assessed Value : 13,715,616		IVI	EAN . 75		Avg. Abs.	Dev. 14.51			95% Wear C.I 00.	00 10 00.00	
Avg. Adj. Sales Price : 574,231		C	COD: 20.88		MAX Sales F	Ratio : 124.93					
Avg. Assessed Value : 380,989			PRD: 112.33		MIN Sales F				F	Printed:4/2/2015	4:10:06PM
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-11 To 31-DEC-11	3	94.14	100.81	96.14	14.72	104.86	83.35	124.93	N/A	450,568	433,167
01-JAN-12 To 31-MAR-12	6	67.56	74.94	75.75	13.94	98.93	65.44	98.41	65.44 to 98.41	447,083	338,674
01-APR-12 To 30-JUN-12	4	95.76	91.72	74.78	18.84	122.65	62.76	112.59	N/A	692,035	517,537
01-JUL-12 To 30-SEP-12											
01-OCT-12 To 31-DEC-12	3	82.50	84.18	85.60	02.04	98.34	82.50	87.55	N/A	389,691	333,595
01-JAN-13 To 31-MAR-13	3	60.03	61.70	60.84	03.38	101.41	59.49	65.58	N/A	287,227	174,746
01-APR-13 To 30-JUN-13	2	74.15	74.15	76.09	10.95	97.45	66.03	82.27	N/A	801,000	609,444
01-JUL-13 To 30-SEP-13	2	69.15	69.15	71.68	08.89	96.47	63.00	75.29	N/A	203,860	146,121
01-OCT-13 To 31-DEC-13	2	51.10	51.10	49.17	06.38	103.93	47.84	54.35	N/A	586,250	288,281
01-JAN-14 To 31-MAR-14	3	59.49	54.90	51.87	18.39	105.84	36.20	69.01	N/A	412,684	214,073
01-APR-14 To 30-JUN-14	5	69.47	65.25	52.10	10.52	125.24	50.04	73.33	N/A	1,308,786	681,922
01-JUL-14 To 30-SEP-14	3	88.00	82.27	74.21	14.31	110.86	60.51	98.29	N/A	291,676	216,459
Study Yrs											
01-OCT-11 To 30-SEP-12	13	84.60	86.07	79.41	19.09	108.39	62.76	124.93	65.53 to 106.92	523,257	415,515
01-OCT-12 To 30-SEP-13	10	70.66	72.42	75.14	13.59	96.38	59.49	87.55	60.03 to 82.50	404,047	303,615
01-OCT-13 To 30-SEP-14	13	60.51	64.61	53.69	20.77	120.34	36.20	98.29	50.04 to 73.33	756,116	405,982
Calendar Yrs											
01-JAN-12 To 31-DEC-12	13	82.50	82.23	77.09	15.27	106.67	62.76	112.59	65.53 to 98.41	509,209	392,537
01-JAN-13 To 31-DEC-13	9	63.00	63.76	64.59	11.90	98.71	47.84	82.27	54.35 to 75.29	449,322	290,214
ALL	36	69.50	74.53	66.35	20.88	112.33	36.20	124.93	65.44 to 82.50	574,231	380,989
AREA (MARKET)										Avg. Adj.	Avg.
RANGE	COUNT	MEDIAN	MEAN	WGT.MEAN	COD	PRD	MIN	MAX	95%_Median_C.I.	Sale Price	Assd. Val
1	36	69.50	74.53	66.35	20.88	112.33	36.20	124.93	65.44 to 82.50	574,231	380,989
ALL	36	69.50	74.53	66.35	20.88	112.33	36.20	124.93	65.44 to 82.50	574,231	380,989
95%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	000111	MEDIAN		WOT.MEAN	OOD	IND	IVIII N	WI-VA		Gale T field	A330. Vai
County	1	60.09	60.09	60.09	00.00	100.00	60.09	60.09	N/A	750,000	450,681
1	1	60.09	60.09	60.09	00.00	100.00	60.09	60.09	N/A	750,000	450,681
Grass		00.00		00.00	00.00	100.00	00.00	00.00	14/7	100,000	100,001
County	32	69.50	74.12	71.35	19.40	103.88	36.20	124.93	65.44 to 82.50	427,298	304,898
1	32	69.50	74.12	71.35	19.40	103.88	36.20	124.93	65.44 to 82.50	427,298	304,898
									65.44 to 82.50		
ALL	36	69.50	74.53	66.35	20.88	112.33	36.20	124.93	03.44 (0 82.50	574,231	380,989

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60 McPherson AGRICULTURAL LAND					5 R&O Statist Qua 10/1/2011 To 9/3	alified	<b>15 Values)</b> d on: 1/1/2015				
Number of Sales: 36		MED	DIAN: 70			COV : 25.25			95% Median C.I.: 6	5.44 to 82.50	
Total Sales Price: 19	,989,542	WGT. M	EAN: 66			STD: 18.82		95	% Wgt. Mean C.I.: 5	6.36 to 76.33	
Total Adj. Sales Price : 20 Total Assessed Value : 13		Μ	EAN: 75		Avg. Abs.	Dev: 14.51			95% Mean C.I.: 6	8.38 to 80.68	
Avg. Adj. Sales Price : 57 Avg. Assessed Value : 38			COD: 20.88 PRD: 112.33			Ratio : 124.93 Ratio : 36.20				Printed:4/2/2015	4:10:06PM
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	2	83.51	83.51	76.38	28.04	109.33	60.09	106.92	N/A	574,945	439,127
1	2	83.51	83.51	76.38	28.04	109.33	60.09	106.92	N/A	574,945	439,127
Grass											
County	32	69.50	74.12	71.35	19.40	103.88	36.20	124.93	65.44 to 82.50	427,298	304,898
1	32	69.50	74.12	71.35	19.40	103.88	36.20	124.93	65.44 to 82.50	427,298	304,898
ALL	36	69.50	74.53	66.35	20.88	112.33	36.20	124.93	65.44 to 82.50	574,231	380,989

**County Reports** 

## 2015 County Abstract of Assessment for Real Property, Form 45

Total Real Property Sum Lines 17, 25, & 30		Records : 1,59	5	Value : 22	2,206,672	Grov	wth 87,016	Sum Lines 17,	25, & 41
chedule I : Non-Agricult	ural Records								
	Ur	ban	Subl	Urban	) [ I	Rural	Т	otal	Growth
	Records	Value	Records	Value	Records	Value	Records	Value	
01. Res UnImp Land	0	0	0	0	31	163,834	31	163,834	
02. Res Improve Land	0	0	0	0	88	556,706	88	556,706	
03. Res Improvements	0	0	0	0	91	3,626,869	91	3,626,869	
04. Res Total	0	0	0	0	122	4,347,409	122	4,347,409	1,873
% of Res Total	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	7.65	1.96	2.15
)5. Com UnImp Land	0	0	0	0	4	10,597	4	10,597	
06. Com Improve Land	0	0	0	0	7	30,310	7	30,310	
07. Com Improvements	0	0	0	0	7	467,177	7	467,177	
08. Com Total	0	0	0	0	11	508,084	11	508,084	0
% of Com Total	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	0.69	0.23	0.00
09. Ind UnImp Land	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
10. Ind Improve Land	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
11. Ind Improvements	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
12. 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
13. Rec UnImp Land	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
14. Rec Improve Land	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
15. Rec Improvements	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
16. Rec Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
% of Rec Total	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Res & Rec Total	0	0	0	0	122	4,347,409	122	4,347,409	1,873
% of Res & Rec Total	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	7.65	1.96	2.15
Com & Ind Total	0	0	0	0	11	508,084	11	508,084	0
% of Com & Ind Total	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	0.69	0.23	0.00
17. Taxable Total	0	0	0	0	133	4,855,493	133	4,855,493	1,873
% of Taxable Total	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	8.34	2.19	2.15

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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	0	0	0	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	0	0	0
20. Industrial	0	0	0	0	0	0
21. Other	0	0	0	0	0	0
22. Total Sch II				0	0	0

#### Schedule III : Mineral Interest Records

<b>Mineral Interest</b>	Records Urba	an <sub>Value</sub>	Records SubU	rban <sub>Value</sub>	Records Rura	al Value	Records Tota	al Value	Growth
23. Producing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
24. Non-Producing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
25. Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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

	Urban	SubUrban	Rural	Total
	Records	Records	Records	Records
26. Exempt	0	1	33	34

#### Schedule V : Agricultural Records

8	Urban		Subl	Jrban		Rural	T	otal
	Records	Value	Records	Value	Records	Value	Records	Value
27. Ag-Vacant Land	0	0	0	0	1,279	174,526,906	1,279	174,526,906
28. Ag-Improved Land	0	0	0	0	177	33,377,588	177	33,377,588
29. Ag Improvements	0	0	0	0	183	9,446,685	183	9,446,685
30. Ag Total							1,462	217,351,179

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Schedule VI : Agricultural Records :Non-Agricultural Detail											
	Records	Urban Acres	Value	Records	SubUrban Acres	Value					
31. HomeSite UnImp Land	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0					
32. HomeSite Improv Land	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0					
33. HomeSite Improvements	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0					
34. HomeSite Total											
35. FarmSite UnImp Land	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0					
36. FarmSite Improv Land	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0					
37. FarmSite Improvements	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0					
38. FarmSite Total											
39. Road & Ditches	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	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	1	1.00	4,000	1	1.00	4,000					
32. HomeSite Improv Land	126	144.00	576,000	126	144.00	576,000					
33. HomeSite Improvements	118	131.00	7,067,423	118	131.00	7,067,423	85,143				
34. HomeSite Total				119	145.00	7,647,423					
35. FarmSite UnImp Land	2	8.00	2,640	2	8.00	2,640					
36. FarmSite Improv Land	172	587.00	230,760	172	587.00	230,760					
<b>37. FarmSite Improvements</b>	178	0.00	2,379,262	178	0.00	2,379,262	0				
38. FarmSite Total				180	595.00	2,612,662					
39. Road & Ditches	0	1,597.03	0	0	1,597.03	0					
40. Other- Non Ag Use	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0					
41. Total Section VI				299	2,337.03	10,260,085	85,143				

### 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	J	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*
45. 1A1	0.00	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00
46. 1A	0.00	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00
47. 2A1	55.00	0.38%	115,500	0.38%	2,100.00
18. 2A	1,379.60	9.42%	2,897,160	9.42%	2,100.00
19. 3A1	0.00	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00
50. 3A	3,758.70	25.66%	7,893,270	25.66%	2,100.00
51. 4A1	4,470.83	30.53%	9,388,743	30.53%	2,100.00
52. 4A	4,982.10	34.02%	10,462,410	34.02%	2,100.00
53. Total	14,646.23	100.00%	30,757,083	100.00%	2,100.00
Dry					
54. 1D1	0.00	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00
55. 1D	0.00	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00
56. 2D1	0.00	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00
57. 2D	591.30	22.13%	428,694	22.13%	725.00
58. 3D1	0.00	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00
59. 3D	550.80	20.61%	399,331	20.61%	725.00
50. 4D1	548.80	20.54%	397,882	20.54%	725.00
51. 4D	981.32	36.72%	711,461	36.72%	725.00
52. Total	2,672.22	100.00%	1,937,368	100.00%	725.00
Grass					
53. 1G1	0.00	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00
54. 1G	0.00	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00
55. 2G1	251.00	0.05%	82,830	0.05%	330.00
56. 2G	3,869.83	0.73%	1,277,044	0.73%	330.00
57. 3G1	0.00	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00
58. 3G	21,054.89	3.99%	6,948,113	3.99%	330.00
59. 4G1	50,325.15	9.52%	16,607,301	9.52%	330.00
70. 4G	452,851.77	85.71%	149,441,086	85.71%	330.00
71. Total	528,352.64	100.00%	174,356,374	100.00%	330.00
Irrigated Total	14,646.23	2.66%	30,757,083	14.85%	2,100.00
Dry Total	2,672.22	0.49%	1,937,368	0.94%	725.00
Grass Total	528,352.64	96.12%	174,356,374	84.19%	330.00
72. Waste	4,026.93	0.73%	40,269	0.02%	10.00
73. Other	0.00	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00
74. Exempt	13.63	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00
75. Market Area Total	549,698.02	100.00%	207,091,094	100.00%	376.74

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

	U	rban	SubU	rban	Rural		Total	
	Acres	Value	Acres	Value	Acres	Value	Acres	Value
76. Irrigated	0.00	0	0.00	0	14,646.23	30,757,083	14,646.23	30,757,083
77. Dry Land	0.00	0	0.00	0	2,672.22	1,937,368	2,672.22	1,937,368
78. Grass	0.00	0	0.00	0	528,352.64	174,356,374	528,352.64	174,356,374
79. Waste	0.00	0	0.00	0	4,026.93	40,269	4,026.93	40,269
80. Other	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0
81. Exempt	0.00	0	0.00	0	13.63	0	13.63	0
82. Total	0.00	0	0.00	0	549,698.02	207,091,094	549,698.02	207,091,094

	Acres	% of Acres*	Value	% of Value*	Average Assessed Value*
Irrigated	14,646.23	2.66%	30,757,083	14.85%	2,100.00
Dry Land	2,672.22	0.49%	1,937,368	0.94%	725.00
Grass	528,352.64	96.12%	174,356,374	84.19%	330.00
Waste	4,026.93	0.73%	40,269	0.02%	10.00
Other	0.00	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00
Exempt	13.63	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00
Total	549,698.02	100.00%	207,091,094	100.00%	376.74

## 2015 County Abstract of Assessment for Real Property, Form 45 Compared with the 2014 Certificate of Taxes Levied (CTL)

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	2014 CTL County Total	2015 Form 45 County Total	Value Difference (2015 form 45 - 2014 CTL)	Percent Change	2015 Growth (New Construction Value)	Percent Change excl. Growth
01. Residential	4,271,814	4,347,409	75,595	1.77%	1,873	1.73%
02. Recreational	0	0	0		0	
03. Ag-Homesite Land, Ag-Res Dwelling	7,206,684	7,647,423	440,739	6.12%	85,143	4.93%
04. Total Residential (sum lines 1-3)	11,478,498	11,994,832	516,334	4.50%	87,016	3.74%
05. Commercial	508,084	508,084	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
06. Industrial	0	0	0		0	
07. Ag-Farmsite Land, Outbuildings	2,432,029	2,612,662	180,633	7.43%	0	7.43%
08. Minerals	0	0	0		0	
09. Total Commercial (sum lines 5-8)	2,940,113	3,120,746	180,633	6.14%	0	6.14%
10. Total Non-Agland Real Property	14,418,611	15,115,578	696,967	4.83%	87,016	4.23%
11. Irrigated	21,125,389	30,757,083	9,631,694	45.59%	)	
12. Dryland	1,638,543	1,937,368	298,825	18.24%	)	
13. Grassland	145,360,548	174,356,374	28,995,826	19.95%	5	
14. Wasteland	40,269	40,269	0	0.00%	)	
15. Other Agland	0	0	0			
16. Total Agricultural Land	168,164,749	207,091,094	38,926,345	23.15%		
<b>17. Total Value of all Real Property</b> (Locally Assessed)	182,583,360	222,206,672	39,623,312	21.70%	87,016	21.65%

## <u>McPHERSON COUNTY</u> 2014 PLAN OF ASSESSMENT (FOR THE YEARS 2015, 2016, 2017)

Nebraska State Law establishes the framework within which the assessor must operate. However, a real property assessment system requires that an operation or procedure be done completely and in a uniform manner each time it is repeated. Accurate and efficient assessment practices represent prudent expenditure of tax monies, establishes taxpayer confidence in local government and enables the local government to serve its citizens more effectively. The important role the assessment practices play in local government cannot be overstated.

Pursuant to Neb. Laws 2005, LB263, Section 9, on or before June 15 each year, the assessor shall prepare a plan of assessment which describes the assessment actions planned for the next assessment year and the two years thereafter. The plan shall indicate the classes or subclasses of real property that the county assessor plans to examine during the years contained in the plan of assessment. The plan shall describe all the assessment actions necessary to achieve the levels of value and quality of assessment practices required by law, and the resources necessary to complete those actions. On or before July 31 each year, the assessor shall present the plan to the County Board of Equalization and the assessor may amend the plan, if necessary, after the budget is approved by the County Board. A copy of the plan and any amendment shall be mailed to the Department of Property Assessment and Taxation on or before October 31 each year.

#### General Description of the County:

McPherson County has 1,593 parcels of taxable real property and 34 parcels of exempt property. The residential parcel count is approximately 7% of the total taxable parcels, commercial is 1% and agricultural is 92%. Exempt parcels represent 2% of the total county parcels. The taxable value of real property in the County for the 2014 year was \$182,715,213, with approximately .023% attributed to residential .003% to Commercial and 99.97% to agricultural.

McPherson County has 549,640.21 acres of taxable agricultural land. Of that 96.1% consists primarily of grassland. For assessment 2014, there were 6 building permits and/or information statements filed for new property construction and additions to existing improvements in the county.

#### Staff/Training/Budget

Due to the population of the county, the McPherson County Clerk is required to be an Ex-officio County official, who must also hold the office of Assessor, Register of Deeds, Clerk of District Court and Election Commissioner. A valid Nebraska Assessor's Certificate is required in order to file for or assume the elected position of County Clerk. Statutes also now require the completion of 60 hours of continuing education within the four year term of office, in order to hold the Assessor's Certificate.

The County Clerk/Assessor has held this position since being elected in 1982 and assuming the office in 1983. The office has one employee who helps with all the many duties of the County Clerk's position. Due to the combination of the many offices and duties, it is impossible for the County Clerk to devote 100% of her time to the duties of assessing. Each office held has its own share of duties, reports and deadlines which must be met. The County Clerk is also responsible for conducting the County Elections on election years.

The Assessor will be working with Accredited Rural Appraiser Darrell Stanard on an as needed basis, to assist the Assessor in finalizing a new depreciation schedule to be used on all residential properties in the county, to review sold properties, complete the annual pick-up work, analyze the statistical measures used by the Department of Property Assessment and Taxation, & provide opinions of the planned actions to be taken by the Assessor's office for the current assessment of all county real property.

Normal office hours are 35 hours a week, normal working hours for the County Clerk are 50 hours a week. The Clerk/Assessor has attended IAAO courses and attends the annual workshops & training provided by the Department of Property Assessment & Taxation. The Assessor's general budget for 2014–2015 is \$32,220 including \$6,618 for Appraisal Fees.

### Responsibilities

#### Record Maintenance/Procedure Manual

The record cards are in hardcopy format and they contain the required information such as ownership, legal description, classification codes, building lists and measurements, parcel identification number, land size, value and annual value posting. The records also show any splits or sales of the parcel including the book and page of the transferring deed and prior owner. Current pictures and land summary is included on each record. The record cards are also in an electronic format.

### Mapping/Software

The County has contracted with ASI/Terra Scan computer services through Manitron. All residential improvements have been entered into the CAMA program. Future plans are to utilize the sketching program. Sales have been entered into the sales file on the system and statistical information is received from the Department of Revenue. The County has a set of cadastral maps dated 1955 which have not been fully utilized, however the assessor does have 2 large wall maps on which ownership and splits are kept current. Zoning was adopted in McPherson County in 2000. The Village of Tryon is unincorporated but was included in the transition area of the Comprehensive Plan.

#### Reports

Assessor is responsible for the timely filings of the additional following schedules & reports:Personal PropertyCertificate of Taxes LeviedCounty AbstractGenerate the County Tax RollCertification of Values to SubdivisionsTax List Corrections as neededSchool District Taxable Value ReportAdminister Homestead Exemptions

#### Sales Review

The Assessor considers all sales to be arm's length, unless through the verification process, it is proven to be otherwise. Along with her personal knowledge, the sales are verified with the buyer if at all possible; the seller or real estate agent may also be contacted if the buyer cannot be reached. Most of the verification is done by personal contact or by telephone. Since the Assessor is also the Register of Deeds, any special financing arrangements are known to her at the time the Deeds and Mortgages are filed in her office. If the sale involves personal property or is an outlying sale, an extended effort is made to verify the sale. No sale is qualified or disqualified based on a particular percentage above or below the acceptable range. The Real Estate Transfer Statements are completed on a monthly basis and filed timely with the Department of Revenue.

#### County Progress for the Three Property Classes:

<u>Residential:</u> A county-wide inspection & review was completed on all residential properties and mobile homes in 2011. It consisted of data collection and new pictures as needed. A new depreciation schedule, derived from the sales is in progress, and will be applied to all residences and mobile homes in the County. The RCN has been updated, using the June/2011 Marshall Swift costing index. New reappraisal values have been applied to all rural and residential outbuildings in the county. Property record cards were updated. Market studies are done each year on Residential Property sales. Adjustments are made, if needed, or a county wide revaluation will be implemented if warranted. <u>Commercial</u>: There are a total of 9 Commercial properties in McPherson County. A reappraisal of all commercial property in the county, was conducted by Appraiser Darrell Stanard in 2011, with the new values being applied to all commercial property. New listings were made with re-measuring and new data collected, and property cards were updated. Pictures of the commercial property were also updated. Market studies are done each year on any Commercial Property sales.

### Agricultural:

The new 2009 soil survey was implemented in 2010. Soil types and land valuation groups are entered and captured on the Terra Scan Computer system. The County has established one market area for the entire county. Market studies are done on all agricultural sales each year. Land usage for all ag parcels were reviewed & updated as needed. Land values were set based on market value. New reappraisal values have been applied to all rural and residential outbuildings in the county. A county-wide inspection & review was completed on all ag residences and mobile homes in 2011. It consisted of data collection and new pictures as needed. A new depreciation schedule, derived from the sales is in progress, and will be applied to all residences and mobile homes in the County. The RCN has been updated, using the June/2011 Marshall Swift costing index. Property record cards were updated.

#### Pickup Work:

New Improvements are added to the tax roll each year. Publications are made each year in the local paper informing patrons of the need to report new and improved structures. Building permits are required for all residential improvements and all other non-Ag improvements. Information Statements are also received in the Assessor's office for any new improvements. Pickup work commences as soon as the project is reported and all values are established for the new improvements in a timely manner each year prior to the March 19<sup>th</sup> deadline.

#### Future Appraisal Plans:

- 2015: Add new improvements to the property record cards. The new soil survey & conversion has been implemented. Terra Scan records & Property Record cards were updated with the new information. A county-wide inspection & review was completed on all residential properties and mobile homes. It consisted of data collection and new pictures as needed. Continue working on the reappraisal process on all homes and mobile homes in the County during this year. Upon completion, new values, based on a new residential depreciation schedule compiled, using the updated RCN of June/2011 Marshall Swift costing index, will be applied to all homes & mobile homes, countywide. Review market study on mobile homes & acreages, and residential properties and set values accordingly. Conduct a market study on all classes of Agricultural land, (dryland, irrigated & grass) and set values to be within compliance of the statutory statistical requirements. Conduct ongoing visual inspection of McPherson County properties when picking up new improvements.
- 2016: Add new improvements to the property record cards. Conduct a market study on all classes of Agricultural land and set the values to be within the required statistical measures. Review sales study on mobile homes and residential property. Conduct ongoing visual inspection of McPherson County property when picking up new improvements.
- 2017: Add new improvements to the property record cards. Review sales statistical measures to determine if any adjustments are needed to bring county residential properties into the required range of value. Conduct a market study on Agricultural land (dryland, grassland and irrigated) and set values accordingly. Conduct ongoing visual inspection of McPherson County property when picking up new improvements.

These are tentative plans. Some of the reappraisals and adjustments to property classes may be done sooner if the market dictates changes need to be done earlier than planned. This report is submitted June 10, 2014.

# 2015 Assessment Survey for McPherson County

# A. Staffing and Funding Information

1.	Deputy(ies) on staff:
	0
2.	Appraiser(s) on staff:
	0
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:
	\$ 32,220
7.	Adopted budget, or granted budget if different from above:
	same
8.	Amount of the total assessor's budget set aside for appraisal work:
	\$ 8,736
9.	If appraisal/reappraisal budget is a separate levied fund, what is that amount:
	Not applicable.
10.	Part of the assessor's budget that is dedicated to the computer system:
	\$ 4,000
11.	Amount of the assessor's budget set aside for education/workshops:
	\$ 1,500
12.	Other miscellaneous funds:
	N/A
13.	Amount of last year's assessor's budget not used:
	\$ 8,225

1.	Administrative software:
	TerraScan owned by Thomson Reuters
2.	CAMA software:
	TerraScan owned by Thomson Reuters
3.	Are cadastral maps currently being used?
	No – a wall map is updated and kept current.
4.	If so, who maintains the Cadastral Maps?
	Not applicable.
5.	Does the county have GIS software?
	No - the Web Soil Survey/Natural Resource Conservation Service is utilized.
6.	Is GIS available to the public? If so, what is the web address?
	Not applicable.
7.	Who maintains the GIS software and maps?
	Not applicable.
8.	Personal Property software:
	TerraScan owned by Thomson Reuters

## B. Computer, Automation Information and GIS

## 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?
	The unincorporated Village of Tryon has been zoned as a transitional area including a two mile radius around the village, the remainder of the county is zoned agricultural.
4.	When was zoning implemented?
	2000

## **D. Contracted Services**

1.	Appraisal Services:
	Tax Valuation, Inc will be hired next year. They completed pick-up work for this year.
2.	GIS Services:
	None
3.	Other services:
	TerraScan owned by Thomson Reuters

## E. Appraisal /Listing Services

1.	Does the county employ outside help for appraisal or listing services?
	Yes, when needed.
2.	If so, is the appraisal or listing service performed under contract?
	Yes
3.	What appraisal certifications or qualifications does the County require?
	Must be a certified appraiser that is knowledgeable in all phases of appraisal work.
4.	Have the existing contracts been approved by the PTA?
	No, but once a contract has been drawn up it will be presented to the PTA
5.	Does the appraisal or listing service providers establish assessed values for the county?
	All work will be discussed and the assessor will consider any suggestions before making the final decision of value.

Certification

This is to certify that the 2015 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 Mcpherson County Assessor.

Dated this 7th day of April, 2015.

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