

## Questionnaire for Farmland Assessment

### Clinton County

Linda J. Mensing, Chief County Assessment Officer

Farmland assessments are a preferential assessment according to 35 ILCS 200/1-60 and 35 ILCS 200/10-110 thru 152 of the Property Tax Code.

Property Owner Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parcel Number \_\_\_\_\_

**Because farmland assessments are based upon primary use of the land, we would ask your cooperation in completing this questionnaire. This completed form will allow Clinton County Officials to verify if the primary use of the land is in fact farm.**

1.) Does actual growing and harvesting of crops take place on this parcel? YES\_\_\_\_NO\_\_\_\_  
A) If yes, how many acres are used for crops? \_\_\_\_\_

2.) Are there any livestock kept on this parcel? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_  
A) If yes, check all that apply: Dairy\_\_\_\_, Hogs \_\_\_\_\_, Cattle \_\_\_\_\_, Poultry\_\_\_\_,  
Other (please explain) \_\_\_\_\_  
B) Approximately how many acres are used for pasture? \_\_\_\_\_

3.) If some other horticultural or agricultural activity takes place on this parcel, please describe.

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4.) How long has any of the above activities taken place on this parcel? \_\_\_\_\_

5.) Is this parcel enrolled in the Conservation Reserve Program? YES\_\_\_\_NO\_\_\_\_  
**(If yes, you must attach a copy of an approved contract and a copy of the map)**

6.) Does this parcel have an approved forestry management plan with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources? YES\_\_\_\_NO\_\_\_\_

**(If yes, you must attach a copy of an approved contract and a copy of the map)**  
***Our office cannot grant the assessment on a Forestry Management Program until we receive notification from IDNR that the plan is approve. (See Sec. 10-150 of Property Tax Code)***

7.) Is this parcel part of a wildlife management program that involves the feeding, breeding and management of wildlife? YES\_\_\_\_NO\_\_\_\_

**(If yes, you must attach a copy of the approved plan and pictures of the breeding pens.)**

8.) Does this parcel qualify for and/or receive USDA (FSA) payments or programs?  
YES\_\_\_\_NO\_\_\_\_ **(If yes, attach proof.)**

9.) According to the Bureau of Census definition of a farm, \$1,000 of agricultural products must be produced or sold, or normally would have been sold, from this parcel.  
Is that true of this parcel? YES\_\_\_\_NO\_\_\_\_

(over)

10.) Check buildings on this property: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Barn \_\_\_\_\_ Machine Shed \_\_\_\_\_  
Poultry House \_\_\_\_\_ Hog Bldg. \_\_\_\_\_ Cattle Bldg. \_\_\_\_\_ Grain Bins \_\_\_\_\_  
Other (please describe) \_\_\_\_\_

11.) Number of acres from this parcel involved in agriculture: \_\_\_\_\_

12.) Number of acres from this parcel in any other use (including idle land): \_\_\_\_\_

13.) Number of acres in homesite (yard and residential buildings.)

14.) Do you own any other parcels that are used for agriculture? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_  
(If yes, please indicate parcel numbers and acreage involved.)

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**To substantiate the request for the preferential farmland assessment, you must attach any or all of the following as evidence:**

1. Copy of Schedule F from income tax
2. Weight tickets from elevators or sale barns
3. Receipts for feed, seed, chemicals, farm machinery, bedding, vet supplies, etc.
4. Receipts for commodities sold
5. If leased to others for farming, attach copy of lease.
6. USDA-Farm Service Agency map indicating Farm # & Tract # with number of acres.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Return to:  
Supervisor of Assessments Office  
Clinton County Courthouse  
850 Fairfax St.  
Carlyle, IL 62231  
618-594-6610

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Approved \_\_\_\_\_

Does not qualify \_\_\_\_\_

Comments \_\_\_\_\_  
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Assessment Official \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_