

**GENERAL GUIDELINES & DEGREES OF INTENSITY  
FOR 1-d-1 OPEN SPACE LAND APPRAISAL IN KAUFMAN COUNTY**

**Land Size:**

Minimum of 9 contiguous acres owned and/or leased and designated to grazing pasture (cattle, horses, goats and sheep)

Minimum of 9 contiguous acres owned and/or leased and designated to hay production

**YOU MUST SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING THAT APPLIES ALONG WITH YOUR APPLICATION AND FOR EACH YEAR IF YOU ARE ESTABLISHING HISTORY.**

**TRACT MUST HAVE A 5 OUT OF THE PREVIOUS 7 YEARS AG USE HISTORY.**

**CATTLE**

Must be fenced and have a water source

Native/Improved Pasture

1. Cattle must have open space for grazing and must have enough grass/water source to support at least 4 head of cattle.
2. Tracts of land larger than 9 acres should have an addition 1 cow for every additional 5 to 8 acres.

**Required documentation that must be submitted with application.**

**Your Cattle**

Minimum of 3 receipts and/or bills in any combination

1. Copy of receipts for cattle purchased/sold
2. Copy of feed/fertilizer receipts
3. Copy of vet bill for cattle

**Cattle owned by someone else**

A **current** written agreement between the landowner and the owner of the cattle stating that the landowner is allowing the owner of the cattle to graze on the property. It must include any lease fee if applicable, who is responsible for fencing, fencing maintenance and fertilization. Both parties must sign and date the agreement.

**HORSES**

Must be fenced and have a water source

Native/Improved Pasture

3. Horses must have open space for grazing and must have enough grass/water source to support at least 4 horses.
4. Tracts of land larger than 9 acres should have an addition 1 horse for every additional 5 to 8 acres.

**Required documentation that must be submitted with application.**

**Your Horses**

Provide proof of sale of offspring and breeding reports.

Minimum of 3 receipts and/or bills in any combination

1. Copy of receipts for horses purchased/sold
2. Copy of feed/fertilizer receipts
3. Copy of vet bill for horses

**Horses owned by someone else**

A **current** written agreement between the landowner and the owner of the horses stating that the landowner is allowing the owner of the horses to graze on the property. It must include any lease fee if applicable, who is responsible for fencing, fencing maintenance and fertilization. Both parties must sign and date the agreement.

*Application deadline without a penalty is before May 1<sup>st</sup> and late application deadline with a penalty is midnight the day before the appraisal roll is approved which usually occurs in July. All agricultural/wildlife land is subject to an on-site review.*

**A complete list of the guidelines to qualify for 1-d-1 Open Space Land Appraisal  
is on our website at [www.kaufman-cad.org](http://www.kaufman-cad.org).**

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## GOATS

Must be fenced and have a water source  
Native/Improved Pasture

1. Land can be partially wooded but must have adequate grass/water source to support at least 20 reproducing nannies.

### Required documentation that must be submitted with application.

#### Your Goats

Minimum of 3 receipts and/or bills in any combination

1. Copy of receipts for goats purchased/sold
2. Copy of feed/fertilizer receipts
3. Copy of vet bill for goats

#### Goats owned by someone else

A **current** written agreement between the landowner and the owner of the goats stating that the landowner is allowing the owner of the goats to graze on the property. It must include any lease fee if applicable, who is responsible for fencing, fencing maintenance and fertilization. Both parties must sign and date the agreement.

## SHEEP

Must be fenced and have a water source  
Native/Improved Pasture

1. Land can be partially wooded but must have adequate grass/water source to support at least 20 reproducing ewes.

### Required documentation that must be submitted with application.

#### Your Sheep

Minimum of 3 receipts and/or bills in any combination

1. Copy of receipts for sheep purchased/sold
2. Copy of feed/fertilizer receipts
3. Copy of vet bill for sheep

#### Sheep owned by someone else

A **current** written agreement between the landowner and the owner of the sheep stating that the landowner is allowing the owner of the sheep to graze on the property. It must include any lease fee if applicable, who is responsible for fencing, fencing maintenance and fertilization. Both parties must sign and date the agreement.

## HAY PRODUCTION

2 cuttings in years of normal rainfall.

Land should be fertilized heavily at first of year (150-300 lbs. per acre) and top dressed later as needed.

There should be no animals on a hayfield during growing season. Animals may be wintered on hayfields.

### Required documentation that must be submitted with application.

#### You cut/bale

Minimum of 3 receipts and/or bills in any combination

1. Copy of fertilizer receipts
2. Copy of fuel receipts
3. Copy of parts/supplies receipts

#### Someone else cuts/bale

A **current** written agreement between the landowner and the person cutting/baling the hay. It must include any lease fee if applicable and who is responsible for fertilization. Both parties must sign and date the agreement.

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