

News Release

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### **STONEWALL COUNTY APPRAISALS UNDERWAY**

Stonewall County Chief Appraiser Debra Smith and Carla Clark are now reappraising the Western half of Stonewall County for 2017. The Stonewall CAD staff began reappraisal work around September 2016 and will continue through March 2017 with all data gathered to be entered into the CAMA system after January 1, 2017.

For reappraisals, Ms. Smith and Ms. Clark will be wearing identification badges so that taxpayers know that the activity is legitimate. Their vehicle will also display a sign with the Stonewall County Appraisal District name on it.

Values are required by law to be updated every three years and the activities that are currently underway is the 1<sup>st</sup> year of the 2017-2018 biennial reappraisal plan for the Stonewall County Appraisal District.

Land owners that have their land qualified for Wildlife Management Appraisal Exemption will be receiving a request to send their yearly update on their Wildlife Management Plan. Wildlife Management Operations are required to send a yearly update to stay in compliance with their exemption qualifications.

Business property owners will also be receiving business personal property rendition forms. These renditions need to be returned to the office by April 15, 2017. The chief appraiser must impose a penalty on a person who fails to timely file a required rendition statement or property report in an amount equal to 10 percent of the total amount of taxes imposed on the property for that year by taxing units participating in the appraisal district.

If you are a property owner on the Western side of Stonewall County and your gate is locked, please call the appraisal district to make arrangements for reappraisal or if you have any questions regarding reappraisal activities, please call the appraisal district with your concerns at (940) 989-3363.