Attention! New Homestead and 1-D-1 Application Rules

In order to receive a **Homestead** exemption for property tax purposes, applicants must provide the following information:

* An unexpired copy of their Texas driver's license or a Texas state-issued identification card in which the address on the identification must match the address on the account applied for.

The above referenced required documents <u>must</u> be provided with the completed application for anyone requesting the following exemptions:

- * General Residential Exemption
- * Over-65 Exemption
- * Disability Exemption
- * 100% Disabled Veterans Exemption
- * Extension of Exemption for a Surviving Spouse
- * Exemption for a Manufactured (Mobile) Home

For those seeking a homestead exemption on a Manufactured Home, the applicant must provide the following documents as well:

- * Statement of Ownership and Location issued by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs
- * Copy of the purchase contract or payment receipt that the applicant is the purchaser of the manufactured home, **OR**, a sworn affidavit that:
 - A) The applicant is the owner of the manufactured home
 - B) The seller of the manufactured home did not provide the applicant with a purchase contract
 - C) The applicant could not locate the seller after making a good faith effort

Section 11.43 of the Texas Property Tax Code states that the Chief Appraiser may <u>not</u> allow an exemption provided by 11.13 if the required documents are not provided with the application.

If you have recently acquired a property that a **1-D-1** appraisal was granted, an updated application **is required** if you choose to continue the agricultural-use. The previous application is no longer valid; therefore, if we do not receive an updated application, the agricultural-use valuation will be **removed** for the 2020 year. Additional information <u>may</u> be required for the new application to be processed. This application must be completed and returned to this office no later than **April 30, 2020**. **Please note the penalties as provided for under Section 37.10, Texas Penal Code and SEC 23.55 of the**

Texas Property Tax Code, Change of Use-Rollback Taxes.

If you need assistance in completing the applications, please contact this office at (361) 798-4396. Mail applications to; LCCAD, P.O. Box 386, Hallettsville, Texas 77964-0386

Sincerely, Pam Lathrop, RPA, RTA Chief Appraiser