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Enter the gross income from the sale of horticultural products (**not rental income**), including nursery stock or Christmas trees, actually produced on the land, plus any government payments for the past three years. **PLEASE INCLUDE PROOF OF INCOME FOR EACH OF THE 3 PREVIOUS YEARS.** Proof of income can be in the form of a federal tax return or Schedule F for each year.

Types of income **NOT** allowed:

- Ground rents received for acreage leased to another farmer.
- Income from stud fees, grazing or boarding fees.
- Income received from leasing farm equipment or animals.
- Income received for performing a service for another farm operation.
- Income from the training and/or showing of livestock for judging or show.
- Income from the sale of firewood or other Forestry products.
- Income received from the leasing of hunting rights.

**(Income information may be subject to verification by audit.)**  
**(Proof of income required for acceptance into Use Value Program.)**

	GROSS INCOME	GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS
YEAR 2007		
YEAR 2006		
YEAR 2005		

For the year immediately preceding the date of this application (2007) enter the type of crops, nursery stock or other products produced and the gross income received for each.

CROPS	NUMBER OF ACRES	GROSS INCOME

Every property considered for Present-Use Value must be under a sound management program. A Sound Management Program is a program of production designed to obtain the greatest net return from the land consistent with its conservation and long term improvement.

Per statute a property owner must choose one of the following factors with respect to agricultural land to prove it is operated under a Sound Management Program. Place an **X** next one of the following methods and provide appropriate documentation to prove sound management:

- \_\_\_ (1) Enrollment in and compliance with an agency-administered and approved farm management plan.
- \_\_\_ (2) Compliance with a set of best management practices.
- \_\_\_ (3) Compliance with a minimum gross income per acre test.
- \_\_\_ (4) Evidence of a net income from the farming operation. (Schedule F Required)
- \_\_\_ (5) Evidence that farming is the farm operator's principal source of income. (Schedule F Required)
- \_\_\_ (6) Certification by a recognized horticultural agency within the Henderson County that the land is operated under a sound management program.

Have you had a total or partial crop loss in the last 3 years resulting in a Net Loss on your income statement? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you receive farm assistance from any federal or state agency such as the USDA or FSA office? If so what agency(s) and what type of assistance? \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: Please sign and date the Affirmation.**

**AFFIRMATION**

I (we) the undersigned declare under penalties of law that this application and any attachments hereto have been examined by me (us) and to the best of my (our) knowledge and belief are true and correct. In addition, I (we) also understand that the agricultural tract(s) covered by this application must continue to be actively engaged in the commercial production of agricultural products, and must continue to meet the minimum income requirement to remain eligible for use-value assessment and taxation.

Acceptance into this program constitutes an implied contract with Henderson County, where the deferred taxes remain a lien on your property. Any loss in eligibility will result in repayment of the deferred taxes, plus interest, for the statutory period (North Carolina General Statute 105-277.4(c)).

\_\_\_\_\_ Date

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\_\_\_\_\_ Signature(s) of Owner(s)

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THIS SPACE FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Denied \_\_\_\_\_ Assessor \_\_\_\_\_

Reason For Denial \_\_\_\_\_