

Irrigated Land Questionnaire

Please return to us within 30 days.

General

If you own irrigated land, we ask you to complete two additional steps.

1. Review the photomaps to verify the correct irrigation type and acreage.
2. Provide us with your 2007 energy cost information.

Review of photomaps

For each parcel you own, a parcel ID (geocode) and a short legal description are displayed on the bottom of each photomap and on the irrigated land questionnaire. The questionnaire for each parcel ID includes the irrigation type based on our review and acreage information from the photomaps.

Please review the preliminary identification of the type of irrigation used on your fields.

I/F = Flood – includes gravity; gated pipe; furrow border dikes and ditches; and hand lines.

I/S = Sprinkler – includes towlines, side rolls and lateral sprinklers.

I/P = Pivot – includes all pivots such as center pivots, corner pivots and lateral movers.

Please review the estimated number of acres of irrigated land in each parcel ID.

If you believe corrections are needed, please indicate the correct irrigation type and/or correct acreage by writing it on the photomaps and on the questionnaire. Any changes you make should reflect the status of each parcel for calendar year 2008. Bring the corrected maps and questionnaire to our local appraisal office.

Energy cost information

The questionnaire pertains to the 2007 energy costs per acre for your irrigated land. In addition to other irrigation costs identified in Montana laws, you are also allowed to deduct the actual energy cost used in your irrigated operation.

In the space provided, please enter your 2007 energy cost per acre for each irrigation method. Costs must be for the actual calendar year 2007 electrical or fuel costs for applying water to the land. The costs should not include any depreciation of equipment, maintenance, operation and maintenance charges from an irrigation district or company or other non-energy related expenses.

- Electric – please verify your energy costs by providing us with copies of your 2007 electrical statements.
- Gas, diesel or other fuels – please send us a fuel bill calculation based on your knowledge of fuel consumption by the various irrigation pumps on your property.

If you do not provide cost information to us, the result could be a higher per-acre assessed value. Without information from you, we will assign a minimum water cost of \$19.99 per acre to your irrigated land.

Fergus County Department of Revenue Office

712 West Main Street
Lewistown, MT 59457-2599

Owner Name: [REDACTED]

Owner Address: Mail To [REDACTED]

INSTRUCTIONS: The information presented below displays the parcel ID, short legal description, irrigated acreage and the type of irrigation currently on file with the Department of Revenue (DOR) for the irrigated lands in your ownership. If there are changes to the irrigated acres or the irrigation type, please indicate those changes in the spaces provided. For changes to acreage or irrigation type, please use the column with "Corrected" in its title.

Also enter your 2007 Energy Cost per Acre for each irrigation type in the space provided for you. If you irrigate parcels that are not indicated below, or if we have the wrong acres or irrigation type, please provide us with a brief description, the number of irrigation acres by irrigation type, and the total energy cost for each irrigation type. The changes should reflect the status of the property for the calendar year 2008. Please submit copies of the 2007 electrical or fuel bills that support the energy costs you've indicated.

SHADED AREA IS FOR EXAMPLE PURPOSES ONLY						
Parcel ID (geocode)	Short Legal Description	DOR Irrigation Acres	Corrected Irrigation Acres	DOR Irrigation Type	Corrected Irrigation Type	2007 ENERGY Cost per Acre
43169105101010010	T06 N R02 E S15	100.338	103	F	P	18.56
08246517103010000	T15 N R16 E S17	69.620		S		

The Department of Revenue (DOR) is unable to allow an energy cost deduction if the questionnaire is not returned within 30 days. Without 2007 energy cost information, we will automatically assign a minimum water cost of \$19.99 per acre to your irrigated land. If you have any questions, please call your local DOR office at 712 West Main Street, Lewistown, MT 59457-2599.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please use the back side of this form for additional entries.

