

**PROPERTY TAX DIVISION**

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**DIVISION FACTS**

- The Division Operating Budget for BFY 2013-2014 is \$6,546,695.
- The Division Expenditures for FY 2014 were \$1,754,137.95.

The Division has 12 full time positions organized into two groups. The Technology Services Group is responsible for maintenance of the state-provided mass appraisal database deployed in the 23 counties; Geographical Information System (GIS) maintenance and support; maintenance of state-wide tax district maps; analysis of agricultural land classes and publishing of productivity valuations in conjunction with Appraisal Services Group. The Appraisal Services Group is responsible for assessment and valuation of all pipelines, railroads, airlines, public and private utilities, telecommunication and private rail car companies; provision of education, training and assistance to 23 County Assessors, and monitoring of local assessment work practices, along with the publishing of agricultural productivity valuations.

**2014 FISCAL / CALENDAR YEAR DATA**

**DEPARTMENT ASSESSED**

- 779 industrial companies reviewed for assessment.
- Bill & collect \$2,206,459 in rail car taxes from 351 companies for distribution to the counties.
- Bill & collect \$4,638,194.00 in public utility taxes from 360 companies for use by the PSC.
- Assessed Value of \$1,405,343,659 on 179 companies.

Natural Gas Pipelines	\$ 187,904,789
Airlines	\$ 5,318,602
Rural Telecommunications	\$ 11,085,328
Cellular Telecoms	\$ 12,146,094
Reseller Telecoms	\$ 4,687,990
Major Telecommunications	\$ 13,557,444
Cable and Satellite	\$ 13,709,945
Major Electrics	\$ 419,803,364
Gas Distributors	\$ 21,170,310
Municipal Electrics	\$ 9,571,177
Rural Electrics	\$ 161,856,593
Liquid Pipelines	\$ 150,985,481
Railroads	\$ 393,546,542

#### LOCALLY ASSESSED

- 23 Counties, 392,559 CAMA accounts, 594 tax entities, 635 tax districts
- Assessed Value of \$8,296,058,215
  - Irrigated Lands \$ 158,410,998
  - Dry Farm Lands \$ 26,299,693
  - Range Lands \$ 118,360,978
  - Residential Lands \$ 1,342,848,118
  - Residential Improvements \$ 3,074,085,943
  - Commercial Lands \$ 290,076,674
  - Commercial Improvements \$ 724,925,396
  - Residential Personal Property \$ 52,937,415
  - Commercial Personal Property \$ 265,465,142
  - Industrial Property \$ 2,242,647,858

#### TRAINING & MONITORING PROGRAM

- Provide training, certification, technical assistance and valuation guidelines to County Assessors and staff as well as others involved in the assessment of property.
- Monitor the work in progress in the office of each County Assessor to determine whether approved procedures and formulae are being observed and applied. County Assessment practices are annually audited by the Property Tax Division for compliance to statutory language and Department Rules and Regulations.

#### DIVISION GOALS

- Maintain currency of the State-provided CAMA systems.
- Provide Department valuations to taxpayers and certifications to counties.
- Visit 1/6 of assigned industrial sites each year.
- Annually visit each County Assessor's office.
- Administer Property Tax Appraiser Certification program.
- Provide appraisal education to County Assessor and Department of Revenue staff.
- Monitor and update boundaries for taxing entities with the authority to levy a mill levy.
- Ensure Veteran's Exemption Program (VED) is maintained for use in Assessors offices.