Frequently Asked Questions:

1. <u>Why am I being asked to update my agricultural application</u>?
   The Coryell CAD needs to have a current application on file for every property that receives the agricultural valuation. We appreciate you cooperation in this process.

2. <u>Who else is being asked to update their agricultural applications</u>?
   The Coryell CAD is asking every property owner who currently has an agricultural valuation to reapply over the course of a five (5) year period. The geographic area for the 2014 update process includes most property owners north of Hwy 84 that is not in Jonesboro ISD.

3. <u>When do I need to submit the update to my agricultural application</u>?
   The deadline for submitting this information is April 30, 2014.

4. <u>What if I lease the property to someone else for agricultural purposes</u>?
   Please contact the person who is leasing the property and have them assist you in filling out the application. Step 3 (described below) will require information from the person most knowledgeable about the agricultural practices occurring on the property.

5. <u>How do I fill out the agricultural application form</u>?
   Below is a brief description of how to complete the agricultural application form:

   Step 1: Make sure Owner's name and address are correct. Make sure to verify and/or include correct telephone number to assist Coryell CAD in contacting you if any questions arise.

   Step 2: Make sure all of the contiguous properties are listed by Property ID number and acreage calculation is correct. Answer the 3 questions at the bottom of the application.
   - Has the ownership changed since January 1? Usually the answer is NO.
   - Have you previously had an agricultural value? Usually the answer is YES.
   - Is the property located inside a City Limit? Usually the answer NO.

   Step 3: This step is the most important part of most property owner's applications. This is where you will describe the property's agricultural use.
   - **Question 1** asks you to list the current and past use utilizing the chart on the application. Typical answers will be LIVESTOCK, HAY or CROPS. Then list the total number of acres. If you use your property in multiple ways, list the most predominant use. Please fill in the agricultural use for every year that you have information on going back to 2007.
   - **Question 2(a)** asks that if you raise livestock please list what type (CATTLE, GOATS, SHEEP, etc.) and include the amount of acres that are used for the raising of livestock.
     Question 2(b) asks that if you raise livestock please list what type (CATTLE, GOATS, SHEEP, etc.) and include the number of head that you raise. Calculate the number of head on an average per year basis.
   - **Question 3** asks that if you grow crops please list what type (WHEAT, OATS, COASTAL, SUDAN, etc.) and the amount of acreage that is used for the process.
   - **Question 4** is usually not applicable. This is where you would list land that is lying idle because you are participating in a government program.

- **Question 5** asks you to list the amount acres that are not being used agriculturally and describe the current use. The most common answer is the portion that is used as a homesite. If you have a 100 acre farm that includes your house, a common scenario would be to have 99 acres used agriculturally and 1 acre used as your homesite.

Step 4: This step will only be used if you have implemented a wildlife management plan. Most property owners will skip this entire step.

Step 5: This step will only be used if you are using your property for timber production. Most property owners will skip this entire step.

Step 6: Read the statements in this box. Then sign, list your title (OWNER, LEASEHOLDER, MANAGER, etc.) and date. Return to the Coryell CAD using this address: Coryell CAD, 705 E. Main Street, Gatesville, TX 76528.