

CAUV Applications Due March 1st

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Michael E. Kovack, Medina County Auditor, announced that Current Agricultural Use Value (CAUV) renewal forms and new applications are due on March 1, 2010.

CAUV has been in effect in Ohio since 1982. It authorizes the County Auditor to value farmland at its crop production value rather than its highest and best use value. It also protects the farmer from paying unnecessarily high property taxes for farmland and encourages farmers to keep farming.

In accordance with Ohio law, CAUV applications, both renewals and new applications, must be filed with the Medina County Auditor's Office by the first Monday in March, this year by March 1st. If renewal forms are not received by March 1st, the County Auditor will be required to value the property at its market value and recoup the tax savings for the past three years.

Property owners who are not currently enrolled in the program, but may be eligible, need to contact the Auditor's Office to file an application. There is a \$25 filing fee on all new applications.

If you are interested in applying or have lost the renewal form mailed out in November, please contact the Medina County Auditor's Office for more information at 330.725.9765 (Medina), or 330.225.7100, ext. 9765 (Brunswick), or 330.336.6657, ext. 9765 (Wadsworth).