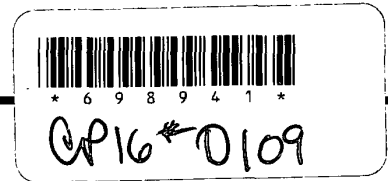


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Oliver, just passing this along fyi.

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From: Carol Levanen [<mailto:cnldental@yahoo.com>]
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This is very good information, but I suspect the numbers are a little askew on the high side, because of the manner with which the reporting is done. In addition, if the acreage is counted according to ag zoning on the county maps, then that is not a true reflection of the actual activity, either. Our property is in the federal/state data base for farm and ag activity. This area is rural 5 and 2.5 acre parcels and always has been. We get a survey document every year and are asked to answer the questions and send it back. We haven't farmed (made hay) on this land since we broke two plows on the rocky ground and sold all of the cattle in the early 1970s. I would bet that is what most "farms" are doing in Clark County, also. But, the government is serious about the reporting. We answer the questions and return the survey form each year. We have one horse and are not in current use. My husband bush hogs the fields to aid in fire suppression and that's about it. We do sell fire wood, which counts as income in the survey. This is not what the GMA is asking for. When I was in college, we were required to study research papers over the method of data collection. A scientific survey must be very specific as to their data collection and outcome to be a meaningful case study. It would be interesting to know how this data was collected and how the numbers were determined. Thanks for forwarding the information.

Best Regards, Carol