

BOARD OF TAX ASSESSORS

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Brooks County Board of Tax Assessors

610 South Highland Road, Quitman, GA 31643

Regular Scheduled Meeting of the Brooks County Board of Assessors

Date: February 16, 2022

Time: 5:15 p.m.

Location: Brooks County Commissioners Meeting Room

Agenda

Regular Meeting

- I. Call to Order/Prayer
- II. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meetings
 - 1) Regular meeting held January 12, 2021
- III. Approval of Proposed Agenda
- IV. Appearances / Requests
 - 2) Stephanie Williams, Development Authority
 - 3) David Ginn, acreage adjustment
 - 4) PIN 046 0008 SV correction/adjustment
- V. Unfinished Business
 - 5) Board Appointment
 - 6) Parcel Combinations
 - 7) Errors/Adjustments
- VI. New Business
 - 8) Homestead Exemptions
 - 9) County Timber Ordinance, O.C.G.A. 12-6-24
 - 10) ACCG timber equipment legislation
 - 11) Covenant Applications and Releases
- VII. Chief Appraiser's Report/Comments
 - 12) Staff needs analysis/update, upcoming budget
 - 13) Review current sales and timber harvesting
- VIII. Assessors Comments
- IX. Executive Session
 - 1) None
- X. Adjournment

Disclaimer: This agenda has been prepared to provide information regarding an upcoming meeting of the Brooks County Board of Tax Assessors. This document does not claim to be complete and it is subject to change at any time.



Prepared by: Wayne Waldron

Brooks County Board of Tax Assessors

Meeting Minutes

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I. Call to order

Mr. Manning called to order the regular meeting of the Brooks County Board of Tax Assessors at 5:18 p.m. on February 16, 2022 with all members present. Also in attendance were Wayne Waldron, Chief Appraiser; Mica Jarvis, Secretary; Taylor Hart, Appraiser; and Mr. Brewer P. Bentley. Mr. DeShazor led the board in prayer.

II. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting


1. Assessors reviewed minutes from meeting held January 12, 2022. After review, Mr. DeShazor made a motion to approve as printed. Dr. Golden seconded the motion. All members in support. Motion carried.

III. Approval of Proposed Agenda

Assessors reviewed proposed agenda for current meeting. After review, Dr. Golden made a motion to approve proposed agenda as printed. Mr. DeShazor seconded the motion. All members in support. Motion carried.

IV. Appearances/Taxpayer Requests

2. Stephanie Williams, director of the Brooks County Development Authority, met with the Assessors and presented information regarding the Solar Generation Project Incentive Policy that had been approved by the Brooks County Development Authority and invited the board members to a community leadership meeting that will be held March 4, 2022 (see attached).
3. Assessors were presented with a request made by David Ginn for an acreage correction. Mr. Waldron explained that due to office error, acreage previously deeded to the Georgia Department of Transportation had not been deducted from Mr. Ginn's property and recommended that land values be corrected for the 2019 and 2020 tax years and refunds be issued for those years. After review, Mr. DeShazor made a motion to correct error and forward to the Tax Commissioner to issue refunds. Dr. Golden seconded. All members in support. Motion carried.



I certify that these minutes are a true and accurate record of the Brooks County Board of Assessors meeting held on 2/16/2022 at 5:15 pm. Signed Chair/Vice-Chair and Secretary. Date: 3/9/2022

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4. Assessors were made aware of an error on parcel 046 0008. A conservation use covenant was properly approved and recorded in 2018, but due to an error the exemption was not applied and the property owner has not been receiving the conservation use benefit. After review, Mr. DeShazor made a motion to correct error for the three prior years. Dr. Golden seconded. All members in support. Motion carried. Mr. Waldron will turn the correction over to the Tax Commissioner and notify the owner of the mistake and upcoming refund for overpayment.

V. Unfinished Business

5. Mr. Waldron informed the Assessors that Mr. Brewer P. Bentley has been appointed to the Board of Assessors for the remainder of Dr. Golden's term. Mr. Bentley is scheduled to attend Course I in March and will be sworn in after Dr. Golden's upcoming resignation.
6. Assessors reviewed parcel combination requests (see attached). After review, combinations were approved as attached.
7. Assessors reviewed Appeals>Returns/Errors/Adjustment listing (see attached). After review, adjustments were approved as attached.

VI. New Business

8. Assessors reviewed homestead exemption applications (see attached). After review, applications were approved or denied as attached.
9. Mr. Waldron informed the Assessors that the county is currently working on updating the timber harvesting ordinance to reflect recent changes of state laws (see attached).
10. Mr. Waldron informed Assessors that he was contacted by the ACCG about information regarding potential impact of upcoming legislation pertaining to timber harvesting equipment (see attached).

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11. Assessors reviewed covenant applications and releases (see attached). After review, applications and releases were approved or denied as attached.

VII. Chief Appraiser's Report/Comments

12. Mr. Waldron updated Assessors regarding plans to advertise for open position, mechanical problems with county vehicle, upcoming budget process, status and timeline of revaluation and schedule adjustments, as well as a visit from a DOR representative scheduled for March 2.

13. Assessors reviewed current sales and timber harvesting listing.

VIII. Assessors Comments

IX. Executive Session

X. Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. DeShazor made a motion to adjourn meeting at 7:15 p.m. Dr. Golden seconded. All members in support. Motion carried.



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Solar Generation Project Incentive Policy*

The Brooks County Development Authority has developed an economic incentive policy for solar generation projects locating in Brooks County. The basic principles of this policy are as follows:

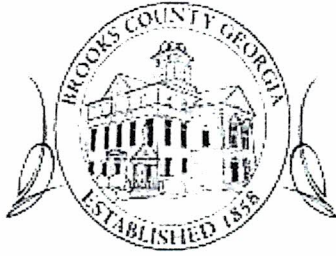
- Solar Generation Projects locating in Brooks County, GA that are more than 1.0 and less than 25.0 Megawatts, A.C. will be considered for a maximum 5-year tax abatement, on solar generation and storage equipment only, consisting of 40% for the first year, increasing annually at a rate of 12% for the remainder of the abatement term (years 2-5). School taxes are and will remain excluded from abatement.**
- Solar projects locating in Brooks County, GA, with production capabilities of 25.0 Megawatts, A.C. or larger, **wherein the land is leased** rather than purchased, will be considered for a maximum ten-year tax abatement, on personal property only, of 40% for the first year, increasing annually at a rate of 6% for the remainder of the abatement term (years 2-10). School taxes are and will remain excluded from abatement.**
- Solar projects locating in Brooks County, GA, with production capabilities of 25.0 Megawatts, A.C. or larger, **wherein the land is purchased**, will be considered for a maximum ten-year tax abatement, on personal property and real property, of 40% for the first year, increasing annually at a rate of 6% for the remainder of the abatement term (years 2-10). School taxes are and will remain excluded from abatement.**

Factors considered in adopting policy:

- Jobs created
- Sales Tax generated
- Amount of investment
- Impact on local infrastructure

*As to real property and improvements, ad valorem taxes will be assessed at the current millage rate set forth by the Board of Commissioners, even if tax abatement is granted on equipment.

**Acceptance of application does not guarantee approval.



February 8, 2022

To: Community Leadership

Re: Brooks County Community Economic Development Meeting

On behalf of the Brooks County Board of Commissioners and the Brooks County Development Authority, you are invited to attend the Brooks County Economic Development Meeting.

When: March 4, 2022

Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Where: Wiregrass Georgia Technical College
4089 Val Tech Road
Valdosta, Georgia 31602
Brooke Hall Conference Room

The purpose of this meeting is to propose an economic development plan for Brooks County as well as leadership roles in community growth. After hearing and discussing the proposal, together we will determine the next steps. Together, we can and will take Brooks County to the next level of excellence. If you have any questions or are unable to attend, please contact Stephanie Williams or Jayme Coody at (229) 263-9085 or jcoody@brookscoda.com.

In preparation for this session, please select a spokesperson for your entity to introduce its members and present the following, if available:

- 1) Mission Statement of the organization.
- 2) The top two or three accomplishments during the past couple of years.
- 3) Organizational goals or objectives.
- 4) The single biggest threat to the success of your organization.
- 5) Describe two things about your field that you wish the general public understood better.

Please provide a copy of your written presentation to the host committee. We look forward to our continued collaboration as we work together to build Brooks County.

Patrick Folsom, Chairman
Brooks County Board of Commissioners

Derren Yearby, Chairman
Brooks County Development Authority

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Meeting Date: **Wednesday, February 16, 2022**


Parcel Combinations: AY2022

<u>Owner</u>	<u>2022 PIN</u>	<u>Previous PINs</u>	<u>Total Acres</u>	<u>Reason</u>
SPENCER, TIMOTHY D & CONSTANCE C	J1 0011	J1 0011 122 0005A	3.09	PER OWNER PB 11-33
BULLARD, WILLIAM I	MN2 0062	MN2 0062 MN2 0059	100X150 100X150 BACKLOT	DB 834-240
HIERS, TIMOTHY	080 0026	080 0026 080 0026A	30 70 100	PER OWNER
SENDERO RANCH, LLC	147 0002	147 0002 147 0002A 147 0002B 139 00131	149 42.45 61.55 100 353	PER OWNER NEW FLPA
HALLMAN FARM, LLC	009 0013	009 0013 009 0016	216.5 25	
ENGLAND, AUSTIN & RAQUEL	073 000127	073 000127 073 000125	16.99 5.53	PER OWNER CUVA
PRICE, H R AS TRUSTEE ROGER T PRICE FAMILY TRUST	052 00142	052 00142 052 0014B 052 0014C	137 178.18 137.5 452.68	PER OWNER NEW FLPA
MURRAY, NICHOLAS & ALLISON	064 0020	064 0020 064 00201	6.64 0.56 7.2	NEW OWNER 1 DEED
LITTLE, CALVIN	049 0014	049 0014 049 00141	37.82 3 40.82	PER OWNER

We the undersigned members of the Brooks County Board of Tax Assessors do hereby approve the above listed actions.


Dr. Gerald Golden


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Ralph Manning

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ACO (E&R/NOD)

ACO/ACCT Number - Digest Year- Tax District	Owner	Original FMV	Final FMV	Reason for ACO
2634/P537200-202101	QUITMAN PRINTING & OFF	\$ 9,969	\$ 3,818	ADJUST INVENTORY
2635/R6043-201701	UNKNOWN OWNER -- JARV	\$ 700	\$ -	portion of parcel q14 0343
2636/R6043-201801	UNKNOWN OWNER -- JARV	\$ 700	\$ -	portion of parcel q14 0343
2637/R6043-201901	UNKNOWN OWNER -- JARVIS	\$ 700	\$ -	portion of parcel q14 0343
2638/R6043-202001	UNKNOWN OWNER -- JARVIS	\$ 700	\$ -	portion of parcel q14 0343
2639/P932931-202002	DG SOUTHWEST SOLAR PORTFOLIO 2019, LLC	\$1,410,572	\$ 2,015,103	TBS AUDIT
2640/M3050-202202	LONG, LEON SPENCER JR	\$ -	\$ 11,003	REMOVED HOMESTEAD CREATE 2022 PREBILL
2641/M3099-202202	REYNOLDS, TAMMYT	\$ 15,558	\$ -	MH REMOVED DECEMBER 2021
2642/M6119-2022-99	HUNNICUTT, DEBORAHK	\$ 7,599	\$ -	MOBILE HOME HOMESTEADED DELETE 2022 PREBILL
2643/M3055-2022-99	ALLRED, SHERRY A &	\$ 35,983	\$ -	HOMESTEAD APPLICATION 2/3/22
2644/M4968-2022-02	CLARK, DEBORAH	\$ 40,491	\$ -	MOBILE HOME MOVED TO COLQUITT COUNTY IN 2021
2645/M7115-2022-01	GRIFFIN, EMMAP	\$ 70,868	\$ -	MH HOMESTEADED. DELETE 2022 PREBILL
2646/P931914-2018-99	T-MOBILE SOUTH LLC	\$ 42,681	\$ 73,788	TBS AUDIT 2018-2020 45 DAY APPEAL 2/10/22 - 3/27/22
2647/P931914-2019-99	T-MOBILE SOUTH LLC	\$ 36,050	\$ 70,205	TBS AUDIT 2018-2020 45 DAY APPEAL 2/10/22 - 3/27/22
2648/P931914-2020-99	T-MOBILE SOUTH LLC	\$ 44,300	\$ 95,208	TBS AUDIT 2018-2020 45 DAY APPEAL 2/10/22 - 3/27/22
2649/P931913-2018-02	T-MOBILE SOUTH LLC	\$ 10,951	\$ 29,465	TBS AUDIT 2018-2020 45 DAY APPEAL 2/10/22 - 3/27/22

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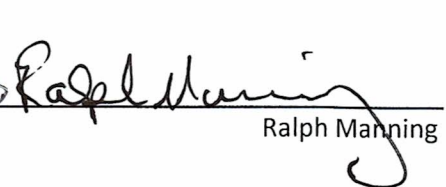
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2650/P93191 3-2019-02	T-MOBILE SOUTH LLC	\$ 44,919	\$ 73,585	TBS AUDIT 2018-2020 45 DAY APPEAL 2/10/22 - 3/27/22
2651/P93191 3-2020-02	T-MOBILE SOUTH LLC	\$ 51,086	\$ 89,066	TBS AUDIT 2018-2020 45 DAY APPEAL 2/10/22 - 3/27/22
2652/P93191 5-2018-02	T-MOBILE SOUTH LLC	\$ 4,637	\$ 20,014	TBS AUDIT 2018-2020 45 DAY APPEAL 2/10/22 - 3/27/22
2653/P93191 5-2019-02	T-MOBILE SOUTH LLC	\$ 5,174	\$ 19,187	TBS AUDIT 2018-2020 45 DAY APPEAL 2/10/22 - 3/27/22
2654/P93191 5-2020-02	T-MOBILE SOUTH LLC	\$ 6,922	\$ 19,560	TBS AUDIT 2018-2020 45 DAY APPEAL 2/10/22 - 3/27/22
2655/P93191 6-2018-02	T-MOBILE SOUTH LLC	\$ 41,425	\$ 77,018	TBS AUDIT 2018-2020 45 DAY APPEAL 2/10/22 - 3/27/22
2656/P93191 6-2019-01	T-MOBILE SOUTH LLC	\$ 34,622	\$ 72,374	TBS AUDIT 2018-2020 45 DAY APPEAL 2/10/22 - 3/27/22
2657/P93191 6-2020-01	T-MOBILE SOUTH LLC	\$ 44,230	\$ 95,809	TBS AUDIT 2018-2020 45 DAY APPEAL 2/10/22 - 3/27/22
2658/M2257- 202-204	HARDY, WILLIAM DANIEL SR	\$ 1,300	\$ -	DELETE 2022 PREBILL. MH ADDED TO REAL PROPERTY AS STORAGE.
2659/M3072- 2022-02	TOLBERT, CATHERINE TROST	\$ 7,800	\$ -	MH HOME TRADED IN AND MOVED TO DOUGHERTY COUNTY IN 2021 PER WAYNE FRIER ALBANY. DELETE 2022 PREBILL.
2660/M7405- 2022-02	ROBINSON, ERVIN ROUDOLPH &	\$ 92,637	\$ -	MOBILE HOME HOMESTEADED DELETE 2022 PREBILL
2661/R8714- 2020-99	GINN, DAVIDD	\$ 137,300	\$ 125,600	incorrect acreage 1.18 -> 0.68
2662/R8714- 2019-99	GINN, DAVIDD	\$ 128,600	\$ 116,300	incorrect acreage 1.18 -> 0.68

We the undersigned members of the Brooks County Board of Tax Assessors do hereby adopt the above listed determinations.


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Based on the applications and additional information submitted, the Brooks County Board of Tax Assessors has considered such information and made the following determinations.

Parcel Number	Owner	2021 Exemption	Approve (A) Deny (D)
037 00031	AIKENS, DOROTHY SIRMANS	S4	A
146 0030C	ALLRED, SHERRY A & RHEAULT, ANGELA J	S4	A
078 0015B	BOUTWELL, LANDREY	S1	A
Q14 0077	BROWN, CARLMELLOW A & COURTNEY M	S1	A
052 0002	BUTLER, H EUGENE	SC	A
T18 0010	CARRATT, VICKIE ANN	S4	A
139 0092	CRAVEY, HERBERT CYRUS III	S4	A
Q27 0033	DAVIS, FREDDIE L JR	S1	A
079 00199	DIX, ANTHONY	S3	A
065 00068	FREEMAN, MAURICE SR & CHRISTINE	S0	D
069 0009	GEORGE, VAN M & CAROL	S4	A
068 00151	GODWIN, R E & PATRICIA	SC	A
Q21 0068	GRIFFIN, EMMA	S1	A
Q14 0007	GRIFFIN, GENEVA D & STANLEY R	S4	A
087 0031	HEAD, MARY HEIRS	S4	A
T12 0012B	HUNNICUTT, DEBBIE	S1	A
122 0023	HYSMITH, MAXINE	S4	A
090 0042B	JACKSON, OGLESBY L & SARAH	SD	A
146 0004D	JAMES, TIMOTHY W & REBECCA	S4	A
107 0001	JOHNSON, JOE H & JAN W	S1	A
049 0020C	LITTLE, WILLIAM	S3	A
114 00244	LUKENS, MATTHEW C & JENNIFER	S1	A
122 001912	LYONS, LARRY THOMAS & JUDY	S4	A
079 001220	MALESKI, MARK	S1	A
036 0038	MARABLE, JSCKIE D	S4	A
124 00032	MARSHALL, ANTONIO L & PATRICK, BELINDA G	S1	A
139 0034	MENCHACA, VERNA & JESSE	S3	A
139W 0004A	MILES, JAMES CHRISTOPHER & CHERYL A	S4	A
Q20 0280	MILLER, REHNEA B	S3	A

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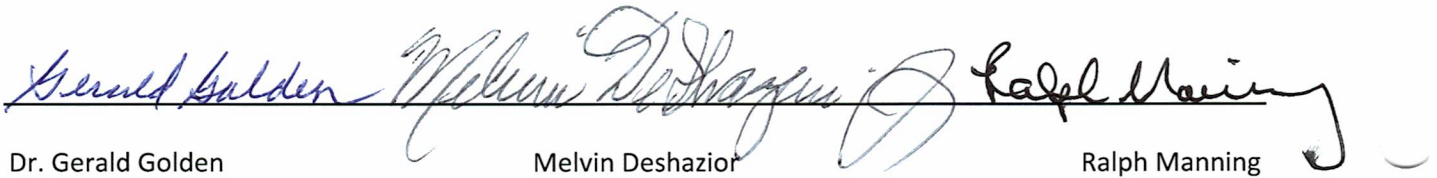
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134 00147	POTTER, MICHAEL R & BEACHAM, JULIE C	S1	A
Q17 0099A	POWELL, ELNORA	S0	D
J1 0008	ROBERTS, RICHARD DALE & CHARLOTTE B	S1	A
036 0041	ROBINSON, ERVIN	S1	A
036 0023	SCOTT, VIRGIL	S0	D
135 0078	WASHINGTON, RICHARD & KARIEMA	S5	A

Number of Applications Reviewed: 35

Total approved: 32

Total Denied: 3


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Re: Feedback and opinion for statewide timber harvest notification website and ordinance

The staff of the assessors' office is in full support of the model ordinance for timber harvesting and the immediate implementation of the new statewide system for timber harvest notification.

The existing timber ordinance in Brooks County has two stated purposes.

1. Protecting the county roads and other infrastructure.
2. To allow for monitoring harvesting activity to allow for sufficient collection of timber tax.

That outdated ordinance was partially designed to provide a method for the assessors' office to determine that all timber harvesting activities were properly returned. However, it has been the experience of the staff that permitting of timber does not lead to increase compliance with timber reporting or timber tax collection. Basically, the harvesters who follow the local timber ordinance typically follow the state laws as well. It is much more likely for someone to follow the state law and report the timber harvesting than it is for them to get a county permit and ignore the state law.

The assessors' office was designated to issue timber permits because we maintain the required ownership and location information and possess the mapping capabilities. The ability for harvesters to use a statewide website to obtain permits online while onsite is a much-needed and welcomed improvement to the current system.

The model ordinance does not mention assessors or taxes, and does not need to.

According to the Appraisal Procedures Manual (APM) GA. rules and regs 560-11-10-. The assessors have two responsibilities with regards to timber.

1. Harvesting of standing timber is a taxable event in Georgia. It is the role of the assessors to determine the taxable value of the harvested timber.
2. The sales of large acreage tracts should be analyzed for the purpose of extracting the value of items that affect value above the base land value, including the value of standing timber.

The primary tool for handling these responsibilities is through the accurate reporting and timely filing of the statewide PT-283T form. The form is required to be furnished by the harvester and the seller to the Board of Assessors. The State Revenue Commissioner provides an annual table of weighted average prices paid for various timber product classes in each county. Procedures and penalties are in place to handle late filing and non-reporting.

Wayne Waldron

From: Wayne Waldron <wwaldron@brookscountytax.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 19, 2022 4:18 PM
To: 'Jessica McKinney'
Subject: RE: GFC Timber Harvest Notification site is live!
Attachments: TIMBER HARVEST ORDINANCE.pdf; 2022_timber_website_permit_memo_cc.docx

I plan to be at the meeting. Not a lot of feedback on this one, feels more like justification for lack of input. I also attached the current timber ordinance since I referenced it.

Wayne Waldron

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From: Jessica McKinney <jmckinney@brookscountyga.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, January 19, 2022 3:05 AM
To: Jim Owens <jimowens2021@gmail.com>; Wayne Waldron <wwaldron@brookscountytax.com>
Cc: Patricia Williams <pwilliams@brookscountyga.gov>
Subject: FW: GFC Timber Harvest Notification site is live!
Importance: High

Mr. Owens & Wayne,

Below is explanation of legislation that has passed pertaining to House Bill 897 and its impact that prompts us to revisit our Timber Harvest Ordinance.

Please take the time to review the model ordinance which can be found by following the links provided. I would like to have your feedback regarding the ordinance, as it would pertain to your departments (taxing, permitting, roads, etc.) prepared in an outlined format in a Word document and sent back to me by end of day Monday, January 24th. I would like this in order to have something prepared to present to the Board of Commissioners in our Workshop Meeting January 25th for possible consideration of revision for adoption of a new ordinance for the county on the harvesting of timber.

Please also plan to attend the January 25th meeting in order to respond to your provided feedback in the event the Board or attorneys may have questions or discussions.

Thank you!

Jessica J. McKinney

County Administrator, Brooks County GA
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From: Bowen, Kathleen <KBowen@ACCG.org>
Sent: Tuesday, January 18, 2022 4:11 PM
To: Bowen, Kathleen <KBowen@ACCG.org>
Cc: O'Quinn, Michael <MOQuinn@ACCG.org>
Subject: GFC Timber Harvest Notification site is live!

County Chairs, Managers/Administrators and Clerks – wanted to make sure you saw the announcement below stating that the Timber Harvest Notification website is now live.

This website, hosted by the Georgia Forestry Commission, is a result of House Bill 897 that passed during the 2020 legislative Session. Details on that legislation and a copy of the ACCG drafted Model Timber Ordinance can be [found here](#).

Counties with a timber harvest ordinance in place should begin transitioning the timber harvest notification processes to the new online system. Within 18 months, the website will become the required format for counties to receive timber harvest notifications.

Lastly, on December 14, 2021, ACCG and GFC conducted a webinar on this topic – the recording can be found [here](#). Passcode: q=FTV7Tq

Please contact the Georgia Forestry Commission (timberharvest@gfc.state.ga.us), Mike O'Quinn (moquinn@accg.org), or me with questions.

Kathleen Bowen
ACCG – Georgia's County Association
kbowen@accg.org / 404.788.5707 (cell)

From: Wendy Burnett <wburnett@GFC.STATE.GA.US>
Sent: Tuesday, January 18, 2022 2:24 PM
To: Wendy Burnett <wburnett@GFC.STATE.GA.US>
Subject: Timber Harvest Notification site is live!

As directed by changes to the Official Code of Georgia 12-6-24, GFC is happy to announce that the new website designed to streamline the timber harvest notification process for harvesters and counties across the state is now live. The timber harvest notification site can be found at <https://gatrees.org/forest-management-conservation/timber-harvest-notification>.

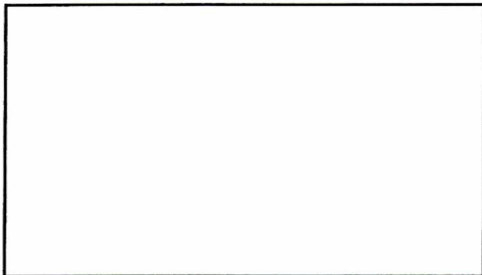
A few key points about the new system:

- Any county or city with an ordinance or resolution that requires notification of timber harvest can participate

- Counties, cities and timber harvesters can sign-up on the website
- County or city participation is currently voluntary - a map of participating counties is posted on the website
- All timber harvesters can use the system but the county/city has to be participating for the notification process to work
- All questions about the system should be directed to timberharvest@gfc.state.ga.us.

More information can be found in the attached press release, as well as on this video announcement: [Timber Harvest Notification Website - YouTube](#).

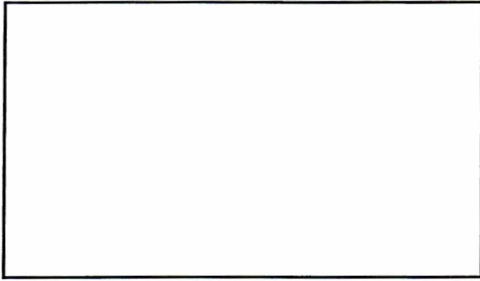
A Timber Harvest Notification Website Webinar for Timber Harvesters is scheduled for January 25, 2022 from 8:30 - 9:30 AM. A link to this webinar will be distributed soon.



Timber Harvest Notification Website - YouTube

The Georgia Forestry Commission has launched a new website that streamlines the timber harvest notification process for harvesters and counties across the st..

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Please email us at timberharvest@gfc.state.ga.us if you need further assistance. Timber Harvest Notification Website Announcement Video HB 897 (OCGA 12-6-24) In compliance with legislation that updated OCGA 12-6-24, the Georgia Forestry Commission (GFC) will launch an easy-to-use, statewide harvest notification website, which will replace ... Continue Reading →

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From: Twomey, Bill <BTwomey@ACCG.org>
Sent: Tuesday, February 8, 2022 12:13 PM
To: Twomey, Bill <BTwomey@ACCG.org>
Subject: Time Sensitive. Please provide valuation on off road Timber harvesting equipment
Importance: High

Good Afternoon

The Legislature is considering a bill that would exempt from ad valorem taxation all “rolling stock” equipment owned by timber harvesters. Basically all off-road vehicles and equipment used to harvest timber. We are trying to get a handle on what the financial impact would be to counties that have a substantial timber industry.

If you have the time, could you ask your tax assessors to give us a ball park on what it would mean in your county?

Thanks!



Bill Twomey

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Wayne Waldron

From: Wayne Waldron <wwaldron@brookscountytax.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 10, 2022 8:46 AM
To: 'Twomey, Bill'
Cc: 'Jessica McKinney'
Subject: RE: Time Sensitive. Please provide valuation on off road Timber harvesting equipment
Attachments: NAICS.xlsx

I have attached a spreadsheet showing the current value of personal property by industry type. We only have one account that is truly 'logging'. That account is roughly \$610,000 and is mostly the type of harvesting equipment being discussed. There may be a few other excavators, skids or loaders located in the county that may qualify but the vast majority of our timber harvesting is by companies located outside the county. I hope this helps, feel free to contact me for any additional information.

Wayne Waldron

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From: Jessica McKinney <jmckinney@brookscountyga.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, February 8, 2022 4:23 PM
To: Wayne Waldron <wwaldron@brookscountytax.com>
Cc: Twomey, Bill <BTwomey@ACCG.org>
Subject: FW: Time Sensitive. Please provide valuation on off road Timber harvesting equipment
Importance: High

Wayne,
Please see below and weigh in directly to Mr. Twomey with a cc to me, thank you!

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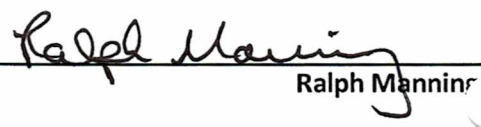
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Number of Applications Reviewed: 31
Total approved: 30
Total Denied: 1
Total Released: 0

We the undersigned members of the Brooks County Board of Tax Assessors do hereby adopt the above listed determinations.


Dr. Gerald Golden


Melvin DeShazor


Ralph Manning