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RE: Press Release – AG Land Acreage Adjustment

**MINNEHAHA COUNTY COMMISSION TO  
CONSIDER RECOMMENDATION TO INCREASE ACRE SIZE FOR  
AG CLASSIFICATION**

On Tuesday, October 27, 2009 the Minnehaha County Commission will consider a recommendation from the Minnehaha County Director of Equalization to increase the minimum acre size for classification as AG property in the county from the present 20 acres to 40 acres. The recommendation is in response to the implementation of the agricultural income/productivity method of valuation for the 2010 assessment year.

Presently to receive the ag class you must meet 2 of 3 legal requirements. The acre size is only one. The other two are income and actual use of the property.

Persons interested in making comments on this recommendation may do so by attending the county commission meeting scheduled for 9:00 a.m., October 27, 2009 in the Commission Meeting Room, Minnehaha County Administration Building, 415 N. Dakota Avenue, Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Comments may also be submitted in writing and sent to the Director of Equalization Office at the same address.

For further information concerning this press release, please contact Kyle Helseth at 367-4228.

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