Special Areas Board

Dear Sir/Madam:

The Assessment Department is urged by the Alberta Government to inspect all properties within the Special Areas, once every five years, to make sure that the information on file is correct. The information collected from our inspection is then used to establish the assessed value for your property.

The Assessor was at your property recently and concluded that the house on your property may be vacant. The Assessment Department is required to assess three acres of your property at market value when there is a farm residence on that property. However, vacant residences may be considered a farm building which would make the building exempt from taxation. This would also remove the three acre market site as the assessment department would not consider the house a residence. This means that qualifying houses could receive a reduction in taxes.

Please take the time to fill out the questionnaire on the back of this page to help us determine if the house on this property can be considered a farm building. The information you provide will be kept confidential.

I thank you for your co-operation and if you have any questions please contact an Assessor at 403-854-5630 or by email at SABassessment@gov.ab.ca

Sincerely

Terry Jacobsen

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1)   Is this house your principal residence?

2)   If not, what is the house used for?

3)   Is the house vacant?

4)   If the house is vacant, how long has it been since it was used as a residence?

5)   Is the heat still connected and on in the house?

6)   Is the power still connected and on in the house?

7)   If either of the heat or power has been disconnect, when was it done?

8)   Has any work be done to the home in the last 10 years?

9)   If so, please list the work that was done.

10)   Please estimate the cost of the work that was done.

11)   What do you intend to do with this house?

All the information provided is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Signature/Date