

WC Assessor Update

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Good morning

I have received your emails over the last couple of weeks and would like to thank you for your patience. Our office has been very busy answering taxpayer questions and concerns regarding the change of value notices that went out at the beginning of June. The notices were for more than just the north half of Pullman, they spanned the entire county. Since there was a deadline for the notices, my primary focus has been on that communication. The subject being discussed between us is of no small significance to me or the taxpayers of Whitman County though.

I did attend a joint Assessor's and Treasurer's conference a few weeks ago. While not a topic on the agenda, the assessment situation in Whitman County was discussed many times over. I learned quite a bit about other county assessor practices and challenges. It was also beneficial to speak directly to some of our DOR liaisons and get a better feel for the relationship between the County and the Department of Revenue as our oversight agency.

After receiving requests from me, contact from your group, and BOE, the Department of Revenue provided guidance in the form of two options for Whitman County BOE to review. I feel that BOE weighed the options carefully. Both the guidance and the decision are attached. Rikki Bland with the Department of Revenue has graciously offered to speak with anyone who has concerns about the options as prepared. Her contact info:

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I have reviewed the spreadsheet you provided as well as the pdf of the methodology. Thank you for sharing those items. I have found many tools from shared workbooks and spreadsheets over the years! I do appreciate your kind offer of help.

Below is a basic breakdown of the work plan of this office.

Whitman County Physical Inspection Cycle			DOR Codes	Whitman County Valuation plan
Area	Description			
2024-2025	1 Pullman North / Pullman Admin cleanup SFR, Mobile, Multi Fam, Fraternities	all	**Marshall Swift valuation suite updated update N 1/2 Pullman with P.I. to 85% market, do not touch any value in pullman that changed in 2023/2024. admin update all parcels in pullman that haven't been updated in 3+ years. APPLY statistical increase based off sales study to the rest of county NON AG	
2025-2026	2 County Seat and South East County	all	**CU Valuation program updated Using MS Estimator, update all parcels in P.I. areas, then apply P.I. quality & characteristic updates to those parcels. Apply statistical updates (+/-) to all areas out of P.I. cycle based off sales study. Update CU values	
2026-2027	3 North East County	all	**Marshall Swift valuation suite updated Using MS Estimator, update all parcels in P.I. areas, then apply P.I. quality & characteristic updates to those parcels. Apply statistical updates (+/-) to all areas out of P.I. cycle based off sales study. Update CU values	
2027-2028	4 North West County and Pullman Exempt Properties	all exempt status	**CU Valuation program updated Using MS Estimator, update all parcels in P.I. areas, then apply P.I. quality & characteristic updates to those parcels. Apply statistical updates (+/-) to all areas out of P.I. cycle based off sales study. Update CU values	
2028-2029	5 South West County	all	**Marshall Swift valuation suite updated Using MS Estimator, update all parcels in P.I. areas, then apply P.I. quality & characteristic updates to those parcels. Apply statistical updates (+/-) to all areas out of P.I. cycle based off sales study. Update CU values	
2029-2030	6 Pullman Mobile Homes, multifamily and commercial	12+	**CU Valuation program updated Using MS Estimator, update all parcels in P.I. areas, then apply P.I. quality & characteristic updates to those parcels. Apply statistical updates (+/-) to all areas out of P.I. cycle based off sales study. Update CU values	

Respectfully,

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2 attachments



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 **Options Matrix - Whitman Co.docx**
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