Smith County Appraisal District 2019 Annual Report

Introduction

Texas Property Tax Code and the Rules of the Texas Comptroller's Property Tax Assistance Division govern the operations of the appraisal district.

Mission

Our mission is to provide uniform, fair, and equitable appraisals of all real and personal property and to provide information and assistance to the public in a professional and courteous manner.

This will be accomplished by administering the laws under the property tax system and operating under the standards of:

- The Property Tax Assistance Division of the Texas State Comptroller's Office (PTAD)
- The International Association of Assessing Officers (IAAO)
- The Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice (USPAP)

Governance

The appraisal district is governed by a Board of Directors whose primary responsibilities include the following:

- Establish the district's office
- Appoint the Chief Appraiser
- Approve the district's budget annually
- Contract for necessary services
- Provide advice and consent to the Chief Appraiser concerning the appointment of an Agricultural Advisory Board
- Approve contracts with appraisal firms to perform appraisal services for the district
- Other statutory duties

To be eligible to serve on the board of directors, an individual must be a resident of the district and must have resided in the district for at least two years immediately preceding the date of appointment. Members of the Board of Directors will serve two-year terms beginning in January of even-numbered years.

The Chief Appraiser is the chief administrator of the appraisal district and is appointed by the board of directors. The Chief Appraiser must be certified (or actively working toward certification) as a Registered Professional Appraiser (RPA) through the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation.

Appraisal Review Board members are appointed by the local administrative district judge of Smith County. To serve on the ARB, an individual must be a resident of the district and must have resided in the district for at least two years. The Smith County Appraisal Review Board (ARB) is responsible by statute for the hearing and determination of taxpayer protests and taxing entity challenges.

Agricultural Advisory Board members are appointed by the Board of Directors at the recommendation of the Chief Appraiser to aid the district in determining typical practices and standards for agricultural activities in the district.

Taxing Jurisdictions

The Smith County Appraisal District is responsible for appraising all properties for each of the taxing jurisdictions within Smith County.

- Smith County
- City of Arp
- City of Bullard
- City of Lindale
- City of Overton
- City of Overton Municipal Cemetery
- City of Troup
- City of Tyler
- City of Whitehouse
- City of Winona
- Arp ISD
- Bullard ISD
- Chapel Hill ISD

- Gladewater ISD
- Lindale ISD
- Troup ISD
- Tyler ISD
- Van ISD
- Whitehouse ISD
- Winona ISD
- Kilgore College
- Tyler Junior College
- Smith County Emergency Services District #1
- Smith County Emergency Services District #2
- Smith County MUD #1

Legislative Changes

Smith County Appraisal District reviews all legislation that may affect the appraisal district's operations. Once laws are passed, SCAD responds in a timely manner updating records, forms and/or procedures.

Property Types Appraised

The following represents a summary of property types appraised by the district for 2019:

PTAD Classifications	Property Type	Parcel Count	Market Value
А	Single Family Homes	65,954	\$10,132,868,971
В	Multi Family Homes	2,304	\$858,175,825
С	Vacant Land (< 5 acres)	18,412	\$365,708,857
D1 & D2	Vacant Land (>5 acres)	15,597	\$2,109,534,830
E	Farm/Ranch Improvements	12,331	\$1,492,209,796
F1	Commercial Real Property	5,407	\$3,133,292,128
F2	Industrial Real Property	106	\$438,437,361
G	Oil/Gas/Minerals	36,028	\$244,865,411
J	Utilities	851	\$529,308,571
L1	Commercial Personal Property	7,541	\$1,361,179,171
L2	Industrial Personal Property	134	\$652,035,737
M1	Manufactured Homes	4,349	\$92,812,440
0	Inventory	5,727	\$69,981,920
S	Dealer's Special Inventory	228	\$86,086,857
X	Exempt Property	3,047	\$2,671,730,518

^{* 7/23/19} certified values

Appraisal Operation Summary

The district conducted a ratio study to validate the accuracy of its mass appraisal system with the following overall statistical results:

2019 RATIO STUDY RESULTS						
ISD	COUNT	MEAN	MEDIAN	WT. MEAN	PRD	COD
AR	62	1.058	1.011	1.031	1.03	11.73
BU	212	1.011	1.009	1.009	1.00	4.98
СН	206	1.008	1.003	1.004	1.00	8.18
GL	9	1.099	1.010	1.056	1.04	15.68
LI	401	0.995	0.991	0.993	1.00	6.20
TR	24	1.016	0.999	0.976	1.04	10.28
TY	1298	0.990	0.992	0.989	1.00	7.09
VA	20	0.998	0.989	1.002	1.00	7.08
WH	409	0.998	0.997	0.995	1.00	5.83
WI	39	1.045	1.003	1.028	1.02	8.99
OVERALL	2678	0.998	0.996	0.995	1.00	6.87

^{*}Catg A Outliers trimmed using the inner quartile range x4.0

Based upon the Mass Appraisal Standards adopted by the International Association of Assessing Officers, the above statistics indicate the district's mass appraisal system is accurately and uniformly appraising property.

Property Discovery

- Visual field inspections
- Aerial photography
- Homestead/Agricultural applications
- City building permits
- Direct notification from property owners
- Local real estate professionals
- Contractors, developers and sales professionals of new subdivisions
- Recorded instruments from courthouse and other local government
- Building plans
- Utility companies
- Mechanic's liens, Deeds of Trust and Legal News
- Texas Department of Housing & Community Affairs reports (Manufactured Homes)
- TXDOT moving permits for Manufactured Homes
- Sales questionnaires and Fee Appraisals
- Newspapers, Sales Brochures and Magazines
- Telephone directories

Exemption Data

Property owners may qualify for a variety of exemptions as provided by the Texas Constitution. Some of the most commonly occurring exemptions are described below. Other less commonly occurring exemptions are available and described in the Texas Property Tax Code, Chapter 11.

Residential Homestead

The following chart represents the partial exemption amounts available to homeowners who qualify for this exemption on home sites with a maximum of 20 acres:

Jurisdiction	Percent	General	Over 65	Disability	100% Disabled Veteran
County					
Smith County		None	\$25,000	None	100%
City					
Arp		None	\$3,000	None	100%
Bullard		None	\$3,000	None	100%
Lindale		None	\$3,500	None	100%
Overton		None	\$6,000	None	100%
Overton City Cemetery		None	None	None	100%
Troup		None	\$5,000	None	100%
Tyler		10% or no less than \$5000	\$6,000	None	100%
Whitehouse		None	\$3,000	None	100%
Winona		None	None	None	100%
Schools					
Arp	20% or no less than \$5000 plus	\$25,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	100%
Bullard		\$25,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	100%
Chapel Hill		\$25,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	100%
Gladewater	20% or no less than \$5000 plus	\$25,000	\$16,000	\$10,000	100%
Lindale		\$25,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	100%
Troup		\$25,000	\$15,000	\$10,000	100%
Tyler		\$25,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	100%
Van	20% or no less than \$5000 plus	\$25,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	100%
Whitehouse		\$25,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	100%
Winona		\$25,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	100%
College Districts		_			_
Kilgore College		None	\$30,000	None	100%
Tyler Junior College		None	\$20,000	\$10,000	100%
Other Districts					
Smith County MUD #1		None	\$5,000	None	100%
SCESD #1		None	None	None	100%
SCESD #2		None	None	None	100%

For school tax purposes, the over 65 and disability residential homestead exemptions create a tax ceiling.

Properties receiving a general homestead exemption may qualify for a limited appraised value. The limited appraised value will not exceed 110% of the prior year's appraised value. However, the market value may still be reflective of the local real estate market.

Disabled Veterans

In addition to the residential homestead exemption allowable to disabled veterans with a 100% service connected disability, disabled veterans are allowed a general exemption on any property they own based upon the percentage rating as determined by the Department of Veterans Affairs. Current exemption amounts, as based upon these ratings are as follows:

Percentage Disability	Exemption Amount
10-29%	\$5,000
30-49%	<i>\$7,</i> 500
50-69%	\$10,000
70-100%	\$12,000

The surviving spouse and minor children of a member of the armed services who dies while on active duty will receive a \$5,000 exemption.

Other Exemptions

Other commonly occurring exemptions are:

- Cemetery Exemptions
- Religious Organizations
- Charitable Organizations
- Veteran's Organization

Other less frequently occurring exemptions are allowable and described in Chapter 11, Property Tax Code.

	Homestead	Mandate Over-65	Local Over- 65	Disabled	Veterans Real	Veterans Personal	Opt Percent Hms
County							
Smith	0	0	\$479,574,042 count = 19,813	0	\$14,189,110 count = 1,491	\$15,251 count =3	0
City							
Arp	0	0	\$270,000 count = 95	0	\$114,100 count = 11	0	0
Bullard	0	0	\$561,990 count = 189	0	\$288,000 count = 29	0	0
Lindale	0	0	\$1,353,310 count = 388	0	\$480,016 count = 48	0	0
Overton	0	0	\$114,000 count = 19	0	0	0	0
Overton City Cemetery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Troup	0	0	\$623,999 count = 129	0	\$141,300 count = 14	0	0
Tyler	0	0	\$47,768,884 count = 8,031	0	\$4,772,039 count = 458	\$3,871 count = 1	\$363,921,343 count = 18,507
Whitehouse	0	0	\$1,458,700 count = 492	0	\$613,360 count = 61	0	0
Winona	0	0	0	0	\$43,500 count = 4	0	0
Schools							
Arp	\$37,081,472 count = 1,569	\$5,718,571 count = 602	0	\$550,492 count = 60	\$536,841 count = 57	0	\$52,164,162 count = 1,543
Bullard	\$63,635,132 count = 2,622	\$10,312,122 count = 1,066	0	\$598,874 count = 67	\$915,808 count = 89	0	0
Chapel Hill	\$111,834,822 count = 4,714	\$17,918,750 count = 1,872	0	\$1,968,496 count = 215	\$1,397,716 count = 142	0	0
Gladewater	\$15,123,636 count = 656	\$2,179,964 count =238	\$1,179,378 count = 210	\$208,347 count = 25	\$208,347 count = 23	0	\$15,453,569 count = 655
Lindale	\$137,848,236 count = 5,670	\$23,961,468 count = 2,456	0	\$1,656,866 count = 191	\$2,306,142 count = 234	0	0

	Homestead	Mandate Over-65	Local Over- 65	Disabled	Veterans Real	Veterans Personal	Opt Percent Hms
Troup	\$16,753,589 count = 712	\$2,259,897 count = 241	\$1,039,289 count = 219	\$244,839 count = 27	\$159,021 count = 17	0	0
Tyler	\$591,874,100 count = 24,278	\$96,501,258 count = 9,908	0	\$7,347,497 count = 793	\$6,421,782 count = 634	\$11,871 count = 2	0
Van	\$11,835,938 count = 523	\$1,850,710 count = 203	0	\$163,301 count = 18	\$157,092 count = 16	0	\$114,964,30 6 count = 514
Whitehouse	\$151,335,738 count = 6,227	\$21,621,232 count = 2,219	0	\$1,253,403 count =137	\$1,845,667 count = 187	\$3,380 count = 1	0
Winona	\$34,728,612 count = 1,487	\$5,117,818 count = 556	0	\$766,753 count = 82	\$433,987 count = 46	0	0
College Districts							
Kilgore College	0	0	\$7,492,135 count = 275	0	\$237,107 count =25	0	0
Tyler Junior College	0	0	\$283,254,119 count =14,506	\$12,981,636 count = 1,385	\$10,408,407 count = 1,034	\$11,871 count = 2	0
Other Districts					1		
Smith County MUD #1	0	0	\$487,100 count = 105	0	\$76,000 count = 7	0	0
SCESD #1	0	0	0	0	\$1,919,510 count = 196	0	0
SCESD #2	0	0	0	0	\$7,067,576 count = 718	\$11,380 count =2	0

APPEAL INFORMATION

Following guidelines established by state law, notices of appraised value are typically mailed to property owners if:

- The appraised value of the property changes by more than \$1000 from what it was in the preceding year
- The appraised value of the property is greater than the value rendered by the property owner
- The property was not on the appraisal roll in the preceding year
- The property has had an ownership change

In 2019, the district prepared and delivered notices of appraised value for approximately:

88,492 real property notices
 8,168 business personal property notices
 2,000 mineral interests notices

From those notices, approximately **4,483** parcels were protested.

Jurisdiction	07/23/19	7/24/18	7/18/17	7/15/16	7/15/15	7/24/14	7/20/13	7/11/12	7/15/11	4/27/10
County										
Smith County	\$179,233	\$169,939	\$165,841	\$158,188	\$150,802	\$144,817	\$141,103	\$138,337	\$137,173	\$135,712
City										
Arp	\$82,384	\$80,263	\$78,875	\$76,563	\$75,138	\$72,691	\$67,797	\$67,381	\$68,634	\$67,866
Bullard *	\$222,749	\$213,888	\$203,369	\$191,594	\$179,490	\$170,566	\$64,164	\$161,694	\$160,424	\$154,732
Lindale	\$164,168	\$152,188	\$147,799	\$140,105	\$131,678	\$124,424	\$119,627	\$116,906	\$115,139	\$114,511
Overton *	\$100,550	\$91,154	\$87,526	\$83,406	\$82,634	\$84,619	\$81,585	\$80,024	\$81,645	\$79,974
Overton City Cemetery*	\$100,550	\$91,154								
Troup **	\$87,517	\$81,364	\$77,318	\$73,605	\$69,699	\$67,246	\$63,553	\$62,668	\$62,582	\$61,601
Tyler	\$196,002	\$186,540	\$184,226	\$175,902	\$168,260	\$161,724	\$157,565	\$154,668	\$153,424	\$152,565
Whitehouse	\$165,046	\$154,797	\$151,513	\$144,945	\$139,280	\$133,834	\$130,955	\$128,708	\$128,562	\$128,087
Winona	\$86,923	\$79,606	\$76,527	\$68,800	\$66,826	\$65,388	\$65,327	\$65,496	\$64,620	\$64,698
Schools										
Arp	\$169,792	\$162,007	\$158,334	\$151,431	\$145,895	\$140,419	\$135,764	\$131,743	\$131,033	\$123,847
Bullard *	\$228,197	\$220,685	\$215,325	\$206,302	\$195,482	\$189,441	\$186,437	\$182,456	\$182,039	\$178,271
Chapel Hill	\$168,243	\$159,296	\$154,193	\$148,856	\$142,872	\$137,666	\$135,112	\$132,887	\$131,443	\$129,836
Gladewater *	\$118,060	\$105,573	\$100,434	\$99,296	\$94,935	\$91,154	\$86,465	\$83,705	\$83,432	\$83,728
Lindale *	\$182,519	\$170,456	\$166,521	\$157,334	\$148,482	\$140,396	\$135,352	\$132,415	\$131,909	\$131,292
Troup *	\$110,890	\$100,128	\$96,656	\$91,406	\$87,803	\$82,981	\$78,036	\$77,426	\$76,197	\$74,380
Tyler	\$174,994	\$166,354	\$162,789	\$155,004	\$148,001	\$142,333	\$138,841	\$136,450	\$135,205	\$134,445
Van *	\$146,666	\$135,700	\$134,302	\$127,314	\$119,385	\$115,847	\$111,591	\$109,892	\$109,902	\$108,962
Whitehouse	\$219,766	\$209,280	\$203,273	\$195,124	\$186,370	\$179,208	\$174,390	\$170,185	\$168,760	\$166,377
Winona	\$96,337	\$90,670	\$92,123	\$83,717	\$80,335	\$77,362	\$76,296	\$75,472	\$74,111	\$73,796
College Districts										
Kilgore College *	\$118,060	\$105,573	\$100,434	\$99,296	\$94,935	\$91,154	\$86,465	\$83,705	\$83,432	\$83,728
Tyler Junior	\$171,193	\$161,791	\$158,411	\$150,928	\$143,905	\$138,094	\$134,602	\$132,317	\$131,126	\$130,432
Other Districts										
Smith County MUD #1	\$68,477	\$66,627	\$66,022	\$66,213	\$59,261	\$59,048	\$60,525	\$60,705	\$60,390	\$60,629
SCESD #1	\$159,007	\$147,339	\$142,866	\$142,502	\$128,379	\$120,777	\$116,721	\$114,180	\$113,136	\$112,046
SCESD #2	\$167,466	\$159,052	\$153,168	\$152,633	\$139,000	\$133,847	\$130,577	\$127,849	\$126,412	\$124,090

Jurisdiction	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
County										
Smith County	\$512,472,426	\$357,949,673	\$335,072,385	\$318,789,935	\$286,965,155	\$244,695,604	\$177,489,456	\$165,087,334	\$219,001,171	\$201,898,766
City										
Arp	\$464,109	\$232,200	\$637,985	\$164,328	\$194,830	\$526,317	\$231,355	\$216,840	\$177,293	\$67,362
Bullard	\$18,880,550	\$13,501,660	\$11,783,714	\$12,451,195	\$12,075,076	\$9,718,579	\$3,369,754	\$1,590,725	\$5,760,953	\$4,428,492
Lindale	\$30,475,723	\$10,799,210	\$11,666,619	\$7,738,883	\$11,769,367	\$16,687,836	\$7,329,605	\$7,305,259	\$6,492,729	\$2,203,824
Overton	\$370,775	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$21,156	\$106,665
Overton City Cemetery	\$370,775	\$0								
Troup	\$72,771	\$724,394	\$375,048	\$392,489	\$875,478	\$516,916	\$441,936	\$771,241	\$716,174	\$518,751
Tyler	\$162,900,625	\$176,322,194	\$178,097,282	\$158,191,474	\$138,391,143	\$118,305,187	\$83,488,140	\$81,215,441	\$99,639,491	\$101,524,718
Whitehouse	\$7,894,180	\$3,348,068	\$3,330,559	\$2,919,934	\$5,085,899	\$4,533,171	\$3,157,952	\$2,260,225	\$4,208,824	\$3,020,927
Winona	\$293,781	\$613,496	\$830,216	\$204,594	\$28,244	\$462,906	\$0	\$367,951	\$1,147,457	\$83,912
Schools										
Arp	\$5,612,361	\$5,523,493	\$4,018,166	\$6,292,922	\$5,308,882	\$6,542,168	\$4,236,337	\$2,234,220	\$5,787,157	\$4,952,140
Bullard	\$44,686,205	\$30,487,981	\$25,038,759	\$29,033,407	\$19,940,786	\$19,266,762	\$9,053,680	\$6,535,447	\$14,016,872	\$11,725,706
Chapel Hill	\$24,928,680	\$22,518,435	\$28,392,468	\$19,043,117	\$21,246,547	\$12,952,526	\$11,292,689	\$10,912,931	\$20,841,402	\$38,076,231
Gladewater	\$5,678,804	\$1,108,014	\$1,366,965	\$2,519,493	\$1,560,023	\$2,173,624	\$2,236,934	\$1,151,778	\$1,879,930	\$1,323,789
Lindale	\$62,056,332	\$41,508,410	\$38,384,383	\$29,870,095	\$32,757,589	\$36,530,204	\$24,672,013	\$19,299,293	\$19,753,901	\$15,295,735
Troup	\$3,743,427	\$2,684,935	\$2,215,351	\$1,944,621	\$1,924,075	\$1,923,454	\$1,643,734	\$1,192,394	\$1,838,945	\$1,059,602
Tyler	\$147,822,369	\$179,432,464	\$179,937,198	\$157,309,665	\$126,025,810	\$132,674,078	\$88,490,083	\$93,543,524	\$114,423,403	\$101,545,321
Van	\$5,710,914	\$4,419,638	\$4,109,861	\$3,508,334	\$2,464,839	\$2,100,821	\$264,645	\$1,184,402	\$1,790,571	\$538,334
Whitehouse	\$54,227,932	\$61,943,319	\$47,202,159	\$64,432,839	\$66,716,619	\$25,221,064	\$32,478,616	\$25,199,563	\$34,261,894	\$25,856,945
Winona	\$156,418,609	\$8,322,984	\$4,407,075	\$4,835,442	\$2,769,368	\$5,310,903	\$3,119,725	\$3,833,782	\$4,407,096	\$1,524,963
College Districts										
Kilgore College	\$5,757,179	\$1,108,014	1,366,965	\$2,519,493	\$1,560,023	\$2,713,624	\$2,236,934	\$1,151,778	\$1,879,930	\$1,323,789
Tyler Junior College	\$417,855,095	\$242,270,331	\$245,226,455	\$199,835,603	\$176,805,321	\$182,317,367	\$122,910,963	\$123,918,737	\$153,227,461	\$148,223,050
Other Districts										
Smith County MUD #1	\$6,576,106	\$3,971,210	\$802,574	\$883,015	\$1,081,433	\$462,300	\$1,114,136	\$395,149	\$814,870	\$486,637
SCESD #1	\$68,068,951	\$41,118,849	\$40,866,250	\$28,105,715	\$32,083,793	\$34,947,225	\$23,956,127	\$19,325,566	\$21,101,251	\$13,742,394
SCESD #2	\$270,829,898	\$133,966,074	\$112,832,992	\$126,176,908	\$105,575,087	\$83,861,191	\$64,895,986	\$60,965,029	\$92,536,794	\$81,371,297

The Chief Appraiser certified taxable values to each taxing jurisdiction on **July 23, 2019** summarized as follows:

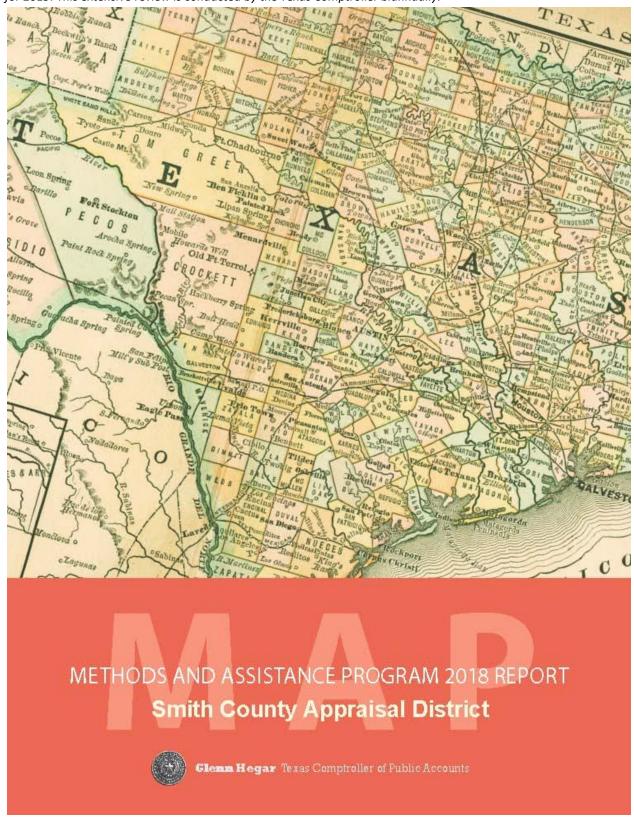
Jurisdiction	Taxable Value
County	
Smith County	\$18,529,921,490
City	
Arp	\$39,194,041
Bullard	\$263,622,691
Lindale	\$603,376,756
Overton	\$7,645,952
Overton City Cemetery	\$7,791,511
Troup	\$78,881,838
Tyler	\$9,064,015,823
Whitehouse	\$467,432,803
Winona	\$24,992,298
Schools	
Arp	\$377,157,099
Bullard	\$818,081,135
Chapel Hill	\$1,437,817,998
Gladewater	\$111,701,855
Lindale	\$1,678,709,706
Troup	\$215,567,111
Tyler	\$9,973,311,242
Van	\$92,219,025
Whitehouse	\$2,303,996,028
Winona	\$622,457,775
College Districts	
Kilgore College	\$137,981,860
Tyler Junior College	\$13,834,783,518
Other Districts	
Smith County MUD #1	\$179,511,545
Smith County Emergency Services District #1	\$1,611,613,087
Smith County Emergency Services District #2	\$7,006,536,852

Tax Rates

Using the taxable values as certified by the Chief Appraiser and following the requirements of the Truth in Taxation Laws, the taxing jurisdictions adopted the following tax rates for 2019:

Jurisdiction	Tax Rates
County	
Smith County	0.345000
City	
Arp	0.722604
Bullard	0.605347
Lindale	0.470900
Overton	0.727911
Overton City Cemetery	0.050000
Troup	0.867087
Tyler	0.259900
Whitehouse	0.792891
Winona	0.402997
Schools	
Arp	1.408300
Bullard	1.470000
Chapel Hill	1.145900
Gladewater	1.4634000
Lindale	1.360000
Troup	1.183350
Tyler	1.335000
Van	1.414750
Whitehouse	1.325000
Winona	1.284200
College Districts	
Kilgore College	0.175000
Tyler Junior College	0.199926
Other Districts	
Smith County MUD #1	0.253000
Smith County Emergency Services District #1	0.067664
Smith County Emergency Services District #2	0.084648

Smith County Appraisal District received 100% compliance from the Methods and Assistance Program (MAP) review for 2019. This extensive review is conducted by the Texas Comptroller biannually.



Glenn Hegar

Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts 2018-19 Final Methods and Assistance Program Review

Smith County Appraisal District

This review is conducted in accordance with Tax Code Section 5.102(a) and related Comptroller Rule 9.301. The Comptroller is required by statute to review appraisal district governance, taxpayer assistance, operating procedures and appraisal standards.

Mandatory Requirements	PASS/FAIL
Does the appraisal district have up-to-date appraisal maps?	PASS
Is the implementation of the appraisal district's most recent reappraisal plan current?	PASS
Are the appraisal district's appraisal records up-to- date and is the appraisal district following established procedures and practices in the valuation of property?	PASS
Are values reproducible using the appraisal district's written procedures and appraisal records?	PASS

Appraisal District Activities	RATING
Governance	Meets All
Taxpayer Assistance	Meets All
Operating Procedures	Meets All
Appraisal Standards, Procedures and Methodology	Meets All

Appraisal District Ratings:

Meets All – The total point score is 100

Meets – The total point score ranges from 90 to less than 100

Needs Some Improvement – The total point score ranges from 85 to less than 90

Needs Significant Improvement – The total point score ranges from 75 to less than 85

Unsatisfactory – The total point score is less than 75

Review Areas	Total Questions in Review Area (excluding N/A Questions)	Total "Yes" Points	Total Score (Total "Yes" Questions/Total Questions) x 100
Governance	2	2	100
Taxpayer Assistance	11	11	100
Operating Procedures	2	2	100
Appraisal Standards, Procedures and Methodology	31	31	100

Achievements - Appraisal District, cont.



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Smith County Appraisal District of Smith County, Texas Received the Certificate of Excellence in Assessment Administration from the International Association of Assessing Officers

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – The International Association of Assessing Officers (IAAO) is pleased to announce that the Smith County Appraisal District of Smith County, Texas has received the Certificate of Excellence in Assessment Administration.

IAAO's Certificate of Excellence in Assessment Administration recognizes governmental units and individuals involved with assessment that integrate best practices in the workplace. This challenging and rigorous program is a self-conducted evaluation of adherence to specific, accepted assessment administration and appraisal standards as defined in the IAAO publication Assessment Practices: Self-Evaluation Guide.

This certificate was presented during a ceremony at the IAAO 82nd Annual International Conference on Assessment Administration at Tampa Convention Center in Tampa, Florida, on August 31, 2016. IAAO's Certificate of Excellence in Assessment Administration is an important recognition of industry professionals who strive to meet the highest standards in their line of work. It was a great honor for IAAO to present Smith County Appraisal District with this certificate during the annual conference.

Achievements - Staff

Smith County Appraisal District encourages professional development of staff. Currently, SCAD has 9 staff members who hold the RPA (Registered Professional Appraiser) designation. Additionally, 11 staff members are actively working towards completing the RPA designation.

Highest Degree earned by staff is as follows:

Associate's Level	6%
Bachelor's Level	81%
Master's Level	6%
Employees with College Education	93%

GIS – one staff member has completed a certificate for GISP – Geographic Information System Professional.

IT – one staff member has completed various Microsoft SQL Server and .Net Certifications.

Administration – one staff has completed RTA coursework