

# APPLICATION FOR GREENBELT ASSESSMENT

## Open Space Land & Open Space Easements

The Agricultural, Forest and Open Space Land Act of 1976 (commonly referred to as the "Greenbelt Law") permits qualifying land to be assessed for property taxes at its current use value rather than at its fair market value which might be based on a more intensive use. YOU MAY BE LIABLE FOR ROLLBACK TAXES later if the land, or any portion, approved for greenbelt is converted to other uses or disqualified due to a sale or otherwise. The rollback period is five (5) years for open space land and ten (10) years for land under an open space easement.

"Open Space Land" is land of three (3) acres or more (other than agricultural or forest land) in an open or natural condition, whose preservation would further goals specified in the Greenbelt Law. Qualifying properties must be designated for open space preservation by local or state planning authorities, or the state commissioner of environment and conservation must have accepted a perpetual open easement from the owner of the property under terms specified in the law. Open space easements executed for the benefit of a local government or a qualified conservation organization can also qualify under the greenbelt law.

Applications must be filed by March 15 to be considered for the current tax year. Applications filed after March 15 will be processed for the following tax year.

Indicate whether you are applying under a planning authority designation or easement. (Check one.)

- Planning authority designation (Attach a letter from planning authority.)
- Open space easement (Attach copy of easement.)

STATE OF TENNESSEE COUNTY OF: \_\_\_\_\_

Control Map	Group	Parcel	Special Interest	Acres

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Preparer if other than Owner: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Address of Property: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Total acreage and description of land and land uses, if any: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

6. Do you own or have an ownership interest in other property in this county which has been approved for greenbelt? If so, please identify the parcel(s) using the assessor's description(s). Attach additional pages if necessary.

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7. Source of Title:    Deed Book: \_\_\_\_\_ Page: \_\_\_\_\_    Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that I am an owner of the property described above, that the information I have supplied is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that I am presently using said property as open space land as described in the above instructions. I have read and understand the requirements for greenbelt eligibility and agree to notify the assessor of any change in the use or ownership of the property which might affect its continued eligibility.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_ Property Owner: \_\_\_\_\_

On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, before me personally appeared the above-named property owner, to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing certification and acknowledged its execution as (his) (her) free act and deed.

My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_

Notary Public

**THIS APPLICATION MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY THE CURRENT RECORDATION FEE, OR OTHER ARRANGEMENTS MADE FOR PAYMENT OF SUCH FEE.**

This instrument was prepared by: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>ASSESSOR'S USE</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Approved	<input type="checkbox"/> Denied
_____ Assessor of Property	_____ Date