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## **SPOKANE COUNTY'S ANNUAL PARCEL INSPECTIONS BEGIN NEXT WEEK WITH NEW APPRAISAL TOOL**

**SPOKANE COUNTY, Wash.** – In accordance with state law RCW 84.41.030, the Spokane County Assessor's office appraisers will begin inspecting one-sixth of all county parcels starting next week and continuing through April for the 2020 assessment year which will affect 2021 property taxes.

The process includes taking new photos and updating records. These are exterior only inspections, typically made from the street.

This year, Spokane County Assessors will have a new tool at their disposal for quick and accurate appraisal of properties. CAMACloud is a MobileAssessor software that will be used in conjunction with iPads to allow appraisers the ability to work directly in front of a property with all the tools they now only have at their desks. Spokane County appraisers will now be able to go directly to their assigned areas eliminating commute time to and from the Courthouse. This time savings will enable appraisers to spend more time at each property insuring that data collected is correct.

The volume of parcels to be inspected makes it prohibitive to provide property owners advance notice of the day and time of inspections. State law, RCW 84.40.025, provides all county assessing officers the right to examine individual parcels at reasonable times. These inspections will occur Monday through Friday during normal business hours. All vehicles will be marked with County placards. Appraisers will be wearing County safety vests, a County identification badge, and have business cards.

If a home is not visible from the street and has a gated driveway, a flyer will be left on or near the gate that will have contact information so coordination can occur to update property records.

Information about individual parcels is available on Spokane County's web site:  
<http://cp.spokanecounty.org/scout/propertyinformation/>

This site also contains a link under "Appraiser" that lists each property owner's appraiser number, and by clicking this link individuals can email their appraiser directly.

After inspections have been completed and parcels have been revalued for the 2021 tax year, property owners will receive a Valuation Notice on or about the first of June. If a property owner feels this value is in error, they will have thirty days to appeal with the Spokane County Board of Equalization.

For any questions or concerns please feel free to contact County Assessor Tom Konis at (509) 477-3698.

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