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RON WRIGHT
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The Tax Office has received numerous complaints over the years about taxpayers receiving multiple tax statements in the mail instead of in a single envelope. The short answer is I share your frustration, and the problem is being addressed. Now for the long answer.

Automation is our friend, but sometimes a troublesome friend. I receive the certified tax roll electronically every year from the Tarrant Appraisal District organized by account number, not by property owner. Every piece of property, including every gas well on a property, has its own account, resulting in more than one million tax statements this year. My office takes the information on the tax roll, applies the appropriate tax rate from the taxing entities, and assesses the ad valorem taxes. Tax statements are then prepared, again through automation, and mailed with the associated informational inserts.

If you own multiple properties, you receive multiple tax statements. The proliferation of gas wells in the county has only exacerbated the problem. If you have ten gas wells on your property, you receive ten separate statements for them because the software cannot consolidate properties by property owner.

This is as unacceptable to me as it is to you. Recognizing how wasteful the old system is, the Tarrant Appraisal District and my office are working to resolve the problem. I have made this a top priority for my staff and our software contractor -- no more multiple tax statements arriving in mailboxes in separate envelopes, and no more tax dollars wasted on unnecessary paper and postage. The software fix will take time to develop, but to those who contacted my office about it, know that I heard you loud and clear. Help is on the way.

Ron Wright, Tarrant County Tax Assessor-Collector

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ron Wright".