## RIPARIAN BUFFER STRIP CLASSIFICATION APPLICATION

Completed form must be filed with Director of Equalization on or before
October 15, 2018 for consideration for the 2019 assessment - taxes payable 2020
Complete 1 form per parcel
Attach copy of FSA maps

COUNTY

## **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

- Land must meet the criteria for agricultural classification for purposes of taxation
- Only land that is adjoining qualified lakes and streams is eligible to be enrolled in the program. Maps of all qualified lakes and streams for every county can be accessed at: <a href="http://denr.sd.gov/datagis.aspx">http://denr.sd.gov/datagis.aspx</a>
- The land must consist of existing or planted perennial vegetation
- The buffer strip has to be a minimum of 50 feet wide and can be a maximum of 120 feet wide. The measurement starts at the top of the bank or where the vegetation starts, whichever is closer to the water.
- The vegetation cannot be harvested or mowed before July 10. A minimum of 4 inches of vegetation must be maintained at all times.
- The land cannot be grazed during the months of May through September.

The landowner must apply <u>annually</u> on or before October 15 verifying that the above criteria have been met

TOWNSHIP:	
OWNER NAME:	
ADDRESS:	
APPLICANT NAME:	
APPLICANT ADDRESS:	
APPLICANT PHONE NUMBER:	
LEGAL DESCRIPTION:	
PARCEL NUMBER:	
SICNATUDE OF ADDITIONT.	

TOTAL ACRES IN PARCEL:  TOTAL ACRES IN BUFFER STRIP:							
ELIGIBLE ACRES IN BUFFER STRIP receive 40% reduction in value							
TOTAL							

OFFICE SIGNATURE:

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_