

IOWA LAND RECORDS

2024 FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

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FEE POLICY SURVEY RESULTS

In January, a "Fee Policy Survey" was conducted with participants from 97 counties across Iowa by county recorders. The purpose of the survey was to gather insights on proposed adjustments to recording fees and the effective allocation of the associated revenues.

The answers collected reflect a variety of opinions and recommendations covering topics such as the justification for fee changes, expected reactions from the community (stakeholders), and plans for the utilization of increased funds if fees increased. The report also reviews inflation rates and fee rate in other states.

Thank you to everyone who participated and staying up to date with this discussion. The ICRA Fee Policy Working Group was updated with the survey results on January 25th. **No decisions or recommendations have been made regarding any fee proposal at this time.**

[SEE RESULTS IN POLICY BRIEF](#)

Proposed Fee Answers (write in)



UPCOMING EVENTS

2024 ESS Committee Meetings

[PDF Download](#)

Finance

[Feb. 8 @ 9a.m.](#)

Standards

April 23 @ 10 a.m.

ESS Coordinating

[Feb. 15 @ 10 a.m.](#)

SAVE THE DATE - COUNTY DAY MARCH 13TH

County Day at the capitol is a chance for counties to connect with their local legislators in one place and display information relevant to your county. For more information, reach out to [Nancy Booten](#).

SUPPORT STAFF WELCOME TO JOIN KICKOFF

This virtual event is open to deputies and any other supporting staff in the Recorder's Office. We understand that you have a busy schedule, therefore, if your office would like multiple people to attend on behalf of your County Recorder's Office, we kindly ask that each individual complete the sign up form. This way, we can best account for all individuals in attendance.

Your **MONTHLY OUTREACH CHALLENGE** is to sign up and attend the Advocacy Kickoff **tomorrow morning!**

- Develop Key Messages
- Create Effective Communication Strategies with Stakeholders
- Update Your Monthly Challenge Report
- Connect with Other County Recorder Offices

[SIGN UP HERE](#)



Remember to keep your Advocacy Challenges log updated, and if you're behind or have questions, we're happy to assist. Send your questions or comments to Census Lo-liyong at clo-liyong@clris.com.

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HOW TO EDIT YOUR BROCHURE

As you strengthen your relationship with your community and area legislators, share a copy of your customized brochure as a memorable reminder to contact you and learn more about your office.

Since the brochure's introduction, we have seen people scan the code to explore other county contacts. **Success!** People are looking at your brochures and we expect more legislators will be interested as you strengthen your community relationships.

Click [HERE](#) to directly download the Word Document of the ICRA Brochure to your device. Please note that this may not popup in a new window and may be in your downloads folder.

[WATCH THE BROCHURE TUTORIAL](#)



ICRA HUB RESOURCES - FIND POLICY MANUALS








The ICRA Hub is your go-to resource for County Recorders with up-to-date policy manuals and other useful information. The hub is set with a password so that resources are available and most relevant to your needs.

Here is where you can find manuals on the POLICY page.






For questions, content, or assistance with the ICRA Hub, please reach out to ILR's Communications Coordinator at kristen@clris.com.

PROCEDURES



MANUALS, POLICIES & PROCEEDURES

 Recorders Manual (Full)	 Recorders Manual App	 View Records User Manual	 ESS Policy & Procedures	 ESS P&P (short)
 Doc Formatting Standards	 Formatting Analysis Table			

REAL ESTATE REDACTION INFORMATION

 FORM Real Estate Redaction Request	 INSTRUCTIONS Real Estate Redaction Request	 R&P Chapter 6 Amendments	 SF 342
 SAC Real Estate Redaction Demo			

OTHER GUIDES

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