



CRP Participant _____ **CRP-1 Contract No.** _____

Tract No: _____ **Field No (s):** _____

Definition

The primary purpose of this plan **must** be to maintain vegetative cover, minimize soil erosion, protect water quality, and protect wildlife habitat quality.

General Provisions for Managed Grazing

- CRP managed grazing activities apply to practices CP1, CP2, CP4B, CP4D, CP10, CP18B or CP18C. Acreage ineligible for managed grazing includes acreage devoted to:
 - any practice not listed above.
 - acres planted to trees in CP4B and CP4D.
 - useful life easements
 - land within 120 feet of a stream or other permanent water body
- Acreage shall become eligible 12 months after the cover is fully established.
- Managed grazing is not authorized during the primary nesting and brood rearing season. In Minnesota, the primary nesting season ends on August 1st.
- Managed grazing is authorized for a single period starting on August 2nd and ending September 15th.
- Managed grazing is authorized no more frequently than 1 out of every 3 years after the cover is fully established.
NOTE: Emergency haying or grazing restarts the clock.
- Either haying or grazing, NOT BOTH, will be permitted on the same acreage once in the same three year period.

- CRP participants who do not own or lease livestock, may rent or lease the grazing privilege to an eligible livestock producer. The eligible livestock producer may not sublease the grazing privilege to another livestock producer.
- CRP participants shall be assessed a payment reduction based on the number of acres actually grazed times the CRP annual rental payment times 25 percent.
- Before doing any grazing, CRP participants shall:
 - Request approval from FSA before grazing eligible acreage.
 - Specify acreage to be grazed.

Requirements for Managed Grazing

- The minimum vegetation height to begin grazing shall be 8 to 10 inches for cool season grasses. For tall warm season species (such as switchgrass, big bluestem and indiagrass) the minimum vegetation height to begin grazing is 10 – 14 inches, and for short to medium height species (sideoats grama, little bluestem) the minimum height shall be 5-7 inches.
- End grazing when the stubble height reaches 3 to 4 inches for cool season species and medium height warm season species, and 6 to 8 inches for tall warm season species. The stocking rate will be determined using NRCS standards.
- Livestock will be removed from fields when the minimum stubble height is

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reached or by September 15, whichever

comes first.

determinations made by NRCS or the TSP

- Any cover destroyed or damaged as a result of participating under this authority, will be re-established at the CRP participants own expense, regardless of recommendations or

- A GIS generated aerial photo of the area to be grazed will be attached to this grazing plan with the area to be grazed identified.

Kind and Class of Livestock (example: beef cow/calf) _____

Number of Head _____ Average Weight _____

Scheduled Application:

Field No (s):	CRP Practice (s):	Scheduled Harvest Date (s):

Signature of:

CRP Participant _____ Date _____

NRCS _____ Date _____

FSA _____ Date _____

SWCD _____ Date _____

This Job Sheet serves as a Modified Conservation Plan

