



**Managed Harvesting  
Conservation Reserve Program (CRP)**

**CRP Participant** \_\_\_\_\_ **CRP-1 Contract No.** \_\_\_\_\_

**Tract No:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Field No (s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Definition**

CRP acres may be harvested for hay or biomass providing certain management activities are followed.

**General Provisions for Managed Harvesting for Hay or Biomass**

- Acreage that is devoted to the following practices may be harvested: CP1, CP2, CP4B, CP4D, CP10, CP18B, or CP18C. Acreage ineligible for managed harvesting 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 harvesting is not authorized during the primary nesting and brood rearing season. In Minnesota, the primary nesting season ends on August 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - Managed harvesting is authorized for a single period starting on August 2<sup>nd</sup> and ending September 15<sup>th</sup>.
  - Managed harvesting, including harvest for biomass, 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 harvest hay for sale to an eligible livestock producer or sell the hay for biomass.
- CRP participants shall be assessed a payment reduction based on the number of acres actually harvested times the CRP annual rental payment times 25 percent, as applicable.
- Before doing any harvesting, CRP participants shall:
  - Request approval from FSA before harvesting eligible acreage.
  - Specify acreage to be harvested for hay for livestock and acreage to be harvested for Biomass

**Requirements for Managed Harvesting**

- Harvesting shall be limited to 1 cutting. Three to four inches of stubble will be left after harvest of cool season grasses. Five or more inches of stubble will be left after harvest of warm season grasses.
- All hay or biomass shall be removed from all CRP fields by the Managed Harvesting Deadline of September 15<sup>th</sup>.
- A GIS generated aerial photo of the area to be harvested will be attached to this harvesting plan with the area to be harvested identified.
- Any cover destroyed or damaged as a result of participating under this authority, will be re-established at the CRP participants own expense,

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**Managed Harvesting, (continued)**

**Scheduled Application:**

| <b>Field No (s):</b> | <b>CRP Practice (s):</b> | <b>Scheduled Harvest Date (s):</b> |
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**Signature of:**

CRP Participant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

NRCS \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

FSA \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

SWCD \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**This Job Sheet serves as a Modified Conservation Plan.**