RANGELAND

HABITAT EVALUATION WORKSHEET

Client	County
Tract No Field No Section No.	Township Range
Evaluator	Date
Enter the score for the conditions described that most closely re	resemble the present or planned condition of the site
being evaluated. To meet the quality criteria requirements for v	·
the FOTG the planned system must provide a total rating of 0.5	
that are presently cropland but will be planted or otherwise con	
Note: Key Wildlife Areas must meet a .1 or better under grazin	• • •
requirements for wildlife habitat. Key Wildlife Areas include riparian areas, wetland range sites, marshes, natural springs, native woodlands (especially woody draws), and upland pastures managed for wildlife as a primary objective.	
Range Condition – Averaged across area being evaluated. (use Ecological Site Descriptions (ESD) if available)	
.2 If the Range Condition is in Excellent condition. – If ESD.1 If the Range Condition is in Good condition. – If ESD is a	•
 .1 If the Range Condition is in Good condition. – If ESD is available, a similarity index of 51% to 75%. .0 If the Range Condition is in Fair condition. – If ESD is available, a similarity index of 26% to 50%. 	
1 If the Range Condition is in Poor condition. – If ESD is available, a similarity index of 25% or less.	
* Add .1 to the score above if the perennial forb/legume co	
** Deduct .1 to the score above if the perennial forb/legume	
A. Rating for Range Condition * F	Present * Planned
Grazing Intensity (measured at Key Wildlife Areas througho	out the area being evaluated)
.2 If grazing pressure is light (< 40% utilization of current ye	
.1 If grazing pressure is moderate (40% to 60% utilization of	· ,
1 If grazing pressure is excessive (>60% utilization of curre	
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Management Activities .2 Rotational grazing used with rest periods ≥ 60 days betw	veen grazing events during the growing season
.1 Rotational grazing used with rest periods during growing season that meet Prescribed Grazing standard (528)..0 If the area is grazed continuously throughout the growing season.	
2 If the area is grazed continuously throughout the entire y	
Add .1 if Key Wildlife Areas are deferred (entire growing	
* each year OR receive year-long rest (12 months) at least	
NOTE: Do not use if Key Wildlife Area is a livestock water	er source receiving credit under Primary Water Supply!
** Add .1 if prescribed burning is used as a management to	
*** Add .1 if only "spot treatment" herbicide use is employed **** Deduct .1 from the score if grazing is not used as a many	· ·
	Present * Planned
Primary Water Supply	
If a natural water source (perennial stream, permanent w	
.1 managed to protect the riparian area (e.g. mid-summer rest, off-site water source, water gaps, exclusion, etc.) OR if a natural water source is not present but all watering facilities (e.g. tanks) are accessible to wildlife.	
.0 If a natural water source is not present and all watering fa	acilities are not accessible to wildlife.
1 If a natural water source \underline{is} present and livestock access	to the stream is not managed to protect riparian areas.
D. Rating for Water Supply Pro	esent Planned
$\underline{COMPOSITE\ RATING\ (A+B+C+D)}$ Pr	resent Planned