

# STATEMENT OF WORK Forage Harvest Management (511) Vermont

These deliverables apply to this individual practice. For deliverables for other planned practices, refer to those specific Statements of Work.

### **DESIGN**

#### **Deliverables:**

- 1. Design documents that demonstrate criteria in practice standard have been met and are compatible with planned and applied practices
  - a. Practice purpose(s) as identified in the conservation plan.
  - b. List of required permits to be obtained by the client
  - c. List of facilitating practices (i.e. Pasture and Hay Planting)
  - d. Practice standard criteria-related inventories and analyses to develop forage management plans including but not limited to:
    - i. Description of stage of maturity when forage will be harvested
    - ii. Moisture content at harvest
    - iii. Length of cut when harvested for ensilage
    - iv. Stubble height
- 2. Written plans and specifications including sketches and drawings shall be provided to the client that adequately describes the requirements to install the practice and obtain necessary permits.
- 3. Specification sheet provided to the client that adequately describes the requirements to apply the practice and obtain necessary permits.
- 4. Identify fields where practice to be applied on a farm or ranch plan map.
- 5. Operation and maintenance plan
- 6. Certification that the forage management plans meets practice standard criteria and comply with applicable laws and regulations
- 7. Design modifications during installation as required

## **INSTALLATION**

#### **Deliverables**

- 1. Pre-application conference with client
- 2. Verification that client has obtained required permits
- 3. Application advise
- 4. Facilitate and implement required design modifications with client and original designer
- 5. Advise client/NRCS on compliance issues with all federal, state, tribal, and local laws, regulations and NRCS policies during implementation
- 6. Certification that the application process meets the forage management plan and permit requirements

# **CHECK OUT**

#### **Deliverables**

- 1. Records of application
  - a. Extent of practice units applied
  - b. Documentation of stubble height for perennial forage
- 2. Certification that the application meets NRCS standards and specifications and is in compliance with permits

- 3. Progress reporting
- 4. Exit conference with client and contractor.

# **REFERENCES**

- NRCS Field Office Technical Guide (eFOTG), Section IV, Conservation Practice Standard Forage Harvest Management - 511
- NRCS National Environmental Compliance Handbook
- NRCS Cultural Resources Handbook