

STATEMENT OF WORK
Forage Harvest Management (511)
Kansas
September 2004

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These deliverables apply to this individual practice. For other planned practice deliverables, refer to those specific statements of work.

DESIGN

Deliverables

1. Design documentation that will demonstrate that the criteria in the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) practice standard has been met and is 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 (namely, Pasture and Hayland Planting)
 - d. Practice standard criteria-related inventories and analyses to develop forage management plans including but not limited to the following:
 - 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 is to be applied on a farm or ranch plan map.
5. Operation and maintenance plan
6. Certification that the forage management plans meet practice standard criteria and complies with applicable laws and regulations
7. Design modifications during installation as required
8. Form KS-ECS-23, Forage Harvest Management, shall be used for the design document.
9. If enrolled in a conservation program, this practice must meet all conditions and requirements of program enrollment that may exceed the practice standard.

INSTALLATION

Deliverables

1. Pre-application conference with client
2. Verification that client has obtained required permits
3. Application advice as needed
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
7. Form KS-ECS-23 shall be used to document and describe the planned management practice. It shall contain signatures of individuals responsible for layout, design, and approval of the practice. It shall also be signed by the producer indicating the discussion of the practice and expectations.

CHECKOUT

Deliverables

1. Records of application
 - a. Extent of practice units applied
 - b. Documentation of stubble height for perennial forage

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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
5. Form KS-ECS-23 shall be completed documenting the completion of the practice, the extent of which it was completed, date of application, and signatures of the producer and certifying official.

REFERENCES

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