Prescribed Grazing Management on CRP

NRCS Natural Resources Conservation Service — Nebraska Conservation Planning Sheet 12A-CRP (July 2008)

Landuser: _____ OPID: _____ County: _____ Date: _____

CRP Contract No./Revision No. : _____ Tract No. _____ Field No(s). _____

2008 CRP – Emergency Grazing Authority

Option Selected (circle): GRAZING OPTION A GRAZING OPTION B

Option A – requires that grazing occur at no more than 75% of the stocking rate determined by NRCS.

Option B – requires that at least 25% of the acres of each field or contiguous fields not be grazed.

General Requirements

- Only acres enrolled into **CP-1, CP-2, CP-4B/D, CP-10, and CP-18B/C** are eligible.
- Areas within 100 feet of a stream or other permanent waterbody are ineligible for emergency grazing.
- Once minimum-grazing height of key forage species is reached, livestock will be removed.
- **ALL LIVESTOCK SHALL BE REMOVED FROM CRP FIELDS BEFORE SEPTEMBER 30th, 2008.**
- If adequate re-growth occurs (see table below), grazing may be reinitiated provided that livestock are removed once the minimum grazing height is reached or before September 30th.
- Use of Emergency Grazing in 2008 may preclude the use of Managed Haying/Grazing in 2009 and 2010.

Attach a map of acres to be grazed and appropriate details (type of livestock, stocking rate, duration, etc.)

Date Grazing Initiated:_____

Minimum Grass Heights for Grazing * - (applicable species and option shall be highlighted)

Key Forage Species (Cool-season grasses)	Grazing Height Option A	Grazing Height Option B	Regrowth Height **	Key Forage Species (Warm-season grasses)	Grazing Height Option A	Grazing Height Option B	Regrowth Height **
Cool-Season Mix	6”	4”	8”	Tall Warm-Season Mix	8”	6”	10”
Intermediate wheatgrass	6”	4”	8”	Medium Warm-Season Mix	5”	3”	7”
Crested wheatgrass	5”	3”	7”	Switchgrass	8”	6”	10”
Tall wheatgrass	6”	4”	8”	Big/sand bluestem	8”	6”	10”
Smooth bromegrass	6”	4”	8”	Indiangrass	8”	6”	10”
Reed canarygrass	6”	4”	8”	Little bluestem	5”	3”	7”
Orchardgrass	6”	4”	8”	Sideoats grama	5”	3”	7”
Western wheatgrass	5”	3”	7”	Sand lovegrass	5”	3”	7”
Green needlegrass	5”	3”	7”	Buffalograss/Blue grama	3”	2”	4”
Other:				Other:			

* - Minimum Grazing Height is the average height of grass species when leaves are lifted to vertical position.
** - Regrowth Height Required is the average height of grass required prior to September 1st if grazing is reinitiated.

I (We) concur in the grazing provisions outlined in Nebraska Conservation Planning Sheet 12A-CRP.

I (We) understand that all requirements are to be followed to meet 2008 Emergency Grazing of CRP provisions.

COOPERATOR (Producer):		Date:	
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NRCS Representative:		Date:	
FSA County Committee:		Date:	
NRD Representative:		Date:	