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Field Office Checklist and TSP Certification Plan Review

**Conservation Activity Plan –
 Grazing Management Plan Practice Activity Code (110)**

Purpose: The purpose of this checklist is to provide guidance for components that need to be addressed or included in a Grazing Management Pan Code (110). This checklist is designed for use by NRCS staff as well as Technical Service Providers. Please refer to CAP Development Criteria for specific elements to be addressed.

Grazing Management Plan	
State/County:	Date Plan Submitted:
Producer/Owner:	TSP:
<p>A Grazing Management Plan is a site specific conservation plan developed for a client which addresses one or more resource concerns on land where grazing related activities or practices will be planned and applied.</p> <p>Technical Guidance, Criteria, and Content for the Grazing Management Plan is found at the URL: eDirectives http://directives.sc.egov.usda.gov/ . Navigate to: Handbooks Title 190 Ecological Sciences, Part 620 – National Range and Pasture Handbook.</p> <p>Minimum components of a Grazing Management Plan shall include:</p>	

1.	Background and Site Information:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Landowner information – name, address, operation, size; b. Location and plan map of parcel
2.	Identify client objectives such as:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Forage yield, quality, diversity, and persistence; b. Meet livestock nutritional needs; c. Maximize browse, forage and roughage pasture yields; d. Improve cost efficiency; e. Maintain or improve wildlife habitat; f. Maintain or improve water quality; g. Prevent or reduce erosion; h. Pollinator habitat and pollinator protection; i. Others as appropriate

3.	Existing conditions:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Consult Ecological site Description as reference condition; b. Vegetative species, diversity, and condition by land use, ecological site and forage suitability group; c. Animal types, (breed and species including wildlife) and number; d. Acres available; e. Waste handling and storage; f. Watering system; g. Fencing; h. Documentation of existing practices/grazing records; i. Current forage and roughage conditions; j. Current animal demand/forage balance (livestock and wildlife); k. All resource concerns (not meeting Quality Criteria)
4.	Desired Future Conditions:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Record keeping; b. Monitoring plan; c. O&M for practices; d. Nutrient Management as applicable; e. Fencing; f. Animal demand/forage/roughage balance; g. Adequate water source(s); h. Plant species composition
5.	Grazing Land Planning Documentation:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Conservation plan map-scale, north arrow, planned and existing boundaries, fields, paddocks, watering systems, fence, land use, appropriate map symbols, identification of forage suitability groups and/or ecological sites by field; b. Grazing distribution and key grazing sites and species; c. Soils map-legend, interpretations, forage suitability index for grazing activities, ecological site descriptions; WHEP, ME-ECS-1 d. Resource concerns addressed by the conservation plan; e. Contingency plans for winter, drought, fire, flood mud, mortality, bio-security, etc; f. Planned animal demand/forage balance (livestock and wildlife); g. Conservation plan to include: Planned practice (s), Schedule for implementation, appropriate site specific specifications and/or job sheet for each practice

Yes	No	Checklist Approval
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	I have reviewed this Grazing Management Plan and it contains all items listed on this checklist.
Notes (If "No" is checked, include reasons for denial, comments, missing items that need to be added, etc.):		
NRCS Representative Name and Title (print or type):		
NRCS Representative Signature		Date: