

**NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE  
PACIFIC ISLANDS AREA**

**STATEMENT OF WORK**

**PRESCRIBED GRAZING (528)**

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

## **DESIGN**

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*All design documents shall be developed in accordance with the requirements of the [NRCS Pacific Islands Area Field Office Technical Guide \(eFOTG\)](#) Section IV, Conservation Practice Standard and the Conservation Practice Specification. The [eFOTG](#) Conservation Practice Jobsheet for the practice shall be used to record the requirements for the installation of the practice on a client's treatment unit.*

### **Deliverables**

1. Design documents that demonstrate criteria in NRCS-PIA 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.
  - d. The Prescribed Grazing Plan shall include:
    - i. Resource and forage inventories (*PI-RANGE-1 or PI-RANGE-4*).
    - ii. Forage-animal balance (*PI-RANGE-2 or PI-RANGE-5*).
    - iii. Grazing Plan(s).
    - iv. *Contingency Plan*.
    - v. *Monitoring Plan*.
  - e. *The Section IV, Pacific Islands Area Prescribed Grazing Worksheets may be used to fulfill the requirements of the Prescribed Grazing Plan.*
2. Written plans and specifications including sketches and drawings will be provided to the client that adequately describes the requirements to install the practice and obtain necessary permits. *The Pacific Islands Area Conservation Practice Jobsheet for this practice shall be used to provide the client with the requirements to install the practice. The Jobsheet is available in Section IV of the Pacific Islands Area [\(eFOTG\)](#).*
3. Identify fields where practice to be applied on a farm or ranch plan map.
4. Specification sheet provided to the client that adequately describes the requirements to apply the practice and obtain necessary permits.
5. Operation and Maintenance Plan. *The Pacific Islands Area Conservation Practice Jobsheet for this practice shall be used to provide the client with the requirements for the operation and maintenance of the practice. The Jobsheet is available in Section IV of the Pacific Islands Area [\(eFOTG\)](#).*
6. Certification that the Grazing Management Plan meets practice standard criteria and comply with applicable laws and regulations.
7. Design modifications during installation as required.

## **INSTALLATION**

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### **Deliverables**

1. Pre-application conference with client.
2. Verification that client has obtained required permits.
3. Application assistance.

4. Facilitate and implement required design modifications with client and original designer.
5. Advise client/NRCS on compliance issues with all federal, state, and local laws, regulations and NRCS policies during implementation.
6. Certification that the application process and materials meets grazing management plan and permit requirements.

## CHECK OUT

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### Deliverables

1. Records of application.
  - a. Extent of practice units applied.
  - b. Utilization check or stubble height measurements – conducted in the field. Include completed *PI-RANGE-6 Stubble Height & Frequency Worksheet* (optional) or *PI-RANGE-7 Stubble Height & Basal Gap Worksheet* (required), and the *PI-NRCS-414, Prescribed Grazing Certification Worksheet* for herbaceous species (required). If applicable, complete the *PI-NRCS-416 Browse Resource Evaluation Worksheet* and attach with other worksheets plus *Photo Documentation*.
  - c. *Actual grazing records provided by client. At a minimum, the actual grazing records for the year will include pasture name/number, total days of grazing in the pasture, number of animals, and dates the pasture was grazed.*
2. Certification that the application meets NRCS standards and specifications and is in compliance with permits.
3. Exit conference with client and contractor.
4. Progress reporting.

## REFERENCES

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- [\*NRCS Pacific Islands Area Field Office Technical Guide \(eFOTG\)\*](#), Section IV, *Pacific Islands Area Prescribed Grazing (528) - Conservation Practice Standard, Specification, Jobsheet, PI-RANGE-1 Forage Inventory & Estimated Stocking Rate Worksheet, PI-RANGE-2 Animal Forage Requirements & Pastures Needed Worksheet, PI-RANGE-3 Grazing Plan Worksheet (or similar), PI-RANGE-6 Stubble Height & Frequency Worksheet and/or PI-RANGE-7 Stubble Height & Basal Gap Worksheet, PI-NRCS-414 Prescribed Grazing Certification Worksheet, PI-NRCS-416 Browse Resource Evaluation Worksheet* if applicable, and *Photo Documentation*.
- [NRCS National Range and Pasture Handbook](#)
- [NRCS National Environmental Compliance Handbook](#)
- [NRCS Cultural Resources Handbook](#)