STATEMENT OF WORK
Prescribed Grazing (528)
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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.
   d. Practice standard criteria-related inventories and analyses to develop grazing management plans including, but not limited to:
      i. Resource and forage inventories
      ii. Livestock-forage balance
      iii. Grazing Plans
      iv. Drought Plan

See Prescribed Grazing Design and Installation Guide for guidance on conducting resource inventories (vegetative, animal and physical), developing the livestock-forage balance, grazing plan, monitoring plan and drought plan.

2. Identify fields where practice is to be applied on a farm or ranch plan map.

3. Specification sheet provided to the client that adequately describes the requirements to apply the practice and obtain necessary permits. Prescribed Grazing Schedule, ND-CPA-556.

4. Operation and maintenance plan.

5. Certification that the Grazing Management Plan meets practice standard criteria and complies with applicable laws and regulations. Prescribed Grazing Schedule, ND-CPA-556 (other records can be used in lieu of the ND-CPA-556 Prescribed Grazing Schedule providing it identifies the planned and applied periods of grazing, recovery/rest dates, and other treatment activities for each grazing unit); Proper Grazing Use, ND-CPA-414 (rangeland); and Pasture Management, ND-CPA-528 (pastureland).

6. Design modifications during installation as required.

INSTALLATION

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, tribal, and local laws, regulations and NRCS policies during implementation.

6. Certification that the grazing actually applied is in accordance with the grazing management plan and any required permits. Prescribed Grazing Schedule, ND-CPA-556 (other records can be used in lieu of the ND-CPA-556 Prescribed Grazing Schedule providing it identifies the planned and applied periods of grazing, recovery/rest dates, and other treatment activities for each grazing unit); Proper Grazing Use, ND-CPA-414 (rangeland); and Pasture Management, ND-CPA-528 (pastureland).
CHECK OUT

Deliverables
1. Records of application.
   a.Extent of practice units applied.
2. Certification that the application meets NRCS standards and specifications and is in compliance with permits. Prescribed Grazing Schedule, ND-CPA-556.
3. Exit conference with client and contractor.
4. Record practice application according to NRCS policy.

REFERENCES

- NRCS Field Office Technical Guide (eFOTG), Section IV, Conservation Practice Standard – Prescribed Grazing-528
- National Range and Pasture Handbook
- NRCS National Environmental Compliance Handbook
- NRCS Cultural Resources Handbook