Forage Harvest or Prescribed Grazing Management
(2016 CRP – Emergency Haying or Grazing Authority)

NRCS Natural Resources Conservation Service — Nebraska Conservation Planning Sheet 12B-CRP (August 2016)

Landuser: _____ OPID: _____ County: _____ Date: _____
CRP Contract No./Revision No. : _____ Tract No. _____ Field No(s). _____

Option Selected (circle): HAYING GRAZING: OPTION A 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, CP-18B/C, and CP-38E** are eligible.
- Areas within 120 feet of a stream or other permanent waterbody are ineligible for emergency haying/grazing.
- Use of Emergency Haying/Grazing in 2016 may preclude use of Managed Haying/Harvesting or Routine/Managed Grazing intervals in future years.

HAYING: Proposed Date of Haying - _____ (**Attach a map of acres to be hayed.)**

- The minimum stubble height is 4" and at least 50% of each field (or contiguous fields) must remain unhayed.
- Haying may not be initiated prior to July 16th and only one cutting is permitted. Hayed aces cannot be grazed.
- All haying must be completed by August 31st, 2016 with bales/stacks removed by October 15th, 2016.

GRAZING: Date Initiated - _____

- Grazing may not be initiated prior to July 16th and cannot occur on any acres used for Emergency Haying.
- 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, 2016.**
- If adequate re-growth occurs (see table below), grazing may be reinitiated provided that livestock are removed once the minimum grazing height is reached and/or before September 30th.

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

Minimum Grass Heights for Grazing * - (applicable species 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 12-B.
I (We) understand that all requirements are to be followed to meet 2016 CRP Emergency Haying/Grazing provisions.

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

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