

PRESCRIBED GRAZING SPECIFICATION SHEET

For pastures with introduced species in the Willamette Valley (MLRA A2), coastal areas (MLRA A4A), CRA 5.28, or under full season irrigation.

Client		Date	
Farm/Tract		Field(s)	
Location		Acres	
Planner		County/SWCD	

Calendar Year for this specification	20_____
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1. Management Goals:

Balance forage supply with livestock and wildlife demand annually. Maintain or improve ecological condition, cover, function, and structure of the plant community.

Management Objective Narrative(s) (include what to measure, where, when, etc.):

2. Resource Inventory:

Identify existing resource conditions and concerns, forage suitability groups for each management unit. Include opportunities to enhance resource conditions in notes on inventory forms or other appropriate documentation. Locate structural improvements such as fences and water developments on maps and describe their condition and any use limitations (seasonal availability, water quality, water quantity, age, etc.).

Additional Narrative:

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3. Forage Supply:

Management Unit (MU)	M.U. Acres	M.U. AUMs Available	M.U. Key Species	Acre/AUM	AUM/Acre
TOTALS					

4. Livestock Demand:

Animal Type	No.	AUE ea.	Total AUE	Days Grazed	AUMs Needed
TOTALS					

5. Balance:

Total AUMs Available	Total AUMs Needed	Forage Balance

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6. Prescribed Grazing System

- Stocking rates will not exceed allocated forage amounts. Plant communities receive adequate rest (typically indicated by regrowth to _____ inches) before being re-grazed. Timing, intensity, frequency, and duration of use are modified as needed to meet vegetation objectives.
- Critical period use in any grazing unit will be limited to a maximum frequency of once every other year.

Critical Period (CP):	Fall root and leaf initiation (typically Sept. – Nov.)
Grazing Unit(s) with a 3-4 inch minimum stubble height during CP:	

- Most (2/3) of the individual plants of the management unit (MU) key species will have a minimum remaining stubble height of _____ inches when livestock are removed from a grazing unit.
- Grazing is not allowed when the soils are saturated or otherwise in danger of compaction.

See attached grazing schedules and plan for more information.

Additional Narrative:

7. Special Considerations:

Provide additional specifications for grazing in unique and/or sensitive areas (riparian areas, critical habitat, grazed woodland, cultural resource sites, etc.).

Additional Narrative:

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8. Wildlife Considerations:

Grazing management maintains enough standing forage for resident and transient wildlife use (harvest efficiency for livestock is not exceeded).

Additional Narrative:

9. Threatened & Endangered Species or Species of Concern Considerations:

Grazing schedule/plan considers and is integrated with the needs of T&E species.

Additional Narrative:

10. Contingency Plan / Options

Provide for alternative sources of forage and/or roughage during periods of drought, flood, or other occurrence to prevent overuse of plant communities, degradation of ecological condition, or adverse effects to animal health.

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11. Monitoring Plan

Maintain photo point(s); take photos at a fixed site annually before and after grazing (see Range Technical Note #9; Photo Plots). Keep actual use records (unit, dates used, number of animals) and analyze results annually as needed (see Grazing Records booklet, or Exhibit 4-19, OR Amendment 1; National Range & Pasture Handbook). If needed, measure utilization or stubble height using methods in NRPH, Oregon Amendment 1, Exhibits 4-14 or 4-17.

Additional Narrative:

12. Additional Specifications:

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PRESCRIBED GRAZING SCHEDULE

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Farm/Tract		Planner	
Herd Name			

Calendar Year for this grazing schedule 20_____

No.	Animal Class	AUE
	Cows (w/calf)	1.00
	Heifers	0.70
	Bulls	1.35

No.	Animal Class	AUE
	Yearlings	0.70
	Horses	1.25

Turn In Date	Turn Out Date	Grazing Unit	Acres	Est. AUMs	Calc. AUMs	*Use Level	Key Species
TOTALS							

* Percent use QR stubble height in inches

Grazing Unit	Growing Season					Dormant				Fall		
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.

Note:

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Design Approval:

Practice Code No.	Practice	Lead Discipline	Controlling Factor	Units	Job Class				
					I	II	III	IV	V
528	Prescribed Grazing	BCSD Graz Land Spec	Area	Acres	All	All	All	All	All
			Animal Units	AUE	25	100	250	350	All
This practice is classified as Job Class (check one):									

Design Approved By: /s/ _____ Date: _____

Job Title: _____

Client's Acknowledgement Statement:

The Client acknowledges that:

- a. They have received a copy of the specification and understand the contents and requirements.
- b. It shall be the responsibility of the client to obtain all necessary permits and/or rights, and to comply with all ordinances and laws pertaining to the application of this practice.

Accepted By: /s/ _____ Date: _____

Certification:

I have completed a review of the information provided by the client (or checked in the field) and certify this practice has been applied as indicated on this specification sheet.

Certification By: /s/ _____ Date: _____

Job Title: _____

Refer to the Following Conservation Practice Specifications [X]	
Access Control 472	Prescribed Burning 338
Upland Wildlife Habitat Management 645	Wetland Wildlife Habitat Management 644
Brush Management 314	Critical Area Seeding 342
Fence 382	Watering Facility 614
Pipeline 516	Spring Development 574
Range Planting 550	Other:

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