Natural Resources Conservation Service, Oregon

May 2016

PRESCRIBED GRAZING SPECIFICATION SHEET

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

Calendar Year for this specification	20____

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, ecological sites or 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.). See OR-amend.3-NRPH for more information.

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	0.0	0.0			

4. Livestock Demand:

Animal Type	No.	AUE ea.	Total AUE	Days Grazed	AUMs Needed
			0.00		
			0.00		
			0.00		
			0.00		
			0.00		
TOTALS			0.00		0

5. Balance:

Total AUMs Available	Total AUMs Needed	Forage Balance
0	0	

6. Prescribed Grazing System

Stocking rates will not exceed allocated forage amounts. Plant communities are able to regrow 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)	Boot to soft-doe (or seed set) of MU key species
Grazing Unit(s) NOT grazed during CP	

Most (2/3) of the individual plants of the management unit (MU) key species will have a maximum utilization level of ____0%____ percent or a minimum remaining stubble height of_____ inches when livestock are removed from a grazing unit.

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:

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.

Additional Narrative:

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 4-21, OR Amendment 3; National Range & Pasture Handbook). If needed, measure utilization or stubble height using methods in NRPH, Oregon Amendment 3, Exhibits 4-16 or 4-20.

Additional Narrative:

12. Additional Specifications:

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PRESCRIBED GRAZING SCHEDULE

Client		**Date**	
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	0.0	0	0		

*Percent use OR stubble height in inches

				Growing Season				Dormant			Fall	
Grazing Unit	*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
528A	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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