

# TECHNICAL NOTES

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## PASTURE CONDITION SCORING

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Pasture Condition Scoring has been used by NRCS for some time to assess the quality and productivity of pastures. Included in this technical note are the following:

1. Guide to Pasture Condition Scoring, NRCS Grazing Lands Technology Institute, May 2001
2. Pasture Condition Score Sheet, NRCS Grazing Lands Technology Institute, May 2001
3. WA Pasture Condition Score Sheet, Marty Chaney & Jerry Rouse, both NRCS-WA.  
An Excel spreadsheet with five tabs
  - a. Pasture Condition Score Sheet
  - b. Field Summary
  - c. Desirable species
  - d. Production Estimate Sheet
  - e. Instructions for Production Estimate