



United States Department of Agriculture
Natural Resources Conservation Service

2011 Ranking Period 1

Plant Resource Enhancement Activity—KS-PLT10 Intensive management of rotational grazing

Kansas Criteria for National Plant Resource Enhancement Activity—PLT10

1. A minimum of eight paddocks shall be included in all rotational grazing systems.
2. For newly designed grazing systems, conventional stocking rates shall be used where harvest efficiency of desirable plants does not exceed 25 percent.
3. For tame pasture, rest periods shall be designed for each paddock using the following guidelines: rapid-growth periods, 14 to 25 days rest; moderate-growth periods, 25 to 30 days rest; and slow-growth periods, 30 to 50 days rest.
4. Native grasses or rangeland rest periods shall be designed for each paddock using the following guidelines: rapid-growth periods, 25 to 45 days rest; moderate-growth periods, 45 to 60 days rest; and slow-growth periods, 60 to 90 days rest.