

Plant Enhancement Activity – *SQL06-Conversion of cropped land to grass-based agriculture for biomass or forage production and wildlife habitat.*

ATTACHMENT A – Montana Enhancement Activity Sheet Supplement

Introduced: pubescent, Intermediate, tall wheatgrass seeded as monocultures.

Native: basin wildrye, switch grass (southeastern Montana)

Nesting dates: April 15 through August 1.

Fawning dates: May 1 through June 30.

Follow the minimum cutting heights for various species outlined in the Specification for Forage Harvest Management (Code 511).

Documentation Requirements

1. Map showing the fields that were treated
2. Option A – A picture showing residual heights of after mowing, acres idled and cutting dates
3. Option B – A picture showing the flush bar attachment on the tractor or swather, time of day hay field was mowed, and haying pattern used

Flush bar should be at least seven feet in front of the cutter blades. The vertical flushing devices (chains, metal bars, etc.) should be spaced 1.5 feet apart and extend downward into the alfalfa/hay.

