

## Conservation Activity Plan (CAP) 110 Grazing Management Plan

### GENERAL CRITERIA FOR GRAZING MANAGEMENT

Complete each of the following General Criteria. In addition to the General Criteria, page 2 lists Group Criteria to satisfy (choose one option).

#### Have Knowledge, UNDERSTANDING, and skill in utilizing:

- NRCS electronic Field Office Technical Guide <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/technical/efotg> (an eFOTG online course is available on <http://www.aglearn.usda.gov/>, if needed.),
- National Planning Procedures Handbook Title 180, Part 600 – <http://directives.sc.egov.usda.gov/RollupViewer.aspx?hid=17088>,
- Prescribed Grazing Conservation Practice Standard maintained by the state in which service will be provided (found in the Field Office Technical Guide),
- Specific criteria to be addressed in the development and implantation of a NRCS Grazing Plan (110) in Section III of the eFOTG,
- Applicable conservation program rules and regulations,
- Planning and implementing conservation practices common to the geographic area,
- Applicable Grazing Management Planning tools (i.e. CGraz, GSAT, etc.) and Windows Pesticide Screening Tool (WIN-PST 3.1),
- Federal, State, tribal, and local laws and regulations.

#### Have completed the following NRCS courses:

- NRCS Conservation Planning Course – Part I (Modules 1-5) (Available on AgLearn) <http://www.nedc.nrcs.usda.gov/catalog/consplan.html>.
- TSP Orientation (new applicants only) <http://www.nedc.nrcs.usda.gov/catalog/tsporientation.html>.

#### Provide documentation of practical experience:

- Submit one Grazing Plan that meet the criteria in Section III of eFOTG and meets the principles provided in Chapter 11 of the National Range and Pasture Handbook Title 190 – vi – NRPH.
- Secure all state required certification or licensing required by the state in which service will be provided.

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### GROUP CRITERIA

**Choose The Certification Option That Best Fits Your Knowledge, Skills & Ability (Applicants must meet all criteria listed on page 1 for the chosen option unless otherwise stated):**

**Option 1 – State Certification**

- \_\_\_\_\_ All General Criteria for Grazing Management has been met.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Have Certification through **one** of the following organizations:
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Certified Professional in Range Management,
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Certified Range Management Consultant by Society for Range Management (SRM),
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Certified Grassland Professional by the American Forage and Grassland Council (AFGC).

**Option 2 – Knowledge, Experience and Education**

- \_\_\_\_\_ All General Criteria for Grazing Management has been met.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Bachelor or higher-level degree in agronomy, range management science, agriculture, or other plant science and 1 year of experience and knowledge successfully planning, design, layout, or managing Grazing/Forage practices associated with this category.
- \_\_\_\_\_ At least 5 years experience and knowledge in planning, design, layout, and inspection, or managing Grazing/Forages practices associated with this category.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Provide two (2) locations or customer references where technical service has been provided that can verify your experience and proficiency planning, designing, installation/layout and checkout of Grazing/Forages practices.

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### CERTIFICATION

Submit required documentation, copies of professional certifications, etc., along with this certification to:

Nebraska NRCS Office  
Federal Building 152  
100 Centennial Mall North  
Lincoln, NE 68508-3866.

If you have questions, please contact Renee Hancock at 402.437.4064 or by email at renee.hancock@ne.usda.gov.

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### APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**I have completed all required NRCS courses, completed required documented practices and completed on certification option. I certify that NRCS requirements for Grazing Management (110) CAP TSP Criteria have met and each is consistent with all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations.**

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Signature /Date