**Indiana Supplement to**

**Conservation Enhancement Activity**

**E472122Z**

Additional Criteria for INDIANA

* In addition to the criteria specified in the National job sheet E472122Z the following additional criteria apply in Indiana:
	+ A grazing plan will be followed according to the IN FOTG 528 – Prescribed Grazing Standard for all grazed fields adjacent to waterbodies that are enrolled. Plants and plant residue will be planned and managed to maintian > 80% cover at all times.
	+ No mechanical forage removal on enrolled acreage reduce carbon removal off site and maintain or increase root biomass.
	+ Riparian and or sensitive areas around other water bodies (including sinkholes), will be deferred until mature forage growth is present prior to any grazing activities or access and then restricted to no more than 2 days per grazing period and managed to prevent any adverse impacts from grazing. All livestock access is controlled.
	+ Riparian areas will not be grazed under wet conditions.
	+ Riparian areas will be fenced to control and manage livestock present.
	+ Stocking rates will be managed to ensure that adequate live cover and residual is maintained at all times.
	+ Stop grazing heights will be followed on 80% or more of the enrolled acres based on the following table **when grazed**: (Note: Stop grazing heights are the shortest forages present after grazing; there will be variability in the forage present.) Livestock will be removed from enrolled acreage once stop grazing heights are present or the overwintering height is reached if grazed. A contingency plan will be in place for adverse conditions. Overwintering heights will be maintained for grazed and harvested fields.

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| **Forage Type** | **Stop Grazing Height (inches)** | **Overwintering Height1/** |
| Introduced Grasses and Legumes | 6 | 6 |
| Native Grasses, Legumes and Forbs | 6 | 12 |

1/ Overwintering heights are ideally not reached until forages have become dormant.

Additional Documentation Requirements for INDIANA

* In addition to the documentation requirements specified in the National job sheet E472122Z the following additional documentation requirements apply in Indiana:
	+ Enter/exit dates, time frame, and AU’s will be documented.
	+ Indiana Job-sheet ”Grazing Sensitive Areas.”
	+ A map showing access controlled area.

***Notes and comments on this National Enhancement:***

* None.