



Operation Name: _____ Date: _____

- ▶ The producer must, for all ruminant livestock on the operation, demonstrate a functioning management plan for pasture. You may submit your NRCS or other pasture plan if it answers all of the questions below.

A. Pasture Management for Ruminant Producers

- 1) Ensure that your pasture maps include the location, size, individual identification and the locations of permanent fences, shade and water. You may provide a satellite image of each parcel to show the locations and sources of shade and water.
 - Maps for all pastures include this information.
- 2) Please describe the types of pasture you have available for grazing organic animals (perennial, annual plantings, primary species, etc).

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- 3) What types of grazing methods do you use for grazing organic animals? Please describe typical size of paddocks, frequency of movement, duration of resting period for pastures, animal density per paddock, etc.

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- 4) How do you ensure that enough pasture of sufficient quality is available to supply 30% of animals' dry matter intake requirements during the grazing season? Check all that apply.
 - Rotational grazing
 - Periodic pasture reseeding
 - Maintaining additional pastures for supplemental grazing
 - Irrigation (if available, must be used to promote pasture growth)
 - Mowing, clipping or weed control, as needed to promote palatable species growth
 - Other (describe):

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- 5) How do your pasture management practices minimize the outbreak and spread of disease and parasites?
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