MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Grazing Management

Grazing Management practices are designed to promote economically and environmentally sound agricultural land management on pastureland by demonstrating the best use of soil and water resources through the use of rotational grazing. This results in the reduction or prevention of soil erosion and water quality protection.

DSP 3.1 Grazing System Water Development

Eligible Conservation Practices

DSP-02 Permanent Vegetative Cover Enhancement is a practice intended to improve the vegetative cover on pastures by introducing legumes into the grass base using no-till technology. Improving the plant community health protects the soil by reducing erosion and prevents water pollution.

DSP 3.2 Grazing System Water System Distribution

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DSP 3.3 Grazing System Fence

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DSP 3.4 Grazing System Lime provides cost-share for applying lime according to soil test recommendations. This improves plant community vigor and helps to maintain the desired species composition.

DSP 3.5 Grazing System provides for a one-time payment for interseeding of legumes in an established grass pasture grazing system. This improves plant health and diversity and protects soil from erosion.

District Contact Information here.

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