

## CRP Managed Haying and Grazing

**Managed** harvesting (haying) or grazing is allowed by CRP participants that requested the activity in their Conservation Plan of Operations or update the plan to include the activity.

Acreage is not eligible until 12 months after the cover is fully established.

CRP contacts approved on or after March 9, 2010 can hay or graze no more than 1 out of every 3 years. There are other frequency categories based on when your CRP contact was approved.

**Managed haying** is permitted from July 16 through August 15 on 50 percent of each field. Hay must be removed from the field by September 15. Producers who do not own or lease livestock, may harvest hay for sale to a livestock producer or sell the hay for biomass.

**Managed grazing** is permitted from July 16 through September 30, not to exceed 77 consecutive days or as otherwise limited by forage conditions, stocking rates, etc as listed in the forage management plan. Producers who do not own or lease livestock, may rent or lease the grazing privilege.

Participants shall work with the Natural Resources Conservation Service to develop a forage management plan.

If the CRP cover is destroyed, the practice must be re-established at their own expense to remain in compliance with the CRP contract.

Participants accept a 25 percent reduction in the annual rental payment for the acres actually hayed or grazed.

Haying and grazing is not allowed during the primary nesting season of April 15 – July 15.

CRP haying and grazing policies will be posted on-line at [www.fsa.usda.gov/ks](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/ks)