

## AGA Land Health Checklist

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

**Requirement: 5.1.1** All Land Health Best Practices listed in AGA's current Ruminant Standards (Section 1.3) are followed.

1.3.1 Stocking rates must be appropriate to the soil, climate and geography of the farm/ranch.

**Are stocking rates appropriate to the soil, climate and geography of the farm/ranch?**

Yes

No

1.3.2 Pasture management and grazing plan should minimize animal concentration areas by moving supplemental feed areas and placement of mineral.

**Does the pasture management and grazing plan minimize animal concentration areas by moving supplemental feed areas and placement of mineral?**

Yes

No

1.3.3 Pastures should be managed to minimize or eliminate the use of synthetic fertilizers, herbicides and pesticides.

**Are pastures managed to minimize or eliminate the use of synthetic fertilizers, herbicides and pesticides?**

Yes

No

1.3.4 Existing riparian areas must be protected and maintained.

**Are existing riparian areas protected and maintained?**

Yes

No

**Requirement: 5.1.2** The following additions must be included in the required written pasture management and grazing plan (3.2.4):

a. Describe the planned grazing movements in detail.

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**Does the pasture management plan describe the planned grazing movements in detail?**

Yes

No

b. List the number of paddocks/pastures.

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**Does the pasture management plan list the number of paddocks/pastures?**

Yes

No

c. Describe how adequate recovery/regrowth of forage is ensured before re-grazing.

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**Does the pasture management plan describe how adequate recovery/regrowth of forage is ensured before re-grazing?**

Yes

No

d. Describe how animal numbers are adjusted and the planned move is adapted to ensure adequate forage per animal unit is available.

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**Does the pasture management plan describe how animal numbers are adjusted and the planned move is adapted to ensure adequate forage per animal unit is available?**

Yes

No

e. Describe how weather conditions are monitored and used to adapt the grazing plan to prevailing weather conditions.

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**Does the pasture management plan describe how weather conditions are monitored and used to adapt the grazing plan to prevailing weather conditions?**

Yes

No

f. Explain how forage quantity and quality play into the timing of movement.

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**Does the pasture management plan explain how forage quantity and quality play into the timing of movement?**

Yes

No

**Requirement 5.1.3** A written Pasture Management/Grazing Plan must be submitted to inspector and forwarded to AGA.

**Was a written Pasture Management/Grazing Plan submitted to inspector and forwarded to AGA?**

Yes

No

**Requirement 5.1.4** Grazing records must be kept that track grazing dates, animal numbers and rainfall to demonstrate methods outlined in the pasture management/grazing plan are adequate. Savory or HMI grazing charts meet this requirement. Grazing records are to be shown to inspector during inspection, but not submitted to AGA.

**Have grazing records been kept that track grazing dates, animal numbers and rainfall to demonstrate methods outlined in the pasture management/grazing plan are adequate. Savory or HMI grazing charts meet this requirement. Grazing records are to be shown to inspector during inspection, but not submitted to AGA.**

Yes

No

**Requirement 5.1.5** Inspector to visually verify an adaptive planned grazing system during inspection.

**Did inspector visually verify an adaptive planned grazing system in use?**

Yes

No