Grazing Plan

The Grass Whisperer Method

John Suscovich & Troy Bishopp "Getting in the ballpark = Close is good enough!"

Name:			Date:		
• Note: DM = 0	dry matter = grass, fo	rage, hay bale			
	h dry matter d				
average weight of or	X 3% =	X	=	d daily forage demand	
unadjusted daily for	r Supplement	of supplemental feed	•	orage demand	
	Lbs / DM / Day		at your feet!		
	Pounds of Dry Matter / Acre Inch = per rotation				
Lbs DME/Ac-In	0	100	200	300	

fair

600lbs

average

1200lbs

good

1800lbs

2b. Acres Requi	ed / Day =
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1b. Forage demand = 2b. Acres required/ day

none

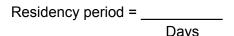
still none

2. Forage supply

Rating

Example Below

3. Days In One Paddo	CK
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Residency period = time spent in a paddock
Usually pick - 7,3,1 (once a week, twice a week, daily)

Generally 3 days or less, want to move before the second bite, have to do what is right for you (labor)

4. Determine Ideal Paddock Size

_____ + ___ = ____ x ___ = ____ x ___ = ____ Forage demand forage supply acres required/day residency period paddock size (Ac)

5. Determine Number of Paddocks Based On Recovery Time

Spring - 20 days Early Summer - 30 days Mid-Late Summer - 45 days Early Fall - 60 days

6. Estimate Total Acres Needed

What You Need - Everything to this point is theory

What You Have - When the hooves hit the grass

7. Determine The Number Of Actual Acres Planned

Paddock size Ac needed/day days available
In the example

8. Now start to plan using the Grazing Chart