

Farm Forage Field Assessment Form

Farm Name and Location _____

Latitude/Longitude (GPS coordinates): _____

Farmer Contact information _____

Assessment date _____ Person performing assessment _____

Field Name _____ Field Size in Acres _____

Last soil test date (if known) _____

Field Description (current uses) – note lay of the land, seasonal uses (hay, silage, pasture (and type of grazing system), number and types of crops, possible obstructions, productivity level, dominant plant species, field consistency, note livestock species if grazed, bare spots,

Farmer goals for the field/land (if known) – Do these goals match best use of the field/land?

Limiting factors of the field (circle all that apply): ownership status, management limitations, field access, drainage, incline or topography, soil depth, soil consistency, soil compaction, soil health (microbiology), soil nutrient and pH levels, weed pressure, tree and brush overgrowth at field edges (sunshine), management, poisonous plants, forage species, seasonal field conditions, wildlife habitat, surrounding land (neighbors), adjacent water bodies, obstructions, exposure, other (specify) _____

Notes to further describe key limiting factors

Recommendations and options (be brief yet specific). Address issues (if any) and include reasonable target dates.

Sketch map of field (or attach map) – designate compass direction, road names or structures (if applicable), entry areas, problem spots, etc.