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FARM #: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Kit #\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Forage Collection

Submission Instructions

Sample forage from land that is primarily being grazed by bison on this operation. Snip forage at grazing height. Try not to contaminate the samples with soil or feces. Collect specimens from AT LEAST 20 locations throughout the area that will be used for winter forage (or current grazing pasture, if you prefer). The samples need to be representative of the grazing area. Take enough to fill the quart size bag at least half full, squeeze out air, and seal.

As an alternative, you may use a lawn mower with a bag attached to sample the pasture. Mow four random 10-foot-long strips in the winter pasture, then fill the quart-size bag with a subsample from the lawn mower bag. Again, try to make the samples representative of the grazing area, and try not to contaminate the samples with soil or feces.

Answer the question below and submit the forage sample and the white copy of this form to the laboratory.

1. What is the primary grazing source on your operation? (*Check only one.*)

a. Pastureland -- if checked Pastureland:

i. What is primary pasture forage type? (See forage table on next page.):

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b. Rangeland -- if checked Rangeland:

i. Describe the primary plants on the rangeland that the bison consume:

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c. Grazed Forested Land -- if checked Grazed Forested land:

i. Describe the primary plants on the forested land that the bison consume:

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SEND the WHITE COPY of the Forage Collection Record along with the forage sample to the lab. Keep the YELLOW COPY of the Forage Collection Record for your records. A FedEx shipping label addressed to Dairy One Lab and shipping bag has been provided.

Forage Table

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | Forage Type: (Enter one of the seven options below for Question 1.a.i) | Examples | | 1. Legume | Alfalfa, clover, birdsfoot trefoil, hairy vetch, lespedeza | | 1. Mixed, mostly legume | This hay is mostly from legumes mixed with grass or small grain forages | | 1. Grass | Brome, Bermuda grass, fescue, bluegrass, orchardgrass, sudangrass, sorghum sudangrass, timothy, ryegrass, bluestem, switchgrass, indiangrass, reed canarygrass, crested wheatgrass, bahia | | 1. Mixed, mostly grass | This hay is mostly from grass mixed with legumes or small grain forages | | 1. Small grains or cereal grains | Hay from wheat, oats, rye, barley, triticale | | 1. Mixed, mostly small grains | This hay is mostly from small grains mixed with legumes or grass | | 1. Other | Please describe in question 1.a.i | |