

**Environmental Stewardship Survey: Cow/Calf Producer**

Dear Cow/Calf Producer,

This survey helps determine how your livestock operation can affect the environment, including water quality, soil conditions, and maintaining healthy riparian areas. This document is an informal way for you to review your own operational management strategies. If you answer “no” to any of the questions, and would like to learn more about that issue, we invite you to contact the watershed specialist for your area.

<b>Please read the following questions carefully and check the most appropriate answers for your livestock operation. If a question does not apply, check “not applicable”.</b>			
	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>Not Applicable</b>
Have the height and density of desirable grasses in your pasture been maintained or improved during the past year?			
Do you remove manure, waste feed and hay from feeding sites within two weeks after moving feeding sites, or at least six times annually?			
Do all livestock at your facility obtain drinking water from a water bowl, water tank or automatic waterer?			
Are supplemental feeding areas located at least 100 feet from creeks, streams, rivers, lakes, ponds, or natural waterways and water wells?			
Are supplemental feeding sites moved at least weekly to a new location?			
Is the primary protection from wind or snowstorms by windbreaks or natural timber areas at least 100 feet from creeks, streams, rivers, lakes, ponds, or natural waterways and water wells?			
Are the grazing areas along creeks, streams, rivers, lakes, ponds, or natural waterways and water wells managed to prevent trampling and overgrazing by cattle?			
Are cattle prevented from wading in streams, creeks or ponds?			
Are mortalities disposed using a legal and approved method (such as composting, burial, incineration, or contract pick-up services)?			
Do you follow a grazing management plan?			

**Want to contact us? Your local watershed specialist is available to answer your questions.**

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