### Pasture Condition and Trend Scoresheet

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#### Individual plant species found in the field:

#### Pasture condition scores:

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#### Category | Criteria | Score
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1) **Plant population**
   - estimated by weight mostly desirable  | 4 |
   - mostly intermediate  | 2 |
   - mostly undesirable  | 0 |
2) **Plant diversity**
   - diversity of forage broad - > 7-9 species | 4 |
   - diversity of forage medium - 4 - 6 species | 2 |
   - diversity of forage narrow - <3 species | 0 |
3) **Plant density**
   - desirables and intermediates are dense >90% | 4 |
   - desirables and intermediates are medium 60-70% | 2 |
   - desirables and intermediates are sparse <40% | 0 |
4) **Plant vigor**
   - desirables and intermediates are strong | 4 |
   - desirables and intermediates are medium | 2 |
   - desirables and intermediates are weak | 0 |
5) **Legumes in stand**
   - percent of legumes 40 - 60 % | 4 |
   - percent of legumes 20 - 30 % or > 70% | 2 |
   - percent of legumes < 10 % or > 90% | 0 |
6) **Severity of use**
   - degree and frequency of use is heavy | 0 |
   - degree and frequency of use is appropriate | 4 |
   - degree and frequency of use is light | 0 |
7) **Uniformity of use**
   - grazing use across the pasture is uniform | 4 |
   - grazing use across the pasture is intermediate | 2 |
   - grazing use across the pasture is spotty | 0 |
8) **Soil resources**
   - amount of area affected by erosion, compaction, concentration < 5 % | 4 |
   - amount of area affected by erosion, compaction, concentration 10-15% | 2 |
   - amount of area affected by erosion, compaction, concentration > 25% | 0 |
9) **Undesirable canopy**
   - percent of canopy made up of undesirables is < 10% | 4 |
   - percent of canopy made up of undesirables is 20% | 2 |
   - percent of canopy made up of undesirables is > 30% | 0 |
10) **Plant residue**
    - dead and decaying plant material is: excessive | 0 |
    - dead and decaying plant material is: appropriate | 4 |
    - dead and decaying plant material is: deficient | 0 |