

## OUTSTANDING YOUNG FARM FAMILY HAY AND FORAGE DIVISION

Note: Please answer questions that pertain to your operation if you are entering this program as a producer of Hay and Forages.

- Briefly describe your farming operation as it pertains to hay and/or forage production only.

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- Breakdown of Hay and Forage Crops produced on your farm. Please list grasses and legumes produced.

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| <b>Warm Season Annuals</b>    | <b><u>Uses:</u> Hay, Forage or Both</b> | <b>Acreage</b> |
| Example: Pearl Millet         | Forage                                  | 60             |
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| <b>Cool Season Annuals</b>    | <b><u>Uses:</u> Hay, Forage or Both</b> | <b>Acreage</b> |
| Example: Ryegrass             | Both                                    | 200            |
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| <b>Warm Season Perennials</b> | <b><u>Uses:</u> Hay, Forage or Both</b> | <b>Acreage</b> |
| Example: Bermudagrass         | Hay                                     | 100            |
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| <b>Cool Season Perennials</b> | <b><u>Uses:</u> Hay, Forage or Both</b> | <b>Acreage</b> |
| Example: Tall Fescue          | Both                                    | 300            |
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3. Briefly describe how you maintain soil fertility for your hay and forage crops.

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4. Describe weed control methods used in pastures and hay fields.

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5. Do you rotationally stock or graze your pastures? If so describe your particular system.

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6. Do you irrigate any of your hay or pasture land? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

7. Do you take samples of hay and/or forages to determine nutrient levels for that intended livestock consumption? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

8. If you answered yes to the previous question is the forage analysis used to determine the price of hay that you might market off of your farm? Also, if you answered yes to question #7 do you use the forage analysis to determine the type and amount of other supplements that you feed your livestock?

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9. Do you store harvested forages in a barn or under some other type of canopy on dry ground? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

10. Do you produce hay for reasons other than feed for livestock? If so, describe below.

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11. Do utilize university or extension budgets to evaluate, manage, and/or plan hay and forage production systems on your farm? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

12. Do you utilize crop residues as a forage source for livestock or do you bale straw or other residues for mulch?

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13. If you are a commercial hay producer do you operate on contracts or by private treaty or both?

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14. If you are a livestock producer do you typically overseed your summer pastures with warm season annuals? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

15. Has the production of hay and forage crops enabled you to become readily compliant with soil and water conservation regulations?

(Explain)

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16. Use this space to include any other information you would like to describe your operation.