

GRAZING RESPONSE INDEX

Use this method to evaluate each pasture, or several sites within a pasture. Each row represents one GRI rating. **To determine the GRI, add all three values (frequency, intensity, and opportunity) and record the sum in the Total column.** Several sites within a pasture can be averaged to obtain an overall rating for the entire pasture. Complete the Site Information Form for each site or pasture.

Unit Name _____ Pasture Name _____
 Transect ID _____ Date _____ Observer _____
 Grazing System _____ Season of Use _____ to _____

Frequency

# of Defoliations	Value
1	+1
2	0
3 or more	-1

Intensity

Amount of use	Percent	Value
Light	<40%	+1
Moderate	40-55%	0
Heavy	>55%	-1

Opportunity

Opportunity to Grow or Regrow	Value
Full season	+2
Most of season	+1
Some chance	0
Little chance	-1
No chance	-2

Pasture Name	Site ID	Frequency	Intensity	Opportunity	GRI (Total)