

Platte Republican Diversion Grazing Bid Notice

Tri-Basin NRD and Lower Republican NRD seek cattlemen to graze their herds at the Platte Republican Diversion pasture (SE ¼ Sec 11-7-22, E ½ Sec 14-7-22, W ½ Sec 13-7-22 Gosper Co. Nebraska). Grazing is needed to keep upland grass in diverse condition. The maximum stocking rate is 126 AUM (Animal Unit Months). Grazing needs to occur between May 15, 2021 and August 15, 2021. The selected cooperators may be offered subsequent leases if the NRDs determine that 2021 grazing is well-managed. Stocking rates, timing and duration will be evaluated annually.

Stocking Rate 2021, Approx. 126 AUM (Animal Unit Month), Animal Units (AU), Cow calf pair = 1.5 AU, 1 Steer or bull, bred or open cow/heifer, weaned calf = 1 AU

Bidding: Bids will be for \$ per 1 AUM (1 AU (Animal Unit) x 30 days)

Herd size: We are looking for a maximum herd size of 42 AU's to graze the property for 3 months.

Special provisions: Area to be grazed may need more, or less grazing to reach management objectives. In such a situation grazing duration may be shortened or extended at original winning bid rate per AUM. Temporary herd number adjustments may be required, or additional isolated/focused grazing may be prescribed.

Fence Maintenance: Entire perimeter fence will be inspected by Tri-Basin NRD Land Manager (or other representative) and winning bidder before cattle are turned out, and again after grazing. Any damage that occurs during grazing must be repaired by winning bidder. All temporary fence will be provided by and removed by the winning bidder.

Water: There are 2 water sources available on this property.

Bid forms and an example of bid format are available at the Tri-Basin NRD website:

www.tribasinnr.org

Bids need to be received by Tri-Basin NRD Land Manager Nate Munter at 1723 Burlington Holdrege, NE. 68949, or email (nmunter@tribasinnr.org) no later than May 1, 2021.

Questions about the bid process can be answered by Tri-Basin NRD Land Manager Nate Munter 308-995-6688.