

JOB SHEET FOR EVALUATING/DESIGN/CONSTRUCTION OF BURIAL PIT FOR CATESTROPHIC ANIMAL MORTALITY

This temporary job sheet is approved for use only in design/construction of burial pits for catastrophic mortality experienced because of the 2019 floods in Nebraska. Applicable to all counties affected by the floods.

Owner/Operator: _____

County: _____

Burial Site No. _____

Legal Description: _____ 1/4 Section: _____, T _____ N, R _____ W

Site Visit and Inventory Completed by: _____

Date: _____

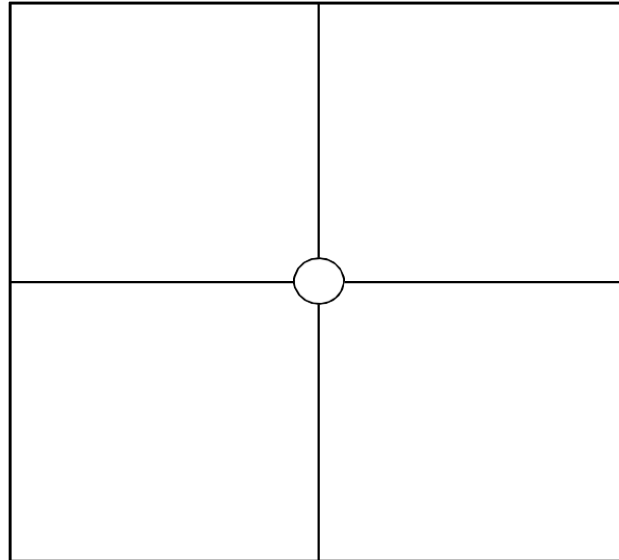
Inventory of animal to be buried:

_____	Cows @	1 AU =	_____
_____	Calves @	½ AU =	_____
_____	Bulls @	2 AU =	_____
_____	Horses @	1 AU =	_____
_____	Swine @	0.25 AU =	_____
Total Animal Units buried =			_____

Area Required for _____ Ft²
 Burial Pit = _____ (22 ft²/AU/Layer)
 Layers Planned: _____

Planned Dimensions of Burial Pit

Length: _____ Ft
 Width: _____ Ft
 Area: _____ Ft²



Location Map

Minimum Depth of Pit = _____ Ft

Bottom of pit at least 4' above ground water and at least 4' of soil cover over buried animals

The minimum depth of the burial pit shall be 6 ft. The bottom of the pit shall be constructed as level as possible. Excavated soil from the pit area will be used to backfill and cover the animals. Backfill and cover material shall be compacted as much as practical. Excess material shall be mounded 4 ft. over the pit to minimize rainfall from entering the burial area. Small dikes should be constructed to divert runoff from the surrounding area from entering the pit. Stop work and contact NRCS immediately if cultural resources are discovered during excavation of the pit. Appropriate trench safety construction measures shall be used. At a minimum any trench walls above 4 feet in depth shall be either benched or sloped at 2H:1V or flatter. If multiple layers of animals are placed in the pit, 2' of soil should be place between layers.

Notes: AU for other species should be based on the ration of 1200/wt. of animal
 Documentation required: photos preferred

I certify that this project was constructed to the minimum dimensions shown and that it meets NRCS criteria.

 Signature (Owner/Operator/Contractor)

 Date