

TANKA FUND

CLIMATE SMART LAND PRACTICES INFORMATION AND QUALIFICATIONS

- Must be enrolled with the Farm Service Agency
- Cannot enroll land that is already enrolled with USDA for the same practice on the same acres
 - o Allowable if different years
 - o Allowable if different practices on same acres
- Must submit a grazing plan with a map of property/land (template provided)
 - o Show where each practice will be implemented and have an anticipated start date
- If on Tribal trust land, must have Bureau of Indian Affairs and Tribe sign acknowledgement letter (template available)
- Not required to sell animals for a premium (can do land practice(s) only)
- Receive half of the incentive payment in the beginning and the remaining after implementation (for most land practices)
- Engagement with project marketing agents to ensure needed climate smart information is collected for verification (must keep receipts and take before & after photos)
- To qualify for prescribed grazing (\$5,000 incentive) – must practice rotational grazing in accordance with your state's NRCS conservation practice standard (CPS). Some states do allow continuous grazing within the Prescribed Grazing CPS 528, if the animals are redistributed by herding or moving water sources 1 to 2.5 miles or more, or if the plan demonstrates a verifiable improvement as compared to prior grazing practices.
- One year contract can be awarded for 5 years
- Allow soil sampling by Yardstick

CLIMATE SMART PREMIUMS

BISON	CATTLE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Must sign agreement with the National Bison Association (NBA) for bison - There will be several buyers available for calves in this program - Receive \$100 premium above market price on bison for climate smart practices - Must have annual NBA membership, to include adherence to the NBA Code of Ethics and utilization of the data collection app - Any applicable production records supplied to buyer and Climate Smart team - Supplement records, if applicable - eID provided ear tags to be applied to all animals before leaving home ranch - Proof of buyer backgrounding requirements met will be provided by seller to buyer and 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Must sign agreement with Agspire for cattle - Buffalo Ridge Cattle Company is a seller in South Dakota for cattle but producers can market their animals with any buyer of their choosing - Receive \$40 premium above market price on cattle for 3 climate smart land practices: 1) Range planting, 2) Forage planting, and 3) Cover crops

CS team through producer app, affidavit, or veterinarian certification	
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