Farm and Ranch Resource Assessment Worksheets

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| Human Resources: Management and Labor | | Use this section to identify specific people, including you, who will be or could be working on the farm or ranch. Include general categories such as seasonal labor, high school student workers, interns, etc. What is the potential for each of these human resources? What skills, interest, or aptitudes could be used to the best advantage of everyone involved? What are you prepared to offer as compensation? | | | |
| Human Resource | Availability | Potential | Skills | Limitations | Compensation |
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| Natural Resources: Land | | | Describe quantity and quality of current property and its use. What are other ways this land can be used? What are your limitations (slope, exposure, drainage, etc)? | | | |
| Item | Quantity or Size | Quality or Age | | Current Use | Potential Use | Limitations |
| Tillable Land |  |  | |  |  |  |
| Pasture |  |  | |  |  |  |
| Recreational Land |  |  | |  |  |  |

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| Soil Resources | | Use this section to record information about the soils on your land. Use soil test results or descriptive language to assess quality, potential and limitations. | | | |
| Location | Soil Type/Description | | Quality (organic matter, ph, etc) | Potential Use | Limitations |
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| Natural Resources: Water | | Record everything that is known about water availability, rainfall, and bodies of water on or adjacent to your land. Limitations might include seasonal availability, quality, water rights, etc. | | | |
| Item | Capacity | Quality | Current Use | Potential Use | Limitations |
| Annual Rainfall |  |  |  |  |  |
| Well |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pond/Stream |  |  |  |  |  |
| Access to Lake/River |  |  |  |  |  |

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| Natural Resources: Additional | | What are the other assets on your property? Use this section to explore ways to turn resources into opportunity. | | | |
| Item | Quantity or Size | Quality or Age | Current Use | Potential Use | Limitations |
| Forest/Woodlot |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wildlife |  |  |  |  |  |
| Other |  |  |  |  |  |

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| Physical Resources | | Describe current buildings, equipment, tools, fencing, etc. Discuss each resource in terms of its quality and capacity, its potential for other uses, and any limitations. | | | | |
| Item | Quantity, Capacity, or Size | | Quality or Age | Current Use | Potential Use | Limitations |
| Buildings |  | |  |  |  |  |
| Equipment |  | |  |  |  |  |
| Fencing |  | |  |  |  |  |
| Irrigation Equipment/Supplies |  | |  |  |  |  |
| Other |  | |  |  |  |  |

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| Marketing Resources: Demographics | | | Explore the demographics of your region. Include closest metropolitan area, nearby towns, etc. | | |
| Location | Capacity (size or population) | Distance | | Potential | Limitations |
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| Marketing Resources: Potential Market & Processing Sites | | | Use this section to identify what is currently available in terms of markets, processing, wholesale & retail outlets, etc. in the areas identified in the above table.. | | |
| Site (town, market, processor) | Capacity (or size or population) | Distance | | Potential | Limitations |
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| Financial Resources: Cash, Credit & Capital | | Document potential sources of financial support for your operation. Look at cash and credit options. How feasible are these options? | | |
| Resource | Type & Amount | Availability | Current Use | Potential Use |
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| Community Resources: Universities, Extension, Banks, Small Business Development, etc. | | | Use this section to explore your local sources of information and support as you develop your plan. | |
| Resource | Availability | Current Use | | Potential Use |
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