

FORAGE

CROPS VARIETY TESTING

1995



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INTRODUCTION

Evaluation of Forage Crop Varieties in North Carolina

New forage cultivars and hybrids are constantly being released from public and private sources. In addition, forage breeders are continually interested in testing experimentals under various growing conditions. In order to determine adaptability and productivity, it is necessary that these forages be tested under North Carolina growing conditions. The purpose of this publication is to present comparative data on forages tested in North Carolina during 1995.

The varieties tested are classed into three major groups: winter annuals (such as rye, wheat, oats, barley and ryegrass); summer annuals (such as sudangrass, pearl millet, and sorghum-sudan hybrids) and perennial forages (such as alfalfa, orchardgrass, tall fescue, and bermudagrass). All varieties were managed on a multiple-cut system with most varieties being clipped three or more times to simulate rotational grazing or haying conditions. Dry forage yields are reported for all entries tested.

Experimental lines are sponsored through the USDA-ARS, state agricultural experiment stations and privately owned companies. These lines may not be available for farm use. All entries from privately owned companies (experimental lines or commercial varieties) are tested on a fee basis. The Crop Science Department, N. C. State University often enters varieties of interest or proven varieties to be used as standards. All varieties are from certified sources or from sources which would be able to verify origin. This gives assurance as to the purity of the entries tested and that results reported here could be reproduced.

All forage tests were conducted on North Carolina State University Lake Wheeler Road Field Laboratory in 1995. Weather-measuring instruments were located approximately one mile from the test site. Climatological

data are listed in the appendix tables.

Most computations and statistical analyses were conducted in the Statistical Laboratory and Computing Center at North Carolina State University. These operations were supervised by Mrs. Sandra Donaghy and Mrs. Joy Smith. We appreciate their cooperation and assistance.

Determining Differences Between Varieties

In order to decide if true differences exist in a set of varieties being tested, field trials are designed so that statistical procedures can be used to determine whether observed differences are most likely real or due only to chance. Measured differences among varieties can result from influences other than their true genetic character. These random effects which may include variation in soil fertility, moisture, temperature, etc. are always present to some degree. Experimental design and statistics help in deciding whether true differences exist. There is always a chance that an observed difference between varieties will be due to chance alone and not due to true varietal differences. It is up to the experimenter to choose the odds that he is willing to accept. Most experimenters will accept chance odds of 5% or less. In other words, the chance of concluding falsely is about one in twenty.

In this publication the Waller-Duncan L.S.D. (least significant difference) test is used to determine if real differences exist among varieties (chance odds of about 5%). In most tables where yields are presented, the L.S.D. values are listed below each yield column. Yield differences between varieties must exceed the L.S.D. values for the difference to be considered statistically significant. An example of the use of the Waller-Duncan L.S.D. is given below.

Table 1a. Example of use of the L.S.D. value.

| Variety | Yield (Lbs/A) |
|---------|---------------|
| 1 | 1600+ |
| 2 | 1570++ |
| 3 | 1450 |
| 4 | 1410 |
| LSD | 50 |

L.S.D. Waller Duncan K Ratio = 100
 +Highest yield.
 ++Not different from highest yield.

By using the L.S.D. value in the above example, it can be determined that:

- Variety 1 is not different from variety 2 because the observed difference (30) does not exceed the L.S.D. value of 50.
- Variety 1 is different from varieties 3 and 4 since the yield difference exceeds the L.S.D. value.
- Likewise, based on similar comparisons, varieties 3 and 4 are not different, but variety 2 is different from varieties 3 and 4.

In studying the information presented in this publication, it should be emphasized that data collected over several years are a better indication of a variety's potential than single year test results. If the reader desires to review data for each harvest for previous years, check the publication for those years.

EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURES

Recommended small-plot techniques and cultural practices were employed on all tests. Fertilization, seeding rates, dates, and other cultural information of a given test are listed in the table which gives dry matter yields by harvest for the current year. Cultural practices of prior years for perennial forages are given in the appendix tables.

The experimental design used for all tests was a randomized complete block with three, four, or five replications (reps). Drilled plots were 20 feet long and three feet wide. Broadcast plots were 20 feet long and five feet wide. Blocks were separated by six feet and tests were bordered by material comparable to that included in the trial.

The row number and row spacing of the specially designed cone planter was changed from three rows 9 inches apart to five rows 4.5 inches apart in the fall of 1993. All annuals and perennial trials seeded since the fall of 1993 are on the 4.5 inch spacing. The cone planter allows each entry to be adjusted to 100% germination based on germination tests conducted just prior to planting.

Plots were harvested with a self-propelled, flail-knife chopper (Carter harvester). It was designed specifically for small plot work with the wheels spaced so the harvest rows and the stubble were not damaged during harvesting.

Each plot was evaluated for weed percentage. When estimated to be greater than 5% of the harvested forage dry matter, weed contribution was subtracted from total herbage weight. Thus, dry forage yields listed in this publication are on a weed-free basis.

Dry yield determination included drying either the whole plot sample or a subsample. When subsampling, dry matter concentration was determined for each variety in two reps and this average was used to adjust for dry matter in the other reps. Dry yield for each variety was determined by multiplying green weight by dry matter concentration for a particular variety. Subsampling was necessary in some cases due to the bulk of green material being handled and a shortage of drying space. Samples were dried in a forced air drier at 130 degrees Fahrenheit for 24 to 48 hours. Moisture remaining in the samples was determined to be from 2 to 4%. Thus, the term "dry forage" as stated in the table refers to oven-dry forage containing 2 to 4% moisture.

Table 1 Supplemental information for forage variety test locations.

| Location | Coordinating Personnel | Soil | <u>Long Term Average</u> | |
|--|-----------------------------|---|--------------------------|--|
| | | | Season (Days) | Growing Annual Rainfall (Inches) |
| Lake Wheeler Road Field Laboratory Raleigh, NC East Central Piedmont Wake County Approx. Elev. 400 feet | Wallace Baker Ken Snyder | Appling-Cecil Association Gray Sandy Loam soil red, firm clay subsoil | 200 | 46 |

Table 2 Names and addresses of agencies sponsoring winter annual forage entries in the 1994-1995 trials.

| Sponsor | Address | Brand | Cultivar Designation |
|--|--|--|--|
| Conlee Seed. Co. | PO Box 2319 Waco, TX 76702-3219 | Conlee | Wintermore Rye |
| DLF Trifolium | PO Box 742 Albany, OR 97321 | DLF Trifolium DLF Trifolium | Rustmaster RG AR-90-RG |
| Gainey Grain, Inc. | Route 1, Box 92 Laurel Hill, NC 27569 | Gainey Gainey | Grazer 94 Rye Grazer 94-10 Rye |
| Carl R. Gurley, Inc. | PO Box 995 Princeton, NC 27569 | Gurley Gurley Gurley | G.I. 85 Ryegrazer Rye G.I. 87 Ryegrazer Rye Gurley Grazer Rye |
| Ledeboer Farms | 22068 Case Rd. NE Aurora, OR 97002 | Ledeboer Ledeboer | WH-Y Oat WH-B Oat |
| NC Agriculture Extension Service | Raleigh, NC 27695 | | Brooks Oat Boone Barley Wakefield Wheat Gulf Ryegrass NCSU91XFI/OrX 1993LR Ryegrass NCSU91XFla Ryegrass NCSU 91 Ryegrass FI/OrX1993LRXNCSU 910OR Ryegrass |
| Pennington Seed, Inc | PO Box 290 Madison, GA 30650 | Pennington | Wintergrazer 70 Rye |
| Production Services International, Inc. | 4854 Jefferson-Marrion Turner, OR 97392 | Prod. Ser. Prod. Ser. Prod. Ser. Prod. Ser. Prod. Ser. Prod. Ser. | Charisma Oat Charisma Oat/Mega Peas Blend P930A02 Forage Oat P930A19 Forage Oat P930A26 Forage Oat P930A27 Forage Oat |
| Smith Seed Ser. | PO Box 288 Halsey, OR 97348 | Smith Seed Smith Seed | Tetrablend 444 RG 5533 DK Annual RG |
| Southern States Cooperative | PO Box 26234 Richmond, VA 23260 | SS SS | Wheeler Rye Pastar Rye |

Table 2 Continued

| | | | |
|-------------------------------------|--|---|---|
| U.S. Dept. of Agri. | Forage and Turf Research Unit Tifton, GA 31793 | USDA | Grazer Ryegrass |
| Univ. of Fla. | Bldg. 107 Gainsville, FL 32611 | Univ. of Fla. Univ. of Fla. Univ. of Fla. Univ. of Fla. Univ. of Fla. | Florida 80 Ryegrass Surrey Ryegrass NCSU 91 RR Ryegrass SurreyXNCSU 91 RG FI/Or94LR Ryegrass |
| Willamette Valley Plant Breeders | 36100 Hy. 228 Brownsville, Or 97327 | WVPB WVPB WVPB WVPB WVPB WVPB | AR-90-300 Ryegrass AR-R-3 Ryegrass AR-92-401 Ryegrass AR-93-101 Ryegrass AR-A-9 Ryegrass AR-ETCO-8-88 RG |

Table 3 FVT 256. Dry forage yield of rye, wheat, oats, barley and annual ryegrass at North Carolina State University, Lake Wheeler Road Field Laboratory, Wake County, N.C. 1994-95¹

| Brand or Sponsor | Variety | Harvest Dates | | | | | Total |
|------------------|-------------------------|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| | | 14-Nov | 27-Feb | 28-Mar | 26-Apr | 22-May | |
| | | Pounds per Acre Dry Forage ² | | | | | |
| NCSU | Brooks Oat | 946 | 938 | 735 | 1141 | 1044 | 4803 |
| Prod. Ser. | P930A19 Oat | 935 | 795 | 609 | 900 | 1324 | 4564 |
| Gainey Grain | Gainey Grazer 94 Rye | 835 | 722 | 1051 | 1092 | 843 | 4543 |
| Prod. Ser. | P930A27B Oat | 1342 | 597 | 367 | 947 | 1248 | 4501 |
| Prod. Ser. | 60% Charisma Oat | | | | | | |
| | 40% Mega Forage pea | 1041 | 740 | 547 | 989 | 1180 | 4497 |
| Prod. Ser. | Charisma Oat | 1044 | 719 | 466 | 899 | 1365 | 4493 |
| Carl Gurley | Gurley Grazer Rye | 622 | 409 | 1490 | 988 | 757 | 4265 |
| Ledeboer Farm | WH-B Oat | 733 | 845 | 759 | 1427 | 499 | 4264 |
| Prod. Ser. | P930A02 Oat | 1265 | 689 | 390 | 633 | 1188 | 4165 |
| Prod. Ser. | P930A26 Oat | 843 | 709 | 509 | 844 | 1202 | 4108 |
| Sou. States | Wheeler Rye | 558 | 270 | 1050 | 1170 | 998 | 4045 |
| Seed. Prod. | Wintergrazer 70 Rye | 468 | 329 | 1522 | 1235 | 479 | 4033 |
| Gainey Grain | Gainey Grazer 94-10 Rye | 511 | 359 | 1467 | 1097 | 550 | 3984 |
| Carl Gurley | G.I. 85 Rye Grazer Rye | 747 | 470 | 760 | 1385 | 585 | 3946 |
| Ledeboer Farm | WH-Y Oat | 319 | 566 | 703 | 1073 | 1229 | 2890 |
| Smith Seed | SS33 DK RG | 586 | 499 | 1336 | 617 | 758 | 3797 |
| WVPB | AR-A-9 (4N) RG | 775 | 625 | 1099 | 795 | 436 | 3729 |
| WVPB | AR-90-300 (2N) RG | 443 | 333 | 1379 | 787 | 763 | 3705 |
| NCSU | Boone Barley | 396 | 297 | 1206 | 1202 | 601 | 3701 |
| WVPB | AR-92-401 (4N) RG | 664 | 572 | 1187 | 779 | 424 | 3627 |
| Univ. Fla. | FLOR 94 LR RG | 629 | 313 | 1331 | 693 | 522 | 3488 |
| NCSU | NCSU 91 RG | 262 | 149 | 1257 | 762 | 1006 | 3435 |
| Univ. Fla. | Surrey X NCSU 91 RG | 475 | 307 | 1331 | 808 | 439 | 3359 |
| DLF Tr. | AR-90-1 RG | 560 | 330 | 1045 | 948 | 465 | 3348 |
| NCSU | Gulf RG | 519 | 541 | 1053 | 715 | 467 | 3294 |
| Univ. Fla. | Surrey RG | 536 | 334 | 1202 | 593 | 610 | 3275 |
| Conlee | Wintermore Rye | 460 | 366 | 890 | 819 | 708 | 3243 |
| WVPB | A-R-ETC6-8-88 (4N) RG | 689 | 633 | 1068 | 507 | 334 | 3231 |

Table 3 (Continued). FVT 256 Dry forage yield of rye, wheat, oats, barley and annual ryegrass at North Carolina State University, Lake Wheeler Road Field Laboratory, Wake County, N.C. 1994-95¹

| Brand or Sponsor | Variety | Harvest Dates | | | | | Total |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|---|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| | | 14-Nov | 27-Feb | 28-Mar | 26-Apr | 22-May | |
| | | Pounds per Acre Dry Forage ² | | | | | |
| NCSU | FL/ORX1993 LRXNCSU 91 RG | 201 | 156 | 1257 | 1037 | 580 | 3231 |
| NCSU | Wakefield Wheat | 526 | 449 | 1180 | 296 | 760 | 3211 |
| Smith | Tetrablend 44 RG | 521 | 337 | 837 | 780 | 735 | 3210 |
| NCSU | (UM)NCSU 91 X Fla RG | 216 | 164 | 1428 | 898 | 480 | 3186 |
| WV/PB | AR-93-101(2N) RG | 213 | 172 | 1102 | 915 | 667 | 3069 |
| WV/PB | AR-R-3 (2N) RG | 394 | 305 | 849 | 831 | 656 | 3035 |
| DLFT | Rustmaster RG | 250 | 265 | 1212 | 874 | 317 | 2918 |
| NCSU | NCSU 91XFL/ORX1993LR RG | 132 | 112 | 1147 | 1035 | 486 | 2912 |
| USDA | Grazer RG | 555 | 375 | 693 | 647 | 640 | 2910 |
| Sou. States | Pastar Rye | 703 | 242 | 805 | 380 | 754 | 2884 |
| Univ. Fla. | NCSU 91 RR RG | 341 | 239 | 1224 | 604 | 452 | 2861 |
| Carl Gurley | G.I. 87 Ryegrazer Rye | 597 | 364 | 463 | 895 | 509 | 2827 |
| Univ. Fla. | Florida 80 RG | 500 | 332 | 134 | 607 | 618 | 2192 |
| Mean of Test | | 549 | 438 | 979 | 869 | 724 | 3604 |
| L.S.D. Waller Duncan K Ration+100 | | 322 | 166 | 482 | 570 | 369 | 900 |
| s.e. | | 264 | 144 | 382 | 374 | 298 | 699 |
| Error d.f. | | 160 | 160 | 160 | 160 | 160 | 160 |
| C.V. | | 44 | 33 | 39 | 43 | 41 | 19 |

¹Seeded September 14, 1994 on a Cecil clay loam soil at rate of : Rye - 112 lb/A, Oats - 90 lb/A, Ryegrass - 40 lb/a, Wheat - 120 lb/a and Barley 96 lb/a

Soil Analysis - pH 5.9, P-1 032, K-1 50, HM% 0.3

Fertilization: Preplant (lb/Acre) 120 P₂O₅, 120 K₂; Postplant (lb/Acre) February 27 - 50N, March 28 - 50N

²Average of five replications. +Highest yield. ++Not different from highest yield.

Table 4 Dry forage yield of rye, wheat, oats, barley and annual ryegrass on North Carolina State University Lake Wheeler Road Field Laboratory in Wake County, North Carolina, 1993-1995.

| Sponsor | Variety | 1995 Total | 1994 Total | 1993 Total | 3-year Average |
|---|-------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|
| <u>Pounds Per Acre Dry Forage¹</u> | | | | | |
| NCSU | Brooks Oat | 4803 | 5483 | 6305 | 5475 |
| Prod. Services | P930A19 Oat | 4564 | | | |
| Gainey Grain | Gainey Grazer 94 Rye | 4543 | | | |
| Prod. Services | P930A27B Oat | 4501 | | | |
| Prod. Services | 60% Charisma Oat | | | | |
| | 40% Mega Pea | 4497 | | | |
| Prod. Services | Charisma Oat | 4493 | | | |
| Carl Gurley | Gurley Grazer Rye | 4265 | | | |
| Ledeboer Farm | WH-B Oat | 4264 | | | |
| Prod. Services | P920A02 Oat | 4165 | | | |
| Prod. Services | P930A26 Oat | 4108 | | | |
| Southern States | Wheeler Rye | 4045 | 5824 | 5294 | 5004 |
| Seed Production | Wintergrazer 70 Rye | 4033 | 6030 | 5597 | 5168 |
| Gainey Grain | Gainey Grazer 94-10 Rye | 3984 | | | |
| Carl Gurley | G.I. 85 Rye | 3946 | | | |
| Ledeboer Farm | WH-Y Oat | 3890 | | | |
| Smith Seed | SS33 DK RG | 3797 | | | |
| WVPB | AR-A-9(4N) RG | 3729 | | | |
| WVPB | AR-90-300(2N) RG | 3705 | 7530 | 6388 | 5816 |
| NCSU | Boone Barley | 3701 | 4791 | 5837 | 4729 |
| WVPB | AR-92-401(4N) RG | 3627 | 6514 | 6673 | 5549 |
| Univ. of Fla. | FL/OR 94 LR RG | 3488 | | | |
| NCSU | NCSU 91 RG | 3435 | | | |
| Univ. of Fla. | Surrey X NCSU 91 RG | 3359 | | | |
| DLF Trifolium | AR-90-1 RG | 3348 | 7924 | 6275 | 5791 |
| NCSU | Gulf RG | 3294 | 6507 | 6647 | 5428 |
| Univ. of Fla. | Surrey RG | 3275 | 6944 | 7072 | 5706 |
| Conlee Seed | Wintermore Rye | 3243 | | | |
| WVPB | A-R-ETC6-8-88(4N) RG | 3231 | | | |
| NCSU | FL/OR X 1993 LRXNCSU RG | 3231 | | | |
| NCSU | Wakefield Wheat | 3211 | 5296 | 5789 | 4718 |
| Smith Seed | Tetrablend 444 RG | 3210 | | | |
| NCSU | (UM)NCSU 91 X Fla RG | 3186 | | | |
| WVPB | AR-93-101(2N) RG | 3069 | 6790 | | 4930 |
| WVPB | AR-R-3 (2N) RG | 3035 | | | |
| DLFT | Rustmaster RG | 2918 | | | |
| NCSU | NCSU91XFI/OrX1993LR RG | 2912 | | | |
| USDA | Grazer Ryegrass | 2910 | | | |
| Sou. States | Pastar Rye | 2884 | 5462 | 5244 | 4485 |
| Univ. of Fla. | NCSU 91 RR RG | 2861 | | | |
| Carl Gurley | G.I. 87 Ryegrazer Rye | 2827 | | | |
| Univ. of Fla. | Florida 80 RG | 2192 | 6985 | 6515 | 5178 |

¹Average of five replications

Table 5 Names and addresses of agencies sponsoring summer annual forage entries in the 1995 trials.

| Sponsor | Address | Brand | Cultivar ¹ Designation |
|-----------------------------------|--|--|---|
| Agratech Seeds, Inc. | 5559 N. 500 West McCordsville, IN 46055 | Agratech | Agratech 610 PM |
| DeKalb Genetics Corporation | Route 2, Box 56 Lubbock, TX 79415 | DeKalb DeKalb | Sudax SX-17 SS Sudax SX-17 SS |
| Green Seed | PO Box 29247 Atlanta, GA 30359 | Green Green Green | Leafy Green PM Green Graze Supreme SS Eversweet SS |
| Mycogen Plant Sciences | 720 St. Croix St. Prescott, WI 54021 | Mycogen Mycogen | Kow Kandy II SS T-E Horsepower PM |
| Northrup King Co | PO Box 249 Grifton, NC 28530 | NK NK NK NK NK | Sordan 79 SS X9299 SS Millex 32 PM Trudan 8 Hyb. Sudan X9290 Hyb. Sudan |
| Pennington Seed Inc. | PO Box 290 Madison, GA 30650 | Pennington Pennington | Leafy 22 PM Summergrazer III SS |
| Pioneer Hi-Bred International | 1000 W. Jefferson St. Tipton, IN 46072 | Pioneer | 855F SS |
| Southern States Cooperative, Inc. | PO Box 26234 Richmond VA 23260 | FFR FFR FFR FFR FFR FFR FFR | FFR 120 Sudan 3-Mil-X PM Mil-Hy 300 PM FFR 221A SS Mil-Hy 100 PM Exp. 102 M PM Exp. 211 MS SS |
| U.S. Dept. of Agri. | Forage & Turf Research Unit PO Box 748 Tifton, GA 31793 | USDA USDA USDA USDA USDA USDA USDA | Tifleaf 2 PM Expt. 1 PM Expt. 2 PM Expt. 4 PM Expt. 5 PM TX623AXDWFGA337 SS TX623AXGA337 SS |

¹SS = Sorghum sudan hybrid, PM = Pearl millet.

Table 6 FVT 258. Dry forage yield of sorghum sudan hybrids and hybrid sudangrass on North Carolina State University Lake Wheeler Road Field Laboratory in Wake County, North Carolina¹.

| Sponsor | Variety | Harvest Dates | | | | | 1995 Total |
|---|------------------------------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------|---------------|
| | | 15-Jun | 7-Jul | 24-Jul | 21-Sep | 9-Nov | |
| <u>Pounds Per Acre Dry Forage²</u> | | | | | | | |
| DeKalb | Sudax SX-15 | 1157 | 3307 | 1517 | 1940 | 1076 | 8999+ |
| Sou. States | Exp.211 MS | 1410 | 2523 | 1458 | 1776 | 966 | 8132++ |
| DeKalb | Sudax SX-17 | 1481 | 2775 | 1490 | 1543 | 828 | 8117++ |
| NK | Trudan 8 Sudan | 1554 | 2756 | 1468 | 1584 | 657 | 8019 |
| Green Seed | Green Graze Sup. | 1447 | 2708 | 1396 | 1565 | 860 | 7976 |
| NK | X9299 SS | 1263 | 2963 | 1317 | 1602 | 725 | 7870 |
| NK | Sordan 79 | 1600 | 2542 | 1333 | 1651 | 730 | 7856 |
| Sou. States | FFR 211A | 1579 | 2271 | 1342 | 1325 | 1297 | 7815 |
| Mycogen | Kow Kandy | 1583 | 2321 | 1311 | 1549 | 981 | 7744 |
| Pennington | Summergrazer III | 1445 | 2412 | 1455 | 1608 | 804 | 7723 |
| USDA | TX823A X Ga337 | 1163 | 2675 | 1234 | 1802 | 828 | 7702 |
| Sou. States | FFR 120 Sudan | 1431 | 2501 | 1392 | 1483 | 821 | 7628 |
| Pioneer | 855F | 1308 | 2145 | 1418 | 1748 | 813 | 7432 |
| Green Seed | Eversweet | 1194 | 2440 | 868 | 1602 | 979 | 7082 |
| USDA | TX623A X DwfGa337 | 826 | 2456 | 1177 | 1588 | 993 | 7041 |
| USDA | Brown Midrib Sorg. X Sudangrass | 945 | 2321 | 1098 | 1622 | 755 | 6741 |
| Mean of Test | | <u>1337</u> | <u>2570</u> | <u>1330</u> | <u>1624</u> | <u>882</u> | <u>7742</u> |
| L.S.D. Waller Duncan KRatio = 100 | | 252 | 384 | 333 | 641 | 354 | 910 |
| s.e. | | 206 | 301 | 229 | 296 | 232 | 657 |
| Error d.f. | | 60 | 60 | 60 | 60 | 60 | 60 |
| C.V. | | 15 | 12 | 17 | 18 | 26 | 8 |

¹1995 Cultural Practices: Seeded May 16, 1995 on a Cecil loam soil at rate of 40 pounds per acre.

Soil Analysis pH 5.9, P-I 32, K-I 50, HM% 0.3

Fertilization (lb/acre) May 16 - 50N, 50 P₂O₅, 50 K₂O, July 10 - 50N, August 8 - 50N.

²Average of five replications

+Highest yield. ++Not different from highest yield

Table 7 FVT 258 Dry forage yield of pearl millet on North Carolina State University
Lake Wheeler Road Field Laboratory in Wake County, North Carolina¹.

| Sponsor | Variety | Harvest Dates | | | | | 1995 Total |
|---|-----------------|---------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|---------------|
| | | 6-Jul | 25-Jul | 21-Aug | 21-Sep | 8-Nov | |
| <u>Pounds Per Acre Dry Forage²</u> | | | | | | | |
| NK | Millex 32 | 5972 | 919 | 938 | 1569 | 449 | 9847+ |
| USDA | Tift Exp. No. 4 | 4244 | 1319 | 905 | 1822 | 1193 | 9482++ |
| USDA | Tifleaf 2 | 3543 | 1675 | 682 | 1592 | 1264 | 8756++ |
| USDA | Tift Exp. No. 5 | 3443 | 1525 | 804 | 1576 | 1221 | 8569 |
| Green Seed | Leafy Green | 3931 | 1381 | 734 | 1557 | 965 | 8568 |
| Pennington | Leafy 22 Hybrid | 3403 | 1472 | 830 | 1484 | 996 | 8185 |
| USDA | Tift Exp. No. 2 | 3069 | 1679 | 814 | 1507 | 1039 | 8108 |
| Agratech | Agratech 610 | 4059 | 1041 | 832 | 1420 | 587 | 7938 |
| Sou. States | Mill-Hy100 | 4148 | 998 | 723 | 1390 | 482 | 7741 |
| USDA | Tift Exp. No. 1 | 3037 | 1565 | 717 | 1260 | 1106 | 7685 |
| Mycogen | T-E Horsepower | 4429 | 919 | 707 | 1247 | 354 | 7656 |
| Sou. States | Exp. 102 M | 3950 | 861 | 525 | 1285 | 393 | 7013 |
| Sou. States | Mill-Hy300 | 2992 | 1246 | 686 | 1241 | 641 | 6805 |
| Sou. States | 3-Mil-X | 2739 | 1259 | 592 | 1236 | 451 | 6277 |
| Mean of Test | | <u>3783</u> | <u>1276</u> | <u>749</u> | <u>1442</u> | <u>796</u> | <u>8045</u> |
| L.S.D. Waller Duncan KRatio = 100 | | 985 | 283 | 436 | 462 | 228 | |
| s.e. | | 785 | 234 | 220 | 280 | 196 | 1227 |
| Error d.f. | | 52 | 52 | 52 | 52 | 52 | 52 |
| C.V. | | 21 | 18 | 29 | 19 | 25 | 12 |

¹1995 Cultural Practices: Seeded May 16, 1995 on a Cecil loam soil.
Soil Analysis pH 6.0, P-I 32, K-I 50, HM% 0.3
Fertilization (lb/acre) May 16 - 50N, 50 P₂O₅, 50 K₂O, July 10-50N, August 8 - 50N.

²Average of five replications

+Highest yield. ++Not different from highest yield

Table 8 Over-year dry forage yield of sorghum sudan hybrids, hybrid sudangrass, and pearl millet on North Carolina State University Lake Wheeler Road Field Laboratory in Wake County, North Carolina.

| Sponsor | Variety | 1995 Total | 1994 Total | 1993 Total | 3-Year Average |
|---|------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|
| <u>Pounds Per Acre Dry Forage¹</u> | | | | | |
| <u>SORGHUM SUDAN</u> | | | | | |
| DeKalb | Sudax SX-15 | 8999+ | 8521++ | 6128++ | <u>7804</u> |
| Sou. States | Exp. 211 MS | 8132++ | | | |
| DeKalb | Sudax SX-17 | 8117++ | 7799++ | 7823+ | 7834 |
| NK | Trudan 8 Sudan | 8019 | | | |
| Green Seed | Green Graze Sup. | 7976 | | | |
| NK | X9299 SS | 7870 | 8064++ | | 7967 |
| NK | Sordan 79 | 7856 | 8136++ | | 7996 |
| Sou. States | FFR 211A | 7815 | 8126++ | 5918++ | 7214 |
| Mycogen | Kow Kandy | 7744 | | | |
| Pennington | Summergrazer III | 7723 | 7844++ | | 7784 |
| USDA | TX823A X Ga337 | 7702 | | | |
| Sou. States | FFR 120 Sudan | 7628 | 8838+ | 6468++ | 7568 |
| Pioneer | 855F | 7432 | 8008++ | 5609 | 6946 |
| Green Seed | Eversweet | 7082 | | | |
| USDA | TX623A X DwfGa337 | 7041 | 8001++ | | 7521 |
| USDA | Brown Midrib Sorg. X Sudangrass | 6741 | | | |
| <u>PEARL MILLET</u> | | | | | |
| NK | Millex 32 | 9847+ | 8185++ | | 9016 |
| USDA | Tift Exp. No. 4 | 9482++ | 7634++ | 5538 | 7476 |
| USDA | Tifleaf 2 | 8756++ | 8325++ | 5825++ | 7559 |
| USDA | Tift Exp. No. 5 | 8569 | | | |
| Green Seed | Leafy Green | 8568 | 8357++ | | 8463 |
| Pennington | Leafy 22 Hybrid | 8185 | 8403++ | | 8294 |
| USDA | Tift Exp. No. 2 | 8108 | 7634++ | 5538 | 7022 |
| Agratech | Agratech 610 | 7938 | | | |
| Sou. States | Mill-Hy 100 | 7741 | | | |
| USDA | Tift Exp. No. 1 | 7685 | 7451 | 6088++ | 7004 |
| Mycogen | T-E Horsepower | 7656 | | | |
| Sou. States | Exp. 102 M | 7013 | | | |
| Sou. States | Mill-Hy 300 | 6805 | 7195 | 5186 | 6331 |
| Sou. States | 3-Mil-X | 6277 | 7209 | 4838 | 6047 |

¹Average of five replications

+Highest yield. ++Not different from Highest yield

NK Millex 32 tested in prior years as X888

Table 9 Names and addresses of agencies sponsoring perennial forage entries in the 1995 trials.

| Sponsor | Address | Brand | Cultivar Designation |
|-----------------------------------|---|--|--|
| Agripro Biosciences Inc. | Route 3 Ames, IA 50010 | Agripro | Innovator + Z Alf. |
| Cal/West Seeds | PO Box 1428 Woodland, CA 95776 | Cal/West Cal/West Cal/West | C/W-2040 Alfalfa C/W-2043 Alfalfa C/W-2032 Alfalfa |
| DLF Trifolium | PO Box 742 Albany, OR 97321 | DLF Trifolium | Dovey Fescue |
| Dairyland Seed Co. | PO Box 958 West Bend, WI 53095 | Dairyland Dairyland | DS 764 Alfalfa Magnagrazee Alfalfa |
| DeKalb Genetics Corporation | 3100 Sycamore Road DeKalb, IL 60115 | DeKalb DeKalb | DK 127 Alfalfa DK 133 Alfalfa |
| FFR Cooperative | 4112 E. St Rd 225 West Lafayette, IN 47906 | FFR FFR FFR | Resistar Alfalfa Multistar Alfalfa A9008 Alfalfa |
| Forbes Seed & Grain | PO Box 85 Junction City, OR 97448 | Forbes | Enforcer Fescue |
| Great Plains Reserch Co., Inc. | 3624 Kildaire Farm Rd Apex, NC 27502 | Great Plains Great Plains Great Plains Great Plains Great Plains Great Plains | Key Alfalfa Cimarron VR Alfalfa Ram Alfalfa Haygrazer Alfalfa Cimarron Alfalfa Dual Alfalfa |
| Green Seed | PO Box 29247 Atlanta, GA 30359 | Green Green | Cattleclub Fescue Shiloh Orchardgrass |
| International Seeds, Inc. | PO Box 168 Halsey, OR 97348 | International International International | FTF 9077 Fescue FTF 8872 Fescue OG-90134 Orchardgrass |
| NC Agricultural Extension Service | NC State University Raleigh, NC 27695 | | Ky 31 Fescue Cajun Fescue Rebel II Fescue Triumph Fescue Bison Per Ryegrass Coastal Bermuda Tifton 44 Bermuda Callie Bermuda Tifton 78 Bermuda Pasto Rico Bermuda Tierra Verde Bermuda Guymon Bermuda Pensacola Bahia Tifton 9 Bahia Laurel Spgs Bermuda |

Table 9 continued

| | | | |
|--------------------------------------|---|----------------------------|--|
| Northrup King Co. | PO Bpx 249 Grifton, NC 28530 | NK NK NK | Taho Alfalfa Crockett Alfalfa Multiking I Alfalfa |
| Pennington Seed Inc. | PO Box 290 Madison, GA 30650 | Pennington | Georgia 5 Fescue |
| Pioneer Hi-Bred International | 1000 W. Jefferson St. Tipton, IN 46072 | Pioneer | 5454 Alfalfa |
| Smith Seed Services | PO Box 288 Halsey, OR 97348 | Smith Seed | WVPB 89-19 Orchardgrass |
| Southern States Cooperative, Inc. | PO Box 26234 Richmond, VA 23260 | Sou. States Sou. States | Benchmark Orchardgrass Phyter Fescue |
| Willamette Valley | 36100 Hy. 228 Brownsville, OR 97327 | WVPB WVPB WVPB | WVPB-OG-89-37 Orchardgrass WVPB-OG-89-35 (PSI) Orchardgrass WVPB-OG-89-309 Orchardgrass |
| W-L Research, Inc. | 8701 W. US Hy 14 Evansville, WI 53536 | W-L W-L W-L | WL 252 HQ Alfalfa WL 322 HQ Alfalfa WL 323 Alfalfa |

Table 10 FVT 255. Dry forage yield of alfalfa on North Carolina State University Lake Wheeler Road Field Laboratory in Wake County, North Carolina¹.

| Brand or Sponsor | Variety | Harvest Dates 1995 | | | | | | 1995 Total |
|---|---------------|--------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------|------------|--------------|
| | | 19-Apr | 24-May | 26-Jun | 20-Jul | 17-Aug | 26-Oct | |
| <u>Pounds Per Acre Dry Forage²</u> | | | | | | | | |
| FFR | A9008 | 3394 | 2715 | 2944 | 2122 | 635 | 600 | 12412+ |
| Pioneer | 5454 | 2957 | 2770 | 2940 | 2165 | 811 | 625 | 12268++ |
| Great Plains | Ram | 2858 | 2698 | 3299 | 2128 | 604 | 661 | 12250++ |
| Great Plains | Key | 3220 | 2500 | 3197 | 1999 | 595 | 679 | 12190++ |
| Northrup King | Crockett | 3233 | 2827 | 2959 | 1947 | 555 | 657 | 12177++ |
| Dairyland Seed | Magnagraze | 2907 | 2847 | 2911 | 2032 | 551 | 577 | 11824++ |
| Great Plains | Cimarron | 2947 | 2590 | 2932 | 2010 | 621 | 715 | 11815++ |
| Cal/West | C/W 2043 | 2990 | 2740 | 2968 | 1970 | 594 | 506 | 11769++ |
| FFR | Multistar | 3164 | 2765 | 2879 | 1862 | 533 | 538 | 11741++ |
| WL | WL 322 HQ | 3046 | 2623 | 2829 | 2053 | 620 | 509 | 11680++ |
| Cal/West | C/W 2040 | 2754 | 2622 | 3057 | 2136 | 565 | 511 | 11645++ |
| Dairyland Seed | DS 764 | 2770 | 2583 | 2855 | 2254 | 639 | 538 | 11638++ |
| Agripro | Innovator + Z | 2984 | 2432 | 2755 | 2286 | 607 | 525 | 11589++ |
| FFR | Resistar | 2992 | 2514 | 3019 | 1868 | 507 | 530 | 11431++ |
| Great Plains | Cimarron VR | 3106 | 2497 | 2944 | 1812 | 465 | 601 | 11426++ |
| Great Plains | Dual | 2944 | 2487 | 2953 | 1952 | 455 | 576 | 11366++ |
| WL | WL 323 | 2663 | 2454 | 3007 | 1943 | 490 | 600 | 11157 |
| Great Plains | Haygrazer | 2940 | 2334 | 2984 | 1784 | 487 | 509 | 11039 |
| DeKalb | DK 133 | 2730 | 2478 | 2853 | 1847 | 485 | 473 | 10866 |
| Cal/West | C/W 2032 | 2613 | 2365 | 2949 | 1929 | 452 | 535 | 10842 |
| DeKalb | DK 127 | 2587 | 2217 | 2753 | 2115 | 467 | 411 | 10550 |
| WL | WL 252 HQ | 2432 | 2327 | 2875 | 1785 | 470 | 550 | 10438 |
| Northrup King | Multiking I | 2463 | 2224 | 2590 | 1818 | 414 | 508 | 10018 |
| Northrup King | Tahoe | 2120 | 2445 | 2535 | 1549 | 553 | 757 | 9959 |
| Mean of Test | | <u>2867</u> | <u>2544</u> | <u>2916</u> | <u>1973</u> | <u>549</u> | <u>570</u> | <u>11420</u> |
| L.S.D. Waller Duncan KRatio=100 | | 856 | 409 | 234 | 243 | 236 | 181 | 1174 |
| s.e. | | 488 | 268 | 181 | 189 | 142 | 119 | 865 |
| Error d.f. | | 92 | 92 | 92 | 92 | 92 | 92 | 92 |
| C.V. | | 17 | 11 | 6 | 10 | 26 | 21 | 8 |

¹Seeded September 14, 1994 at rate of 25 lb/acre in five rows 4.5 inches apart with 18 inches between plots and 20 feet in length.

1995 Cultural Practices: Soil Analysis pH 6.3, P-I 72, K-I 70, HM% 0.6

Fertilization (lb/acre) At seeding; 20N, 124 P₂O₅, 124 K₂O, 2 boron, 1500 lime

²Insect Control (lb/acre a.i.) March 20 - 0.5 Furadan

Average of five replications

+Highest yield. ++Not different from highest yield

Table 11 FVT 253. Dry forage yield of fescue on North Carolina State University Lake Wheeler Road Field Laboratory in Wake County, North Carolina¹.

| Brand or Sponsor | Variety | 1995 Harvest Dates | | | | | 1995 Total |
|---|----------------|--------------------|-------------|-------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| | | 6-Apr | 9-May | 21-Jun | 31-Aug | 30-Oct | |
| <u>Pounds Per Acre Dry Forage²</u> | | | | | | | |
| DLF Trifolium | Dovey | 2097 | 1928 | 1973 | 939 | 3068 | 10006+ |
| NCSU | Cajun | 2380 | 1918 | 1549 | 939 | 2748 | 9535++ |
| International | FTF 9077 | 1781 | 2004 | 1277 | 979 | 3003 | 9045++ |
| NCSU | AU Triumph | 2316 | 1693 | 1567 | 942 | 2526 | 9043++ |
| Sou. States | Stargrazer | 1598 | 1965 | 1401 | 1259 | 2810 | 9033++ |
| Cascade | EA 18 | 2026 | 1987 | 1124 | 983 | 2770 | 8889 |
| International | FTF 8872 | 1931 | 1980 | 1079 | 977 | 2904 | 8870 |
| NCSU | Ky 31 | 1709 | 2353 | 1262 | 802 | 2677 | 8802 |
| Pennington | Georgia 5 | 1607 | 2053 | 1278 | 988 | 2644 | 8569 |
| Forbes | Enforcer | 1619 | 2026 | 1191 | 851 | 2880 | 8566 |
| Green Seed | Cattleclub | 1705 | 2174 | 1340 | 859 | 2416 | 8494 |
| NCSU | Phyter | 1440 | 1796 | 1274 | 834 | 2555 | 7899 |
| NCSU | Rebel II | 1531 | 1883 | 743 | 651 | 2500 | 7309 |
| NCSU | Bison Per.R.G. | 1704 | 2189 | 1821 | 391 | 1043 | 7148 |
| Cascade | Gala Brome | 1127 | 1899 | 1136 | 380 | 492 | 5033 |
| Mean of Test | | <u>1771</u> | <u>1990</u> | <u>1334</u> | <u>852</u> | <u>2469</u> | <u>8416</u> |
| L.S.D. Waller Duncan KRatio=100 | | 393 | 476 | 315 | 250 | 520 | 992 |
| s.e. | | 315 | 273 | 258 | 203 | 445 | 839 |
| Error d.f. | | 56 | 56 | 56 | 56 | 56 | 56 |
| C.V. | | 18 | 14 | 19 | 24 | 18 | 18 |

¹1995 Cultural Practices: Soil Analysis pH 6.1, P-I 35, K-I 34, HM% 0.4
Fertilization (lb/acre) March 6, 100N, 50 P₂O₅, 50 K₂O September 4, 75N

²Average of five replications

+Highest yield. ++Not different from highest yield

Table 12 Dry forage yield of fescue on North Carolina State University Lake Wheeler Road Field Laboratory in Wake County, North Carolina, 1994-1995.

| Sponsor | Variety | 1994 Total | 1995 Total | 2-Year Average |
|---|-----------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|
| <u>Pounds per Acre Dry Forage¹</u> | | | | |
| DLF Trifolium | Dovey | 6975++ | 10006+ | 8490+ |
| NCSU | Cajun | 6781 | 9535++ | 8158++ |
| Sou. States | Stargrazer | 6951++ | 9033++ | 7992++ |
| International | FTF9077 | 6673 | 9045++ | 7859++ |
| NCSU | AU Triumph | 6592 | 9043++ | 7818++ |
| NCSU | KY 31 | 6572 | 8802 | 7687++ |
| Forbes | Enforcer | 6612 | 8566 | 7589++ |
| Pennington | Georgia 5 | 6506 | 8569 | 7538++ |
| Cascade | EA 18 | 6144 | 8889 | 7516++ |
| International | FTF 8872 | 5924 | 8870 | 7397++ |
| Green Seed | Cattleclub | 6054 | 8494 | 7274++ |
| NCSU | Bison Per. R.G. | 7347+ | 7148 | 7248++ |
| NCSU | Phyter | 5079 | 7899 | 6489 |
| NCSU | Rebel II | 4568 | 7309 | 5938 |
| Cascade | Gala Brome | 5070 | 5033 | 5051 |
| <u>Mean of Test</u> | | <u>6257</u> | <u>8416</u> | <u>7336</u> |
| L.S.D. Waller Duncan K Ratio=100 | | 540 | 992 | 1696 |
| s.e. | | 540 | 839 | 678 |
| Error d.f. | | 56 | 56 | 112 |
| C.V. | | 7 | 10 | 9 |

¹Average of five Replications.

+Highest yield. ++Not different from highest yield.

Table 13 FVT253 Dry forage yield of orchardgrass on North Carolina State University Lake Wheeler Road Field Laboratory in Wake County, North Carolina¹

| Brand or Sponsor | Variety | 1995 Harvest Dates | | | | | 1995 Total |
|----------------------------------|------------------|---|-------------|-------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| | | 6-Apr | 9-May | 21-Jun | 31-Aug | 8-Nov | |
| | | <u>Pounds Per Acre Dry Forage²</u> | | | | | |
| Sou. States | Benchmark | 2251 | 2214 | 1801 | 659 | 2168 | 9094+ |
| Green Seed | Shiloh | 2193 | 2418 | 1600 | 682 | 1993 | 8887++ |
| Cascade | EG 1 | 2283 | 2172 | 1719 | 576 | 1991 | 8740++ |
| WVPB | WVPB 89-309 | 2276 | 2295 | 1612 | 595 | 1700 | 8478++ |
| WVPB | WVPB 89-37 | 1645 | 2088 | 2051 | 620 | 1869 | 8273 |
| WVPB | WVPB 89-35 (PSI) | 1773 | 2220 | 1775 | 658 | 1670 | 8097 |
| Interantional | OG-90134 | 2056 | 2082 | 1075 | 605 | 1888 | 7705 |
| Smith Seed | WVPB OG 89-19 | 1634 | 1886 | 1462 | 611 | 1653 | 7246 |
| <u>Mean of Test</u> | | <u>2014</u> | <u>2172</u> | <u>1637</u> | <u>626</u> | <u>1867</u> | <u>8315</u> |
| L.S.D. Waller-Duncan K Ratio=100 | | 218 | 243 | 679 | NS | 267 | 797 |
| s.e. | | 180 | 178 | 427 | 126 | 195 | 609 |
| Error d.f. | | 28 | 28 | 28 | 28 | 28 | 28 |
| C.V. | | 9 | 8 | 26 | 20 | 10 | 7 |

¹1995 Cultural Practices: Soil Analysis--pH 6.1, P-I 035, K-I 34, HM% 0.4

Fertilization (lb/acre) March 6, 100 N 50 P₂O₅, 50 K₂O September 4, 75N

Average of five replications.

'+'Highest yield. ++Not different from highest yield

Table 14 Over-years dry forage yield of orchardgrass on North Carolina State University Lake Wheeler Road Field Laboratory in Wake County, North Carolina, 1994-1995.

| Sponsor | Variety | 1994 Total | 1995 Total | 2-Year Average |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|
| <u>Pounds per Acre Dry Forage¹</u> | | | | |
| Southern States | Benchmark | 5480++ | 9094+ | 7287+ |
| Green Seed | Shiloh | 5607+ | 8887++ | 7247++ |
| Cascade | EG 1 | 5043 | 8740++ | 6892++ |
| WVPB | 89-37 | 4937 | 8273 | 6605++ |
| WVPB | 89-309 | 4245 | 8478++ | 6362++ |
| International | OG-90134 | 4958 | 7705 | 6331++ |
| WVPB | 89-35 (PS-1) | 4134 | 8097 | 6116++ |
| Smith Seed | WVPB OG 89-19 | 4865 | 7246 | 6055++ |
| <u>Mean of Test</u> | | <u>4909</u> | <u>8315</u> | <u>6612</u> |
| L.S.D. Waller Duncan K Ratio=100 | | 509 | 797 | 1198 |
| s.e. | | 407 | 609 | 518 |
| Error d.f. | | 28 | 28 | 56 |
| C.V. | | 8 | 7 | 8 |

¹Average of five Replications.

+Highest yield. ++Not different from highest yield.

Table 15 FVT245 Dry forage yield of Bermuda and Bahiagrass on North Carolina State University Lake Wheeler Road Field Laboratory in Wake County, North Carolina¹

| Variety | Species | 1995 Harvest Dates | | | | 1995 Total |
|---|---------|--------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | | 30-May | 7-Jul | 28-Jul | 28-Sep | |
| <u>Pounds Per Acre Dry Forage²</u> | | | | | | |
| Tifton 44 | Bermuda | 2993 | 3498 | 2808 | 3339 | 12638+ |
| Coastal | Bermuda | 3062 | 2668 | 2499 | 3910 | 12139++ |
| Tifton 9 | Bahia | 1774 | 3918 | 2311 | 2798 | 10801 |
| Tifton 78 | Bermuda | 2320 | 2460 | 1915 | 3535 | 10230 |
| Laurel Springs | Bermuda | 2658 | 2242 | 2239 | 3069 | 10208 |
| Callie | Bermuda | 1877 | 2319 | 2000 | 3563 | 9759 |
| Tierra Verde | Bermuda | 2510 | 1426 | 1986 | 2762 | 8684 |
| Pasto Rico | Bermuda | 2262 | 1540 | 1742 | 2572 | 8116 |
| Guymon | Bermuda | 1454 | 2012 | 2069 | 2429 | 7964 |
| Pensacola | Bahia | 623 | 2545 | 1129 | 2083 | 6379 |
| <u>Mean of Test</u> | | <u>2153</u> | <u>2463</u> | <u>2070</u> | <u>3006</u> | <u>9692</u> |
| L.S.D. Waller-Duncan K Ratio=100 | | 486 | 778 | 613 | 503 | 1472 |
| s.e. | | 413 | 631 | 486 | 416 | 1235 |
| Error d.f. | | 36 | 36 | 36 | 36 | 36 |
| C.V. | | 19 | 26 | 23 | 14 | 13 |

¹1995 Cultural Practices: Soil Analysis--pH 5.7, P-I 32, K-I 50, HM% 0.3

Fertilization (lb/acre) March 6, P₂O₅ 120 K₂O 2,000 Lime April 3, 75N July 10, 50N August 1, 50N

Weed Control (lb/acre a.i.) April 3 1.5 AAtrex

²Yield data represents weed-free yield. Weed composition estimated on last three harvests, first harvest was weed-free.

Average of five replications. +Highest yield. ++Not different from highest.

For earlier years cultural practices, see Appendix Table

Table 16 Dry forage yield of Bermuda and Bahia grass on North Carolina State University
Lake Wheeler Road Field Laboratory in Wake County, North Carolina

| Variety | Species | 1993 Total | 1994 Total | 1995 Total | 3-Year Average |
|---|---------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|
| <u>Pounds per Acre Dry Forage¹</u> | | | | | |
| Tifton 44 | Bermuda | 7220++ | 8559+ | 12638+ | 9493+ |
| Coastal | Bermuda | 7563+ | 7769++ | 12139++ | 9157++ |
| Tifton 9 | Bahia | 4487 | 7593++ | 10801 | 7627 |
| Callie | Bermuda | 6710++ | 6042 | 9759 | 7504 |
| Tifton 78 | Bermuda | 5817 | 6176 | 10230 | 7408 |
| Laurel Springs | Bermuda | 5049 | 6851 | 10208 | 7369 |
| Tierra Verde | Bermuda | 2357 | 4938 | 8684 | 5326 |
| Pasto Rico | Bermuda | 2654 | 4282 | 8116 | 5017 |
| Guymon | Bermuda | 1962 | 4311 | 7964 | 4746 |
| Pensacola | Bahia | 490 | 2791 | 6379 | 3220 |
| <u>Mean of Test</u> | | <u>4431</u> | <u>5931</u> | <u>9692</u> | <u>6685</u> |
| L.S.D. Waller Duncan K Ratio=100 | | 1352 | 1500 | 1235 | 1032 |
| s.e. | | 1160 | 1249 | 1235 | 1215 |
| Error d.f. | | 36 | 36 | 36 | 108 |
| C.V. | | 26 | 21 | 13 | 18 |

¹Average of five Replications.

+Highest yield. ++Not different from highest yield.

Table 17 Dry forage yield of switchgrass on North Carolina State University Lake Wheeler Road Field Laboratory in Wake County, North Carolina¹

| Variety/ Treatment | 1995 Harvest Dates | | 1995 Total | 1994 Total | 1993 Total | 3-Year Average |
|---|--------------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|
| | 27-Jun | 17-Nov | | | | |
| <u>Pounds per Acre Dry Forage²</u> | | | | | | |
| <u>Two Cut Management</u> | | | | | | |
| NC1 | 10904 | 5674 | 16578 | 14377 | 467 | 10369 |
| Kanlo | 12642 | 3310 | 15951 | 14735 | 6561 | 12292 |
| Alamo | 10593 | 5053 | 15646 | 14467 | 7335 | 12358 |
| NC2 | 9252 | 3475 | 12727 | 13305 | 895 | 8886 |
| Cave-in-rovek | 8719 | 3296 | 12015 | 12681 | 6835 | 10405 |
| Shelter | 8067 | 2469 | 10536 | 10805 | 4801 | 8627 |
| <u>One Cut Management</u> | | | | | | |
| Alamo | | 12278 | 12278 | 12323 | 5750 | 10016 |
| NC1 | | 11901 | 11901 | 10270 | 518 | 7487 |
| NC2 | | 11786 | 11786 | 9644 | 791 | 7333 |
| Kanlo | | 10711 | 10711 | 12770 | 5105 | 9433 |
| Cave-in-rock | | 7131 | 7131 | 8305 | 3963 | 6402 |
| Shelter | | 5625 | 5625 | 6608 | 3005 | 5029 |
| <u>Mean of Test</u> | <u>10030</u> | <u>6893</u> | <u>11907</u> | <u>11698</u> | <u>3911</u> | <u>9053</u> |
| L.S.D. Waller Duncan | | | | | | |
| K Ratio=100 | 2229 | 1694 | 2553 | 2143 | 1105 | |
| s.e. | 1426 | 1304 | 1765 | 683 | 724 | |
| Error d.f. | 15 | 33 | 33 | 29 | 24 | |
| C.V. | 14 | 19 | 15 | 13 | 19 | |

¹1995 Cultural Practices: Soil test-pH 6.0, P-I 166+, K-I 150, HM% 0.7
Fertilization (lb/acre) March 7 80 k20, April 4 90 N to one cut management,
45N to two cut management, June 30 45 N to two cut management.

Weed Control (lb/acre a.i.) (April 3 2.0 AAtrex
Insect Control (lb/acre a.i.) June 30 1.25 Servin

²Average of four replications.

APPENDIX

Appendix Table 1 Temperature and precipitation for Wake County 1994-1995.

| Month | Temperature (of) | | | | | | |
|----------------------|------------------|-------------------------|------|---------|--|--------|-----|
| | Mean | Mean Max | Min. | Highest | Day | Lowest | Day |
| <u>1994</u> | | | | | | | |
| November | 55.0 | 66.0 | 43.9 | 76 | 9+ | 27 | 20 |
| December | 48.2 | 57.0 | 39.2 | 75 | 7 | 26 | 20 |
| <u>1995</u> | | | | | | | |
| January | 43.4 | 52.5 | 32.3 | 73 | 14 | 15 | 6 |
| February | 41.9 | 51.1 | 32.7 | 71 | 26 | 12 | 7 |
| March | 53.0 | 63.4 | 42.6 | 77 | 17 | 24 | 10 |
| April | 62.1 | 76.0 | 48.3 | 88 | 19 | 31 | 3 |
| May | 68.5 | 78.8 | 58.3 | 89 | 18 | 44 | 8 |
| June | 73.5 | 82.3 | 64.7 | 90 | 8+ | 55 | 17 |
| July | 78.7 | 88.3 | 69.1 | 93 | 16+ | 64 | 4 |
| August | 80.9 | 92.4 | 69.4 | 98 | 14 | 59 | 21 |
| September | 70.7 | 79.8 | 61.7 | 81 | 1 | 48 | 23+ |
| October | 63.9 | 74.8 | 53.1 | 83 | 2 | 37 | 30 |
| November | 47.8 | 58.3 | 37.3 | 73 | 3 | 25 | 16 |
| December | 38.6 | 49.8 | 27.4 | 71 | 15+ | 19 | 16+ |
| <u>Precipitation</u> | | | | | | | |
| Month | Total | Greatest in 24 hours | Day | | Number days with precipitation 0.10 inches or over | | |
| <u>1994</u> | | | | | | | |
| | | inches | | | | | |
| November | 3.16 | 0.79 | | 27 | | 7 | |
| December | 1.42 | 0.33 | | 23 | | 6 | |
| <u>1995</u> | | | | | | | |
| January | 5.91 | 2.90 | | 15 | | 6 | |
| February | 6.11 | 2.44 | | 16 | | 7 | |
| March | 3.65 | 1.20 | | 1 | | 6 | |
| April | 1.14 | 0.68 | | 13 | | 2 | |
| May | 3.92 | 1.10 | | 10 | | 6 | |
| June | 10.36 | 2.00 | | 6 | | 11 | |
| July | 2.87 | 1.42 | | 19 | | 6 | |
| August | 3.89 | 2.20 | | 28 | | 3 | |
| September | 3.66 | 2.33 | | 23 | | 6 | |
| October | 9.01 | 3.90 | | 4 | | 8 | |
| November | 4.57 | 1.66 | | 7 | | 10 | |
| December | 1.58 | 1.08 | | 9 | | 3 | |
| 1995 Totals | 56.67 | | | | | | |

+Also on earlier date or dates.

Appendix Table 2 Cultural practices and fertilization for perennial forages.

A. FVT 245 Bermuda (Wake Co.)

Planted May 1991. Tifton 78, Tifton 44, Callie, Coastal, and Laurel Springs bermudas were established by sprigging. All others were broadcast seeded in plots 10' X 20'.

Soil test at planting: pH 5.6, P-I 094, K-I 60, HM% 1.1

Soil test 1994: pH 5.7, P-I 080, K-I 44, HM% 0.8

| DATE | Fertilization (lb/acre) | | | |
|---------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|------|
| | N | P ₂ O ₅ | K ₂ O | LIME |
| 5/9/91 | 25 | 50 | 50 | |
| 2/16/93 | | 50 | 100 | 1000 |
| 3/31/93 | 50 | | | |
| 5/10/93 | 45 | | | |
| 7/2/93 | 50 | | | |
| 7/29/93 | 50 | | | |
| 2/22/94 | 50 | 50 | 50 | |
| 6/22/94 | 50 | | | |
| 7/20/94 | 50 | | | |

Weed control (lb/acre a.i.)

| | |
|---------|------------|
| 3/31/93 | 1.5 AAtrex |
| | 1.0 2, 4-D |
| 4/15/94 | 1.5 AAtrex |

B. Biomass-Switchgrass (Wake County) Seeded May 22, 1992 NC1 and NC2 reseeded on June 8, 1993.

Soil test 1993 pH 6.3, P-I 166+, K-I 70, HM% 0.8

Soil test 1994 pH 6.3, P-I 166+, K-I 68, HM% 0.8

Fertilization (lb/acre a.i.)

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|---------|--------------|-----|-----|
| 3/31/93 | 45 | 125 | 125 |
| 5/10/93 | 50 | | |
| 7/2/93 | 90-1cut mgt | | |
| 4/18/94 | 45-2cut mgt | | |
| 4/18/94 | 45-2 cut mgt | | |
| 7/1/94 | | | |

Weed Control (lb/acre a.i.)

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| 3/31/93 | 1.5 AAtrex |
| 4/29/93 | 1.5 Princep |
| 4/15/94 | 2.0 AAtrex |

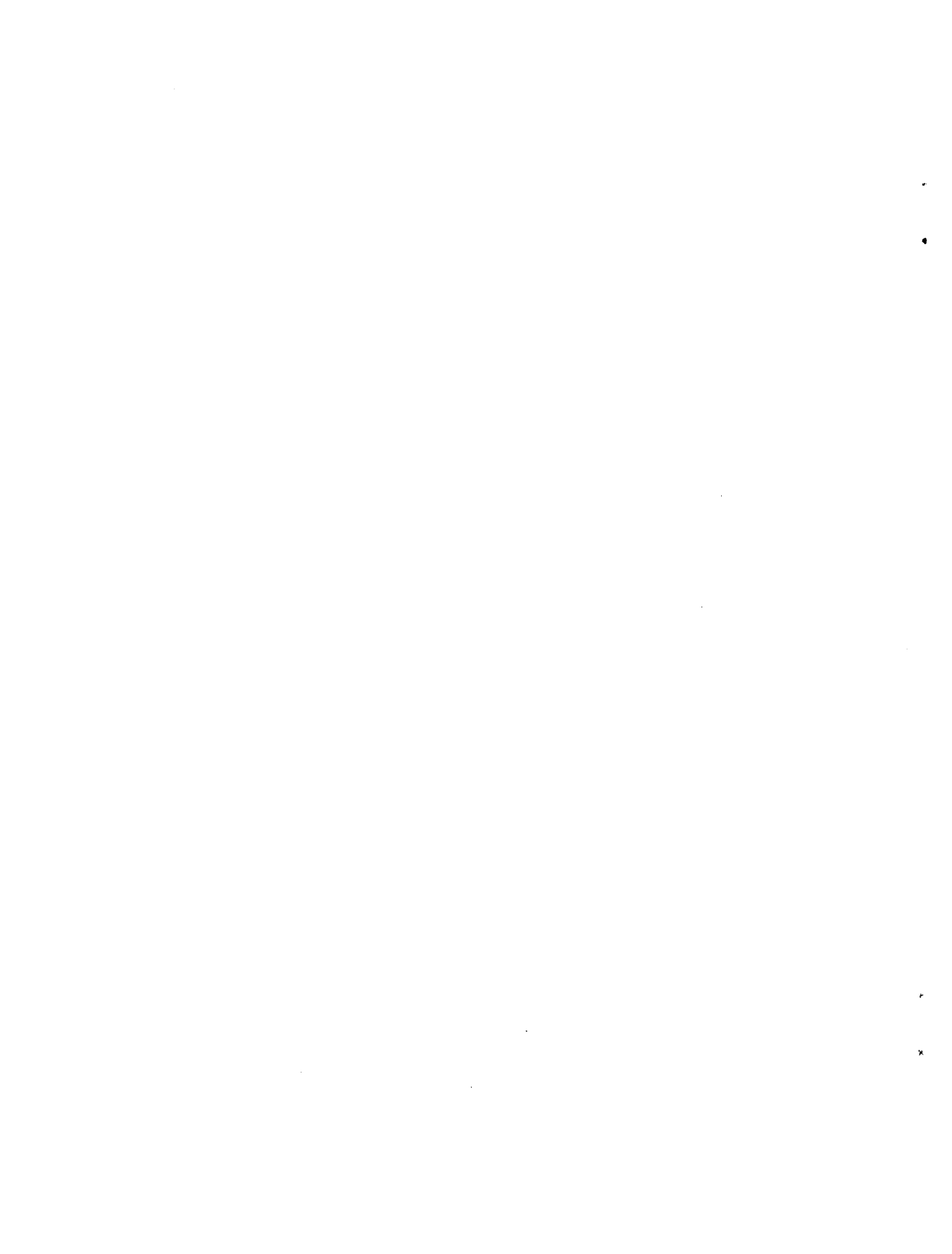
Insect Control (lb/acre a.i.)

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| 7/20/93 | 1.5 Sevin |
| 7/6/94 | 1.25 Sevin |

C. FVT 253 Fescue and orchardgrass (Wake County) Seeded September 16, 1993 at rate of 20 lb/acre for orchardgrass. Due to dry weather and poor stand, reseeded October 21, 1993 at original rate. Soil test at planting pH 5.8, P-I 30, K-I 54, HM% 0.3

Fertilization (lb/acre)

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| 9/16/93 | 25 | 50 | 50 |
| 3/7/94 | | 50 | |
| 7/21/94 | | 75 | |



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