Preliminary Forage Data for Irrigated and Non-irrigated Forages

	Pounds of Dry Matter/		
	acre/grazing event	standard error	
Alfalfa			
DRYLAND	1582	143	
IRRIGATED	1866	132	
Crabgrass			
DRYLAND*	1502	238	
IRRIGATED*	1560	258	
PRG			
DRYLAND	711	92	
IRRIGATED	915	116	
Tall Fescue			
DRYLAND	582	107	
IRRIGATED	729	113	

^{*}Crabgrass not irrigated during season due to adequate rainfall and forage growth rate

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		Inches Irrigation/		
	% advantage Irrigation	Grazing Event		
Alfalfa	18%	1.10		
Crabgrass	*			
PRG	29%	3		
Tall Fescue	25%	1.11		
*Crabgrass not irrigated during season due to adequate				

Rainfall Data during Grazing Season					
	2016	Normal	ET loss		
May	5.8	5.17	4.54		
June	2.46	4.62	6.41		
July	6.74	4.24	5.09		
Aug	6.68	3.63	4.88		
Sept	4.49	4.03	4.39		
Oct	2.29	3.55	3.1		





Calibrating Red River Crabgrass by harvesting known area and calculating kilograms of dry matter forage per square meter. Height of the forage is measured by use of the sensor technology (20 readings per second).



Depiction of alfalfa being fully irrigated with 1.3 inches/acre (picture with hat on left), alfalfa with half irrigation due to the nature of the spider system (requires full pass of the irrigator for 1.3 inches to be applied; middle hat) and no water applied to alfalfa (hat on right). These were taken on same day and in same paddock. The alfalfa on the left measured 217 mm compared to 69 mm on the right.