

Grass Green-Up and Green-Down Site Selection

Field Guide

Task

Define the site for green-up and green-down measurement of grasses.

What You Need

- [Site Definition Sheet](#)
- [GPS Data Sheet](#)
- [GPS Protocol Field Guide](#)
- GPS receiver
- Pencil or pen
- Nails or stakes or other durable identifiers
- Meter stick or tape measure
- Dichotomous keys and/or other local species guides

In the Field

1. Complete the *Site Definition Sheet*.
2. Identify genus using field guides or help of plant specialists. Record the genus on the *Site Definition Sheet*.
3. Select a one-meter square area dominated by grass plants. Mark your one-meter square plot with nails or stakes or other durable identifiers.
4. Take a GPS measurement following the [GPS Protocol](#).