

## Hay Intensity Standards

### Hay

This operation involves the cultivation of perennial, improved grasses, which are cut and baled for livestock consumption. The most common type of grasses includes Coastal Bermuda and Johnson Grass. These grasses are usually baled in the spring and early summer if irrigation is not available. If the land is irrigated, it may be baled up to the fall.

#### **Requirement**

10 acres (*pertains to acreage devoted only to the hay operation*)

Type Crop	Minimum Acres	Cultivation	Fertilization	Irrigation
Sudan	10	Annually	Yes	Dry or Irrigated
Oats	10	Annually	Yes	Dry
Johnson Grass	10	Annually	Yes	Dry
Coastal Bermuda	10	One Time	Yes	Dry or Irrigated

#### **Typical Management Practices**

- Fertilizing,
- Weed Control,
- Cutting,
- Baling,
- Hauling,
- Recording keeping and
- Marketing