Shade & Shelter Planning for Pastures

A worksheet for planning shade and shelter in pastures, helping producers decide where trees, windbreaks or structures best protect their animals. Work through it top to bottom, using your own records, and revisit it when conditions change.

Farm / unit: _____ Date: _____ By: _____

Pasture and livestock type _____

Current shade and shelter sources _____

Prevailing wind and sun direction _____

Candidate sites for shelter _____

Options: trees, windbreak, structure _____

Water and access nearby _____

Cost and labor estimate _____

Planned timeline _____

NOTES / CALCULATIONS

TIP Place shelter where animals will use it but away from water so manure and wear do not concentrate.