

## **“Graze & Grain™” Program for the Southern Plains**

**A Comprehensive management program for optimal use of wheat, triticale, and stocker cattle.**

### **Objective**

Maximize net farm income from cash grain and livestock enterprises.

### **TRICAL “Graze & Grain” Program Highlights**

Early planting of triticale.

Later planting of wheat to avoid stress, pests & to increase grain yields.

Wheat variety chosen with greater emphasis on grain yield and value.

Earlier, heavier grazing of triticale in the fall. Light winter grazing of wheat.

In spring, concentrate cattle on triticale.

Manage wheat to optimize grain production.

Longer graze-out season on triticale than possible with wheat.

### **Variations in TRICAL “Graze & Grain” Program**

Instead of grazing out triticale, harvest it for silage or hay.

Grow a “dual purpose” triticale variety that has been developed for grazing and subsequent harvest for grain.

### **TRICAL “Graze & Grain” Program Benefits**

Earlier fall grazing.

More forage production per acre.

Avoid buildup of insects and diseases associated with early-planted wheat.

Increase wheat grain yield per acre while enhancing farm’s stocker production.

Extend grazing season to increase production and widen cattle marketing window.

Graze-out or take advantage of the significantly higher grain or hay yields of triticale compared to wheat or rye.

**= HIGHER PROFITS**



