

CHECKLIST 2A

PLANNING YOUR HOBBY FARM ACTIVITIES

If you plan on GROWING CROPS (see Section 4)

What crops do you plan to grow?

What are the space requirements of your selected crops?

What type of soils do you have?

What is the nutrient content of the soil? Have you completed a soil test?

What types and quantities of fertilizers are required for this crop? Where will you store it?

What types of pests are a problem for this crop, and how will you control them?

How will you irrigate the crops? Where will you obtain water and how much will you need?

If you plan on KEEPING ANIMALS (see Section 5)

What types of animals do you want to have on your hobby farm and how many of each animal will you raise?

How much space is needed for grazing? Will you supplement with feed?

How much water is needed to support the animals?

How much manure are they expected to produce? Where will you store it?

What do they need for shelter? Exercise?

How do you plan to confine them? Fencing or other methods?

Other OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE (see Sections 6 and 7)

What equipment will you need for your hobby farm?

What products and tools will you need to maintain equipment?

What facilities will you need to store and provide maintenance of this equipment?

What wastes (including animal manure and crop residues) will you need to manage within the farm or dispose off-site?