



King Conservation District



HAY PROBE LOAN PROGRAM

What is a Hay Probe?

A hay probe is a sharpened metal tube that is used to take a representative sample of the forage in a bale of hay. KCD's hay probe (also called a core sampler) is available to borrow at no charge. Forage samples are then sent to a laboratory for nutritional analysis. Knowing the nutrient composition of hay can help match a feeding program to animal requirements and also help with marketing hay to potential customers.



For more information about the hay probe loan program, visit [KCD's website](http://www.kingcd.org).

HOW IT WORKS



*Taking a core sample with drill
(14 volt or greater is recommended)*



Hay bale cores in collection tube



*Bagging sample in preparation
for mailing to lab.*

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