Ray's Crazy Spring Mix

A diverse, 8 species mix of small grains, legumes and brassicas. This mix is designed with rapid growth and soil health in mind. This mix can be used as a short term cover crop, a soil-building transition crop to renovate depleted soils, and a grazing mix.

Cover Crop Only:
Plant at reduced seeding rate noted below. The longer the mix is allowed to grow, the more biomass and nitrogen the mix will be able to produce. Mix should be terminated prior to seed set, approximately end of may to early June.

Grazing:
Similar management to other spring annual mixes.
Single Graze: Allow to grow until oats reach boot stage
Multiple Grazes: graze before oats reach 10 inches in height to ensure regrowth of the small grains. Peas and Berseem Clover will likely not regrow. 2 or 3 grazing's may be taken in this manner. Regrowth will be limited if small grains are allowed to grow too big.

One Cut Forage:
A single cutting of forage can be taken for baleage. Take this cutting when the oats are in boot stage for best quality. Brassicas will slow the drying of this mix.

Soil Benefits by component :
Peas—Improve Soil Nitrogen
Clovers—Improve Soil Nitrogen, Attract beneficial insects and pollinators
Small Grains—Build Soil Organic Matter, Scavenge Nitrogen, Loosen Compacted Subsoil, Suppress Weeds
Brassicas—Scavenge Nitrogen, Sulfur and Calcium

At A Glance:

◦ Quick spring nitrogen producer for summer planted crops
◦ Recycles nutrients in spring as soils warm up
◦ Great soil building properties
◦ Contains blooming species that will attract beneficial insects

Formulation:
33% 4010 Peas
21% Proleaf Oats
21% Spring Triticale
13% Spring Barley
8% Crimson Clover
2% Berseem Clover
1% Turnips
1% Barsica Rape

Best Use:
Managed Grazing, Soil improvement, Baleage

Establishment:
Seeding rate: 120 lbs/A—forage
60-80lbs/A—cover crop
Seeding Depth: 1/2” - 3/4”
Planting Dates: As soon as ground is suitable to work in the spring