

Table 5. Phenological stages of medusahead. Precision grazing must be applied before stage R5. Mowing and herbicide can be applied until R7.

Stage Code	Description
V1	Plant Germinated
V2	Early vegetative, before elongation of internodes
V3	Late vegetative, elongation of internodes and boot stage
R4	From emergence of awns to full emergence of seedhead
R5	From fully emerged seedhead to opening of florets. Anthesis. Visible anthers.
R6	Anthesis to closure of florets. Beginning of kernel formation.
R7	Kernel elongation inside floret until it reaches full length.
R8	Seeds in milk stage. Kernels occupy full length of palea.
R9	Seeds in dough stage.
M10	All seeds in seedhead are mature and hard. Plants are not dead yet. There is some red, brown and green in the seedheads. Glume veins are dark.
D11	Tiller is dead and dry. Color is uniform, sandy yellowish but not grey. Seeds shatter.
L12	Grey plant remains obviously from the previous season.