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Grazing Rotations

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Graze and Rest Systems

Rotational

Mob Grazing

Adaptive Multi-Paddock
Grazing (AMP)

Tall Grass Grazing

Management Intensive
Grazing (MIG)

High Density Grazing

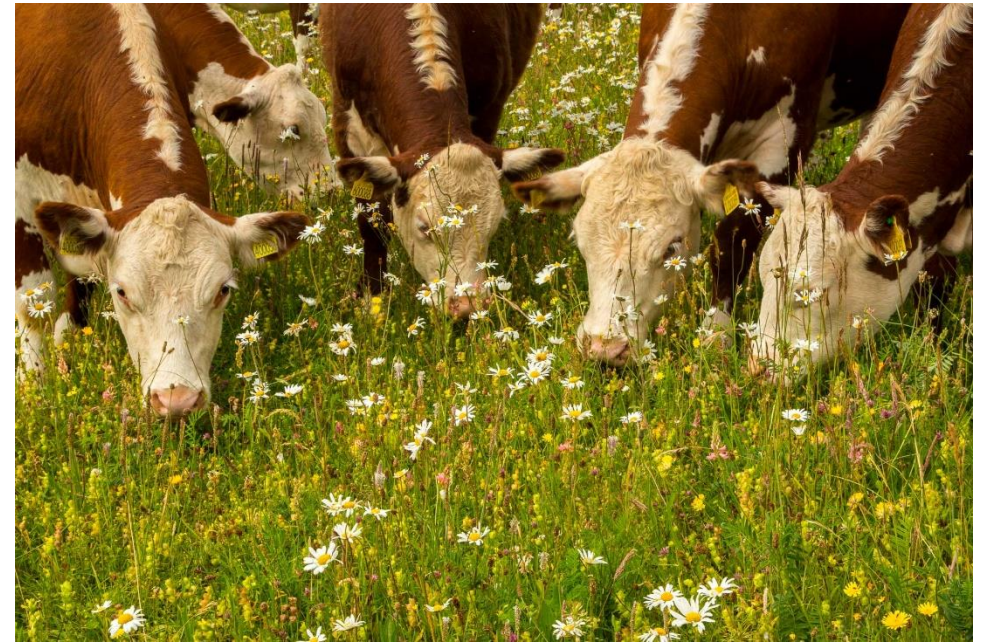
Ultra High-Density Grazing

Total Grazing

...and so on.

Key principles:
GRAZE + REST

TIME is a key determinant of
impact.





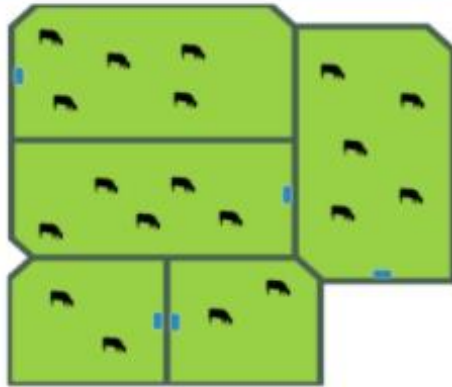
What is Mob Grazing?

Short duration, high density grazing followed by a long period of rest.

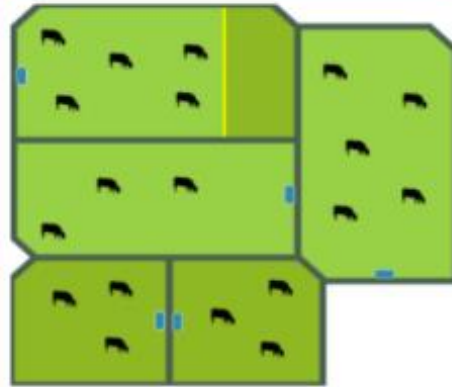
For **example**, 24-hour grazing period, 100 cows per acre, 90 days rest.

Traditional grazing management

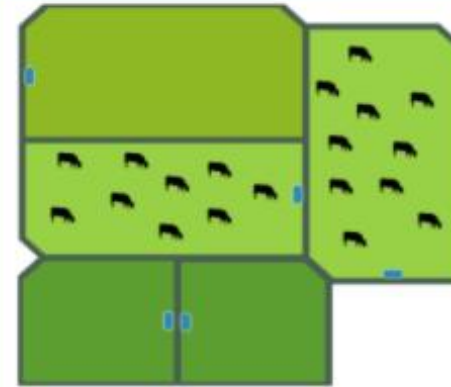
Set-stocking



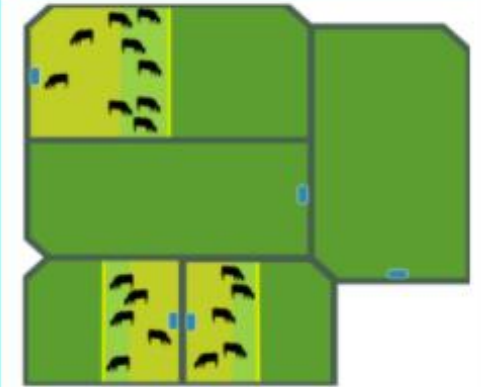
Continuous (variable)



Relaxed Rotational



Strip grazing
(front fence)

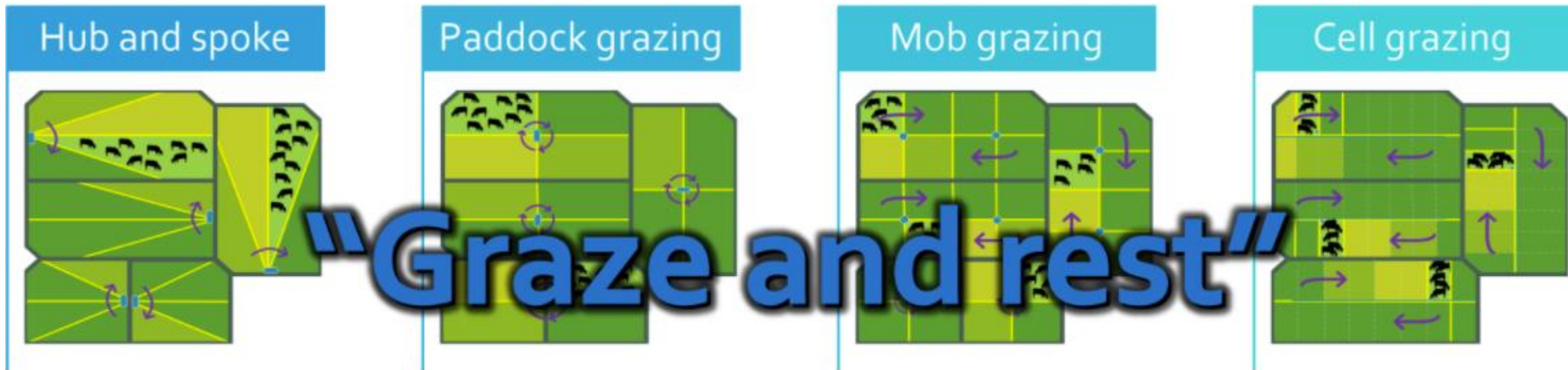


- ✓ Minimal infrastructure required
- ✓ Fixed watering points
- ✓ Low labour input

- ✗ Use low to medium stocking rates
- ✗ No control over grazing pressure
- ✗ No or short, infrequent rest periods
- ✗ Allows for selective grazing

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Modern grazing management



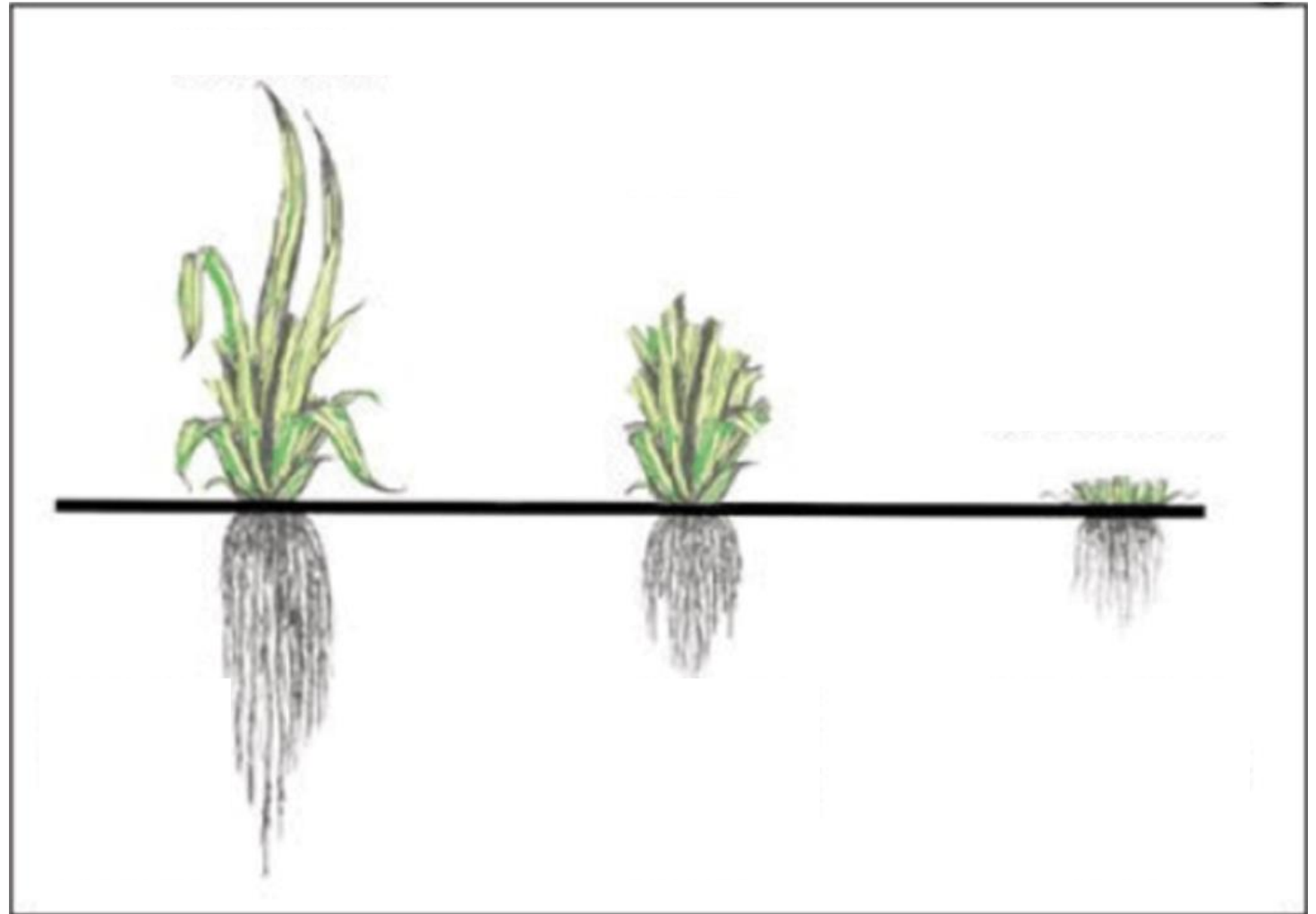
- ✓ Use high to very high stocking density
- ✓ Control over grazing pressure
- ✓ Prolonged and adjustable rest periods
- ✓ Discourages selective grazing

- ✗ Requires additional infrastructure
- ✗ Access to water (multiple / moveable troughs)
- ✗ Higher labour input and management

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Short grazing periods + long(er) rest = recovery

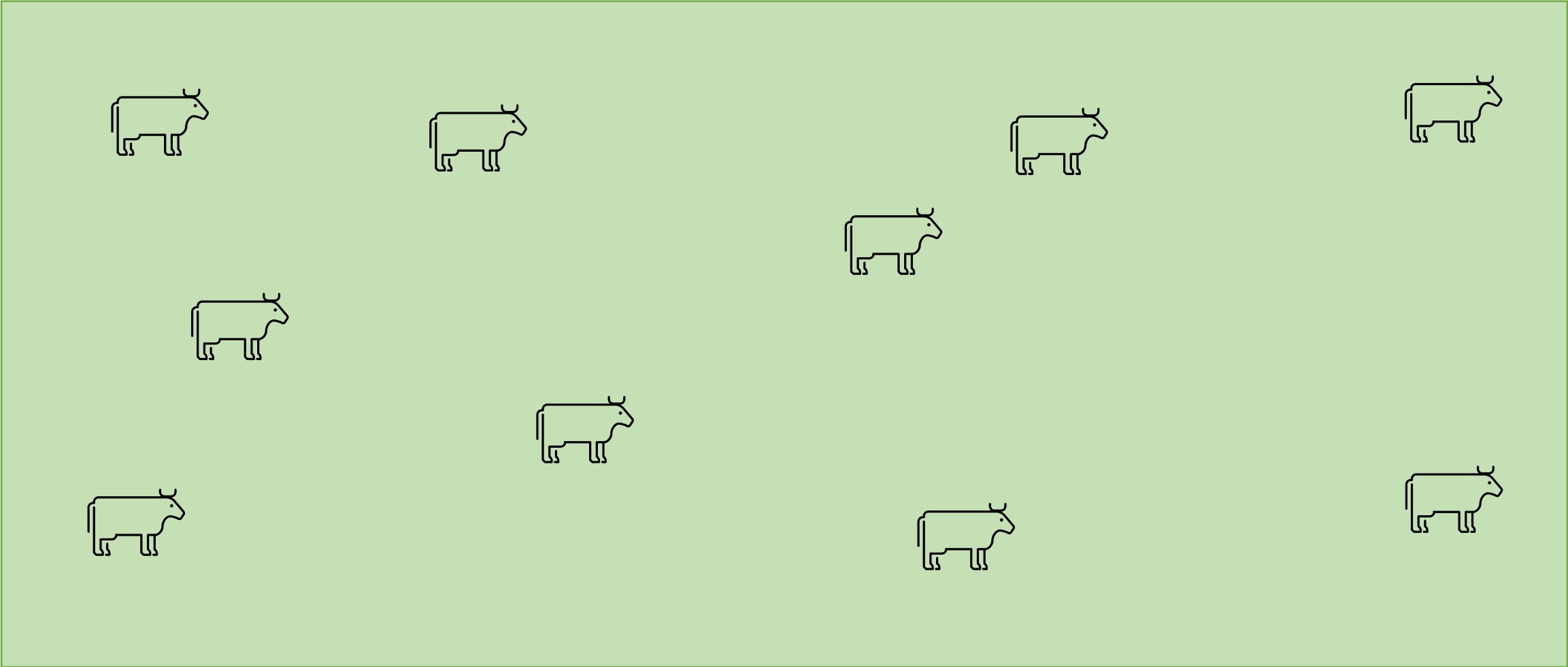
- Overgrazing has implications for the plant, for the soil and for rainfall resilience.
- If grazed heavily, rest is vital to ensure field system functioning.
- Trampling whilst grazing can help feed the soil and increase organic matter.



Continuous grazing over time

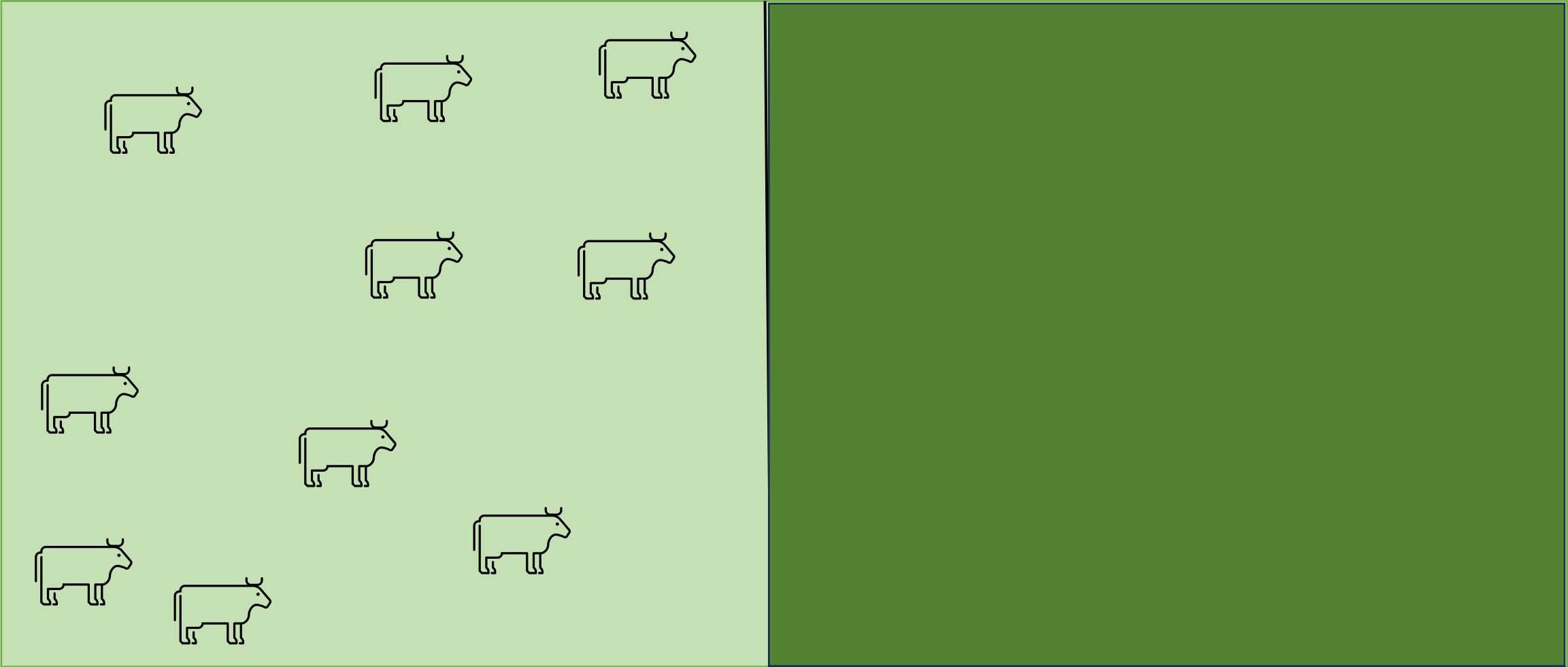
The power of REST!

10 cattle, 48 days grazing, rest?



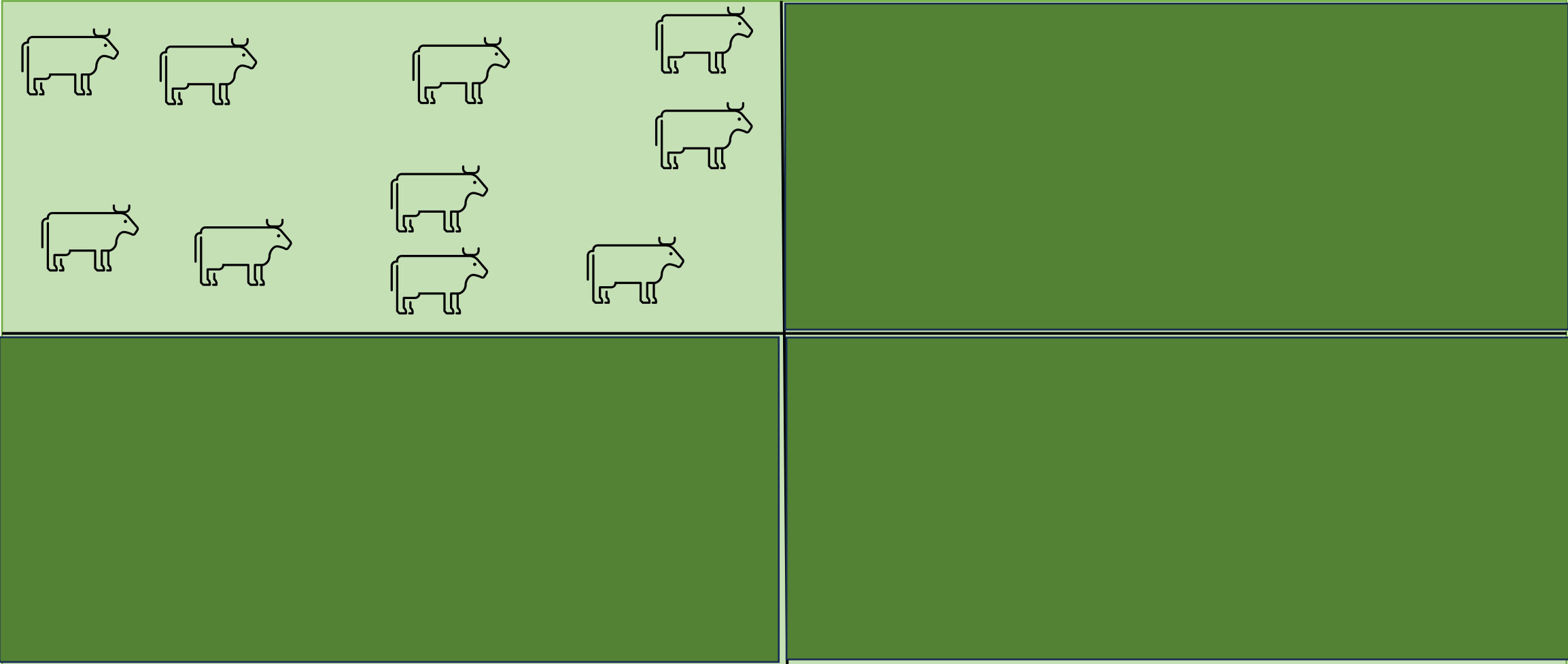
The power of REST!

10 cattle, 24 days per paddock grazing



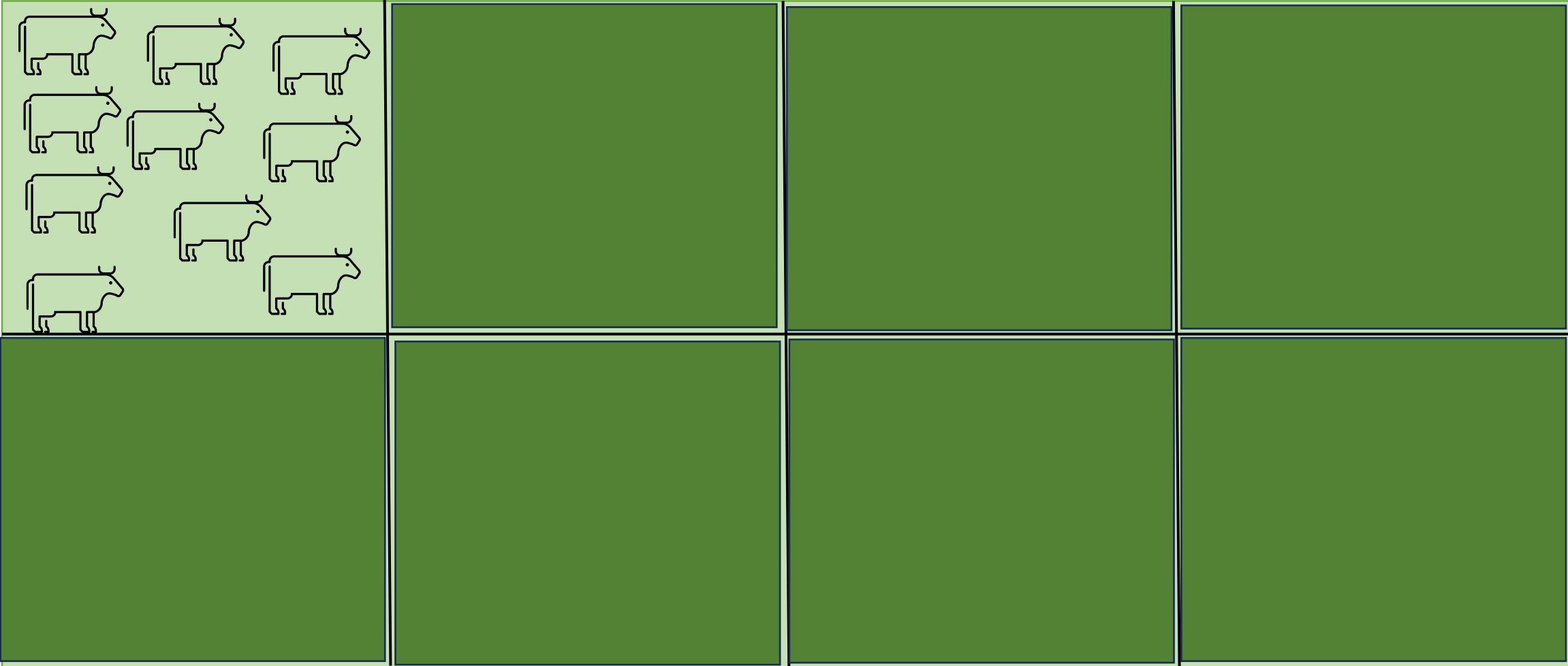
The power of REST!

10 cattle, 12 days per paddock grazing



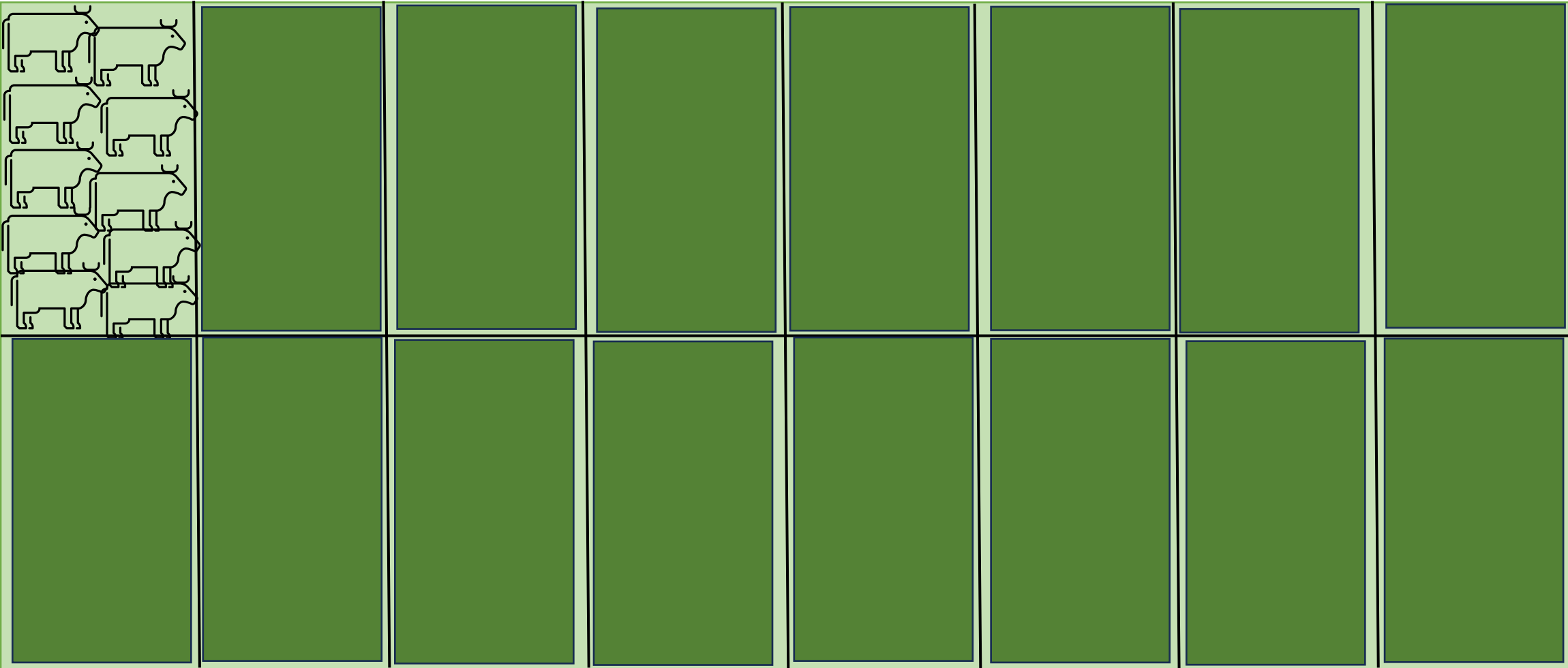
The power of REST!

10 cattle, 6 days per paddock grazing



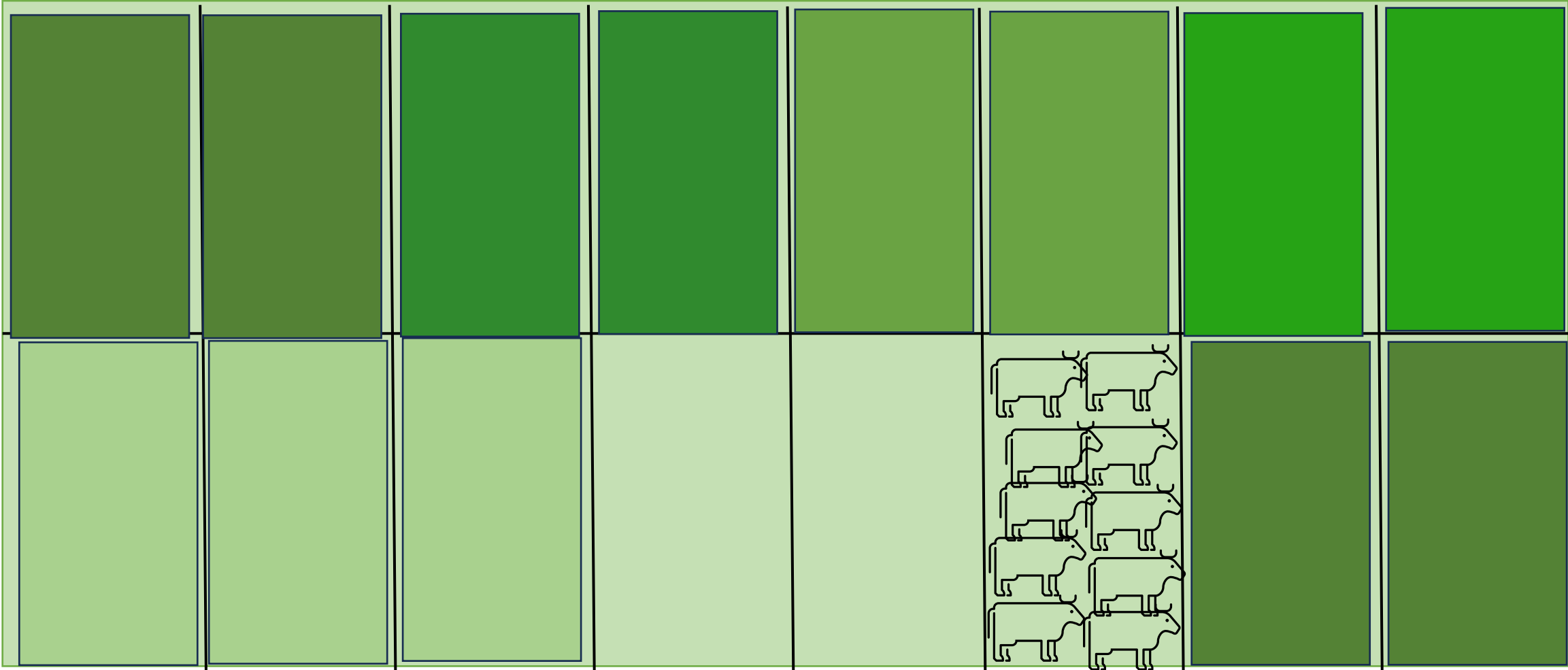
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10 cattle, 3 days per paddock grazing



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What do we need to plan for?

Kit & Equipment (Water!)

Length of time grazing

Size of paddock

Length of recovery time

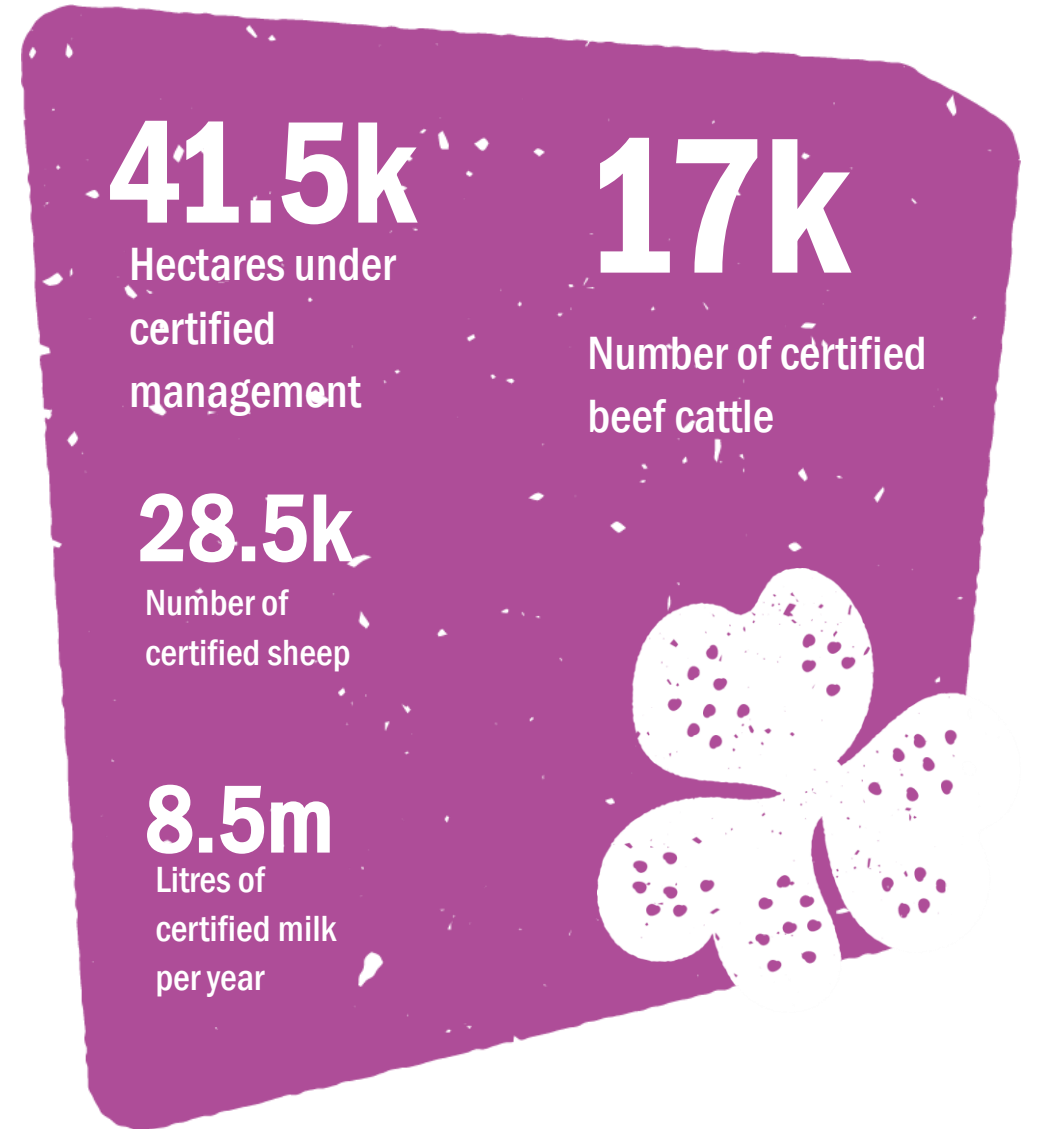
Forage demand and supply (The Grass Wedge)



Certification

We operate a certification, which verifies food and fibre that has come from animals that have been fed wholly on pasture for their lives.

Some have reached certification, but many are still on the journey, supported by the community.











Thank You.

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