Sprouted Grains for Fodder

Objective: To determine the nutrient composition of sprouted grain fodder.

Farmer-cooperator will:
- Describe the growing conditions for the sprouts, including temperature, lighting, and humidity. Note how much water was used, each day and overall.
- Plant three batches of fodder (each with a different seeding rate) will be planted: 1 lb, 1.5 lb, and 2 lb in a 5-ft gutter. Two reps of each seeding rate will be established.
- Perform a germination test.
- Harvest, rinse and weigh samples for each seeding.
- Send in samples for macro- and micro-nutrient analysis.
- Keep track of costs involved.

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