

*Projections for Planning Purposes Only
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Table 1.A Estimated costs and returns per Acre
Alfalfa Establishment, Dryland
2012 Projected Costs and Returns per Acre

ITEM	UNIT	PRICE	QUANTITY	AMOUNT	YOUR FARM
		dollars		dollars	
INCOME				-----	
TOTAL INCOME				0.00	_____
DIRECT EXPENSES					
custom					
herb. application	acre	4.50	1.0000	4.50	_____
herbicide					
herb. - roundup	pint	2.01	2.0000	4.02	_____
seed					
seed - alfalfa	lb.	3.25	20.0000	65.00	_____
fertilizer					
fertilizer (N)	lb.	0.52	40.0000	20.80	_____
fertilizer (P)	lb.	0.58	80.0000	46.40	_____
potash (K)	lb.	0.48	40.0000	19.20	_____
sulfur	lb.	0.39	12.0000	4.68	_____
OPERATOR LABOR					
Implements	hour	10.00	0.5743	5.74	_____
Tractors	hour	10.00	0.5140	5.14	_____
Self-Propelled Eq.	hour	10.00	0.1876	1.87	_____
DIESEL FUEL					
Tractors	gal	3.40	3.4386	11.69	_____
GASOLINE					
Self-Propelled Eq.	gal	3.29	2.8140	9.25	_____
REPAIR & MAINTENANCE					
Implements	Acre	4.71	1.0000	4.71	_____
Tractors	Acre	4.43	1.0000	4.43	_____
Self-Propelled Eq.	Acre	0.30	1.0000	0.30	_____
INTEREST ON OP. CAP.	Acre	4.51	1.0000	4.51	_____
TOTAL DIRECT EXPENSES				212.27	_____
RETURNS ABOVE DIRECT EXPENSES				-212.27	_____
FIXED EXPENSES					
Implements	Acre	7.92	1.0000	7.92	_____
Tractors	Acre	7.97	1.0000	7.97	_____
Self-Propelled Eq.	Acre	0.63	1.0000	0.63	_____
TOTAL FIXED EXPENSES				16.54	_____
TOTAL SPECIFIED EXPENSES				228.81	_____
RETURNS ABOVE TOTAL SPECIFIED EXPENSES				-228.81	_____
ALLOCATED COST ITEMS					
cash rent - alfalfa	acre	30.00	1.0000	30.00	_____
RESIDUAL RETURNS				-258.81	_____

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*Information presented is prepared solely as a general guide & not intended to recognize or predict the costs & returns from any one operation.
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Table 1.B Estimated resource use and costs for field operations, per Acre
 Alfalfa Establishment, Dryland
 2011 Projected Costs and Returns per Acre

OPERATION/ OPERATING INPUT	SIZE/ UNIT	TRACTOR SIZE	PERF TIMES			TRACTOR COST		EQUIP COST		ALLOC LABOR		OPERATING INPUT			TOTAL COST
			RATE	OVER	MTH	DIRECT	FIXED	DIRECT	FIXED	HOURS	COST	AMOUNT	PRICE	COST	
						-----dollars-----				dollars		-----dollars-----			
herb. - roundup	pint			1.00	Mar							2.0000	2.01	4.02	4.02
herb. application	acre											1.0000	4.50	4.50	4.50
Chisel - 25 Feet	25 Feet	125	0.091	1.00	Jun	2.87	1.42	0.60	1.43	0.201	2.01				8.35
Disc-Tandem (21 ft)	21 feet	125	0.105	1.00	Jul	3.29	1.63	1.24	1.85	0.231	2.31				10.33
Disc-Tandem (21 ft)	21 feet	125	0.105	1.00	Aug	3.29	1.63	1.24	1.85	0.231	2.31				10.33
fertilizer (N)	lb.			1.00	Sep							40.0000	0.52	20.80	20.80
fertilizer (P)	lb.											80.0000	0.58	46.40	46.40
potash (K)	lb.											40.0000	0.48	19.20	19.20
sulfur	lb.											12.0000	0.39	4.68	4.68
Drill - Grain	13.5 feet	125	0.212	1.00	Sep	6.65	3.29	1.62	2.77	0.424	4.24				18.59
seed - alfalfa	lb.											20.0000	3.25	65.00	65.00
Pick-up Truck	3/4 ton		0.006	28.00	Sep										12.07
TOTALS						16.12	7.97	14.27	8.56	1.275	12.75			164.60	224.30
INTEREST ON OPERATING CAPITAL															4.51
UNALLOCATED LABOR															0.00
TOTAL SPECIFIED COST															228.81

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