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Table 2.A Estimated costs and returns per Acre
Alfalfa Establishment, Irrigated
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	
IRRIGATION LABOR					
irrigation	hour	10.00	0.5120	5.12	
DIESEL FUEL					
Tractors	gal	3.40	3.4386	11.69	
ELECTRICITY					
irrigation	kWh	0.11	131.2000	15.08	
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	
irrigation	ac/in	2.33	8.0000	18.64	
INTEREST ON OP. CAP.	Acre	5.74	1.0000	5.74	
TOTAL DIRECT EXPENSES				252.35	
RETURNS ABOVE DIRECT EXPENSES				-252.35	
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	
irrigation	Acre	38.64	1.0000	38.64	
TOTAL FIXED EXPENSES				55.18	
TOTAL SPECIFIED EXPENSES				307.53	
RETURNS ABOVE TOTAL SPECIFIED EXPENSES				-307.53	
ALLOCATED COST ITEMS					
cash rent - alf irr.	acre	75.00	1.0000	75.00	
RESIDUAL RETURNS				-382.53	

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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 2.B Estimated resource use and costs for field operations, per Acre
 Alfalfa Establishment, Irrigated
 2011 Projected Costs and Returns per Acre

OPERATION/ OPERATING INPUT	SIZE/ UNIT	TRACTOR SIZE	PERF RATE	TIMES OVER	MTH	TRACTOR COST		EQUIP COST		ALLOC LABOR		OPERATING INPUT			TOTAL COST
						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
fertilizer (N)	lb.			1.00	Aug							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
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
irrigation	ac/in			1.00	Sep			16.86	38.64	0.256	2.56	4.0000			58.06
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			9.56	0.63	0.187	1.87				12.07
irrigation	ac/in			1.00	Oct			16.86		0.256	2.56	4.0000			19.42
TOTALS						16.12	7.97	48.00	47.20	1.787	17.87			164.60	301.78
INTEREST ON OPERATING CAPITAL															5.74
UNALLOCATED LABOR															0.00
TOTAL SPECIFIED COST															307.53

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