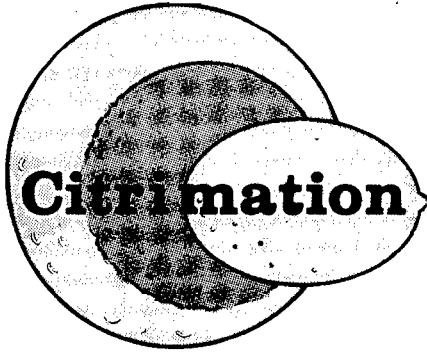


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Citrimation for Ventura County

May 1975

SAMPLE LEMON PRODUCTION COSTS

<u>CULTURAL OPERATIONS</u>		<u>SAMPLE COSTS PER ACRE</u>
Fertilization:	Nitrogen application; zinc and/or manganese spray	\$ 80
Irrigation:	2 ac. ft. water @ \$25/ac. ft. Labor	50 50
Insect Control:	Spring & fall spray plus one thrips spray)))
Disease Control:	Brown Rot Gummosis & other) 165))
Rodent Control:)
Weed Control:	Fall sterilant treatment & spot sprays	40
Pruning & Brush Chopping:	Alternate year - machine top & hand prune	130
Frost Protection:	Wind machines & heaters	90
Tree Replacement:) 40)
Miscellaneous:) 40)
	Subtotal	<u>\$ 645</u>
<u>CASH OVERHEAD</u>		
Taxes:		175 ^{1/}
Maintenance & Repair:	Buildings, pickup, tractors & irrigation	50
General Expense:		40
	Subtotal	<u>\$ 265</u>
<u>TOTAL ON-TREE CASH COSTS ^{2/}</u>		<u>\$ 910</u>

^{1/} Savings of 5-10% if in Land Preserve.

^{2/} Charges for management, interest on investment, and depreciation are not included in these sample costs.

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