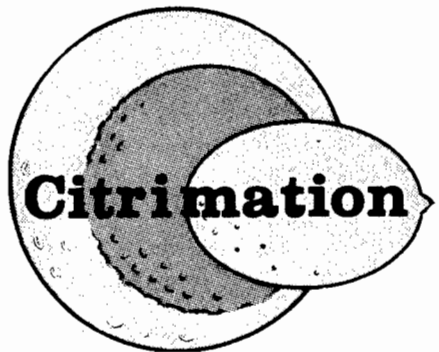


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SAMPLE VALENCIA ORANGE PRODUCTION COSTS

<u>CULTURAL OPERATIONS</u>		<u>SAMPLE COSTS PER ACRE</u>
Fertilization:	Nitrogen application; zinc and/or manganese spray	\$ 80
Irrigation:	3 a.-ft. water @ \$25/a.-ft. Labor @ \$30/a.-ft.	75 90
Insect Control:	Fall and Spring Spray; 2,4-D spray	} 180
Disease Control:	Gummosis and other	
Nematode Control:	Every 5 years -- prorated	
Weed Control:	Fall sterilant treatment and spot sprays	50
Pruning and Brush Chopping:	Every 5 years -- prorated	30
Frost Protection:	Wind Machines and Heaters	90
Tree Replacement:		} 100
Miscellaneous:		
Subtotal \$		695
 <u>CASH OVERHEAD <sup>2/</sup></u>		
Taxes:		\$ 110 <sup>1/</sup>
Maintenance and Repair:	Buildings, pickup, tractor, and irrigation	70
General Expense:		60
Subtotal \$		240
 <u>TOTAL ON-TREE CASH COSTS</u>		 <u>\$ 935</u>

<sup>1/</sup> Savings of 20 to 30 percent if in Land Preserve.

Charges for management, interest on investment and depreciation are not included in these sample costs.

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