



Estimation for Ventura County

January 1974

SAMPLE GRAPEFRUIT PRODUCTION COSTS

<u>CULTURAL OPERATIONS</u>		<u>SAMPLE COSTS</u>
		<u>PER ACRE</u>
Fertilization:	Nitrogen application; zinc and/or manganese spray	\$ 35
Irrigation:	3½ ac. ft. water @ \$24/ac. ft. Labor	84 45
Insect Control:	Spring & fall spray, 2,4-D spray)
Disease Control:	Septoria Gummosis & other)) 134
Rodent Control:)
Weed Control:	Fall sterilant treatment & spot sprays	32
Pruning & Brush Chopping:	Every 5 years--prorated	23
Frost Protection:		0
Tree Replacement:)) 31
Miscellaneous:))
	Subtotal	\$ 384
<u>CASH OVERHEAD</u>		
Taxes:		135 ^{1/}
Maintenance & Repair:	Buildings, pickup, tractor, and irrigation	32
General Expense:		25
	Subtotal	\$ 192
<hr/> <u>TOTAL ON-TREE CASH COSTS</u>		<hr/> \$ 576
<u>INVESTMENT OVERHEAD</u> ^{2/}		
Depreciation:	Trees, irrigation system, equipment, & shed	\$ 154
<hr/> <u>ON-TREE CASH COST + DEPRECIATION</u>		<hr/> \$ 730

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

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

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