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UC COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

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WHAT WILL IT COST ME TO GROW SAFFLOWER  
WITH A YIELD PER ACRE OF 2,000 LBS. ?

Sample costs Man Labor 85¢ hour. Big Tractor \$2.50 hr., Small Tractor \$1.20 hr.

	Sample Costs		Irr Costs	
	Per acre	Per cwt.	Per acre	Per cwt.
Land preparation 2 hr. man and heavy tractor at \$3.35	6.70			
List and smooth beds 20 to 30", 1/2 hr. with light tractor	1.03			
Planting and fertilizing 4 rows, 2 men, small tractor, .6 hr.	1.74			
Irrigation 3 times, 6 hr.	5.10			
Cultivation 4 times at 1/2 hr. each	4.10			
Combine, contract	6.00			
Haul out in bulk \$1.50 per ton contract	1.50			
<b>Total labor and field power cost</b>	<b>26.17</b>	<b>1.30</b>		
Irrigation water, power to pump 2 ac. ft. at \$2.50	5.00			
Seed, 25 lb. at 30¢	7.50			
Fertilizer to provide 60 lb. of N.	9.00			
<b>Total material cost</b>	<b>21.50</b>	<b>1.07</b>		
General expense	2.40			
County taxes, \$80 value at \$4.50 rate	3.60			
Repairs misc. and comp. ins.	2.00			
<b>Total cash overhead costs</b>	<b>8.00</b>	<b>.40</b>		
<b>TOTAL C.S.H COSTS</b>	<b>55.67</b>	<b>2.78</b>		
Depreciation on Irrigation Facilities \$60 per A. at 20 yrs.	3.00			
Tillage eqt. and misc. other than tractors \$12 per acre total over 10 years	1.20			
<b>Total depreciation</b>	<b>4.20</b>	<b>.21</b>		
Interest on investment at 5% on half cost of equipment and irrigation facilities.	2.80			
Land at \$300 per acre	15.00			
<b>Total interest on investment</b>	<b>17.80</b>	<b>.59</b>		
<b>TOTAL ALL COSTS</b>	<b>77.67</b>	<b>3.88</b>		