

Alfalfa

COSTS TO ESTABLISH ALFALFA

Tulelake, California 1962

Operation	Cost per Acre	
Landplane		\$2.50
Fertilize - 160# P ₂ O ₅		18.45
Disk		1.25
Harrow		1.00
Check		2.00
Drill both ways	\$2.00	
Seed - 12 lbs. @ 50¢	<u>6.00</u>	8.00
Ditch		.30
Irrigate 4 times - 4.0 hours @ \$1.65	6.60	
Water	<u>6.80</u>	13.40
Weevil spray - Heptachlor - 10 lbs. applied		2.75
Land cost - \$500.00 @ 6%	30.00	
Taxes	<u>6.50</u>	36.50
Miscellaneous		<u>7.10</u>
	Total cost	\$93.25
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Less: 2,000 lbs. wheat from nurse crop at		\$65.00
Seed 80 lbs @ \$4.00	\$3.20	
Harvest 2,000 lbs. @ 35¢	<u>7.00</u>	<u>10.20</u>
	Net value of wheat	- <u>54.80</u>
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Cost to establish alfalfa		\$38.45



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