



COSTS TO PRODUCE ALFALFA

Tulelake, California 1968

Yield - 5 ton

| Operation   | Cost/Acre | Total           |
|---|-----------|-----------------|
| Clean ditches                                       | \$ .30    |                 |
| Renovate  | 1.00      |                 |
| Weevil control                                      | 2.75      |                 |
| Irrigate - 4 times, 4 hrs. @ \$1.65                 | 6.60      |                 |
| Water   | 7.50      | 14.10           |
| Fertilize   | .50       |                 |
| 60 lbs. Phosphate @ 10¢                             | 6.00      | 6.50            |
| <b>TOTAL CULTURAL COST</b>                          |           | <b>\$24.65</b>  |
| Mow - 2 times @ \$1.50                              | 3.00      |                 |
| Rake - 2 times @ \$1.50                             | 3.00      |                 |
| Bale - 5 ton @ \$4.50                               | 22.50     |                 |
| Roadside 5 ton @ \$2.50                             | 12.50     |                 |
| <b>TOTAL HARVEST COST</b>                           |           | <b>\$41.00</b>  |
| Management 5% of 5 ton @ \$30.00                    | 7.50      |                 |
| Miscellaneous overhead                              | 2.70      |                 |
| Rent - 40% 'or 5 ton @ \$30. less 40% or fertilizer | 57.60     | \$67.80         |
| <b>TOTAL COST PER ACRE</b>                          |           | <b>\$133.45</b> |
| <b>COST PER TON @ 5 TON YIELD</b>                   |           | <b>\$ 26.69</b> |

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