Cost Budget

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Florida Flatwoods Digitgrass, Stargrass, Bermudagrass

Establishment Costs, 2003 On Native Flatwoods ¹

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Item	Unit	Quantity	Price		Value		Your Farm
Operating Costs							
Custom Stump Removal	Acre	1.00		400.00	\$	400.00	
Dolomite ^{2,3}	Ton	2.00		35.00	\$	70.00	
N-P ₂ O ₅ -K ₂ O (16-8-16) ^{2,4}	Cwt	3.00		11.00	\$	33.00	
Nitrogen ^{2,5}	Cwt	0.50		36.00		\$18.00	
Micronutrients ⁶	Lbs	20.20		0.50	\$	10.10	
Planting ⁷	Acre	1.00		81.25	\$	81.25	
Herbicide ⁸	Gals	0.25		24.50	\$	6.13	
Tractors and Machinery							
Disking ⁹	Acre	1.00		29.72		\$29.72	
Plowing	Acre	1.00		30.32	\$	30.32	
Spraying	Acre	1.00		8.28	\$	8.28	
Labor	Hour	1.01		6.50	\$	6.57	
Interest on Operating Capital	Dollar	\$ 618.48		0.10	\$	61.85	
Total Operating Costs					\$	755.21	
Ownership Costs							
Return to Management	Acre	1.00	\$	73.83	\$	73.83	
Machinery							
Discs	Acre	1.00	\$	3.02	\$	3.02	
Plows	Acre	1.00	\$	3.83	\$	3.83	
Sprayers	Acre	1.00	\$	0.66	\$	0.66	
Tractors							
60-80 hp	Acre	1.00	\$	1.95	\$	1.95	
100 + hp	Acre	1.00	\$	14.47	\$	14.47	
Overhead	Acre	1.00	\$	184.58	\$	184.58	
Land Rent	Acre	1.00	\$	20.00	\$	20.00	
Total Ownership Costs					\$	302.34	

TOTAL COSTS \$ 1,057.55

Notes: 1. Dry matter yield in establishment year expected at 2.5 ton/acre

- 2. Fertilizer and dolomite costs include custom spreading
- 3. Apply in a split application with soil incorporation following each application. Bring soil 6.0 pH with knowledge target pH is 5.5
- 4. 7 days after planting. 50# of N can be obtain thru ammonium Nitrate.
- 5. 35 days after planting 50# of N can be obtain thru Ammonium Nitrate or Ammonium Sulfate
- 6. Includes 5# each of elemental Zn, Mn, Cu, and Fe from a sulfate source 0.2# of B and 5# of S
- 7. Cost of vegetative planting includes the plant material and planting crew.
- 8. Use 1 lb per acre Weedmaster ® 7 to 10 days post planting.
- 9. Disc 3-4 times following land clearing and plowing.

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