

## Cost Budget

### Florida Flatwoods Bahiagrass Annual Growing Costs, 2003 <sup>1</sup>

Item	Unit	Quantity	Price	Value	1 Acre Your Farm
<b>Operating Costs</b>					
Dolomite <sup>2, 3</sup>	Acre	0.20	35.00	\$ 7.00	_____
Nitrogen <sup>3, 4, 5</sup>	CWT	1.00	36.00	\$ 36.00	_____
Herbicide <sup>6</sup>	Quart	0.75	6.13	\$ 4.60	_____
Tractors and Machinery	Acre	1.00	8.14	\$ 8.14	_____
Labor	Hour	0.12	6.50	\$ 0.78	_____
Interest on Operating Capital	Dollar	\$ 43.00	0.10	\$ 4.30	_____
Total Operating Costs				\$ 60.82	_____
<b>Ownership Costs</b>					
Return to Management	Acre	1.00	\$ 6.85	\$ 6.85	_____
Machinery					_____
Sprayer	Acre	1.00	\$ 0.66	\$ 0.66	_____
Tractors and Machinery					_____
60-80 hp	Acre	1.00	\$ 1.36	\$ 1.36	_____
Overhead	Acre	1.00	\$ 17.12	\$ 17.12	_____
Land Rent	Acre	1.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00	_____
Total Ownership Costs				\$ 45.99	_____
<b>TOTAL COSTS</b>				<b>\$ 106.81</b>	_____

Notes: 1. Dry matter yield in post-establishment year expected at 5.0 ton/acre

2. Based on application of 1 ton/acre every 5 years

Soil test may indicate the need to lime more or less frequently

Lime to pH of 5.5 with knowledge that pH of 5.0 is target

3. Fertilizer and dolomite costs include custom spreading

4. 50# of N/acre applied in February, 50# N/acre applied in late August

5. Can be obtained from Ammonium Nitrate or Ammonium Sulfate

6. 1.5quart per acre of Weedmaster ® every 2 years

Note: If a mixed fertilizer is used containing N, then 2.0 lb/acre of elemental Fe (sulfate form) should be used annually.

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