

Practice: 328 - Conservation Crop Rotation

Scenario: #1 - Agronomic Rotation

Scenario Description: In this region this practice may be part of a conservation management system to: 1) Reduce sheet and rill erosion 2) Reduce soil erosion from wind 3) Maintain or improve soil organic matter 4) Manage the balance of plant nutrient 5) Improve water use efficiency 6) Manage plant pests (weeds, insects, and diseases). 7) Provide food for domestic livestock and 8) Provide food and cover for wildlife. This practice payment is provided to acquire the technical knowledge and skills necessary to effectively implement a conservation crop rotation on a typical 25 ac. cropland farm. No foregone income. Cost represents typical situations for conventional (non-organic) producers.

Before Situation: The rotation consists primarily of low residue producing row crops. Fields range from nearly flat to C and D slopes. Erosion, soil quality, and pest management are the primary concerns.

After Situation: A rotation is establish that provides additional high residue and/or perennial crops that reduce erosion, improve soil quality, and break pest cycles.

Scenario Feature Measure: Area planted

Scenario Unit: Acre

Scenario Typical Size: 25

Total Scenario Cost: \$654.18

Scenario Cost/Unit: \$26.17

Cost Details

Component Name	Id	Description	Unit	Cost	Qty	Total
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Labor

Supervisor or Manager	234	Labor involving supervision or management activities. Includes crew supervisors, foremen and farm/ranch managers time required for adopting new technology, etc.	Hour	\$43.61	15	\$654.18
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Scenario: #3 - Organic Rotation

Scenario Description: In this region this practice may be part of a conservation management system to: 1) Reduce sheet and rill erosion 2) Reduce soil erosion from wind 3) Maintain or improve soil organic matter 4) Manage the balance of plant nutrients 5) Improve water use efficiency 6) Manage plant pests (weeds, insects, and diseases). 7) Provide food for domestic livestock and 8) Provide food and cover for wildlife. This practice payment is provided to acquire the technical knowledge and skills necessary to effectively implement a conservation crop rotation on a typical 25 cropland farm. No foregone income.

Before Situation: The rotation consists primarily of low residue and conventionally produced row crops. Fields range from nearly flat to C and D slopes. Erosion, soil quality, and pest management are the primary concerns.

After Situation: The rotation established adds higher residue crop(s) to the rotation that reduce erosion, improve soil quality, and break pest cycles.

Scenario Feature Measure: Area planted

Scenario Unit: Acre

Scenario Typical Size: 25

Total Scenario Cost: \$1,308.35

Scenario Cost/Unit: \$52.33

Cost Details

Component Name	Id	Description	Unit	Cost	Qty	Total
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Labor

Supervisor or Manager	234	Labor involving supervision or management activities. Includes crew supervisors, foremen and farm/ranch managers time required for adopting new technology, etc.	Hour	\$43.61	30	\$1,308.35
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Scenario: #4 - Specialty Crops

Scenario Description: In this region a rotation of specialty crops (fruits and vegetable) are produced as part of a conservation management system to: 1) Reduce sheet and rill erosion 2) Reduce soil erosion from wind 3) Maintain or improve soil organic matter 4) Manage the balance of plant nutrients 5) Improve water use efficiency, and 6) Manage plant pests (weeds, insects, and diseases). This practice payment is provided to acquire the technical knowledge and skills necessary to effectively implement a conservation crop rotation on a typical 15 acre specialty crop farm. No foregone income. Cost represents typical situations for conventional (non-organic) producers.

Before Situation: This rotation consisted of growing specialty crops. Fields range from nearly flat to B and C slopes. Erosion, soil quality, and pest management are the primary concerns.

After Situation: The rotation established adds higher residue crop(s) to the rotation that reduce erosion, improve soil quality, and break pest cycles.

Scenario Feature Measure: Area planted

Scenario Unit: Acre

Scenario Typical Size: 15

Total Scenario Cost: \$1,744.47

Scenario Cost/Unit: \$116.30

Cost Details

Component Name	Id	Description	Unit	Cost	Qty	Total
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Labor

Supervisor or Manager	234	Labor involving supervision or management activities. Includes crew supervisors, foremen and farm/ranch managers time required for adopting new technology, etc.	Hour	\$43.61	40	\$1,744.47
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Scenario: #5 - Organic Specialty Crops

Scenario Description: In this region a rotation of specialty crops (fruits and vegetable) are produced as part of a conservation management system to: 1) Reduce sheet and rill erosion 2) Reduce soil erosion from wind 3) Maintain or improve soil organic matter 4) Manage the balance of plant nutrient 5) Improve water use efficiency, and 6) Manage plant pests (weeds, insects, and diseases). This practice payment is provided to acquire the technical knowledge and skills necessary to effectively implement a conservation crop rotation on a typical 5 acre specialty crop farm. No foregone income.

Before Situation: This rotation consisted of growing specialty crops. Fields range from nearly flat to B and C slopes. Erosion, soil quality, and pest management are the primary concerns.

After Situation: The rotation established adds higher residue crop(s) to the rotation that reduce erosion, improve soil quality, and break pest cycles.

Scenario Feature Measure: Area planted

Scenario Unit: Acre

Scenario Typical Size: 5

Total Scenario Cost: \$1,744.47

Scenario Cost/Unit: \$348.89

Cost Details

Component Name	Id	Description	Unit	Cost	Qty	Total
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Labor

Supervisor or Manager	234	Labor involving supervision or management activities. Includes crew supervisors, foremen and farm/ranch managers time required for adopting new technology, etc.	Hour	\$43.61	40	\$1,744.47
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