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Scenario #1 - Center Pivot System

**Scenario Description:**

Installation of a low pressure center pivot system. Resource concerns include: Soil Erosion (Concentrated flow erosion e.g. irrigation induced), Insufficient Water (Inefficient use of irrigation water), Water Quality Degradation (Excess nutrients in surface and groundwater, Excessive salts in surface and ground waters, Excess pathogens and chemicals from manure, bio-solids or compost applications).Associated Practices: Irrigation Pipeline (430), Pumping Plant (533), Irrigation Water Management (449)

**Before Situation:**

A 160 acre field is flood irrigated. Application of irrigation water is inefficient and non-uniform. Irrigation water is typically over-applied in some parts of the field, and under-applied in others. Deep percolation from the excess irrigation delivers excess nutrients salts, and chemicals to groundwater. Runoff from the field contains excess nutrients and degrades the receiving waters. Irrigation-induced erosion is excessive.

**After Situation:**

The existing surface irrigation system is converted to a low pressure center pivot. Corners are converted to non-irrigated cropland. The pivot is 1300 feet in length with pressure regulators and low pressure sprinklers on drops. The new irrigation system has a coefficient of uniformity of 85% or more. Irrigation water is efficiently and uniformly applied to maintain adequate soil water for the desired level of plant growth. Deep percolation and field runoff is eliminated and there are no excess nutrients, salts or pathogens delivered to the receiving waters. Irrigation-induced runoff is eliminated.This center pivot scenario includes all hardware from the pivot point, including the concrete pad the pivot is placed on.

**Feature Measure:** Length of Center Pivot Lateral

**Scenario Unit::** Foot

**Scenario Typical Size:** 1300

**Total Scenario Cost:** \$98,683.21

**Scenario Cost/Unit:** \$75.91

**Cost Details:**

Component Name	ID	Description	Unit	Cost	QTY	Total
<b>Materials</b>						
Irrigation, Center pivot system with appurtenances, fixed cost portion	317	Fixed cost portion of the center pivot system with appurtenances. This portion includes the following items: pivot point, pipe, towers, pad, controls, sprinklers, installation.	Each	\$6,441.55	1	\$6,441.55
Irrigation, Center pivot system with appurtenances, variable cost portion	318	Variable cost portion of the center pivot system with appurtenances. This portion includes the following items: pivot point, pipe, towers, pad, controls, sprinklers, installation.	Foot	\$70.54	1300	\$91,702.00
<b>Mobilization</b>						
Mobilization, very small equipment	1137	Equipment that is small enough to be transported by a pick-up truck with typical weights less than 3,500 pounds. Can be multiple pieces of equipment if all hauled simultaneously.	Each	\$58.39	2	\$116.78
Mobilization, medium equipment	1139	Equipment with 70-150 HP or typical weights between 14,000 and 30,000 pounds.	Each	\$211.44	2	\$422.88

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Scenario #2 - Linear Move System

**Scenario Description:**

Installation of a linear or lateral move sprinkler system with sprinklers on drops with or without drag hoses to improve irrigation efficiency and reduce soil erosion. Resource concerns include: Soil Erosion (Concentrated flow erosion e.g. irrigation-induced), Insufficient Water (Inefficient use of irrigation water), Water Quality Degradation (Excess nutrients in surface and groundwater, Excessive salts in surface and groundwater, Excess pathogens and chemicals from manure, bio-solids or compost applications), Inefficient Energy Use (Equipment and facilities, e.g., pumping) Associated Practices: Irrigation Pipeline (430), Pumping Plant (533), Irrigation Water Management (449) Payment rate is figured per foot of installed hardware length.

**Before Situation:**

A 76 acre field is flood irrigated. Application of irrigation water is inefficient and non-uniform. Irrigation water is typically over-applied in some parts of the field, and under-applied in others. Deep percolation from the excess irrigation delivers excess nutrients salts, and chemicals to groundwater. Runoff from the field contains excess nutrients and degrades the receiving waters. Irrigated-induced erosion is excessive.

**After Situation:**

A typical unit is approximately 76 acres in size with the sprinkler system up to 1280 feet in length with drop tubes that have a minimum of 30" spacing. The new irrigation system has a coefficient of uniformity 85% or more. Irrigation water is efficiently and uniformly applied to maintain adequate soil water for the desired level of plant growth. Deep percolation and field runoff is eliminated and there are no excess nutrients, salts or pathogens delivered to the receiving waters. Irrigation-induced runoff is eliminated.

**Feature Measure:** Length of Linear Move Lateral

**Scenario Unit::** Foot

**Scenario Typical Size:** 1280

**Total Scenario Cost:** \$126,753.62

**Scenario Cost/Unit:** \$99.03

**Cost Details:**

Component Name	ID	Description	Unit	Cost	QTY	Total
<b>Materials</b>						
Linear Move System with appurtenances	322	Linear/lateral move system including: central tower, lateral towers, pipes, sprinklers, controllers, installation.	Acre	\$1,660.71	76	\$126,213.96
<b>Mobilization</b>						
Mobilization, very small equipment	1137	Equipment that is small enough to be transported by a pick-up truck with typical weights less than 3,500 pounds. Can be multiple pieces of equipment if all hauled simultaneously.	Each	\$58.39	2	\$116.78
Mobilization, medium equipment	1139	Equipment with 70-150 HP or typical weights between 14,000 and 30,000 pounds.	Each	\$211.44	2	\$422.88

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Scenario #5 - Traveling Gun System, Less than 2 Inch Hose

**Scenario Description:**

A portable small gun system used to apply irrigation water on small fields. A small traveling gun irrigation system is installed to apply water uniformly and at an acceptable application rate operated under pressure to effectively irrigate less than 5 acres. The irrigation system is installed with all necessary appurtenances. Resource concerns: Soil Erosion (Concentrated flow erosion, e.g. overflowing waste storage) and Water Quality Degradation (Excess nutrients in surface and groundwater, Excessive salts in surface and ground waters, Excess pathogens and chemicals from liquid manure) Associated Practices: Irrigation Pipeline (430), Pumping Plant (533), Irrigation Water Management (449), Conservation Crop Rotation (328), Cover Crop (340), Nutrient Management (590), Waste Utilization (633), Manure Transfer (634)

**Before Situation:**

An existing traveling gun on a 5 acre field is inefficient and is not applying water uniformly or not at an acceptable application rate. Excess applied water causes irrigation induced erosion, runoff and deep percolation. The runoff and deep percolation degrade the receiving waters.

**After Situation:**

A small traveling gun irrigation system is installed to irrigate 5 acres based on the determined spacing needs. Irrigation is applied efficiently and uniformly to maintain adequate soil water for plant growth without causing excessive water loss, erosion, or water quality degradation The irrigation system is installed with all necessary appurtenances.

**Feature Measure:** Number of Traveling Gun Systems

**Scenario Unit::** Each

**Scenario Typical Size:** 1

**Total Scenario Cost:** \$13,038.26

**Scenario Cost/Unit:** \$13,038.26

**Cost Details:**

Component Name	ID	Description	Unit	Cost	QTY	Total
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**Materials**

Irrigation, Traveling Gun System with <= 2" Nominal size hose, and appurtenances light duty	1478	Irrigation, Traveling Gun System with <= 2" Nominal size hose with appurtenances. This includes the sprinkler gun, traveler cart, hard hose, reel, connections, controls, and installation. Normal hose length 500'	Inch Diameter	\$8,692.17	1.5	\$13,038.26
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Scenario #6 - Traveling Gun System, 2 Inch - 3 Inch Hose

**Scenario Description:**

A portable big gun system used to apply waste water from animal feeding operations. This traveling big gun unit includes a sprinkler, towable cart, 1000' or more of PE hard hose, a self-propelled reel that moves the sprinkler toward the reel during operation. The reel attaches to a mainline with an appropriately-designed towpath width. The scenario describes an irrigation system that is typical to confined animal feeding operations. Resource concerns: Soil Erosion (Concentrated flow erosion, e.g., overflowing waste storage) and Water Quality Degradation (Excess nutrients in surface and groundwater, Excessive salts in surface and groundwater, Excess pathogens and chemicals from liquid manure) Associated Practices: Irrigation Pipeline (430), Pumping Plant (533), Irrigation Water Management (449), Conservation Crop Rotation (328), Cover Crop (340), Nutrient Management (590), Waste Utilization (633), Manure Transfer (634)

**Before Situation:**

A confined, animal operation has a waste management system that exceeds its capacity, or a operation that does not have a waste management system in place. The inefficiency of the existing system or the lack of a waste management system has a negative impact on the soil and water quality. Animal waste runs off and degrades the receiving waters.

**After Situation:**

The big gun applies animal manure in an appropriate quantity and location that eliminates both runoff of the manure and deep percolation of excess nutrients, salts, and pathogens. The big gun system is typically located on 50 acres or less of hay/pasture land, or 100 acres or less of cropland. The system includes a large irrigation gun with 1" to ½" orifice mounted onto a movable cart. 1000' or more flexible 3" PE pipe is attached to the cart on one end and a large reel on the other end. The reel serves as storage for the pipe as the cart moves back to the reel. The reel is turned by a small engine which gradually pulls the flexible pipe and cart back to the reel/base.

**Feature Measure:** Number of Traveling Gun Systems

**Scenario Unit::** Each

**Scenario Typical Size:** 1

**Total Scenario Cost:** \$23,425.92

**Scenario Cost/Unit:** \$23,425.92

**Cost Details:**

Component Name	ID	Description	Unit	Cost	QTY	Total
<b>Materials</b>						
Irrigation, Traveling Gun System, > 2" to 3 " Nominal size hose	1479	Irrigation, Traveling Gun System with 2.3 to 3 " Nominal size hose with appurtenances. This includes the sprinkler gun, traveler cart, hard hose, reel, connections, controls, and installation. Normal hose length 1000'.	Inch Diameter	\$7,808.64	3	\$23,425.92

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Scenario #7 - Traveling Gun System, Greater Than 3 Inch Hose

**Scenario Description:**

A portable big gun system used to apply waste water from animal feeding operations. This traveling big gun unit includes a sprinkler, towable cart, 1200' or more of PE hard hose, a self-propelled reel that moves the sprinkler toward the reel during operation. The reel attaches to a mainline with appropriately designed towpath width. The scenario describes an irrigation system that is typical to confined animal feeding operations. Resource concerns: Soil Erosion (Concentrated flow erosion, e.g., overflowing waste storage) and Water Quality Degradation (Excess nutrients in surface and ground waters, Excessive salts in surface and groundwater, Excess pathogens and chemicals from liquid manure) Associated Practices: Irrigation Pipeline (430), Pumping Plant (533), Irrigation Water Management (449), Conservation Crop Rotation (328), Cover Crop (340), Nutrient Management (590), Waste Utilization (633), Manure Transfer (634)

**Before Situation:**

A confined, animal operation has a waste management system that exceeds its capacity, or a operation that does not have a waste management system in place. The inefficiency of the existing system or the lack of a waste management system has a negative impact on the soil and water quality. Animal waste runs off and degrades the receiving waters.

**After Situation:**

The big gun applies animal manure in an appropriate quantity and location that eliminates both runoff of the manure and deep percolation of excess nutrients, salts, and pathogens. The big gun system is typically located on 50 acres or less of hay/pasture land, or 100 acres or less of cropland. The system includes a large irrigation gun with 1" t ½" orifice mounted onto a movable cart. 1200' or more flexible 4" PE pipe is attached to the cart on one end and a large reel on the other end. The reel serves as storage are for the pipe as the cart moves back to the reel. The reel is turned by a small engine which gradually pulls the flexible pipe and cart back to the reel/base.

**Feature Measure:** Number of Traveling Gun Systems

**Scenario Unit::** Each

**Scenario Typical Size:** 1

**Total Scenario Cost:** \$46,349.79

**Scenario Cost/Unit:** \$46,349.79

**Cost Details:**

Component Name	ID	Description	Unit	Cost	QTY	Total
<b>Materials</b>						
Irrigation, Traveling Gun System, > 3" Nominal size hose	1762	Irrigation, Traveling Gun System with > 3" Nominal size hose with appurtenances. This includes the sprinkler gun, traveler cart, hard hose, reel, connections, controls, and installation. Normal hose length 1300'	Each	\$46,349.79	1	\$46,349.79

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Scenario #8 - Conventional Conversion of Existing Sprinkler System

**Scenario Description:**

The scenario involves converting a conventional center pivot or linear move irrigation system having high pressure spray bodies located high above the ground, to a conventional low-pressure system center pivot or linear move system. These systems will improve uniformity, application efficiency, and reduce energy use. This scenario is intended for cropland areas where the objective is water conservation. A typical installation assumes a 1300 LF span. Resource concerns include: Soil Erosion (Concentrated flow erosion e.g. irrigation induced), Insufficient Water (Inefficient use of irrigation water), Water Quality Degradation (Excess nutrients in surface and groundwater, Excessive salts in surface and ground waters, Excess pathogens and chemicals from manure, bio-solids or compost applications). Associated Practices: Irrigation Pipeline (430), Pumping Plant (533), Irrigation Water Management (449)

**Before Situation:**

A center pivot or lateral move system has wide spaced, high pressure sprinklers. The spray pads and nozzles are worn and water is applied non-uniformly. Wind drift and evaporation is excessive. Deep percolation in some parts of the field degrades groundwater quality. Water runs off the field and degrades the receiving waters. The runoff from the field causes soil erosion. The high pressure requirement for the system requires excess energy use.

**After Situation:**

A Center Pivot or Linear Move sprinkler system with a span of 1300 linear feet is converted to close spaced drops and fitted with low-pressure nozzles. The irrigation water is applied efficiently and uniformly to maintain adequate soil moisture for optimum plant growth. Runoff and deep percolation are eliminated, and surface and groundwater are no longer degraded. Irrigation-induced soil erosion caused by runoff is also eliminated. Lower pressure requirements of the sprinklers reduce the energy used by the pump.

Feature Measure: Linear Feet

Scenario Unit:: Foot

Scenario Typical Size: 1300

Total Scenario Cost: \$20,072.94

Scenario Cost/Unit: \$15.44

**Cost Details:**

Component Name	ID	Description	Unit	Cost	QTY	Total
<b>Equipment Installation</b>						
Aerial lift, telescoping bucket	1893	Aerial lift, bucket truck or cherry picker, typical 40' boom. Equipment only.	Hour	\$34.87	30	\$1,046.10
<b>Labor</b>						
General Labor	231	Labor performed using basic tools such as power tool, shovels, and other tools that do not require extensive training. Ex. pipe layer, herder, concrete placement, materials spreader, flagger, etc.	Hour	\$19.35	30	\$580.50
Equipment Operators, Light	232	Includes: Skid Steer Loaders, Hydraulic Excavators <50 HP, Trenchers <12", Ag Equipment <150 HP, Pickup Trucks, Forklifts, Mulchers	Hour	\$21.53	30	\$645.90
<b>Materials</b>						
Irrigation, Sprinkler Package, Renozzle or Retrofit, with drops and pressure regulators	1480	Sprinkler Package - Renovation including sprinkler nozzle addition, and/or replacement, including new pressure regulators and drops.	Foot	\$13.53	1300	\$17,589.00
<b>Mobilization</b>						
Mobilization, medium equipment	1139	Equipment with 70-150 HP or typical weights between 14,000 and 30,000 pounds.	Each	\$211.44	1	\$211.44