2015 Projected Crop Cost and Return Estimates, Cibola County

10-Acre Part-Time Farms

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Cost and return estimates for irrigated crops in Cibola County are presented in this report. These estimates were gathered from a panel of local producers, state and federal agency personnel, and others interested in crop production. They are estimates for a representative farm with above-average management. These estimates will not fit any particular farm and should be adjusted to match individual businesses and operating conditions.

The representative part-time farm contains 10 acres. The crops grown are alfalfa, permanent pasture and corn.

Primary Information Tables

Table 1 lists acreage summery.

Table 2 lists the basic cost assumptions for primary inputs.

Table 3 shows overhead cost information.

Table 4 lists the machinery complement for this representative farm. It also lists the hours of annual use, number, current market value and associated costs for each item. All machinery is assumed to be used; large tractor units are approximately one to seven years old; small tractor units average about 15 to 20 years of age; tillage, irrigation and miscellaneous equipment is seven years old on average; and harvest and planting equipment and trucks were assumed to be about five years old.

Individual Crop Estimates

Tables 5 through 9 are the cost and return estimates for the individual crops. Definitions and methods are explained on the back side of this page.

Summaries

Table 10 is a side-by-side summary of the individual crop estimates. Table 11 pulls together all of the individual estimates into a whole-farm summary.

Further Explanation and Other Estimates

The final two pages of this report provide a glossary of the terms used and a few ideas about how to modify these budgets to better fit your farm.

Contact your County Extension Agent or an Extension Farm Management Specialist at NMSU for a complete list of available crop cost and return estimates.

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